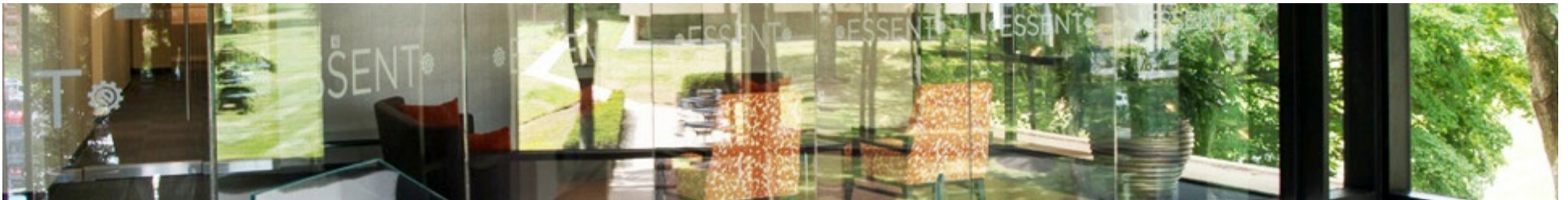


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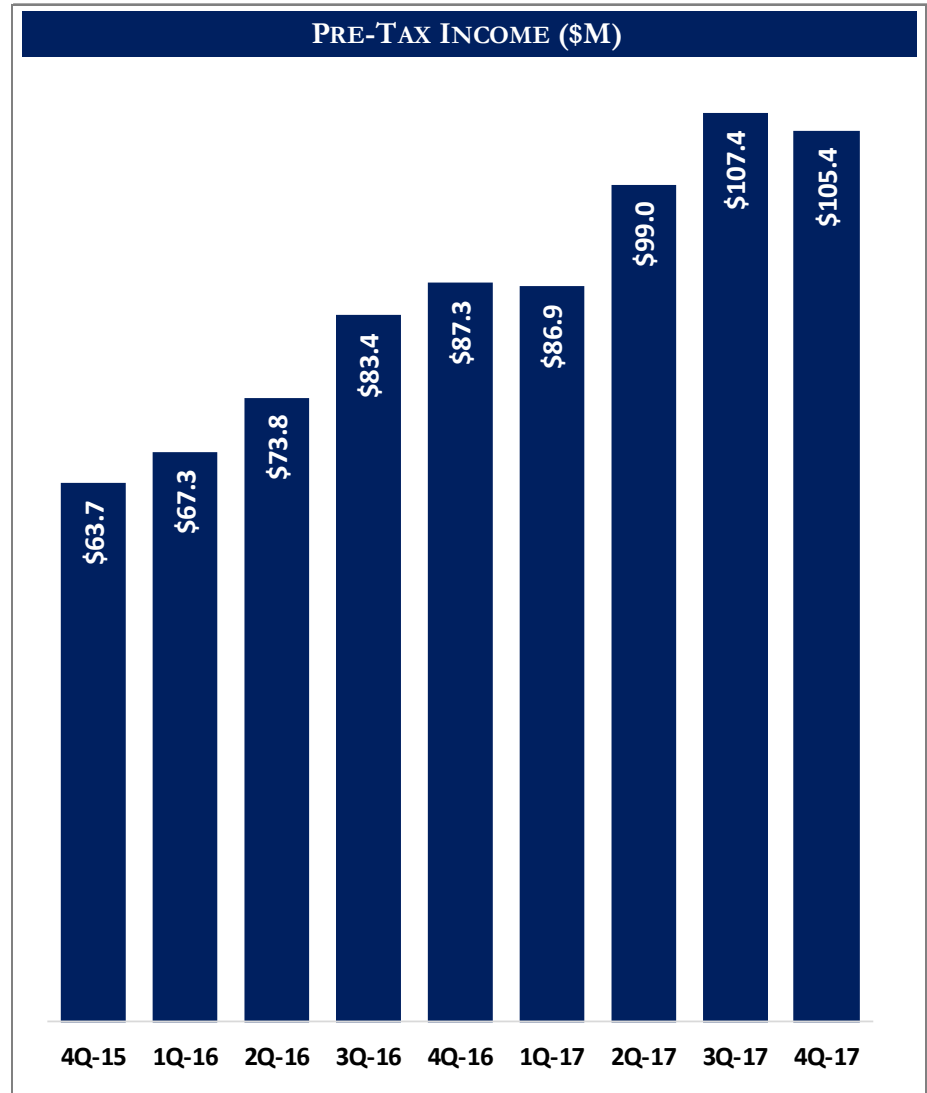
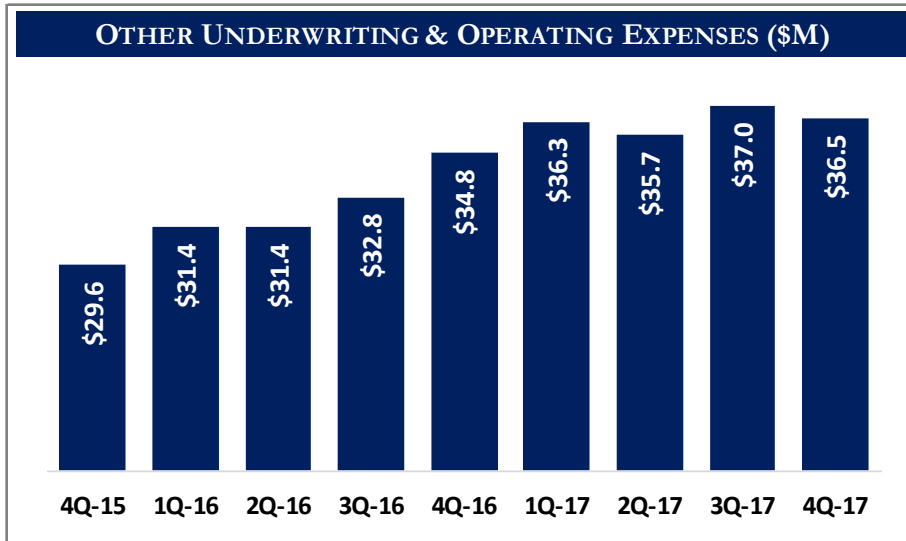
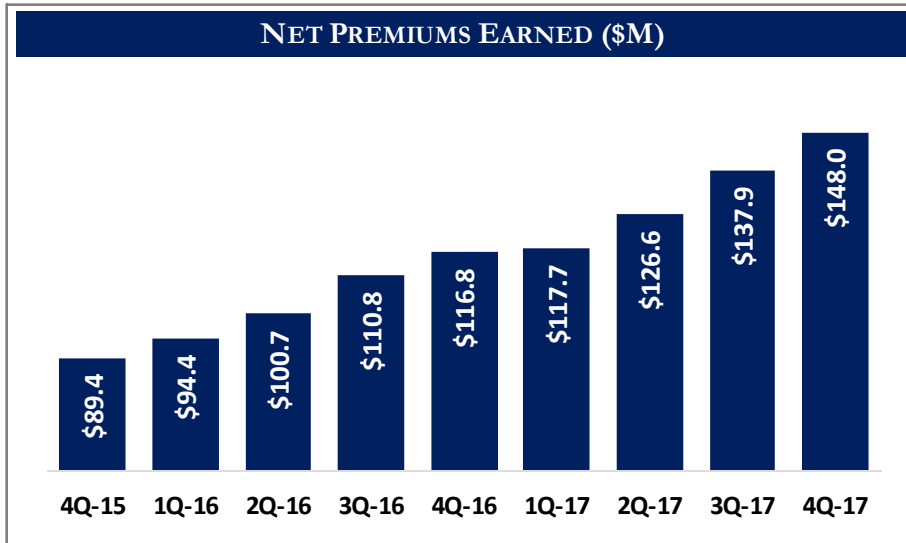
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- Essent Group Ltd. is a Bermuda-based holding company (NYSE: ESNT)
- Essent Guaranty, Inc. is rated BBB+ by S&P and Baa1 by Moody's
- Essent Reinsurance Ltd. is rated BBB+ by S&P
- Operation centers in
 - Radnor, PA
 - Winston-Salem, NC
 - Irvine, CA
- Bermuda-domiciled reinsurance company
- Total IIF of \$110.5B as of December 31, 2017
- Combined risk-to-capital ratio of 14.2:1⁽¹⁾

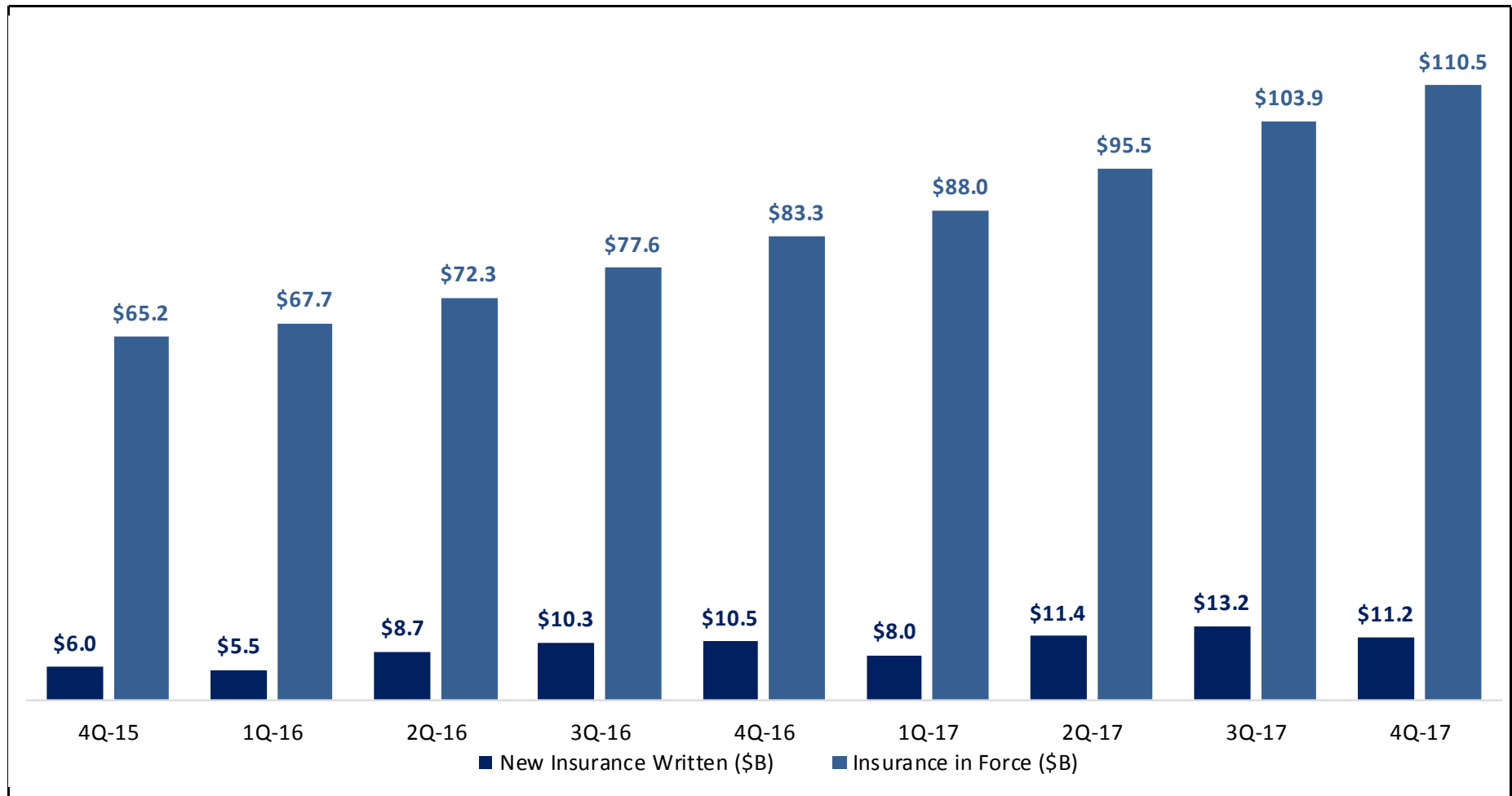


(1) The combined risk-to-capital ratio equals the net risk in force of Essent Guaranty, Inc. and Essent Guaranty of PA, Inc. divided by the combined statutory capital of these U.S. insurance companies.

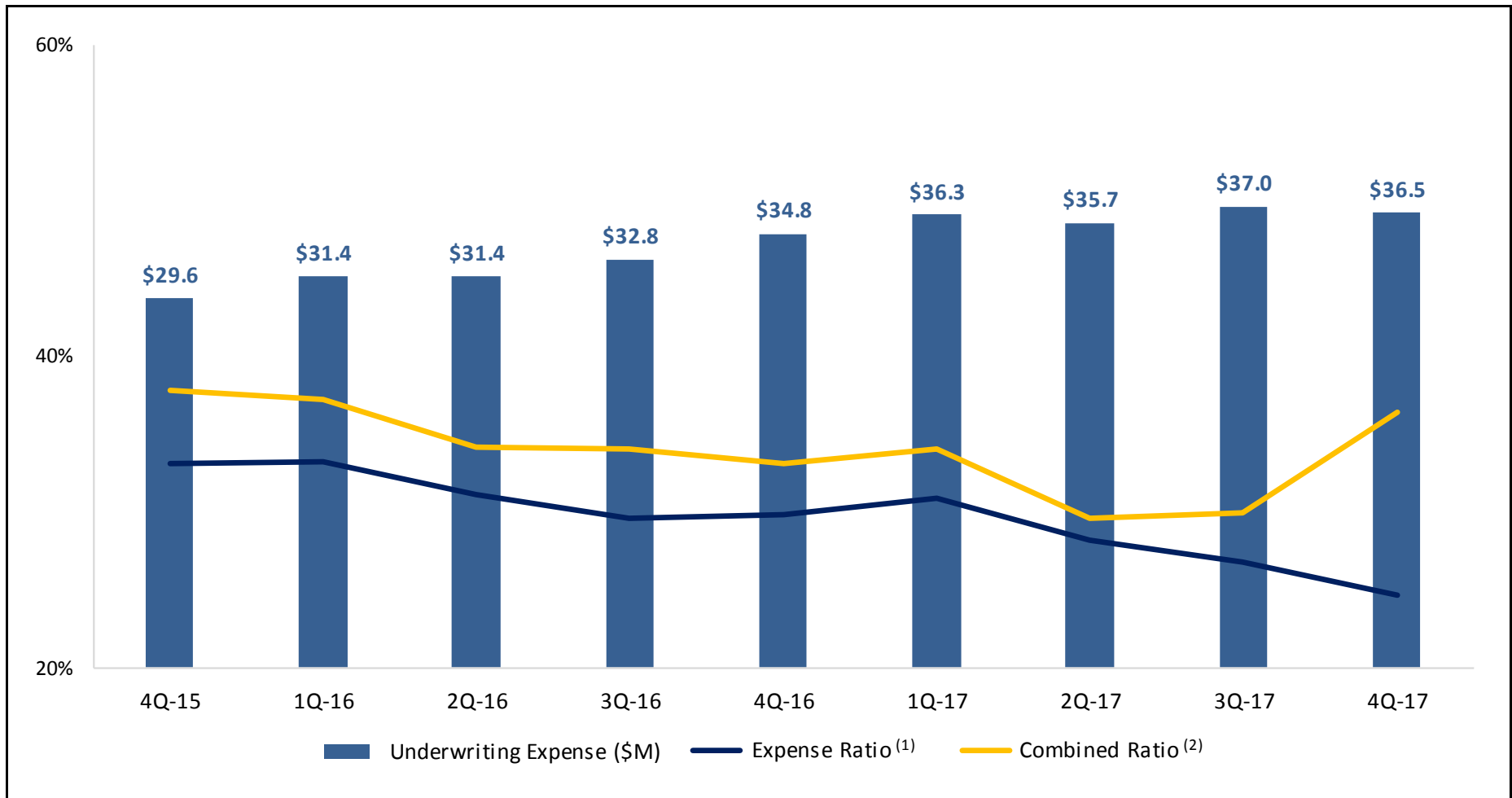
Financial Results



Insurance in Force & New Insurance Written



Underwriting Expenses

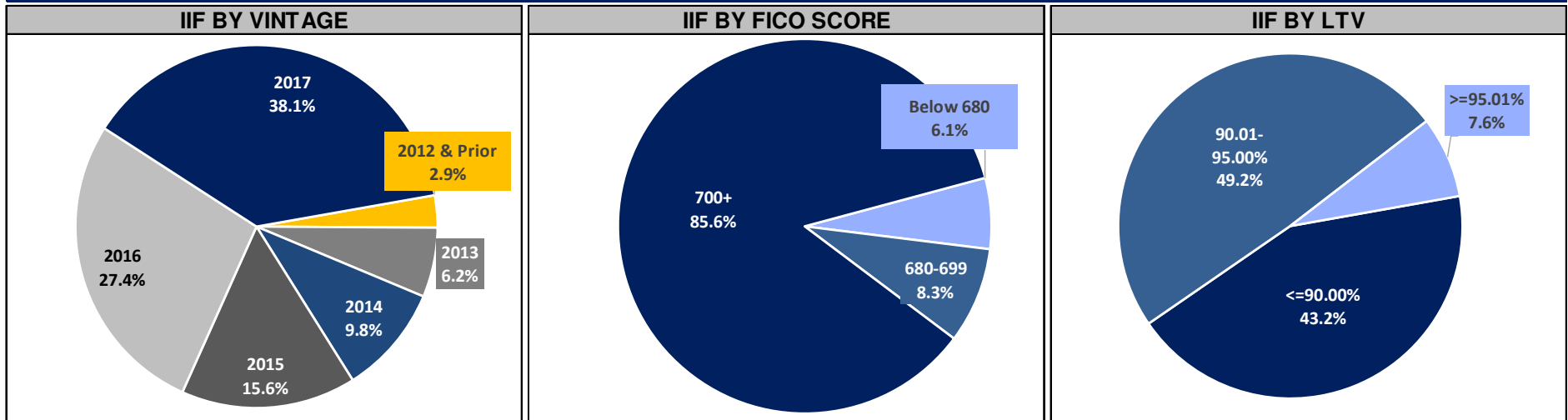


(1) Expense ratio is calculated by dividing other underwriting and operating expenses by net premiums earned.

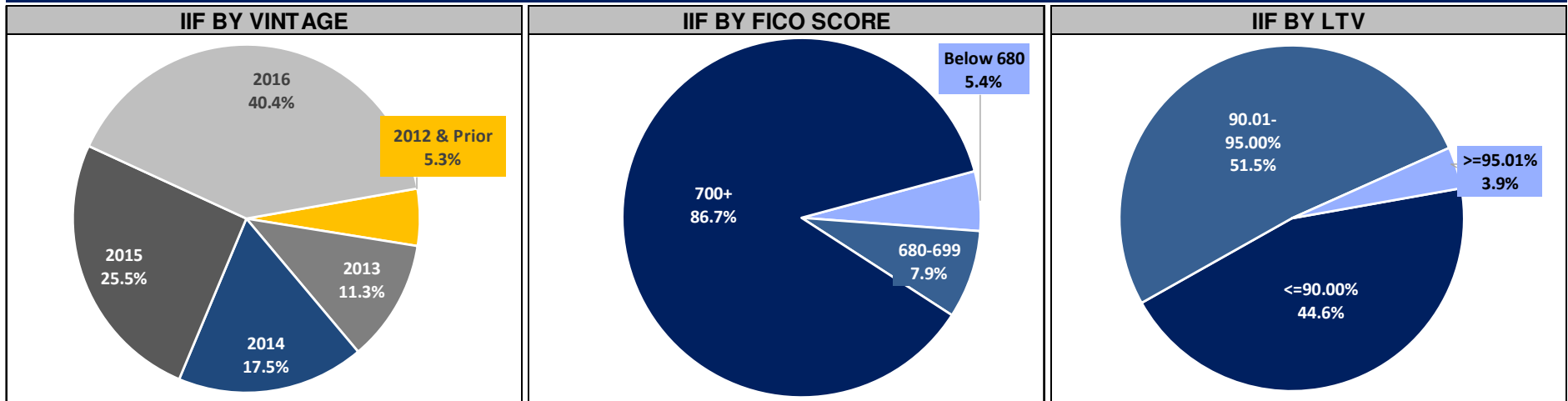
(2) Loss ratio plus expense ratio.

In Force Portfolio

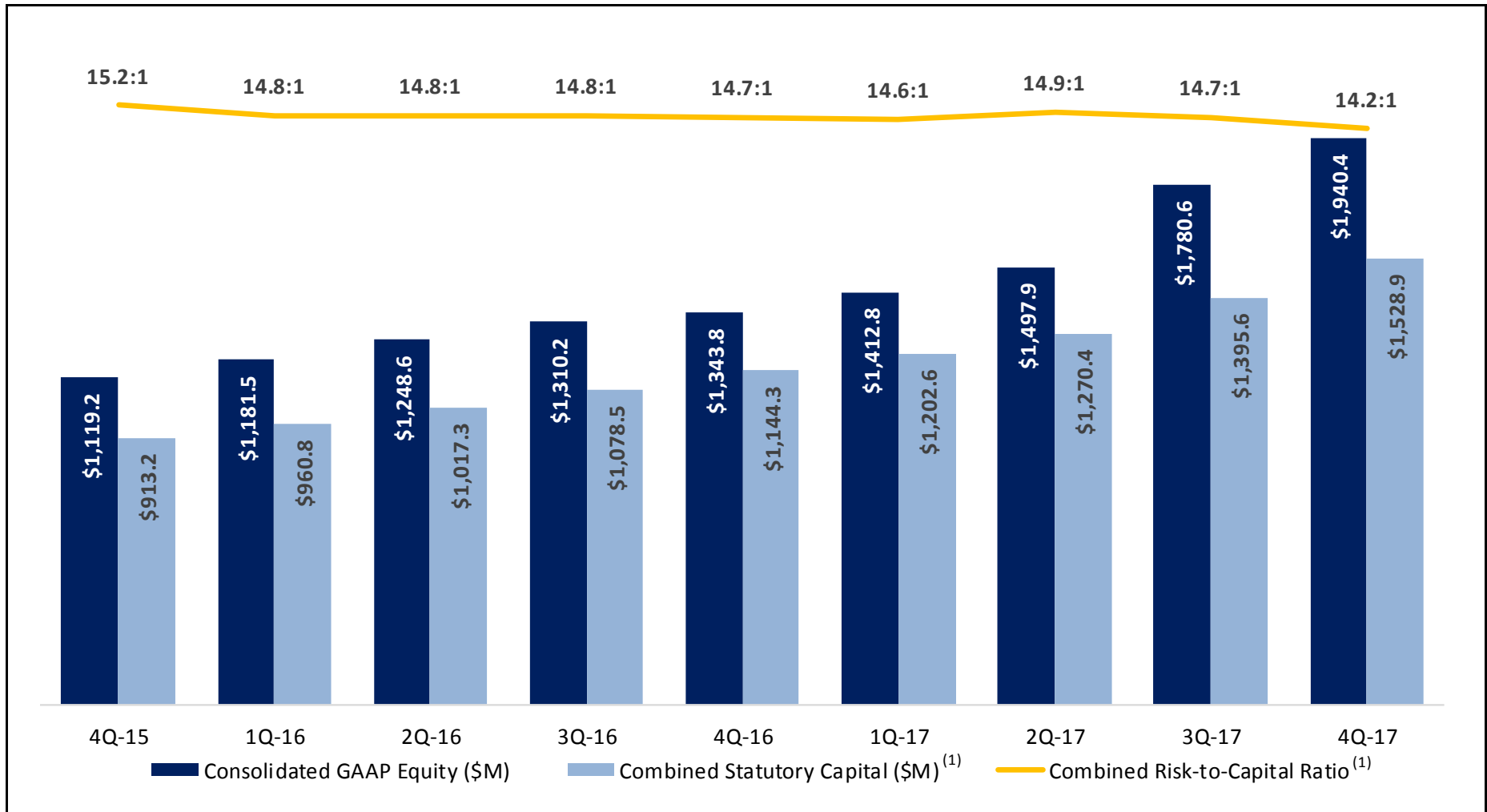
\$110.5 BILLION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017



\$83.3 BILLION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016



Capital and Equity



(1) Represents combined metrics for the U.S. insurance subsidiaries Essent Guaranty, Inc. and Essent Guaranty of PA, Inc.