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# Financial strength is the core of Lincoln Financial Group® affiliates

Having comprehensive products and services is important, but it doesn't mean much without the financial strength to support them. Lincoln Financial Group and its affiliates have more than a century-long history of delivering on our promises.

Lincoln Financial Group has long been recognized for its disciplined financial and risk management. Throughout our history—and through vastly changing economic climates—this approach has served us well and has never been more critical than it is today.

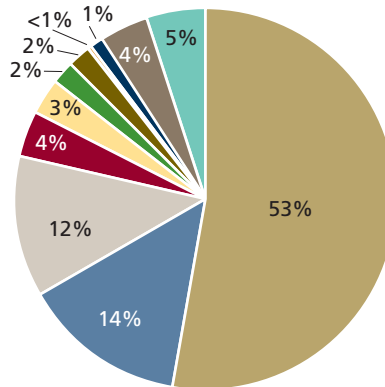
### Balance sheet strength

General account assets are managed by Delaware Investments, the company's investment management group. Delaware employs a bottom-up investment style in which in-depth fundamental research is the cornerstone of the investment process.

All information as of December 31, 2008, except where noted. Lincoln National Corporation does not undertake to update this document after that date. More recent information about Lincoln Financial may be found in our SEC filings and new releases available on our Web site at [www.LincolnFinancial.com/investor](http://www.LincolnFinancial.com/investor).

### The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company profile of total invested assets as of December 31, 2008

Average bond rating: "A"<sup>1</sup>



- Corporate bonds<sup>3</sup> 53%
- RMBS<sup>4</sup> 14%
- Commercial mortgages 12%
- CMBS 4%
- U.S. Treasury, agency, and municipal securities 3%
- Other<sup>5</sup> 5%
- Trading securities 4%
- Alternative investments 1%
- Real estate <1%
- Asset-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations 2%
- Hybrid/preferred stock 2%

### Subprime and Alt-A<sup>2</sup>

Represents 2% of total invested assets  
98% fixed rate, 98% first lien

### Commercial mortgage-backed securities

92% rate A or better<sup>1</sup>  
84% 2005 or earlier vintages

### Commercial mortgages

59% loan-to-value  
1.6x debt services coverage

<sup>1</sup>Based on the middle ratings from the three rating agencies (S&P, Moody's, and Fitch) and vary slightly from the NAIC ratings.

<sup>2</sup>Alt-A loans are loans to borrowers with prime-type credit scores but no income verification. Alt-A loans fall between prime and subprime loans.

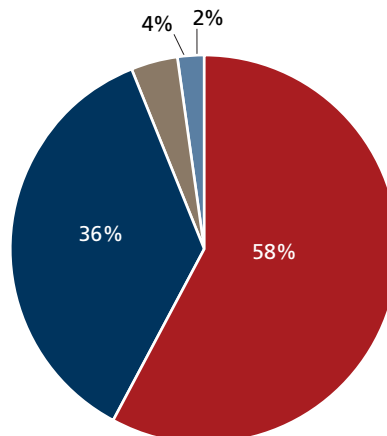
<sup>3</sup>Corporate bonds include the following industry sectors: financial services, basic industry, capital goods, communications, consumer cyclical and non-cyclical, energy, technology, transportation, industrial other, and utilities.

<sup>4</sup>RMBS (residential mortgage-backed securities) includes collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs), mortgage pass-throughs, and home equity.

<sup>5</sup>Other includes equity securities, policy loans, derivative instruments, and other investments.

### Credit rating distribution of fixed-maturity securities

(based on ratings as of December 31, 2008)



- ◆ NAIC 1 — AAA/AA/A 58%
- ◆ NAIC 2 — BBB 36%
- ◆ NAIC 3 — BB 4%
- ◆ NAIC 4 — B 2%
- ◆ NAIC 5 — CCC or lower 0%
- ◆ NAIC 6 — In or Near Default 0%

NAIC ratings are issued by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and are similar to the rating agency designations of the Nationally Recognized Organizations for marketable bonds. NAIC ratings 1 and 2 include bonds generally considered investment grade by such ratings organizations. NAIC ratings 3 through 6 include bonds generally considered below investment grade.

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### The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company

<b>A.M. Best</b>	A+ (2nd highest of 16)
<b>Fitch</b>	AA (3rd highest of 21)
<b>Moody's</b>	Aa3 (4th highest of 21)
<b>Standard &amp; Poor's</b>	AA (3rd highest of 21)

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**Please note:** On November 4, 2008, Standard & Poor's affirmed the above ratings, but revised its outlook for the insurance subsidiaries from positive to stable. On February 10, 2009, Moody's Investors Service placed the Aa3 insurance financial strength ratings of Lincoln's key insurance subsidiaries under review for possible downgrade. On February 20, 2009 A.M. Best affirmed the above ratings, but revised its outlook for the insurance subsidiaries from stable to negative.

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