

# Franklin Resources, Inc. First Quarter Results

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# **Highlights**



# Investment Performance

 The majority of assets under management continue to outperform their respective peer medians across the 3-, 5- and 10-year periods

#### **Flows**

- One of the strongest quarters ever for institutional flows
- Franklin Income Fund continues to attract inflows, posting its 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive quarter of positive net new flows

# Financial Results

\$782 million of operating income on \$2 billion of revenue

# Capital Management

- Board declared a 25% increase in the regular cash dividend and a \$0.50 per share special cash dividend
- Repurchased 2.7 million shares, more than offsetting issuance from long-term equity awards during the quarter

#### Business Update

- Launched the cross-border version of the Franklin K2 Alternative Strategies fund, which has already been registered for sale in 28 countries
- Following a shift in our business strategy toward global products, Japan is experiencing strong momentum



# **Investment Performance**

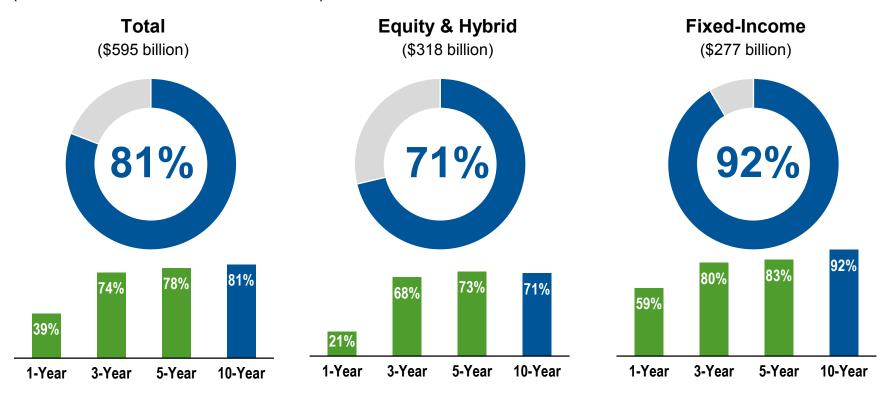
#### **Investment Performance**





#### Percentage of Long-Term Assets in the Top Two Peer Group Quartiles

(10-Year Period ended Dec. 31, 2014)



The peer group rankings are sourced from either Lipper, a Thomson Reuters Company or Morningstar, as the case may be, and are based on an absolute ranking of returns as of December 31, 2014. Lipper rankings for Franklin Templeton U.S.-registered long-term mutual funds are based on Class A shares and do not include sales charges. Franklin Templeton U.S.-registered long-term funds are compared against a universe of all share classes. Performance rankings for other share classes may differ. Morningstar rankings for Franklin Templeton cross-border long-term mutual funds are based on primary share classes and do not include sales charges. Performance rankings for other share classes may differ. Results may have been different if these or other factors had been considered. The figures in the table are based on data available from Lipper as of January 7, 2015 and Morningstar as of January 12, 2015 and are subject to revision.

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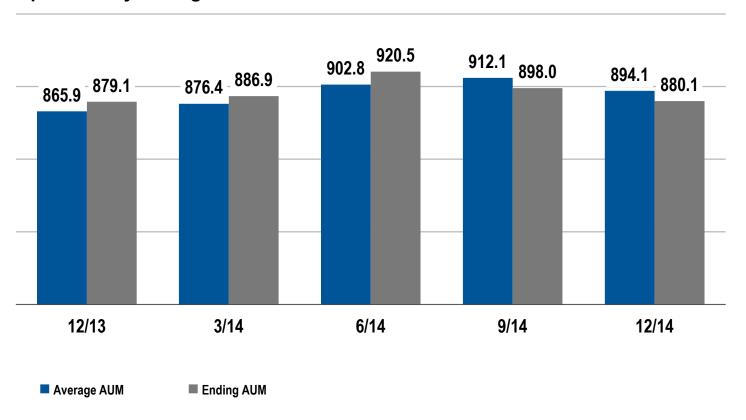
# **Assets Under Management and Flows**

# **Assets Under Management Growth**



(in US\$ billions, for the three months ended)

#### Simple Monthly Average vs. End of Period

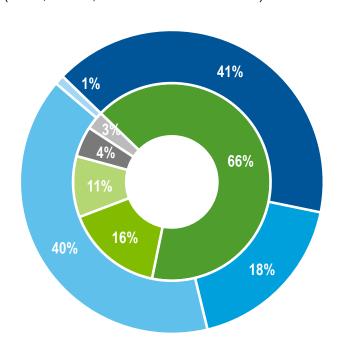


# **Assets Under Management Diversification**



#### As of December 31, 2014

(in US\$ billions, for the three months ended)



#### **Investment Objective**

	- [	Dec-14		Sep-14	% Change
Equity	\$	361.6	\$	371.0	(3%)
Hybrid		157.1		159.0	(1%)
Fixed-Income		354.5		361.0	(2%)
Cash Management		6.9		7.0	(1%)
Total	\$	880.1	\$	898.0	(2%)

#### **Sales Region**

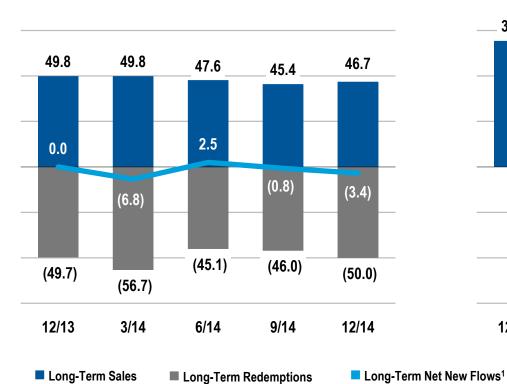
	Dec-14		Sep-14	% Change
United States	\$	580.6	\$ 589.1	(1%)
Europe, the Middle East and Africa		142.8	147.4	(3%)
Asia-Pacific		90.9	92.5	(2%)
Canada		36.8	39.1	(6%)
Latin America		29.0	29.9	(3%)
Total	\$	880.1	\$ 898.0	(2%)

# **Long-Term Flows and Market Return Summary**

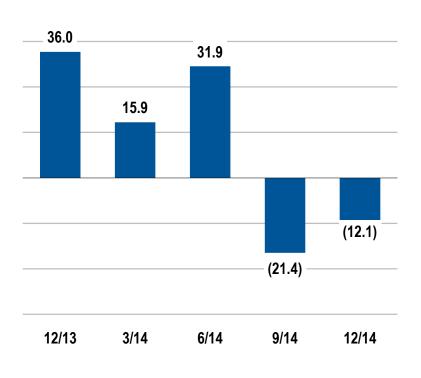


(in US\$ billions, for the three months ended)

#### **Long-Term Flows**



#### **Appreciation (Depreciation) & Other**



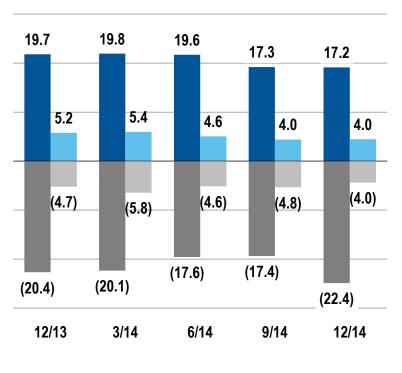
<sup>1.</sup> Long-term net new flows are defined as long-term sales less long-term redemptions plus long-term net exchanges.

# **United States and International, Retail and Institutional Flows**

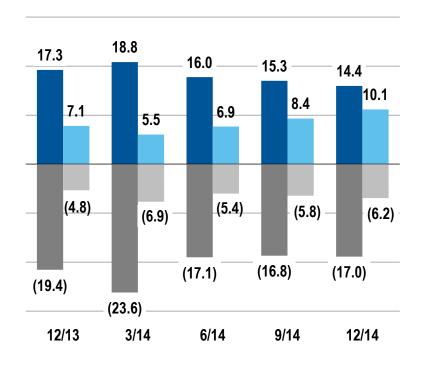


(in US\$ billions, for the three months ended)

#### **United States**



#### International



■ Retail Long-Term Sales

Retail Long-Term Redemptions

■ Institutional Long-Term Sales

■ Institutional Long-Term Redemptions

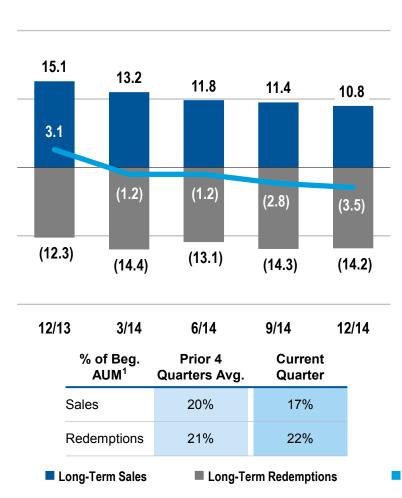
# Flows by Investment Objective:

# Global / International Equity and Fixed-Income

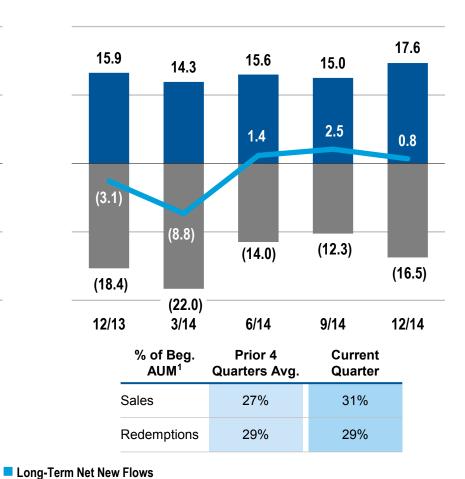


(in US\$ billions, for the three months ended)

#### **Global / International Equity**



#### Global / International Fixed-Income



<sup>1.</sup> Sales and redemptions as a percentage of beginning assets under management are annualized.

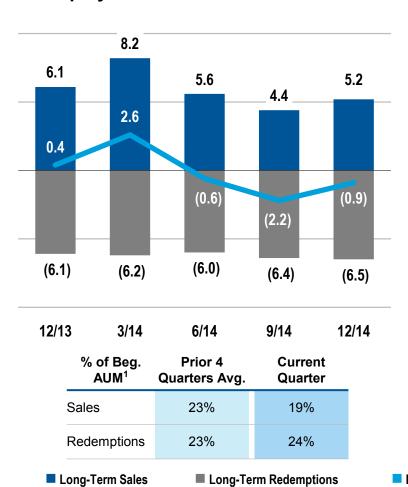
# Flows by Investment Objective:

# U.S. Equity and Hybrid

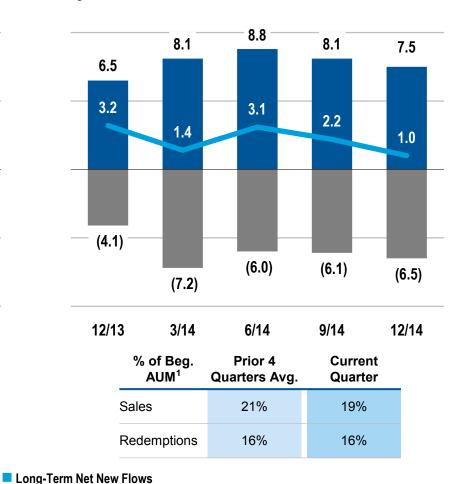


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#### **U.S. Equity**



#### Hybrid



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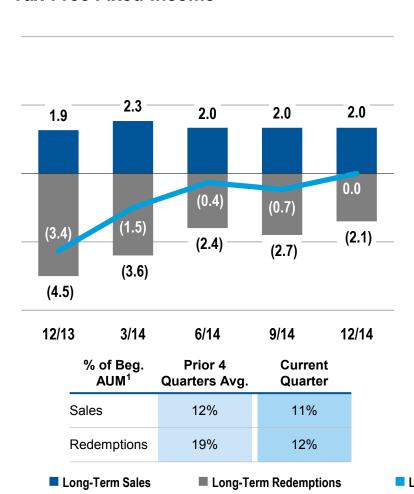
# Flows by Investment Objective:

### Tax-Free and Taxable U.S. Fixed-Income



(in US\$ billions, for the three months ended)

#### **Tax-Free Fixed-Income**



#### Taxable U.S. Fixed-Income



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# **Financial Results**

# **Quarterly Financial Highlights**

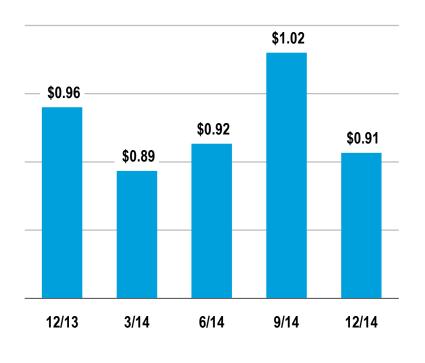


(in US\$ millions, except per share data, for the three months ended)

#### Operating and Net Income<sup>1</sup>

#### 835 813 786 787 782 641 604 579 566 561 12/13 3/14 6/14 9/14 12/14 Operating Income ■ Net Income¹

#### **Diluted Earnings Per Share**



<sup>1.</sup> Net income attributable to Franklin Resources, Inc.

# **Operating Revenues**



(in US\$ millions, for the three months ended)

	Dec-14	Sep-14	Dec-14 vs. Sep-14	Jun-14	Mar-14	Dec-13	Dec-14 vs. Dec-13
Investment management fees	\$ 1,382.4	\$ 1,430.7	(3%)	\$ 1,393.2	\$ 1,368.0	\$ 1,373.8	1%
Sales and distribution fees	595.0	627.4	(5%)	643.7	638.6	636.7	(7%)
Shareholder servicing fees	65.8	68.3	(4%)	69.0	67.7	76.1	(14%)
Other	21.1	29.1	(27%)	24.6	21.6	22.9	(8%)
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 2,064.3	\$ 2,155.5	(4%)	\$ 2,130.5	\$ 2,095.9	\$ 2,109.5	(2%)

# **Operating Expenses**



(in US\$ millions, for the three months ended)

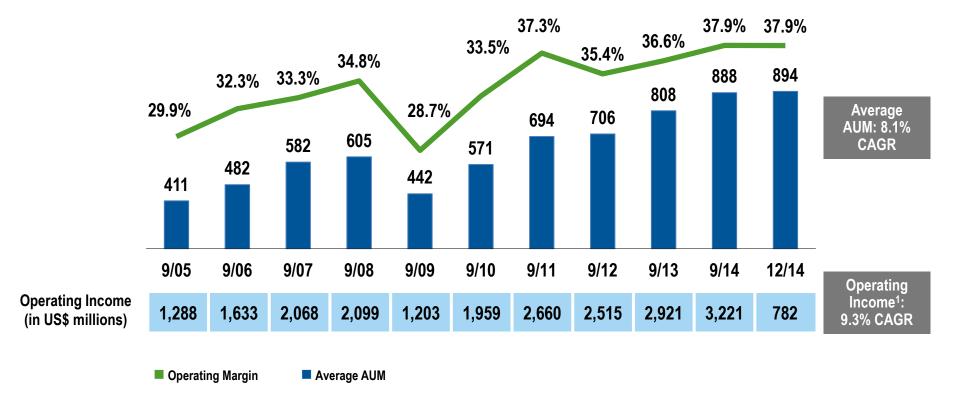
	Dec-14	Sep-14	Dec-14 vs. Sep-14	Jun-14	Mar-14	Dec-13	Dec-14 vs. Dec-13
Sales, distribution and marketing	\$ 731.5	\$ 755.9	(3%)	\$ 789.3	\$ 766.3	\$ 776.7	(6%)
Compensation and benefits	375.5	365.9	3%	380.7	372.3	349.0	8%
Information systems and technology	51.2	60.8	(16%)	54.3	51.0	50.2	2%
Occupancy	34.3	36.7	(7%)	34.1	33.8	33.1	4%
General, administrative and other	89.8	100.9	(11%)	85.3	86.5	87.4	3%
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 1,282.3	\$ 1,320.2	(3%)	\$ 1,343.7	\$ 1,309.9	\$ 1,296.4	(1%)

# **Operating Leverage**

# **Growing Operating Income Faster than AUM**



**Operating Margin** (%) vs. Average AUM (in US\$ billions)

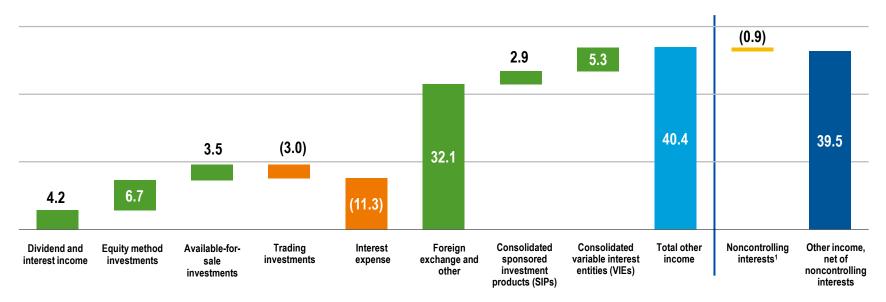


<sup>1.</sup> Fiscal year-to date operating income is annualized for CAGR calculation. CAGR is the compound average annual growth rate over the trailing 10-year period.

### Other Income - U.S. GAAP



(in US\$ millions, for the three months ended December 31, 2014)



#### **Associated Financial Statement Components**

\$32.2 Million <sup>2</sup>							\$8.2 Million	
Cash and cash equivalents, investment securities, available-forsale and investment securities, trading	Investments in equity method investees	Investment securities, available-for- sale	Investment securities, trading	Debt and deferred taxes	Foreign exchange revaluations of cash and cash equivalents held by subsidiaries with a non-USD functional currency and other miscellaneous non-operating income	Investments of consolidated SIPs	Investments of consolidated VIEs	

noncontrolling interests attributable to third-party investors

Related

- 1. Reflects the portion of noncontrolling interests related to consolidated SIPs and VIEs included in Other income.
- 2. Net of the impact of consolidating SIPs and VIEs as summarized in the appendix.



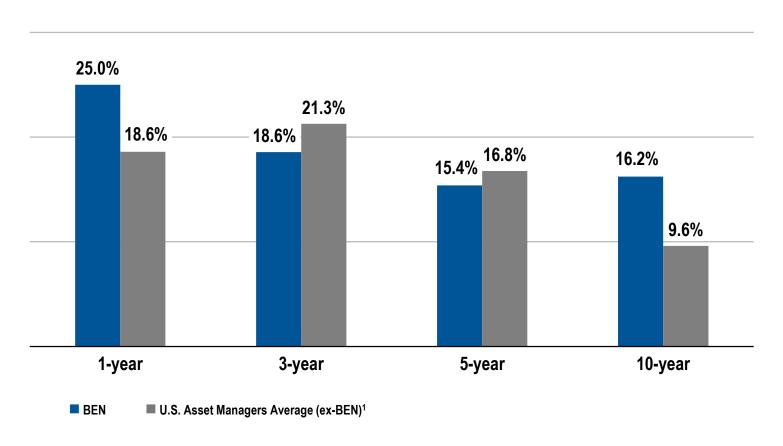
# **Capital Management**

### **Strong Dividend Growth**

# **Increased Every Year Since 1981**



#### Compound Annual Growth of Regular Dividends as of December 31, 2014



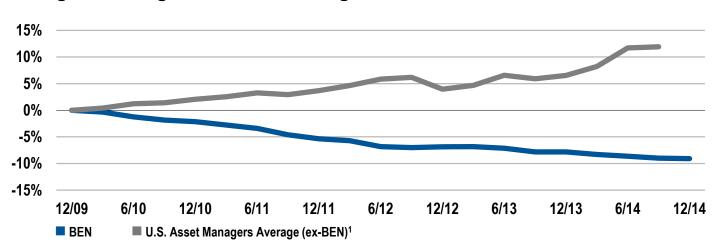
<sup>1.</sup> U.S. asset managers include AMG, AB, APAM, BLK, BX, CLMS, CG, CNS, EV, FII, FIG, GBL, IVZ, JNS, KKR, LM, MN, OAK, OMAM, OZM, PZN, TROW, WDR, WETF. Source: SNL Financial and Company Reports.

### **Share Repurchases**

# Accretive to Earnings per Share



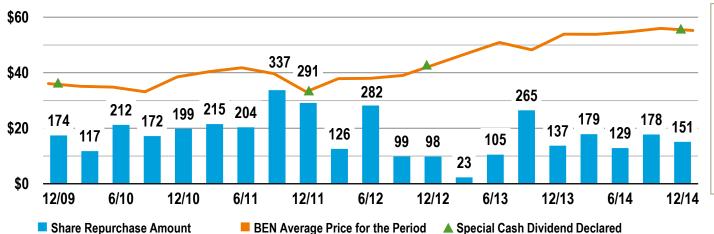
#### **Change in Ending Shares Outstanding**



U.S. Asset Managers (ex-BEN)<sup>1</sup>: 2.3% Compound Annual Dilution

BEN: 1.9% Compound Annual Accretion

#### Share Repurchases (US\$ millions) vs. Average BEN Price



Recent Special Cash Dividends per Share Declared:

Dec-14: \$0.50 Nov-12: \$1.00 Dec-11: \$0.67 Dec-09: \$1.00

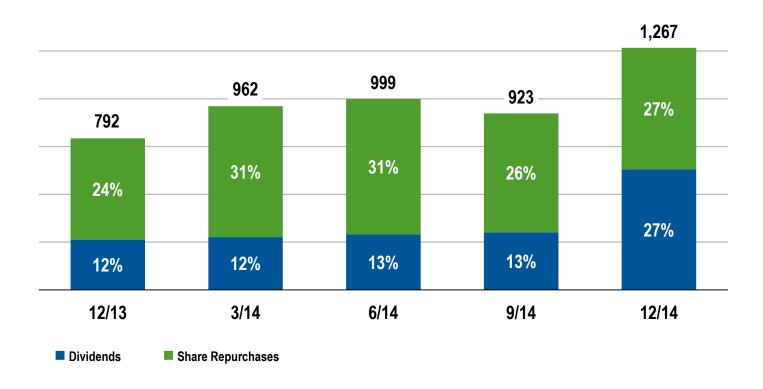
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# **Return of Capital**

# Distributing U.S. Free Cash Flow



#### Trailing 12 Months Share Repurchases and Dividends<sup>1</sup> (US\$ millions and percentage of net income)



<sup>1.</sup> The chart above illustrates the amount of share repurchases and dividends over the trailing 12 months, for the period ended. Dividend payout is calculated as dividend amount declared divided by net income attributable to Franklin Resources, Inc. for the trailing 12-month period. Repurchase payout is calculated as stock repurchase amount divided by net income attributable to Franklin Resources, Inc. for the trailing 12-month period.

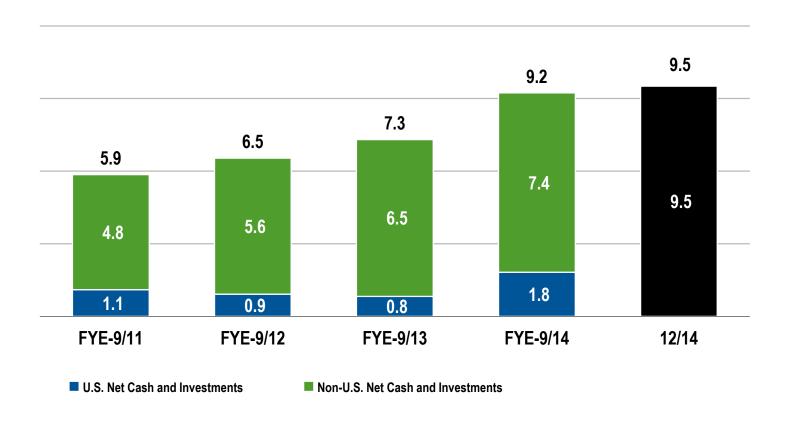


# **Appendix**

# **Strong Balance Sheet**



#### **Net Cash and Investments**<sup>1</sup> (US\$ billions)



<sup>1.</sup> Net cash and investments consists of Franklin Resources, Inc. cash and investments (including only direct investments in consolidated SIPs and VIEs), net of debt and deposits.

# **Sales and Distribution Summary**



(in US\$ millions, for the three months ended)

	Dec-14	Sep-14	Change	% Change
Asset-based fees	\$ 447.8	\$ 462.6		
Asset-based expenses	(567.6)	(575.5)		
Asset-based fees, net	\$ (119.8)	\$ (112.9)	\$ (6.9)	6%
Sales-based fees	144.7	162.6		
Contingent sales charges	2.5	2.2		
Sales-based expenses	(133.7)	(149.8)		
Sales-based fees, net	\$ 13.5	\$ 15.0	\$ (1.5)	(10%)
Amortization of deferred sales commissions	(30.2)	(30.6)	0.4	(1%)
Sales and Distribution Fees, Net	\$ (136.5)	\$ (128.5)	\$ (8.0)	6%

 The change in sales and distribution fees, net reflects the accounting adjustments recorded in the prior quarter and an increase in non-U.S. commission expense. This table summarizes the asset- and salesbased distribution fees, net of expense.

- Asset-based expenses are generally not directly correlated with asset-based revenue due to international fee structures which provide for recovery of certain distribution costs through investment management fees.
- Sales-based expenses are determined as a percentage of sales and are incurred from the same commissionable sales transactions that generate sales fee revenues.
- Deferred sales commissions, which are related to up-front commissions on shares sold without a front-end sales charge, are amortized over the periods in which commissions are generally recovered from distribution fee revenues (and to a lesser extent, from contingent deferred sales charges received from shareholders of the funds upon redemption of their shares).

# **Consolidated SIPs and VIEs Related Adjustments**



(in US\$ millions, for the three months ended)

	De	c-14
Operating Revenues	\$	(2.5)
Operating Expenses		3.0
Operating Income		(5.5)
Investment Income		(4.9)
Interest Expense		(1.2)
Consolidated SIPs		2.9
Consolidated VIEs		5.3
Other Income		2.1
Net Income		(3.4)
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(4.4)
Net Income Attributable to Franklin Resources, Inc.	\$	1.0

This table summarizes the impact of consolidating SIPs and VIEs on the Company's reported U.S. GAAP operating results.