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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

X QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from to

Commission file number 1-14536

PartnerRe Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda (State of incorporation)

Not Applicable (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

90 Pitts Bay Road, Pembroke, HM08, Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(441) 292-0888

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer "Smaller reporting company"

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes "No x

The number of the registrant s common shares (par value \$1.00 per share) outstanding, net of treasury shares, as of November 1, 2011 was 67,750,164

PartnerRe Ltd.

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of PartnerRe Ltd.

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet of PartnerRe Ltd. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of September 30, 2011, and the related condensed consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss) for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, and of shareholders equity, and of cash flows for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. These interim condensed consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company s management.

We conducted our reviews in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to such condensed consolidated interim financial statements for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have previously audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of PartnerRe Ltd. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2010 and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, shareholders—equity, and of cash flows for the year then ended (not presented herein); and in our report dated February 28, 2011, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2010 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated balance sheet from which it has been derived.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche Ltd.
Deloitte & Touche Ltd.

Hamilton, Bermuda

November 3, 2011

PartnerRe Ltd.

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, except parenthetical share and per share data)

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
Assets		
Investments:		
Fixed maturities, trading securities, at fair value (amortized cost: 2011, \$13,754,316; 2010, \$12,394,797)	\$ 14,356,056	\$ 12,824,389
Short-term investments, trading securities, at fair value (amortized cost: 2011, \$97,628; 2010, \$49,132)	97,661	49,397
Equities, trading securities, at fair value (cost: 2011, \$1,031,364; 2010, \$942,745)	1,001,148	1,071,676
Other invested assets	334,991	352,405
Total investments	15,789,856	14,297,867
Funds held directly managed (cost: 2011, \$1,294,459; 2010, \$1,751,276)	1,322,761	1,772,118
Cash and cash equivalents, at fair value, which approximates amortized cost	1,073,432	2,111,084
Accrued investment income	198,503	201,928
Reinsurance balances receivable	2,313,538	2,076,884
Reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid losses	447,015	382,878
Funds held by reinsured companies	814,950	937,032
Deferred acquisition costs	602,275	595,557
Deposit assets	235,470	256,702
Net tax assets	38,532	14,960
Goodwill	455,533	455,533
Intangible assets	142,760	178,715
Other assets	184,488	83,113
Total assets	\$ 23,619,113	\$ 23,364,371
Liabilities		
Unpaid losses and loss expenses	\$ 11,352,599	\$ 10,666,604
Policy benefits for life and annuity contracts	1,678,201	1,750,410
Unearned premiums	1,787,351	1,599,139
Other reinsurance balances payable	493,926	491,194
Deposit liabilities	244,775	268,239
Net tax liabilities	339,031	316,325
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other	194,558	244,552
Debt related to senior notes	750,000	750,000
Debt related to capital efficient notes	70,989	70,989
Total liabilities	16,911,430	16,157,452
Shareholders Equity	04 504	04.022
Common shares (par value \$1.00; issued: 2011, 84,580,948 shares; 2010, 84,033,089 shares) Preferred shares (par value \$1.00; issued and outstanding: 2011, 35,750,000 shares; 2010, 20,800,000	84,581	84,033
shares; aggregate liquidation value: 2011, \$893,750; 2010, \$520,000)	35,750	20,800
Additional paid-in capital	3,796,410	3,419,864
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income:		
	5,227	16,101
Currency translation adjustment	3,441	10,101
Currency translation adjustment Other accumulated comprehensive loss (net of tax of: 2011, \$5,483; 2010, \$4,872)	(13,094)	(12,045)

Common shares held in treasury, at cost (2011, 16,831,534 shares; 2010, 14,046,895 shares)	(1,309,715)	(1,083,012)
Total shareholders equity	6,707,683	7,206,919
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 23,619,113	\$ 23,364,371

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

PartnerRe Ltd.

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss)

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share data)

	m	or the three onths ended optember 30, 2011	m	or the three onths ended ptember 30, 2010	m	for the nine onths ended ptember 30, 2011	m	or the nine onths ended ptember 30, 2010
Revenues								
Gross premiums written	\$	1,095,326	\$	1,008,464	\$	3,735,091	\$	4,057,965
Net premiums written	\$	1,079,557	\$	987,612	\$	3,606,444	\$	3,884,511
Decrease (increase) in unearned premiums		214,762		325,802		(140,091)		(312,687)
Net premiums earned		1,294,319		1,313,414		3,466,353		3,571,824
Net investment income		163,647		164,402		473,608		511,978
Net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses)		26,139		293,164		(7,860)		484,683
Other income		1,434		3,363		4,843		5,391
Total revenues		1,485,539		1,774,343		3,936,944		4,573,876
Expenses								
Losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits		881,626		748,879		3,303,366		2,465,847
Acquisition costs		262,489		261,668		699,589		725,919
Other operating expenses		103,822		118,221		321,813		406,506
Interest expense		12,216		12,297		36,730		32,232
Amortization of intangible assets		9,520		10,003		27,512		22,639
Net foreign exchange (gains) losses		(10,587)		27,074		(20,020)		12,426
Total expenses		1,259,086		1,178,142		4,368,990		3,665,569
Income (loss) before taxes and interest in (losses) earnings of equity				7 0 < 2 0 4		(122.016)		
investments		226,453		596,201		(432,046)		908,307
Income tax expense		41,803		72,576		65,632		117,892
Interest in (losses) earnings of equity investments		(4,527)		1,312		(4,970)		5,103
Net income (loss)		180,123		524,937		(502,648)		795,518
Preferred dividends		14,352		8,631		31,614		25,894
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$	165,771	\$	516,306	\$	(534,262)	\$	769,624
Comprehensive income (loss)								
Net income (loss)	\$	180,123	\$	524,937	\$	(502,648)	\$	795,518
Change in currency translation adjustment		(54,958)		107,572		(10,874)		(66,506)
Change in other accumulated comprehensive income (loss), net of								
tax		1,106		(1,260)		(1,049)		(6,514)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	126,271	\$	631,249	\$	(514,571)	\$	722,498

Per share data

Net income (loss) per common share:

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Basic net income (loss)	\$	2.45	\$	6.86	\$	(7.88)	\$	9.86
Diluted net income (loss)	\$	2.43	\$	6.76	\$	(7.88)	\$	9.68
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	67,	743,296	75	,238,329	67	7,788,427	78	,076,561
Weighted average number of common shares and common share								
equivalents outstanding	68,181,982		76,428,460		67	7,788,427	79	,494,247
Dividends declared per common share	\$	0.60	\$	0.50	\$	1.75	\$	1.50

See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Shareholders Equity

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars)

	For the nine months ended September 30, 2011	For the nine months ended September 30, 2010
Common shares		
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 84,033	\$ 82,586
Issuance of common shares	548	953
Balance at end of period	84,581	83,539
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Preferred shares Balance at beginning of period	20,800	20,800
Issuance of preferred shares	14,950	20,800
issuance of preferred shares	14,930	
	25.550	20.000
Balance at end of period	35,750	20,800
Additional paid-in capital		
Balance at beginning of period	3,419,864	3,357,004
Issuance of preferred shares	346,772	
Issuance of common shares	29,774	38,563
Balance at end of period	3,796,410	3,395,567
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Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income	4.056	04.027
Balance at beginning of period	4,056	84,927
Change in currency translation adjustment	(10,874)	(66,506)
Change in other accumulated comprehensive loss, net of tax	(1,049)	(6,514)
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Balance at end of period	(7,867)	11,907
Retained earnings		
Balance at beginning of period	4,761,178	4,100,782
Net (loss) income	(502,648)	795,518
Dividends on common shares	(118,392)	(117,078)
Dividends on preferred shares	(31,614)	(25,894)
Balance at end of period	4,108,524	4,753,328
Common shares held in treasury	(1.002.012)	(272)
Balance at beginning of period	(1,083,012)	(372)
Repurchase of common shares	(226,703)	(682,476)
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Balance at end of period	(1,309,715)	(682,848)
Total shareholders equity	\$ 6,707,683	\$ 7,582,293
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See accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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PartnerRe Ltd.

Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars)

	For the nine months ended September 30, 2011	For the nine months ended September 30, 2010
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net (loss) income	\$ (502,648)	\$ 795,518
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Amortization of net premium on investments	63,268	59,766
Amortization of intangible assets	27,512	22,639
Net realized and unrealized investment losses (gains)	7,860	(484,683)
Changes in:		
Reinsurance balances, net	(228,133)	(165,012)
Reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid losses, net of ceded premiums payable	(1,923)	(2,061)
Funds held by reinsured companies and funds held directly managed	573,220	225,757
Deferred acquisition costs	8,716	(31,300)
Net tax assets and liabilities	(2,893)	(50,269)
Unpaid losses and loss expenses including life policy benefits	500,038	172,974
Unearned premiums	140,091	312,687
Other net changes in operating assets and liabilities	(1,176)	56,269
Net cash provided by operating activities	583,932	912,285
Cash flows from investing activities	- 0 40 0	7 (00 (00
Sales of fixed maturities	5,049,822	5,609,630
Redemptions of fixed maturities	967,020	962,540
Purchases of fixed maturities	(7,412,275)	(5,957,460)
Sales and redemptions of short-term investments	242,234	175,733
Purchases of short-term investments	(292,833)	(86,252)
Sales of equities	492,491	268,625
Purchases of equities	(513,525)	(485,455)
Other, net	(131,989)	(160,862)
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(1,599,055)	326,499
Cash flows from financing activities		
Cash dividends paid to shareholders	(150,006)	(142,972)
Net proceeds from issuance of preferred shares	361,722	
Repurchase of common shares	(244,222)	(682,476)
Issuance of common shares	13,219	17,487
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes	•	500,000
Contract fees on forward sale agreement		(2,638)
Repayment of debt		(200,000)
Net cash used in financing activities	(19,287)	(510,599)
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash	(3,242)	(28,772)
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(1,037,652)	699,413
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of period	2,111,084	738,309

Cash and cash equivalents end of period	\$	1,073,432	\$ 1,437,722
Supplemental cash flow information:			
Taxes paid	\$	136,188	\$ 182,335
Interest paid	•	24,630	\$ 18,365

 $See\ accompanying\ Notes\ to\ Unaudited\ Condensed\ Consolidated\ Financial\ Statements.$

PartnerRe Ltd.

Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Organization

PartnerRe Ltd. (the Company) provides reinsurance on a worldwide basis through its principal wholly-owned subsidiaries, including Partner Reinsurance Company Ltd., Partner Reinsurance Europe plc and Partner Reinsurance Company of the U.S. Risks reinsured include, but are not limited to, property, casualty, motor, agriculture, aviation/space, catastrophe, credit/surety, engineering, energy, marine, specialty property, specialty casualty, multiline and other lines, mortality, longevity and health and alternative risk products. The Company s alternative risk products include weather and credit protection to financial, industrial and service companies on a worldwide basis.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

The Company s Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions for Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. Intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. To facilitate comparison of information across periods, certain reclassifications have been made to prior year amounts to conform to the current year s presentation.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires Management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. While Management believes that the amounts included in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements reflect its best estimates and assumptions, actual results could differ from those estimates. The Company s principal estimates include:

Unpaid losses and loss expenses;
Policy benefits for life and annuity contracts;
Gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned;
Recoverability of deferred acquisition costs;
Recoverability of deferred tax assets;
Valuation of goodwill and intangible assets; and

Valuation of certain assets and derivative financial instruments that are measured using significant unobservable inputs. In the opinion of Management, all adjustments (which include normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation of results for the interim periods have been made. As the Company s reinsurance operations are exposed to low-frequency, high-severity risk events, some of which are seasonal, results for certain interim periods may include unusually low loss experience, while results for other interim periods may include significant catastrophic losses. Consequently, the Company s results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year. These Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

3. New Accounting Pronouncements

In October 2010, the FASB issued new accounting guidance clarifying that only acquisition costs related directly to the successful acquisition of new or renewal insurance contracts may be capitalized. Those acquisition costs that may be capitalized include incremental direct costs, such as commissions, and a portion of salaries and benefits of certain employees who are involved in underwriting and policy issuance, that are directly related to time spent on an acquired contract. This guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The Company does not expect the adoption of this guidance to have an impact on its consolidated shareholders equity or net income.

In May 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued new accounting guidance, which updates the existing guidance, related to fair value measurement and disclosures. The amendments clarify or change the application of certain existing requirements and also require some additional disclosures. The guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of this guidance on its disclosures.

In September 2011, the FASB issued new accounting guidance, which updates the existing guidance, related to goodwill impairment testing. The amendments revise the application of certain existing requirements to allow the option of performing a qualitative goodwill impairment assessment before calculating the fair value of reporting units, which could, depending on the results of the assessment, eliminate the need for further testing of goodwill for impairment. The guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. The Company does not expect the adoption of this guidance to have an impact on its consolidated shareholders equity or net income.

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4. Fair Value

(a) Fair Value of Financial Instrument Assets

The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value by maximizing the use of observable inputs and minimizing the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are inputs that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Company. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the Company s assumptions about what market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on the best information available in the circumstances. The level in the hierarchy within which a given fair value measurement falls is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the measurement.

The Company determines the appropriate level in the hierarchy for each financial instrument that it measures at fair value. In determining fair value, the Company uses various valuation approaches, including market, income and cost approaches. The hierarchy is broken down into three levels based on the observability of inputs as follows:

Level 1 inputs Unadjusted, quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access. The Company s financial instruments that it measures at fair value using Level 1 inputs generally include: equities listed on a major exchange, exchange traded funds and exchange traded derivatives, such as futures and certain weather derivatives that are actively traded.

Level 2 inputs Quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets and significant directly or indirectly observable inputs, other than quoted prices, used in industry accepted models.

The Company s financial instruments that it measures at fair value using Level 2 inputs generally include: U.S. Treasury bonds; U.S. Government Sponsored Entities bonds; Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Sovereign Treasury bonds; U.S. state and municipal entities bonds; investment grade and high yield corporate bonds; catastrophe bonds; mortality bonds; mortgage-backed securities; asset-backed securities; certain fixed income mutual funds; foreign exchange forward contracts and over-the-counter derivatives such as foreign currency option contracts, equity put and call options, credit default swaps, non-exchange traded futures and interest rate swaps.

Level 3 inputs Unobservable inputs.

The Company s financial instruments that it measures at fair value using Level 3 inputs generally include: unlisted equities; inactively traded fixed maturities including U.S. state and municipal entities bonds, privately issued corporate securities and special purpose financing asset-backed bonds; real estate mutual fund investments; inactively traded weather derivatives; notes and loans receivable and longevity and other total return swaps.

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The Company s financial instruments measured at fair value include investments classified as trading securities, certain other invested assets and the segregated investment portfolio underlying the funds held directly managed account. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the Company s financial instruments measured at fair value were categorized between Levels 1, 2 and 3 as follows (in thousands of U.S. dollars):

September 30, 2011	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)		Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)		Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)			Total
Fixed maturities								
U.S. government and government sponsored entities	\$		\$	1,188,082	\$		\$	1,188,082
U.S. municipals				12,321		88,845		101,166
Non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and								
government related				3,229,597				3,229,597
Corporate				6,008,083		112,047		6,120,130
Asset-backed securities				381,089		249,719		630,808
Residential mortgage-backed securities				2,999,911				2,999,911
Other mortgage-backed securities				86,362				86,362
Fixed maturities	\$		\$	13,905,445	\$	450,611	\$ 1	4,356,056
Short-term investments	\$		\$	97,661	\$	ĺ	\$	97,661
Equities				, ,,,,				, ,,,,
Consumer noncyclical	\$	145,223	\$	222	\$		\$	145,445
Energy	Ψ	89,395	Ψ.	1,214	Ψ.		· ·	90,609
Technology		90,119		1,211				90,119
Finance		80,072		747		153		80,972
Communications		75,365		39		100		75,404
Industrials		64,275		3,				64,275
Consumer cyclical		58,789		128				58,917
Insurance		35,328		356				35,684
Other		70,878		4,983				75,861
Mutual funds and exchange traded funds		41,867		235,482		6,513		283,862
Widthar funds and exchange traded funds		41,007		255,402		0,515		205,002
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Equities	\$	751,311	\$	243,171	\$	6,666	\$	1,001,148
Other invested assets								
Derivative assets	ф		ф	2 110	ф		ф	2.110
Foreign exchange forward contracts	\$		\$	3,110	\$		\$	3,110
Futures contracts				52				52
Credit default swaps (protection purchased)				158				158
Credit default swaps (assumed risks)				181		100		181
Insurance-linked securities		23				189		212
Total return swaps						6,467		6,467
Other assets						92,043		92,043
Derivative liabilities								
Foreign exchange forward contracts				(11,361)				(11,361)
Foreign currency option contracts				(13,091)				(13,091)
Futures contracts		(9,102)		(2,296)				(11,398)
Credit default swaps (protection purchased)				(1,163)				(1,163)
Credit default swaps (assumed risks)				(1,356)				(1,356)
Insurance-linked securities		(8)				(2,209)		(2,217)
Total return swaps				(478)		(12,017)		(12,495)
Interest rate swaps				(8,064)				(8,064)
Other liabilities				(2,314)				(2,314)
Other invested assets	\$	(9,087)	\$	(36,622)	\$	84,473	\$	38,764
Funds held directly managed								

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U.S. government and government sponsored entities	\$	\$ 267,046	\$	\$	267,046
U.S. municipals			334		334
Non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and					
government related		303,041			303,041
Corporate		530,899			530,899
Short-term investments		34,828			34,828
Other invested assets			17,838		17,838
Funds held directly managed	\$	\$ 1,135,814	\$ 18,172	\$	1,153,986
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Total	\$ 742,224	\$ 15,345,469	\$ 559,922	\$1	6,647,615

Prince muturnities	December 31, 2010	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)		Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)		Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)			Total
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Short-term investments	Other mortgage-backed securities				26,153		290		26,443
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Non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and government		\$		\$	288,164	\$		\$	288,164
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	related				384,553				384,553

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Corporate		798,587		798,587
Mortgage/asset-backed securities			12,118	12,118
Short-term investments		38,613		38,613
Other invested assets			20,528	20,528
Funds held directly managed	\$	\$ 1,509,917	\$ 33,014	\$ 1,542,931
Total	\$ 1,051,525	\$ 14,047,956	\$ 500,286	\$ 15,599,767

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At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the aggregate carrying amounts of items included in Other invested assets that the Company did not measure at fair value were \$296.2 million and \$241.0 million, respectively, which related to the Company s investments that are accounted for using the cost method of accounting, equity method of accounting or investment company accounting.

In addition to the investments underlying the funds held directly managed account held at fair value of \$1,154.0 million and \$1,542.9 million at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, the funds held directly managed account also included cash and cash equivalents, carried at fair value, of \$135.2 million and \$129.2 million, respectively, and accrued investment income of \$17.2 million and \$19.9 million, respectively. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the aggregate carrying amounts of items included in the funds held directly managed account that the Company did not measure at fair value were \$16.4 million and \$80.1 million, respectively, which primarily related to other assets and liabilities held by Colisée Re related to the underlying business, which are carried at cost (see Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010).

At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, substantially all of the accrued investment income in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets related to the Company s investments and the investments underlying the funds held directly managed account for which the fair value option was elected.

During the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, there were no significant transfers between Level 1 and Level 2.

Disclosures about the fair value of financial instruments that the Company does not measure at fair value exclude insurance contracts and certain other financial instruments. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the fair values of financial instrument assets recorded in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets not described above, approximate their carrying values.

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The following tables are reconciliations of the beginning and ending balances for all financial instruments measured at fair value using Level 3 inputs for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands of U.S. dollars):

For the three months ended September 30, 2011	beg	alance at ginning period	un inv gair ir	ealized and realized restment as (losses) acluded in net ncome		urchases and uances ^(a)	set	Sales and tlements ^(a)	Net transfers (out of)/into Level 3 (b)		Balance at end f period	ur in re as	hange in irealized vestment gains (losses) lating to sets held at of period
Fixed maturities	ф	07.500	ф	2 100	ф		ф	(25)	ф	ф	00.045	ф	2 100
U.S. municipals		86,782	\$	2,100	\$	105	\$	(37)		•	88,845	\$	2,100
Corporate		16,428		969		195		(5,545)			112,047		582
Asset-backed securities	2	61,843		2,005		39,159		(53,288)			249,719		4,627
Other mortgage-backed securities		1		(1)									
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Fixed maturities		65,054	\$	5,073		39,354	\$	(58,870)			450,611	\$	7,309
Short-term investments	\$	2,923	\$		\$		\$	(2,923)	\$	\$		\$	
Equities			_		_				_	_		_	(4.6)
Finance	\$	163	\$	(10)	\$		\$		\$	\$	153	\$	(10)
Mutual funds and exchange traded funds		6,542		(29)							6,513		(29)
Equities	\$	6,705	\$	(39)	\$		\$		\$	\$	6,666	\$	(39)
Other invested assets	φ	0,703	Ψ	(39)	φ		φ		Ψ	φ	0,000	φ	(33)
Derivatives, net	\$ (21,535)	\$	3,290	\$	675	\$	10,000	\$	\$	(7,570)	\$	3,290
Other		74,018	Φ	(9,391)	φ	32,808	Φ	(5,392)		Φ	92,043	Φ	(11,988)
Other		74,010		(9,391)		32,000		(3,392)			92,043		(11,900)
Other invested assets	\$	52,483	\$	(6,101)	\$	33,483	\$	4,608	\$	\$	84,473	\$	(8,698)
Funds held directly managed	Ψ.	, 100	Ψ	(0,101)	Ψ	00,100	Ψ	.,000	Ψ	Ψ	01,170	Ψ	(0,0)
U.S. municipals	\$	355	\$	(21)	\$		\$		\$	\$	334	\$	(21)
Other invested assets	-	21,720	т.	(3,882)	-		-		T	_	17,838	-	(2,954)
		,		(2,000)							.,3		(-9 •)
Funds held directly managed	\$	22,075	\$	(3,903)	\$		\$		\$	\$	18,172	\$	(2,975)
Total	\$ 5	49,240	\$	(4,970)	\$	72,837	\$	(57,185)	\$	\$	559,922	\$	(4,403)

⁽a) Purchases and issuances of derivatives includes issuances of \$nil. Sales and settlements of derivatives includes settlements of \$10.0 million.

⁽b) The Company s policy is to recognize the transfers between the hierarchy levels at the beginning of the period.

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For the three months ended September 30, 2010	period		ncome		ments		el 3 (b)	period	at en	d of period
Fixed maturities	-									
U.S. municipals	\$ 9,999	\$	533	\$		\$		\$ 10,532	\$	533
Corporate	15,437		109		856		175	16,577		109

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Asset-backed securities	225,958	(1,066)	(22,668)		202,224	(3,677)
Other mortgage-backed securities	854	(25)	(275)		554	(25)
Fixed maturities	\$ 252,248	\$ (449)	\$ (22,087)	\$ 175	\$ 229,887	\$ (3,060)
Equities	, .	(-)	, (),,,,,		, ,,,,,,,,	(= , = = -)
Finance	\$ 2,115	\$ 313	\$	\$	\$ 2,428	\$ 313
Mutual funds and exchange traded funds	39,612	643			40,255	643
Equities	\$ 41,727	\$ 956	\$	\$	\$ 42,683	\$ 956
Other invested assets	, ,,,,				, ,,,,,,,,	
Derivatives, net	\$ (14,579)	\$ 10,011	\$ (2,000)	\$	\$ (6,568)	\$ 9,023
Other	50,289	(1,580)	30,162		78,871	(1,580)
Other invested assets	\$ 35,710	\$ 8,431	\$ 28,162	\$	\$ 72,303	\$ 7,443
Funds held directly managed		ĺ				ĺ
U.S. municipals	\$ 357	\$ 12	\$	\$	\$ 369	\$ 12
Mortgage/asset-backed securities	12,577	(319)			12,258	(319)
Other invested assets	26,825	4,063			30,888	4,063
Funds held directly managed	\$ 39,759	\$ 3,756	\$	\$	\$ 43,515	\$ 3,756
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Total	\$ 369,444	\$ 12,694	\$ 6,075	\$ 175	\$ 388,388	\$ 9,095

The following tables are reconciliations of the beginning and ending balances for all financial instruments measured at fair value using Level 3 inputs for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in thousands of U.S. dollars):

		Realized and					Change in unrealized
		unrealized					investment
		investment					gains (losses)
	Balance	gains (losses)		Sales	Net		relating to
	at	included	Purchases		transfers	Balance	assets held
For the nine months anded Contember 20, 2011	beginning of period	in net loss	and issuances ^(a)	and settlements ^(a)	into Level 3 ^(b)	at end of period	at end of period
For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 Fixed maturities	or period	net ioss	issuances(a)	settlements(a)	Level 5 (b)	or periou	ena or perioa
U.S. municipals	\$ 55,124	\$ 3,724	\$ 30,064	\$ (67)	\$	\$ 88,845	\$ 3,724
Corporate	76,982	(36,097)	41.073	(10,091)	40,180	112,047	2,949
Asset-backed securities	213,139	12,683	140,803	(116,906)	40,100	249,719	12,885
Residential mortgage-backed securities	213,139	1,385	4,212	(5,597)		249,719	12,005
Other mortgage-backed securities	290	(225)	408	(473)			
Other mortgage-backed securities	270	(223)	400	(473)			
Fixed maturities	\$ 245 525	¢ (10.530)	¢ 217 570	A (122 124)	\$ 40.100	¢ 450 (11	6 10.550
Short-term investments	\$ 345,535	\$ (18,530)	\$ 216,560	\$ (133,134)	\$ 40,180	\$ 450,611	\$ 19,558
	\$	\$ (1,069)	\$ 3,992	\$ (2,923)	\$	\$	\$
Equities	d 2.40 <i>C</i>	¢ 220	ф	ф (2.5 (2)	ф	d 153	Φ 2
Finance	\$ 2,486	\$ 229	\$	\$ (2,562)	Þ	\$ 153	\$ 3
Mutual funds and exchange traded funds	40,927	1,213		(35,627)		6,513	(411)
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Equities	\$ 43,413	\$ 1,442	\$	\$ (38,189)	\$	\$ 6,666	\$ (408)
Other invested assets			+		_	+	
Derivatives, net	\$ (7,954)	, ,	\$ (4,103)	. ,	\$	\$ (7,570)	
Other	86,278	(12,598)	39,356	(20,993)		92,043	(14,485)
Other invested assets	\$ 78,324	\$ (18,111)	\$ 35,253	\$ (10,993)	\$	\$ 84,473	\$ (10,695)
Funds held directly managed							
U.S. municipals	\$ 368	\$ (34)	\$	\$	\$	\$ 334	\$ (34)
Mortgage/asset-backed securities	12,118	(150)		(11,968)			
Other invested assets	20,528	(2,690)				17,838	(2,030)
Funds held directly managed	\$ 33,014	\$ (2,874)	\$	\$ (11,968)	\$	\$ 18,172	\$ (2,064)
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Total	\$ 500,286	\$ (39,142)	\$ 255,805	\$ (197,207)	\$ 40,180	\$ 559,922	\$ 6,391

⁽a) Purchases and issuances of derivatives includes issuances of \$5.1 million. Sales and settlements of derivatives includes settlements of \$10.0 million.

⁽b) The Company s policy is to recognize the transfers between the hierarchy levels at the beginning of the period.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010	Balance at beginning of period	Realized and unrealized investment gains (losses) included in net income	Net purchases, sales and settlements	Net transfers (out of)/into Level 3 ^(b)	Balance at end of period	Change in unrealized investment gains (losses) relating to assets held at end of period
Fixed maturities						
U.S. municipals	\$ 4,286	\$ 806	\$ 9,726	\$ (4,286)	\$ 10,532	\$ 806
Corporate	15,041	532	11,754	(10,750)	16,577	532
Asset-backed securities	99,952	3,536	101,636	(2,900)	202,224	1,167
Residential mortgage-backed securities	77,440	191	(77,631)			
Other mortgage-backed securities	874	129	(449)		554	129
Fixed maturities	\$ 197,593	\$ 5,194	\$ 45,036	\$ (17,936)	\$ 229,887	\$ 2,634
Equities	,	,	,			,
Finance	\$ 2,488	\$ (754)	\$ 694	\$	\$ 2,428	\$ (60)
Industrials	805	(84)	(721)		Í	
Mutual funds and exchange traded funds	34,810	445	5,000		40,255	445
Equities	\$ 38,103	\$ (393)	\$ 4,973	\$	\$ 42,683	\$ 385
Other invested assets						
Derivatives, net	\$ (9,361)	\$ 14,326	\$ (19,699)	\$ 8,166	\$ (6,568)	
Other	25,815	(1,749)	54,805		78,871	(1,749)
Other invested assets	\$ 16,454	\$ 12,577	\$ 35,106	\$ 8,166	\$ 72,303	\$ 8,752
Funds held directly managed						
U.S. municipals	\$ 375	\$ (6)	\$	\$	\$ 369	\$ (6)
Non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and						
government related	3,417	(13)	(3,404)			
Mortgage/asset-backed securities	142	(4,750)		16,866	12,258	(4,744)
Other invested assets	35,685	(4,797)			30,888	(4,797)
Funds held directly managed	\$ 39,619	\$ (9,566)	\$ (3,404)	\$ 16,866	\$ 43,515	\$ (9,547)
Total	\$ 291,769	\$ 7,812	\$ 81,711	\$ 7,096	\$ 388,388	\$ 2,224

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, a catastrophe bond (included within corporate fixed maturities) with a fair value of \$40.2 million was transferred from Level 2 into Level 3. The transfer into Level 3 was due to the lack of observable market inputs at March 31, 2011, leading the Company to apply inputs that were not directly observable. The catastrophe bond matured during the three months ended June 30, 2011.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, certain fixed maturities with a fair value of \$17.9 million were transferred from Level 3 into Level 2. The reclassifications to Level 2 consisted of U.S. municipals, corporate and student loans (included within asset-backed securities) fixed maturities. The transfers into Level 2 were due to the availability of quoted prices for similar assets in active markets used for valuation as of September 30, 2010, resulting from the continued recovery of the financial markets. In addition, during the nine months ended September 30, 2010, certain derivatives with a fair value in a net liability position of \$8.2 million were transferred out of Level 3 into Level 2 due to the availability of observable inputs.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2010, certain fixed maturities within the investments underlying the funds held directly managed account with a fair value of \$16.9 million were transferred from Level 2 into Level 3. The reclassification into Level 3 consisted of asset-backed securities and residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities. The transfers into Level 3 were the result of the lack of observable market inputs, leading the Company to apply inputs that were not directly observable.

Changes in the fair value of the Company s financial instruments subject to the fair value option during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, were as follows (in thousands of U.S. dollars):

	mor	the three of the ended of the three	mo	r the three nths ended nber 30, 2010	mo	or the nine nths ended mber 30, 2011	moi	r the nine nths ended nber 30, 2010
Fixed maturities	\$	188,716	\$	134,467	\$	179,395	\$	399,229
Short-term investments		1,240		324		794		(2,093)
Equities		(145,095)		79,650		(159,174)		(21,549)
Other invested assets		(10,347)		486		(13,680)		344
Funds held directly managed		11,921		24,570		8,025		53,809
Total	\$	46,435	\$	239,497	\$	15,360	\$	429,740

All of the above changes in fair value are included in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations under the caption Net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses).

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in estimating the fair value of each class of financial instrument recorded in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. There have been no material changes in the Company s valuation techniques during the periods presented.

Fixed maturities

U.S. government and government sponsored entities U.S. government and government sponsored entities securities consist primarily of bonds issued by the U.S. Treasury, corporate debt securities issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Bank and other U.S. agencies. These securities are generally priced by independent pricing services. The independent pricing services may use actual transaction prices for securities that have been actively traded. For securities that have not been actively traded, each pricing source has its own proprietary method to determine the fair value, which may incorporate option adjusted spreads (OAS), interest rate data and market news. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 2.

U.S. municipals U.S. municipal securities consist primarily of bonds issued by U.S. state and municipal entities. These securities are generally priced by independent pricing services using the techniques described for U.S. government and government sponsored entities above. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 2. Certain of the U.S. municipals that are issued by municipal housing authorities are not actively traded and are priced based on internal models using unobservable inputs.

Accordingly, the Company classifies these securities in Level 3.

Non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and government related Non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and government related securities consist primarily of bonds issued by non-U.S. national governments and their agencies, non-U.S. regional governments and supranational organizations. These securities are generally priced by independent pricing services using the techniques described for U.S. government and government sponsored entities above. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 2.

Corporate Corporate securities consist primarily of bonds issued by U.S. and foreign corporations covering a variety of industries. These securities are generally priced by independent pricing services and brokers. The pricing provider incorporates information including credit spreads, interest rate data and market news into the valuation of each security. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 2. When a corporate security is inactively traded or the valuation model uses unobservable inputs, the Company classifies the security in Level 3.

Asset-backed securities Asset-backed securities primarily consist of bonds issued by U.S. and foreign corporations that are backed by student loans, automobile loans, credit card receivables, equipment leases, and special purpose financing. With the exception of special purpose financing, these asset-backed securities are generally priced by independent pricing services and brokers. The pricing provider applies dealer quotes and other available trade information, prepayment speeds, yield curves and credit spreads to the valuation. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 2. Special purpose financing securities are generally inactively traded and are priced based on valuation models using unobservable inputs, including cash flow assumptions and credit spreads. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 3.

Residential mortgage-backed securities Residential mortgage-backed securities primarily consist of bonds issued by the Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as well as private, non-agency issuers. With the exception of private, non-agency issuers, these residential mortgage-backed securities are generally priced by independent pricing services and brokers. When current market trades are not available, the pricing provider will employ proprietary models with observable inputs including other trade information, prepayment speeds, yield curves and credit spreads. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 2. Bonds issued by private,

non-agency issuers are generally inactively traded and are priced based on valuation models using unobservable inputs, including cash flow assumptions and credit spreads. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 3.

Other mortgage-backed securities Other mortgage-backed securities primarily consist of commercial mortgage-backed securities. These securities are generally priced by independent pricing services and brokers. The pricing provider applies dealer quotes and other available trade information, prepayment speeds, yield curves and credit spreads to the valuation. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 2. When a commercial mortgage-backed security is inactively traded or the valuation model uses unobservable inputs, the Company classifies the security in Level 3.

In general, the methods employed by the independent pricing services to determine the fair value of the securities that have not actively traded involve the use of matrix pricing in which the independent pricing source applies the credit spread for a comparable security that has traded recently to the current yield curve to determine a reasonable fair value. The Company uses a pricing service ranking to consistently select the most appropriate pricing service in instances where it receives multiple quotes on the same security.

When fair values are unavailable from these independent pricing sources, quotes are obtained directly from broker-dealers who are active in the corresponding markets. Most of the Company s fixed maturities are priced from the pricing services or dealer quotes. The Company will typically not make adjustments to prices received from pricing services or dealer quotes; however, in instances where the quoted external price for a security uses significant unobservable inputs, the Company will categorize that security as Level 3. The Company s inactively traded fixed maturities are classified as Level 3. For all fixed maturity investments, the bid price is used for estimating fair value.

To validate prices, the Company compares the fair value estimates to its knowledge of the current market and will investigate prices that it considers not to be representative of fair value. The Company also reviews an internally generated fixed maturity price validation report which converts prices received for fixed maturity investments from the independent pricing sources and from broker-dealers quotes and plots OAS and duration on a sector and rating basis. The OAS is calculated using established algorithms developed by an independent risk analytics platform vendor. The OAS on the fixed maturity price validation report are compared for securities in a similar sector and having a similar rating, and outliers are identified and investigated for price reasonableness. In addition, the Company completes quantitative analyses to compare the performance of each fixed maturity investment portfolio to the performance of an appropriate benchmark, with significant differences identified and investigated.

Short term investments

Short term investments are valued in a manner similar to the Company s fixed maturity investments and are generally classified in Level 2. Special purpose financing securities purchased with less than 12 months to maturity are generally inactively traded and are priced based on valuation models using unobservable inputs, including cash flow assumptions and credit spreads. The Company generally classifies these securities in Level 3.

Equities

Equity securities include U.S. and foreign common and preferred stocks, exchange traded funds and mutual funds. Equities and exchange traded funds are generally classified in Level 1 as the Company uses prices received from independent pricing sources based on quoted prices in active markets. Equities categorized as Level 2 are generally mutual funds invested in fixed income securities, where the net asset value of the fund is provided on a daily basis and common stocks traded in inactive markets. Equities categorized as Level 3 are generally mutual funds invested in securities other than the common stock of publicly traded companies, where the net asset value is not provided on a daily basis.

To validate prices, the Company completes quantitative analyses to compare the performance of each equity investment portfolio to the performance of an appropriate benchmark, with significant differences identified and investigated.

Other invested assets

The Company s exchange traded derivatives, such as futures and certain weather derivatives, are generally categorized as Level 1 as their fair values are quoted prices in active markets. The Company s foreign exchange forward contracts, foreign currency option contracts, equity put and call options, interest rate swaps, non-exchange traded futures and credit default swaps are generally categorized as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy and are priced by independent pricing services.

Included in the Company s Level 3 categorization, in general, are credit linked notes, certain inactively traded weather derivatives, notes and loans receivable and longevity and other total return swaps. For Level 3 instruments, the Company will generally either (i) receive a price based on a manager s or trustee s valuation for the asset; or (ii) develop an internal discounted cash flow model to measure fair value. Where the Company receives prices from the manager or trustee, these prices are based on the manager s or trustee s estimate of fair value for the assets and are generally audited on an annual basis. Where the Company develops its own discounted cash flow models, the inputs will be specific to the asset in question, based on appropriate historical information, adjusted as necessary, and using appropriate discount rates. As part of the Company s modeling to determine the fair value of an investment, the Company considers counterparty credit risk as an input to the model, however, the majority of the Company s counterparties are highly rated institutions and the failure of any one counterparty would not have a significant impact on the Company s consolidated financial statements.

To validate prices, the Company will compare them to benchmarks, where appropriate, or to the business results generally within that asset class and specifically to those particular assets. In addition, the fair value measurements of all Level 3 investments are presented to, and peer reviewed by, an internal valuation committee that the Company has established.

Funds held directly managed

The segregated investment portfolio underlying the funds held directly managed account is comprised of fixed maturities, short-term investments and other invested assets which are fair valued on a basis consistent with the methods described above. Substantially all fixed maturities and short-term investments within the funds held directly managed account are categorized as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy.

The other invested assets within the segregated investment portfolio underlying the funds held directly managed account, which are categorized as Level 3 investments, are primarily real estate mutual fund investments carried at fair value. For the real estate mutual fund investments, the Company receives a price based on the real estate fund manager s valuation for the asset and further adjusts the price, if necessary, based on appropriate current information on the real estate market.

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To validate prices within the segregated investment portfolio underlying the funds held directly managed account, the Company utilizes the methods described above.

(b) Fair Value of Financial Instrument Liabilities

Disclosures about the fair value of financial instrument liabilities exclude insurance contracts and certain other financial instruments. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the fair values of financial instrument liabilities recorded in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets approximate their carrying values, with the exception of the debt related to senior notes (Senior Notes) and the debt related to capital efficient notes (CENts). The methods and assumptions used by the Company in estimating the fair value of the Senior Notes and CENts did not change from December 31, 2010.

The carrying values and fair values of the Senior Notes and CENts as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 were as follows (in thousands of U.S. dollars):

	September	30, 2011	December	31, 2010
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Debt related to senior notes (1)	750,000	780,028	750,000	781,950
Debt related to capital efficient notes (2)	63,384	56,669	63,384	59,261

- (1) PartnerRe Finance A LLC and PartnerRe Finance B LLC, the issuers of the Senior Notes, do not meet consolidation requirements under U.S. GAAP. Accordingly, the Company shows the related intercompany debt of \$750 million in its Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010.
- (2) PartnerRe Finance II Inc., the issuer of the CENts, does not meet consolidation requirements under U.S. GAAP. Accordingly, the Company shows the related intercompany debt of \$71 million in its Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010.

5. Derivatives

The Company s derivative instruments are recorded in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value, with changes in fair value mainly recognized in either net foreign exchange gains and losses or net realized and unrealized investment gains and losses in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations or accumulated other comprehensive income or loss in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, depending on the nature of the derivative instrument. The Company s objectives for holding or issuing these derivatives are as follows:

Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts

The Company utilizes foreign exchange forward contracts as part of its overall currency risk management and investment strategies. From time to time, the Company also utilizes foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge a portion of its net investment exposure resulting from the translation of its foreign subsidiaries and branches whose functional currency is other than the U.S. dollar.

Foreign Currency Option Contracts and Futures Contracts

The Company also utilizes foreign currency option contracts to mitigate foreign currency risk. The Company uses exchange traded treasury note futures contracts to manage portfolio duration and commodity and equity futures to hedge certain investments. The Company also uses commodities futures to replicate the investment return on certain benchmarked commodities.

Credit Default Swaps

The Company purchases protection through credit default swaps to mitigate the risk associated with its underwriting operations, most notably in the credit/surety line, and to manage market exposures.

The Company also assumes credit risk through credit default swaps to replicate investment positions. The original term of these credit default swaps is generally five years or less and there are no recourse provisions associated with these swaps. While the Company would be required to perform under exposure assumed through credit default swaps in the event of a default on the underlying issuer, no issuer was in default at September 30, 2011. The counterparties on the Company s assumed credit default swaps are all highly rated financial institutions.

Insurance-Linked Securities

The Company has entered into various weather derivatives, weather futures and longevity total return swaps for which the underlying risks reference parametric weather risks for the weather derivatives and weather futures, and longevity risk for the longevity total return swaps.

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Total Return and Interest Rate Swaps and Interest Rate Derivatives

The Company has entered into total return swaps referencing various project, investments and principal finance obligations. The Company has also entered into interest rate swaps to mitigate the interest rate risk on certain of the total return swaps. The Company may also use other interest rate derivatives to mitigate exposure to interest rate volatility.

The fair values and the related notional values of derivatives included in the Company s Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 were as follows (in thousands of U.S. dollars):

	Asset derivatives	Liability derivatives	Net deriv	ratives
	at fair	at fair	Net notional	Fair
September 30, 2011	value	value	exposure	value
Derivatives not designated as hedges				A (0.454)
Foreign exchange forward contracts	\$ 3,110	\$ (11,361)	\$ 2,832,373	\$ (8,251)
Foreign currency option contracts		(13,091)	160,268	(13,091)
Futures contracts	52	(11,398)	2,626,637	(11,346)
Credit default swaps (protection purchased)	158	(1,163)	100,387	(1,005)
Credit default swaps (assumed risks)	181	(1,356)	17,500	(1,175)
Insurance-linked securities (1)	212	(2,217)	154,375	(2,005)
Total return swaps	6,467	(12,495)	151,777	(6,028)
Interest rate swaps ⁽²⁾		(8,064)		(8,064)
Total derivatives	\$ 10,180	\$ (61,145)		\$ (50,965)
December 21, 2010	Asset derivatives at fair value	Liability derivatives at fair value	Net deriv	atives Fair value
December 31, 2010 Derivatives designated as hedges	at fair value	at fair value	exposure	value
Foreign exchange forward contracts (net investment hedge)	\$	\$ (1,160)	\$ 198,448	\$ (1,160)
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Total derivatives designated as hedges	\$	\$ (1,160)		\$ (1,160)
Derivatives not designated as hedges				
Foreign exchange forward contracts	\$ 27,880	\$ (12,487)	\$ 1,770,448	\$ 15,393
Foreign currency option contracts	3,516		104,386	3,516
Futures contracts	30,593	(7,956)	1,756,811	22,637
Credit default swaps (protection purchased)	93	(2,407)	113,752	(2,314)
Credit default swaps (assumed risks)	533	(401)	27,500	132
Insurance-linked securities	1,320	(1,393)	88,765	(73)
Total return swaps	6,041	(12,848)	161,408	(6,807)
Interest rate swaps ⁽²⁾	246	(6,033)		(5,787)
Total derivatives not designated as hedges	\$ 70,222	\$ (43,525)		\$ 26,697
Total derivatives	\$ 70,222	\$ (44,685)		\$ 25,537

⁽¹⁾ Insurance-linked securities includes a longevity swap for which the notional amount is not reflective of the overall potential exposure of the swap. As such, the Company has included the probable maximum loss under the swap within the net notional exposure as an estimate of the notional amount.

⁽²⁾ The Company enters into interest rate swaps to mitigate notional exposures on certain total return swaps. Accordingly, the notional value of interest rate swaps is not presented separately in the table.

The fair value of all derivatives at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 is recorded in Other invested assets in the Company s Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. At September 30, 2011, none of the Company s derivatives were designated as hedges.

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The gains and losses in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for derivatives not designated as hedges for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were as follows (in thousands of U.S. dollars):

	(loss) or reco	ount of gain on derivatives ognized in ome for the months ended tember 30, 2011	(loss) or receince three in	ount of gain on derivatives ognized in ome for the months ended tember 30, 2010	(loss) rec inc ni	ount of gain on derivatives cognized in ome for the ne months ended otember 30, 2011	(loss) rec inc ni	ount of gain on derivatives cognized in ome for the ne months ended otember 30, 2010
Foreign exchange forward contracts	\$	21,221	\$	33,284	\$	69,455	\$	43,825
Foreign currency option contracts		(13,140)		4,774		(10,759)		5,908
Total included in net foreign exchange gains								
and losses	\$	8,081	\$	38,058	\$	58,696	\$	49,733
Futures contracts	\$	(82,227)	\$	(39,092)	\$	(168,741)	\$	(115,207)
Credit default swaps (protection purchased)		736		(944)		185		(1,285)
Credit default swaps (assumed risks)		(1,670)		1,528		(63)		149
Insurance-linked securities		(3,970)		5,020		(13,590)		8,834
Total return swaps		308		4,400		992		6,809
Interest rate swaps		(2,913)		(857)		(2,272)		(464)
Interest rate derivatives								(3,848)
Other				(88)				(154)
Total included in net realized and unrealized investment gains and losses	\$	(89,736)	\$	(30,033)	\$	(183,489)	\$	(105,166)
Total derivatives	\$	(81,655)	\$	8,025	\$	(124,793)	\$	(55,433)

6. Shareholders Equity

Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares

In June 2011, the Company issued 14,950,000 of 7.25% Series E cumulative redeemable preferred shares (Series E preferred shares) for a total consideration of \$362 million after underwriting discounts, commissions and other related expenses totaling \$12 million. The net proceeds were used for general corporate purposes. On or after June 1, 2016, the Company may redeem the Series E preferred shares, in whole at any time or in part from time to time, at \$25.00 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends, if any, without interest. The Series E preferred shares are also redeemable at any time upon certain changes in tax law. Dividends on the Series E preferred shares are cumulative from the date of issuance and are payable quarterly in arrears, commencing September 1, 2011. In the event of liquidation of the Company, the holders of outstanding Series E preferred shares would have preference over the common shareholders and would receive a distribution of \$25.00 per share, or an aggregate value of \$374 million, plus accrued and unpaid dividends, if any.

7. Net Income (Loss) per Share

The reconciliation of basic and diluted net income (loss) per share for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 is as follows (in thousands of U.S. dollars or shares, except per share amounts):

	For the three	For the three	For the nine	For the nine
	months	months	months	months
	ended	ended	ended	ended
	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Numerator:				

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Net income (loss)	\$ 180,123	\$ 524,937	\$ (502,648)	\$ 795,518
Less: preferred dividends	(14,352)	(8,631)	(31,614)	(25,894)
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$ 165,771	\$ 516,306	\$ (534,262)	\$ 769,624
Denominator:				
Weighted number of common shares outstanding - basic	67,743.3	75,238.3	67,788.4	78,076.6
Share options and other (1)	438.7	1,190.2		1,417.6
Weighted average number of common shares and				
common share equivalents outstanding - diluted	68,182.0	76,428.5	67,788.4	79,494.2
Basic net income (loss) per share	\$ 2.45	\$ 6.86	\$ (7.88)	\$ 9.86
Diluted net income (loss) per share ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2.43	\$ 6.76	\$ (7.88)	\$ 9.68

⁽¹⁾ Dilutive securities, in the form of share options and other, that could potentially dilute basic net loss per share were not included in the computation of diluted net loss per share because to do so would have been anti-dilutive for the nine months

ended September 30, 2011. The weighted average number of common and common share equivalents outstanding would have amounted to 68,573.6 thousand shares if these securities had been included for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. In addition, at September 30, 2011 and 2010, share based awards to purchase 2,996.1 and 897.3 thousand common shares, respectively, were excluded from the calculation of diluted weighted average number of common shares and common share equivalents outstanding because their exercise prices were greater than the average market price of the common shares.

8. Commitments and Contingencies

(a) Concentration of Credit Risk

Financing receivables

Included in the Company s Other invested assets are certain notes receivable which meet the definition of financing receivables and are accounted for using the cost method of accounting. Performance of these notes receivable to date has been within expectations. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, none of the Company s notes receivable are past due or in default and, accordingly, the Company believes that an allowance for credit losses related to these notes receivable is not required.

The Company monitors the performance of the notes receivable based on the type of underlying collateral and by assigning a performing or a non-performing indicator of credit quality to each individual receivable. At September 30, 2011, the Company s notes receivable of \$100.2 million were all performing and were collateralized by residential property and commercial property of \$56.9 million and \$43.3 million, respectively.

The Company purchased financing receivables of \$18.5 million and \$84.5 million during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. There were no sales of financing receivables during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, however, the outstanding balance has been reduced by settlements of the underlying debt.

(b) Legal Proceedings

There has been no significant change in legal proceedings at September 30, 2011 compared to December 31, 2010. See Note 18(e) to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

9. Segment Information

The Company monitors the performance of its operations in three segments, Non-life, Life and Corporate and Other as described in Note 22 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010. The Non-life segment is further divided into four sub-segments: North America, Global (Non-U.S.) Property and Casualty (Global (Non-U.S.) P&C), Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty and Catastrophe. Following the completion of the Company s integration of PARIS RE Holdings Limited into its other Non-life sub-segments, and to reflect other changes in management responsibilities for certain lines of business and treaties, the Company redefined its financial reporting segments. The comparative data that was previously presented in the Company s Form 10-Q for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2010 has been recast to conform to the current period presentation.

Because the Company does not manage its assets by segment, net investment income is not allocated to the Non-life segment. However, because of the interest-sensitive nature of some of the Company s Life products, net investment income is considered in Management s assessment of the profitability of the Life segment. The following items are not considered in evaluating the results of the Non-life and Life segments: net realized and unrealized investment gains and losses, interest expense, amortization of intangible assets, net foreign exchange gains and losses, income tax expense or benefit and interest in earnings and losses of equity investments. Segment results are shown before consideration of intercompany transactions.

Management measures results for the Non-life segment on the basis of the loss ratio, acquisition ratio, technical ratio, other operating expense ratio and combined ratio (all defined below). Management measures results for the Non-life sub-segments on the basis of the loss ratio, acquisition ratio and technical ratio. Management measures results for the Life segment on the basis of the allocated underwriting result, which includes revenues from net premiums earned, other income or loss and allocated net investment income for Life, and expenses from life policy benefits, acquisition costs and other operating expenses.

The following tables provide a summary of the segment revenues and results for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in millions of U.S. dollars, except ratios):

Segment Information

For the three months ended September 30, 2011

	lorth nerica	(No	lobal n-U.S.) P&C	(No	lobal n-U.S.) ecialty	Cata	strophe	N	Fotal on-life egment		Life gment	porate Other	Т	Total
Gross premiums written	\$ 288	\$	144	\$	368	\$	95	\$	895	\$	-	\$ 6		1,095
Net premiums written	\$ 287	\$	144	\$	360	\$	89	\$	880	\$	194	\$ 6	\$ 1	1,080
Decrease in unearned premiums	42		49		2		110		203		9	2		214
Net premiums earned	\$ 329	\$	193	\$	362	\$	199	\$	1,083	\$	203	\$ 8	\$ 1	1,294
Losses and loss expenses and life policy														
benefits	(192)		(102)		(247)		(169)		(710)		(168)	(4)		(882)
Acquisition costs	(80)		(52)		(82)		(15)		(229)		(33)			(262)
Technical result	\$ 57	\$	39	\$	33	\$	15	\$	144	\$	2	\$ 4	\$	150
Other income									1					1
Other operating expenses									(69)		(12)	(23)		(104)
Underwriting result								\$	76	\$	(10)	n/a	\$	47
Net investment income								Ψ.		Ψ.	19	145	Ψ	164
Allocated underwriting result (1)										\$	9	n/a		n/a
Net realized and unrealized investment gains												26		26
Interest expense												(12)		(12)
Amortization of intangible assets												(9)		(9)
Net foreign exchange gains												11		11
Income tax expense												(42)		(42)
Interest in losses of equity investments												(5)		(5)
Net income												n/a	\$	180
Loss ratio (2)	58.4%		52.9%		68.3%		85.0%		65.6%					
Acquisition ratio (3)	24.3		26.9		22.7		7.4		21.1					
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Technical ratio (4)	82.7%		79.8%		91.0%		92.4%		86.7%					
Other operating expense ratio (5)									6.4					
Combined ratio (6)									93.1%					

⁽¹⁾ Allocated underwriting result is defined as net premiums earned, other income or loss and allocated net investment income less life policy benefits, acquisition costs and other operating expenses.

⁽²⁾ Loss ratio is obtained by dividing losses and loss expenses by net premiums earned.

⁽³⁾ Acquisition ratio is obtained by dividing acquisition costs by net premiums earned.

⁽⁴⁾ Technical ratio is defined as the sum of the loss ratio and the acquisition ratio.

- (5) Other operating expense ratio is obtained by dividing other operating expenses by net premiums earned.
- (6) Combined ratio is defined as the sum of the technical ratio and the other operating expense ratio.

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Segment Information

For the three months ended September 30, 2010

	lorth nerica	(No	Hobal on-U.S.) P&C	(No	lobal n-U.S.) ecialty	Cata	strophe	N	Fotal on-life gment	Life gment		porate Other	1	Total
Gross premiums written	\$ 267	\$	158	\$	303	\$	96	\$	824	\$ 183	\$	1	\$	1,008
Net premiums written	\$ 267	\$	158	\$	292	\$	87	\$	804	\$ 183	\$	1	\$	988
Decrease in unearned premiums	21		67		72		164		324	1				325
Net premiums earned	\$ 288	\$	225	\$	364	\$	251	\$	1,128	\$ 184	\$	1	\$	1,313
Losses and loss expenses and life policy														
benefits	(137)		(174)		(199)		(91)		(601)	(147)		(1)		(749)
Acquisition costs	(80)		(56)		(74)		(18)		(228)	(33)				(261)
		Φ.	(=)	Φ.	0.4	.	4.40		•00		Φ.			202
Technical result	\$ 71	\$	(5)	\$	91	\$	142	\$	299	\$ 4	\$	_	\$	303
Other income									2	(4.4)		1		3
Other operating expenses									(81)	(11)		(26)		(118)
Underwriting result								\$	220	\$ (7)		n/a	\$	188
Net investment income										17		147		164
Allocated underwriting result Net realized and unrealized investment										\$ 10		n/a		n/a
gains												293		293
Interest expense												(12)		(12)
Amortization of intangible assets												(10)		(12) (10)
Net foreign exchange losses												(27)		(27)
Income tax expense												(72)		(72)
Interest in earnings of equity												(12)		(12)
investments												1		1
												•		-
Net income												n/a	\$	525
													·	
Loss ratio	47.5%		77.1%		54.8%		36.4%		53.3%					
Acquisition ratio	27.8		25.2		20.2		7.2		20.2					
Technical ratio	75.3%		102.3%		75.0%		43.6%		73.5%					
Other operating expense ratio			-02.070						7.2					
operating empende ratio														
Combined ratio									80.7%					

Segment Information

For the nine months ended September 30, 2011

	North America	(N	Global on-U.S.) P&C	(N	Global on-U.S.) pecialty	Cat	astrophe	N	Total on-life egment		Life gment	á	porate and other	7	Γotal
Gross premiums written	\$ 868	\$	585	\$	1,092	\$	581	\$	3,126	\$	597	\$	12	\$	3,735
Net premiums written	\$ 868	\$	581	\$	1,007	\$	542	\$	2,998	\$	596	\$	12	\$	3,606
(Increase) decrease in unearned															
premiums	(18)		(14)		14		(110)		(128)		(8)		(4)		(140)
Net premiums earned	\$ 850	\$	567	\$	1,021	\$	432	\$	2,870	\$	588	\$	8	\$	3,466
Losses and loss expenses and life					,-				,						
policy benefits	(556)		(379)		(675)		(1,209)		(2,819)		(479)		(5)	((3,303)
Acquisition costs	(210)		(145)		(240)		(16)		(611)		(89)				(700)
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Technical result	\$ 84	\$	43	\$	106	\$	(793)	\$	(560)	\$	20	\$	3	\$	(537)
Other income	Ψ 0.	Ψ		Ψ	100	Ψ	(,,,,,	Ψ	4	Ψ	_0	Ψ	1	Ψ	5
Other operating expenses									(206)		(38)		(78)		(322)
outer operating expenses									(200)		(50)		(,0)		(022)
Underwriting result								\$	(762)	\$	(18)		n/a	\$	(854)
Net investment income								Ψ	(102)	Ψ	50		424	Ψ	474
Tee investment income											50		121		.,.
Allocated underwriting result										\$	32		n/a		n/a
Net realized and unrealized investment										Ψ	32		11/ a		II/ a
losses													(8)		(8)
Interest expense													(37)		(37)
Amortization of intangible assets													(27)		(27)
Net foreign exchange gains													20		20
Income tax expense													(66)		(66)
Interest in losses of equity investments													(5)		(5)
													(-)		(-)
Net loss													n/a	\$	(503)
1101 1055													11/ a	Ψ	(303)
Loss ratio	65.5%		66.8%		66.1%		279.9%		98.2%						
Acquisition ratio	24.6		25.7		23.5		3.5		21.3						
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Technical ratio	90.1%		92.5%		89.6%		283.4%		119.5%						
Other operating expense ratio									7.2						
Combined ratio									126.7%						

Segment Information

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010

		orth nerica	(No	Global on-U.S.) P&C	(No	Global on-U.S.) pecialty	Cote	astrophe	No	Fotal on-life gment		Life gment		porate and Other	n	Γotal
Gross premiums written	\$	831	\$	792	_	1,183	\$	711		3,517		537	\$	4		4,058
Net premiums written	\$	830	\$	780		1,103	\$	636		3,349	\$	533	\$	3		3,885
Increase in unearned premiums	Ψ	(51)	Ψ	(94)	Ψ	(27)	Ψ	(129)	Ψ	(301)	Ψ	(12)	Ψ	3	Ψ	(313)
mercuse in uncurried premiums		(31)		(21)		(21)		(12))		(501)		(12)				(313)
Net premiums earned	\$	779	\$	686	\$	1,076	\$	507	\$	3,048	\$	521	\$	3	\$	3,572
Losses and loss expenses and	Ψ	,,,	Ψ	000	Ψ	1,070	Ψ	507	Ψ	2,010	Ψ	321	Ψ		Ψ	3,572
Dosses and loss expenses and																
life policy benefits		(432)		(561)		(794)		(231)	((2,018)		(447)		(1)	((2,466)
Acquisition costs		(218)		(170)		(219)		(37)		(644)		(82)		, ,		(726)
•																
Technical result	\$	129	\$	(45)	\$	63	\$	239	\$	386	\$	(8)	\$	2	\$	380
Other income										3		2				5
Other operating expenses										(241)		(38)		(127)		(406)
Underwriting result									\$	148	\$	(44)		n/a	\$	(21)
Net investment income												54		458		512
Allocated underwriting result											\$	10		n/a		n/a
Net realized and unrealized investment																
gains														485		485
Interest expense														(32)		(32)
Amortization of intangible assets														(23)		(23)
Net foreign exchange losses														(12)		(12)
Income tax expense														(118)		(118)
Interest in earnings of equity																
investments														5		5
Net income														n/a	\$	796
Loss ratio		55.5%		81.8%		73.7%		45.6%		66.2%						
Acquisition ratio		27.9		24.8		20.4		7.2		21.1						
requisition ratio		21.7		27.0		20.7		1.2		21,1						
Technical ratio		83.4%		106.6%		94.1%		52.8%		87.3%						
Other operating expense ratio		55.170		100.070		J 1.1 /0		32.070		7.9						
caller operating expense ratio										1.,,						
Combined ratio										95.2%						
Combined ratio										93.2%						

10. Subsequent Events

During October 2011, Thailand suffered severe flooding following unusually heavy monsoon rains. The Company has exposure to losses related to this event primarily through its Global (Non-U.S.) P&C and Catastrophe sub-segments. The Company is currently assessing its potential claims related to this event, but information as of November 3, 2011 is not sufficient to arrive at a reasonable estimate.

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ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS Executive Overview

The Company is a leading global reinsurer, with a broadly diversified and balanced portfolio of traditional reinsurance risks and capital markets risks.

Successful risk management is the foundation of the Company s value proposition, with diversification of risks at the core of its risk management strategy. The Company s ability to succeed in the risk assumption and management business is dependent on its ability to accurately analyze and quantify risk, to understand volatility and how risks aggregate or correlate, and to establish the appropriate capital requirements and limits for the risks assumed. All risks are managed by the Company within an integrated framework of policies and processes that ensure the intelligent and consistent evaluation and valuation of risk, and ultimately provide an appropriate return to shareholders.

The Company s economic objective is to manage a portfolio of risks that will generate compound annual Diluted Book Value per Share growth of 10% and an average Operating ROE of 13% over a reinsurance cycle. Both of these metrics are defined below in Key Financial Measures. See also Other Key Issues of Management in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Key Financial Measures

In addition to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets and Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss), Management uses certain key measures to evaluate its financial performance and the overall growth in value generated for the Company s common shareholders. The four key measures that Management uses, together with definitions of their calculations, are as follows:

			5	September	30, 20	11	Decer	mber 31, 2010
Diluted book value per common share and common share equivoutstanding ⁽¹⁾	alents			\$	85.2	6	\$	93.77
s	mont	the three ths ended ber 30, 2019c	mont	the three ths ended ber 30, 2018	mon	the nine ths ended aber 30, 2011S	moi	r the nine nths ended nber 30, 2010
Operating earnings (loss) available to common shareholders (in				202		(-0.4)		202
millions of U.S. dollars) ⁽²⁾	\$	164	\$	302	\$	(504)	\$	393
Annualized operating return on beginning diluted book value								
per common share and common share equivalents outstanding ⁽³⁾	1	10.3%		18.7%		(10.6)%		7.8%
Combined ratio ⁽⁴⁾		93.1%		80.7%		126.7%		95.2%

- (1) Diluted book value per common share and common share equivalents outstanding is calculated using common shareholders equity (shareholders equity less the aggregate liquidation value of preferred shares) divided by the number of fully diluted common shares and common share equivalents outstanding (assuming exercise of all stock-based awards and other dilutive securities).
- (2) Operating earnings or loss available to common shareholders (operating earnings or loss) is calculated as net income or loss available to common shareholders excluding net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments, net of tax, net foreign exchange gains or losses, net of tax, and interest in earnings or losses of equity investments, net of tax, where the Company does not control the investee companies activities, and is calculated after preferred dividends. The presentation of operating earnings or loss is a non-GAAP financial measure within the meaning of Regulation G (see Comment on Non-GAAP Measures below) and is reconciled to the nearest GAAP financial measure below. Effective January 1, 2011, Management redefined its operating earnings or loss calculation, as discussed below.
- (3) Annualized operating return on beginning diluted book value per common share and common share equivalents outstanding (Operating ROE) is calculated using annualized operating earnings or loss, as defined above, per common share and common share equivalents outstanding, divided by beginning diluted book value per common share and common share equivalents outstanding, as defined above. The presentation of Operating ROE is a non-GAAP financial measure within the meaning of Regulation G (see Comment on Non-GAAP Measures below) and is reconciled to the nearest GAAP financial measure below. Effective January 1, 2011, Management redefined its

Operating ROE calculation, as discussed below.

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(4) The combined ratio of the Non-life segment is calculated as the sum of the technical ratio (losses and loss expenses and acquisition costs divided by net premiums earned) and the other operating expense ratio (other operating expenses divided by net premiums earned).
Effective January 1, 2011, Management redefined its operating earnings or loss available to common shareholders (operating earnings or loss) calculation to additionally exclude net foreign exchange gains or losses. Management believes that net foreign exchange gains or losses are not indicative of the performance of, and distort trends in, the Company s business as they predominantly result from general economic and foreign exchange market conditions. In addition, Management redefined its Annualized operating return on beginning diluted book value per common share and common share equivalents outstanding (Operating ROE, previously referred to as operating return on beginning common shareholders equity) calculation to measure Operating ROE on a diluted per share basis. Management believes that the redefined Operating ROE incorporates capital management activities while remaining based on the concept of deploying available capital on an annual basis. Operating earnings or loss and Operating ROE for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2010 have been recast to reflect the Company s redefined non-GAAP measures.

Diluted book value per Common share and common share equivalents outstanding (Diluted Book Value per Share): Management uses growth in Diluted Book Value per Share as a prime measure of the value the Company is generating for its common shareholders, as Management believes that growth in the Company s Diluted Book Value per Share ultimately translates into growth in the Company s stock price. Diluted Book Value per Share is impacted by the Company s net income, capital resources management and external factors such as foreign exchange, interest rates and equity markets, which can drive changes in unrealized gains or losses on its investment portfolio.

The Company s Diluted Book Value per Share at September 30, 2011 was \$85.26, an increase of 2% from \$83.71 at June 30, 2011 and a decrease of 9% from \$93.77 at December 31, 2010. The increase during the three months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily due to comprehensive income of \$126 million, which was driven by net income of \$180 million and partially offset by the change in the currency translation account of \$55 million. The decrease during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily due to the comprehensive loss of \$515 million, which was driven by the net loss of \$503 million that resulted primarily from significant catastrophic losses. Net income and net loss for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, and a discussion of the significant catastrophic losses in 2011 are described in Overview and Review of Net Income (Loss) below. Also see Shareholders Equity and Capital Resources Management below.

Operating earnings or loss available to common shareholders (operating earnings or loss): Management uses operating earnings or loss to measure its financial performance as this measure focuses on the underlying fundamentals of the Company's operations by excluding net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments, interest in earnings or losses of equity investments and net foreign exchange gains or losses. Net realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments in any particular period are not indicative of the performance of, and distort trends in, the Company's business as they predominantly result from general economic and financial market conditions, and the timing of realized gains or losses on investments is largely opportunistic. Interest in earnings or losses of equity investments are also not indicative of the performance of, or trends in, the Company's business as the Company does not control the investee companies activities. Net foreign exchange gains or losses are not indicative of the performance of, and distort trends in, the Company's business as they predominantly result from general economic and foreign exchange market conditions. Management believes that the use of operating earnings or loss enables investors and other users of the Company's financial information to analyze its performance in a manner similar to how Management analyzes performance. Management also believes that this measure follows industry practice and, therefore, allows the users of financial information to compare the Company's performance with its industry peer group, and that the equity analysts and certain rating agencies which follow the Company, and the insurance industry as a whole, generally exclude these items from their analyses for the same reasons.

Operating earnings decreased by \$138 million from \$302 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to \$164 million in the same period of 2011 primarily due to a decrease in the Non-life underwriting result of \$144 million. The decrease in the Non-life underwriting result was driven by net adverse loss development on prior quarters, primarily related to the Japan earthquake and resulting tsunami (Japan Earthquake), a higher level of mid-sized loss activity and lower profitability driven by declines in pricing in certain lines of business. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in net favorable prior year loss development and a decrease in large catastrophic losses that occurred during the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to 2010.

Operating earnings decreased by \$897 million from \$393 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to a loss of \$504 million in the same period of 2011 mainly due to a decrease in the Non-life underwriting result, driven primarily by large catastrophic losses, and a decrease in net investment income. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in the Life underwriting result and lower charges related to the Company s voluntary termination plan (see Results of Operations - Overview in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for a discussion of the voluntary termination plan). The factors contributing to the increases or decreases in operating earnings or loss in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods in 2010 are further described in Overview and Review of Net Income (Loss) below.

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The presentation of operating earnings or loss available to common shareholders is a non-GAAP financial measure within the meaning of Regulation G and should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP (see Comment on Non-GAAP Measures). The table below provides a reconciliation of operating earnings or loss to the most comparable GAAP financial measure (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	For the three months		For the three months		For the nine months			the nine
	ended		ended		ende	d	•	ended
	Septemb	er 30, 2096	a pten	nber 30, 20 %	ptember :	30, 20 S é	lptem	ber 30, 2010
Net income (loss)	\$	180	\$	525	\$	(503)	\$	796
Less:								
Net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses), net of tax		6		233		(41)		373
Net foreign exchange (losses) gains, net of tax				(20)		16		(1)
Interest in (losses) earnings of equity investments, net of tax		(4)		1		(6)		5
Dividends to preferred shareholders		14		9		32		26
Operating earnings (loss) available to common shareholders	\$	164	\$	302	\$	(504)	\$	393

Operating ROE: Management uses annualized Operating ROE as a measure of profitability that focuses on the return to common shareholders. Management has set an average 13% Operating ROE target over the reinsurance cycle, which Management believes provides an attractive return to shareholders for the risk assumed. Each business unit and support department throughout the Company is focused on seeking to ensure that the Company meets the 13% return objective. This means that most economic decisions, including capital attribution and underwriting pricing decisions, incorporate an Operating ROE impact analysis. For the purpose of that analysis, an appropriate amount of capital (equity) is attributed to each transaction for determining the transaction s priced return on attributed capital. Subject to an adequate return for the risk level as well as other factors, such as the contribution of each risk to the overall risk level and risk diversification, capital is attributed to the transactions generating the highest priced return on deployed capital. Management s challenge consists of (i) attributing an appropriate amount of capital to each transaction based on the risk created by the transaction, (ii) properly estimating the Company s overall risk level and the impact of each transaction on the overall risk level, (iii) assessing the diversification benefit, if any, of each transaction, and (iv) deploying available capital. The risk for the Company lies in mis-estimating any one of these factors, which are critical in calculating a meaningful priced return on deployed capital, and entering into transactions that do not contribute to the Company s 13% Operating ROE objective. The Company s Operating ROE s for quarterly periods are annualized.

Annualized Operating ROE decreased from 18.7% in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to 10.3% in the same period of 2011 and from 7.8% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to a loss of 10.6% in the same period of 2011. The decreases in Operating ROE were primarily due to the decreases in operating earnings (loss), which were driven by net adverse development on prior quarters—catastrophe losses in the three months ended September 30, 2011 and by large catastrophic losses in the nine months ended September 30, 2011. Operating earnings (loss) is described further in Operating earnings or loss available to common shareholders above and in Overview and Review of Net Income (Loss).

The presentation of Operating ROE is a non-GAAP financial measure within the meaning of Regulation G and should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP (see Comment on Non-GAAP Measures). The table below provides a reconciliation of Operating ROE to the most comparable GAAP financial measure:

	For the three months ended September 30, 20 S	For the three months ended eptember 30, 20 S 0	For the nine months ended eptember 30, 201 Se	For the nine months ended eptember 30, 2010
Annualized return on beginning diluted book value per commo	n			
share calculated with net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders	10.4%	32.0%	(11.2)%	15.3%
Less:				
Annualized net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses), net of tax, on beginning diluted book value per common share	on 0.4	14.4	(0.9)	7.4
Annualized net foreign exchange (losses) gains, net of tax, on beginning diluted book value per common share		(1.2)	0.4	
Annualized net interest in (losses) earnings of equity investments, net of tax, on beginning diluted book value per	(0.2)	0.1	(0.1)	0.1
common share	(0.3)	0.1	(0.1)	0.1
Annualized operating return on beginning diluted book value percommon share	er 10.3 %	18.7%	(10.6)%	7.8%

Combined Ratio: The combined ratio is used industry-wide as a measure of underwriting profitability for Non-life business. A combined ratio under 100% indicates underwriting profitability, as the total losses and loss expenses, acquisition costs and other operating expenses are less than the premiums earned on that business. While an important metric of underwriting profitability, the combined ratio does not reflect all components of profitability, as it does not recognize the impact of interest income earned on premiums between the time premiums are received and the time loss payments are ultimately made to clients. The key challenges in managing the combined ratio metric consist of (i) focusing on underwriting profitable business even in the weaker part of the reinsurance cycle, as opposed to growing the book of business at the cost of profitability, (ii) diversifying the portfolio to achieve a good balance of business, with the expectation that underwriting losses in certain lines or markets may potentially be offset by underwriting profits in other lines or markets, and (iii) maintaining control over expenses.

The Non-life combined ratio increased from 80.7% and 95.2% in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively, to 93.1% and 126.7% in the same periods of 2011, respectively. The increase in the Non-life combined ratio of 12.4 points during the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was mainly due to net adverse loss development on prior quarters, primarily related to the Japan Earthquake, a higher level of mid-sized loss activity and lower profitability driven by declines in pricing in certain lines of business. These increases were partially offset by an increase in net favorable prior year loss development and a decrease in large catastrophic losses that occurred during the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to 2010.

The increase in the Non-life combined ratio of 31.5 points during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily due to large catastrophic losses related to the Japan Earthquake, the New Zealand earthquake that occurred in February 2011 (2011 New Zealand Earthquake), tornadoes that caused severe destruction to large areas of southern, mid-western and northeastern United States in April and May 2011 (U.S. tornadoes), the floods in Queensland, Australia (Australian Floods) and aggregate contracts covering losses in Australia and New Zealand. These events contributed 47.1 points to the combined ratio during the nine months ended September 30, 2011. In comparison, the Non-life combined ratio included 14.1 points related to the Chile earthquake that occurred in February 2010 (Chile Earthquake), the New Zealand Earthquake that occurred in September 2010 (2010 New Zealand Earthquake) and Deepwater Horizon Oil Platform loss (Deepwater Horizon) in the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

Comment on Non-GAAP Measures

Throughout this filing, the Company s results of operations have been presented in the way that Management believes will be the most meaningful and useful to investors, analysts, rating agencies and others who use financial information in evaluating the performance of the Company. This presentation includes the use of operating earnings or loss and Operating ROE that are not calculated under standards or rules that comprise U.S. GAAP. These measures are referred to as non-GAAP financial measures within the meaning of Regulation G. Management

believes that these non-GAAP financial measures are important to investors, analysts, rating agencies and others who use the Company s financial information and will help provide a consistent basis for comparison between years and for comparison with the Company s peer group, although non-GAAP measures may be defined or calculated differently by other companies. Investors should consider these non-GAAP measures in addition to, and not as a substitute for, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP. A reconciliation of these measures to the most comparable U.S. GAAP financial measures, net income or loss and return on beginning common shareholders equity calculated with net income or loss available to common shareholders, is presented above.

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Risk Management

A key challenge in the reinsurance industry is to create economic value through the intelligent assumption of reinsurance and capital markets and investment risk, but also to limit or mitigate those risks that can destroy tangible as well as intangible value. Management believes that every organization faces numerous risks that could threaten the successful achievement of a company s goals and objectives. These include choice of strategy and markets, economic and business cycles, competition, changes in regulation, data quality and security, fraud, business interruption and management continuity; all factors which can be viewed as either strategic or operational risks that are common to any industry. See Risk Factors in Item 1A of Part I of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and in Item 1A of Part II of the Company s quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 2011. In addition to these risks, the Company assumes risks and its results are primarily determined by how well the Company understands, prices and manages assumed risk. While many industries and companies start with a return goal and then attempt to shed risks that may derail that goal, the Company starts with a capital-based risk appetite and then looks for risks that meet its return targets within that framework. Management believes that this construct allows the Company to balance the cedants—need for certainty of claims payment with the shareholders—need for an adequate return on their capital. See Executive Overview Other Key Issues of Management—Risk Management in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for a complete description of the Company s risks, risk management framework and the related risk management strategies and controls.

The Company manages assumed risk at a strategic level through diversification, risk appetite, and limits. For each key risk, the Board approves a risk appetite that the Company defines as the percentage of economic capital the Company is willing to expose to economic loss with a modeled probability of occurring once every 15 years and once every 75 years. The Company manages its exposure to key risks such that the modeled economic loss at a 1 in 15 year and a 1 in 75 year return period are less than the economic capital the Company is willing to expose to the key risks at those return periods.

The major risks to the Company s balance sheet are typically due to events that Management refers to as shock losses. The Company defines a shock loss as an event that has the potential to materially impact economic value. The Company defines its economic value as the difference between the net present value of tangible assets and the net present value of liabilities, using appropriate risk discount rates, plus the unrecognized value of the Life portfolio. For traded assets, the calculated net present values are equivalent to market values.

There are four areas of risk that the Company has currently identified as having the greatest potential for shock losses: catastrophe, reserving for casualty and other long-tail lines, equity and equity-like investment risk and longevity risk. The Company manages the risk of shock losses by setting risk appetite and limits, as described above and below, for each type of shock loss. The Company establishes limits to manage the maximum foreseeable loss from any one event and considers the possibility that several shock losses could occur at one time, for example a major catastrophe event accompanied by a collapse in the equity markets. Management believes that the limits that it has placed on shock losses will allow the Company to continue writing business should such an event occur.

See Other Key Issues of Management Risk Management in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for a discussion of the Company s exposure to catastrophe risk, casualty reserving risk, equity investment risk and longevity risk.

Other risks such as interest rate risk and credit spread risk have the ability to impact results substantially and may result in volatility in results from period to period. However, Management believes that by themselves, interest rate risk and credit spread risk are unlikely to represent a material threat to the Company s long-term economic value. See Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk in Item 3 of Part I of this report for additional disclosure on interest rate risk, credit spread risk, foreign currency risk, counterparty credit risk and equity price risk.

The Company seeks to maintain a risk appetite moderately above the average of the reinsurance market because Management believes that this position offers the best potential for creating shareholder value at an acceptable risk level. The most profitable products generally present the most volatility and potential risk. Management believes that the Company s actual risk profile is equal to or less than the average of the reinsurance market because of the level of diversification achieved in the portfolio, the strict adherence to risk appetite and limits, and the risk mitigation strategies employed.

The limits and actual exposures of the Company for its four major risks are as follows:

	Limit at September 30, 2011	Deployed at September 30, 2011	Deployed at December 31, 2010
Catastrophe risk largest zonal limit	\$ 2.8 billion	\$ 2.1 billion	\$ 2.5 billion
Casualty reserving risk total earned premiums for casualty and other			
long-tail lines for the four most recent underwriting periods	6.3 billion	2.9 billion	3.0 billion
Equity investment risk value of equity and equity-like securities	3.3 billion	1.5 billion	1.5 billion
Longevity risk net present value loss from extreme mortality			
improvement scenario	2.0 billion	1.0 billion	1.0 billion

The following table summarizes risk appetite and modeled economic loss for the Company s major risks discussed above:

			Ec	Modeled onomic Loss	Ec	Modeled onomic Loss
		Appetite at		at	_	at
	Septer	nber 30, 2011 🛚	Septe	mber 30, 2011 ⁽¹	Decei	nber 31, 2010 ⁽¹⁾
Catastrophe risk 1 in 75 year annual aggregate loss	\$	1.4 billion	\$	1.2 billion	\$	1.3 billion
Casualty reserving risk casualty and other long-tail lines 1	in					
15 year prior years reserve development		0.7 billion		0.4 billion		0.4 billion
Equity investment risk 1 in 75 year decline in value		1.1 billion		0.5 billion		0.5 billion

⁽¹⁾ The Company has not defined a risk appetite for longevity risk as it believes that establishing a limit is currently the most appropriate risk management metric. In addition, the Company has not relied upon a modeled economic loss for longevity risk.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates of the Company at September 30, 2011 have not changed materially compared to December 31, 2010. See Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010. The following discussion updates specific information related to the Company s estimates for losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits and valuation of investments and funds held directly managed, including certain derivative financial instruments.

Losses and Loss Expenses and Life Policy Benefits

Losses and Loss Expenses

Because a significant amount of time can elapse between the assumption of risk, occurrence of a loss event, the reporting of the event to an insurance company (the primary company or the cedant), the subsequent reporting to the reinsurance company (the reinsurer) and the ultimate payment of the claim on the loss event by the reinsurer, the Company s liability for unpaid losses and loss expenses (loss reserves) is based largely upon estimates. The Company categorizes loss reserves into three types of reserves: reported outstanding loss reserves (case reserves), additional case reserves (ACRs) and incurred but not reported (IBNR) reserves. The Company updates its estimates for each of the aforementioned categories on a quarterly basis using information received from its cedants. The Company also estimates the future unallocated loss adjustment expenses (ULAE) associated with the loss reserves and these form part of the Company s loss adjustment expense reserves. The Company s Non-life loss reserves for each category and sub-segment are reported in the table included later in this section.

The amount of time that elapses before a claim is reported to the cedant and then subsequently reported to the reinsurer is commonly referred to in the industry as the reporting tail. For all lines, the Company s objective is to estimate ultimate losses and loss expenses. Total loss reserves are then calculated by subtracting losses paid. Similarly, IBNR reserves are calculated by subtraction of case reserves and ACRs from total loss reserves.

The Company analyzes its ultimate losses and loss expenses after consideration of the loss experience of various reserving cells. The Company assigns treaties to reserving cells and allocates losses from the treaty to the reserving cell. The reserving cells are selected in order to ensure that the underlying treaties have homogeneous loss development characteristics (e.g., reporting tail) but are large enough to make estimation of trends credible. The selection of reserving cells is reviewed annually and changes over time as the business of the Company evolves. For each reserving cell, the Company s estimates of loss reserves are reached after a review of the results of several commonly accepted actuarial projection methodologies. In selecting its best estimate, the Company considers the appropriateness of each methodology to the individual circumstances of the reserving cell and underwriting year for which the projection is made.

See Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates Losses and Loss Expenses and Life Policy Benefits in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for additional information on the reserving methodologies employed by the Company, the principal reserving methods used for the reserving lines, the principal parameter assumptions underlying the methods and the main underlying factors upon which the estimates of reserving parameters are predicated.

The Company s best estimate of total loss reserves is typically in excess of the midpoint of the actuarial ultimate liability estimate. The Company believes that there is potentially significant risk in estimating loss reserves for long-tail lines of business and for immature underwriting years that may not be adequately captured through traditional actuarial projection methodologies as these methodologies usually rely heavily on projections of prior year trends into the future. In selecting its best estimate of future liabilities, the Company considers both the results of actuarial point estimates of loss reserves as well as the potential variability of these estimates as captured by a reasonable range of actuarial liability estimates. The selected best estimates of reserves are always within the reasonable range of estimates indicated by the Company s actuaries.

During the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the Company reviewed its estimate for prior year losses for each sub-segment of the Non-life segment (defined below in Results by Segment) and, in light of developing data, adjusted its ultimate loss ratios for prior accident years. The following table summarizes the net prior year favorable reserve development for each sub-segment of the Company s Non-life segment for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	months ended			the three	For the n			r the nine nonths
			•	ended		ended		ended
	September 30, 208ept		el ptem	4ptember 30, 2036		leptember 30, 20		nber 30, 2010
Net Non-life prior year favorable (adverse) reserve development:								
North America	\$	75	\$	68	\$	169	\$	144
Global (Non-U.S.) P&C		35		4		90		63
Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty		30		66		122		114
Catastrophe		36		(2)		98		29
Total net Non-life prior year favorable reserve development	s	176	\$	136	\$	479	\$	350

The net Non-life favorable reserve development on prior accident years for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was driven by the following factors (in millions of U.S. dollars):

		For the three months		the three onths	For th	e nine iths		the nine onths
	ended		ended		end	ended		ended
	Septemb	er 30, 20 1	a pteml	ber 30, 20 8 0	ptembe	r 30, 2096	l pteml	ber 30, 2010
Net Non-life prior year (adverse) favorable reserve development:								
Net prior year reserve development due to changes in premiums	\$	(8)	\$	(9)	\$	(34)	\$	(15)
Net prior year reserve development due to all other factors (1)		184		145		513		365
Total net Non-life prior year favorable reserve development	\$	176	\$	136	\$	479	\$	350

⁽¹⁾ Net prior year reserve development due to all other factors includes, but is not limited to, loss experience, changes in assumptions and changes in methodology.

For a discussion of net prior year favorable reserve development by Non-life sub-segment, see Results by Segment below. See Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates Losses and Loss Expenses and Life Policy Benefits in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for additional information by reserving lines.

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The following table shows the gross reserves reported by cedants (case reserves), those estimated by the Company (ACRs and IBNR reserves) and the total gross, ceded and net loss reserves recorded as of September 30, 2011 for each Non-life sub-segment (in millions of U.S. dollars):

				Total gross loss		Total net
	Case		IBNR	reserves	Ceded loss	loss reserves
	reserves	ACRs	reserves	recorded	reserves	recorded
North America	\$ 978	\$ 133	\$ 2,184	\$ 3,295	\$ (23)	\$ 3,272
Global (Non-U.S.) P&C	1,519	10	1,197	2,726	(30)	2,696
Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty	2,101	51	1,750	3,902	(217)	3,685
Catastrophe	601	370	459	1,430	(90)	1,340
Total Non-life	\$ 5,199	\$ 564	\$ 5,590	\$ 11,353	\$ (360)	\$ 10,993

The net loss reserves represent the Company s best estimate of future losses and loss expense amounts based on the information available at September 30, 2011. Loss reserves rely upon estimates involving actuarial and statistical projections at a given time that reflect the Company s expectations of the costs of the ultimate settlement and administration of claims. These estimates are continually reviewed and the ultimate liability may be in excess of, or less than, the amounts provided, for which any adjustments will be reflected in the period in which the need for an adjustment is determined.

The Company s best estimates are point estimates within a reasonable range of actuarial liability estimates. These ranges are developed using stochastic simulations and techniques and provide an indication as to the degree of variability of the loss reserves. The Company interprets the ranges produced by these techniques as confidence intervals around the point estimates for each Non-life sub-segment. However, due to the inherent volatility in the business written by the Company, there can be no guarantee that the final settlement of the loss reserves will fall within these ranges.

The recorded point estimates related to net loss reserves recorded by the Company, and the range of actuarial estimates at September 30, 2011, were as follows for each sub-segment of the Non-life segment (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	Recorded		
	Point		
	Estimate	High	Low
Net Non-life sub-segment loss reserves:			
North America	\$ 3,272	\$ 3,494	\$ 2,576
Global (Non-U.S.) P&C	2,696	2,857	2,349
Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty	3,685	3,877	3,219
Catastrophe	1,340	1,406	1,246

It is not appropriate to add together the ranges of each sub-segment in an effort to determine a high and low range around the Company s total Non-life carried loss reserves.

Of the Company s \$10,993 million of net Non-life loss reserves at September 30, 2011, \$1,085 million of net loss reserves for accident years 2005 and prior are guaranteed by Colisée Re, pursuant to the Reserve Agreement, and are not subject to loss reserve variability. See Summary of certain agreements between AXA SA, Colisée Re and Paris Re in Item 1 of Part I of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Life Policy Benefits

Policy benefits for life and annuity contracts relate to the business in the Company s Life segment, which predominantly includes reinsurance of longevity, subdivided into standard and non-standard annuities, and mortality business, which includes traditional death and disability covers (with various riders), term assurance and critical illness (TCI) written in the UK and Ireland, and guaranteed minimum death benefit (GMDB) written in Continental Europe.

The Company categorizes life reserves into three types of reserves: reported outstanding loss reserves (case reserves), incurred but not reported (IBNR) reserves and reserves for future policy benefits. Such liabilities are established based on methods and underlying assumptions in accordance with U.S. GAAP and applicable actuarial standards. Principal assumptions used in the establishment of reserves for future policy benefits have been determined based upon information reported by ceding companies, supplemented by the Company s actuarial estimates of mortality, critical illness, persistency and future investment income, with appropriate provision to reflect uncertainty.

For the traditional life portfolio, case reserves, IBNR reserves and reserves for future policy benefits are mainly calculated at the treaty level. The Company updates its estimates for each of the aforementioned categories on a quarterly basis using information received from its cedants.

For long duration products, a reserve adequacy test is periodically performed based on the latest best estimate assumptions by line of business, including an experience analysis and a review of likely future experience. If such review produces reserves in excess of those currently held, then the locked-in assumptions will be revised and a loss recognized.

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See Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates Losses and Loss Expenses and Life Policy Benefits Life Policy Benefits in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for additional information on the reserving methodologies employed by the Company for its longevity and mortality lines.

The Life segment experienced net adverse prior year loss development of \$5 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011, primarily due to the GMDB business, where the payout is linked to the performance of underlying capital market assets in France. The net adverse prior year loss development of \$4 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 was primarily driven by deterioration on a credit life treaty in the mortality line and an impaired life annuity (ILA) treaty in the longevity line, resulting from an improvement in the mortality trend, and was partially offset by favorable development on various other mortality treaties.

The net adverse prior year loss development of \$4 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily driven by adverse prior year loss development on certain short-term treaties in the mortality line following the receipt of updated information from cedants and was partially offset by favorable development related to the GMDB business, driven by an improvement in the capital markets. The net adverse development of \$21 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was primarily due to an improvement in the mortality trend related to an ILA treaty in the longevity line.

Valuation of Investments and Funds Held Directly Managed, including certain Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company defines fair value as the price received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Company measures the fair value of its financial instruments according to a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the information used to measure fair value into three broad levels.

Under the fair value hierarchy, Management uses certain assumptions and judgments to derive the fair value of its investments, particularly for those assets with significant unobservable inputs, commonly referred to as Level 3 assets. The Company s Level 3 assets totaled \$560 million and \$500 million at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. At September 30, 2011, the Level 3 assets of \$560 million included fixed maturities and short-term investments of \$451 million, equities of \$7 million, other invested assets of \$84 million and investments underlying the funds held directly managed account of \$18 million. For additional information related to the transfers into, and out of, the Company s Level 3 classification during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, see Note 4 to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this report.

For additional information on the valuation techniques, methods and assumptions that were used by the Company to estimate the fair value of its fixed maturities, short-term investments, equities, other invested assets and investments underlying the funds held—directly managed account, see Note 4 to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this report. For additional information on the Company—s use of derivative financial instruments, see Note 5 to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this report.

Results of Operations for the Three Months and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011 and 2010

The following discussion of Results of Operations contains forward-looking statements based upon assumptions and expectations concerning the potential effect of future events that are subject to uncertainties. See Item 1A of Part I of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and Item 1A of Part II of this report for a review of important risk factors. Any of these risk factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those reflected in such forward-looking statements.

The Company s reporting currency is the U.S. dollar. The Company s significant subsidiaries and branches have one of the following functional currencies: U.S. dollar, euro or Canadian dollar. As a significant portion of the Company s operations is transacted in foreign currencies, fluctuations in foreign exchange rates may affect year over year comparisons. To the extent that fluctuations in foreign exchange rates affect comparisons, their impact has been quantified, when possible, and discussed in each of the relevant sections. See Note 2(m) to Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for a discussion of translation of foreign currencies.

The foreign exchange fluctuations for the principal currencies in which the Company transacts business were as follows:

the U.S. dollar average exchange rate was weaker against most currencies in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods in 2010; and

the U.S. dollar exchange rate weakened against most currencies, except the Canadian dollar, at September 30, 2011 compared to December 31, 2010.

Overview

The Company measures its performance in several ways. Among the performance measures accepted under U.S. GAAP is diluted net income or loss per share, a measure that focuses on the return provided to the Company s common shareholders. Diluted net income or loss per share is obtained by dividing net income or loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average

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number of common shares and common share equivalents outstanding. Net income or loss available to common shareholders is defined as net income or loss less preferred dividends. See the discussion of the non-GAAP performance measures that the Company uses (operating earnings or loss and Operating ROE) and the reconciliation of those non-GAAP measures to the most comparable GAAP measures in Key Financial Measures above.

The year over year comparison of the Company s results is primarily affected by the following:

the losses related to large catastrophic events in the three months ended September 30, 2010 and in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010;

the decrease in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned in the Non-life segment due to cancellations and non-renewals of business as a result of decreases in pricing and the repositioning of the Company s portfolio following the integration of PARIS RE Holdings Limited s (Paris Re) business, including a reduction in catastrophe exposures;

an increase in prior year favorable loss development; and

continued volatility in the capital and credit markets.

To the extent that the above events have affected the year over year comparison of the Company s results, their impact has been quantified and discussed in each of the relevant sections. An overview of each of these events is provided below.

As the Company s reinsurance operations are exposed to low-frequency high-severity risk events, some of which are seasonal, results for certain periods may include unusually low loss experience, while results for other periods may include significant catastrophic losses. Consequently, the Company s results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the full year.

During the first half of 2011, the Company incurred losses, net of retrocession, reinstatement premiums and profit commission adjustments, of \$1,259 million related to the combined impact of the Japan Earthquake, 2011 New Zealand Earthquake, the U.S. tornadoes, Australian Floods and aggregate contracts covering losses in Australia and New Zealand.

During the three months ended September 30, 2011, based on updated information received from cedants, the Company increased its initial loss estimates related to the first half of 2011 catastrophic events by \$144 million, net of retrocession, reinstatement premiums and profit commission adjustments. The increased loss estimates primarily related to adverse development on the Japan Earthquake and 2011 New Zealand Earthquake of \$101 million and \$35 million, respectively.

Accordingly, during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company incurred losses related to the 2011 catastrophic events, net of retrocession, of \$1,403 million, with \$818 million related to the Japan Earthquake, \$358 million related to the 2011 New Zealand Earthquake, \$96 million related to the U.S. tornadoes, \$93 million related to aggregate contracts covering losses in New Zealand and Australia and \$38 million related to the Australian Floods (see Results by Segment below for further details).

In comparison, during the three months ended September 30, 2010, the Company incurred losses of \$64 million, net of retrocession, related to the 2010 New Zealand Earthquake and during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 the Company incurred losses of \$429 million, net of retrocession, reinstatement premiums and profit commission adjustments, related to the combined impact of the Chile Earthquake, 2010 New Zealand Earthquake and Deepwater Horizon.

Loss estimates arising from earthquakes are inherently more uncertain than those from other catastrophic events. The Company s actual losses from the 2010 and 2011 New Zealand Earthquakes may materially exceed the estimated losses as a result of, among other things, an increase in industry insured loss estimates, the expected lengthy claims development period, in particular for earthquake related losses, and the receipt of additional information from cedants, brokers and loss adjusters.

The Company s loss estimate related to the Japan Earthquake is inherently more uncertain than those from other catastrophic events given the characteristics of the Company s reinsurance portfolio in the region, changes in loss assumptions for specific cedants may have a material impact

on the Company s loss estimate related to this event given a significant portion of the losses are concentrated with a few large cedants. The Company believes there remains a high degree of uncertainty related to its loss estimates related to the Japan Earthquake and the ultimate losses arising from this event may be materially in excess of, or less than, the amounts provided for in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet at September 30, 2011. Any adjustments to the Company s preliminary estimate of its ultimate losses related to the 2011 catastrophic events will be reflected in the periods in which they are determined, which may affect the Company s operating results in future periods.

The following table reflects the combined impact of the above losses and the impact on the Company s technical result, net realized and unrealized investment losses and pre-tax income by segment and sub-segment during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 (in millions of U.S. dollars):

Three months ended September 30, 2011		orth erica	(Non	obal a-U.S.) &C	(No	obal 1-U.S.) cialty	Cata	astrophe	No	otal n-life gment		ife ment	Corp an Ot		T	otal
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy																
benefits	\$	5	\$	1	\$	(12)	\$	149	\$	143	\$	(1)	\$	2	\$	144
Reinstatement premiums																
Acquisition costs																
Impact on technical result	\$	5	\$	1	\$	(12)	\$	149	\$	143	\$	(1)	\$	2	\$	144
Net realized and unrealized investment losses						Ì						Ì				
Impact on pre-tax income									\$	143	\$	(1)	\$	2	\$	144
impact on pre-tax meome									Ψ	143	Ψ	(1)	Ψ	2	Ψ	177
			GI	obal	G	ohal			т	'otal						
	Ŋ	. 41		obal	_	obal				otal		•e	_	orate		
N' d 1 15 - 4 - 1 - 20 2011		orth	(Nor	-U.S.)	(No	1-U.S.)	C . 4		No	n-life		ife	an	ıd	T	
Nine months ended September 30, 2011		orth erica	(Nor		(No		Cata	astrophe	No			ife ment	an		Т	otal
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy	Am	erica	(Non	ı-U.S.) &C	(Noi	n-U.S.) cialty		•	No Seg	n-life gment	Seg	ment	an Otl	ıd her		
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits			(Nor	-U.S.)	(No	1-U.S.)	Cata	1,244	No Seg	on-life gment			an	ıd		,393
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits Reinstatement premiums	Am	erica 57	(Non	ı-U.S.) &C	(Noi	n-U.S.) cialty		1,244 (23)	No Seg	on-life gment 1,385 (23)	Seg	ment	an Otl	ıd her		,393 (23)
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits	Am	erica	(Non	ı-U.S.) &C	(Noi	n-U.S.) cialty		1,244	No Seg	on-life gment	Seg	ment	an Otl	ıd her		,393
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits Reinstatement premiums	Am	erica 57	(Non	ı-U.S.) &C	(Noi	n-U.S.) cialty		1,244 (23)	No Seg	on-life gment 1,385 (23)	Seg	ment	an Otl	ıd her		,393 (23)
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits Reinstatement premiums	Am	erica 57	(Non	ı-U.S.) &C	(Noi	n-U.S.) cialty	\$	1,244 (23)	No Seg	on-life gment 1,385 (23)	Seg	ment	an Otl	ıd her	\$ 1	,393 (23)
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits Reinstatement premiums Acquisition costs	A m	57 (6)	(Non Po	1-U.S.) &C 53	(Not Specification Specificati	n-U.S.) ecialty	\$	1,244 (23) (10)	No Seg	1,385 (23) (16)	Seg:	ment 3	an Otl	nd her 5	\$ 1	(23) (16)
Net losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits Reinstatement premiums Acquisition costs Impact on technical result	A m	57 (6)	(Non Po	1-U.S.) &C 53	(Not Specification Specificati	n-U.S.) ecialty	\$	1,244 (23) (10)	No Seg	1,385 (23) (16)	Seg:	ment 3	an Otl	nd her 5	\$ 1	,393 (23) (16)

During October 2011, Thailand suffered severe flooding following unusually heavy monsoon rains. The Company has exposure to losses related to this event primarily through its Global (Non-U.S.) P&C and Catastrophe sub-segments. The Company is currently assessing its potential claims related to this event, but information as of November 3, 2011 is not sufficient to arrive at a reasonable estimate.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned in the Company s Non-life segment decreased by 11%, 10% and 6%, respectively, compared to the same period in 2010. The decreases in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 impacted all of the Company s Non-life sub-segments, except the North America sub-segment. These decreases were primarily driven by the effects of the Company s decisions in prior periods to reduce or cancel business, as a result of decreases in pricing in certain competitive markets and to reposition its portfolios following the integration of Paris Re s business, which included reducing the level of catastrophe-exposed business written. These impacts were less of a factor in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010, except for the Global (Non-U.S.) P&C sub-segment, due to new business written.

During the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Company experienced net favorable prior year loss development of \$176 million and \$479 million, respectively, compared to \$136 million and \$350 million in the same periods of 2010. The net favorable prior year loss development reflects continued favorable actual loss experience reported by cedants compared to expected losses across almost all lines of business, predominantly in the casualty line of the North America sub-segment.

During the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, U.S. and European risk-free interest rates decreased, credit spreads widened and equity markets declined, while the U.S. dollar weakened against most major currencies. As a result of these movements, the value of the Company s investment portfolio at September 30, 2011 increased compared to December 31, 2010, positively affected by the impact of decreased risk-free interest rates, which was partially offset by the impact of widening credit spreads and lower equity markets.

These factors affecting the year over year comparison of the Company s results are discussed below in Review of Net Income (Loss), Results by Segment and Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources, and may continue to affect our results of operations and financial condition

in the future.

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Net income (loss), preferred dividends, net income (loss) available to common shareholders and diluted net income (loss) per share for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were as follows (in millions of U.S. dollars, except per share data):

	For the three % months		Change 2011	For the three months		For the nine months		% Change 2011		the nine onths
	ended		over ended		ıded	ended		led over		nded
	Septemb	er 30, 2011	2010	Septemb	er 30, 29 6	10 ten	ber 30, 2011	2010	Septem	ber 30, 2010
Net income (loss)	\$	180	(66)%	6 \$	525	\$	(503)	NM	% \$	796
Less: preferred dividends		14	66		9		32	22		26
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$	166	(68)	\$	516	\$	(535)	NM	\$	770
Diluted net income (loss) per share	\$	2.43	(64)	\$	6.76	\$	(7.88)	NM	\$	9.68

NM: not meaningful

Three-month result

The decrease in net income, net income available to common shareholders and diluted net income per share for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 resulted primarily from:

a decrease in pre-tax net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$267 million; and

a decrease in the Non-life underwriting result of \$144 million, which was driven by net adverse loss development on prior quarters, primarily related to the Japan Earthquake, a higher level of mid-sized loss activity and lower profitability driven by declines in pricing in certain lines of business. These decreases were reduced by an increase in net favorable prior year loss development and a decrease in large catastrophic losses that occurred during the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to 2010; partially offset by

an increase in foreign exchange gains of \$38 million; and

a decrease in income tax expense of \$30 million, resulting from a lower pre-tax net income.

Nine-month result

The decrease in net income (loss), net income (loss) available to common shareholders and diluted net income (loss) per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 resulted primarily from:

a decrease in the Non-life underwriting result of \$910 million, primarily driven by large catastrophic losses in 2011 related to the Japan Earthquake, 2011 New Zealand Earthquake, U.S. tornadoes, Australian Floods and aggregate contracts covering losses in Australia and New Zealand, compared to large catastrophic losses in 2010 related to the Chile Earthquake, 2010 New Zealand Earthquake and a large loss related to Deepwater Horizon. The impact of increased net favorable prior year loss development in 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was offset by the decrease in the book of business and lower profitability due to declines in pricing; and

a decrease in pre-tax net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$493 million; partially offset by

a decrease in income tax expense of \$52 million, resulting from a lower pre-tax net income; and

a decrease in other corporate operating expenses of \$49 million, primarily driven by the charges related to the Company s voluntary termination plan in the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

Review of Net Income (Loss)

Management analyzes the Company s net income in three parts: underwriting result, investment result and other components of net income (loss). Underwriting result consists of net premiums earned and other income or loss less losses and loss expenses and life policy benefits, acquisition costs and other operating expenses. Investment result consists of net investment income, net realized and unrealized investment gains or losses and interest in earnings or losses of equity investments. Net investment income includes interest and dividends, net of investment expenses, generated by the Company s investment activities, as well as interest income generated on funds held assets. Net realized and unrealized investment gains or losses include sales of the Company s fixed income, equity and other invested assets and investments underlying the funds held directly managed account and changes in net unrealized gains or losses. Interest in earnings or losses of equity investments includes the Company s strategic investments. Other components of net income or loss include technical result and other income or loss, other operating expenses, interest expense, amortization of intangible assets, net foreign exchange gains or losses and income tax expense or benefit.

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The components of net income (loss) for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were as follows (in millions of U.S. dollars):

		r the three % months	2011		months	For the nine months	% Change 2011		or the nine months
	Contor	ended nber 30, 2011	over	a nt an	ended	ended	over 11 2010	Contor	ended mber 30, 2010
Underwriting result:	Septer	iiber 50, 2011	2010 5	epten	nner 30, zwaji	tember 30, 20	11 2010	Septer	nber 50, 2010
Non-life	\$	76	(65)%	\$	220	\$ (762)	NM9	% \$	148
Life		(10)	47		(7)	(18)	(60)		(44)
Investment result:		Ì			, ,	Ì	` '		
Net investment income		164			164	474	(7)		512
Net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses)		26	(91)		293	(8)	NM		485
Interest in (losses) earnings of equity investments ⁽¹⁾		(5)	NM		1	(5)	NM		5
Corporate and Other:									
Technical result ⁽²⁾		4	NM			3	93		2
Other income (2)			(85)		1	1	389		
Other operating expenses		(23)	(12)		(26)	(78)	(39)		(127)
Interest expense		(12)	(1)		(12)	(37)	14		(32)
Amortization of intangible assets ⁽³⁾		(9)	(5)		(10)	(27)	22		(23)
Net foreign exchange gains (losses)		11	NM		(27)	20	NM		(12)
Income tax expense		(42)	(42)		(72)	(66)	(44)		(118)
Net income (loss)	\$	180	(66)	\$	525	\$ (503)	NM	\$	796

- (1) Interest in earnings or loss of equity investments represents the Company's aggregate share of earnings or losses related to several private placement investments and limited partnerships within the Corporate and Other segment. See the discussion in Corporate and Other Interest in Earnings of Equity Investments below for more details.
- (2) Technical result and other income primarily relate to income on insurance-linked securities and principal finance transactions within the Corporate and Other segment.
- (3) Amortization of intangible assets relates to intangible assets acquired in the acquisition of Paris Re in 2009.

Underwriting result is a measurement that the Company uses to manage and evaluate its Non-life and Life segments, as it is a primary measure of underlying profitability for the Company s core reinsurance operations, separate from the investment results. The Company believes that in order to enhance the understanding of its profitability, it is useful for investors to evaluate the components of net income separately and in the aggregate. Underwriting result should not be considered a substitute for net income and does not reflect the overall profitability of the business, which is also impacted by investment results and other items.

Three-month result

The underwriting result for the Non-life segment decreased by \$144 million, from \$220 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to \$76 million in the same period of 2011. The decrease was primarily attributable to:

an increase in net adverse loss development on prior quarters of \$180 million, primarily driven by adverse loss development related to the Japan Earthquake and 2011 New Zealand Earthquake; and

a decrease of approximately \$68 million primarily resulting from declining profitability due to reduced pricing in certain lines of business and a higher level of mid-sized loss activity; partially offset by

a decrease in large catastrophic losses of \$64 million, which were related to the 2010 New Zealand Earthquake; and

an increase in net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$40 million, from \$136 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to \$176 million in the same period of 2011. The components of the net favorable loss development are described in more detail in the discussion of individual sub-segments in Results by Segment below.

The underwriting result for the Life segment, which does not include allocated investment income, decreased from a loss of \$7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to a loss of \$10 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011. The modest deterioration in the underwriting result was primarily due to normal fluctuations in profitability between periods. See Results by Segment below.

Net investment income in the three months ended September 30, 2011 was comparable to the same period of 2010 as increases in net investment income from fixed maturities related to the impact of foreign exchange fluctuations and the reinvestment of cash flows generated from operations in prior quarters, were offset by lower reinvestment rates. See Corporate and Other Net Investment Income below for more details.

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Net realized and unrealized investment gains decreased by \$267 million, from \$293 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to \$26 million in the same period of 2011. The net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$26 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011 were primarily due to declining U.S. and European risk-free interest rates, which were partially offset by widening credit spreads, declines in worldwide equity markets and realized losses on treasury note futures. Net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$26 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011 primarily consisted of the change in net unrealized investment gains on fixed maturities and short-term investments of \$190 million, net realized investment gains on fixed maturities and short-term investments of \$64 million and net realized and unrealized investment gains on funds held-directly managed of \$12 million. These gains were partially offset by the change in net unrealized investment losses on equities of \$145 million and net realized investment losses on other invested assets, primarily related to treasury note futures, of \$98 million. See Corporate and Other Net Realized and Unrealized Investment Gains (Losses) below for more details on the investment activity.

Other operating expenses included in Corporate and Other decreased by \$3 million from \$26 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to \$23 million in the same period of 2011, primarily due to lower personnel expenses.

Interest expense in the three months ended September 30, 2011 was comparable to the same period in 2010.

Net foreign exchange gains increased from a loss of \$27 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to a gain of \$11 million in the same period of 2011. The increase in net foreign exchange gains during the three months ended September 30, 2011 resulted primarily from a higher gain related to currency movements on certain unhedged equity securities. The Company hedges a significant portion of its currency risk exposure as discussed in Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk in Item 3 of Part I of this report.

Income tax expense decreased by \$30 million, from \$72 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to \$42 million in the same period of 2011. The decrease in the income tax expense was primarily due to a lower pre-tax net income. See Corporate and Other Income Taxes below for more details.

Nine-month result

The underwriting result for the Non-life segment decreased by \$910 million, from \$148 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to a loss of \$762 million in the same period of 2011. The decrease was attributable to:

an increase in large catastrophic losses of \$981 million, net of retrocession, reinstatement premiums and profit commissions, related to the Japan Earthquake, 2011 New Zealand Earthquake, aggregate contracts covering losses in Australia and New Zealand, U.S. tornadoes and Australian Floods in 2011, compared to the Chile Earthquake and 2010 New Zealand Earthquake in the same period of 2010; and

a decrease of approximately \$156 million resulting from a decrease in the book of business, declining profitability due to reduced pricing in certain lines of business and a higher level of mid-sized loss activity; partially offset by

an increase in net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$129 million, from \$350 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to \$479 million in the same period of 2011. The components of the net favorable loss development are described in more detail in the discussion of individual sub-segments in Results by Segment below;

a decrease in losses and loss expenses of \$63 million, net of retrocession and reinstatement premiums, related to Deepwater Horizon; and

a decrease in other operating expenses of \$35 million, primarily driven by lower personnel costs.

The underwriting result for the Life segment, which does not include allocated investment income, improved from a loss of \$44 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to a loss of \$18 million in the same period of 2011. The improvement in the underwriting result was primarily due to a decrease in net adverse prior year loss development. See Results by Segment below.

Net investment income decreased by \$38 million to \$474 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to \$512 million in the same period of 2010. The decrease in net investment income of 7% is primarily attributable to a decrease in net investment income from fixed maturities and funds held directly managed due to lower reinvestment rates. See Corporate and Other Net Investment Income below for more details.

Net realized and unrealized investment losses decreased by \$493 million, from net investment gains of \$485 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to a loss of \$8 million in the same period of 2011. The net realized and unrealized investment losses of \$8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were primarily due to realized and unrealized losses on treasury note futures, widening credit spreads, declines in worldwide equity markets and losses on insurance-linked securities impacted by the Japan Earthquake, which were partially offset by declining U.S. and European risk-free interest rates. Net realized and unrealized investment losses of \$8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 primarily consisted of the change in net unrealized investment losses on equities and other invested assets of \$204 million and net realized investment losses on other invested assets (mainly related to treasury note futures) of \$149 million. These losses were partially offset by the change in net unrealized investment gains on fixed maturities and short-term investments of \$180 million and net realized investment gains on funds held-directly managed of \$14 million. See Corporate and Other Net Realized and Unrealized Investment Gains (Losses) below for more details on the investment activity.

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Other operating expenses included in Corporate and Other decreased by \$49 million from \$127 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to \$78 million in the same period of 2011. The decrease was primarily due to the charges related to the Company s voluntary termination plan in the nine months ended September 30, 2010, as well as lower personnel costs in the 2011 period.

Interest expense increased by \$5 million, from \$32 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to \$37 million in the same period in 2011. The increase was primarily due to the timing of the issuance of \$500 million 5.500% Senior Notes in March 2010, which was not outstanding for the entire period during the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

Net foreign exchange gains increased from a loss of \$12 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to a gain of \$20 million in the same period of 2011. The increase in net foreign exchange gains during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 resulted primarily from lower forward points paid, which reflects the interest rate differential between currencies bought and sold against the U.S. dollar, and the timing of the hedging activities. The Company hedges a significant portion of its currency risk exposure as discussed in Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk in Item 3 of Part I of this report.

Income tax expense decreased by \$52 million, from \$118 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to \$66 million in the same period of 2011. The decrease in the income tax expense was primarily due to a lower pre-tax net income. See Corporate and Other Income Taxes below for more details.

Results by Segment

The Company monitors the performance of its operations in three segments, Non-life, Life and Corporate & Other. The Non-life segment is further divided into four sub-segments, North America, Global (Non-U.S.) Property and Casualty (Global (Non-U.S.) P&C), Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty and Catastrophe. Segments and sub-segments represent markets that are reasonably homogeneous in terms of geography, client types, buying patterns, underlying risk patterns and approach to risk management. See Note 22 to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 for additional information concerning the Company s segments and sub-segments.

Following the completion of the Company s integration of Paris Re into its other Non-life sub-segments, and to reflect other changes in management responsibilities for certain lines of business and treaties, the Company redefined its financial reporting segments. The comparative data that was previously presented in the Company s Form 10-Q for the three months ended September 30, 2010 has been recast to conform to the current period presentation.

Segment results are shown before intercompany transactions. Business reported in the Global (Non-U.S.) P&C and Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty sub-segments and the Life segment is, to a significant extent, denominated in foreign currencies and is reported in U.S. dollars at the average foreign exchange rates for each period. The U.S. dollar has fluctuated against the euro and other currencies in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods in 2010 and this should be considered when making period to period comparisons.

Non-life Segment

North America

The North America sub-segment is comprised of lines of business that are considered to be either short, medium or long-tail. The short-tail lines consist of agriculture, property and proportional motor business and represented 52% and 46% of net premiums written in this sub-segment in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. Casualty and non-proportional motor business are considered to be long-tail and represented 38% and 41% of net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, while credit/surety and multiline are considered by the Company to have a medium-tail and accounted for the balance of net premiums written in this sub-segment. The casualty line represented approximately 37% and 40% of net premiums written in this sub-segment in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. This line typically tends to have a higher loss ratio and a lower technical result, due to the long-tail nature of the risks involved. Casualty treaties typically provide for investment income on premiums invested over a longer period as losses are typically paid later than for other lines. Investment income, however, is not considered in the calculation of technical result.

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The following table provides the components of the technical result and the corresponding ratios for this sub-segment for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	mo en	ne three % nths ded er 30, 2011	% Change 2011 over 2010 S	me	the three onths nded ber 30, 2036	n	the nine nonths ended aber 30, 2011	% Change 2011 over 2010	1	r the nine months ended nber 30, 2010
Gross premiums written	\$	288	8%	\$	267	\$	868	49	6 \$	831
Net premiums written		287	8		267		868	5		830
Net premiums earned	\$	329	14	\$	288	\$	850	9	\$	779
Losses and loss expenses		(192)	40		(137)		(556)	29		(432)
Acquisition costs		(80)			(80)		(210)	(4)		(218)
Technical result ⁽¹⁾	\$	57	(20)	\$	71	\$	84	(35)	\$	129
Loss ratio ⁽²⁾	Ψ	58.4%	(20)	Ψ	47.5%	Ψ	65.5%	(33)	Ψ	55.5%
Acquisition ratio ⁽³⁾		24.3			27.8		24.6			27.9
Technical ratio ⁽⁴⁾		82.7%			75.3%		90.1%			83.4%

- (1) Technical result is defined as net premiums earned less losses and loss expenses and acquisition costs.
- (2) Loss ratio is obtained by dividing losses and loss expenses by net premiums earned.
- (3) Acquisition ratio is obtained by dividing acquisition costs by net premiums earned.
- (4) Technical ratio is defined as the sum of the loss ratio and the acquisition ratio.

Premiums

The North America sub-segment represented 27% and 24% of total net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to 27% and 21% of total net premiums written during the same periods in 2010, respectively. The increase in the North America sub-segment s net premiums written as a percentage of total net premiums written in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was mainly due to higher net premiums written in this sub-segment, primarily in the agriculture line of business as described below, and decreases in net premiums written in the Company s other Non-life sub-segments.

Three-month result

Gross and net premiums written increased by 8% and net premiums earned increased by 14% in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The increase in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned was primarily attributable to the agriculture line of business and was mainly driven by increased demand, higher agricultural commodity prices and higher upward premium adjustments in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The increase in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned was partially offset by a decrease in the property line, driven by cancellations and lower renewals in 2011 due to increased retentions and reductions in pricing. The increase in net premiums earned in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was higher than the increase in gross and net premiums written due to the impact of business written in the prior year being earned, primarily in the property and motor lines of business.

Nine-month result

Gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned increased by 4%, 5% and 9%, respectively, in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The increases in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned were primarily attributable to the agriculture line of business and were partially offset by a decrease in the property line of business, both due to the reasons described in the three-month result. The increase in net premiums earned in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was higher than the increase in gross and net premiums written due to the impact of business written in the prior year being earned, primarily in the property line of business. Notwithstanding the declining market conditions, higher retentions and the competition prevailing in certain lines of business and markets of this sub-segment, the Company was able to write business that met its portfolio objectives.

Losses and loss expenses and loss ratio

Three-month result

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the three months ended September 30, 2011 reflected:

no large catastrophic losses;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$75 million, or 22.7 points on the loss ratio;

net adverse loss development on prior quarters of \$10 million, or 2.9 points on the loss ratio, primarily driven by adverse development related to the U.S. tornadoes and higher loss estimates in the agriculture line of business;

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a change in the mix of business towards the agriculture line, which generally carries a higher loss ratio compared to most of the other lines of business in this sub-segment;

a lower level of loss estimates recorded in the casualty line of business related to financial crisis; and

an increase in the book of business and exposure, as evidenced by the increase in net premiums earned, and declines in pricing.

The net favorable loss development of \$75 million reported in the three months ended September 30, 2011 included net favorable development for prior accident years in most lines of business, predominantly in the casualty line. Loss information provided by cedants in the three months ended September 30, 2011 for prior accident years was lower than the Company expected and included no individually significant losses or reductions but a series of attritional losses or reductions. Based on the Company s assessment of this loss information, the Company decreased its expected ultimate loss ratios for most lines of business, which had the net effect of decreasing prior year loss estimates.

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the three months ended September 30, 2010 reflected:

no large catastrophic losses;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$68 million, or 23.6 points on the loss ratio;

a lower level of loss estimates recorded in the casualty line of business reflecting improving economic and financial market conditions; and

a decrease in the book of business and exposure.

The net favorable loss development of \$68 million reported in the three months ended September 30, 2010 included net favorable loss development for prior accident years in most lines of business, predominantly in the casualty line.

The increase of \$55 million in losses and loss expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 included:

an increase of approximately \$54 million in losses and loss expenses resulting from a change in the mix of business towards the agriculture line of business, the impact of declining pricing on the profitability of the business between periods and an increase in the book of business and exposure, which were partially offset by a lower level of loss estimates recorded in the casualty line of business related to financial crisis; and

an increase of \$8 million in net adverse prior quarters loss development; partially offset by

an increase of \$7 million in net favorable prior year loss development.

Nine-month result

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 reflected:

large catastrophic losses, primarily related to the U.S. tornadoes, of \$57 million, or 6.7 points on the loss ratio;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$169 million, or 19.9 points on the loss ratio;

a change in the mix of business towards the agriculture line, which generally carries a higher loss ratio compared to most of the other lines of business in this sub-segment;

a lower level of loss estimates recorded in the casualty line of business related to financial crisis; and

an increase in the book of business and exposure and declines in pricing.

The net favorable loss development of \$169 million reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 included net favorable development for prior accident years in most lines of business, predominantly in the casualty line, while the motor line experienced adverse loss development for prior accident years of \$6 million. Loss information provided by cedants in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 for prior accident years was lower than the Company expected (higher for motor) and included no individually significant losses or reductions but a series of attritional losses or reductions. Based on the Company s assessment of this loss information, the Company decreased (increased for motor) its expected ultimate loss ratios for most lines of business, which had the net effect of decreasing (increasing for motor) prior year loss estimates.

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the Chile Earthquake of \$6 million, or 0.7 points on the loss ratio;

losses and loss expenses related to Deepwater Horizon of \$5 million, or 0.6 points on the loss ratio;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$144 million, or 18.5 points on the loss ratio;

a lower level of loss estimates recorded in the casualty line of business reflecting improving economic and financial market conditions; and

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a decrease in the book of business and exposure.

The net favorable loss development of \$144 million reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 included net favorable loss development for prior accident years in most lines of business, predominantly in the casualty and agriculture lines, while the motor line experienced adverse loss development for prior accident years of \$6 million.

The increase of \$124 million in losses and loss expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 included:

an increase of approximately \$103 million in losses and loss expenses resulting from the change in the mix of business towards the agriculture line of business, the impact of declining pricing on the profitability of the business between periods and an increase in the book of business and exposure. These increases were partially offset by a lower level of loss estimates recorded in the casualty line of business related to financial crisis; and

an increase of \$46 million in large catastrophic losses and large losses and loss expenses; partially offset by

an increase of \$25 million in net favorable prior year loss development.

Acquisition costs and acquisition ratio

Three-month result

Acquisition costs remained flat in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 as a result of an increase in net premiums earned being offset by a decrease in the acquisition ratio. The acquisition ratio decreased in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 as a result of the change in the mix of business towards the agriculture line, which generally carries a lower acquisition ratio compared to the other lines of business in this sub-segment, and lower profit commission adjustments reported by cedants in the credit/surety line of business.

Nine-month result

Acquisition costs and the acquisition ratio decreased in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 as a result of the change in the mix of business towards the agriculture line described in the three-month result and lower profit commission adjustments reported by cedants in the agriculture and credit/surety lines of business.

Technical result and technical ratio

Three-month result

The decrease of \$14 million in the technical result and the corresponding increase in the technical ratio in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily attributable to an increase of \$8 million in net adverse prior quarters loss development, the change in the mix of business towards the agriculture line and the impact of declining profitability of the business. These decreases in the technical result were partially offset by an increase of \$7 million in net favorable prior year loss development, a lower level of loss estimates recorded in the casualty line of business related to the financial crisis and normal fluctuations in profitability and net premiums earned between periods.

Nine-month result

The decrease of \$45 million in the technical result and the corresponding increase in the technical ratio in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily attributable to an increase of \$40 million, net of related profit commissions, in large catastrophic losses and large losses and loss expenses, the change in the mix of business towards the agriculture line and the impact of declining profitability of the business. These decreases in the technical result were partially offset by an increase of \$25 million in net favorable prior year loss development, a lower level of loss estimates recorded in the casualty line of business related to the financial crisis and normal fluctuations in net premiums earned between periods.

Global (Non-U.S.) P&C

The Global (Non-U.S.) P&C sub-segment is composed of short-tail business, in the form of property and proportional motor business, that represented approximately 88% and 84% of net premiums written in this sub-segment in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, and long-tail business, in the form of casualty and non-proportional motor business, that represented the balance of net premiums written.

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The following table provides the components of the technical result and the corresponding ratios for this sub-segment for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	mo en	ne three onths aded er 30, 2011	% Change 2011 over 2010	1	the three months ended mber 30, 2086	n	onths ended	% Change 2011 over 2010	1	r the nine months ended nber 30, 2010
Gross premiums written	\$	144	(9) %	6 \$	158	\$	585	(26)	% \$	792
Net premiums written		144	(9)		158		581	(25)		780
Net premiums earned	\$	193	(14)	\$	225	\$	567	(17)	\$	686
Losses and loss expenses		(102)	(41)		(174)		(379)	(33)		(561)
Acquisition costs		(52)	(8)		(56)		(145)	(15)		(170)
Technical result	\$	39	NM	\$	(5)	\$	43	NM	\$	(45)
Loss ratio		52.9%			77.1%		66.8%			81.8%
Acquisition ratio		26.9			25.2		25.7			24.8
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Technical ratio		79.8%			102.3%		92.5%			106.6%

Premiums

The Global (Non-U.S.) P&C sub-segment represented 14% and 16% of total net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to 16% and 20% of total net premiums written during the same periods in 2010. The decrease in the Global (Non-U.S.) P&C sub-segment s net premiums written as a percentage of total net premiums written was primarily due to the effects of the Company s decision to cancel or reduce business in prior periods as a result of decreases in pricing and the repositioning of the Company s portfolio, as described below.

Three-month result

Gross and net premiums written decreased by 9% and net premiums earned decreased by 14% in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The decreases in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned resulted from all lines of business and were mainly driven by the effects of the Company s decision to cancel or reduce business in prior periods as a result of reductions in pricing, the repositioning of the Company s portfolio following the integration of Paris Re s business, which included reducing catastrophe-exposed business in the property line, and higher retentions by cedants. Due to a significant percentage of this sub-segment s business being written on a proportional basis, the effects of the decreased business are recognized in premiums written on a quarterly basis over the coverage periods of the underlying treaties. The decreases in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned were partially offset by the weaker U.S. dollar in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010, as premiums denominated in currencies that have appreciated against the U.S. dollar were converted into U.S. dollars at higher average exchange rates. Foreign exchange fluctuations increased gross premiums written and net premiums earned by 11% and net premiums written by 12%.

Nine-month result

Gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned decreased by 26%, 25% and 17%, respectively, in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The decreases in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned resulted from all lines of business due to the reasons described in the three-month result. These decreases were partially offset by foreign exchange fluctuations, which increased gross and net premiums written by 2% and net premiums earned by 5% due to the impact of the weaker U.S. dollar in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The decrease in net premiums earned was lower than the decreases in gross and net premiums written primarily due to the earning of business in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 that was written in 2010. Notwithstanding the increased competition and overall declines in pricing prevailing in certain lines of business and markets of this sub-segment, the Company was able to write business that met its portfolio objectives.

Losses and loss expenses and loss ratio

Three-month result

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the three months ended September 30, 2011 reflected:

a decrease in the book of business and exposure and declines in pricing.

no large catastrophic losses;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$35 million, or 18.1 points on the loss ratio;

net adverse loss development on prior quarters of \$4 million, or 2.1 points on the loss ratio;

a higher level of mid-sized loss activity; and

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The net favorable loss development of \$35 million reported in the three months ended September 30, 2011 included net favorable development for prior accident years driven primarily by the property line, while the motor line experienced adverse loss development for prior accident years. Loss information provided by cedants in the three months ended September 30, 2011 for prior accident years was lower than the Company expected (higher for motor) and included no individually significant losses or reductions but a series of attritional losses or reductions. Based on the Company s assessment of this loss information, the Company decreased its expected ultimate loss ratios for all lines of business (increased for motor), which had the net effect of decreasing (increasing for motor) prior year loss estimates.

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the three months ended September 30, 2010 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the 2010 New Zealand Earthquake of \$6 million, or 2.7 points on the loss ratio;

net adverse loss development on prior quarters of \$33 million, or 14.6 points on the loss ratio, which was driven by adverse loss development of \$24 million, or 10.5 points on the loss ratio, related to the Chile Earthquake;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$4 million, or 1.7 points on the loss ratio;

a lower level of mid-sized loss activity; and

an increase in the book of business and exposure.

The net favorable loss development of \$4 million reported in the three months ended September 30, 2010 included net favorable development for prior accident years in all lines of business, except the property line.

The decrease of \$72 million in losses and loss expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 included:

an increase of \$31 million in net favorable prior year loss development;

a decrease of \$29 million in net adverse prior quarters loss development;

a decrease of \$6 million in large catastrophic losses; and

a decrease of approximately \$6 million in losses and loss expenses resulting from a decrease in the book of business and exposure, which was partially offset by a higher level of mid-sized loss activity and the impact of declining pricing on the profitability of the business between periods.

Nine-month result

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the Japan Earthquake, 2011 New Zealand Earthquake and Australian Floods of \$53 million, or 9.4 points on the loss ratio;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$90 million, or 15.8 points on the loss ratio; and

a decrease in the book of business and exposure and declines in pricing.

The net favorable loss development of \$90 million reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 included net favorable development for prior accident years in all lines of business. Loss information provided by cedants in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 for prior accident years was lower than the Company expected and included no individually significant losses or reductions but a series of attritional losses or reductions. Based on the Company s assessment of this loss information, the Company decreased its expected ultimate loss ratios for all lines of business, which had the net effect of decreasing prior year loss estimates.

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the Chile Earthquake and 2010 New Zealand Earthquake of \$154 million, or 22.4 points on the loss ratio; and

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$63 million, or 9.1 points on the loss ratio;

a lower level of mid-sized loss activity; and

an increase in the book of business and exposure.

The net favorable loss development of \$63 million reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 included net favorable development for prior accident years in all lines of business.

The decrease of \$182 million in losses and loss expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 included:

a decrease of \$101 million in large catastrophic losses;

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a decrease of approximately \$54 million in losses and loss expenses resulting from a decrease in the book of business and exposure, which was partially offset by the impact of declining pricing on the profitability of the business between periods; and

an increase of \$27 million in net favorable prior year loss development.

Acquisition costs and acquisition ratio

Three-month and nine-month result

Acquisition costs decreased in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods in 2010 primarily as a result of lower net premiums earned. The acquisition ratio increased in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods in 2010 primarily due to higher profit commission adjustments reported by cedants in the property line of business.

Technical result and technical ratio

Three-month result

The increase of \$44 million in the technical result and the corresponding decrease in the technical ratio in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily attributable to an increase of \$31 million in net favorable prior year loss development, a decrease of \$29 million in net adverse prior quarters loss development and a decrease of \$6 million in large catastrophic losses. These increases in the technical result were partially offset by a higher level of mid-sized loss activity, declining profitability and lower net premiums earned between periods.

Nine-month result

The increase of \$88 million in the technical result and the corresponding decrease in the technical ratio in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily attributable to a decrease of \$100 million, net of reinstatement premiums, in large catastrophic losses and an increase of \$27 million in net favorable prior year loss development. These increases in the technical result were partially offset by declining profitability and lower net premiums earned between periods.

Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty

The Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty sub-segment is primarily comprised of lines of business that are considered to be either short or medium-tail. The short-tail lines consist of agriculture, energy and specialty property and represented 29% and 24% of net premiums written in this sub-segment in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. Aviation/space, credit/surety, engineering and marine are considered by the Company to have a medium-tail and represented 67% and 66%, respectively, of net premiums written, while specialty casualty is considered to be long-tail and accounted for the balance of net premiums written in this sub-segment in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011.

The following table provides the components of the technical result and the corresponding ratios for this sub-segment for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	months		months 2011 months months		,		% Change 2011 over	For the nine months ended		
		per 30, 2011					iber 30, 2011		Septer	nber 30, 2010
Gross premiums written	\$	368	22%	\$	303	\$	1,092	(8)%	\$	1,183
Net premiums written		360	23		292		1,007	(9)		1,103
Net premiums earned	\$	362		\$	364	\$	1,021	(5)	\$	1,076
Losses and loss expenses		(247)	24		(199)		(675)	(15)		(794)
Acquisition costs		(82)	12		(74)		(240)	10		(219)

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Technical result	\$ 33	(64)	\$ 91	\$ 106	67	\$ 63
Loss ratio	68.3%		54.8%	66.1%		73.7%
Acquisition ratio	22.7		20.2	23.5		20.4
Technical ratio	91.0%		75.0%	89.6%		94.1%
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Premiums

The Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty sub-segment represented 33% and 28% of total net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to 30% and 29% of total net premiums written during the same

periods in 2010. The increase in the Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty sub-segment s net premiums written as a percentage of total net premiums written in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily due to new business written, which was partially offset by the effects of the Company s decision to cancel or reduce business in prior periods as a result of modestly reduced pricing in certain lines of business and the repositioning of the Company s portfolio, as described below. The Global (Non-U.S.) Specialty sub-segment s net premiums written in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 as a percentage of total net premiums written were comparable to the same period in 2010 due to the effects of the Company s decision to cancel or reduce business in prior periods in this sub-segment being offset by similar decreases in most of the Company s other Non-life sub-segments.

Three-month result

Gross and net premiums written increased by 22% and 23%, respectively, while net premiums earned remained flat in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The increases in gross and net premiums written resulted primarily from new business written and share increases in the specialty property, marine, credit/surety and energy lines of business. These increases were also due to the impact of the weaker U.S. dollar in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. Foreign exchange fluctuations increased gross and net premiums written by 8%. These increases in gross and net premiums written were partially offset by the effects of the Company s decisions to cancel or reduce business in prior periods as a result of modestly reduced pricing in certain lines of business and the repositioning of the Company s portfolio following the integration of Paris Re s business. Net premiums earned remained flat in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 as the impact of the cancellations and reductions was offset by foreign exchange fluctuations, which increased net premiums earned by 11%. Net premiums earned remained flat in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the increase in gross and net premiums written due to the new business written during the three months ended September 30, 2011 not yet being fully reflected in net premiums earned.

Nine-month result

Gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned decreased by 8%, 9% and 5%, respectively, in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The decrease in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned resulted from most lines of business and was primarily due to the effects of the Company's decisions to cancel or reduce business as described in the three-month result above. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in upward premium adjustments reported by cedants in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010, which were primarily driven by the energy and engineering lines of business, share increases in the credit/surety line of business, new business written in the specialty property line of business and the impact of the weaker U.S. dollar in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. Foreign exchange fluctuations increased gross and net premiums written by 2% and net premiums earned by 5%. Notwithstanding the diverse conditions prevailing in various markets within this sub-segment, with terms in most markets soft, the Company was able to write business that met its portfolio objectives.

Losses and loss expenses and loss ratio

Three-month result

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the three months ended September 30, 2011 reflected:

no large catastrophic losses;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$30 million, or 8.3 points on the loss ratio; and

a lower level of loss estimates in the credit/surety and specialty casualty lines of business related to the financial crisis. The net favorable loss development of \$30 million reported in the three months ended September 30, 2011 included net favorable development for prior accident years in all lines of business, except the marine line, which experienced adverse loss development for prior accident years of \$8 million. Loss information provided by cedants in the three months ended September 30, 2011 for prior accident years was lower than the Company expected (higher for marine) and included no individually significant losses or reductions but a series of attritional losses or reductions. Based on the Company s assessment of this loss information, the Company decreased (increased for marine) its expected ultimate loss ratios, which had the net effect of decreasing (increasing for marine) prior year loss estimates.

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the three months ended September 30, 2010 reflected:

no large catastrophic losses;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$66 million, or 18.4 points on the loss ratio;

net favorable loss development on the prior quarters of \$24 million, or 6.6 points on the loss ratio;

increasing loss trends in the specialty casualty line of business; and

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lower loss estimates in the credit/surety line of business reflecting improving economic and credit conditions. The net favorable loss development of \$66 million reported in the three months ended September 30, 2010 included net favorable development for prior accident years in all lines of business.

The increase of \$48 million in losses and loss expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 included:

a decrease of \$36 million in net favorable prior year loss development; and

a decrease of \$23 million in net favorable prior quarters loss development; partially offset by

a decrease of approximately \$11 million in losses and loss expenses resulting from a lower level of loss estimates in the specialty casualty and credit/surety lines of business related to the financial crisis, which was partially offset by the impact of modestly declining profitability in certain lines of business between periods.

Nine-month result

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the Japan Earthquake, U.S. tornadoes, Australian Floods and 2011 New Zealand Earthquake of \$31 million, or 3.0 points on the loss ratio;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$122 million, or 12.0 points on the loss ratio;

a higher level of mid-sized loss activity;

a lower level of loss estimates in the specialty casualty and credit/surety lines of business related to the financial crisis; and

a decrease in the book of business and exposure and declines in pricing in certain lines of business.

The net favorable loss development of \$122 million reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 included net favorable loss development for prior accident years in most lines of business, except for the energy and engineering lines, which experienced combined adverse loss development for prior accident years of \$9 million. Loss information provided by cedants in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 for prior accident years was lower than the Company expected (higher for energy and engineering) and included no individually significant losses or reductions but a series of attritional losses or reductions. Based on the Company s assessment of this loss information, the Company decreased (increased for energy and engineering) its expected ultimate loss ratios, which had the net effect of decreasing (increasing for energy and engineering) prior year loss estimates.

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the Chile Earthquake and 2010 New Zealand Earthquake of \$57 million, or 5.4 points on the loss ratio:

losses and loss expenses related to Deepwater Horizon of \$61 million, or 5.5 points on the loss ratio;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$114 million, or 10.6 points on the loss ratio;

lower loss estimates in the credit/surety line of business reflecting improving economic and credit conditions; and

a decrease in the book of business and exposure.

The net favorable loss development of \$114 million reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 included net favorable development for prior accident years in all lines of business, except the specialty casualty line, which experienced adverse loss development for prior accident years of \$48 million.

The decrease of \$119 million in losses and loss expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 included:

a decrease of \$61 million in losses and loss expenses related to Deepwater Horizon;

a decrease of \$26 million related to large catastrophic losses;

a decrease of approximately \$24 million in losses and loss expenses resulting from a decrease in the book of business and exposure and a lower level of loss estimates in the specialty casualty and credit/surety lines of business related to the financial crisis, which were partially offset by a higher level of mid-sized loss activity and the impact of declining profitability of the business in certain lines of business between periods; and

an increase of \$8 million in net favorable prior year loss development.

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Acquisition costs and acquisition ratio

Three-month and nine-month result

Acquisition costs and the acquisition ratio increased in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods in 2010 primarily due to higher profit commission adjustments reported by cedants in the credit/surety line of business, and a shift in the mix of business towards the credit/surety line of business and towards proportional business, which generally carry relatively higher acquisition ratios.

Technical result and technical ratio

Three-month result

The decrease of \$58 million in the technical result and the corresponding increase in the technical ratio in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily attributable to a decrease of \$59 million in combined net favorable prior year and prior quarters loss development, higher acquisition costs and modestly declining profitability in certain lines of business between periods. These decreases in the technical result were partially offset by a lower level of loss estimates in the specialty casualty and credit/surety lines of business related to the financial crisis.

Nine-month result

The increase of \$43 million in the technical result and the corresponding decrease in the technical ratio in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily attributable to a decrease in losses and loss expenses of \$58 million, net of retrocession and reinstatement premiums, related to Deepwater Horizon, a decrease of \$28 million, net of reinstatement premiums, in large catastrophic losses, an increase of \$8 million in net favorable prior year loss development and a lower level of loss estimates in the specialty casualty and credit/surety lines of business related to the financial crisis. These increases in the technical result were partially offset by a higher level of mid-sized loss activity, higher acquisition costs, modestly declining profitability in certain lines of business, and lower net premiums earned between periods.

Catastrophe

The Catastrophe sub-segment writes business predominantly on a non-proportional basis and is exposed to volatility resulting from catastrophic losses. Thus, profitability in any one quarter or year is not necessarily predictive of future profitability. The results for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 demonstrate this volatility. The results for the three months ended September 30, 2011 included no large catastrophic losses occurring during the period, while the results for the three months ended September 30, 2010 included a large level of catastrophic losses related to the 2010 New Zealand Earthquake. The results for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 contained a significantly higher level of catastrophic losses related to the Japan Earthquake, 2011 New Zealand Earthquake, U.S. tornadoes, Australian Floods and aggregate contracts covering losses in Australia and New Zealand than the same period of 2010, which included losses related to the Chile Earthquake and 2010 New Zealand Earthquake. The varying amounts of catastrophic losses significantly impacted the technical result and ratio and affected year over year comparisons as discussed below.

The following table provides the components of the technical result and the corresponding ratios for this sub-segment for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	For the three % months		% Change 2011	For the three months		For the nine months		% Change 2011		the nine onths
		nded oer 30, 2011	over 2010		ended lber 30, 20 \$ 0		ended lber 30, 2011	over 2010		nded per 30, 2010
Gross premiums written	\$	95	(1)%	6 \$	96	\$	581	(18)%	6 \$	711
Net premiums written		89	2		87		542	(15)		636
Net premiums earned	\$	199	(21)	\$	251	\$	432	(15)	\$	507
Losses and loss expenses		(169)	85		(91)		(1,209)	424		(231)
Acquisition costs		(15)	(19)		(18)		(16)	(58)		(37)

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Technical result	\$ 15	(89)	\$ 142	\$ (793)	NM	\$ 239
Loss ratio	85.0%		36.4%	279.9%		45.6%
Acquisition ratio	7.4		7.2	3.5		7.2
Technical ratio	92.4%		43.6%	283.4%		52.8%

Premiums

The Catastrophe sub-segment represented 8% and 15% of total net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to 9% and 16% of total net premiums written during the same periods in 2010. The decrease in the Catastrophe sub-segment s net premiums written as a percentage of total net premiums written reflects a significant reduction in the portfolio and exposure, which is almost entirely offset by decreases in net premiums written in the Company s other Non-life sub-segments.

Three-month result

Gross and net premiums written were relatively comparable between the three months ended September 30, 2011 and the same period in 2010, while net premiums earned decreased by 21%. Gross and net premiums written were relatively comparable between periods as a result of decreases to reduce certain exposures in order to continue the rebalancing of the portfolio, being offset by the impact of foreign exchange fluctuations and the net effect of timing differences between periods related to the renewal of certain Japanese and Australian treaties. Foreign exchange fluctuations increased gross and net premiums written by 6% and 7%, respectively, as premiums denominated in currencies that have appreciated against the weaker U.S. dollar were converted into U.S. dollars at higher average exchange rates in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The decrease in net premiums earned resulted primarily from the Company s decisions in prior periods to reduce certain catastrophe exposures and reposition its portfolio following the integration of Paris Re s business and was partially offset by the impact of foreign exchange fluctuations, which increased net premiums earned by 5%. Net premiums earned are normally significantly higher compared to gross and net premiums written during the three months ended September 30, 2011 due to seasonality in the earnings pattern for U.S. wind business, which results in higher earned premiums in quarters with more exposure.

Nine-month result

Gross premiums written decreased by 18% and net premiums written and net premiums earned decreased by 15% in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The decreases in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned were primarily due to the Company s decisions in prior periods to reduce certain catastrophe exposures and reposition its portfolio as described in the three-month result, and were partially offset by new business written, increases in certain treaty participations, reinstatement premiums and the impact of the weaker U.S. dollar in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. Foreign exchange fluctuations increased gross and net premiums written by 2% and net premiums earned by 4%.

Losses and loss expenses and loss ratio

Three-month result

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the three months ended September 30, 2011 reflected:

no large catastrophic losses;

net adverse loss development on prior quarters of \$165 million, or 83.2 points on the loss ratio, primarily driven by combined adverse loss development of \$147 million, or 73.9 points on the loss ratio, related to the Japan Earthquake and 2011 New Zealand Earthquake;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$36 million, or 18.2 points on the loss ratio, in part driven by favorable loss development of \$11 million, or 6.0 points on the loss ratio, related to the Chile Earthquake and lower loss estimates related to Paris Re s catastrophe portfolio;

a higher level of mid-sized loss activity; and

a decrease in the book of business and exposure.

The net favorable loss development of \$36 million reported in the three months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily due to favorable loss emergence, as losses reported by cedants in the three months ended September 30, 2011 for prior accident years were lower than the Company expected. Based on the Company s assessment of this loss information, the Company decreased its expected ultimate loss ratio, which had the effect of decreasing the level of prior year loss estimates.

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the three months ended September 30, 2010 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the 2010 New Zealand Earthquake of \$57 million, or 22.5 points on the loss ratio;

net favorable loss development on prior quarters of \$13 million, or 5.2 points on the loss ratio, which was driven by favorable loss development of \$9 million, or 3.7 points on the loss ratio, related to the Chile Earthquake;

net adverse loss development on prior accident years of \$2 million, or 0.9 points on the loss ratio; and

a lower level of mid-sized loss activity.

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The increase of \$78 million in losses and loss expenses in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 included:

an increase of \$178 million in net adverse prior quarters loss development; partially offset by

a decrease of \$57 million in large catastrophic losses;

an increase of \$38 million in net favorable prior year loss development; and

a decrease of approximately \$5 million in losses and loss expenses resulting from a decrease in the book of business and exposure, which was reduced by normal fluctuations in profitability between periods and a higher level of mid-sized loss activity.

Nine-month result

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the Japan Earthquake, 2011 New Zealand Earthquake, U.S. tornadoes and Australian Floods and large losses related to aggregate contracts covering losses in Australia and New Zealand of \$1,244 million, or 287.2 points on the loss ratio;

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$98 million, or 22.6 points on the loss ratio; and

a decrease in the book of business and exposure.

The net favorable loss development of \$98 million reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily due to favorable loss emergence, as losses reported by cedants in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 for prior accident years were lower than the Company expected. Based on the Company s assessment of this loss information, the Company decreased its expected ultimate loss ratio, which had the effect of decreasing the level of prior year loss estimates.

The losses and loss expenses and loss ratio reported in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 reflected:

large catastrophic losses related to the Chile Earthquake and 2010 New Zealand Earthquake of \$153 million, or 30.0 points on the loss ratio:

net favorable loss development on prior accident years of \$29 million, or 5.7 points on the loss ratio; and

an increase in the book of business and exposure.

The increase of \$978 million in losses and loss expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 included:

an increase of \$1,091 million in large catastrophic losses and losses related to aggregate contracts; partially offset by

an increase of \$69 million in net favorable prior year loss development; and

a decrease of approximately \$44 million in losses and loss expenses resulting from a decrease in the book of business and exposure, which was reduced by normal fluctuations in profitability between periods.

Acquisition costs and acquisition ratio

Three-month result

Acquisition costs decreased in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 primarily due to the decrease in net premiums earned. The acquisition ratio was comparable in the three months ended September 30, 2011 to the same period in 2010.

Nine-month result

Acquisition costs decreased in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 primarily due to the decrease in net premiums earned. The acquisition ratio decreased in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 due to lower profit commissions as a result of the large catastrophic losses.

Technical result and technical ratio

Three-month result

The decrease of \$127 million in the technical result and the corresponding increase in the technical ratio in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily due to an increase of \$178 million in net adverse prior quarters loss development, the decrease in the book of business and exposure and a higher level of mid-sized loss activity. These decreases in the technical result were partially offset by a decrease of \$57 million in large catastrophic losses, an increase of \$38 million in net favorable prior year loss development and normal fluctuations in profitability between periods.

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Nine-month result

The decrease of \$1,032 million in the technical result and the corresponding increase in the technical ratio in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily due to an increase of \$1,064 million, net of retrocession, reinstatement premiums and profit commissions, in large catastrophic losses and losses related to aggregate contracts and the decrease in the book of business and exposure. These decreases in the technical result were partially offset by an increase of \$69 million in net favorable prior year loss development and normal fluctuations in profitability between periods.

Life Segment

The following table provides the components of the allocated underwriting result for this segment for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	m e	the three gonths nded ber 30, 2011	2011 over	m	the three nonths ended lber 30, 284	n	the nine 9 nonths ended nber 30, 2011	% Change 2011 over 1 2010	n	the nine nonths ended aber 30, 2010
Gross premiums written	\$	194	69	6 \$	183	\$	597	11%	6 \$	537
Net premiums written		194	6		183		596	12		533
Net premiums earned	\$	203	11	\$	184	\$	588	13	\$	521
Life policy benefits		(168)	15		(147)		(479)	7		(447)
Acquisition costs		(33)	1		(33)		(89)	8		(82)
Technical result	\$	2	(47)	\$	4	\$	20	NM	\$	(8)
Other income			(21)					NM		2
Other operating expenses		(12)	11		(11)		(38)			(38)
Net investment income		19	11		17		50	(6)		54
Allocated underwriting result ⁽¹⁾	\$	9	(12)	\$	10	\$	32	230	\$	10

⁽¹⁾ Allocated underwriting result is defined as net premiums earned, other income or loss and allocated net investment income less life policy benefits, acquisition costs and other operating expenses.

Premiums

The Life segment represented 18% and 17% of total net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to 18% and 14% of total net premiums written during the same periods in 2010. The increase in the Life segment s net premiums written as a percentage of total net premiums written during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily due to decreases in net premiums written in the Company s Non-life segment, as described above, and new business written in the Life segment, as described below.

Three-month result

Gross and net premiums written increased by 6% and net premiums earned increased by 11% in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The increase in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned was primarily due to the impact of the weaker U.S. dollar in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 as premiums denominated in currencies that have appreciated against the U.S. dollar were converted into U.S. dollars at higher average exchange rates. Foreign exchange fluctuations increased gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned by 10%. The increases in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned were also due to modest growth in the mortality line and were partially offset by a decrease related to the restructuring of a longevity treaty. The increase in net premiums earned compared to net premiums written reflects the impact of a treaty written in the prior period on a non-proportional basis.

Nine-month result

Gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned increased by 11%, 12% and 13%, respectively, in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The increase in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned was primarily due to new business written during 2010 in the longevity line, which was not fully reflected in the nine months ended September 30, 2010, as well as new business and growth in the mortality line and the impact of foreign exchange. Foreign exchange fluctuations increased gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned by 5% due to the impact of the weaker U.S. dollar in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. These increases in gross and net premiums written and net premiums earned were partially offset by a decrease related to the restructuring of a longevity treaty.

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Life policy benefits

Three-month result

Life policy benefits increased by \$21 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The increase was primarily attributable to:

the impact of foreign exchange fluctuations, which increased life policy benefits by 10% (comparable with the increase in net premiums earned due to foreign exchange fluctuations) during the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010; and

a modestly higher level of life policy benefits recorded in the mortality line of business due to slightly higher losses reported by cedants and an increase in life policy benefits reported by a cedant for a longevity treaty in run-off.

The Life segment experienced net adverse prior year loss development of \$5 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011, primarily due to the GMDB business, where the payout is linked to the performance of underlying capital market assets in France. The net adverse prior year loss development of \$4 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 was primarily driven by deterioration on a credit life treaty in the mortality line and an ILA treaty in the longevity line, resulting from an improvement in the mortality trend, and was partially offset by favorable development on various other mortality treaties.

Nine-month result

Life policy benefits increased by \$32 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The increase was primarily attributable to:

an increase in business written in both the longevity and mortality lines; and

the impact of foreign exchange fluctuations, which increased life policy benefits by 5% (comparable with the increase in net premiums earned due to foreign exchange fluctuations) during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010; partially offset by

a decrease of \$17 million in net adverse prior year loss development; and

lower life policy benefits reported by a cedant for a longevity treaty in run-off.

The Life segment experienced net adverse prior year loss development of \$4 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 primarily driven by adverse prior year loss development on certain short-term treaties in the mortality line following the receipt of updated information from cedants and was partially offset by favorable development related to the GMDB business, driven by an improvement in the capital markets. The net adverse development of \$21 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was primarily due to an improvement in the mortality trend related to an ILA treaty in the longevity line.

Acquisition costs

Three-month result

Acquisition costs in the three months ended September 30, 2011 were comparable to the same period in 2010, due to an increase in net premiums earned being offset by lower profit commissions reported by cedants in the mortality line and a decrease in acquisition costs reported by a cedant for a longevity treaty in run-off.

Nine-month result

Acquisition costs increased in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 primarily due to the impact of higher net premiums earned in the mortality line of business and an increase in acquisition costs reported by a cedant for a longevity treaty in run-off, partially offset by lower profit commissions reported by cedants in the mortality line.

Net investment income

Three-month result

Net investment income increased in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010 primarily as a result of higher positive adjustments on funds held contracts reported by cedants in the three months ended September 30, 2011, partially offset by a decrease in the funds held balance related to the restructuring of a longevity treaty.

Nine-month result

Net investment income decreased in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010 primarily due to a decrease in the funds held balance related to the restructuring of a longevity treaty and lower positive adjustments on funds held contracts reported by cedants.

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Allocated underwriting result

Three-month result

The allocated underwriting result in the three months ended September 30, 2011 decreased modestly compared to the same period in 2010 due to a decrease in the technical result and modestly higher other operating expenses, which were partially offset by an increase in net investment income. The decrease in the technical result for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010 was primarily driven by normal fluctuations in profitability between periods.

Nine-month result

The allocated underwriting result in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 increased compared to the same period in 2010 due to an increase in the technical result, which was partially offset by a decrease in net investment income. The increase in the technical result for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010 was primarily driven by a decrease in net adverse prior year loss development and normal fluctuations in profitability between periods.

Premium Distribution by Line of Business

The distribution of net premiums written by line of business for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was as follows:

	For the three months ended September 30, 20 S lepte	For the three months ended ember 30, 2050	For the nine months ended ptember 30, 2018	For the nine months ended ptember 30, 2010
Non-life	• •	Ź	·	•
Property and casualty				
Casualty	11%	13%	11%	11%
Property	14	19	16	19
Motor	5	6	5	7
Multiline and other	3	1	2	2
Specialty				
Agriculture	8	5	6	4
Aviation / Space	5	5	4	4
Catastrophe	8	9	15	16
Credit / Surety	7	6	7	6
Energy	4	3	2	2
Engineering	4	5	4	4
Marine	7	5	6	5
Specialty casualty	1	2	3	4
Specialty property	5	2	3	2
Life	18	19	16	14
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

The changes in the distribution of net premiums written by line of business between the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 primarily reflected the Company s response to existing market conditions, the repositioning of its portfolio following the integration of Paris Re and the reduction of catastrophe exposed business. The distribution of net premiums written may also be affected by the timing of renewals of treaties, a change in treaty structure, premium adjustments reported by cedants and significant increases or decreases in other lines of business. In addition, foreign exchange fluctuations affected the comparison for all lines.

Property: the decrease in the distribution of net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods of 2010 was driven primarily by the effects of the Company s decisions to cancel or reduce business as a result of reductions in pricing and to reposition its portfolio following the integration of Paris Re s business, including reducing the level of catastrophe exposed business.

Agriculture: the increase in the distribution of net premiums written was driven by increased demand, higher agricultural commodity prices and higher upward premium adjustments in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods of 2010.

Marine: the increase in the distribution of net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods of 2010 was driven by new business written and share increases.

Specialty property: the increase in the distribution of net premiums written in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods of 2010 was driven by new business written.

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Premium Distribution by Reinsurance Type

The Company typically writes business on either a proportional or non-proportional basis. On proportional business, the Company shares proportionally in both the premiums and losses of the cedant. On non-proportional business, the Company is typically exposed to loss events in excess of a predetermined dollar amount or loss ratio. In both proportional and non-proportional business, the Company typically reinsures a large group of primary insurance contracts written by the ceding company. In addition, the Company writes business on a facultative basis. Facultative arrangements are generally specific to an individual risk and can be written on either a proportional or non-proportional basis. Generally, the Company has more influence over pricing, as well as terms and conditions, in non-proportional and facultative arrangements.

The distribution of gross premiums written by reinsurance type for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was as follows:

	For the three months ended September 30, 20 S Epto	For the three months ended ember 30, 2080	For the nine months ended ptember 30, 20 S E	For the nine months ended ptember 30, 2010
Non-life segment				
Proportional	50%	54%	45%	44%
Non-proportional	21	21	31	36
Facultative	11	7	8	7
Life segment ⁽¹⁾	18	18	16	13
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

(1) Substantially all of the Life segment s gross premiums written for all periods presented above are proportional.

The distribution of gross premiums written by reinsurance type is affected by changes in the allocation of capacity among lines of business, the timing of receipt by the Company of cedant accounts and premium adjustments by cedants. In addition, foreign exchange fluctuations affected the comparison for all treaty types.

The changes in the distribution of gross premiums written by reinsurance type in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 primarily reflect a shift from proportional business to facultative business in the Non-life segment. The increase in facultative business was driven by new business in the specialty property, marine and energy lines of business.

The changes in the distribution of gross premiums written by reinsurance type between the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and the same period in 2010 primarily reflect a shift in mix from the Non-life segment to the Life segment. This shift in the mix of business results from the decreases in gross premiums written following the cancellation and reduction of business and the repositioning of the Company s portfolio in certain lines of the Non-life segment compared to increases in gross premiums written from new business in the longevity line and new business and growth in the mortality line of business in the Life segment.

Premium Distribution by Geographic Region

The following table provides the geographic distribution of gross premiums written based on the location of the underlying risk in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010:

	For the three months ended September 30, 20 S k	For the three months ended eptember 30, 20	For the nine months ended September 30, 20 S	For the nine months ended keptember 30, 2010
Europe	38%	38%	41%	42%

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North America	37	39	36	37
Asia, Australia and New Zealand	13	10	12	11
Latin America, Caribbean and Africa	12	13	11	10
Total	1000	10007	1000	10007

The distribution of gross premiums written in Europe and Latin America, Caribbean and Africa in the three months ended September 30, 2011 was relatively comparable to the same period in 2010. The increase in the distribution of gross premiums written in Asia, Australia and New Zealand in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily driven by new business written and the net effect of timing differences related to certain Japanese and Australian treaties. While gross premiums written in the Company s North America sub-segment increased in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010, the decrease in the distribution of gross premiums written in North America was primarily driven by the more pronounced increase in the distribution of gross premiums written in Asia, Australia and New Zealand and also by a reduction in catastrophe business written in North America.

The distribution of gross premiums written in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was comparable to the same period in 2010.

Premium Distribution by Production Source

The Company generates its gross premiums written both through brokers and through direct relationships with cedants. The percentage of gross premiums written by production source for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was as follows:

	For the three months ended September 30, 2011	For the three months ended September 30, 2010	For the nine months ended September 30, 2011	For the nine months ended September 30, 2010
Broker	74%	73%	73%	74%
Direct	26	27	27	26
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

The distribution of gross premiums written by production source was comparable between the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and the same periods in 2010.

Corporate and Other

Corporate and Other is comprised of the Company s capital markets and investment related activities, including principal finance transactions, insurance-linked securities and strategic investments, and its corporate activities, including other operating expenses.

Net Investment Income

The table below provides net investment income by asset source for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	mont Septe	he three hs ended mber 30, 2011	% Change 2011 over 2010	me ei Septe	he three onths nded mber 30,	the mont Septe	For e nine hs ended mber 30,	% Change 2011 over 2010	me Septe	the nine onths nded ember 30, 2010
Fixed maturities	\$	146	3%	\$	142	\$	423	(5)%	\$	444
Short-term investments, cash and cash										
equivalents		1	(44)		2		3	(47)		6
Equities		4	(29)		6		15	(2)		15
Funds held and other		15	21		12		39			38
Funds held directly managed		9	(20)		11		26	(32)		38
Investment expenses		(11)	27		(9)		(32)	10		(29)
Net investment income	\$	164		\$	164	\$	474	(7)	\$	512

Because of the interest-sensitive nature of some of the Company s Life products, net investment income is considered in Management s assessment of the profitability of the Life segment (see Life segment above). The following discussion includes net investment income from all investment activities, including the net investment income allocated to the Life segment.

Three-month result

Net investment income was flat in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 primarily due to the net impact of:

the weakening of the U.S. dollar, on average, in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 which contributed a 3% increase in net investment income;

an increase in net investment income from fixed maturities primarily due to the reinvestment of cash flows generated from operations in prior quarters, which was partially offset by lower reinvestment rates; and

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an increase in net investment income on funds held and other as a result of higher investment income reported by cedants; offset by

a decrease in net investment income from funds held directly managed related to lower reinvestment rates and the lower balance of funds held directly managed, on average, which was related to the release of assets from the funds held directly managed account following an endorsement to the quota share treaty with Colisée Re in February 2011 and the run-off of the underlying liabilities. The assets released from the funds held directly managed account were reinvested in the Company s fixed maturity portfolio at lower reinvestment rates; and

a higher level of investment expenses in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 primarily due to an increase in investment custody fees and withholding tax.

Nine-month result

Net investment income decreased in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 primarily due to:

a decrease in net investment income from fixed maturities primarily due to lower reinvestment rates, which was partially offset by purchases of higher yielding investments; and

a decrease in net investment income from funds held directly managed as described in the three-month result. Net Realized and Unrealized Investment Gains (Losses)

The Company s portfolio managers have dual investment objectives of optimizing current investment income and achieving capital appreciation. To meet these objectives, it is often desirable to buy and sell securities to take advantage of changing market conditions and to reposition the investment portfolios. Accordingly, recognition of realized gains and losses is considered by the Company to be a normal consequence of its ongoing investment management activities. In addition, the Company records changes in fair value for substantially all of its investments as unrealized investment gains or losses in its Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. Realized and unrealized investment gains and losses are generally a function of multiple factors, with the most significant being prevailing interest rates, credit spreads, and equity market conditions.

As discussed in Overview above, U.S. and European risk-free interest rates decreased, while credit spreads widened and equity markets declined during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011. In addition to these general economic factors, the Company realized losses on treasury note futures during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and incurred losses related to certain insurance-linked securities impacted by the Japan Earthquake during the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The Company uses treasury note futures to manage the duration of its investment portfolio. These factors had an impact on the Company s investment portfolio and the related level of realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments compared to the same periods of 2010.

The components of net realized and unrealized investment gains (losses) for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were as follows (in millions of U.S. dollars):

	th mo en Septer	For the three months ended September 30, 2011		For the three months ended September 30, 2010		For the nine months ended September 30, 2011		For the nine months ended September 30, 2010	
Net realized investment gains on fixed									
maturities and short-term investments	\$	64	\$	56	\$	84	\$	107	
Net realized investment gains on equities		2		15		66		38	
		(98)		(35)		(149)		(62)	

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Net realized investment losses on other				
invested assets				
Change in net unrealized investment (losses)				
gains on other invested assets		5	(45)	(42)
Change in net unrealized investment gains on				
fixed maturities and short-term investments	190	135	180	397
Change in net unrealized investment (losses)				
gains on equities	(145)	80	(159)	(22)
Net other realized and unrealized investment				
gains	1	11	1	13
Net realized and unrealized investment gains on				
funds held directly managed	12	26	14	56
Net realized and unrealized investment gains				
(losses)	\$ 26	\$ 293	\$ (8)	\$ 485

Three-month result

Net realized and unrealized investment gains decreased by \$267 million, from \$293 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 to \$26 million in the same period of 2011. The net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$26 million in the

three months ended September 30, 2011 were primarily due to declining U.S. and European risk-free interest rates, which were partially offset by widening credit spreads, declines in worldwide equity markets and realized losses on treasury note futures. Net realized and unrealized investment gains of \$26 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011 primarily consisted of the change in net unrealized investment gains on fixed maturities and short-term investments of \$190 million and net realized investment gains on fixed maturities and short-term investments of \$64 million. These gains were partially offset by the change in net unrealized investment losses on equities of \$145 million and net realized investment losses on other invested assets, primarily related to treasury note futures, of \$98 million.

Net realized investment losses on other invested assets of \$98 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011 primarily related to realized losses on treasury note futures. Net realized investment losses and the change in net unrealized investment gains on other invested assets were a combined loss of \$30 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 and primarily related to realized and unrealized losses on treasury note futures, which were partially offset by unrealized gains on weather derivatives and total return swaps.

Net realized and unrealized investment gains on funds held directly managed of \$12 million and \$26 million in the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, primarily related to the change in unrealized investment gains on fixed maturities and short-term investments in the segregated investment portfolio underlying the funds held directly managed account and were primarily the result of declining risk-free rates.

Nine-month result

Net realized and unrealized investment gains decreased by \$493 million, from net investment gains of \$485 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to a loss of \$8 million in the same period of 2011. The net realized and unrealized investment losses of \$8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were primarily due to realized and unrealized losses on treasury note futures, widening credit spreads, declines in worldwide equity markets and losses on insurance-linked securities impacted by the Japan Earthquake, which were partially offset by declining U.S. and European risk-free interest rates. Net realized and unrealized investment losses of \$8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 primarily consisted of the change in net unrealized investment losses on equities and other invested assets of \$204 million and net realized investment losses on other invested assets (mainly related to treasury note futures) of \$149 million. These losses were partially offset by the change in net unrealized investment gains on fixed maturities and short-term investments of \$180 million and net realized investment gains on fixed maturities, short-term investments and equities of \$150 million.

Net realized and the change in net unrealized investment losses on other invested assets were a combined loss of \$194 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and primarily related to realized and unrealized losses on treasury note futures and a realized loss on insurance-linked derivative securities impacted by the Japan Earthquake. Net realized and the change in net unrealized investment losses on other invested assets were a combined loss of \$104 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and primarily related to losses on treasury note futures.

Net realized and unrealized investment gains on funds held directly managed of \$14 million and \$56 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, primarily related to realized and unrealized investment gains on fixed maturities and short-term investments in the segregated investment portfolio underlying the funds held directly managed account. The decrease in net realized and unrealized investment gains on funds held directly managed in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010, was primarily related to the lower balance of funds held directly managed, on average, as discussed above.

Interest in (Losses) Earnings of Equity Investments

The interest in the results of equity investments represents the Company s aggregate share of earnings or losses related to several private placement investments and limited partnerships in which the Company has more than a minor interest. Interest in the results of equity investments decreased from a gain of \$1 million and \$5 million in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively, to a loss of \$5 million in the same periods of 2011.

Other Operating Expenses

The Company s total other operating expenses for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were as follows (in millions of U.S. dollars):

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Other operating expenses	\$	104	(12)%	\$	118	\$	322	(21)%	\$	406

Three-month result

Other operating expenses represent 8.0% and 9.0% of net premiums earned (both Non-life and Life) for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Other operating expenses included in Corporate and Other were \$23 million and \$26 million, of which \$19 million and \$22 million are related to corporate activities for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Other operating expenses decreased by 12% in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The decrease was primarily due to the lower level of personnel costs and lower costs related to Paris Re s operations following its integration into the Company s operations. These decreases in other operating expenses were partially offset by the impact of foreign exchange fluctuations, which increased other operating expenses by 10% due to the weaker U.S. dollar in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010.

Nine-month result

Other operating expenses represent 9.3% and 11.4% of net premiums earned (both Non-life and Life) for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Other operating expenses included in Corporate and Other were \$78 million and \$127 million, of which \$66 million and \$116 million are related to corporate activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Other operating expenses decreased by 21% in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. The decrease was primarily due to a charge of \$34 million related to the Company s voluntary termination plan in the nine months ended September 30, 2010, lower personnel costs (including share-based compensation expenses) and lower costs related to Paris Re s operations following its integration. These decreases in other operating expenses were partially offset by foreign exchange fluctuations, which increased other operating expenses by 6% due to the weaker U.S. dollar in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010.

Income Taxes

The Company s effective income tax rate, which we calculate as income tax expense or benefit divided by net income or loss before taxes, may fluctuate significantly from period to period depending on the geographic distribution of pre-tax net income or loss in any given period between different jurisdictions with comparatively higher tax rates and those with comparatively lower tax rates. The geographic distribution of pre-tax net income or loss can vary significantly between periods due to, but not limited to, the following factors: the business mix of net premiums written and earned; the geographic location, quantum and nature of net losses and loss expenses incurred; the quantum and geographic location of other operating expenses, net investment income, net realized and unrealized investment gains and losses; and the quantum of specific adjustments to determine the income tax basis in each of the Company s operating jurisdictions. In addition, a significant portion of the Company s gross and net premiums are currently written and earned in Bermuda, a non-taxable jurisdiction, including the majority of the Company s catastrophe business, which can result in significant volatility to the Company s pre-tax net income or loss in any given period.

The Company s income tax expense and effective income tax rate for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011 were as follows (in millions of U.S. dollars):

		For the three months ended September 30, 2011		or the hree	For the nine		For the nine		
				months ended September 30, 2010		months ended		onths nded	
						mber 30, 2011	September 30, 2010		
Income tax expense	\$	42	\$	72	\$	66	\$	118	
Effective income tax rate		18.8%		12.1%		(15.0)%		12.9%	

Three-month result

Income tax expense and the effective income tax rate was \$42 million and 18.8% in the three months ended September 30, 2011. Income tax expense and the effective income tax rate during the three months ended September 30, 2011 were primarily driven by the geographic distribution of the Company s pre-tax net income between its various taxable and non-taxable jurisdictions. Specifically, the income tax expense and the effective income tax rate included an approximately even distribution of the Company s pre-tax net income between its various jurisdictions. The pre-tax net income of the Company s non-taxable jurisdictions, and jurisdictions with comparatively lower tax rates, included

no new large catastrophic losses and favorable tax adjustments related to foreign branch

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income taxes which were partially offset by adverse loss development on prior quarters related to the catastrophic events in the first half of 2011 and by net realized and unrealized investment losses. The pre-tax net income of the Company s jurisdictions with comparatively higher tax rates included significant net realized and unrealized investment gains and certain unfavorable tax adjustments recorded related to foreign exchange fluctuations.

Income tax expense and the effective income tax rate was \$72 million and 12.1% in the three months ended September 30, 2010. Income tax expense and the effective income tax rate during the three months ended September 30, 2010 were primarily driven by the geographic distribution of the Company s pre-tax net income between its various taxable and non-taxable jurisdictions. Specifically, the income tax expense and the effective income tax rate included a significant portion of the Company s pre-tax net income recorded in non-taxable jurisdictions and jurisdictions with comparatively lower tax rates, which was driven by a relatively low level of catastrophic losses, net realized and unrealized investment gains and favorable tax adjustments related to foreign branch income taxes. A less significant portion of the Company s pre-tax net income was recorded in jurisdictions with comparatively higher tax rates, which included significant net realized and unrealized investment gains and was partially offset by adverse prior quarters loss development on the Chile Earthquake.

Nine-month result

Income tax expense and the effective income tax rate was \$66 million and (15.0)% in the nine months ended September 30, 2011. Income tax expense and the effective income tax rate during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were primarily driven by the geographic distribution of the Company s pre-tax net loss between its various taxable and non-taxable jurisdictions. Specifically, income tax expense and the effective income tax rate included a significant portion of the Company s pre-tax net loss recorded in non-taxable jurisdictions and jurisdictions with comparatively lower tax rates with no associated tax benefit, which were driven by the large catastrophic losses described in the Review of Net Income (Loss), and a modest pre-tax net income recorded in taxable jurisdictions.

Income tax expense and the effective income tax rate was \$118 million and 12.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Income tax expense and the effective income tax rate during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 were primarily driven by the geographic distribution of the Company s pre-tax net income between its various taxable and non-taxable jurisdictions. Specifically, income tax expense and the effective income tax rate included a relatively even distribution of the Company s pre-tax net income between its various jurisdictions. The Company s taxable jurisdictions recorded significant realized and unrealized investment gains, which were partially offset by significant catastrophe losses related to the Chile Earthquake and the 2010 New Zealand Earthquake, losses related to Deepwater Horizon, and charges related to the Company s 2010 voluntary termination plan available to certain employees in France (voluntary plan). The Company s non-taxable jurisdictions benefitted from comparatively lower levels of catastrophe losses and realized and unrealized investment gains.

Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company purchased, as part of its acquisition of Paris Re, an investment portfolio and a funds held directly managed account. The discussion of the acquired Paris Re investment portfolio is included in the discussion of Investments below. The discussion of the segregated investment portfolio underlying the funds held directly managed account is included separately in Funds Held Directly Managed below.

Investments

Total investments and cash were \$16.9 billion at September 30, 2011 compared to \$16.4 billion at December 31, 2010. The major factors influencing the increase in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were:

net cash provided by operating activities of \$584 million;

net proceeds of \$362 million, after underwriting discounts, commissions and other related expenses of \$12 million, related to the issuance of the Series E preferred shares (see Note 6 to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this report and Contractual Obligations and Commitments and Shareholders Equity and Capital Resources Management below); and

various factors, the primary one being the effect of a weaker U.S. dollar at September 30, 2011 relative to most major currencies as it relates to the conversion of non-U.S. dollar invested assets into U.S. dollars at higher exchange rates, amounting to approximately \$21 million; partially offset by

repurchases of the Company s common shares of \$227 million;

dividend payments on common and preferred shares totaling \$150 million;

a decrease in net payables for securities sold of \$114 million; and

realized and unrealized losses related to the investment portfolio of \$22 million primarily resulting from a decrease in the equity portfolio and other invested assets of \$286 million, partially offset by an increase in the fixed maturity and short-term investment portfolios of \$264 million.

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The Company employs a prudent investment philosophy. It maintains a high quality, well balanced and liquid portfolio having the dual objectives of optimizing current investment income and achieving capital appreciation. The Company s invested assets are comprised of total investments, cash and cash equivalents and accrued investment income. From a risk management perspective, the Company allocates its invested assets into two categories: liability funds and capital funds. At September 30, 2011, the liability funds totaled \$11.2 billion (including funds held directly managed) and were comprised primarily of cash and cash equivalents and high quality fixed income securities. The capital funds, which totaled \$7.2 billion, were comprised of cash and cash equivalents, investment grade and below investment grade fixed income securities, accrued investment income, preferred and common stocks, private placement equity and bond investments, convertible fixed income securities and certain other specialty asset classes. For additional information on liability funds, capital funds and the use of derivative financial instruments in the Company s investment strategy, see Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources in Item 7 of Part II of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

The market value of fixed maturities, short-term investments and equities classified as trading securities (excluding funds held directly managed) was \$15.5 billion at September 30, 2011 compared to \$13.9 billion at December 31, 2010. Trading securities are carried at fair value with changes in fair value included in net realized and unrealized investment gains and losses in the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. In addition, the market value of the Company s other invested assets was \$335 million at September 30, 2011 compared to \$352 million at December 31, 2010. The Company s other invested assets are discussed separately below.

At September 30, 2011, approximately 93% of the Company s fixed income securities, including fixed income type mutual funds, were rated investment grade (BBB- or higher) by Standard & Poor s (or estimated equivalent) and 94% were publicly traded. The average credit quality of the Company s fixed income securities at September 30, 2011 was AA, comparable to the position at December 31, 2010, and reflects the impact of Standard & Poor s decision in August 2011 to downgrade, from AAA to AA+, U.S. government securities and other securities that carry either an explicit or implicit guarantee of the U.S. government (the downgrade of U.S. government securities). While other ratings agencies did not take a similar rating action, it is the Company s policy to use Standard & Poor s ratings, when available, to rate its investments. The Company does not believe that the downgrade of U.S. government securities had an impact on the overall riskiness of its investment portfolio, with U.S. treasuries still generally considered to be a proxy for a risk-free investment.

The average duration of the Company s investment portfolio was 3.0 years at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010. For the purposes of managing portfolio duration, the Company uses exchange traded treasury note futures. The use of treasury note futures allowed the Company to reduce the duration of its investment portfolio from 3.7 years to 3.0 years at September 30, 2011.

The average yield to maturity on fixed maturities, short-term investments and cash and cash equivalents was 2.5% at September 30, 2011, compared to 2.9% at December 31, 2010. The decrease in the average yield to maturity at September 30, 2011 compared to December 31, 2010 reflects declining U.S. and European risk-free rates, which were partially offset by widening credit spreads.

The Company s investment portfolio generated a positive total accounting return (calculated based on the carrying value of all investments in local currency) of 1.0% and 2.8% for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to 2.6% and 5.7% for the comparable periods in 2010. The lower total accounting return in the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily due to declining worldwide equity markets and widening credit spreads, which were partially offset by decreasing risk-free rates. The lower total accounting return in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was mainly due to the decline in worldwide equity markets, compared to relatively flat equity markets in the same period in 2010, and the relative decrease in the level of risk-free rates, on average, in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010.

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The cost, gross unrealized gains, gross unrealized losses and fair value of fixed maturities, short-term investments and equities classified as trading at September 30, 2011 were as follows (in millions of U.S. dollars):

September 30, 2011	Cost ⁽¹⁾	Unre	ross ealized ains	Uni	Gross realized osses	Fair Value
Fixed maturities						
U.S. government and government sponsored entities	\$ 1,147	\$	42	\$	(1)	\$ 1,188
U.S. municipals	96		5			101
Non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and government related	3,048		182			3,230
Corporate	5,843		317		(40)	6,120
Asset-backed securities	624		12		(5)	631
Residential mortgage-backed securities	2,912		119		(31)	3,000
Other mortgage-backed securities	84		2			86
Total fixed maturities	13,754		679		(77)	14,356
Short-term investments	98					98
Equities	1,031		61		(91)	1,001
Total	\$ 14,883	\$	740	\$	(168)	\$ 15,455

(1) Cost is amortized cost for fixed maturities and short-term investments and cost for equity securities. For investments acquired from Paris Re, cost is based on the fair value at the date of acquisition and subsequently adjusted for amortization of fixed maturities and short-term investments.

The fair value of the Company s fixed maturities increased by \$1.6 billion from \$12.8 billion at December 31, 2010 to \$14.4 billion at September 30, 2011. The increase in the Company s fixed maturities is predominantly in residential mortgage-backed securities, the non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and government related and U.S. government and government sponsored entities categories, which have increased by \$694 million, \$411 million and \$282 million, respectively, at September 30, 2011 compared to December 31, 2010. The increases primarily reflect the investment of net cash provided by operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the investment of a portion of the Company s cash and cash equivalents, the proceeds from the issuance of the Series E preferred shares and an increase in the market value of the fixed maturity portfolio related to the decline in U.S and European risk-free rates, which was partially offset by widening credit spreads. At September 30, 2011, following these new investments and the downgrade of U.S. government securities (as described above), the Company s asset allocation compared to December 31, 2010 shifted from cash and cash equivalents to fixed maturities and also from AAA rated securities to AA rated securities. The overall average credit quality of the portfolio at September 30, 2011 compared to December 31, 2010, has not changed from AA. See Ratings Distribution below for more details.

The U.S. government and government sponsored entities category includes U.S. treasuries and U.S. government agency securities which accounted for 98% and 2%, respectively, of this category at September 30, 2011. The U.S. treasuries are not rated, however, they are generally considered to have a credit quality equivalent to or greater than AA+ corporate issues. At September 30, 2011, 68% of U.S. government agency securities, although not specifically rated, are generally considered to have a credit quality equivalent to AA+ corporate issues. The remaining 32% of U.S. government agency securities at September 30, 2011 were rated AA.

The U.S. municipals category included obligations of U.S. municipalities, states, or counties. At September 30, 2011, 12% of the U.S. municipal securities held were rated investment grade (BBB- or higher) by Standard & Poor s (or estimated equivalent), with the remaining 88% not rated.

The non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and government related category includes obligations of non-U.S. sovereign governments, political subdivisions, agencies and supranational debt. At September 30, 2011, 85% of this category was rated AAA. Non-U.S. sovereign government obligations comprised 88% of this category, of which 93% were rated AAA. The largest three non-U.S. sovereign government issuers (France, Germany and Canada) accounted for 82% of non-U.S. sovereign government obligations at September 30, 2011, with the next four largest non-U.S. sovereign government issuers (Belgium, Singapore, Austria and the Netherlands) accounting for 17% of the remaining 18% of non-U.S. sovereign government obligations. At September 30, 2011, the remaining 12% of this category was comprised of investment grade Canadian government related obligations, constituting 9% of the total, and non-U.S. government agency obligations, constituting 3% of the total, which were related to France, Canada, South Korea and Singapore.

At September 30, 2011, the Company did not have investments in securities issued by peripheral European Union (EU) sovereign governments (Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Greece and Spain). At September 30, 2011, the Company had investments of \$2.1 billion in other EU sovereign governments (including \$44 million of investments in the short-term investments category), comprised of \$984 million of French sovereign government obligations, \$182 million of Belgian sovereign government obligations, \$68 million of Austrian sovereign government obligations and \$50 million of Dutch sovereign government obligations, with no other EU sovereign government issuer comprising more than \$3 million, less than 1% of the Company s total EU sovereign government obligations.

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Corporate bonds are comprised of obligations of U.S. and foreign corporations. At September 30, 2011, 95% of these investments were rated investment grade (BBB- or higher) by Standard & Poor s (or estimated equivalent), while 69% were rated A- or better. The ten largest issuers accounted for 19% of the corporate bonds held by the Company at September 30, 2011 (7% of total investments and cash) and no single issuer accounted for more than 3% of total corporate bonds (1% of the Company s total investments and cash) at September 30, 2011. At September 30, 2011, U.S. bonds comprised 63% of this category and no other country accounted for more than 10% of this category. The main exposures by economic sector were 25% in finance (12% were banks), 13% in consumer noncyclical and 10% in communications. Within the finance sector, 99% of corporate bonds were rated investment grade and 89% were rated A- or better at September 30, 2011.

The Company s corporate bond portfolio (excluding government guaranteed corporate debt) includes \$133 million of corporate bonds issued by companies in the EU finance sector, including \$58 million of British, \$14 million of French, \$14 million of Danish, \$9 million of Dutch and \$8 million of German corporate bonds. Of the remaining EU finance sector corporate bonds, no single country accounts for more than 1% of the Company s total finance sector corporate bond exposure. At September 30, 2011, the Company held less than \$24 million of finance sector corporate bonds issued by companies in peripheral EU countries (Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Greece and Spain).

The asset-backed securities category included U.S. asset-backed securities, which accounted for 74% at September 30, 2011. Of the U.S. asset-backed securities, 41% were rated investment grade (BBB- or higher) by Standard & Poor s (or estimated equivalent) and 59% were not rated. Non-U.S. asset-backed securities accounted for the remainder of this category, all of which were rated A- or higher by Standard & Poor s (or estimated equivalent).

Residential mortgage-backed securities includes U.S. residential mortgage-backed securities, which accounted for 92% of this category at September 30, 2011. These securities generally have a low risk of default and 97% are backed by U.S. government agencies, which sets standards on the mortgages before accepting them into the program. Although these U.S. government backed agency securities do not carry a formal rating, they are generally considered to have a credit quality equivalent to or greater than AA+ corporate issues. They are considered prime mortgages and the major risk is uncertainty of the timing of prepayments. While there have been market concerns regarding sub-prime mortgages, the Company did not have direct exposure to these types of securities in its own portfolio at September 30, 2011, other than \$23 million of investments in distressed asset vehicles (included in other invested assets). At September 30, 2011, the Company s U.S. residential mortgage-backed securities included approximately \$217 million (8% of U.S. residential mortgage-backed securities) of collateralized mortgage obligations, where the Company deemed the entry point and price of the investment to be attractive. At September 30, 2011, the remaining 8% of this category was comprised of non-U.S. residential mortgage-backed securities, of which 84% were rated AAA and substantially all (more than 99%) were rated investment grade (BBB- or higher) by Standard & Poor s (or estimated equivalent).

Other mortgaged-backed securities includes U.S. commercial mortgage-backed securities and non-U.S. commercial mortgage backed securities, which accounted for 77% and 23% of this category at September 30, 2011, respectively. Approximately 97% of this category was rated investment grade (BBB- or higher) by Standard & Poor s (or estimated equivalent).

Short-term investments consisted of non-U.S. sovereign government obligations, U.S. treasuries, and U.S. finance sector corporate bonds which accounted for 75%, 21% and 4%, respectively, of this category at September 30, 2011, and were rated AAA, AA+, and A, respectively, by Standard & Poor s (or estimated equivalent).

Publicly traded common stocks (including public exchange traded funds (ETFs)) comprised 76% of equities at September 30, 2011. The remaining 24% of this category consisted primarily of funds holding fixed income securities, which was mainly comprised of emerging markets funds of \$235 million. Of the publicly traded common stocks and ETFs, U.S. issuers represented 85% at September 30, 2011. The ten largest common stocks accounted for 18% of equities (excluding equities held in ETFs and funds holding fixed income securities) at September 30, 2011 and no single common stock issuer accounted for more than 3% of total equities (excluding equities held in ETFs and funds holding fixed income securities) or more than 1% of the Company s total investments and cash. At September 30, 2011, the largest publicly traded common stock exposures by economic sector were 20% in consumer noncyclical, 13% in each of energy and technology and 11% in each of finance and communications. At September 30, 2011, the Company did not have exposure to equities issued by finance sector institutions based in the peripheral EU countries (Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Greece and Spain).

Maturity Distribution

The distribution of fixed maturities and short-term investments at September 30, 2011, by contractual maturity date, is shown below (in millions of U.S. dollars). Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities because certain borrowers have the right to call or prepay certain obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

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September 30, 2011	Cost	Fair Value
One year or less	\$ 572	\$ 576
More than one year through five years	5,432	5,580
More than five years through ten years	3,575	3,840
More than ten years	653	741
Subtotal	10,232	10,737
Mortgage/asset-backed securities	3,620	3,717
Total	\$ 13,852	\$ 14,454

Rating Distribution

The following table provides a breakdown of the credit quality of the Company s fixed maturities and short-term investments at September 30, 2011:

Rating Category	% of total
AAA	28%
AA	35
A	21
BBB	11
Below investment grade/Unrated	5

Total 100%

The decrease in the Company s AAA rated securities, as a percentage of its total fixed income portfolio, from 51% at December 31, 2010 to 28% at September 30, 2011, and the corresponding increase in AA rated securities from 9% at December 31, 2010 to 35% at September 30, 2011, largely reflects the downgrade of U.S. government securities, as discussed above. This decrease in AAA rated securities was partially offset by an increase in the allocation to non-U.S. sovereign government, supranational and government related securities, which are predominantly AAA rated, as discussed above. The overall average credit quality of the Company s fixed income portfolio at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 remained AA.

Other Invested Assets

At September 30, 2011, the Company s other invested assets totaled \$335 million. The Company s other invested assets consisted primarily of investments in asset-backed securities, non-publicly traded companies, notes receivable, loans receivable, private placement equity and bond investments, notes receivable, loans receivable and other specialty asset classes. These assets, together with the Company s derivative financial instruments that were in a net unrealized gain or loss position at September 30, 2011, are reported within other invested assets in the Company s Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

At September 30, 2011, the Company s principal finance activities included \$175 million of investments classified as other invested assets, which were comprised primarily of other asset-backed securities, notes receivable, loans receivable, total return, interest rate and credit default swaps (which are accounted for as derivative financial instruments) and private placement equity investments. At September 30, 2011, the carrying value of other asset-backed securities, notes receivable, loans receivable and private placement equity investments was \$124 million, \$39 million, \$24 million and \$3 million, respectively, and were partially offset by the combined fair value of total return, interest rate and credit default swaps which was an unrealized loss of \$15 million.

For total return swaps within the principal finance portfolio, the Company uses internal valuation models to estimate the fair value of these derivatives and develops assumptions that require significant judgment, such as the timing of future cash flows, credit spreads and the general level of interest rates. For interest rate swaps, the Company uses externally modeled quoted prices that