
LPL Financial Holdings Inc. Q4 2024 Investor Presentation

January 30, 2025

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Core G&A consists of total expense less the following expenses: advisory and commission; depreciation and amortization; interest expense on borrowings; brokerage, clearing and exchange; amortization of other intangibles; market fluctuations on employee deferred compensation; losses on extinguishment of debt; promotional (ongoing); employee share-based compensation; regulatory charges; and acquisition costs. Management presents Core G&A because it believes Core G&A reflects the corporate expense categories over which management can generally exercise a measure of control, compared with expense items over which management either cannot exercise control, such as advisory and commission, or which management views as promotional expense necessary to support advisor growth and retention, including conferences and transition assistance. Core G&A is not a measure of the Company's total expense as calculated in accordance with GAAP. For a reconciliation of the Company's total expense to Core G&A, please see the appendix of this presentation. The Company does not provide an outlook for its total expense because it contains expense components, such as advisory and commission, that are market-driven and over which the Company cannot exercise control. Accordingly, a reconciliation of the Company's outlook for total expense to an outlook for Core G&A cannot be made available without unreasonable effort.

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LPL investment highlights

1 Industry leader in the advisor-mediated marketplace with scale and structural tailwinds

2 Horizontal expansion strategy with a goal of meeting all ~300,000[†] advisors where they are

3 Vertical integration strategy, with significant capacity to invest in capabilities that enhance the advisor value proposition and drive growth

4 Resilient business model with natural hedges to market volatility

5 Disciplined expense management, enabling operating leverage

6 Capital-light business model with flexible allocation framework

LPL overview

Who we are

- We serve the advisor-mediated marketplace as the largest independent broker-dealer in the U.S.[†] and a top custodian
- We provide advisors with the front-, middle- and back-office support they need to serve the large and growing market for comprehensive financial advice

**#1 Independent
Broker-Dealer**

Financial Planning Magazine

**Top RIA
Custodian**

Cerulli Associates

**Fortune 500
Company**

What we do

- **We serve advisors and institutions so they can...**
 - Help their clients achieve life's goals and dreams
 - Run thriving businesses
- **We deliver...**
 - Value-added capabilities that help advisors and institutions provide differentiated experiences for their clients
 - Personalized solutions from flexible and compelling affiliation models to services that help advisors and institutions run extraordinary businesses
 - Liquidity & Succession capabilities for advisors seeking to transition their business

Who we serve

~28,900 Advisors

~\$1.7T Assets

- Independent Advisors: ~15,500
- Independent RIA: ~6,500 (~590 firms)
- Institution Services: ~6,900 (~1,200 institutions)
- Advisor channel: ~\$1,300B
- Institution channel: ~\$440B

Our mission and vision



Mission

We take care of our advisors and institutions so they can take care of their clients



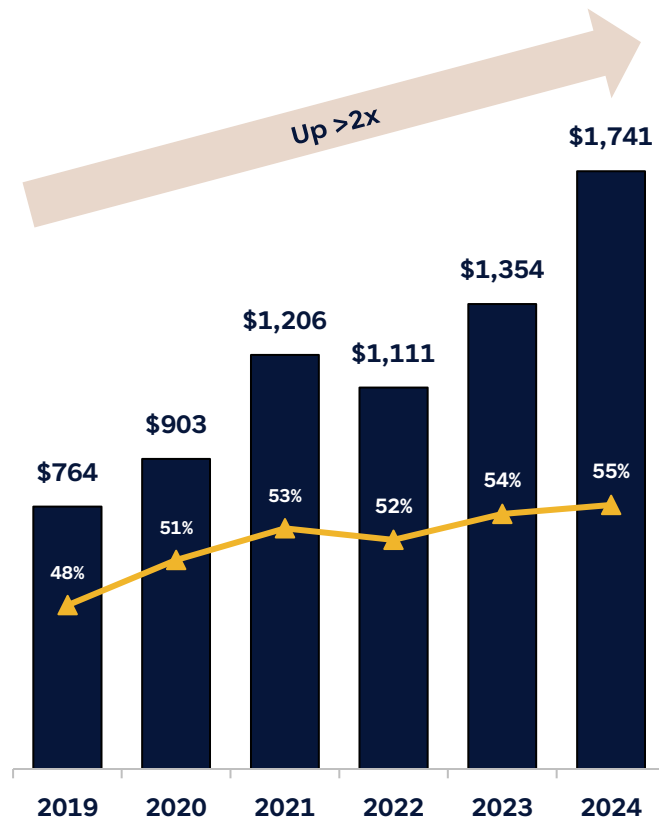
Vision

Become the leader across the advisor-mediated marketplace

LPL by the numbers

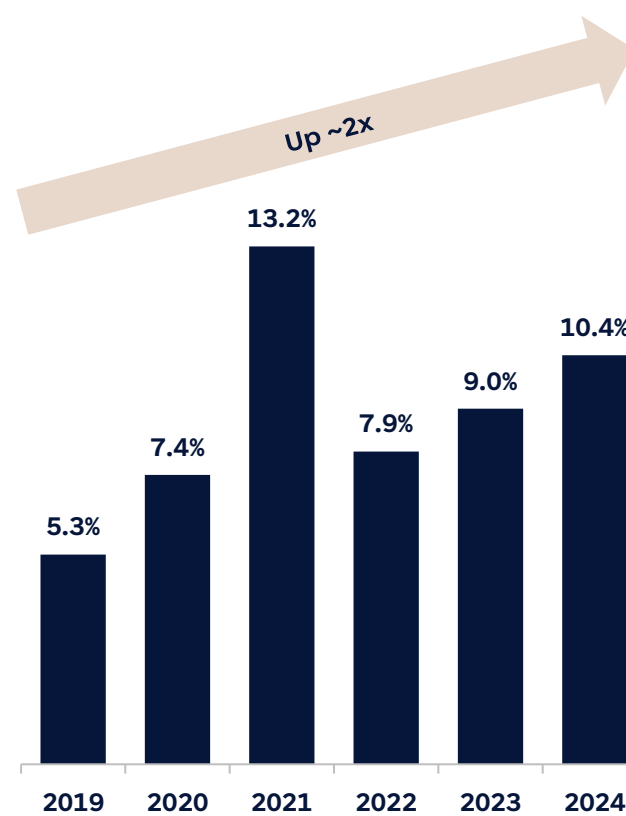
Industry-leading scale

Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets (\$B)
(end of period)



▲ Advisory % of Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets

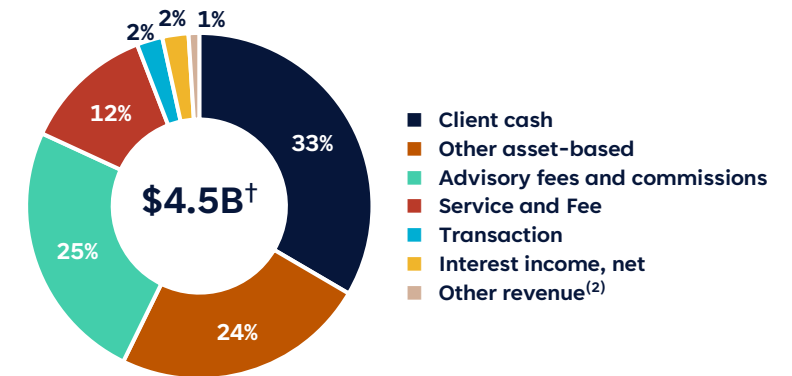
Total Organic Net New Assets "NNA"
Annualized Growth⁽¹⁾



Incl. dividends and interest, less advisory fees. Prior to Q4 2021, excludes the assets of Waddell & Reed.

Financial Highlights

Gross Profit* Contribution



49% Adjusted operating margin^{*(3)†}

\$16.51 Adjusted EPS^{*†}

1.89x Leverage ratio^{(4)‡}

Note: Totals may not foot due to rounding

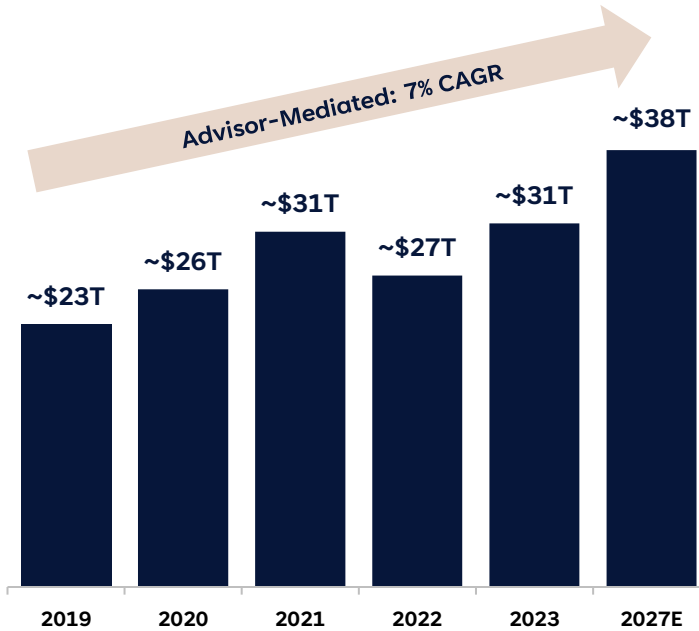
† Represents LTM results through December 31, 2024.

‡ As of December 31, 2024

We are a market leader with scale advantages and structural tailwinds

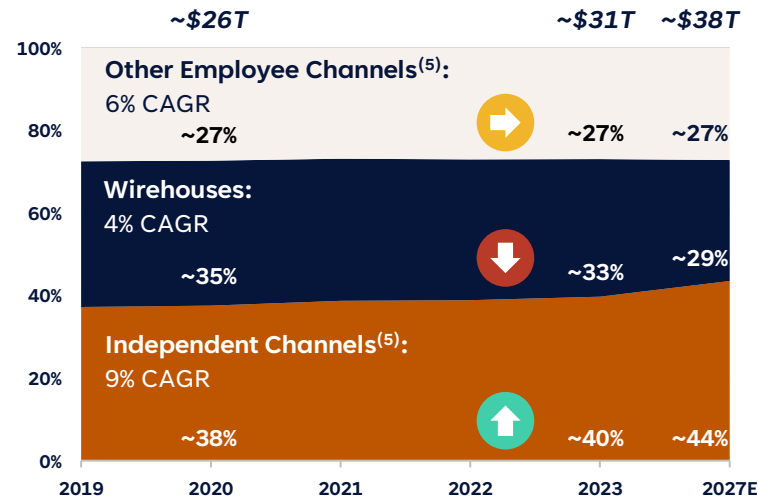
Growing demand for advice

Projected Growth in U.S. Retail Advisor-Mediated Market^{†§}



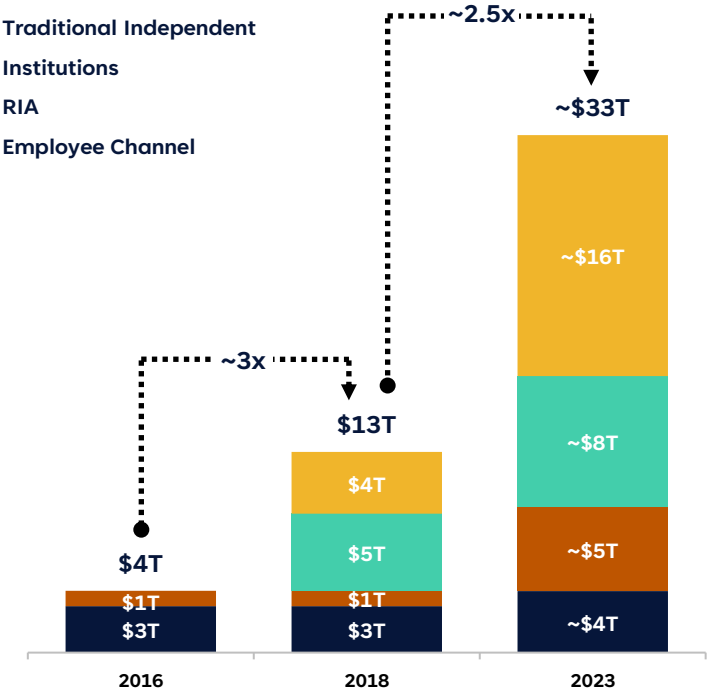
Independent channel gaining share

Total U.S. Retail Advisor-Mediated Assets^{†‡}



Market leader, with expanded addressable markets[§]

- Traditional Independent
- Institutions
- RIA
- Employee Channel



Note: Totals may not foot due to rounding.

† 2024 Cerulli U.S. Retail and Institutional Asset Management Report and Cerulli Lodestar projections. Excludes self-directed market

‡ Estimated market sizing based on 2024 Cerulli reports. See endnote (6) for additional detail

§ Figures presented reflect total assets

We are providing value-added capabilities that drive our market expansion

Horizontal expansion strategy



Meet advisors and institutions where they are in the evolution of their business by providing flexible solutions to help them design the perfect offering for their clients



Expand the addressable market through multiple affiliation models, positioning LPL to serve all ~300,000[†] advisors in the advisor-mediated marketplace

Flexibility

Vertical integration strategy



Deliver advisors and institutions end-to-end solutions that are higher quality, better integrated, easier to use, and more cost-efficient



Provide value-added capabilities that empower advisors and institutions to:

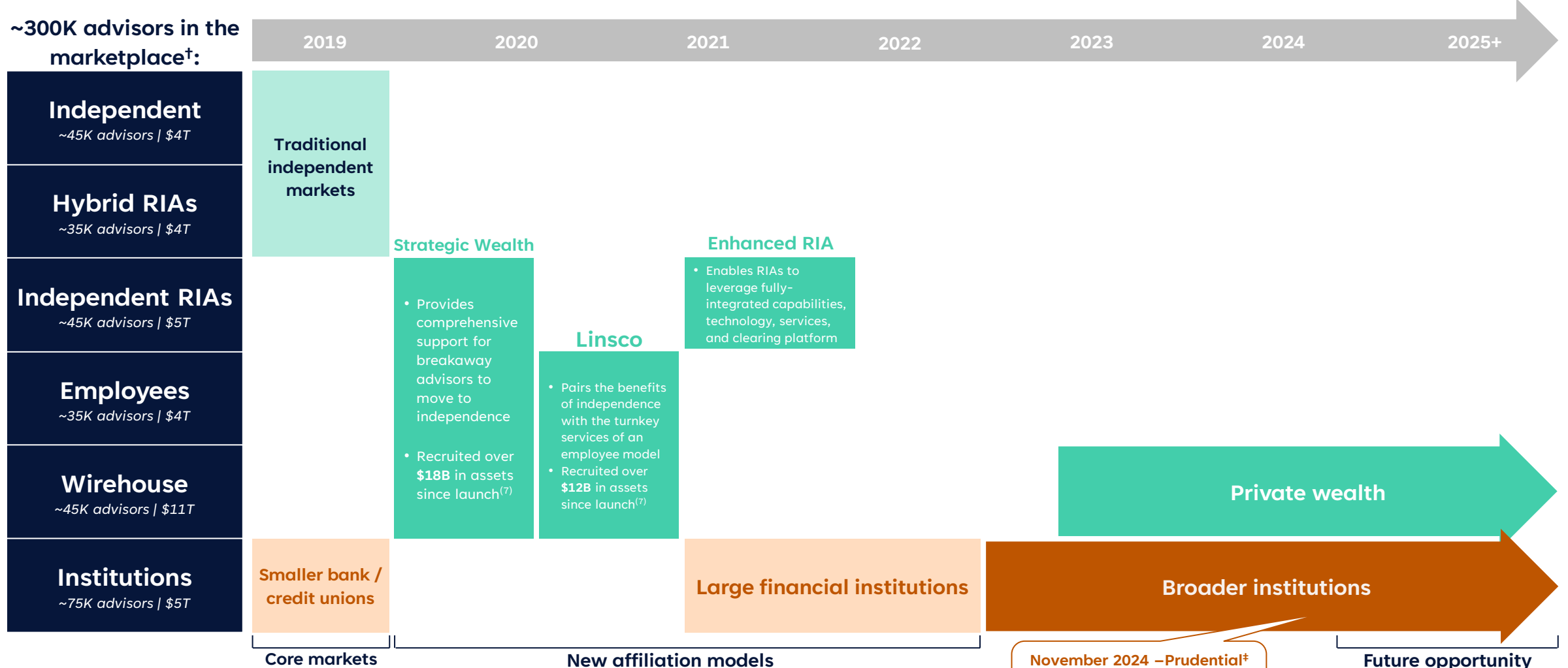
- Give great advice to differentiate & win
- Run high-performing businesses

Capabilities

Foundation:

Infrastructure that supports scalability, flexibility, and resiliency is core to our value proposition

Our horizontal expansion strategy enables us to meet all ~300,000[†] advisors where they are



November 2024 – Prudential[‡] advisors joined Institution platform

[†] 2024 Cerulli Broker-Dealer Marketplace
[‡] Prudential Financial, Inc. (“Prudential”)

We are a market leader in the independent advisor channels, with a growing opportunity in the employee channel

Growing advisor opportunity

- Initially, we served advisors in the independent market, where advisors own and operate their businesses
 - We expand our market leadership through continued enhancements to capabilities and competitive pricing
- By building on what we already do well, we've unlocked the ability to support a broader set of advisors: Strategic Wealth, Independent Employee and Enhanced RIA
 - To power these new models, we embedded a new layer of services that extends our vertical integration, while also enhancing the overall client experience
- This combination has expanded our opportunity to serve all segments of the advisor-mediated market

Value proposition

Flexible Models	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traditional Independent Model Strategic Wealth Independent Employee Enhanced RIA
Differentiated Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compelling ongoing economics Transition assistance Lower technology costs and fees
Complete Book Ownership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advisors have complete ownership of their practice
Value-added Capabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technology and operating platform Integrated products and solutions Compliance and risk management
Business Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Portfolio of services to help advisors run thriving businesses Solve the most compelling problems facing advisors

Organic NNA has driven the majority of advisor asset growth



We provide a compelling value proposition for institutions to outsource their wealth business

Growing institution opportunity

- Initially, we focused on depository financial institutions as our primary opportunity for outsourced wealth management
- As we onboarded several financial institutions in recent years, we've built a number of new capabilities and continue to innovate based on learnings from those onboardings
- In doing so, we've exposed new opportunities to serve **broader institutions, expanding our addressable market from \$1T to \$5T**
- Prudential Advisors is a recent example of our opportunity with broader institutions, expanding our presence into the insurance broker-dealer market
- To capitalize on this opportunity, there are additional capabilities we are building
- Our value proposition resonates for institutions outsourcing for the first time or looking to upgrade their existing provider

Value proposition

Accelerate Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced client experience Attract new advisors Improved capacity to invest in the business
Reduce Cost and Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational efficiency and technology: outsourced back- and middle-office support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can lead to ~10 point improvement in operating margin† Regulatory and risk reduction: transferred regulatory and compliance risk
Seamless Conversion Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimize business disruption through integration and operational support Dedicated onboarding team with experience transitioning several large institutions to our platform







Institution economics

Attractive Margins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to size and asset mix, Gross Profit* ROA for Large Institutions is typically ~15 bps+ The lower ROA is factored into our TA underwriting process Given our scale, there is also a lower cost to serve institutions Overall, new institution partnerships are in-line with our broader margins
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Organic NNA has driven the majority of institution asset growth



Recent institution joins

 ‡ Q2'22 ~\$27B of assets ~560 advisors	 Q3'22 ~\$4B of assets ~40 advisors	 Q3'23 ~\$4B of assets ~30 advisors	 Q3'23 ~\$7B of assets ~90 advisors	 Q4'24 ~\$60B of assets ~2,800 advisors	 Q1'25 ~\$16B of assets ~90 advisors
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† 2021 Kehler Biel Research & Consulting Report
 ‡ TruStage, formerly CUNA Mutual Group

We are extending our vertical integration by solving for the needs of advisors at every state of their practice

Life cycle of an advisor

Value-added partner across entire life cycle

Entry

Move to independence

Support advisors with the **transition to independence** by providing them leading capabilities and services
Provide the **flexibility** to enter independence through a **differentiated affiliation model**

Advisor Institute

Provide training and curriculum to **help new advisors enter the industry**

Growth and expansion

LPL Services

Offer portfolio of services to **drive growth**

- e.g., Paraplanning, Marketing Solutions, M&A Solutions, etc.

Practice optimization

Affiliation models

Meet advisors where they are in the evolution of their practice

- Strategic Wealth
- Independent Employee
- Enhanced RIA

LPL Services

Offer portfolio of services to **better support advisors**

- e.g., Admin Solutions, Bookkeeping, CFO Solutions, etc.

Sunsetting and transition

Liquidity & Succession

- Enable advisors to **transition their business** without disruption
- Offer a **market-competitive liquidity event**
- Facilitate a **successful transition for all stakeholders**: current and succeeding advisors, their clients and their office staff

Opportunity to re-generate life cycle

Original focus

Our operating platform delivers industry-leading flexibility and integrated workflows

Lead with choice and flexibility

- Promote optionality by integrating a broad array of third-party tools
- Design and deliver proprietary capabilities as needed

Guide advisors to best-fit solutions

- Leverage unique expertise to match advisors to the right capabilities
- Guide advisors and institutions to solutions optimized for cost

Streamline integrated workflows

- Make it easy for advisors to execute seamlessly across our ecosystem
- Provide access to practice management insights to drive advisor growth



ClientWorks for advisors

Establishing an **integrated ecosystem of core capabilities, journeys, and deep connectivity with a curated set of third-party providers** so that our advisors can achieve scale and optimize their business management processes

Digital client onboarding & servicing

- New account opening
- Money movement & account transfers
- Built-in CRM and third-party integration

Investment & model management

- Trading
- Model creation
- ClientWorks Rebalancer

Performance reporting

- Custom benchmarking
- Client-facing reports
- Personalized branding

Planning & proposal generation

- LPL Proposal Tool
- Client Goals (proprietary planning tool)
- Integration with third-parties

Practice insights

- Track asset flows
- AUM insights
- Advisor peer benchmarking

Compliance

- Manage state registrations
- Proactive advisory surveillance
- Correspondence review



AccountView for their end-clients

Delivering a **digital end-client experience** with the flexibility for advisors and institutions to personalize on behalf of their clients, complementing their personal relationships

Customization and branding

- Practice logo
- Office contacts
- Link to social media

Investment performance tracking

- Value over time
- Asset allocation
- Position performance

Self-service

- Self-enrollment
- ACH and check deposits
- Beneficiary management

Paperless documents

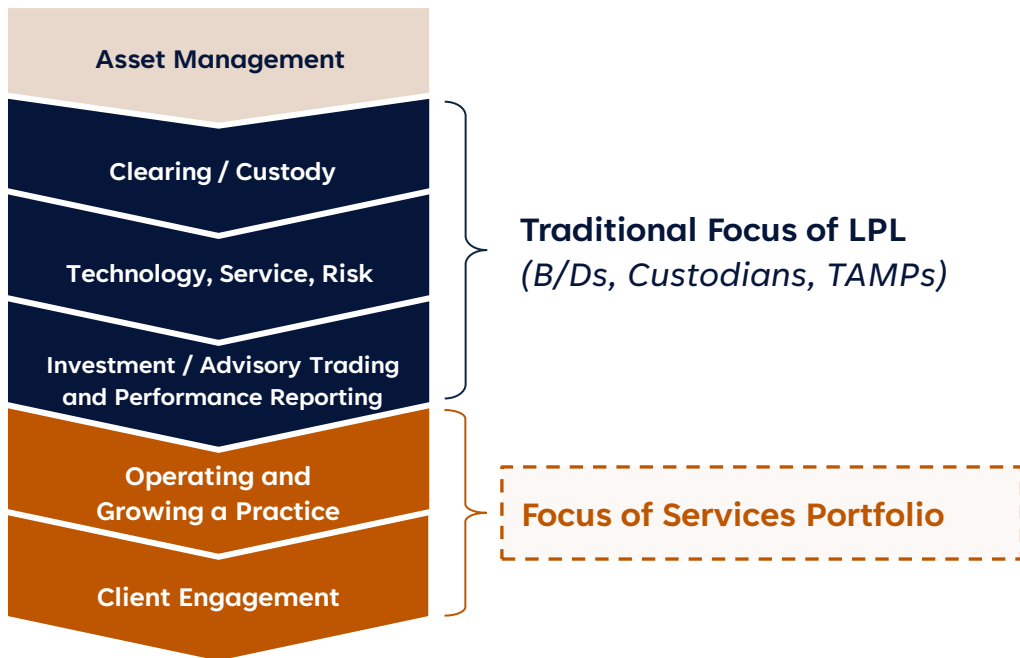
- Statements
- Trade confirmations
- Tax documents

Advisor collaboration

- Secure messaging
- Document sharing
- WealthVision integration

Our Services Group is an innovation engine and driver of organic growth...

Deepening our vertical integration



Helping advisors and institutions deliver on their value proposition



Driving Organic Growth

New Store Sales

- Enabling **\$43B** in Recruited AUM⁽⁷⁾ since launch
- Expanding our addressable markets by supporting new affiliation models
- Attracting new advisor and institution profiles

Same Store Sales

- ~2x faster growth among users of our Services Group vs. those that don't
- Supporting advisors and institutions to acquire more new end-clients
- Giving advisors and institutions the tools to deepen relationships with existing clients

Retention

- ~1.5x higher NPS scores among users of our Services Group vs. those that don't
- Increasing client asset retention
- More likely to recommend LPL

...and has grown to ~6,700 subscriptions, with broad adoption across our diverse services

Planning & Advice Services

- **Digital and employee-powered solutions** that help advisors and institutions expand the breadth and depth of their advice
- Helps advisors and institutions increase marketplace differentiation while limiting additional complexity and risk
- **Current Portfolio:** Paraplanning, Tax Planning, and High Net Worth Services
- **In Development:** Outsourced Chief Investment Officer

Business Services

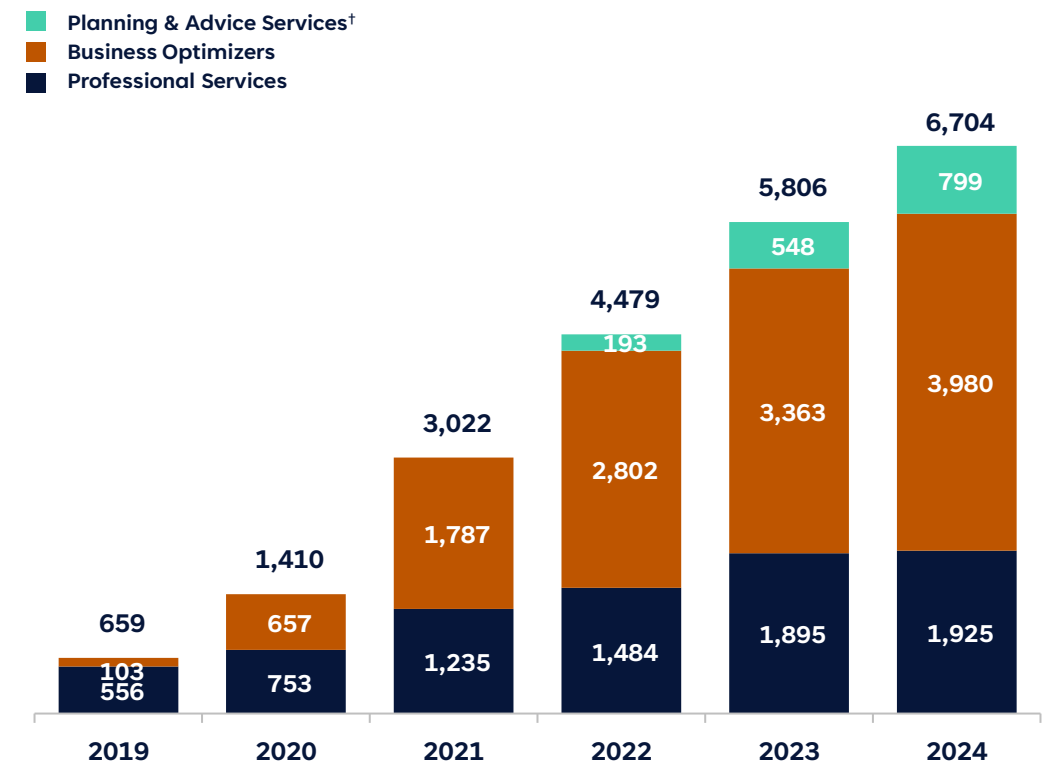
Business Optimizers

- **Digital and employee-powered solutions** that provide risk mitigation and business continuity services to support business operations and succession planning
- Lower revenue and lower cost since they **deliver digital capabilities**
- **Current Portfolio:** M&A Solutions, Digital Office, Resilience Plan and Assurance Plan

Professional Services

- **Digital and employee-powered solutions** that provide expertise to increase business-level growth and operational efficiency
- Higher revenue and higher cost due to **full support from an LPL team**
- **Current Portfolio:** CFO Solutions, Marketing Solutions, Admin Solutions, Advisor Institute, Bookkeeping, Partial Book Sales and CFO Essentials
- **Recently Launched:** Digital Marketing, Payroll Services, HR Solutions
- **In Development:** Brand Solutions

Services Group Subscriptions (end of period)



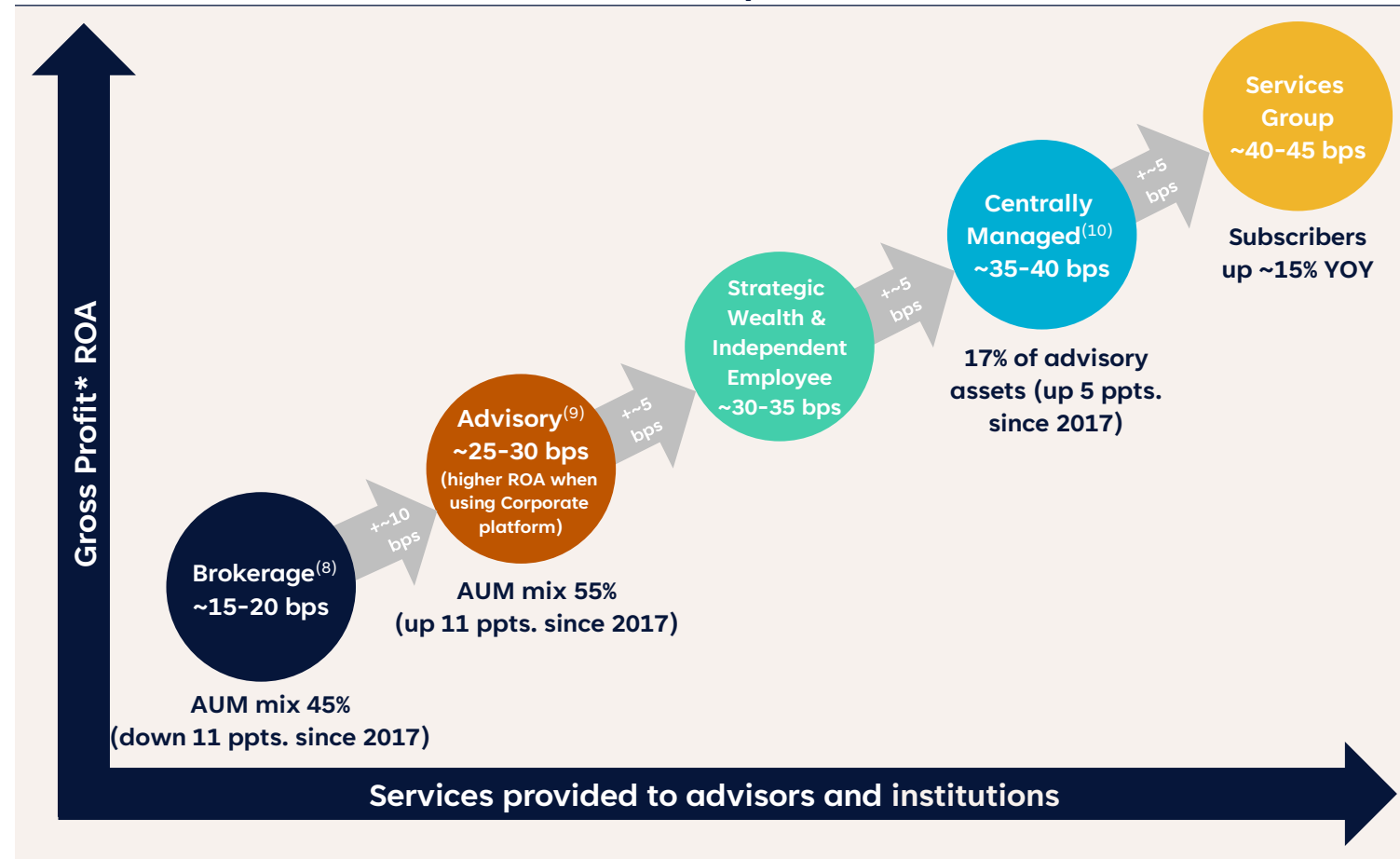
Services Group Advisor Count (end of period)

2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
485	1,167	2,266	3,039	3,850	4,521

† Subscriptions are the number of advisors using the service

We provide a range of services to advisors and institutions, strengthening their business while enhancing our returns

We have seen a favorable mix shift in our platforms



Key points

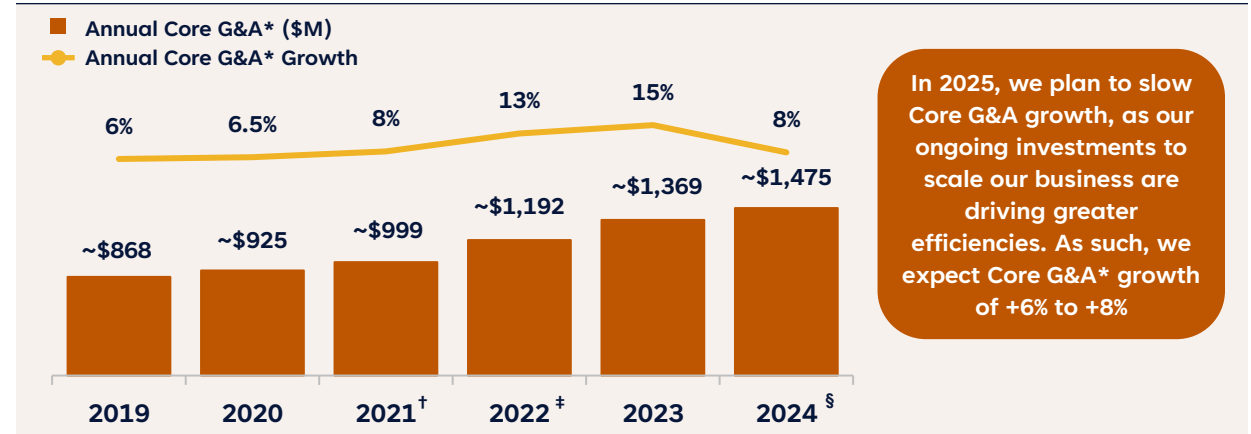
- **Brokerage:** Asset growth is driven by institutions, where asset mix is primarily brokerage
- **Advisory:** Assets are shifting from brokerage to advisory, as end-clients seek greater levels of support from advisors
 - Prior to institutions, we are shifting towards advisory at ~2%+ per year
 - Nearly 80% of new client flows are in advisory
- **New Models:** Strategic Wealth & Independent Employee models increase support for advisors and expand our addressable market
- **Centrally Managed:** Platforms can create additional value within advisory
 - Outsourcing portfolio design and management can free up advisors' time to serve clients and grow their business
- **Services Group:** Support advisors and institutions through an expanded set of offerings and a subscription model

We are advancing our capabilities to enhance our value proposition and drive growth

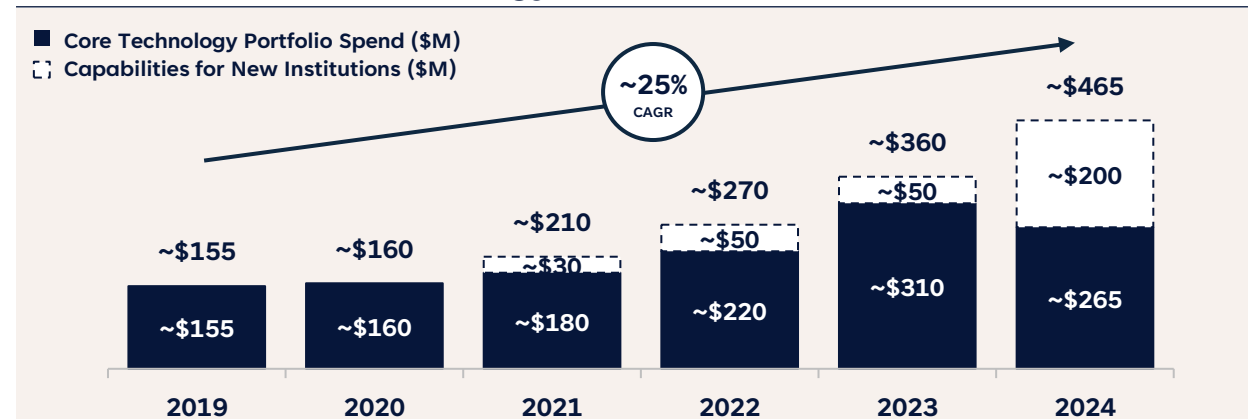
Investment areas of focus



We are making investments to drive organic growth...



...with a focus on Technology⁽¹¹⁾



[†] Prior to Waddell & Reed

[‡] 2022 Core G&A* growth is based on the Company's total 2021 Core G&A*

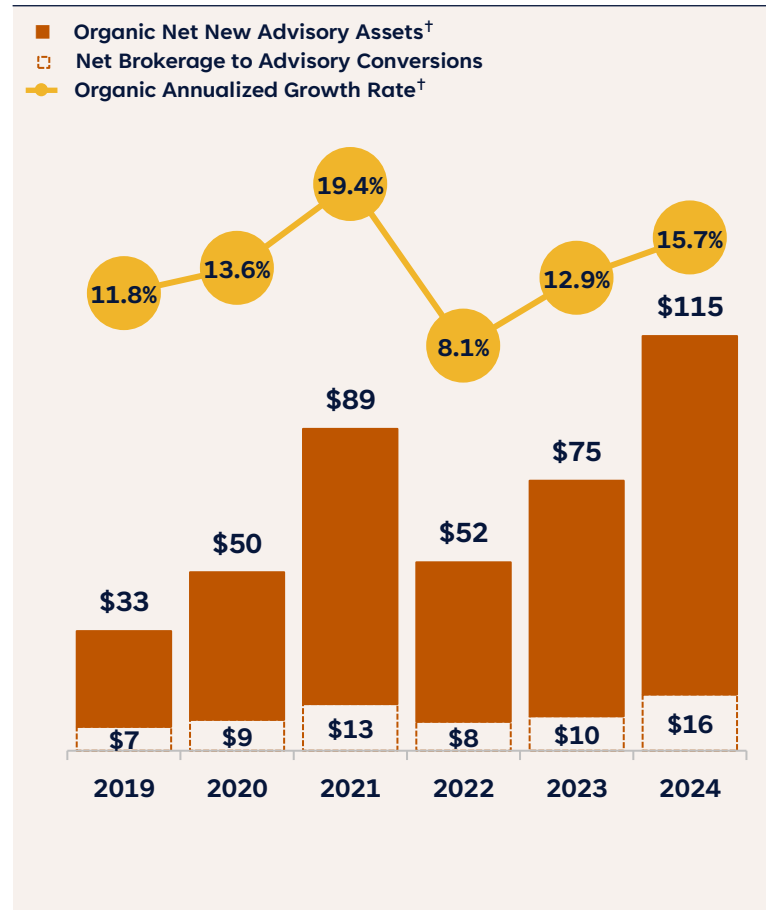
[§] Prior to Prudential and Atria

We continued to drive solid organic growth with a net new asset growth rate of ~10% over the past year

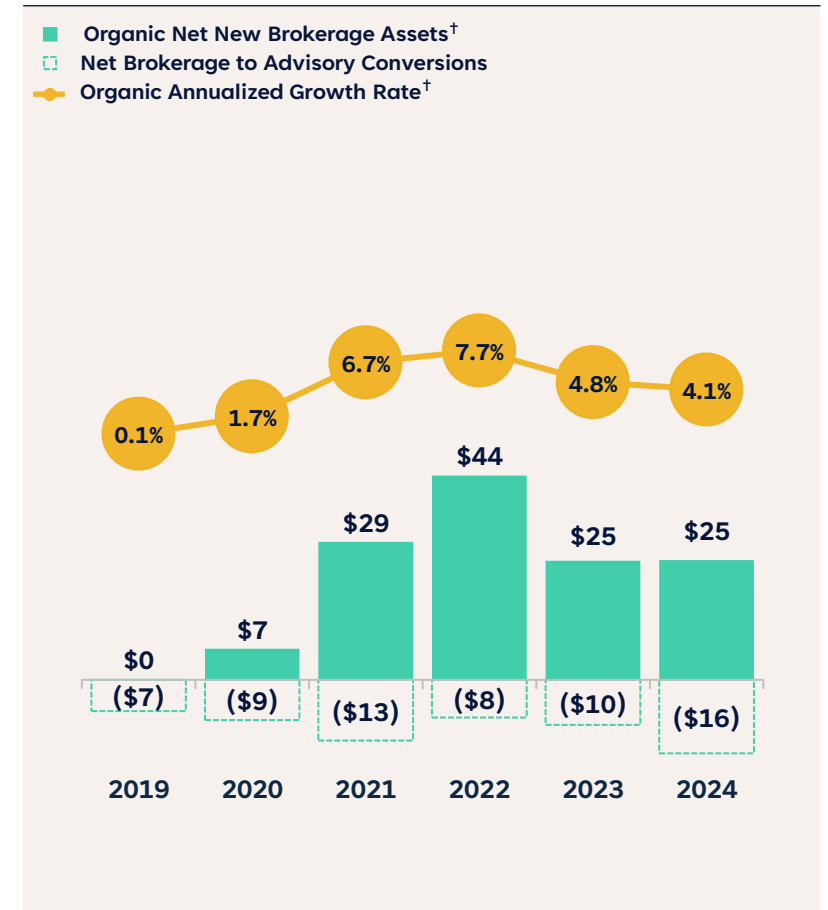
Total Organic Net New Assets⁽¹²⁾⁽¹³⁾ (\$B)



Organic Net New Advisory Assets⁽¹⁴⁾ (\$B)



Organic Net New Brokerage Assets⁽¹⁴⁾ (\$B)



† Prior to Q4 2021, net new assets and net new assets growth rates exclude the assets of Waddell & Reed

We benefit from rising market levels and interest rates, and our business model has natural hedges to market volatility

Macro benefits

Market Levels (S&P 500)

Rising market levels drive growth in assets and related revenues including advisory fees, trailing commissions and sponsor revenues

Interest Rates

Rising interest rates benefit our client cash yields

Annual Gross Profit* Impact

~\$15M⁽¹⁵⁾

Per 1% change in market levels

~\$45M⁽¹⁶⁾

Per 25 bps change in short-term rates

Natural offsets to market declines

Cash Sweep Balance

Increased risk and volatility in the market drives higher cash sweep balances

Transaction Volume

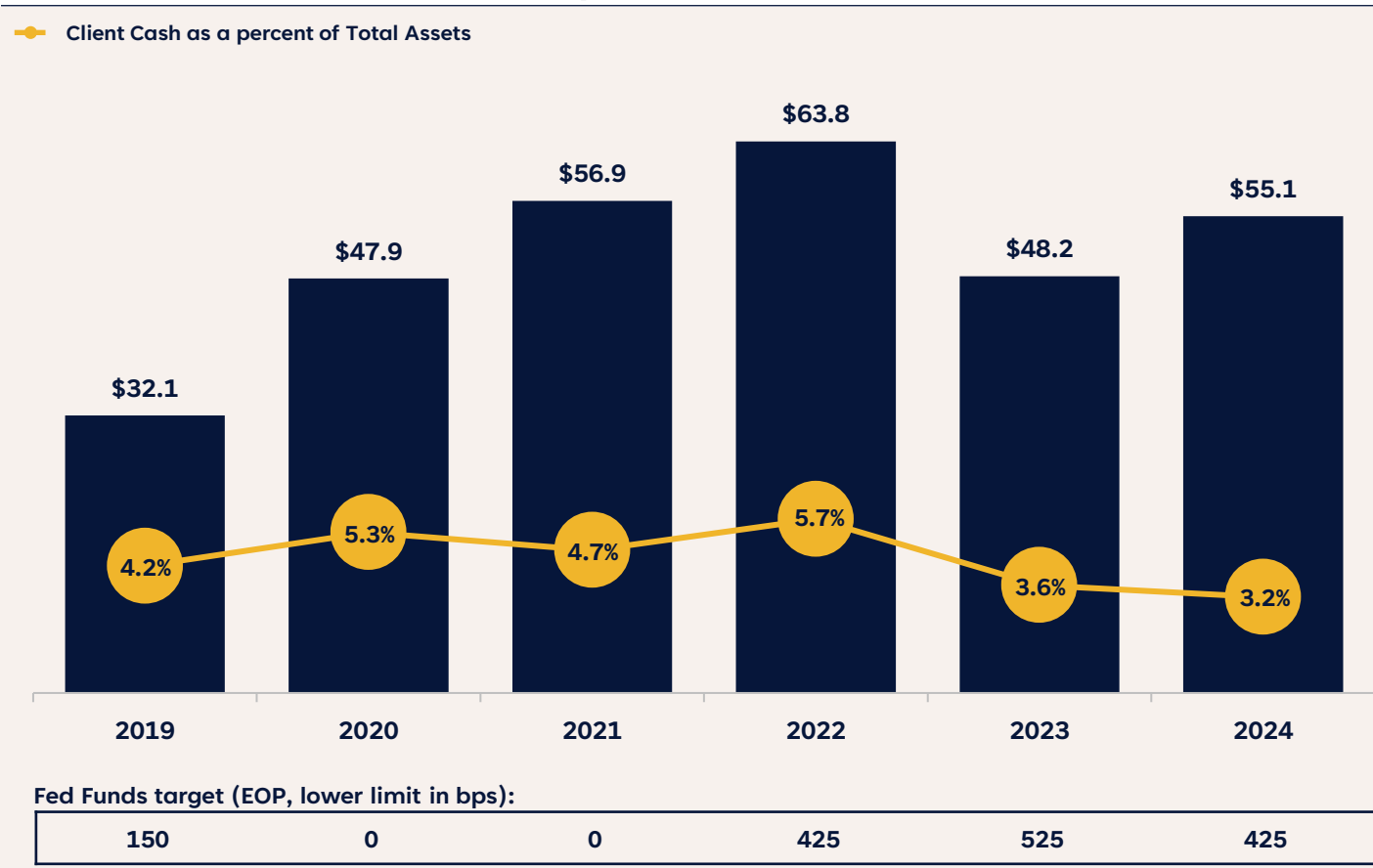
Increased risk and volatility in the market drives additional portfolio rebalancing activity and higher transaction volumes

As equity markets declined in 1H 2022, cash balances increased by ~\$13B, which translates to a ~\$550M benefit annually⁽¹⁷⁾

Transaction revenue increased ~\$7M sequentially in Q1 2022

Our client cash balances are largely operational and as a percent of client assets, have been stable across rate cycles

Client Cash Balances⁽¹⁸⁾ (end of period, \$B)



Note: Totals may not foot due to rounding

† Since the start of the previous interest rate cycle in Q4'16

We generate economics on client cash through a third-party bank network

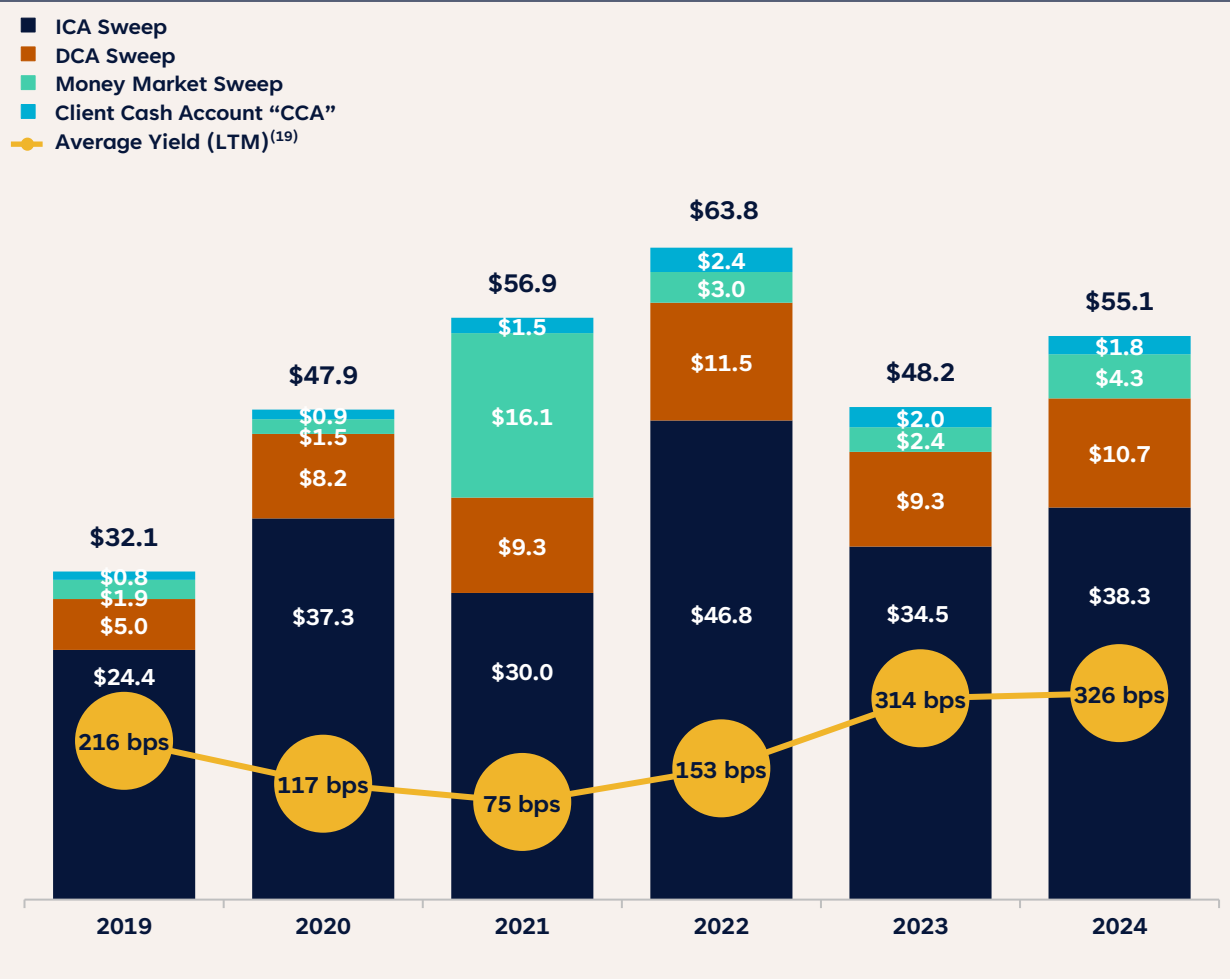
- By establishing sweep relationships across our Insured Cash Account “ICA” and “DCA” programs, we can leverage the balance sheets of our third-party bank partners
- We do this through a combination of fixed and floating rate deposit agreements

Client cash as a % of assets has averaged ~5%†

- Our client cash balances are largely operational
 - Typically small balances used for rebalancing, paying advisory fees and customer withdrawals
 - This is reflected in the low client cash balances, which average ~5% or ~\$7K per account
- We believe the primary factor that moves that % of client cash up or down is market sentiment rather than rate seeking behavior
 - When clients are fully deployed in the markets, the ratio has gone as low as ~3%
- In Q4 2024, cash was 3.2% of client assets
 - Cash balances increased in the quarter, driven by organic growth as well as the acquisition of Atria

We generate compelling economics on client cash balances

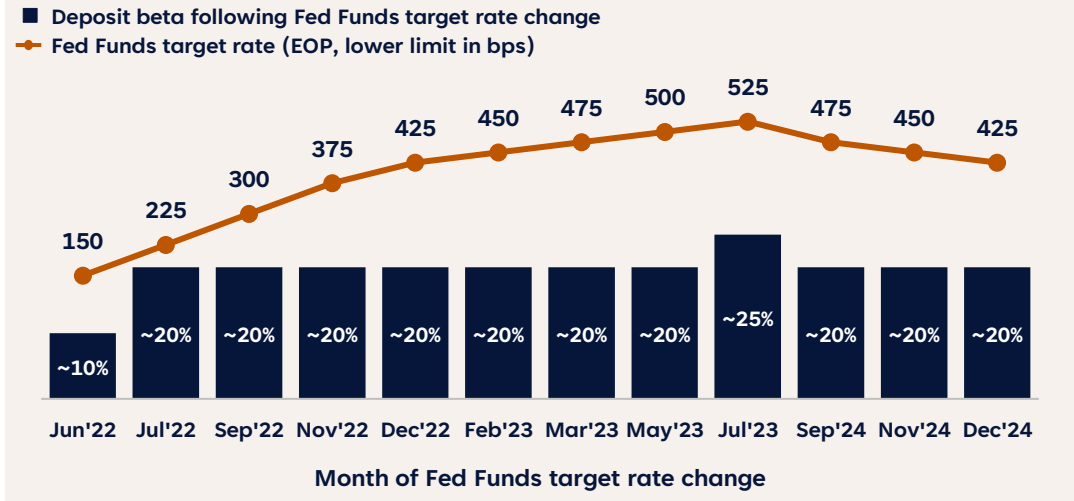
Client Cash Balances⁽¹⁸⁾ (end of period, \$B)



Interest Rate Impact

- Since Q1 2022, as the Fed increased interest rates, our deposit beta averaged ~15%
 - Deposit betas averaged ~2.5% over the first 4 hikes, and ~20% on subsequent hikes, including a peak of ~25% on the final hike
- Since the Fed started to cut interest rates in Q3 2024, deposit betas averaged ~20%
- Applying historical deposit betas to our current cash balances would yield:
 - ~\$45M of Annual Gross Profit* per subsequent 25 bps rate adjustment, at a ~20% deposit beta

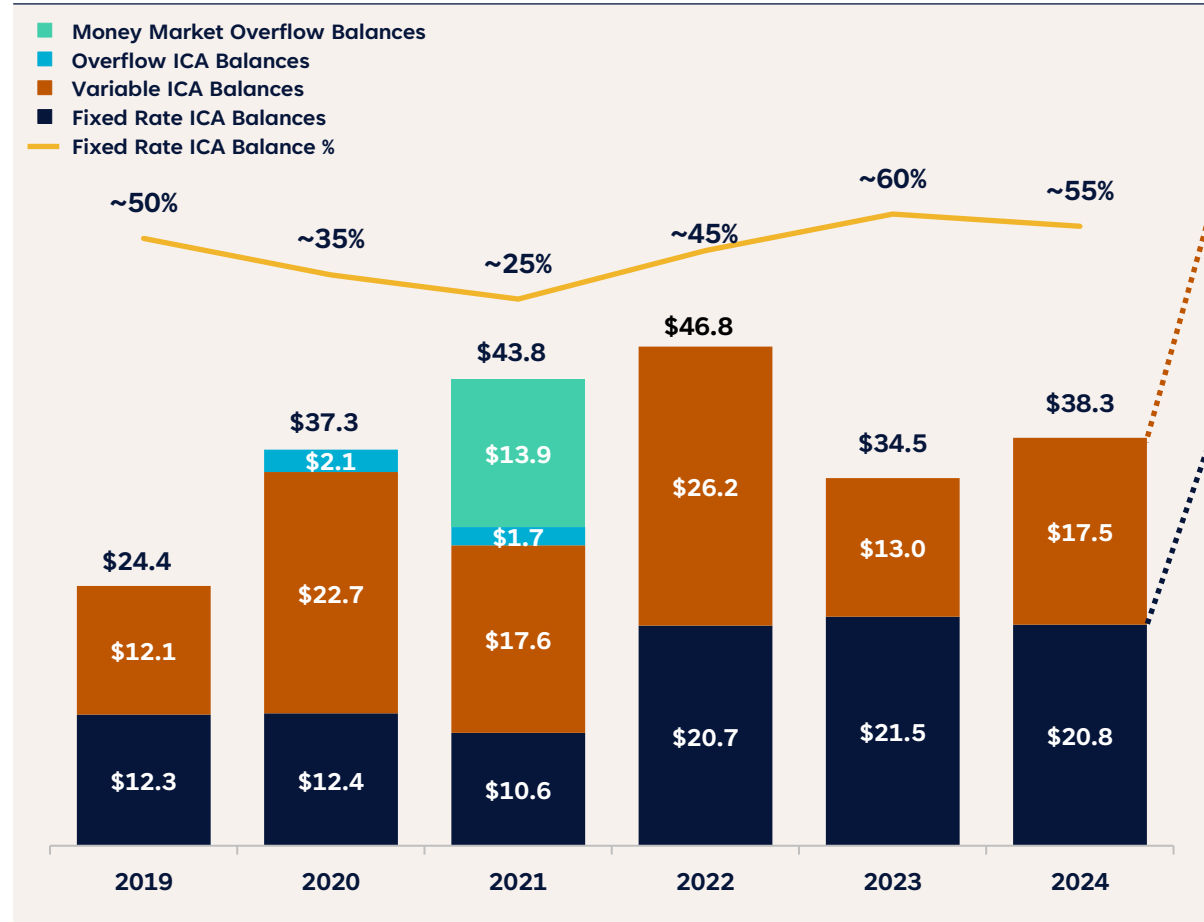
Deposit betas on recent Fed Funds rate changes



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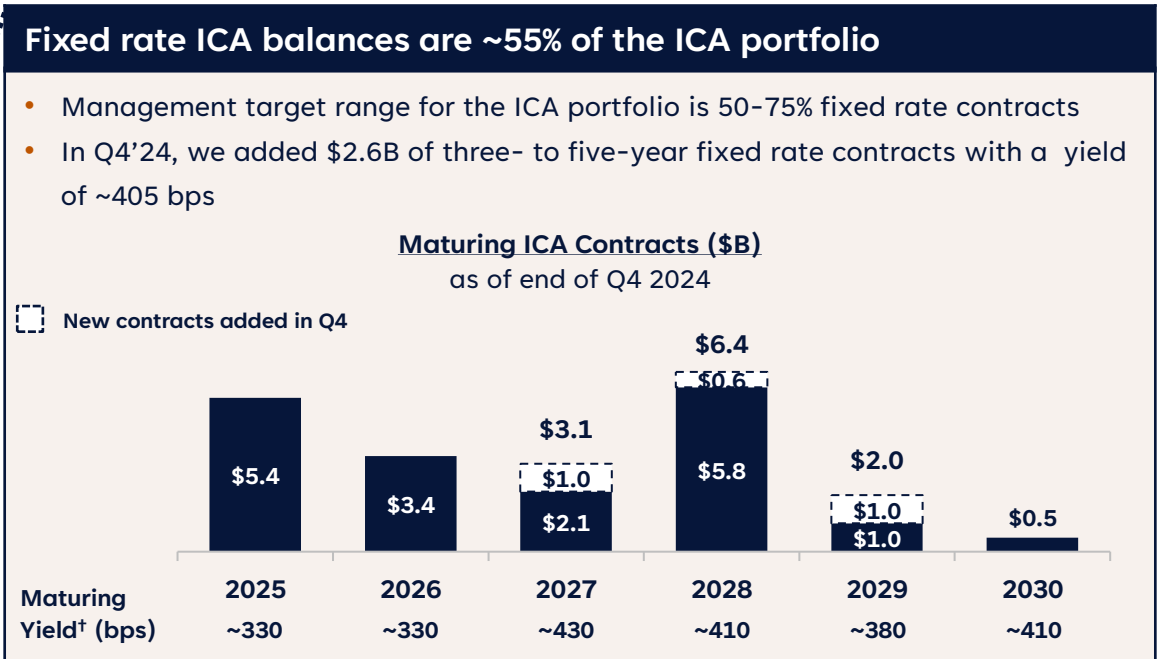
Fixed rate balances make up ~55% of the ICA portfolio, reducing our sensitivity to movement in short-term interest rates

ICA Balances, including Overflow (end of period, \$B)



Variable balances are primarily indexed to Fed Funds

- Our variable ICA balances increased in Q4'24, driven by organic growth
- Most variable balances are indexed to Fed Funds + a spread (~10 to ~15 bps)
- Currently, new variable contracts are averaging Fed Funds plus 10 to 20 bps



† Weighted average yield across ladder is ~370 bps

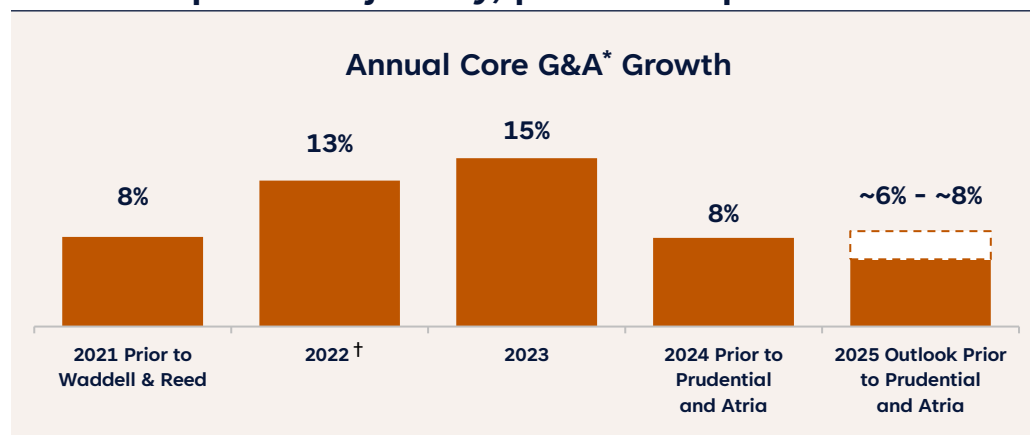
Note: Yields shown on this page are prior to client deposit rates (~71 bps) and administrator fees (~4 bps). Money market sweep balances are not subject to these costs. Given improved bank deposit demand and the launch of CCA, we no longer have any money market overflow balances

We remain focused on investing to drive organic growth while delivering long-term operating leverage in our core business

Long-term cost strategy

- Deliver operating leverage in core business
- Prioritize investments that drive additional growth
- Drive productivity and efficiency
- Adapt cost trajectory as environment evolves

Recent expense trajectory, prior to acquisitions

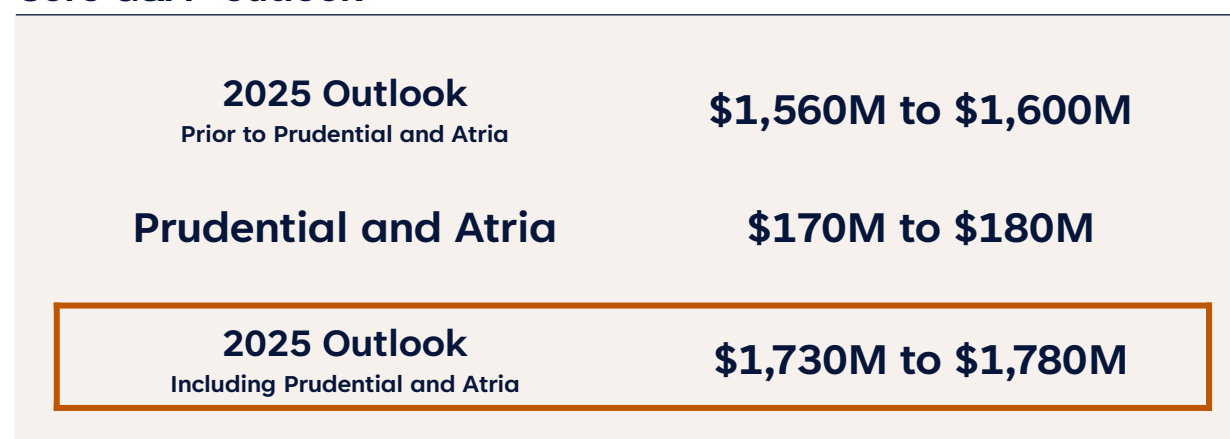


[†] 2022 Core G&A* growth is based on the Company's total 2021 Core G&A*

2024 Core G&A* Context

- Our 2024 Core G&A* was \$1,475M prior to Prudential and Atria, translating to ~8% year-over-year growth
- As we look ahead to 2025, we plan to slow Core G&A growth, as our ongoing investments to scale our business are driving greater efficiencies
- Our 2025 Core G&A* outlook range prior to Prudential and Atria is 6% to 8% year-over-year growth, or \$1,560M to \$1,600M
 - In addition, we expect the full-year impact of Prudential and Atria to add \$170M to \$180M of Core G&A* in 2025
- Including expenses related to Prudential and Atria, our 2025 Core G&A* outlook range is \$1,730M to \$1,780M

Core G&A* outlook

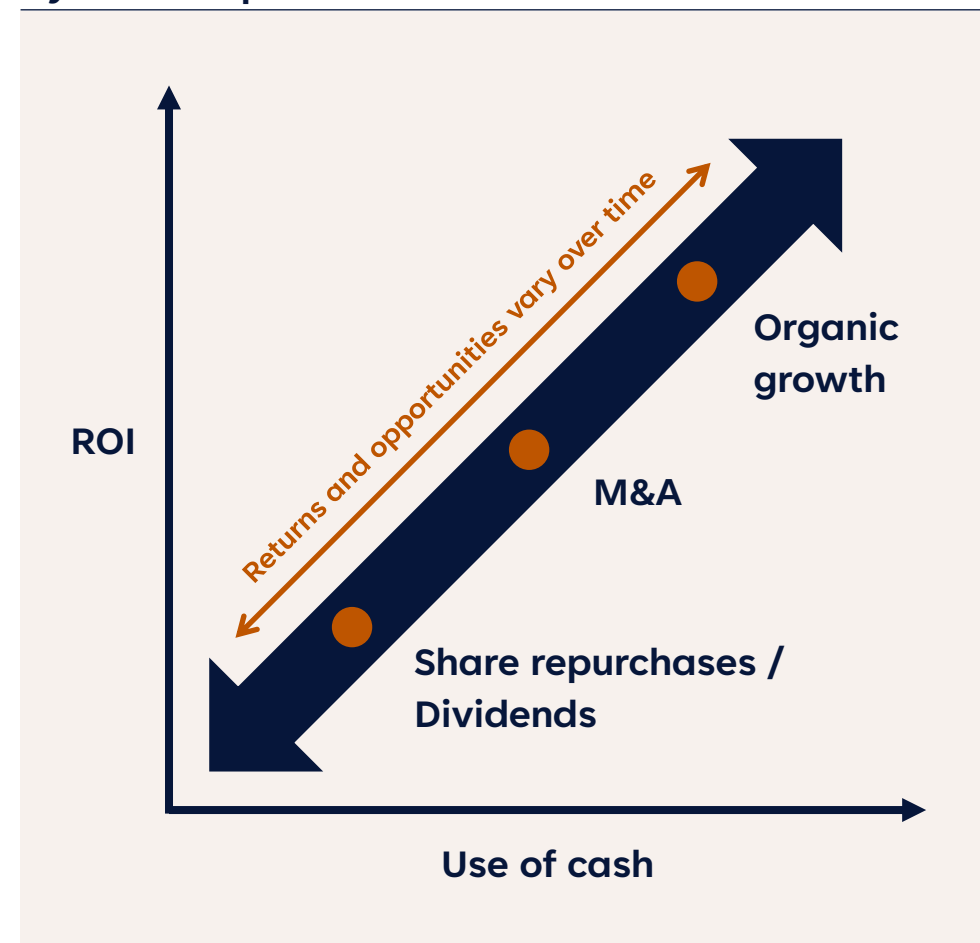


Our capital management strategy is focused on driving growth and maximizing shareholder value

Our capital management principles

- **Disciplined capital management to drive long-term shareholder value**
- **Maintain a strong and flexible balance sheet**
 - Flexible debt structure to support capital allocation
- **Prioritize investments to support and drive organic growth**
 - Recruiting to drive net new assets
 - Capital to support advisor and institution growth and advisor M&A
 - Investments in capabilities to attract new assets, advisors and institutions
- **Capitalize on opportunistic M&A**
 - Remain prepared for attractive opportunities
 - Facilitate advisor monetization and transitions through Liquidity & Succession solutions
- **Return excess capital to shareholders**
 - Share repurchases
 - Dividends

Dynamic capital allocation framework

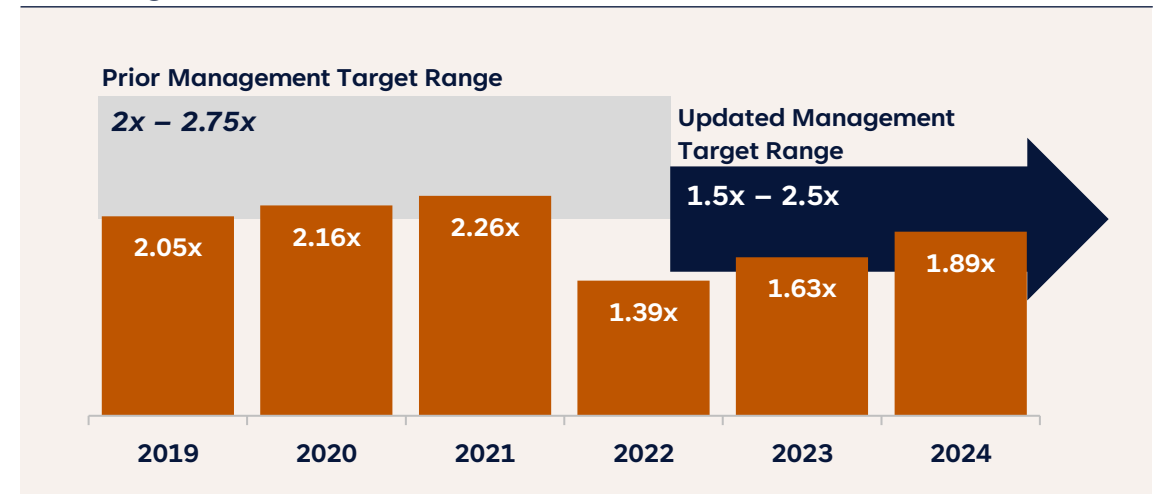


Maintaining a strong balance sheet is critical to our strategy and a key consideration for advisors and institutions

Balance Sheet Principles

- Maintain a strong balance sheet that can absorb market volatility while having the capacity to invest for growth
- **A long-term target leverage ratio⁽⁴⁾ range of 1.5x to 2.5x** positions our balance sheet well over a range of economic cycles and strikes the right balance between preserving balance sheet strength and investing for growth
 - In order to do so, we plan to periodically incur debt when necessary, utilizing our parent revolver for near-term needs, replacing with long-term debt as conditions warrant
- We are willing to operate temporarily above or below our target range if conditions warrant
- At the top end of our target leverage range, we have the capacity to deploy up to ~\$2.8B⁽²⁰⁾ of additional capital
- We maintain a management target of \$200 million in Corporate Cash⁽²¹⁾⁽²²⁾

Leverage Ratio⁽⁴⁾



Credit Ratings[†]

- Maintaining a strong balance sheet is critical to our strategy and a key consideration for advisors
- We are committed to maintaining our investment grade rating and continuing to improve our positioning

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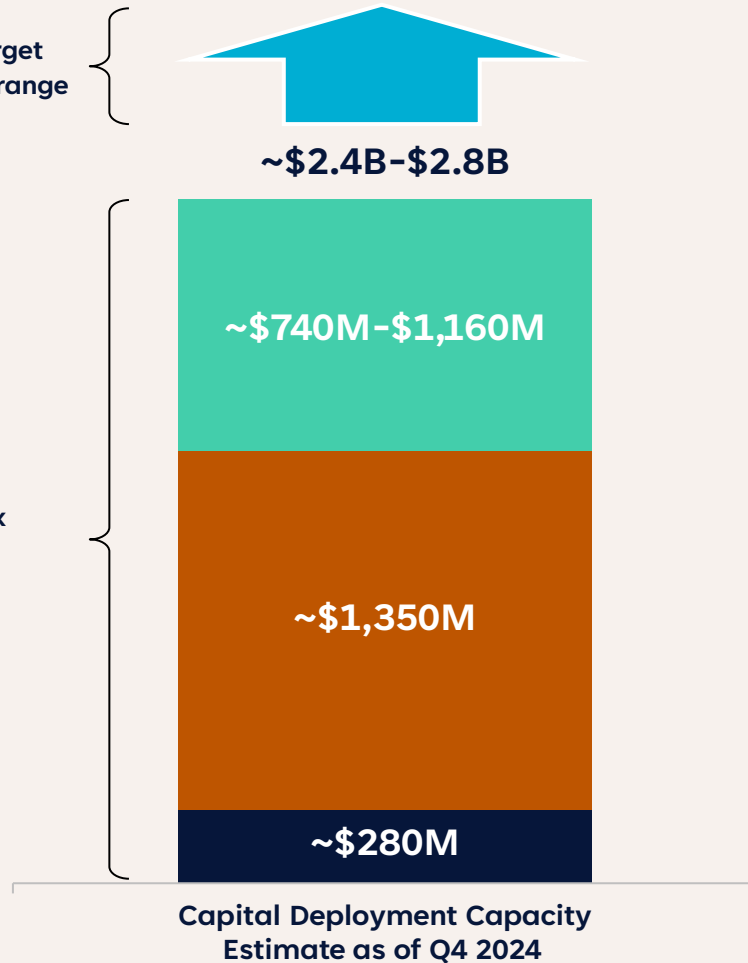
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We have significant capital deployment capacity...

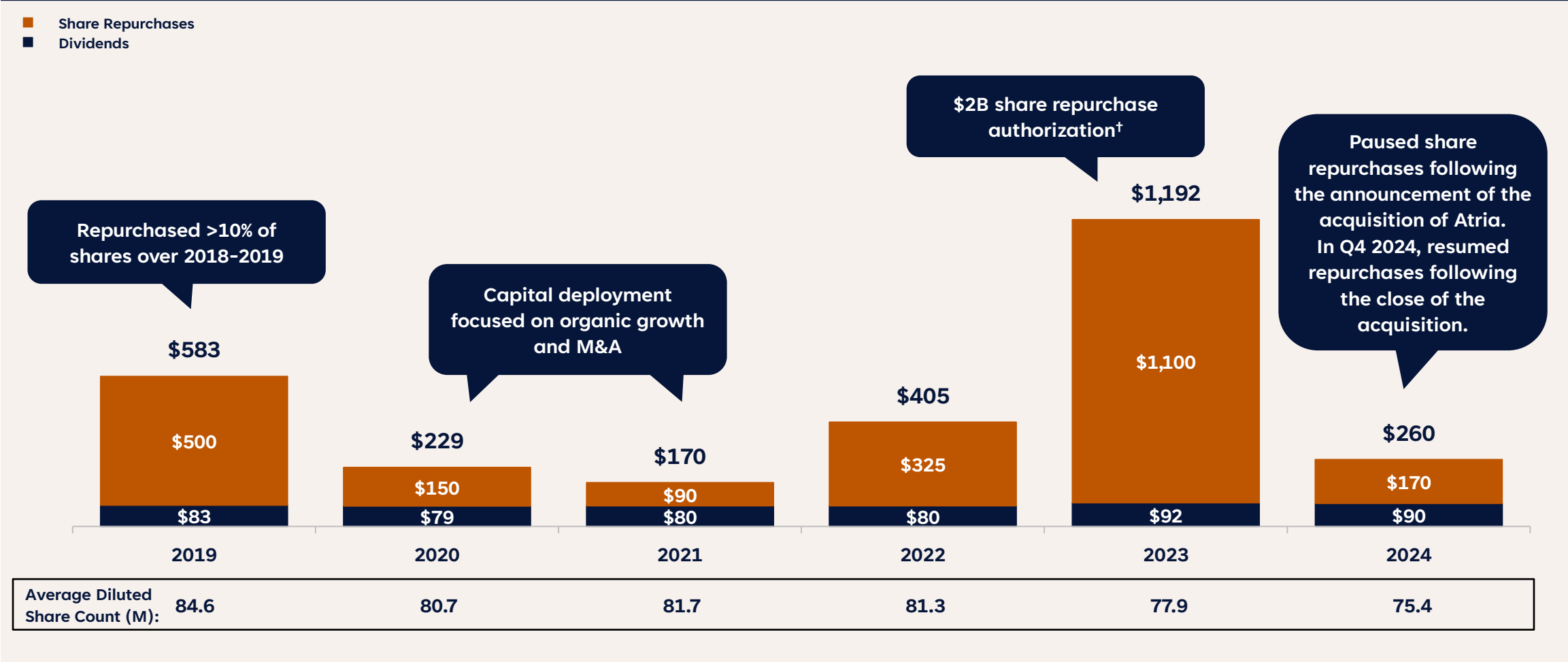
Capital Deployment Capacity



- 4 Potential M&A capacity above our target range**
Willing to temporarily go above our target leverage range for attractive M&A opportunities
- 3 Incremental M&A leverage capacity within our target range**
Incremental capital accessible if all other capacity were deployed for M&A at a 6x-8x purchase multiple⁽²³⁾
- 2 Additional leverage capacity**
Capital available to deploy up to 2.5x leverage
- 1 Discretionary cash**
Corporate cash available to use above ~\$200M management target as of Q4 2024

...And we have continued to return capital to shareholders

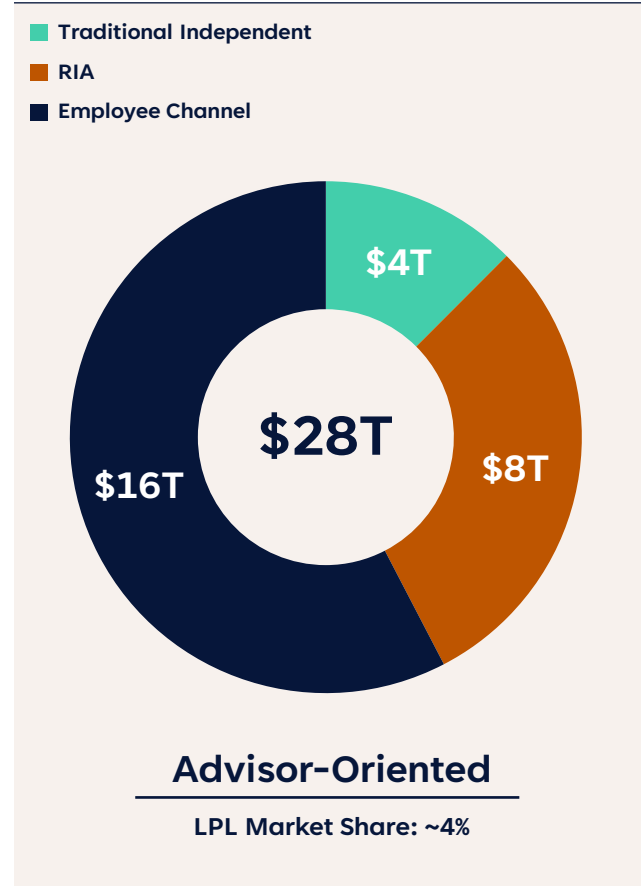
Share Repurchases and Dividends (\$M)



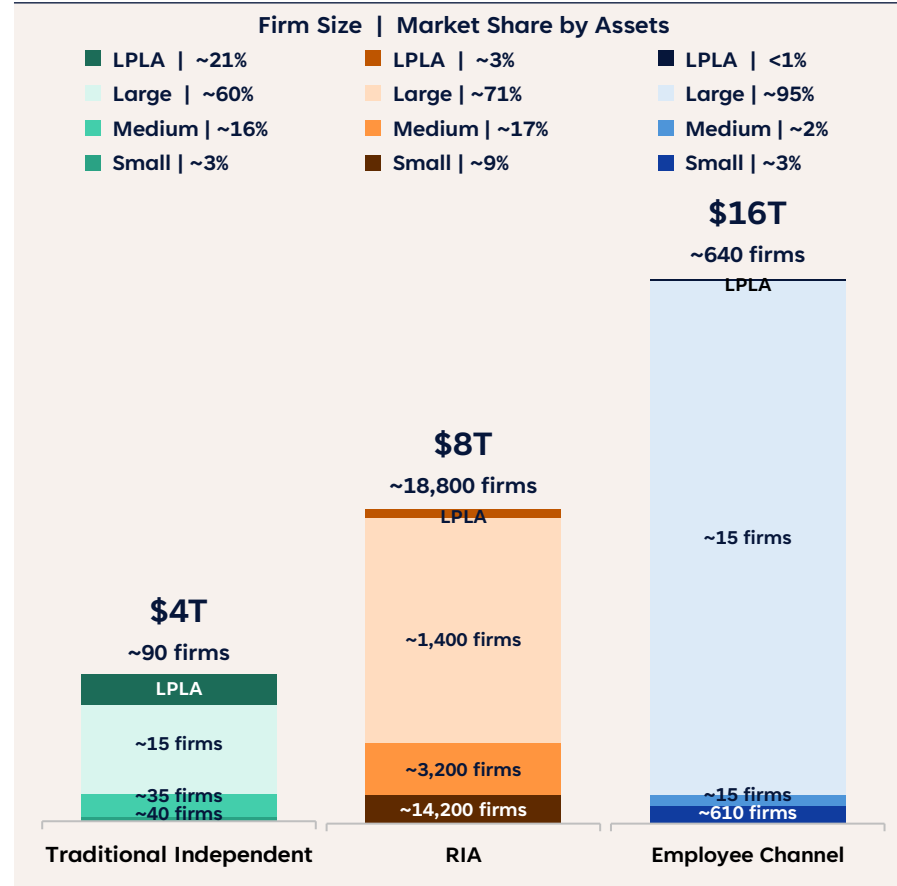
† Increased share repurchase authorization by \$2.0B as of 09/21/2022, which we started to utilize in 2023

We see potential for consolidation given fragmented markets

Addressable markets for advisor channel†



Highly fragmented markets create opportunity for additional consolidation†



Growth potential from consolidation

- Our scale, capabilities and economics give us **competitive advantages in M&A** in independent markets and employee channels
- The **independent markets are fragmented** with consolidation opportunities
- Rising cost and complexity is making it **harder for smaller players** to compete
- **We believe consolidation can drive value** by adding scale, increasing our capacity to invest in capabilities, and creating shareholder value

Note: Totals may not foot due to rounding.

† Estimated market sizing based on 2024 Cerulli reports. See endnote (6) for additional detail

‡ Traditional Independent and Employee Channel sizing: Small (<\$10B); Medium (\$10B - <\$50B); Large (>\$50B)

§ RIA sizing: Small (<\$250M); Medium (\$250M - <\$1B); Large (>\$1B)

Recent acquisitions[†] have added scale in our traditional markets, accelerated our expansion into new markets, and added new capabilities

Traditional Markets

New Markets

Capabilities



2024[‡]

~\$9B of assets
~240 advisors

Leading independent broker-dealer



2024[§]

~\$110B of assets
~2,200 advisors

Leading provider of wealth management solutions for advisors and institutions



2024

~\$5B of assets
~125 advisors

Leading California practice



2023

~\$40B of assets
~800 advisors

Leading provider of managed programs for financial institutions



2023

~\$4B of assets
~30 advisors

Leading Pennsylvania practice, affiliated under employee model

BlazePortfolio[®]

2020

~\$12M purchase price

Advanced trading and rebalancing capabilities



2021

~\$74B of assets
~900 advisors

Large independent broker-dealer network



2020

~\$1.5B of assets
~20 advisors

Leading San Diego practice



2020

~\$2B of assets
~30 advisors

Leading Seattle practice



2017

~\$70B of assets
~1,900 advisors

Large independent broker-dealer network



2019

~\$3B of assets
~30 advisors

Leading Florida practice, affiliated under employee model



2018

~\$28M purchase price

Proposal generation tools

[†] Includes both closed and pending acquisitions

[‡] Expected to close in the first half of 2025

[§] Assuming 100% retention

We're delivering liquidity and succession capabilities for advisors seeking to transition

Background: Solving a need in the marketplace

- ~1/3 of advisors are expected to retire or leave the industry over the next decade – representing **\$9.5T** of AUM†
- Historically, advisors' options were limited:
 - Sell to a larger aggregator that may pay an enhanced price, but take control from the advisor
 - Transact with a local advisor, but often at a below-market price

Our response: Liquidity & Succession solutions

LPL can buy practices from advisors seeking a pathway to retirement, looking to free themselves from entrepreneurial burdens, and / or looking for monetization

- ✓ **Economics** – Allows advisor to monetize their business through a market-competitive transaction
- ✓ **Support** – Empowers advisors through a fully dedicated support model, allowing advisors to rededicate their time and energy to client service
- ✓ **Transition** – Transitions ownership of the business to successor advisors over time

Direct acquisition lifecycle example

Advisor looking to sunset over 2-5 years

- Practice in slower-growth mode; risk of sale away from LPL

LPL buys advisor's practice

- Advisor onboarded to employee channel

LPL oversees the practice

- LPL supports advisor with industry-leading capabilities and a transition glidepath to succeeding advisor
- Practice positioned for improved growth within LPL

LPL supports the transition to a succeeding advisor

- LPL trains and fosters the succeeding advisor – positioning them to run a great practice, leveraging the best of LPL
- Succeeding advisor(s) assume(s) oversight of practice, with ~10-year path to full control of asset

Succeeding advisor takes over practice

- LPL support of practice extended for ~20 years

Cycle continues

Building foothold in marketplace with strong initial returns

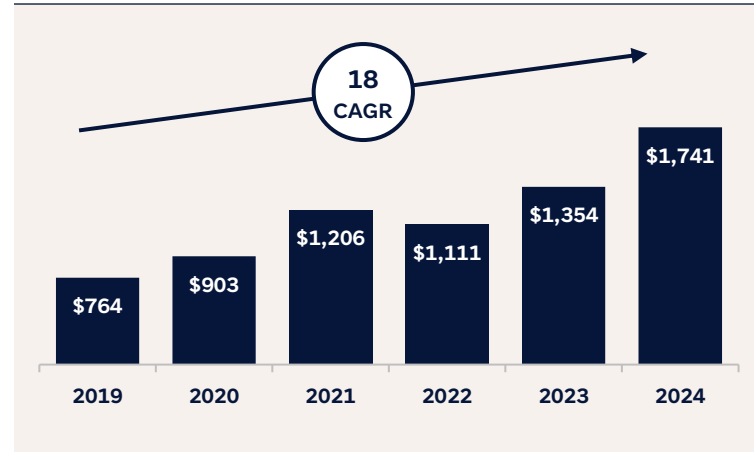
- Enhancing strategic value – by training successor advisors, **deepening the connection with LPL** – and reorienting the practice towards growth
- To date, we have deployed **~\$590 million** of capital to close **47 deals**
 - We have a pipeline of five additional deals expected to close in the first quarter of 2025, including one external practice
 - When ramped, we expect the capacity to execute ~30-40 deals per year
- Good use of capital – purchase multiples consistent with our M&A framework **~6x-8x EBITDA***
- Based on closed transactions and our pipeline, **average deal size of ~\$10-20M**

As we continue to invest and increase our scale, we enhance our ability to drive further growth

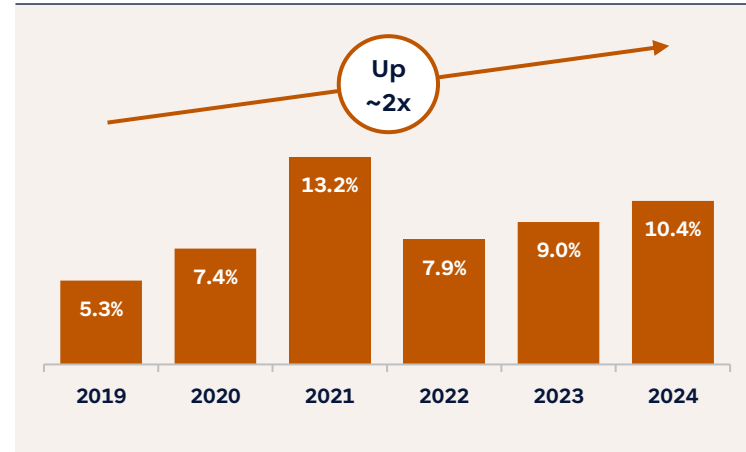


We are focused on executing our strategy and delivering results

Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets⁽²⁴⁾ (\$B)



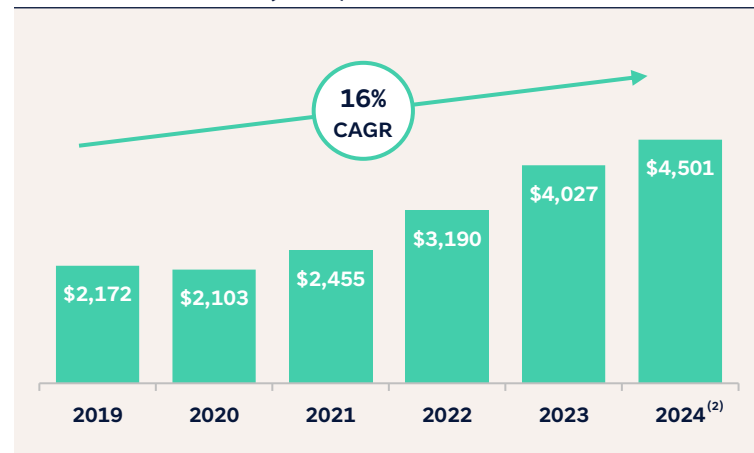
Total Organic Net New Asset Growth



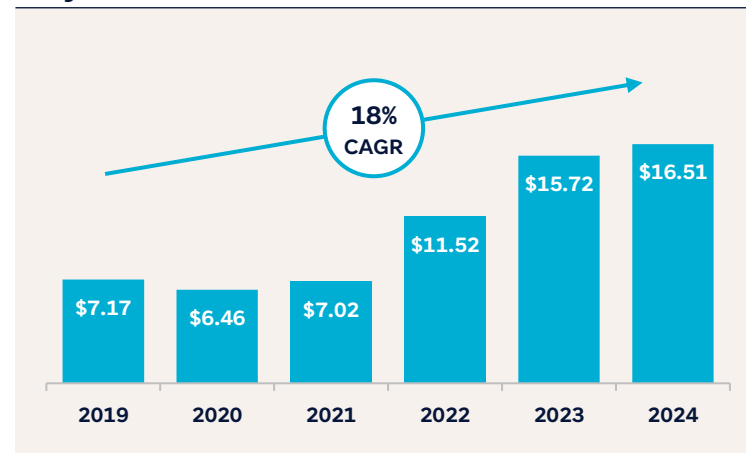
Key Earnings Growth Drivers

- Enhanced Value Proposition**
(Capabilities, Technology, Service)
- Increased Organic NNA**
(Opportunities in Traditional Markets)
- New Affiliation Models**
(Institutions, Strategic Wealth Services, Independent Employee, Enhanced RIA)
- Greater Use of our Services**
(Advisory, Corporate, Centrally Managed, Business, Planning & Advice Services, Advisor Capital Solutions)
- Drive Operating Leverage in Core Business while Investing for Additional Growth**
- Increased Scale and Capabilities through M&A**
- Excess Capital Deployment**
(Technology, Advisor Capital, Returning Capital to Shareholders)

Gross Profit* (\$M)



Adjusted EPS*



Appendix

Update on our Acquisition of Atria Wealth Solutions

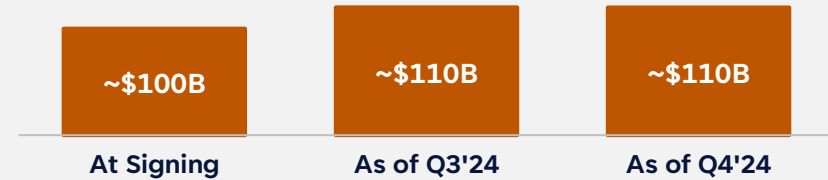
Transaction Details and Timing

- On February 12, 2024, we signed an agreement to acquire 100% of the equity of Atria Wealth Solutions as an equity purchase with an upfront price of **~\$805M**. Potential earn-outs of **~\$0M to ~\$230M** are based on retention ranging from 80% to 100%.
- On October 1, 2024 we closed the acquisition of Atria, with the advisors expected to onboard in **mid-2025**. Based on recruiting to-date, we are on track to meet our retention target of ~80% of client assets.

Assets and Advisors†

- **~2,200** advisors, serving **~\$110B** in client assets
- **~25%** advisory and **~75%** brokerage
- **~\$70B** advisor channel and **~\$40B** institution channel
- Client cash sweep balances of **~\$2.3B**

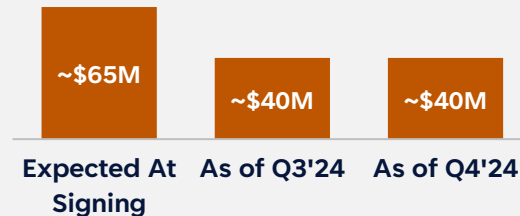
Atria client assets remained flat from Q3†



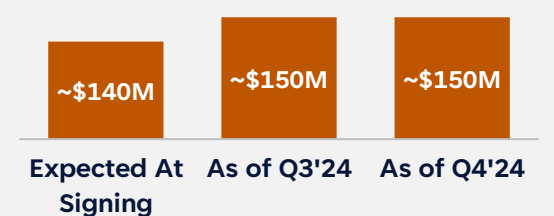
Estimated Financial Impacts

- Onboarding and integration costs of **~\$300M to ~\$350M**
- Baseline EBITDA* at closing of **~\$40M‡**
- Following completion of onboarding and integration, revenue and expense synergies are expected to result in run-rate EBITDA* of **~\$150M‡**

Baseline EBITDA* at closing



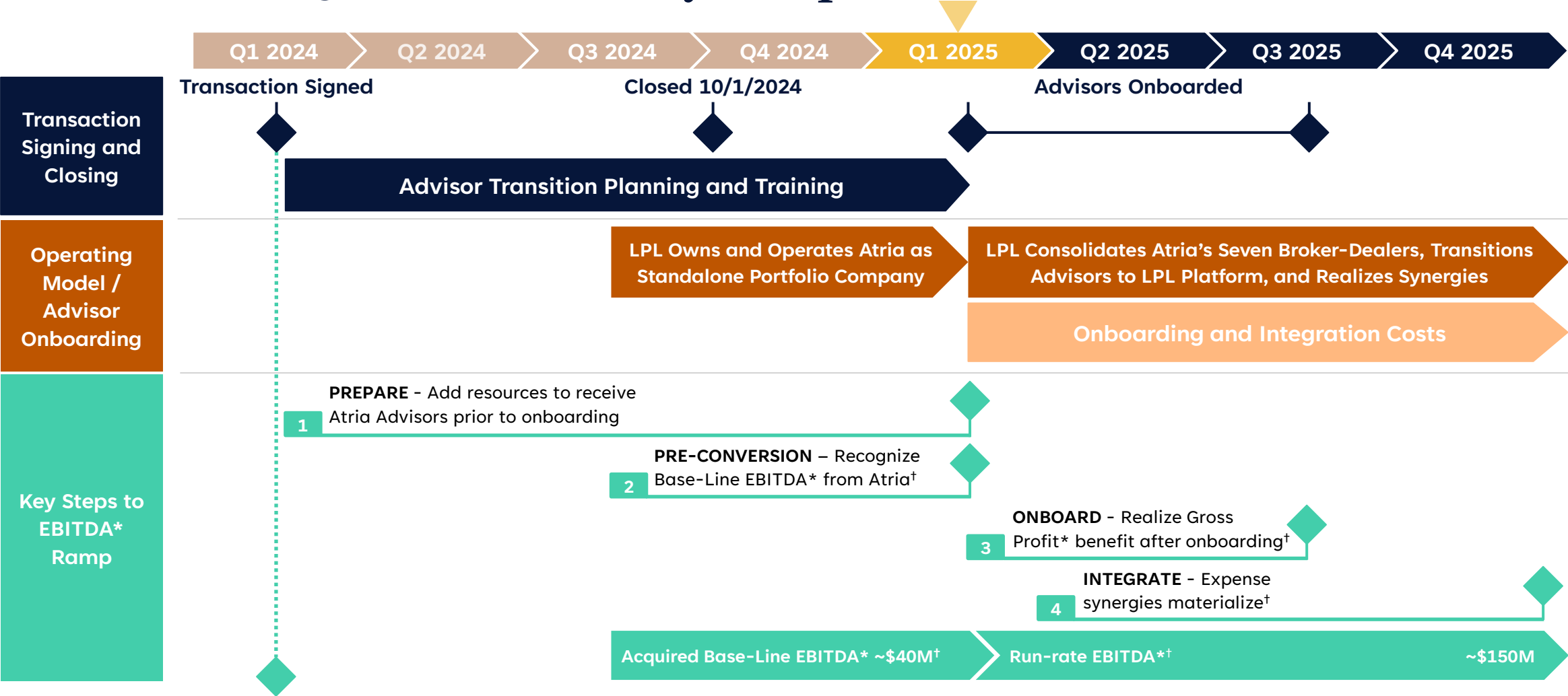
Run-rate EBITDA*



† Atria assets and advisors as of 12/31/2024 unless otherwise noted. Assuming 100% retention.

‡ Acquired base-line EBITDA* of ~\$40M and estimated run-rate EBITDA* accretion of ~\$150M are based on Atria Advisors' assets as of 9/30/2024 and ~80% retention; increases with higher levels of asset retention; and is burdened by amortization from transition assistance loans.

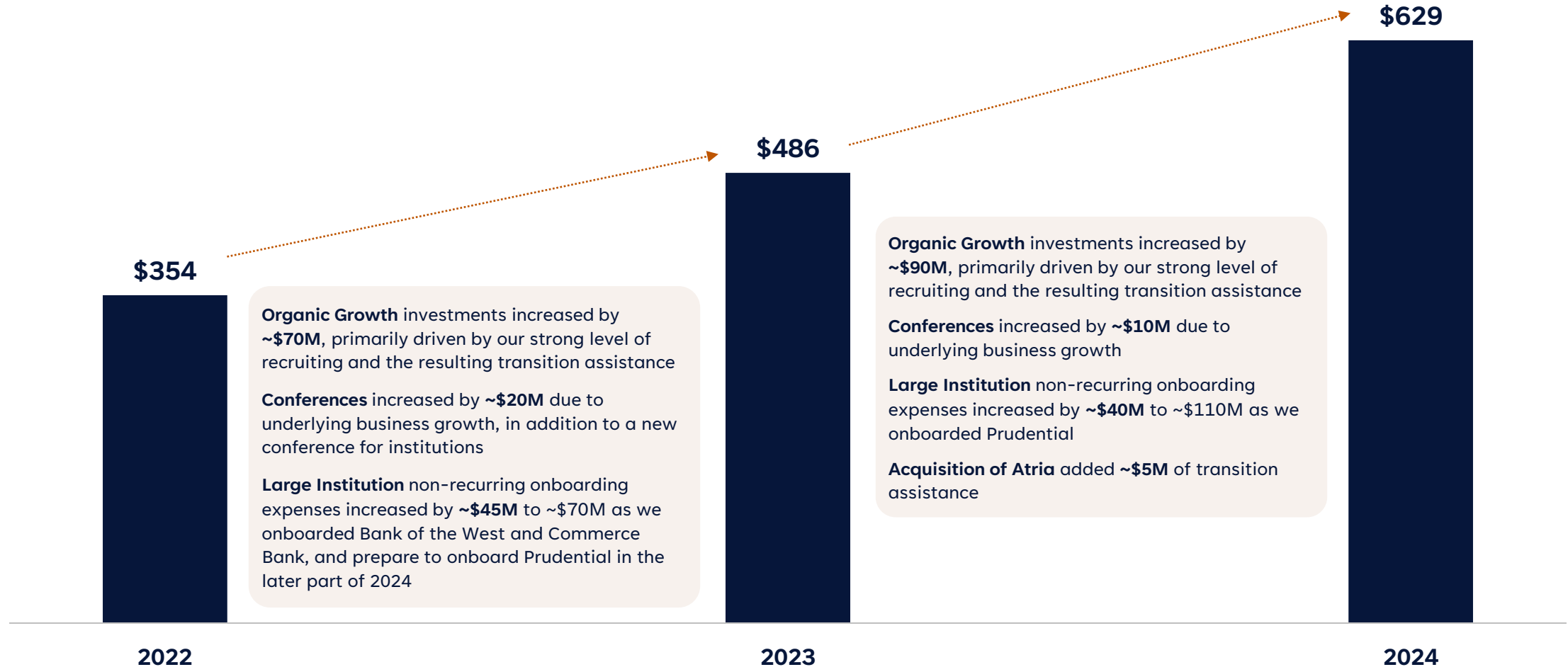
Atria Wealth Solutions: We estimate reaching an annual EBITDA* benefit of \$150M+ when fully ramped



† Acquired base-line EBITDA* is expected to be ~\$40M. Following completion of onboarding and integration of Atria, revenue and expense synergies are expected to result in run-rate EBITDA* of ~\$150M.

Key drivers of promotional expense growth

Promotional Expense (\$M)



Reconciliation

Gross Profit*

Gross profit* is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of gross profit* under “Non-GAAP Financial Measures” on page 3 of this presentation for additional information. Below is a calculation of gross profit* for the periods presented herein:

\$ in millions	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total revenue⁽²⁾	\$12,385	\$10,053	\$8,601	\$7,721	\$5,872	\$5,625
Advisory and commission expense	7,751	5,916	5,325	5,180	3,697	3,388
Brokerage, clearing and exchange expense	128	106	86	86	71	64
Employee deferred compensation ⁽²⁵⁾	5	4	-	-	-	-
Gross Profit⁽²⁾	\$4,501	\$4,027	\$3,190	\$2,455	\$2,103	\$2,172

Adjusted EPS* and Adjusted Net Income*

Adjusted EPS* and adjusted net income* are non-GAAP financial measures. Please see a description of adjusted EPS* and adjusted net income* under “Non-GAAP Financial Measures” on page 3 of this presentation for additional information. Below are reconciliations of net income and earnings per diluted share to adjusted net income* and adjusted EPS* for the periods presented herein:

in millions, except per share data	2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019	
	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share	Amount	Per Share
Net income / earnings per diluted share	\$1,059	\$14.03	\$1,066	\$13.69	\$846	\$10.40	\$460	\$5.63	\$473	\$5.86	\$560	\$6.62
Amortization of other intangibles	135	1.79	107	1.38	88	1.08	79	0.97	67	0.83	65	0.76
Acquisition costs ⁽²⁶⁾	106	1.40	48	0.62	36	0.44	76	0.93	-	-	-	-
Regulatory charges ⁽²⁷⁾	18	0.24	40	0.52	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Departure of former Chief Executive Officer ⁽²⁸⁾	(14)	(0.19)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss on extinguishment of debt	4	0.05	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tax benefit	(62)	(0.82)	(37)	(0.48)	(33)	(0.40)	(41)	(0.51)	(19)	(0.23)	(18)	(0.21)
Adjusted net income / adjusted EPS	\$1,245	\$16.51	\$1,224	\$15.72	\$937	\$11.52	\$574	\$7.02	\$521	\$6.46	\$607	\$7.17
Average diluted share count	75.4		77.9		81.3		81.7		80.9		85.0	

Note: Totals may not foot due to rounding

Reconciliation

Net Income to EBITDA*, Adjusted EBITDA* and Credit Agreement EBITDA*

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\$ in millions	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net income	\$1,059	\$1,066	\$846	\$460	\$473	\$560
Interest expense on borrowings	274	187	126	104	106	130
Provision for income taxes	334	379	266	141	153	182
Depreciation and amortization	309	247	200	151	110	96
Amortization of other intangibles	135	107	88	79	67	65
EBITDA	\$2,111	\$1,986	\$1,525	\$936	\$909	\$1,033
Acquisition costs ⁽²⁶⁾	106	48	36	76	-	-
Regulatory charges ⁽²⁷⁾	18	40	-	-	-	-
Departure of former Chief Executive Officer ⁽²⁸⁾	(14)	-	-	-	-	-
Loss on extinguishment of debt	4	-	-	-	-	-
Adjusted EBITDA	\$2,224	\$2,074	\$1,561	\$1,012	\$909	\$1,033
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
EBITDA	\$2,111	\$1,986	\$1,525	\$936	\$909	\$1,033
Credit Agreement adjustments						
Acquisition costs and other ⁽²⁶⁾⁽²⁷⁾	224	110	51	92	18	12
Employee share-based compensation	89	66	50	42	32	30
M&A accretion ⁽²⁹⁾	235	30	11	54	-	-
Advisor share-based compensation	3	3	3	2	2	3
Loss on extinguishment of debt	4	-	-	24	-	3
Credit Agreement EBITDA	\$2,665	\$2,195	\$1,639	\$1,151	\$961	\$1,081
Total debt	5,517	3,757	2,738	2,839	2,359	2,415
Total corporate cash	479	184	459	237	280	204
Credit Agreement Net Debt	\$5,038	\$3,574	\$2,279	\$2,602	\$2,079	\$2,211
Leverage Ratio	1.89x	1.63x	1.39x	2.26x	2.16x	2.05x

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Reconciliation

Core G&A* to Total expense

Core G&A* is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of Core G&A* under “Non-GAAP Financial Measures” on page 3 of this presentation for additional information. Below is a reconciliation of total expense to Core G&A* and of Core G&A, prior to the impacts of Waddell & Reed, Prudential and Atria:

\$ in millions	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total expense	\$10,992	\$8,608	\$7,489	\$7,120	\$5,246	\$4,882
Advisory and commission	7,751	5,916	5,325	5,180	3,697	3,388
Depreciation and amortization	309	247	200	151	110	96
Interest expense on borrowings	274	187	126	104	106	130
Brokerage, clearing and exchange	128	106	86	86	71	64
Amortization of other intangibles	135	107	88	79	67	65
Employee deferred compensation ⁽²⁵⁾	5	4	-	-	-	-
Loss on extinguishment of debt	4	-	-	24	-	3
Total G&A	\$2,387	\$2,041	\$1,665	\$1,494	\$1,194	\$1,136
Promotional (ongoing) ⁽²⁶⁾	629	486	354	288	208	206
Employee share-based compensation	89	66	50	42	32	30
Acquisition costs ⁽²⁶⁾	106	48	36	76	-	-
Regulatory charges ⁽²⁷⁾	47	71	33	29	29	32
Core G&A	\$1,515	\$1,369	\$1,192	\$1,058	\$925	\$868

\$ in millions	2024	2021
Core G&A	\$1,475	\$1,059
Waddell & Reed-related Core G&A	-	59
Prudential and Atria-related Core G&A	40	-
Total Core G&A prior to transactions	\$1,515	\$999

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Endnotes

- (1) Calculated as annualized current period organic net new assets divided by preceding period assets in their respective categories of advisory assets or total advisory and brokerage assets.
- (2) The departure of the Company's former Chief Executive Officer resulted in other income of \$26.4 million during the three months ended December 31, 2024 related to the clawback of share-based compensation awards.
- (3) Calculated by dividing adjusted EBITDA* for the period by Gross Profit* for the period.
- (4) The Company calculates its leverage ratio as total debt less total corporate cash, divided by Credit Agreement EBITDA* for the trailing twelve months.
- (5) Other employee channels include National & Regional B/D, Insurance B/D and Retail bank B/D channels. Independent channels include independent B/D, Hybrid RIA and Independent RIA channels.
- (6) Estimated market sizing based on 2024 Cerulli reports, unless otherwise noted. Below are reconciliations of each market:

Traditional Market	RIA Market	Employee Channel	Institution Channel
Independent B/D	Hybrid RIA	National & Regional B/D	Insurance B/D
	Independent RIA	Wirehouse	Bank Trust
		(-) Adj. to avoid double-counting Boutique B/D	Product Manufacturers*
			Boutique B/D*
			Retail bank B/D
			(-) Adj. to Retail bank B/D: Chase & Wells Fargo

* Estimated market sizing based on LPL estimates. Product Manufacturers defined as fund companies with an adjacent traditional wealth management business serving individuals. Boutique B/D defined as National & Regional B/Ds with less than \$50B AUM, which we view as an Institution market opportunity

- (7) Represents the estimated total advisory and brokerage assets expected to transition to the Company's primary broker-dealer subsidiary, LPL Financial LLC ("LPL Financial"), associated with advisors who transferred their licenses to LPL Financial during the period. The estimate is based on prior business reported by the advisors, which has not been independently and fully verified by LPL Financial. The actual transition of assets to LPL Financial generally occurs over several quarters and the actual amount transitioned may vary from the estimate.
- (8) Consists of brokerage assets serviced by advisors licensed with LPL Financial or one of Atria's seven introducing broker-dealer subsidiaries.
- (9) Consists of total assets on LPL Financial's corporate advisory platform serviced by investment advisor representatives of LPL Financial and total assets on LPL Financial's independent advisory platform serviced by investment advisor representatives of separate investment advisor firms ("Independent RIAs"), rather than of LPL Financial.
- (10) Consists of advisory assets in LPL Financial's Model Wealth Portfolios, Optimum Market Portfolios, Personal Wealth Portfolios, and Guided Wealth Portfolios platforms.
- (11) 2022, 2023, and 2024 are prior to M&A- and institution-related onboarding spend in technology.
- (12) Organic Net New Assets include assets from Large Institutions. Below are Net New Assets from Large Institutions for the periods presented:

\$ in billions	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net new organic advisory assets	\$18.4	\$2.3	\$1.5	\$8.1	-	-
Net new organic brokerage assets	21.1	8.8	29.8	26.8	-	-
Total Organic Net New Assets from Large Institutions	\$39.6	\$11.1	\$31.3	\$35.0	-	-

- (13) In April 2020, the Company updated its definition of net new assets to include dividends plus interest, minus advisory fees. Unless otherwise noted, net new assets figures for periods prior to Q2 2020 appearing in this presentation have been recast using the updated definition.
- (14) Consists of total client deposits into advisory or brokerage accounts less total client withdrawals from advisory or brokerage accounts, plus dividends, plus interest, minus advisory fees. The Company considers conversions from and to brokerage or advisory accounts as deposits and withdrawals, respectively. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period organic net new advisory or brokerage assets divided by preceding period total advisory or brokerage assets.
- (15) Calculated as a one percent change in total assets multiplied by a market correlation factor multiplied by total Gross Profit* return on assets.

Note: Totals may not foot due to rounding

Endnotes

- (16) Assumes change based on Q4 2024 end of period ICA balances, presented on page 22.
- (17) Annual benefit measured in total revenue. Based on variable client cash balances indexed to Fed Funds.
- (18) During the second quarter of 2022, the Company updated its definition of client cash balances to include client cash accounts and exclude purchased money market funds. Client cash accounts include cash that clients have deposited with LPL Financial that is included in Client payables in the consolidated balance sheets. During the first quarter of 2024, the company updated its definition of the client cash account balances to exclude other client payables. Prior period disclosures have been updated to reflect these changes as applicable.
- (19) Calculated by dividing revenue for the period by the average balance during the period.
- (20) Calculated using the summation of the following components: (1) corporate cash available to use above \$200M management target range, (2) the additional leverage capacity above current leverage times trailing twelve-month Credit Agreement EBITDA, and (3) the additional leverage capacity from an M&A opportunity at a 6x purchase multiple for which capital was deployed up to 2.5x leverage.
- (21) Management's corporate cash target reflects a level sufficient to meet our near-term corporate debt obligations.
- (22) Corporate cash, a component of cash and equivalents, includes the sum of cash and equivalents from the following: (1) cash and equivalents held at LPL Holdings, Inc., (2) cash and equivalents held at regulated subsidiaries as defined by the Company's Credit Agreement, which include LPL Financial LLC, LPL Enterprise, LLC, The Private Trust Company, N.A., and certain of Atria Wealth Solutions, Inc.'s introducing broker-dealer subsidiaries, in excess of the capital requirements of the Company's Credit Agreement, and (3) cash and equivalents held at non-regulated subsidiaries.
- (23) Additional leverage capacity is assumed to be generated by acquired EBITDA* from an M&A opportunity at a 6x-8x purchase multiple for which capital was deployed up to 2.5x leverage.
- (24) Consists of total advisory and brokerage assets under custody at LPL Financial and Waddell & Reed, LLC, as well as assets under custody of a third-party custodian related to Atria's seven introducing broker-dealer subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2024, there were no assets under custody at Waddell & Reed.
- (25) During the first quarter of 2023, the Company updated its presentation of employee deferred compensation to be consistent with its presentation of advisor deferred compensation. As a result, gains or losses related to market fluctuations on advisor and employee deferred compensation plans are presented in the same line item as the related increase or decrease in compensation expense for purposes of Management's Statements of Operations. This change has not been applied retroactively as the impact on prior periods was not material.
- (26) Acquisition costs include the costs to setup, onboard and integrate acquired entities and other costs that were incurred as a result of the acquisitions. The below table summarizes the primary components of acquisition costs for the periods presented:

\$ in millions	2024	2023	2022	2021
Fair value mark on contingent consideration ⁽³⁰⁾	\$41.7	\$26.7	-	-
Professional services	20.9	10.0	12.0	18.7
Compensation and benefits	35.0	6.1	20.6	36.4
Promotional	7.0	3.6	2.3	14.3
Other	1.3	1.7	1.3	7.0
Acquisition costs	\$105.9	\$48.1	\$36.2	\$76.4

- (27) Regulatory charges for the three months ended September 30, 2024 and year ended December 31, 2024 include charges related to a settlement with the SEC to resolve the Company's civil investigation of certain elements of the Company's Anti-Money Laundering ("AML") compliance program. The Company has recorded an \$18.0 million charge for the quarter ended September 30, 2024 and reached a settlement with the staff of the SEC and paid the civil monetary penalty in January 2025. Regulatory charges for the year ended December 31, 2023 include a \$40.0 million charge to reflect the amount of the penalty related to the SEC's civil investigation of the Company's compliance with records preservation requirements for business-related electronic communications that was not covered by the Company's captive insurance subsidiary. The Company reached a settlement with the staff of the SEC and paid the civil monetary penalty of \$50.0 million in August 2024.
- (28) The departure of the Company's former Chief Executive Officer resulted in other income of \$26.4 million related to the clawback of share-based compensation awards which was offset by share-based compensation expense of \$12.0 million related to the modification of certain stock options that were retained as per the settlement agreement that the Company reached with the former Chief Executive Officer.
- (29) M&A accretion is an adjustment to reflect the annualized expected run rate EBITDA of an acquisition as permitted by the Credit Agreement for up to eight fiscal quarters following the close of the transaction.
- (30) Represents a fair value adjustment to our contingent consideration liabilities that is reflected in other expense in the consolidated statements of income.