

2025 Annual Industry Experience Analysis - Life Insurance

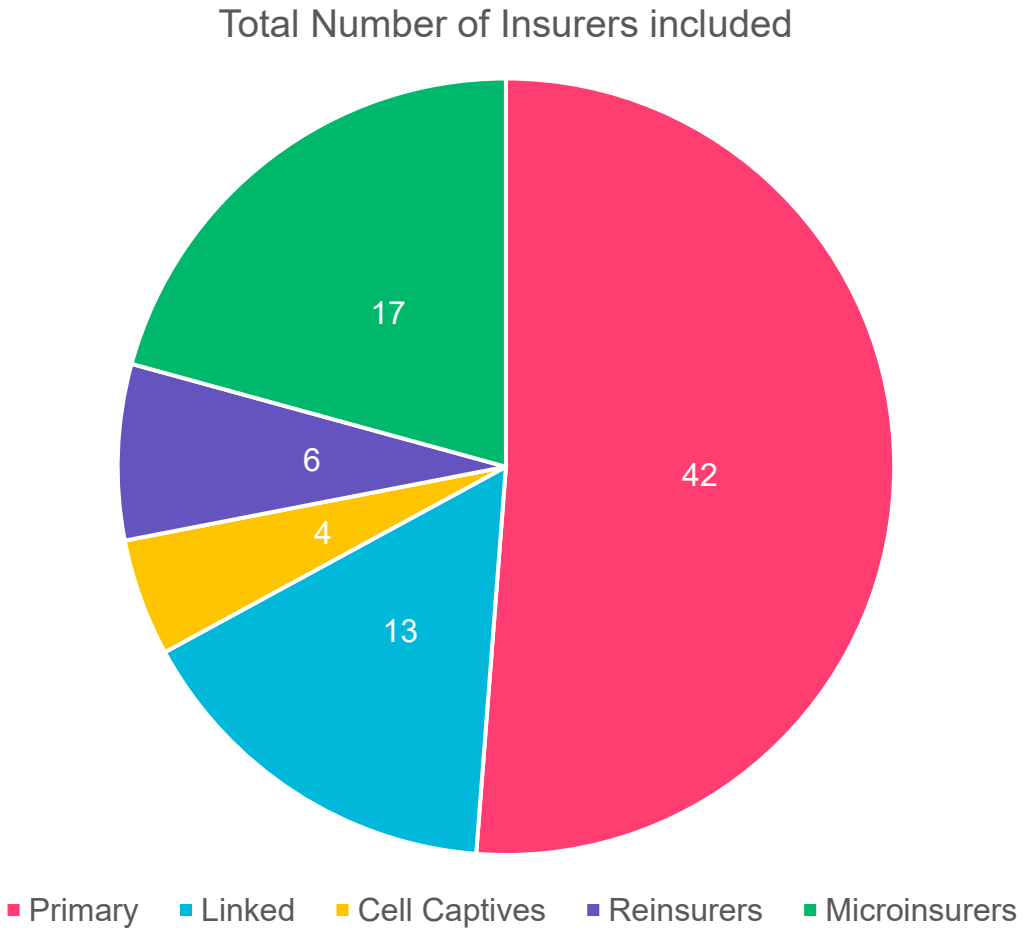
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Presentation Scope and Data

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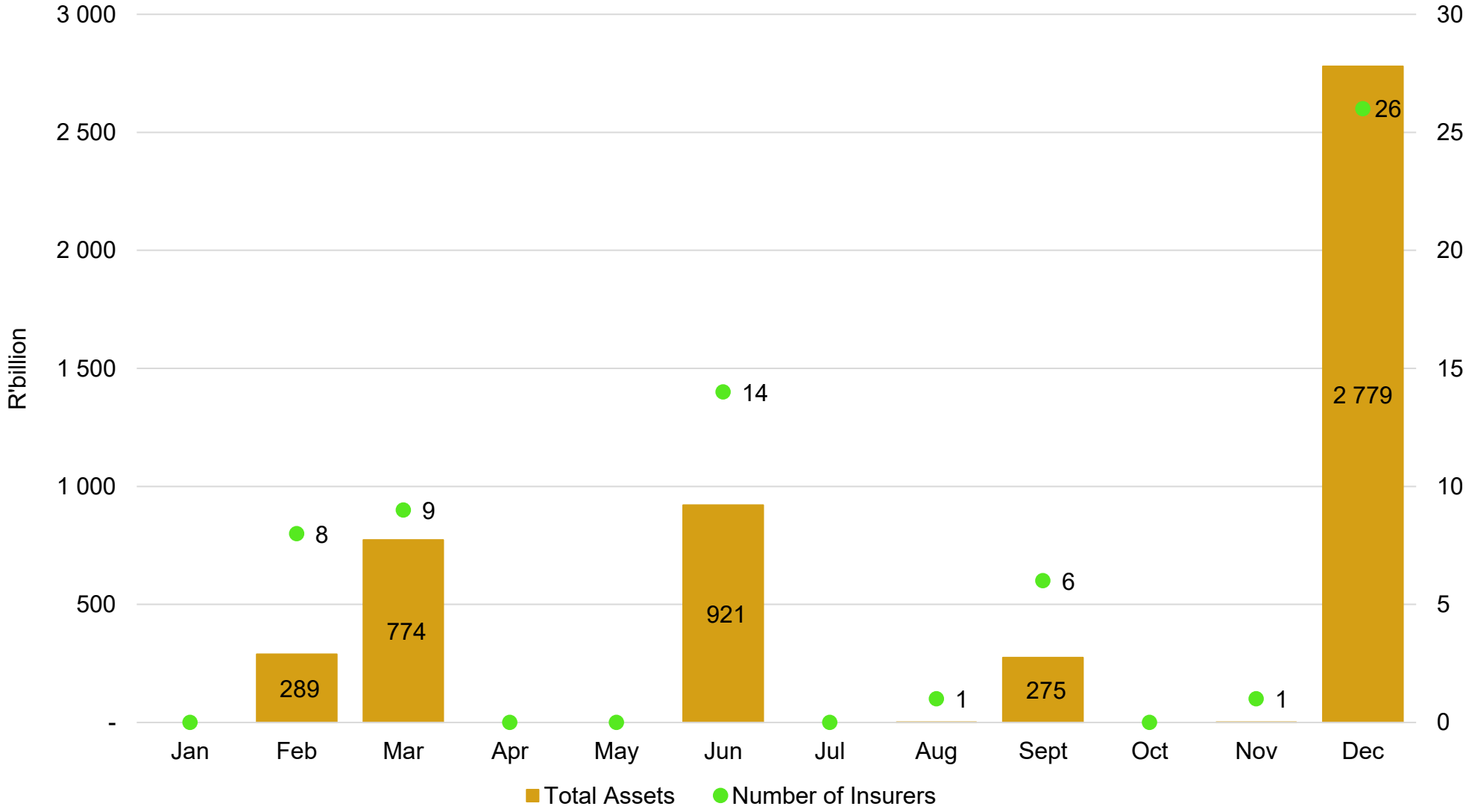
Agenda

- General Overview
- Profitability
- Premiums and Benefits
- Expenses
- Basic Own Funds
- Assets
- Liabilities
- Solvency Capital Requirement
- Microinsurance

General Overview

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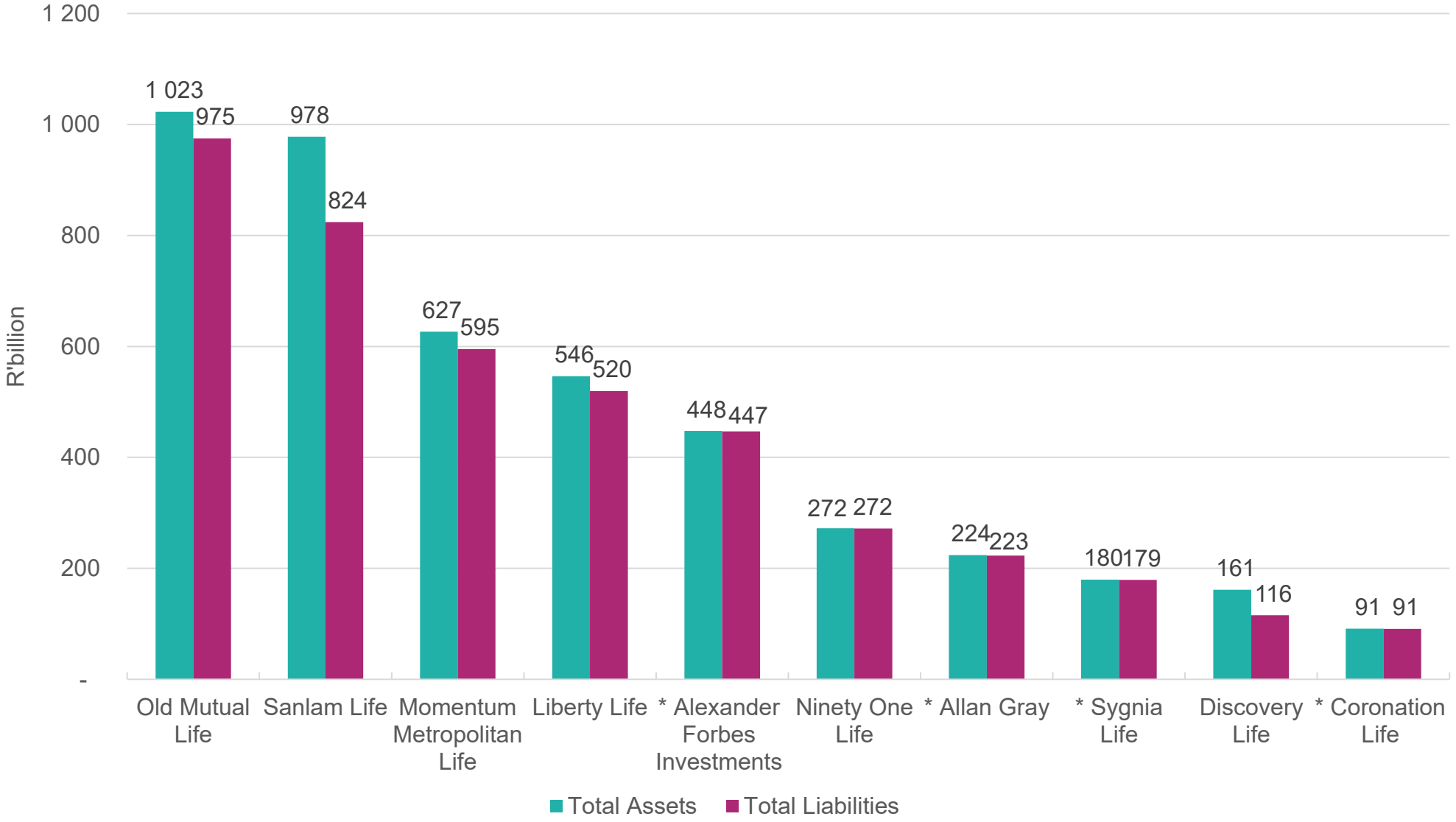
Number of active insurers per year-end



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Top 10 insurer rankings by asset size

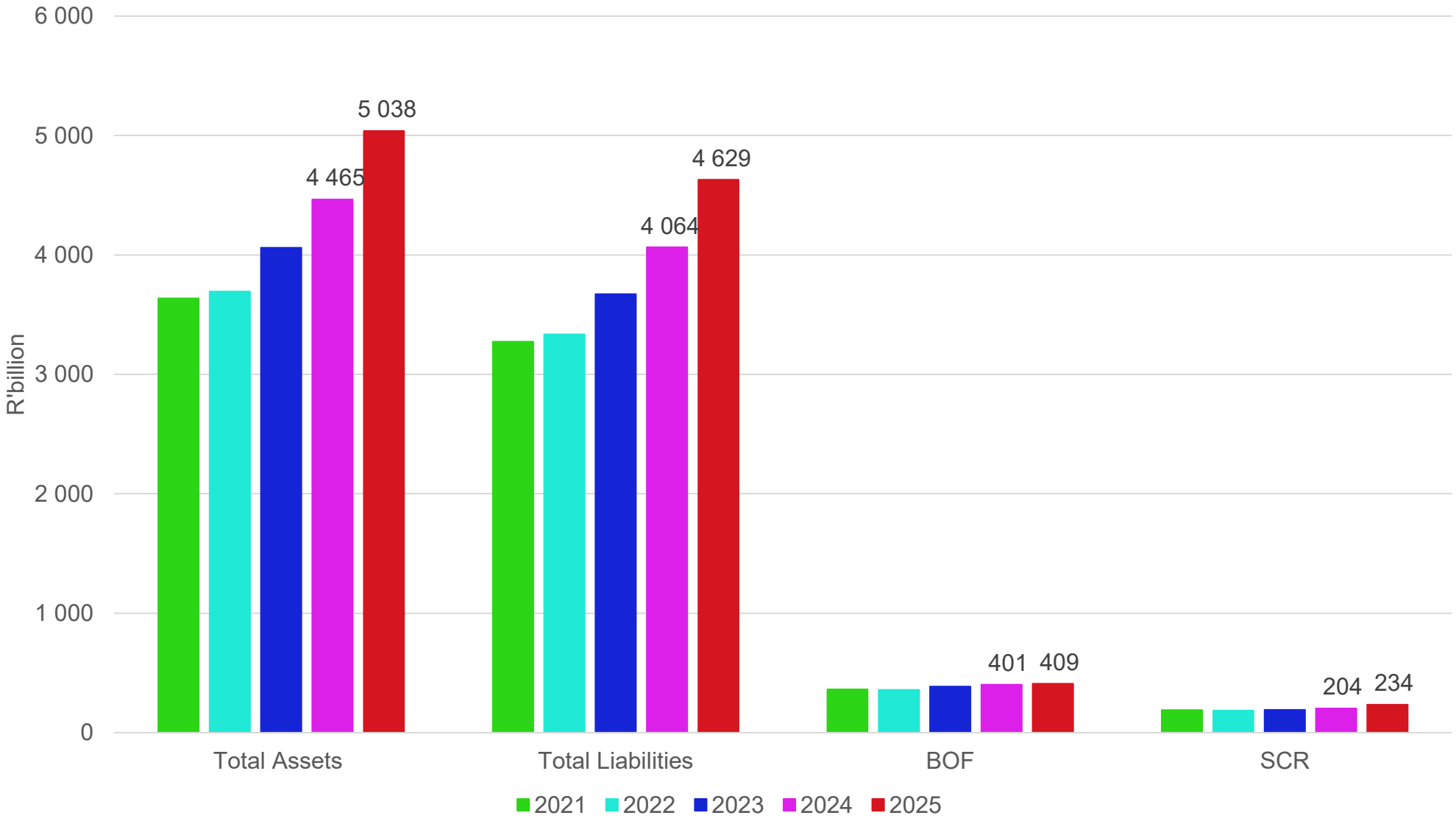


* Linked Insurer

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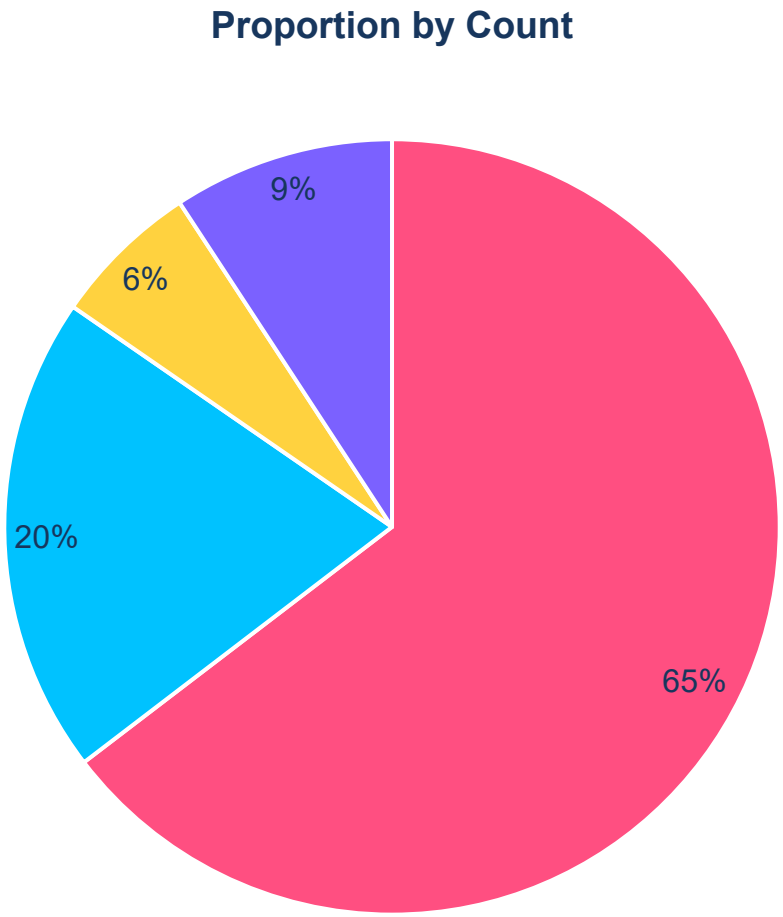
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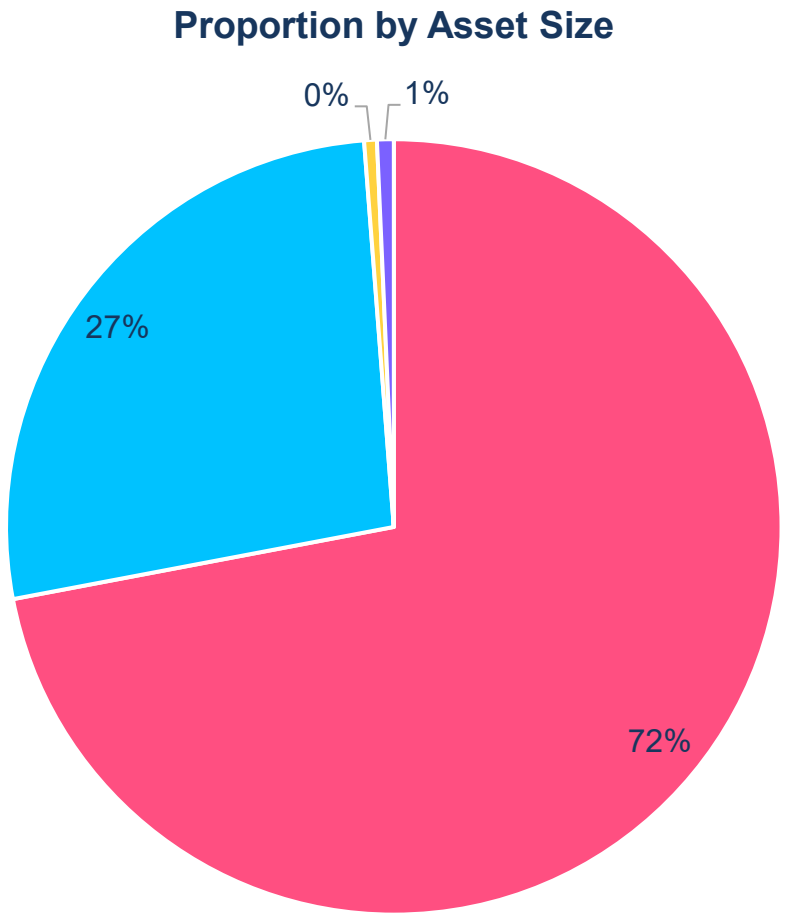


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QRT tab: OF1

Proportion by insurer type



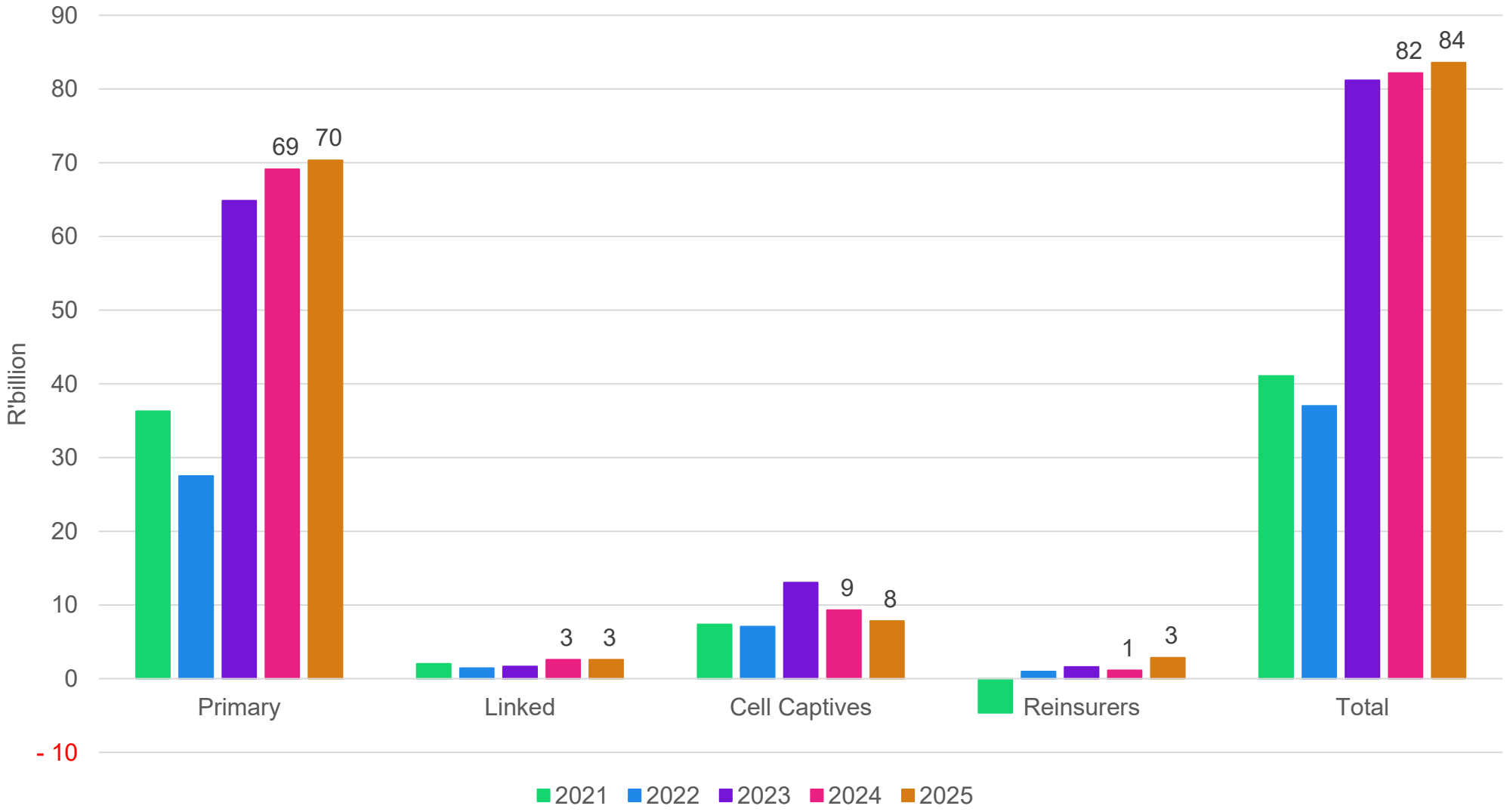


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Profitability

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Excess of Income Over Outgo by insurer type

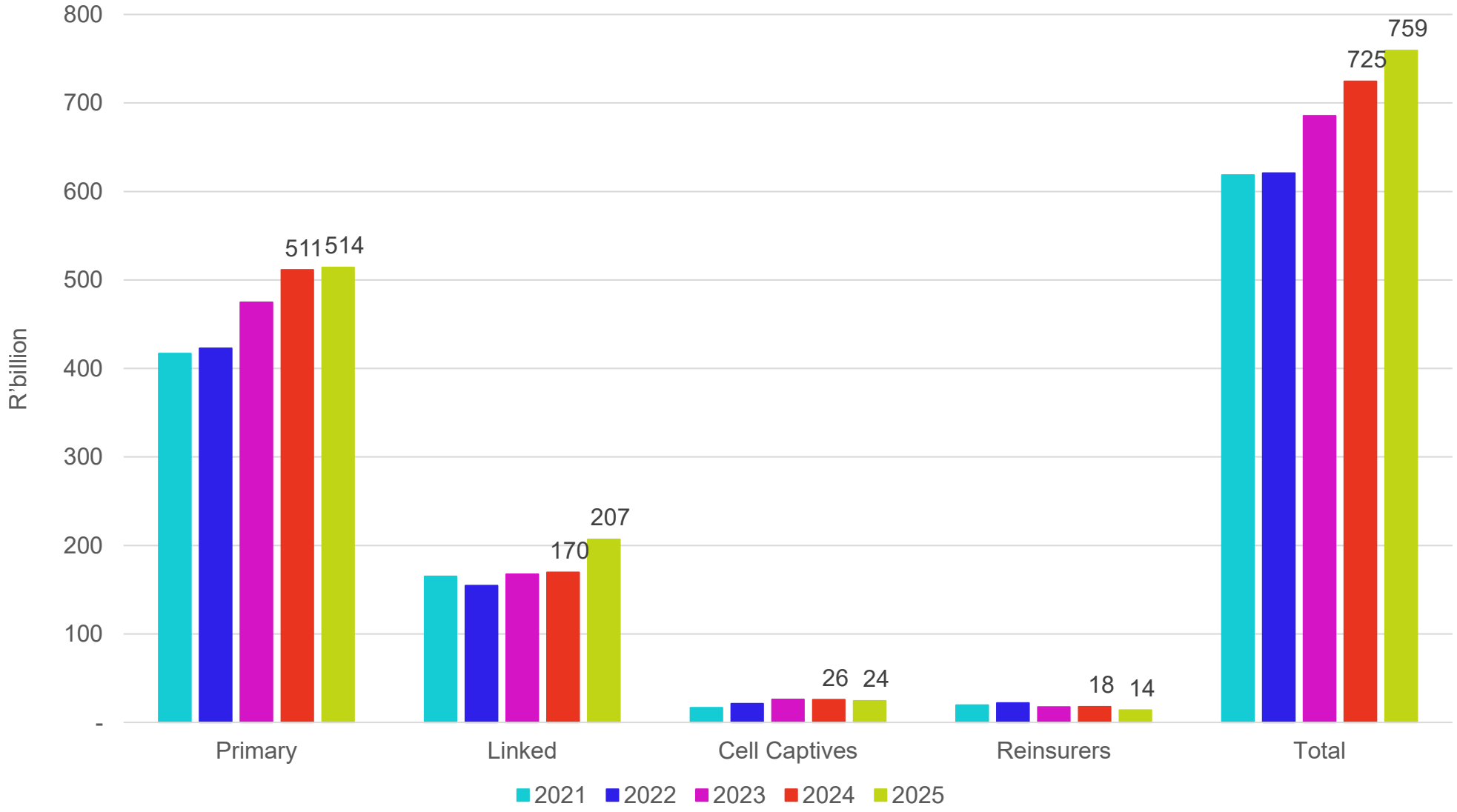


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Premiums and Benefits

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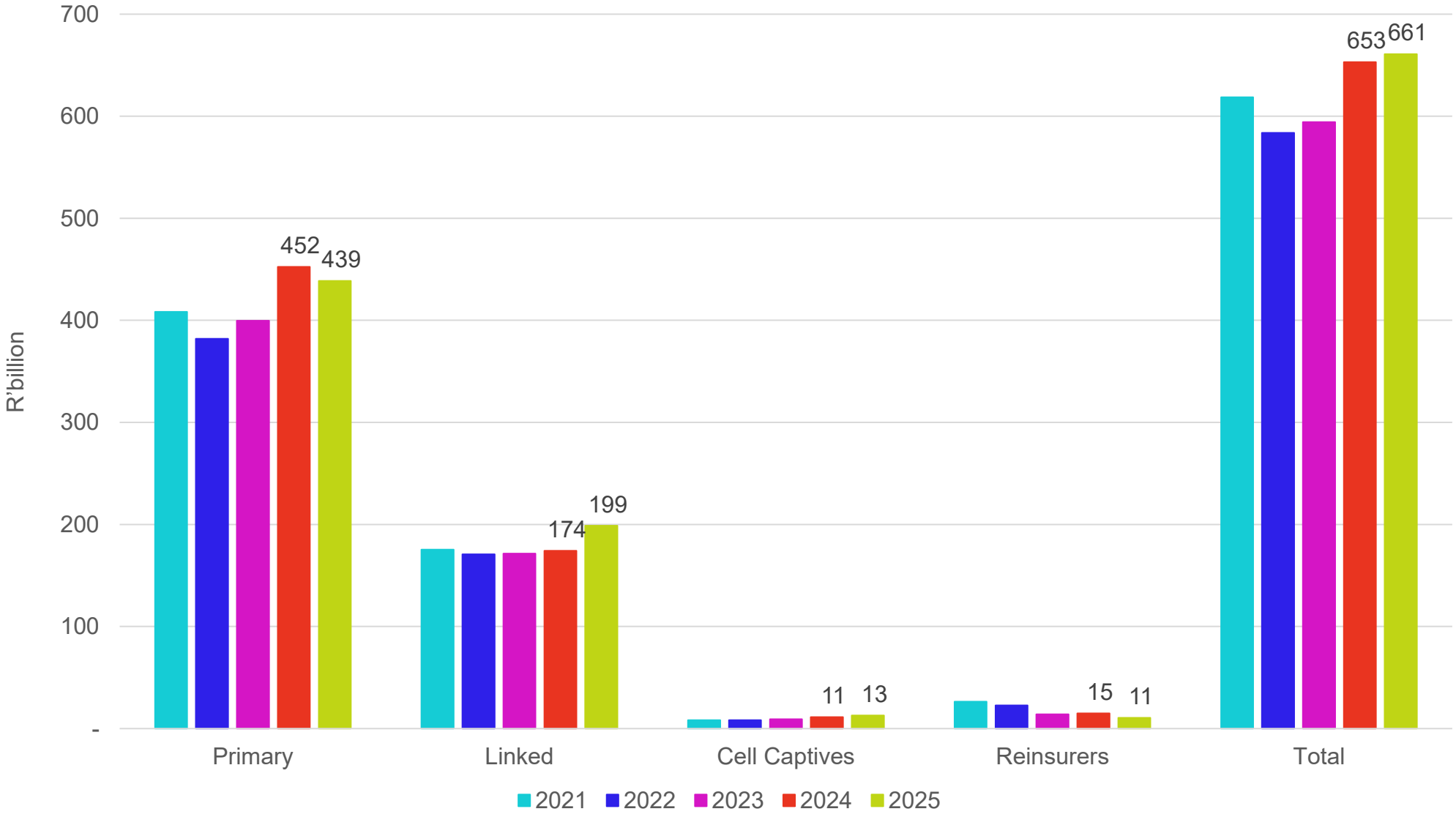
Gross Premiums



Gross Premiums = gross earned premiums during the reporting period

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Gross Claims

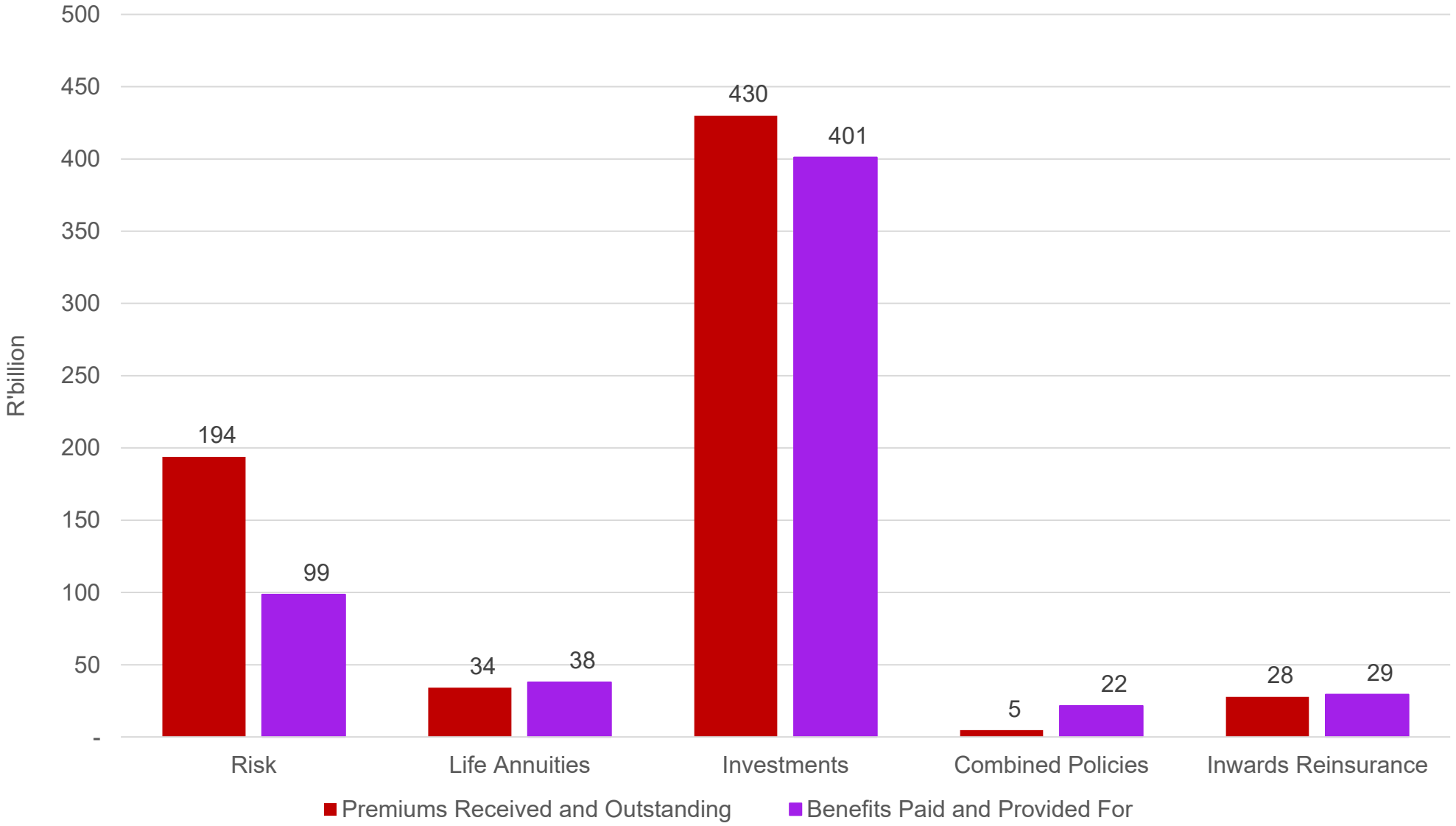


Gross Claims and Policyholder Benefits = Gross Claims Incurred during the reporting period

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QRT tab: TP2

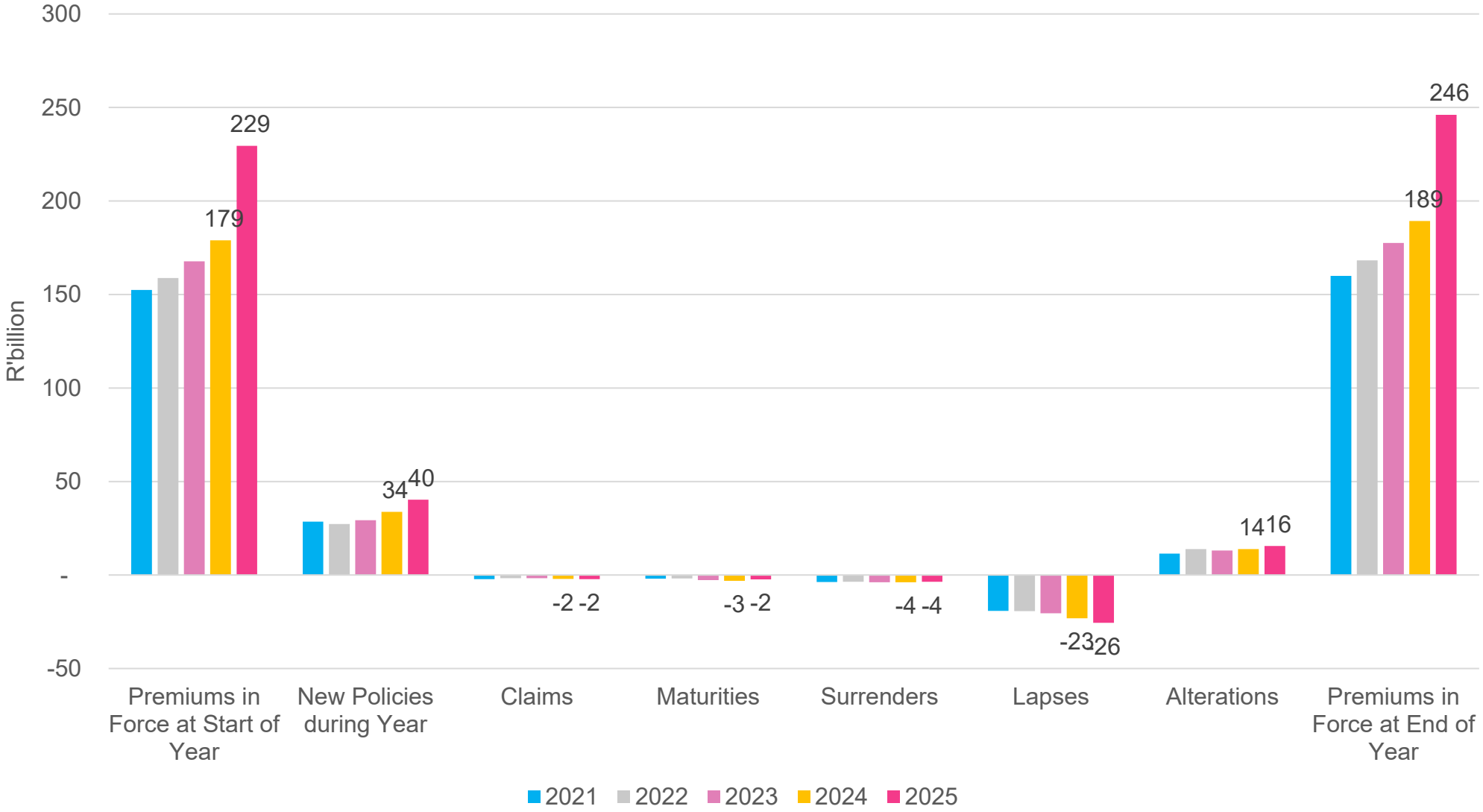
Gross Premiums and Benefits per category



Gross Premiums = Premiums Received and Outstanding

Gross Benefits = Gross claims paid during reporting period + IBNR claims + RBNS claims

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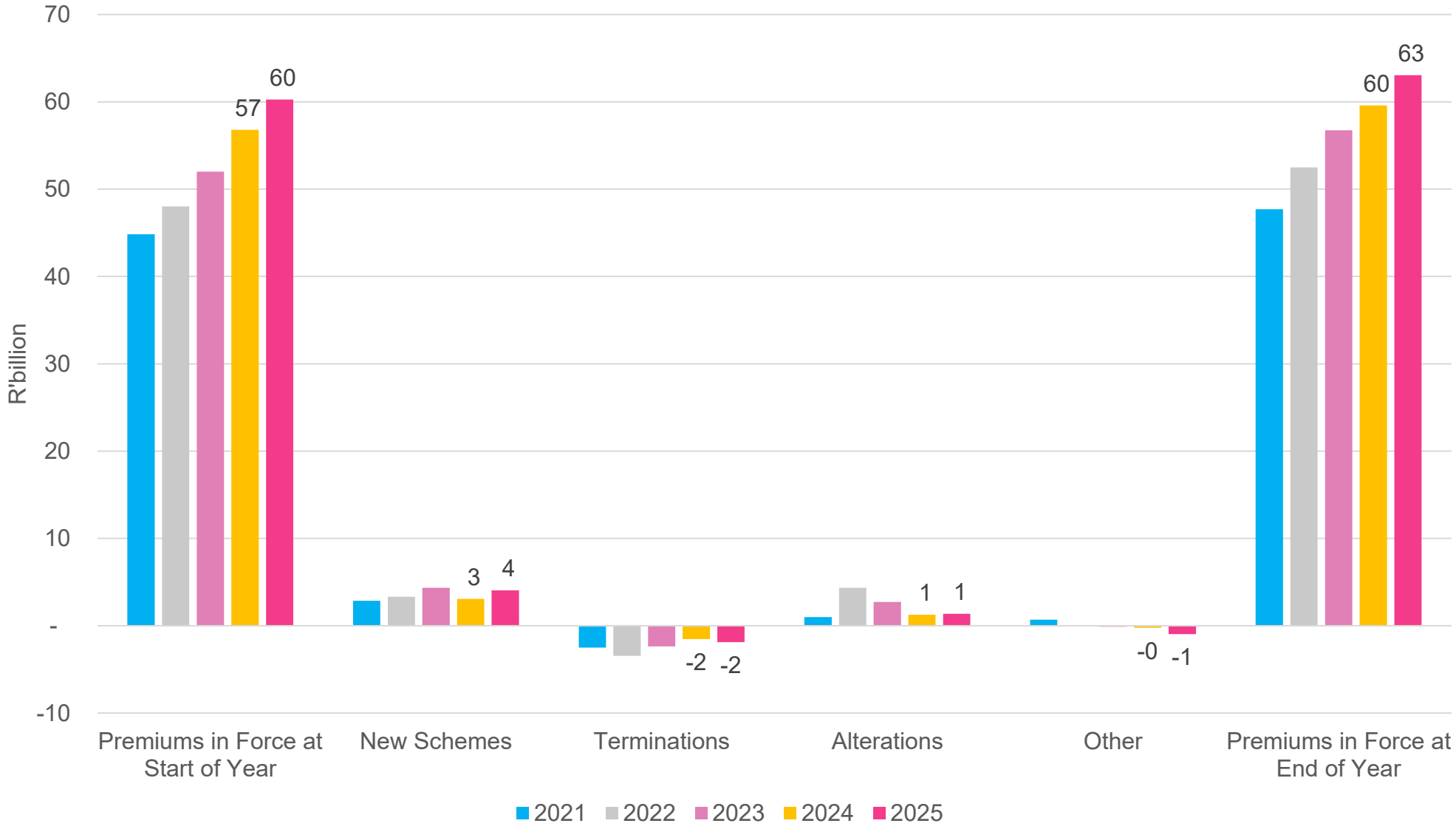


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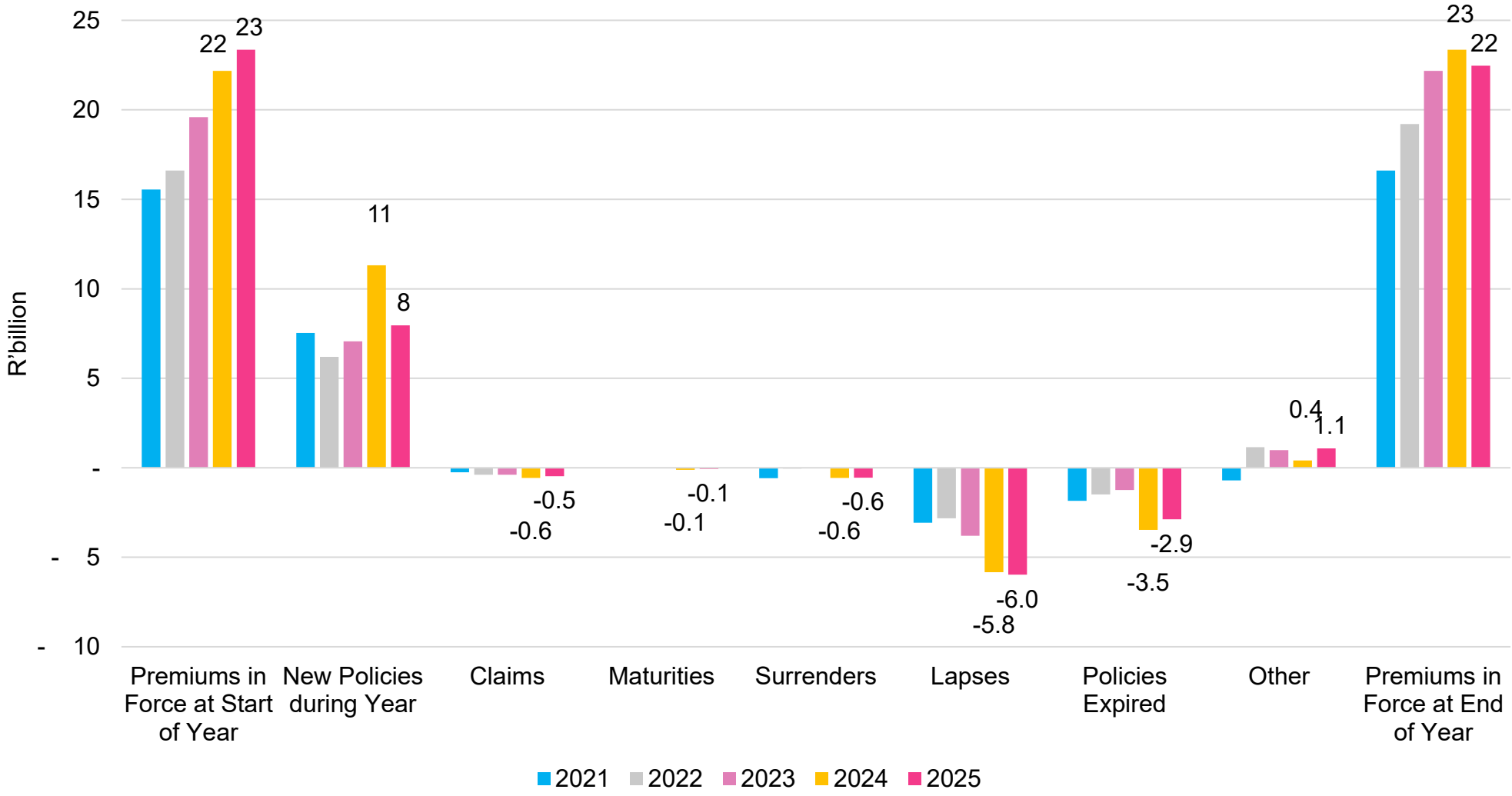
Primary - Group business movements



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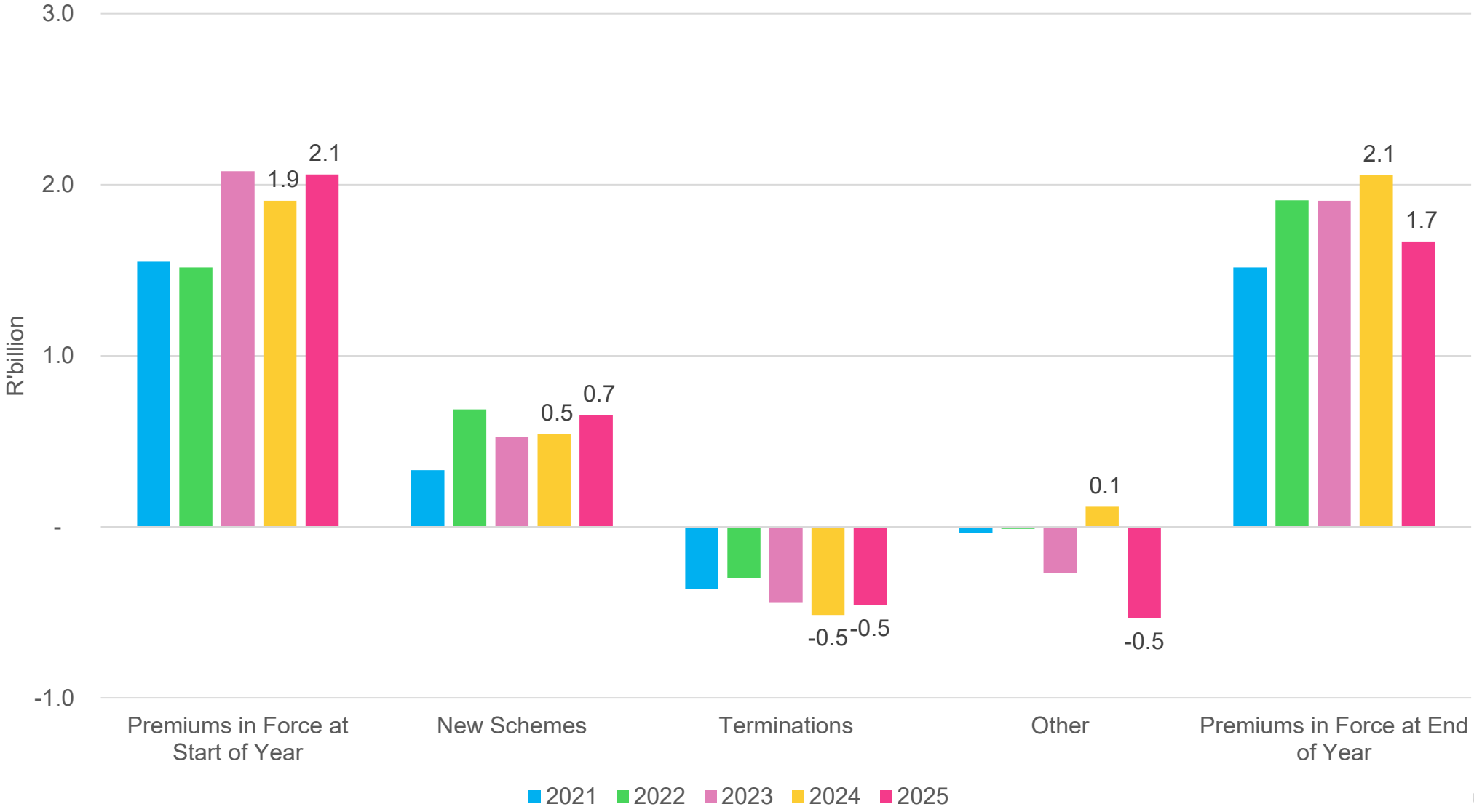
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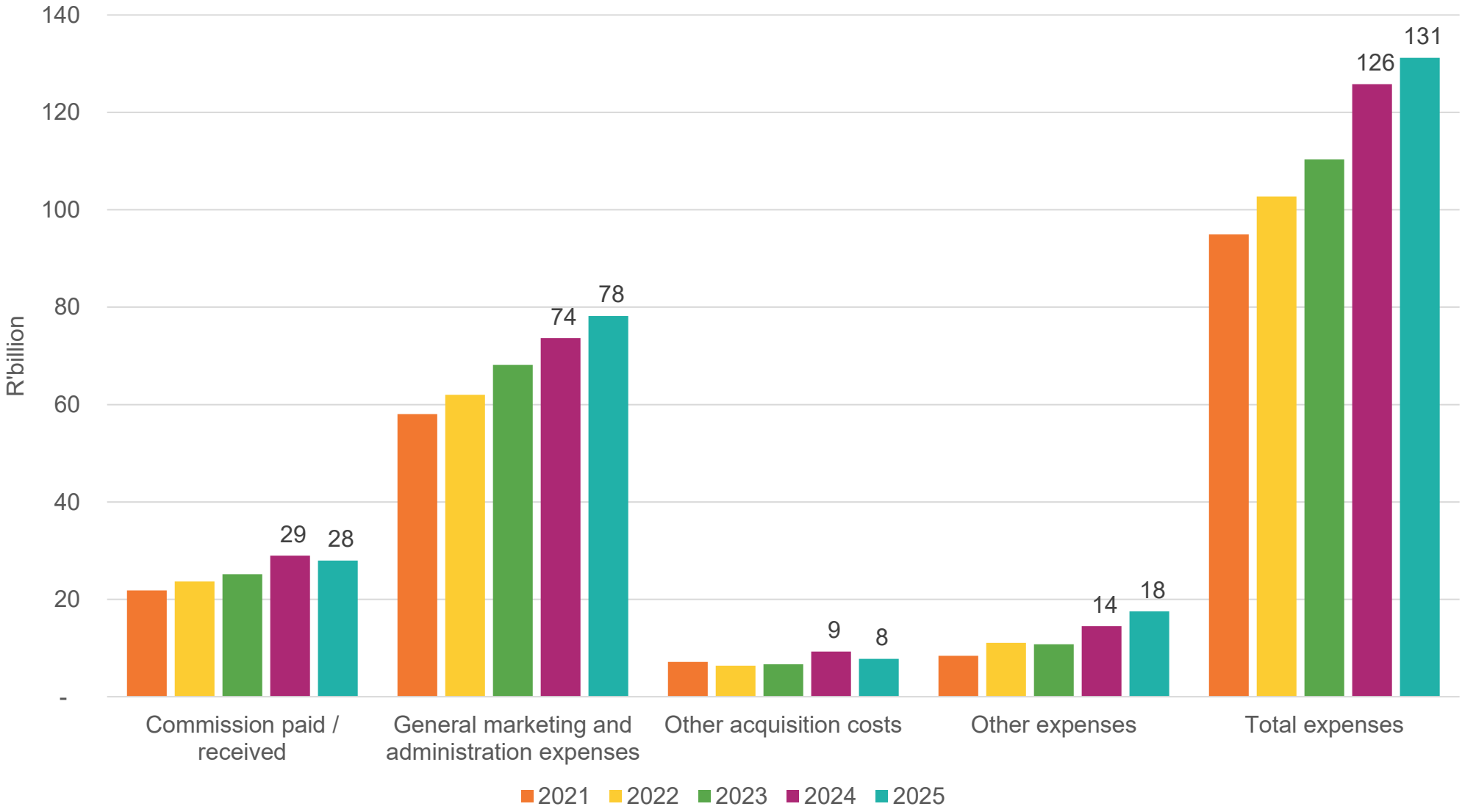


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Expenses

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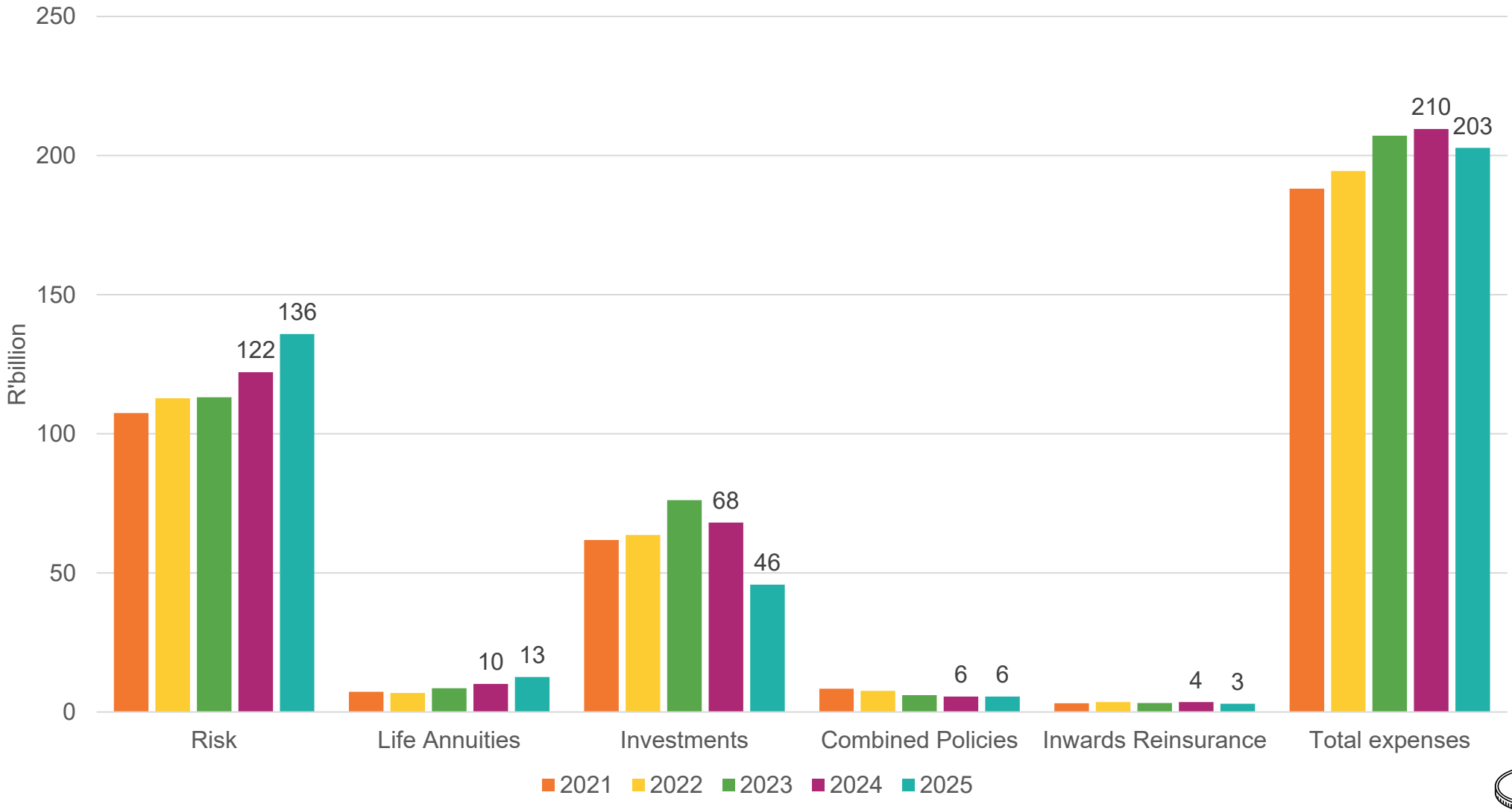
Trends in Expenses



Expenses relates to actual outgo during the reporting period

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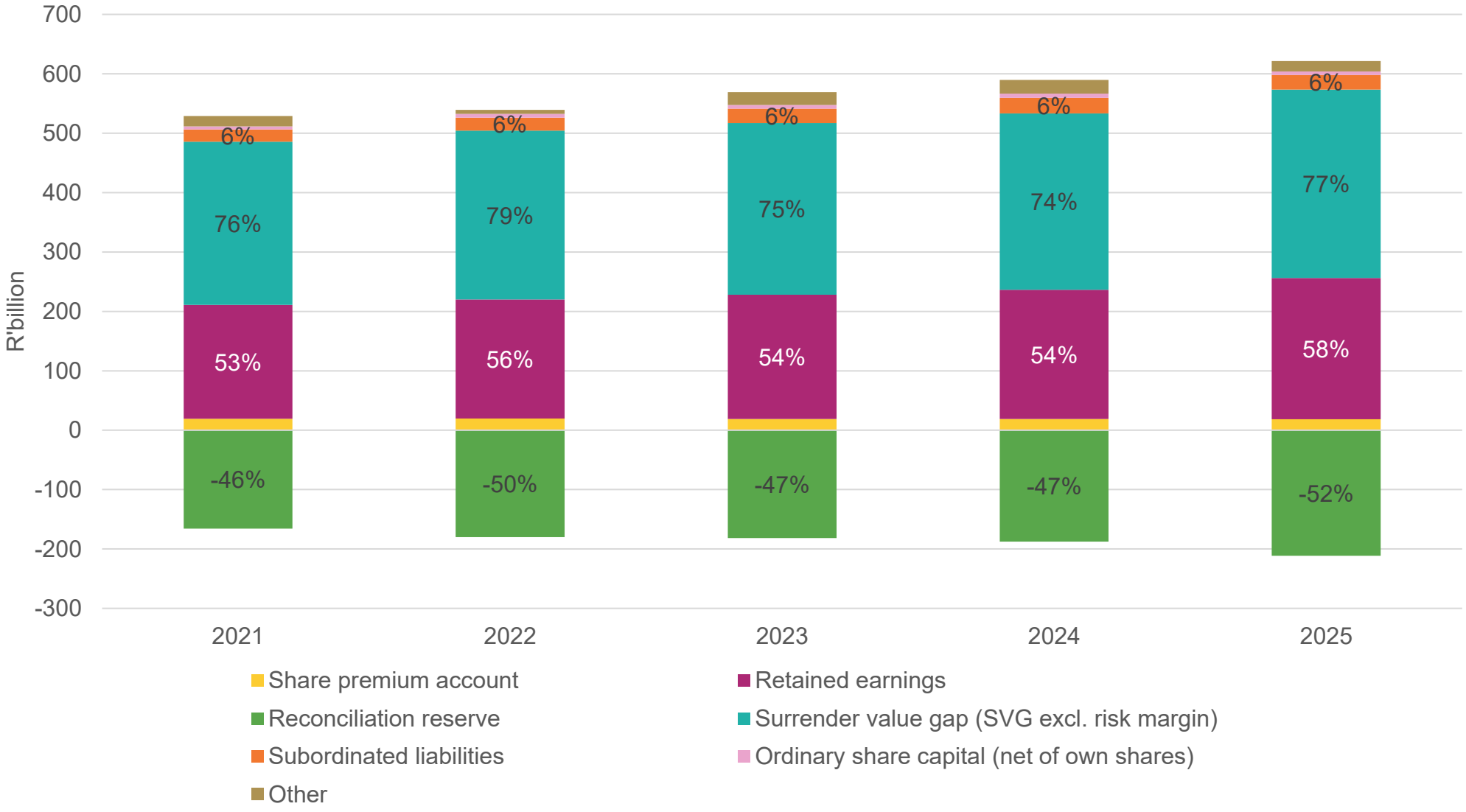
Total expenses by category of business



Total expenses represent the present value of all expense cashflows used in the calculation of the BEL

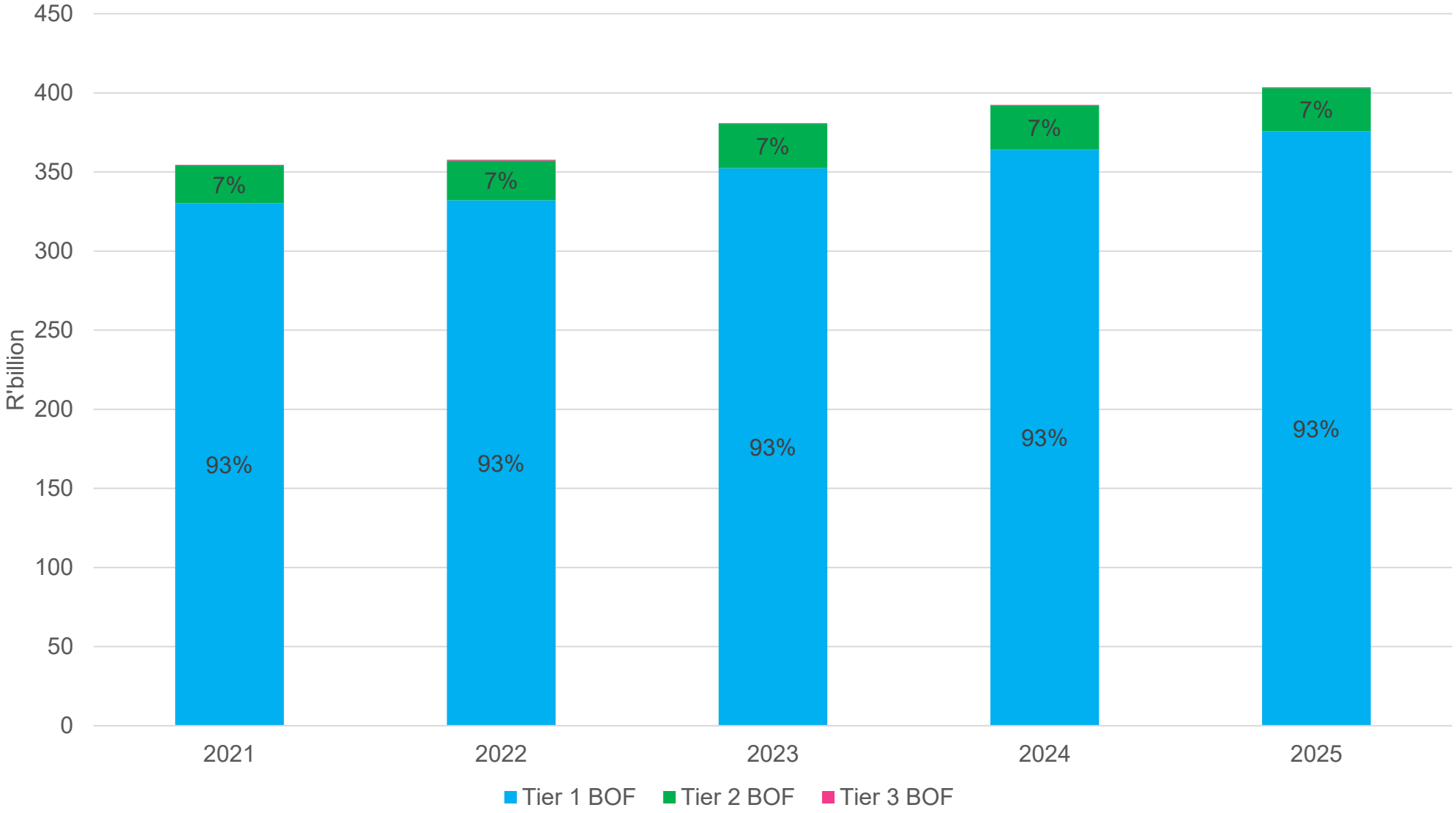
Basic Own Funds

Composition of BOF



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Analysis of Movements in BOF

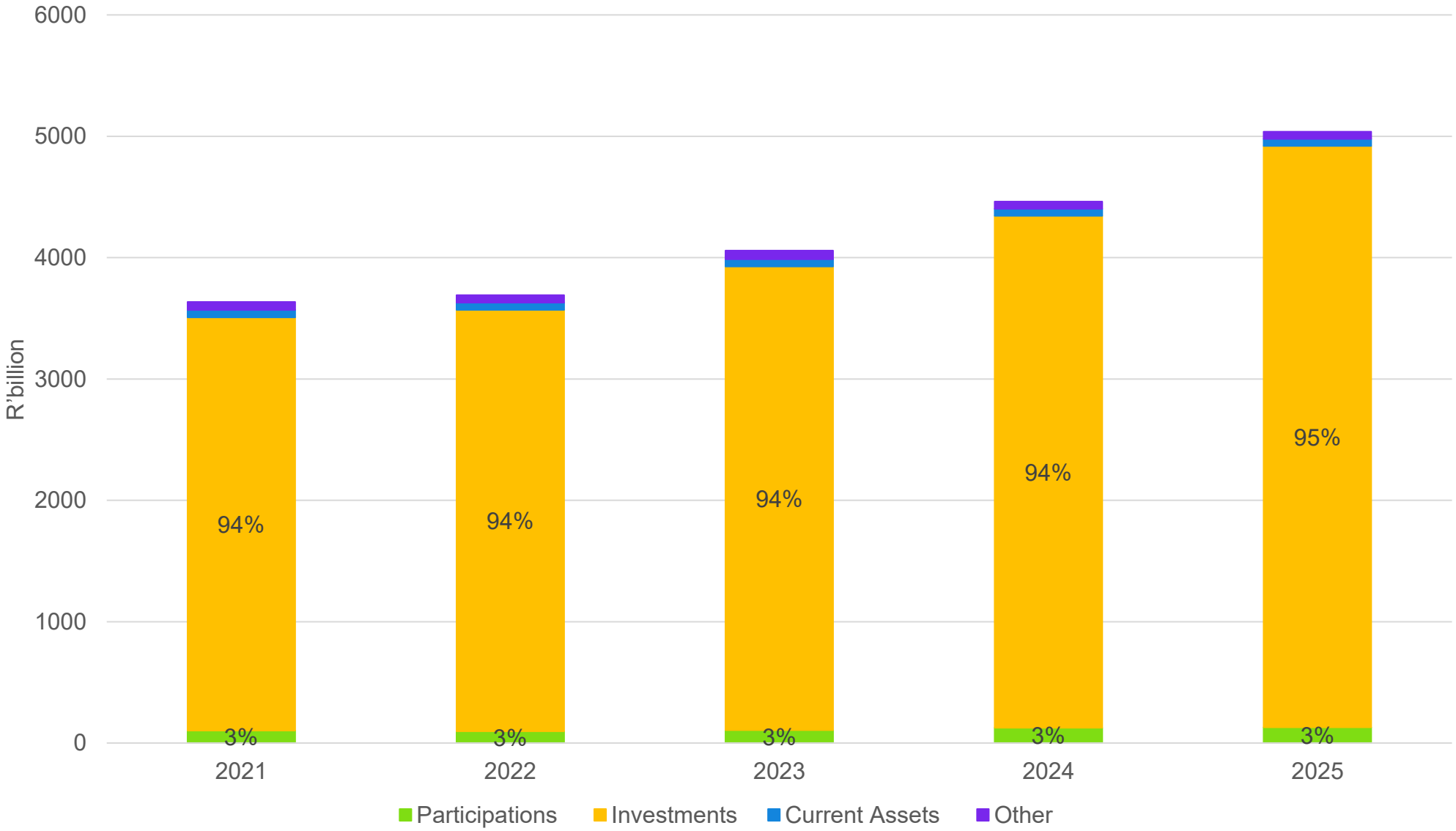


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Assets

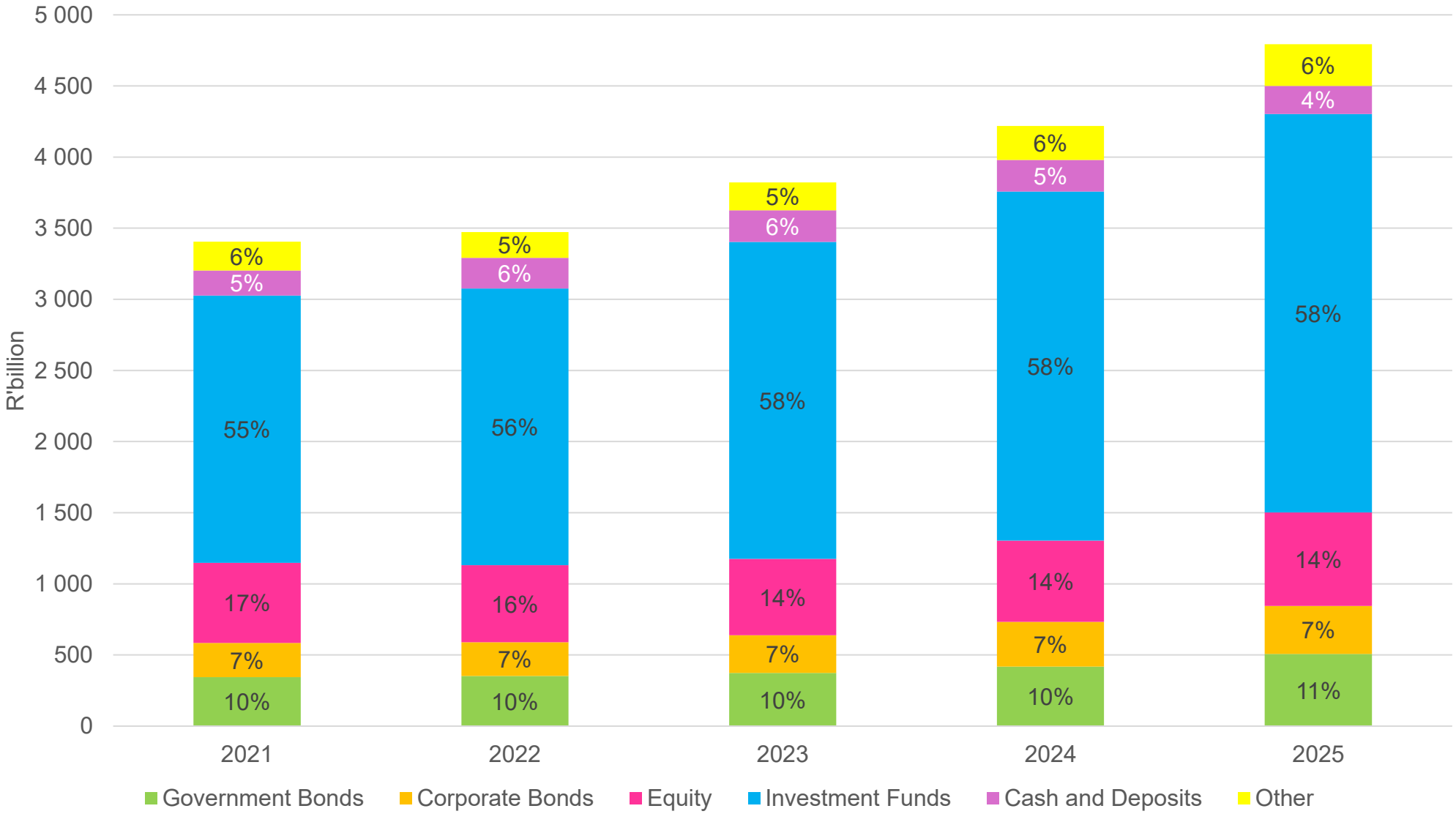
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Composition of Assets

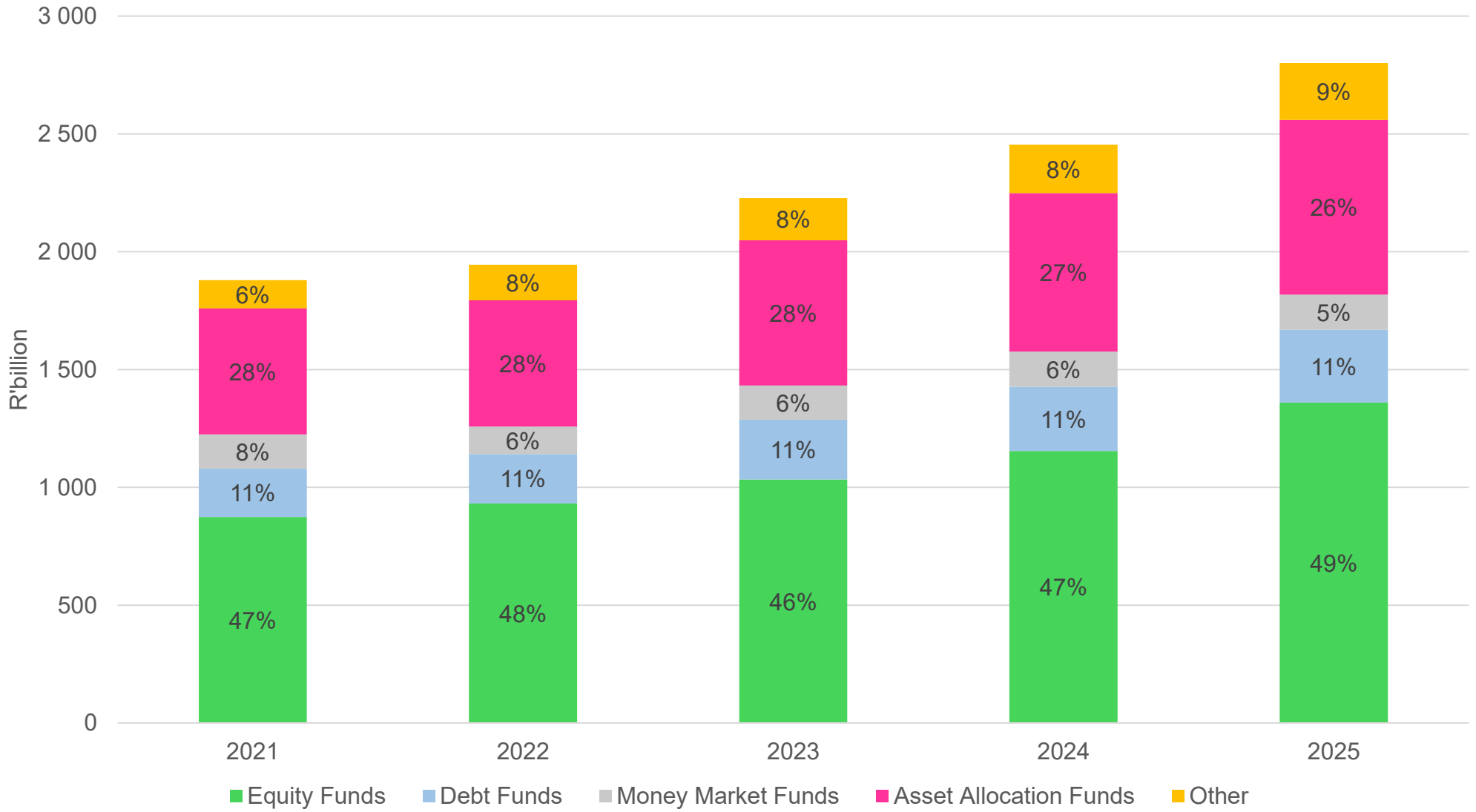


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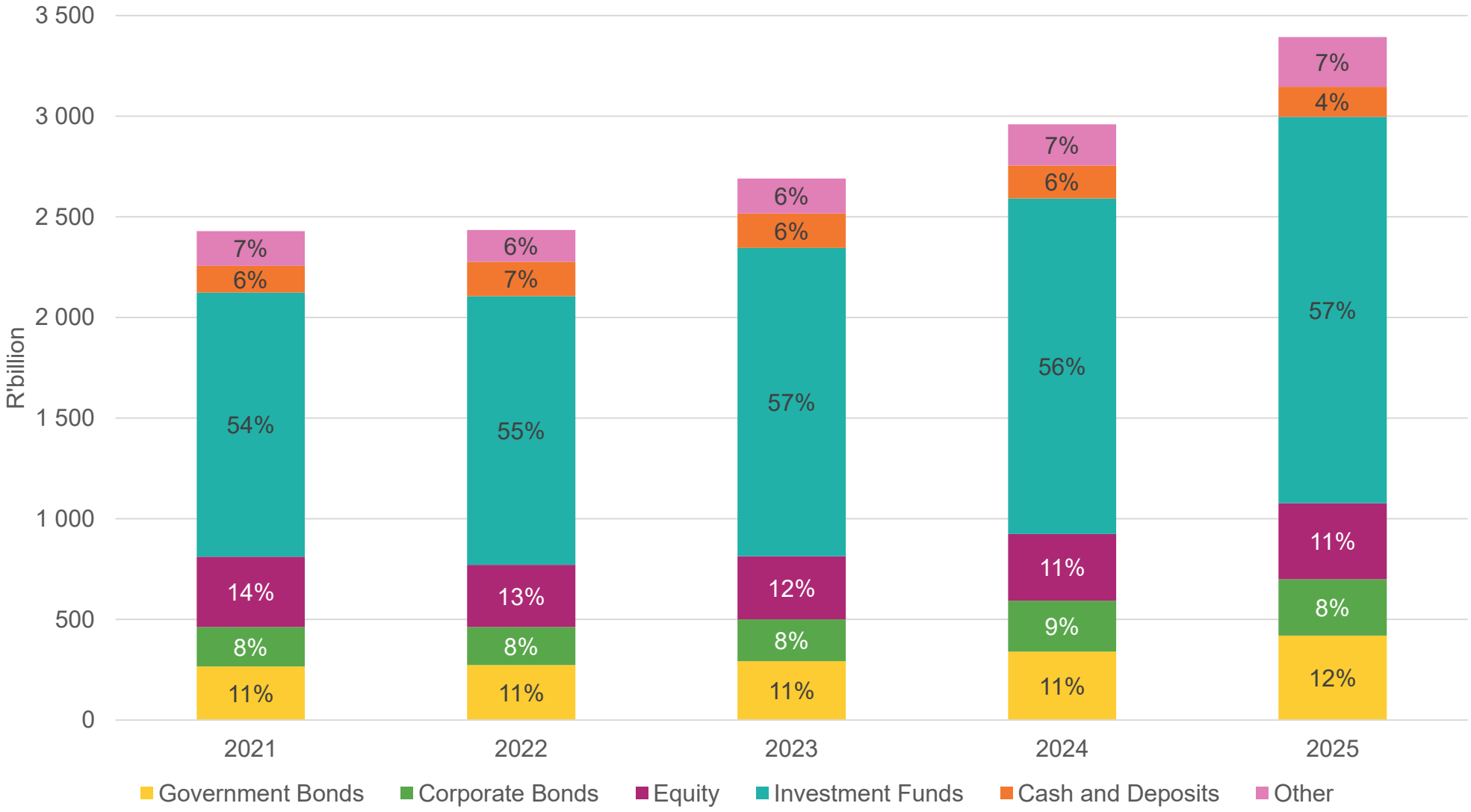
Composition of Investments



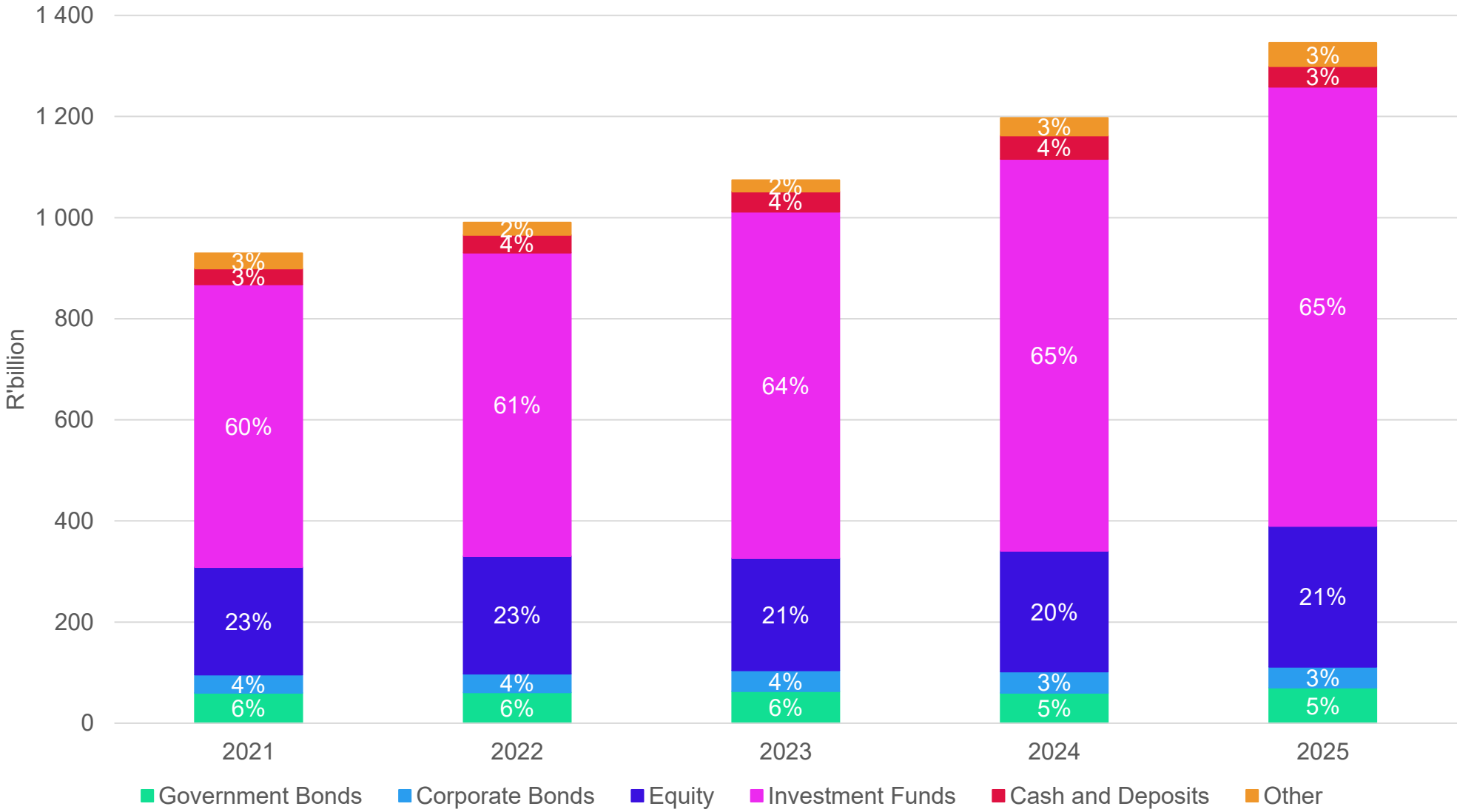
Composition of Investment Funds



Composition of Investments - Primary

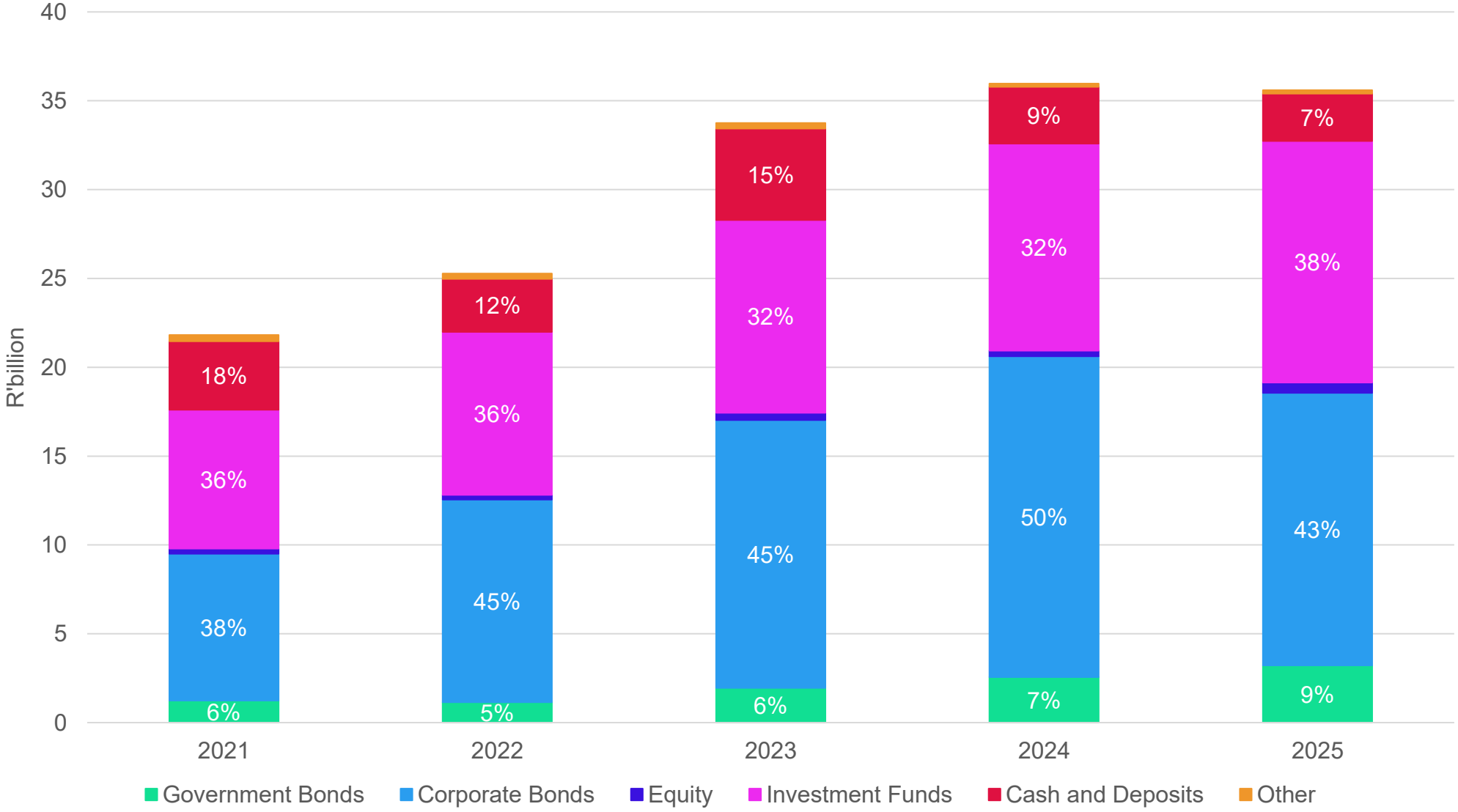


Composition of Investments - Linked



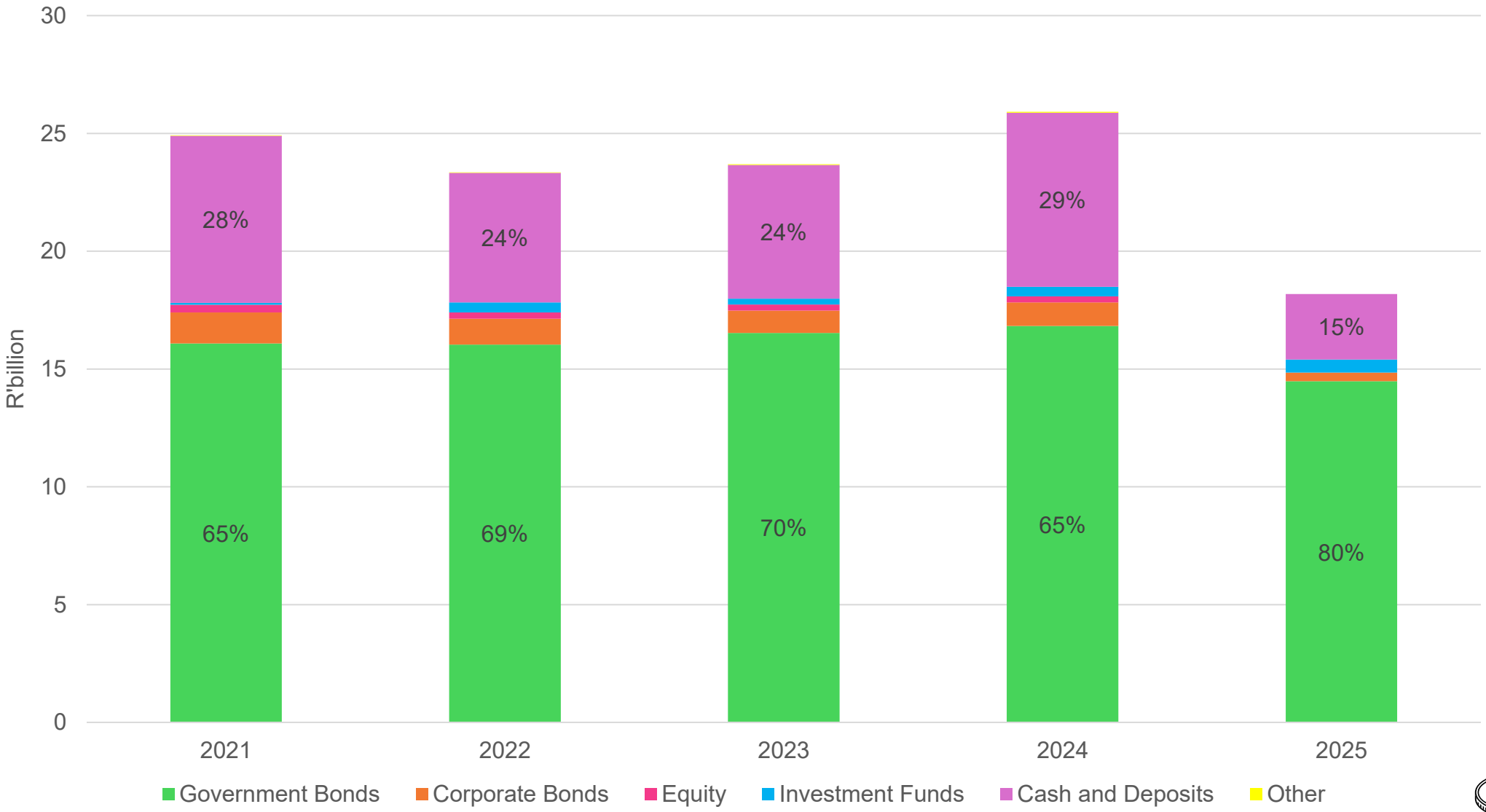
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Composition of Investments – Cell Captives



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Composition of Investments - Reinsurers

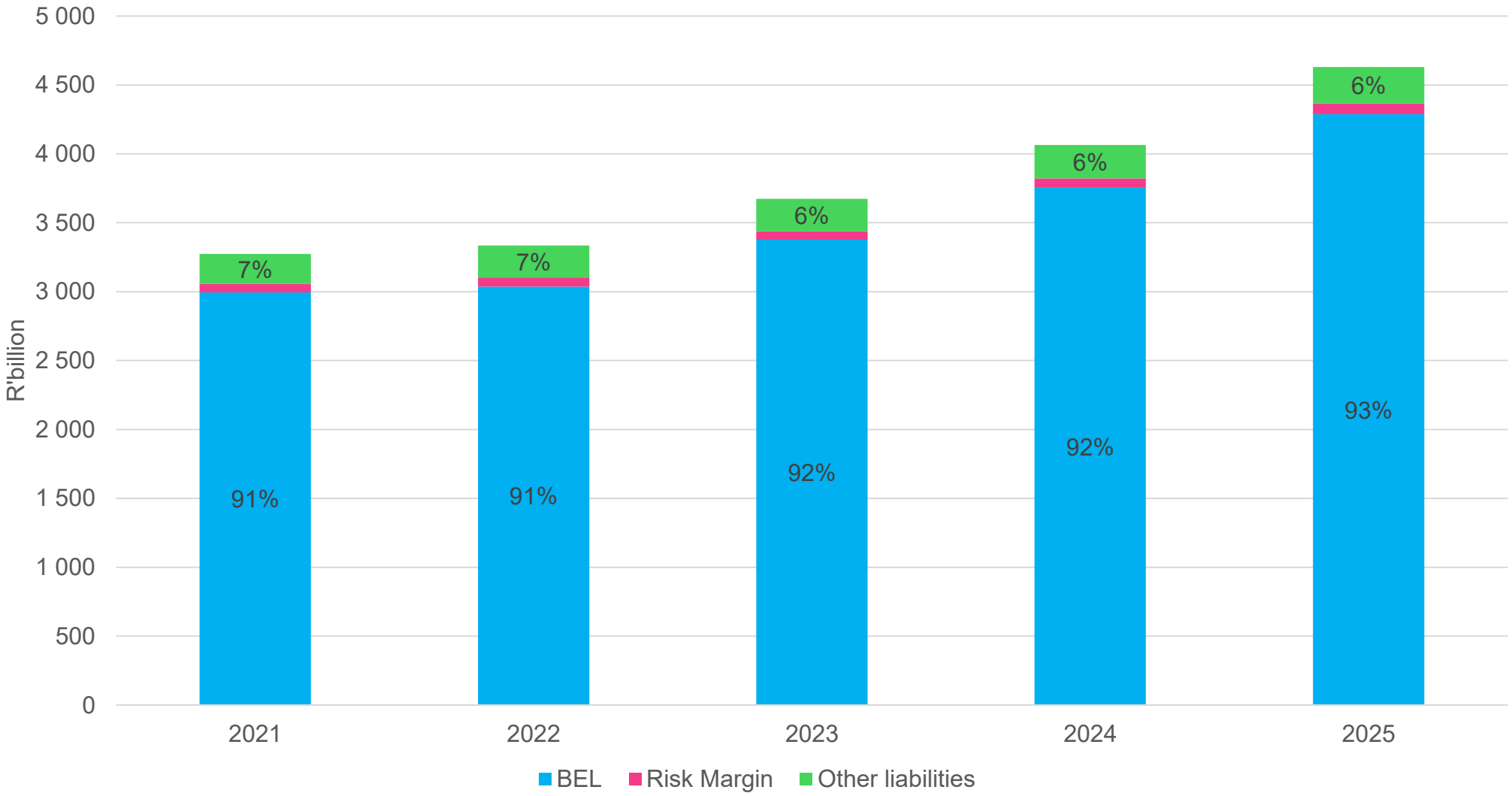


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Liabilities

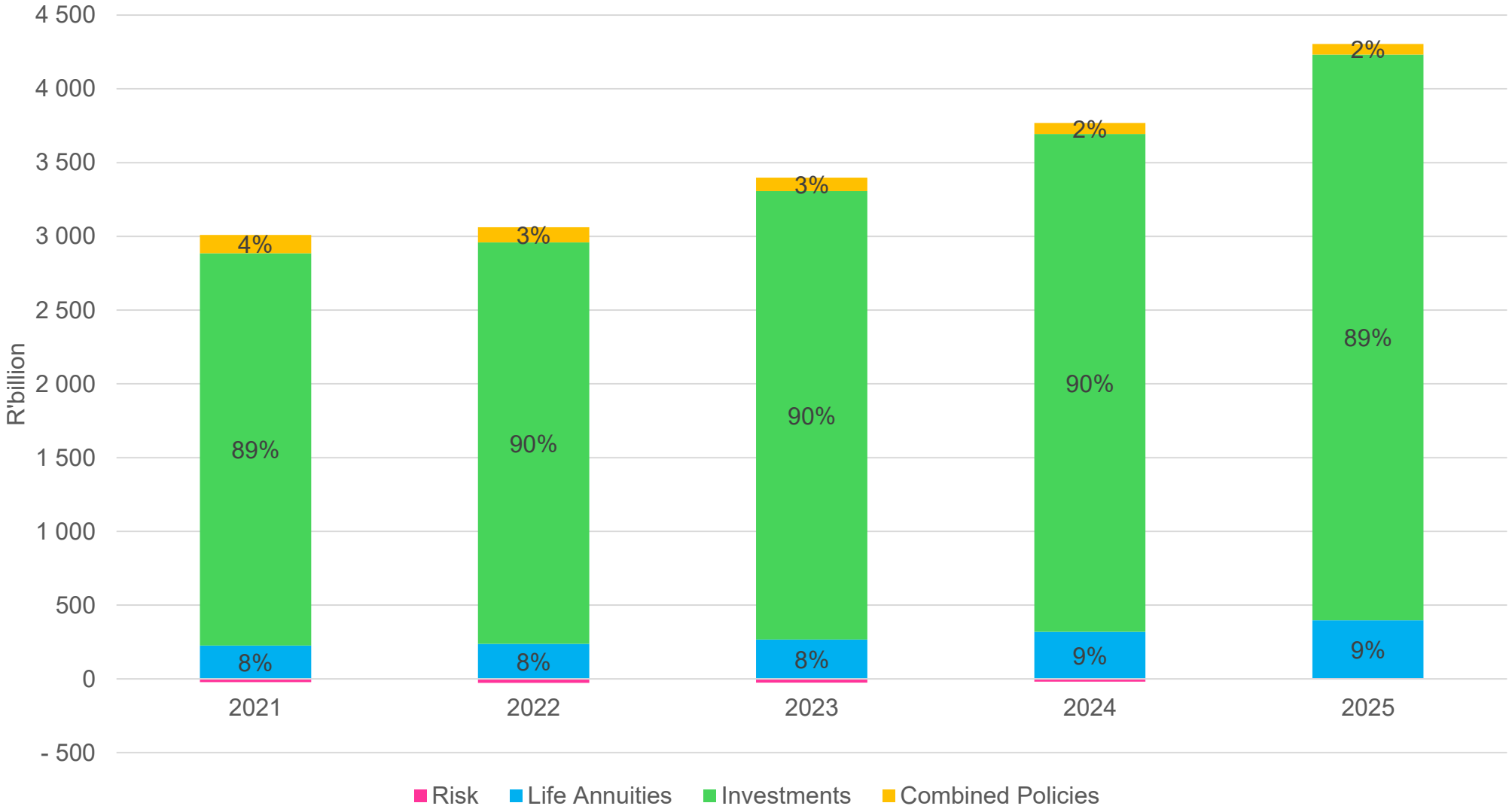
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Total Liabilities



Best Estimate Liabilities are gross of reinsurance

Technical Provisions by category of business

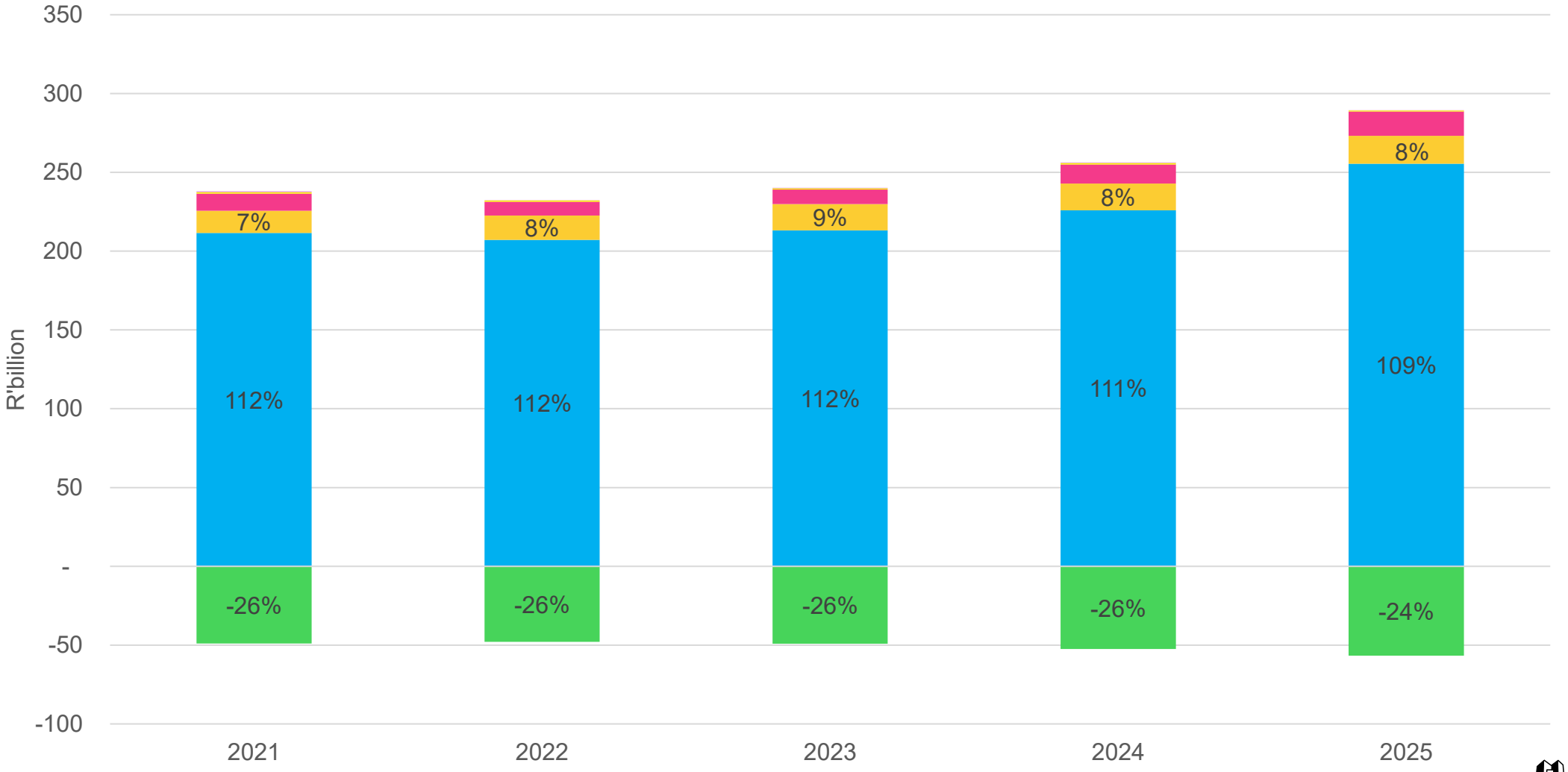


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Solvency Capital Requirement

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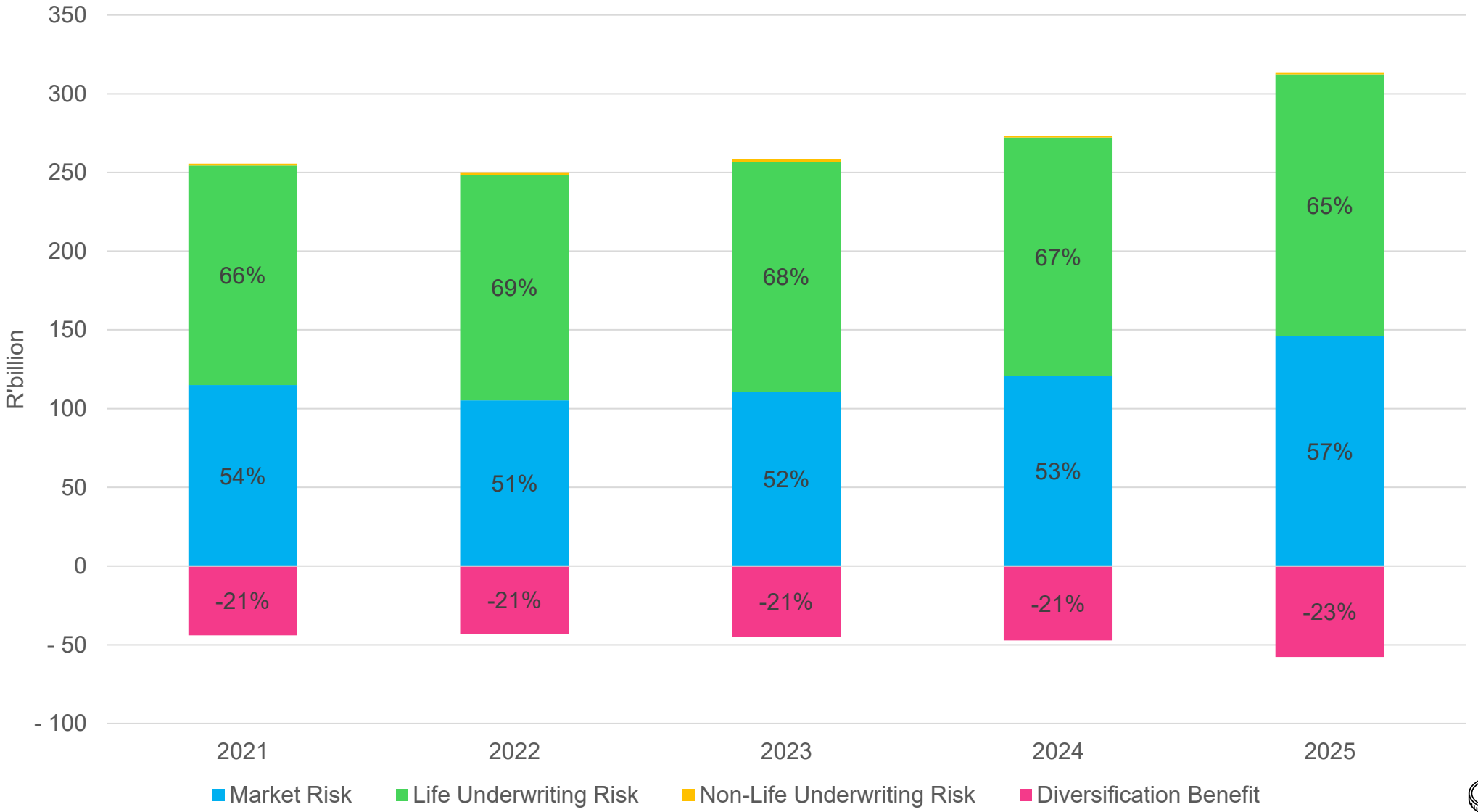
SCR Components



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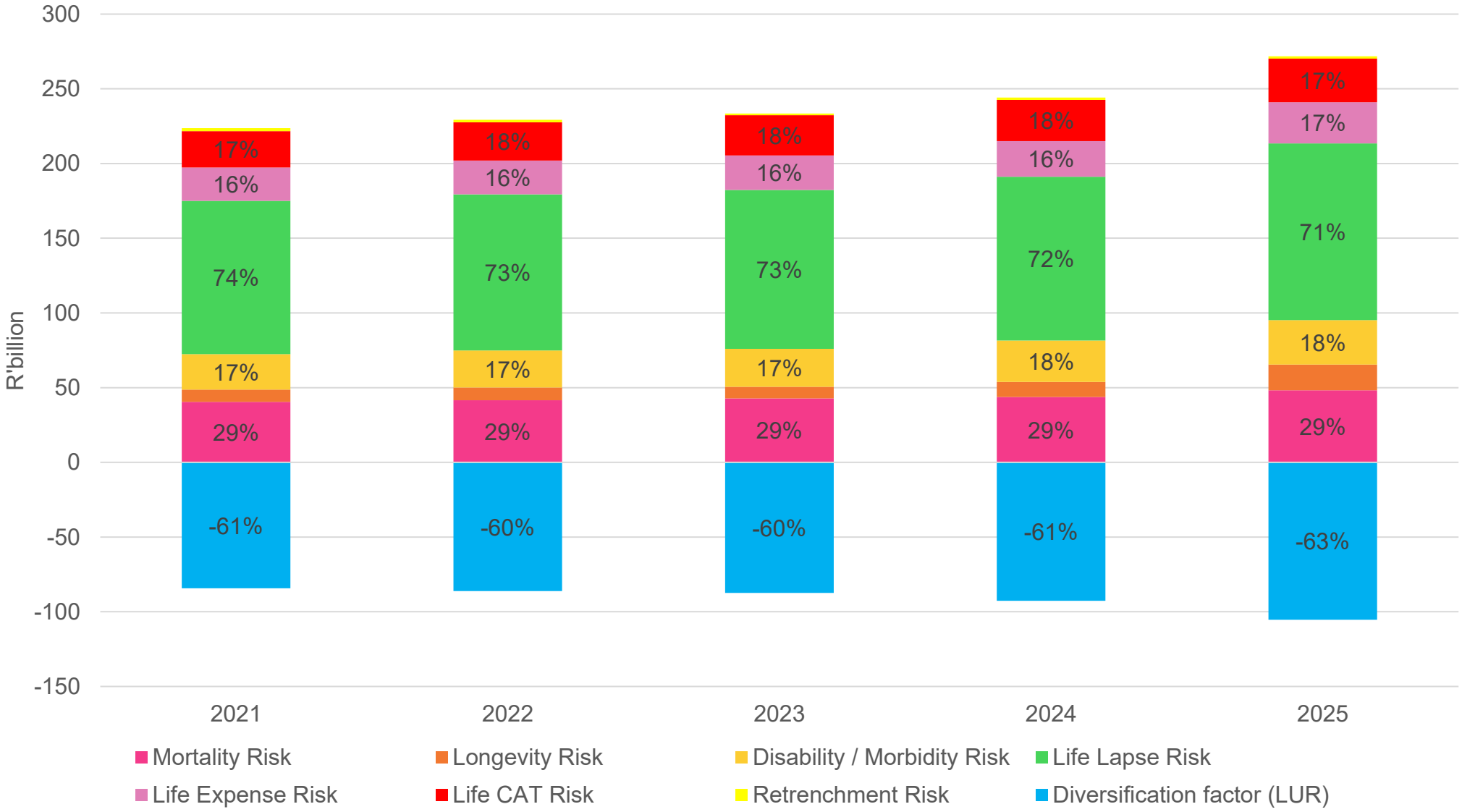
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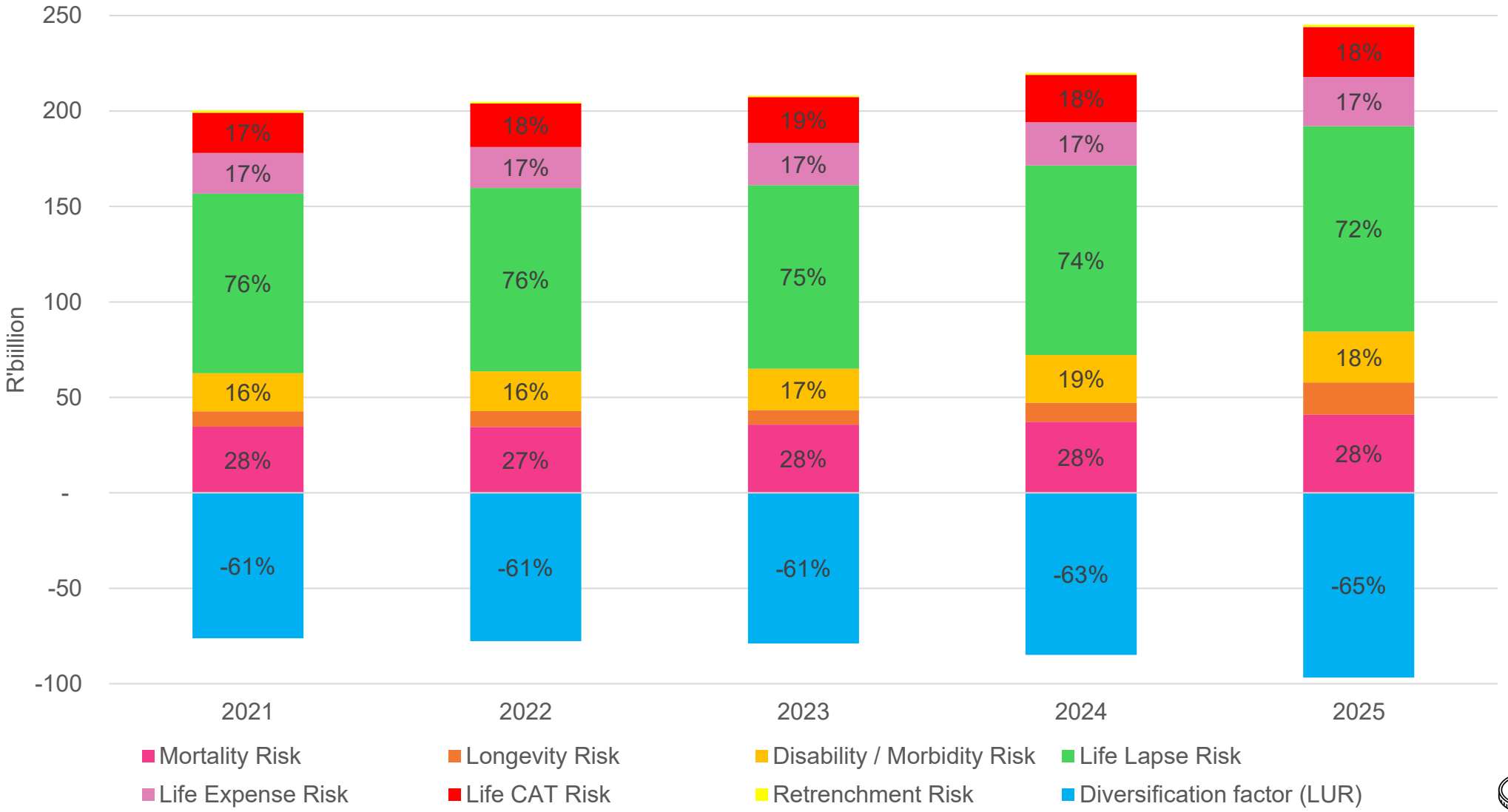


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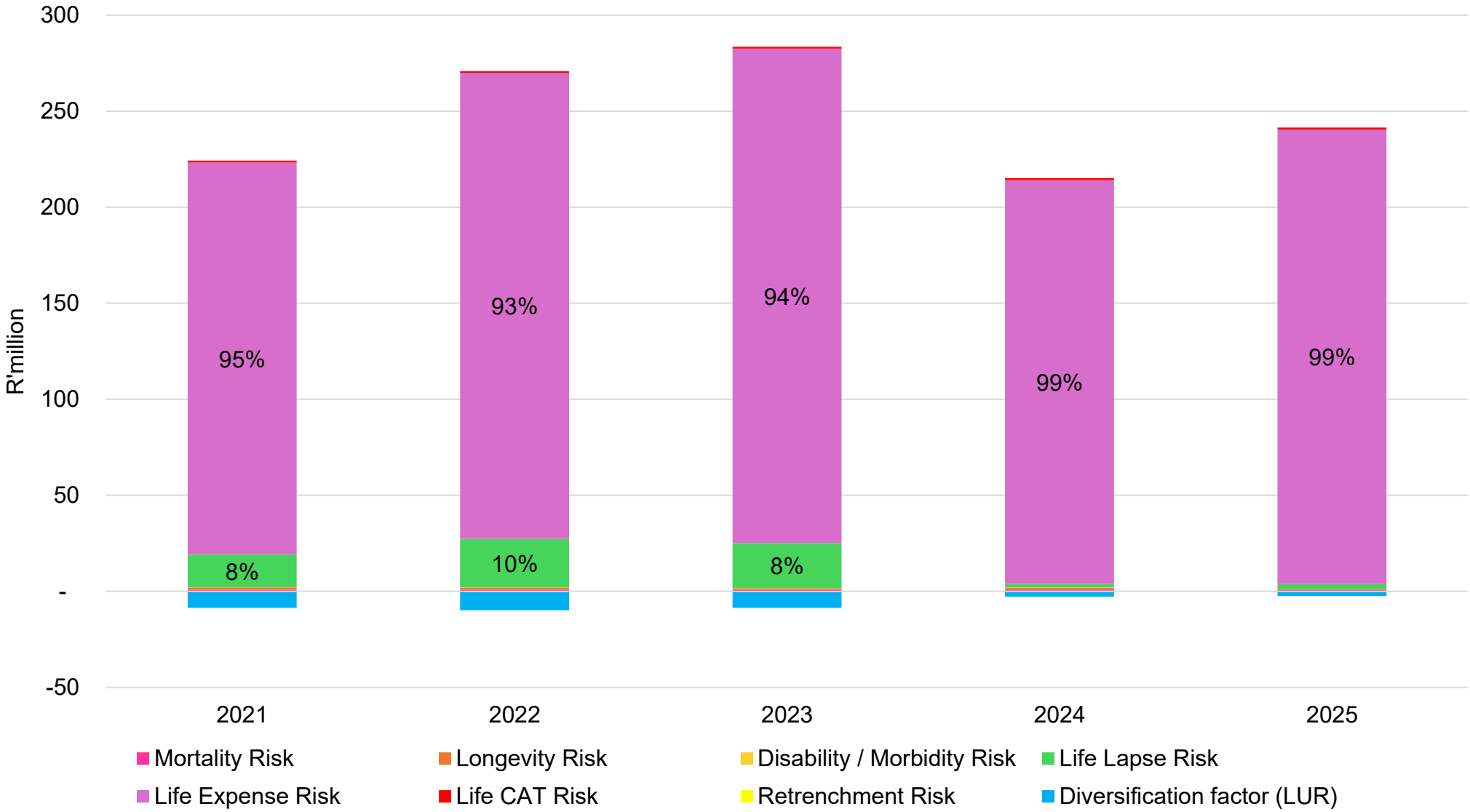
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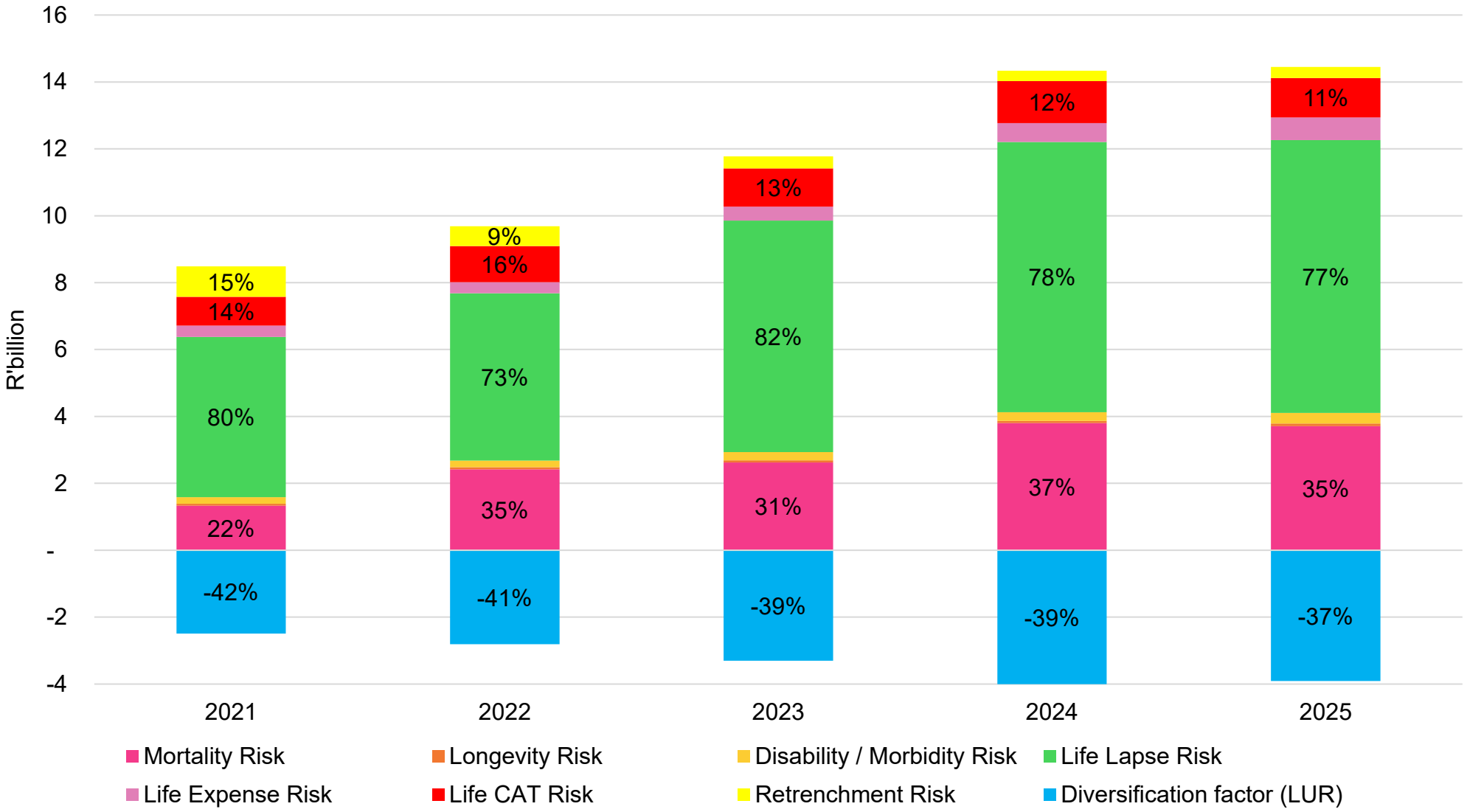
Life Underwriting Risk - Primary



Life Underwriting Risk - Linked



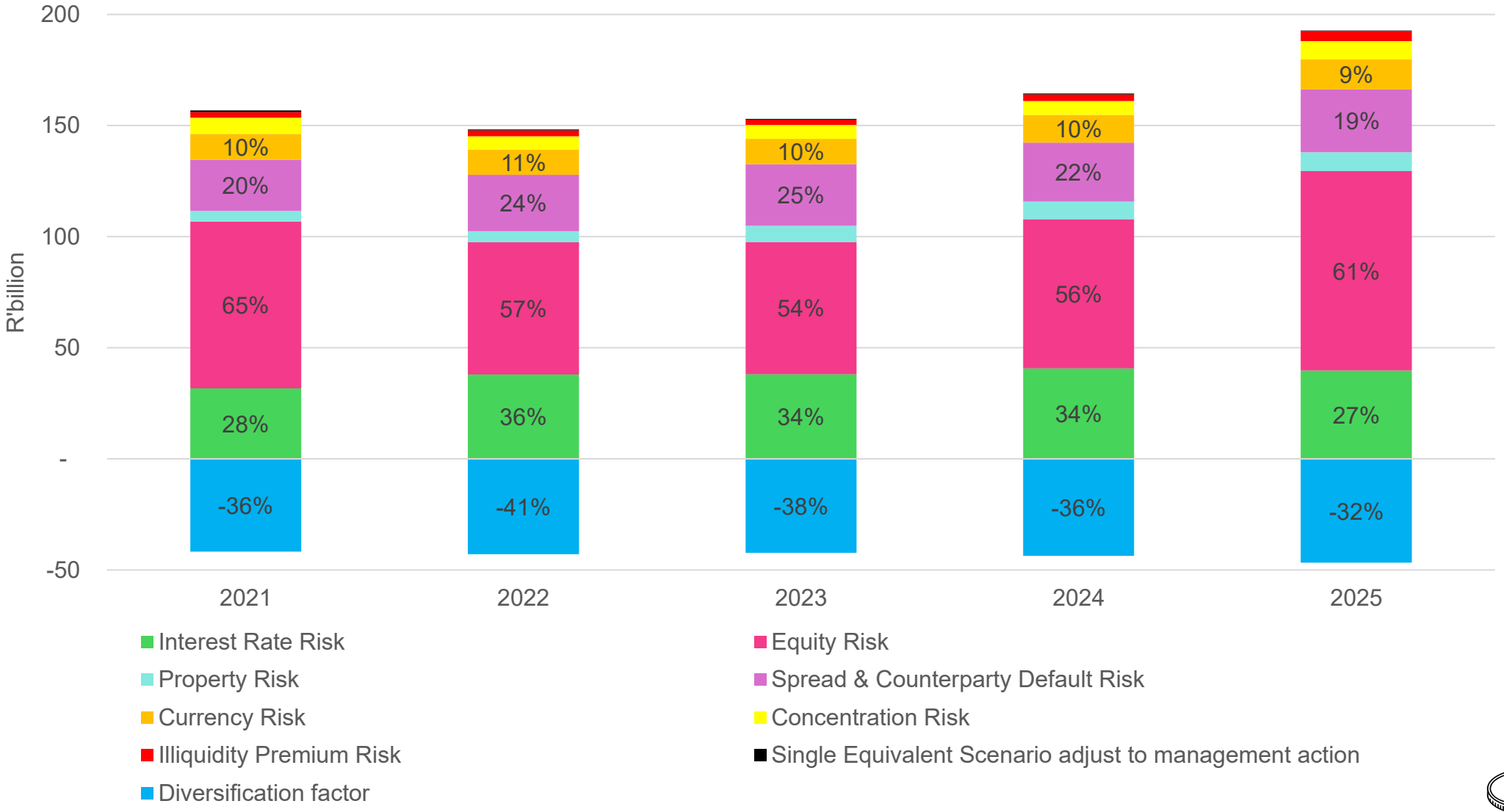
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Life Underwriting Risk - Reinsurers

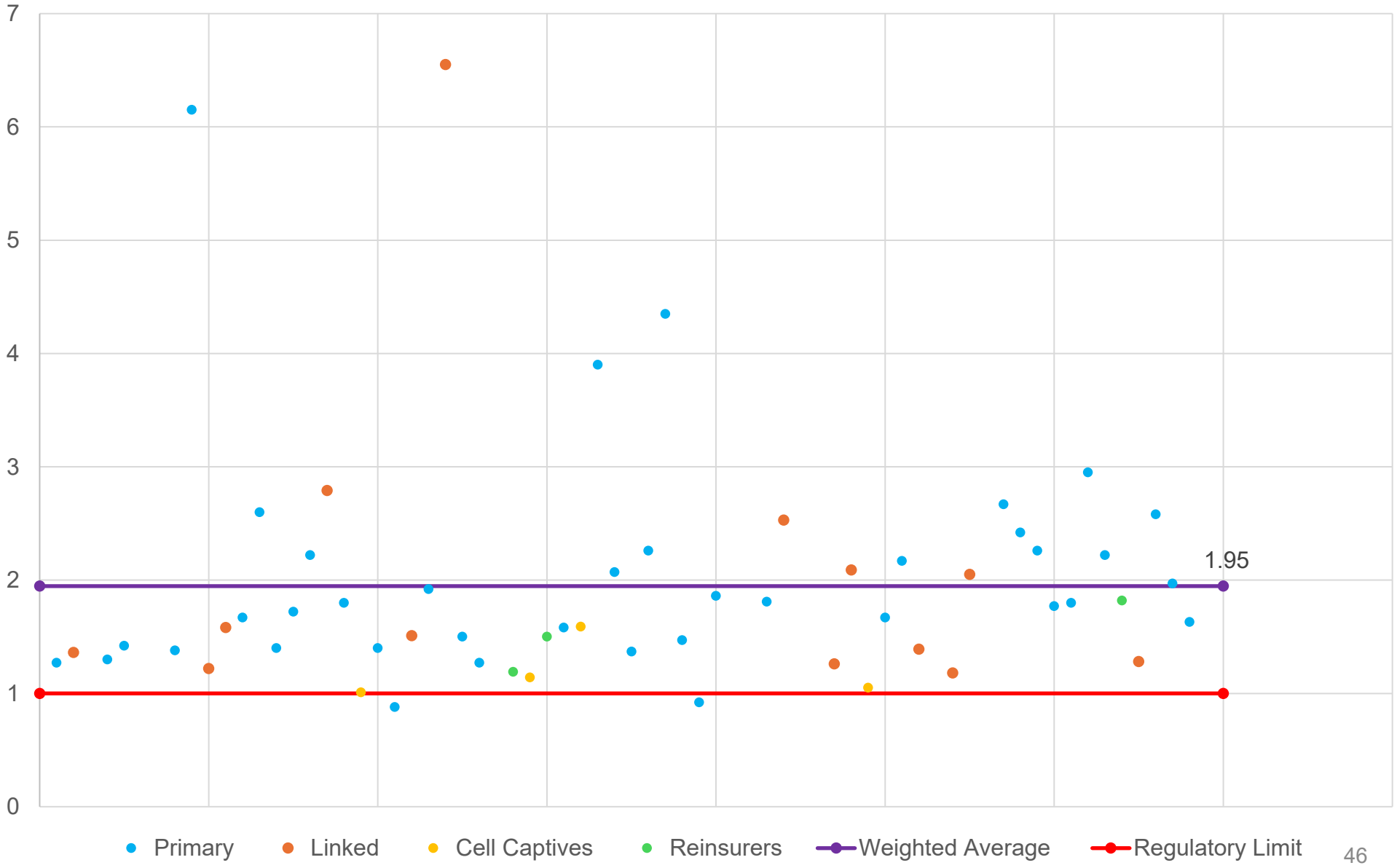


Market Risk Components



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SCR Cover Ratio Distribution



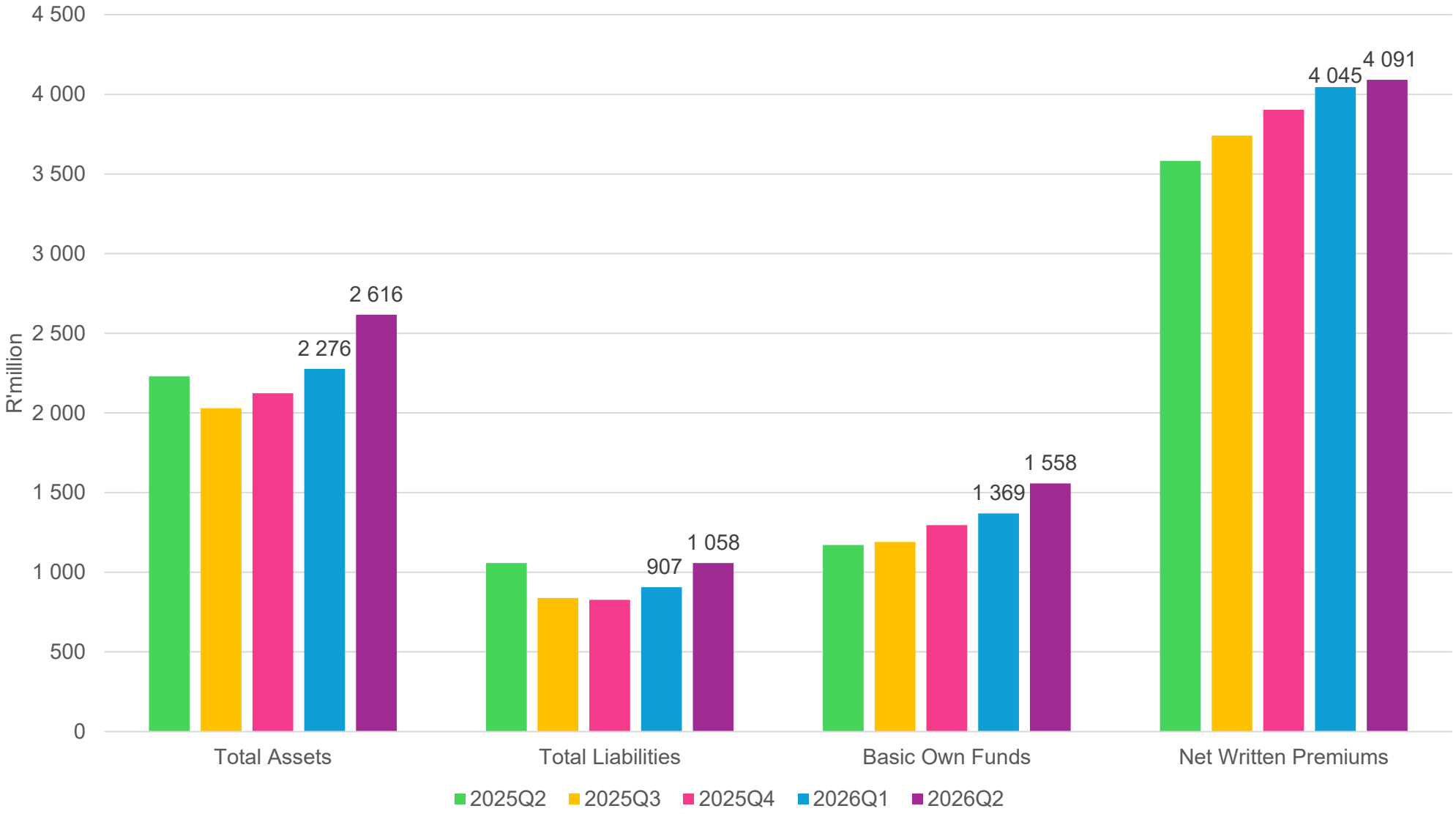
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Microinsurance

Data Limitations for Microinsurers

- Lag between microinsurer licensing and reporting.
- Quality of submissions.

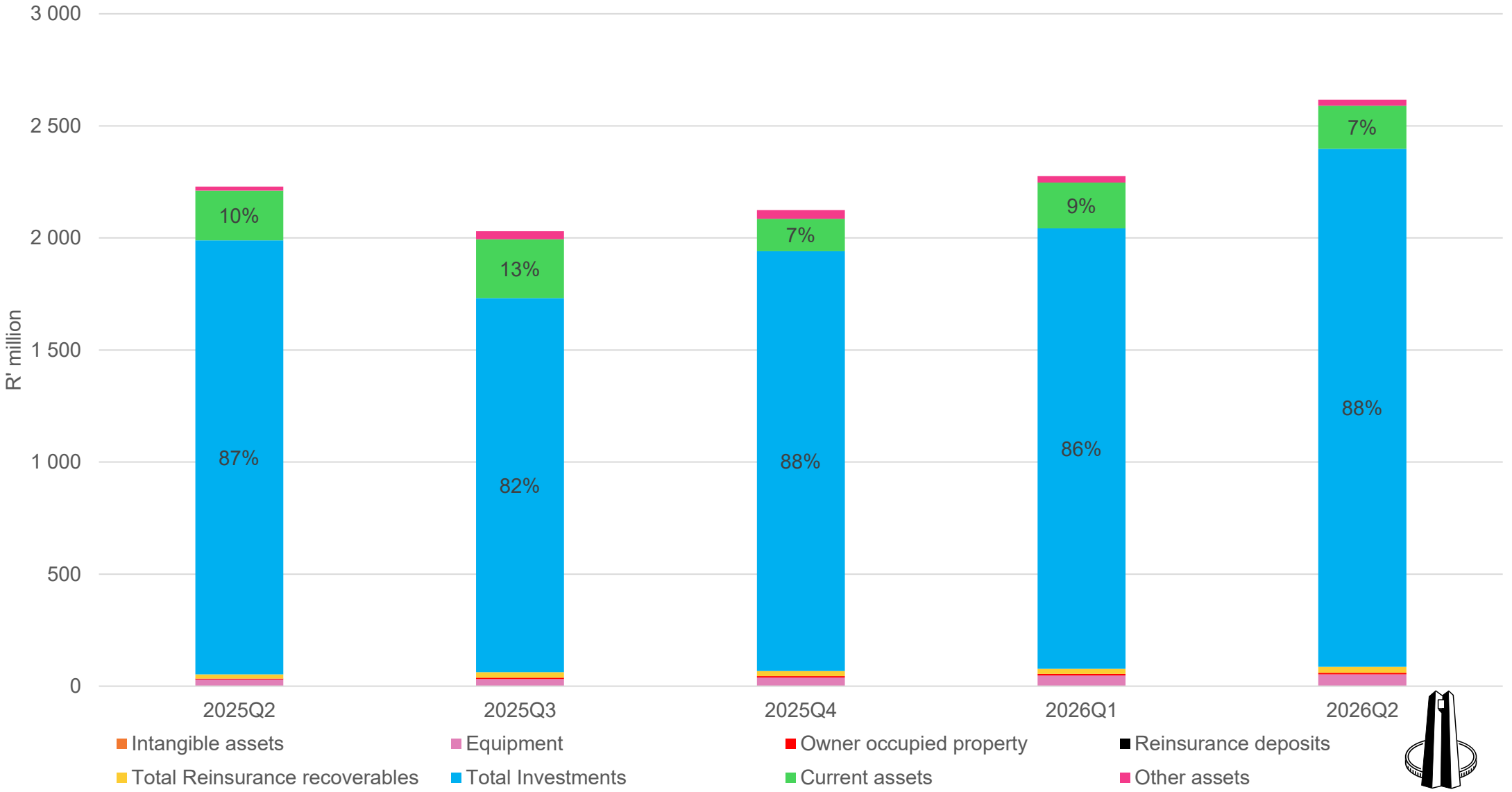
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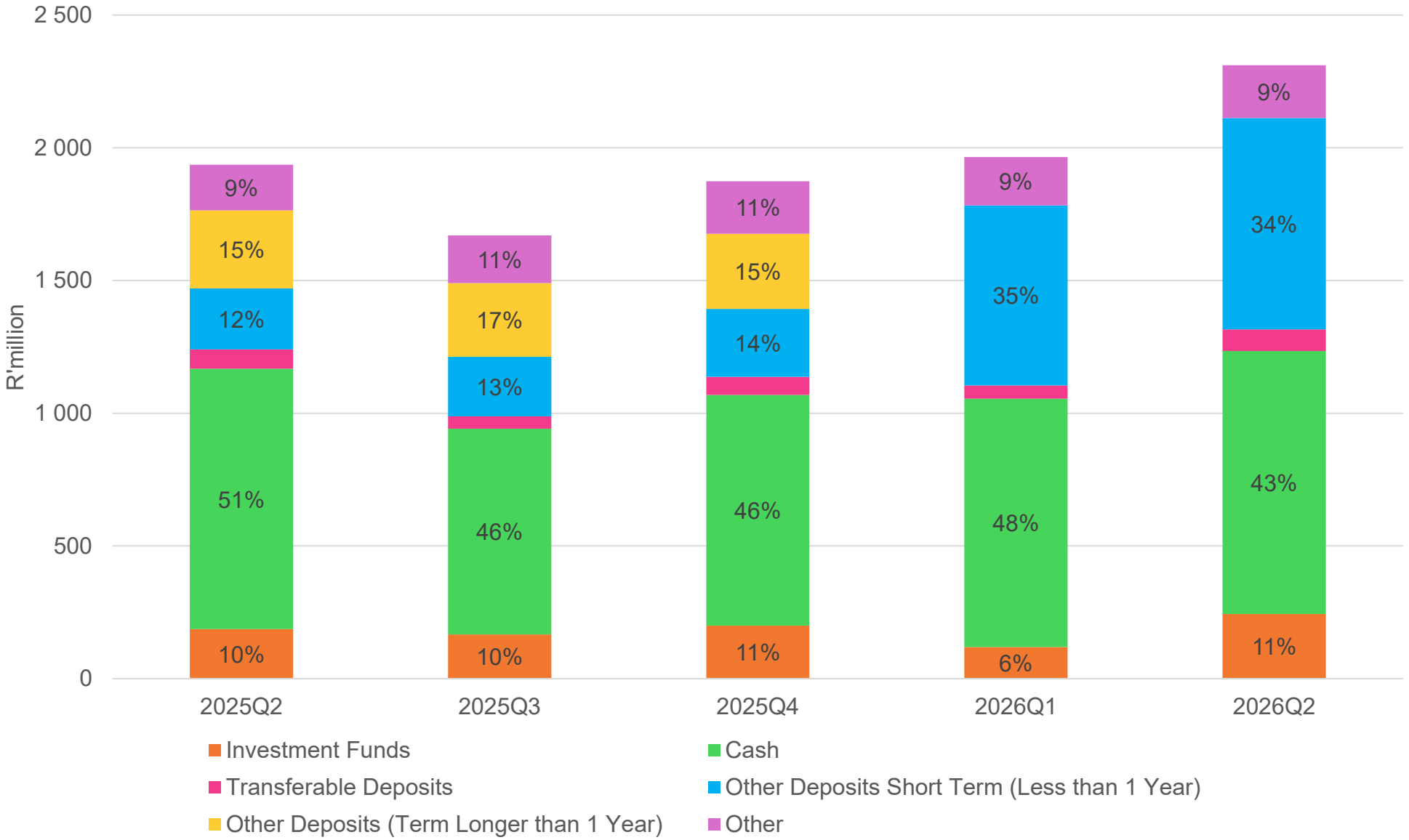
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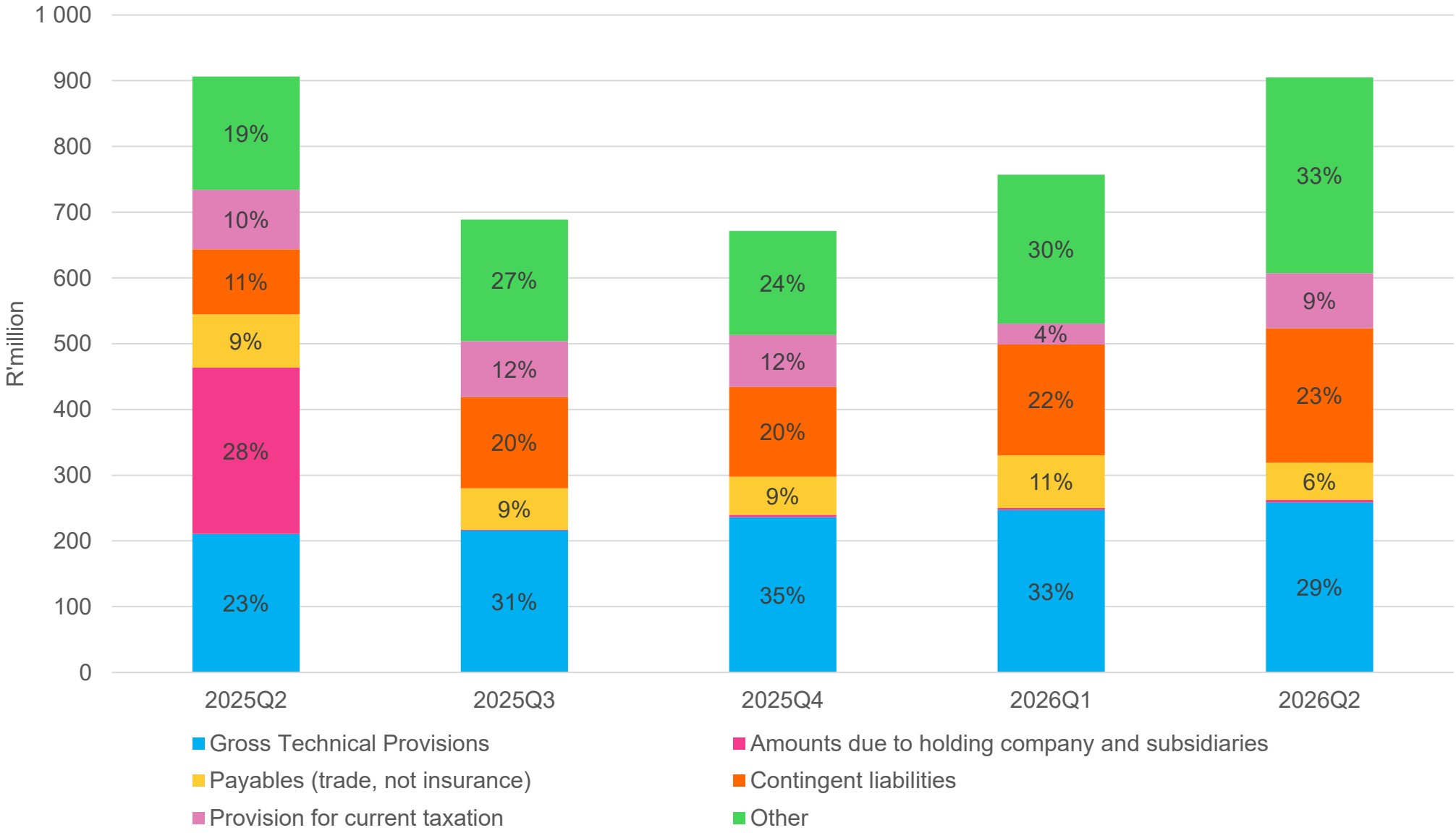


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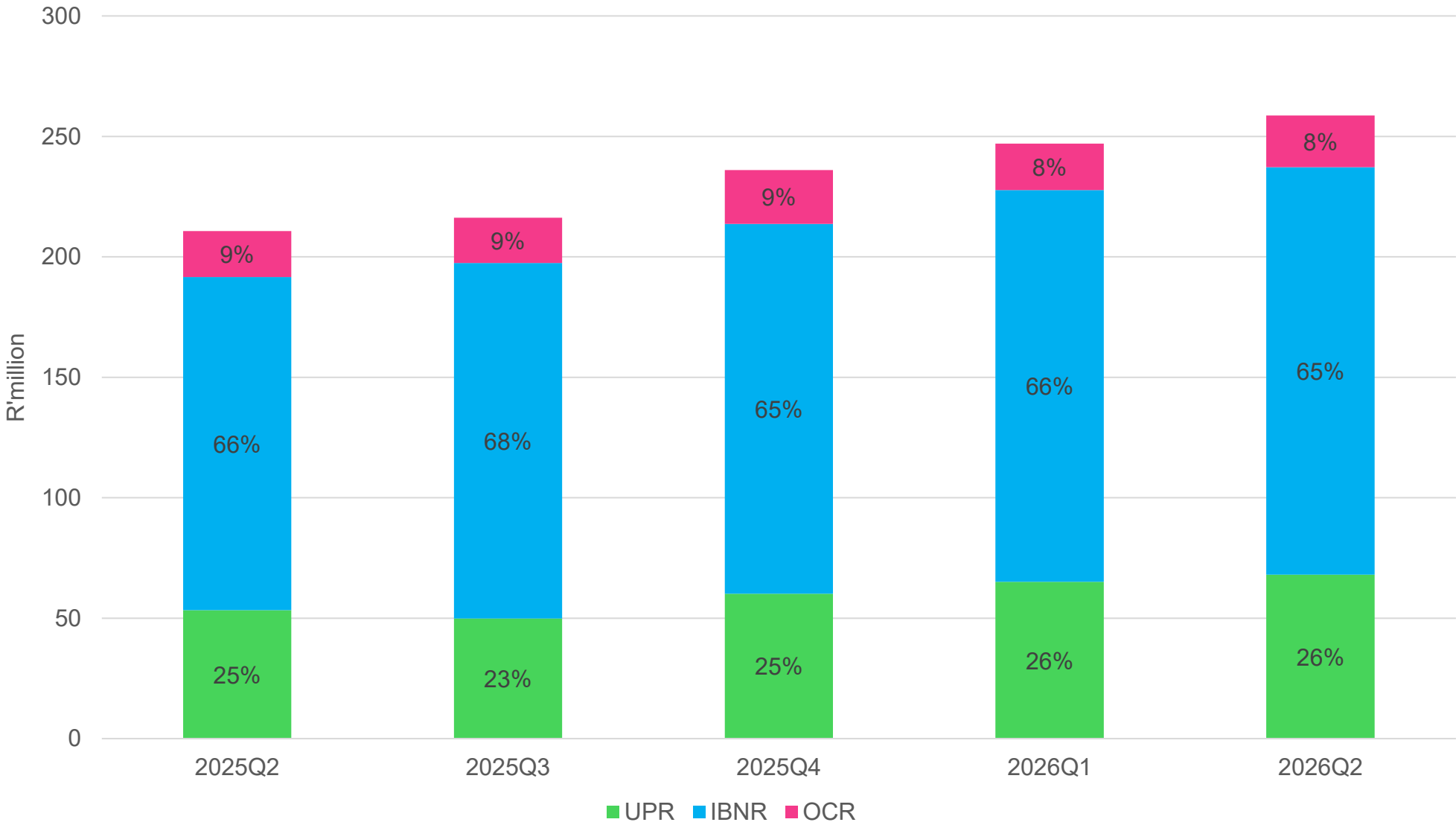
Composition of Investments



Composition of Liabilities

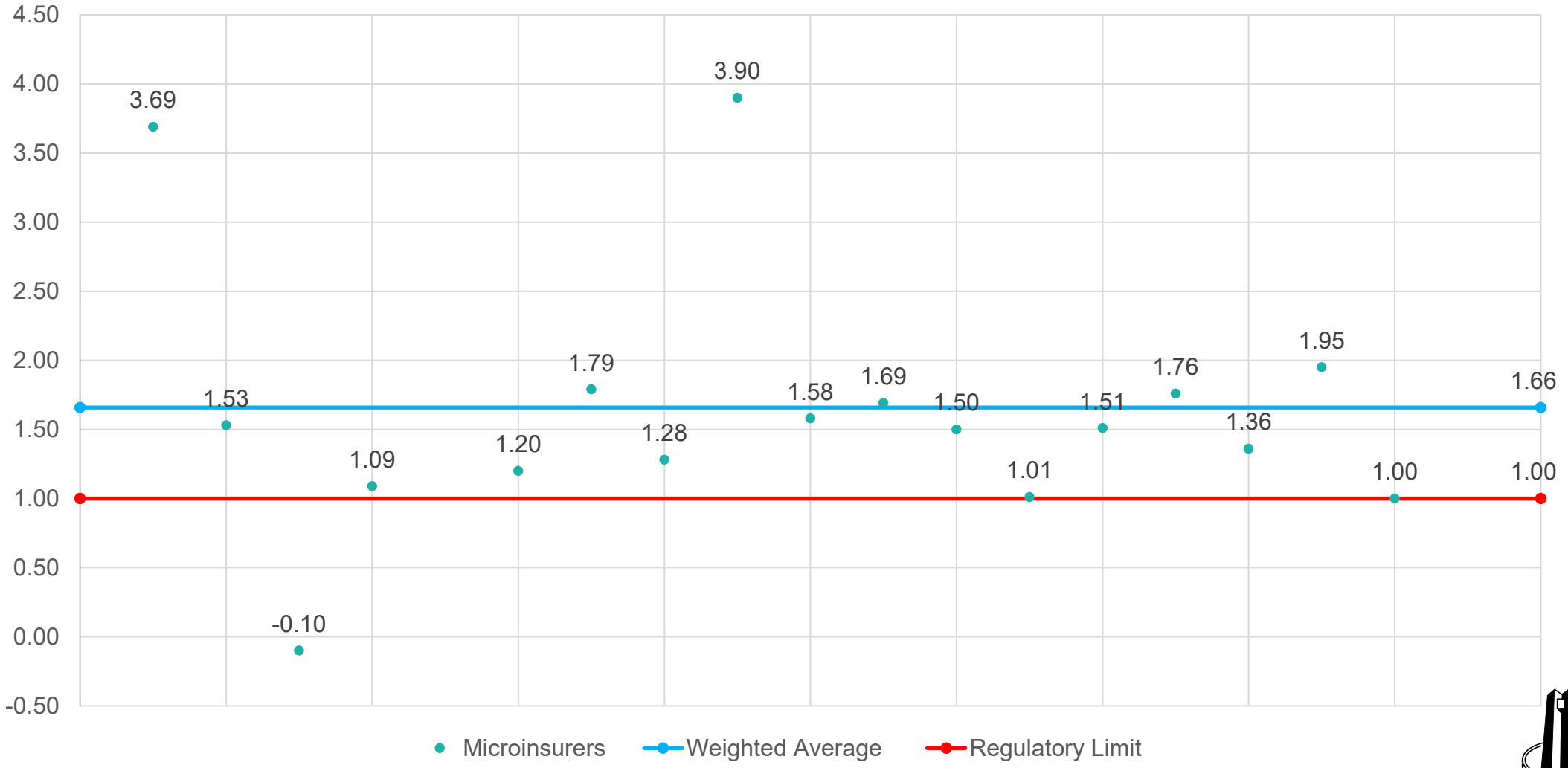


Composition of Technical Provisions



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MCR Cover Ratio Distribution



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