# 2020 financial highlights

Financial highlights for the year ended December 31, 2020 (All amounts are in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated)

## **Key results at a glance**

United States
Total Annualized Weighted Sales

\$85.0

Canada
Total Annualized Weighted Sales

\$62.2

CAD million

United Kingdom
Total Annualized Weighted Sales

£48.0

Annualized weighted sales are comprised of 100% of regular premiums/deposits and 10% of single premiums/deposits and annuities. Annualized weighted sales are also expressed on a constant currency basis, which is a measure of sales that provides greater comparability across reporting periods by excluding the impact of exchange rate fluctuations from the translation of functional currencies to the Canadian dollar. There is no directly comparable IFRS measure.

**Total Premiums** 

\$1.2

This amount is the total gross life insurance and annuity premiums paid or owing to Foresters Financial during the year from certificate and contract holders.

**Certificates and Contracts In Force** 

2.8
million

This is the total number of certificates and contracts that are active or "in force" at Foresters Financial and its subsidiaries.

**Total Comprehensive Income (Loss)** 

\$(34.6)

This is the sum of net income and other comprehensive income which includes unrealized gains and losses from foreign currency translation and unrealized gains and losses on assets backing our surplus and certain changes in employee benefit plan obligations.

Surplus

\$2.1

Surplus is the value of our assets minus our financial obligations to members and others. A strong surplus position first and foremost gives Foresters Financial the ability to withstand economic and business volatility, and it allows us to invest in the growth of our business through increased sales and acquisition activities. Also, a portion of earnings on surplus is used to fund member benefits and community investments in support of Foresters purpose.

A.M. Best Financial Strength Rating for the 20th consecutive year<sup>†</sup>

A Excellent

A.M. Best's Financial Strength Rating opinion addresses the relative ability of an insurer to meet its ongoing insurance obligations.

**LICAT Ratio** 

193%

The Life Insurance Capital Adequacy
Test ("LICAT") ratio is a capital adequacy
measure for life insurance companies
established by the Office of the
Superintendent of Financial Institutions
Canada ("OSFI"). It is a measure used to
monitor that insurers maintain adequate
capital to meet their financial obligations.

## Sales

## United States Total Annualized Weighted Sales

(USD millions)



Total U.S. annualized weighted sales were \$85.0 million, a 3.5% increase from 2019 despite the challenges associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. Normalizing for the 2019 divestiture of our career sales force, year-over-year growth is 23%.

# Canada Total Annualized Weighted Sales (CAD millions)



Total Canada annualized weighted sales were \$62.2 million a 11.9% increase over 2019 largely due to Canada Protection Plan's (CPP) market leading reflexive e-application capabilities and the Q2 launch of its simplified issue Critical Illness product.

### United Kingdom Total Annualized Weighted Sales

(U.K. £ millions)



Total U.K. annualized weighted sales were £48.0 million, a 20.1% decrease from prior year. Sales slumped when the first wave of COVID-19 hit the U.K. in early March and the majority of the Field Force financial advisers were put on furlough. During those months, new business continued to be generated through online and other direct channels. Sales rebounded in the last quarter of the year with the resumption of Field Force selling activities and additional capabilities to offer video appointments as an alternative to face-to-face selling.

## **Key results**

#### Total Premiums

(CAD millions)



Total gross life insurance premiums were nearly \$1.2 billion, a 1.2% decrease from 2019. The decrease is largely due to lower sales of annuities following the sale of our U.S. variable life and annuity subsidiary in 2020 and the prior year divestiture of our retail broker dealer and advisory businesses.

#### Certificates and Contracts In Force

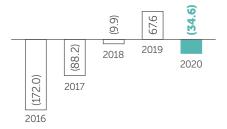
(thousands)



At December 31, 2020, Foresters Financial had 2.8 million certificates and contracts in force. The increase in the number of in-force certificates over the prior year is due to the acquisition of the Halifax Child Trust Funds (Halifax) in the second quarter of 2020.

## **Total Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

(CAD millions)



Total comprehensive loss of \$34.6 million for 2020 was due to volatile economic conditions resulting in strong equity gains offset by a decrease in risk free rates, narrowing of credit spreads and the impact of COVID-19 on mortality and lapse experience. The weakening of the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar was the primary driver of unrealized currency translation losses of \$58.0 million.

#### Surplus

(CAD billions)



Total surplus was nearly \$2.1 billion at the end of 2020. The decrease was due to the impact of COVID-19 and the related economic conditions along with foreign currency translation losses due to the weakening of the U.S. dollar where a significant portion of the surplus is denominated in U.S. dollars. This was offset by strong equity markets contributing to positive investment income. At December 31, 2020 our LICAT ratio was 193%, well above the Canadian life insurer average of 143% at September 30, 2020.1

## **Summary Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

For the year ended December 31, 2020 with comparative figures for 2019 (In millions of Canadian dollars)

	2020	2019
Revenue		
Gross premiums	\$ 1,154	\$ 1,168
Ceded premiums	(174)	(139)
Net Premiums	980	1,029
Net investment income (loss)	883	997
Fee revenue	120	131
Other operating income	8	11
Total Revenue	1,991	2,168
Benefits & Expenses		
Gross benefits	924	888
Ceded benefits	(92)	(81)
Gross change in insurance contract liabilities	768	752
Ceded change in insurance contract	(159)	(115)
Policy dividends	49	50
Commissions	292	286
Operating expenses	336	296
Interest Expenses	2	-
Ceded commissions and operating		
expenses	(76)	(54)
Fraternal investment	14	21
Total Benefits & Expenses	2,058	2,043
Gain on sale of disposal group held for sale	58	-
Income (Loss) before income taxes	(9)	125
Income Taxes	(11)	35
Net Income (Loss) from continuing operations	2	90
Net Income (Loss) from discontinued		
operations, net of tax	(3)	3
Total Net Income (Loss)	(1)	93
Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)		
Items that will not be reclassified to net income (loss)		
Remeasurement gains (losses)		
on employee benefit plans,	(12)	(2)
net of income taxes Net unrealized (losses) gains on	(12)	(2)
property, net of income taxes	(1)	1
Total items that will not be reclassified		
to net income (loss)	(13)	(1)
Items that are or may be reclassified		
subsequently to net income (loss)		
Net change in unrealized gains on available-for-sale assets, net of		
income tax	87	55
Reclassification of net realized		-
gains (losses) on available-for-sale		
assets, net of income taxes	(50)	-
Net unrealized foreign currency translation gains (losses)	(58)	(79)
Total items that are or may be reclassified	(36)	(13)
subsequently to net income (loss)	(21)	(24)
Total Comprehensive Income (Loss)	\$ (35)	\$ 68

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## **Summary Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

As of December 31, 2020 with comparative figures for 2019 (In millions of Canadian dollars)  $\,$ 

		2020		2019
Assets				
Invested Assets				
Cash, cash equivalents and			_	700
short-term securities	\$	385	\$	306
Bonds		7,198		6,616
Equities		875		836
Mortgages  Derivative financial instruments		31 1		- 5
Other invested assets		136		144
Loans to certificate holders		265		261
Total Invested Assets		8,891		8,168
Reinsurance assets		656		502
Accrued investment income		52		56
Deferred acquisition costs		24		23
Prepaid commissions		74		68
Current income taxes		29		12
Deferred tax assets		9		15
Other assets		65 56		70 60
Property and equipment		24		27
Right of use assets  Goodwill and intangible assets		206		27 54
Assets classified as held for sale		200		1.736
Assets classified as field for sale	1	L0,086		10,791
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Net investments for accounts				F 70.6
of segregated fund unit holders		8,000		5,796
Net investments for accounts of segregated fund unit holders				
held for sale				1,941
Total Assets	\$ 1	8,086	\$	18,528
Liabilities				
Insurance contract liabilities	\$	7,023	\$	6,481
Investment contract liabilities		149	ب	144
Derivative financial instruments		22		27
Benefits payable and provision for				_,
unreported claims		210		184
Lease liabilities		37		36
Current income taxes		27		26
Deferred tax liabilites		48		16
Other liabilities		179		233
Subordinated debt		249		-
Employee benefit obligations		91		91
Liabilities classified as held for sale		-		1,467
		8,035		8,705
Liabilities for accounts of segregated				
fund unit holders		8,000		5,796
Liabilities for accounts of segregated				
fund unit holders held for sale		-		1,941
Total Liabilities	1	L6,035		16,442
Surplus				
Retained earnings		1,747		1,747
Accumulated other comprehensive				
income		304		339
		2,051		2,086
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$ 1	8,086	\$	18,528

#### **Notes to the Summary Financial Statements**

#### 1. Basis of Presentation of the Summary Financial Statements

The summary consolidated statement of financial position and summary consolidated statement of comprehensive income (loss) have been summarized from The Independent Order of Foresters ("Foresters Financial") consolidated financial statements, which are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards to portray in summarized form Foresters Financial's financial position and results of operations. The criteria applied by management in the preparation of these summary financial statements are as follows:

- a) the information in the summary consolidated financial statements is in agreement with the related information in the audited financial statements; and
- b) summary consolidated statements of changes in equity, cash flows, significant accounting policies and other explanatory information have not been presented, as the relevant information can be obtained from the audited financial statements.

The summary statement of financial position and summary consolidated statement of comprehensive income (loss) are only a summary of the information in Foresters Financial's consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020. They do not contain sufficient information to allow as full an understanding of the results and state of affairs of Foresters Financial as would be provided by the full consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020.

The full consolidated financial statements are available at www.foresters.com under Financial Strength

Foresters Financial's consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following material items in the statement of financial position:

- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, available-for-sale financial assets and derivative financial instruments are measured at fair value;
- Employee benefit assets and obligations represent the funded status of these plans which is calculated as the difference between plan assets at fair value and the present value of defined benefit obligations;
- Reinsurance assets and Insurance contract liabilities are calculated using the Canadian Asset Liability Method ("CALM") which is based on accepted actuarial practices according to standards established by the Canadian Institute of Actuaries and the requirements of the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions Canada. This method involves the projection of future events in order to determine the amount of assets that must be set aside currently to provide for all future obligations, including the provision of fraternal benefits, and involves a significant amount of judgment; and
- Land and buildings are measured at fair value.
- Goodwill is initially measured as the excess of the purchase price of an acquisition of a subsidiary over the fair value of net identifiable assets acquired. After initial recognition, goodwill is carried at cost less any accumulated impairment losses, which are assessed annually. The initial cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is fair value at the date of acquisition. After the date of acquisition, these intangibles are carried at cost less accumulated amortization and impairment losses, which are tested when indicators are present and annually for indefinite life intangibles.

The duration and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is unknown at this time and can introduce additional uncertainty around estimates, assumptions and judgements used in preparing these consolidated financial statements.

#### 3. Foreign Currency

The functional currencies of the foreign subsidiaries and branch operations have been translated into Canadian dollars. All assets and liabilities are translated at the closing exchange rate at the balance sheet date, and the income and expenses are translated using the average exchange rate for the year. The accumulated gains or losses arising from translation are presented separately in the currency translation accounts, a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI").

#### **Appointed Actuary's report**

To the Board of Directors of The Independent Order of Foresters

I have valued the policy liabilities and reinsurance recoverables of The Independent Order of Foresters for its consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020 and their changes in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income (loss) for the year then ended in accordance with accepted actuarial practice in Canada including selection of appropriate assumptions and methods

In my opinion, the amount of policy liabilities net of reinsurance recoverables makes appropriate provision for all policy obligations and the consolidated financial statements fairly present the results of the valuation.

These summarized consolidated financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by accepted actuarial practice. Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes. For more information on Foresters Financial financial position, results of operations and cash flows, reference should be made to the related complete consolidated financial statements.

Trudy Engel, F.S.A., F.C.I.A. Fellow, Canadian Institute of Actuaries Toronto, Canada

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February 17, 2021

#### Report of the Independent Auditors on the **Summary Financial Statements**

To the Board of Directors of The Independent Order of Foresters

The summary consolidated financial statements of The Independent Order of Foresters (the Entity), which comprise

- the summary consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020
- the summary consolidated statement of comprehensive income (loss) for the year then ended
- and related notes

(Hereinafter referred to as the "summary financial statements") are derived from the complete audited consolidated financial statements of The Independent Order of Foresters as at and for the year ended December 31, 2020.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements are consistent in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements, in accordance with the criteria disclosed in Note 1 in the summary financial statements.

#### **Summary Financial Statements**

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by International Financial Reporting Standards. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the Entity's audited consolidated financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

#### The Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon

On our report dated February 17, 2021, we expressed an unmodified opinion on the audited consolidated financial statements.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for other information. Other information comprises:

Information, other than the summary financial statements and the auditors' report thereon, included in the 2020 financial highlights.

Our opinion on the summary financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon

In connection with our audit of the summary financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the summary financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We obtained the information, other than the summary financial statements and the auditors' report thereon, included in the 2020 financial highlights as at the date of this

If, based on the work we have performed on this other information, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact in the auditors' report.

We have nothing to report in this regard

#### Management's Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the summary financial statements in accordance with the criteria disclosed in the notes to the summary financial statements.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standards 810, Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Toronto, Canada February 17, 2021