

Date: May 12, 2025 SE/2025-26/08

### To,

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Mumbai 400 001
Scrip Code: 534804

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Listing Department
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Scrip Code: CARERATING

Dear Sir/ Madam,

# SUB: PRESS RELEASE AND INVESTOR PRESENTATION FOR THE QUARTER AND FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

Please find enclosed herewith the Press Release and Investor Presentation of CARE Ratings Limited for the quarter and financial year ended March 31, 2025 as per the requirement of Regulation 30 and Para A of Part A of Schedule III of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

Kindly take the above on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For CARE Ratings Limited

Manoj Kumar CV
Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Encl: As Above

**CARE Ratings Limited** 



### Investor Release: 12th May, 2025, Mumbai

**CARE Ratings Limited (NSE: CARE, BSE: 534804)** 

The Board of Directors of CARE Ratings Limited have declared its audited financial results for the quarter & financial year ended 31st March 2025.

### STANDALONE FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



### **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**



### **FY25 SEGMENTAL BREAKUP**







Rs. 42.2 Crs

YoY

27%



In FY25, the Indian economy faced multiple headwinds, including slowing global growth, weakness in external demand, and a volatile global environment. As per the Second Advance Estimate, the economy is likely to have grown by 6.5% in FY25, moderating from the 9.2% growth recorded in the previous year.

Investment activity was dampened by a slowdown in public capex, resulting in a moderation of gross fixed capital formation growth to 6.1% in FY25 from 8.8% in FY24. However, overall GDP growth was supported by a pickup in private final consumption expenditure, which accelerated to 7.6% in FY25 from 5.6% last year. This improvement was driven by a recovery in rural demand, although urban demand continued to lag.

Fund-raising activity improved in FY25. Corporate bond issuances rose by 6% to ₹11.0 lakh crore, while commercial paper issuances registered a strong growth of 14.5% to ₹15.7 lakh crore.

Bank credit growth to large industries and the services sector combined, moderated to 10.1% as of March 2025, compared to 16.7% a year earlier. The slowdown in credit to services can largely be attributed to the increased risk weightage for NBFCs. The restoration of risk weights on bank exposure to NBFCs is expected to support credit growth going forward. Credit disbursements to large industries, which account for about 70% of total industrial credit, grew by 6.2%, compared with 6.4% last year.

Looking ahead, GDP growth is projected to moderate further to 6.2% in FY26. Key headwinds for the Indian economy stem from continued uncertainties around global trade policies and their impact on global growth. Nonetheless, moderation in inflation, prospects of a normal monsoon, and lower interest rates are expected to support the Indian economy in the coming year.

Note: The growth figures for bank credit include the impact of the merger of a non-bank with a bank. Data on corporate bond issuances includes public issues and private placements.

# Commenting on the results for Q4 & FY25, Mehul Pandya, Managing Director & Group CEO of Care Edge, said:

"In FY25, CARE Ratings Ltd. achieved its highest-ever standalone and consolidated income from operations, registering year-on-year growth of 19% and 21%, respectively. This performance reflects our steadfast commitment to quality-led growth. Our standalone ratings business continued to demonstrate strong traction, particularly in initial ratings of capital market instruments, securitisation, and bank debt. The consolidated performance was further bolstered by an enhanced contribution from our non-ratings businesses, aided by strong showing from our overseas rating subsidiaries.

The standalone EBITDA improved by 22%, underscoring our continued focus on operational efficiency. Other income also improved, supported by better yields from treasury investments. As a result, standalone PAT registered a healthy growth of 24% over the previous year.

At the consolidated level, the EBITDA margin improved from 34% to 39%, reflecting significantly improved performance across our subsidiaries. Consolidated PAT margin improved from 27% to 31%, reinforcing the strength and scalability of our increasingly diversified business lines.

For Q4 FY25, we recorded a 22% year-on-year growth in both standalone and consolidated income from operations. Notably, standalone and consolidated PAT for the quarter grew by 29% and 77%, respectively, marking a substantial improvement in profitability across the Group.

Built on strong foundations, clear vision and an unwavering commitment to quality, CareEdge is well-positioned for long-term success.

I am happy to share that The Board of Directors has recommended a final dividend of Rs. 11/- per share (of Rs. 10/-face value) which will take the total dividend declared for the year to Rs. 18/- per share."



### **About CARE Ratings Limited**

CareEdge is a knowledge-based analytical group offering services in Credit Ratings, Analytics, Consulting and Sustainability. Established in 1993, the parent company CARE Ratings Ltd. (CareEdge Ratings) is India's second-largest rating agency, with a credible track record of rating companies across diverse sectors and strong position across the segments. The wholly-owned subsidiaries of CareEdge Ratings are (I) CARE Analytics & Advisory Private Ltd (previously known as CARE Risk Solutions Pvt. Ltd.), (II) CARE ESG Ratings Ltd., (previously known as CARE Advisory Research and Training Ltd.) and (III) CareEdge Global IFSC Ltd. CareEdge Ratings' other international subsidiary entities include CARE Ratings (Africa) Pvt. Ltd. in Mauritius, CARE Ratings South Africa (Pty) Ltd., and CARE Ratings Nepal Ltd.

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**Investor Presentation** 

Q4 & FY25

## Safe Harbour



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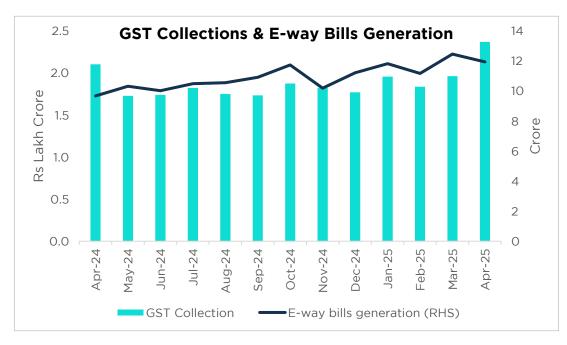
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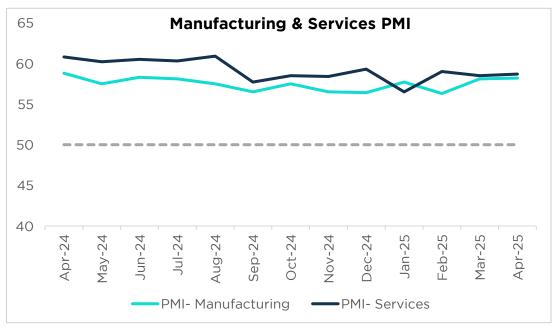
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## Lead Indicators: GST Collections, E-Way Bills & PMI





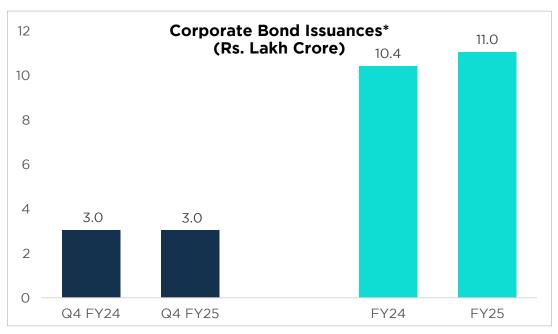


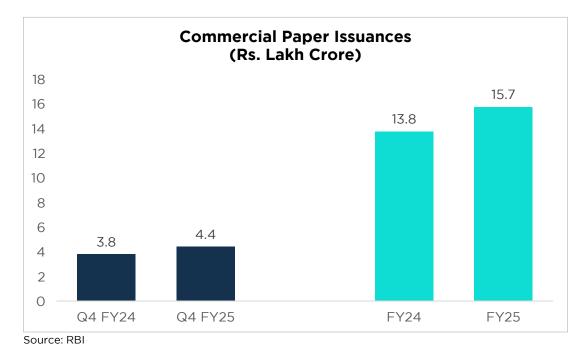
Source: CIEC Source: CEIC

- GST collections and E-way bills generation have maintained healthy momentum in FY25
- Slight moderation in manufacturing and services PMI since the beginning of the fiscal year, but both indices remain in the expansionary zone

## **Fundraising Activity in the Economy**







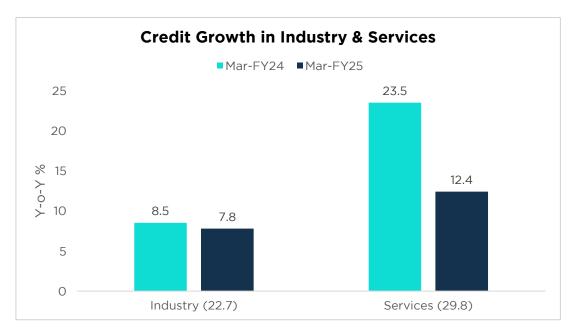
Source: Prime database; Data Extracted on 12th May 2025;

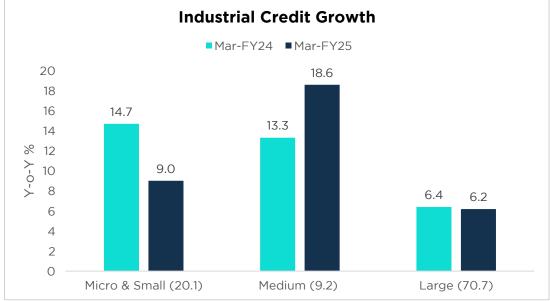
- Corporate bond issuances rose by 6% (y-o-y) in FY25, while commercial paper issuances saw a sharper increase of 14.5% during the same period.
- Overall fundraising activity in the economy increased in FY25.

<sup>\*</sup> Includes public issues as well as private placements

## **Bank Credit Offtake**







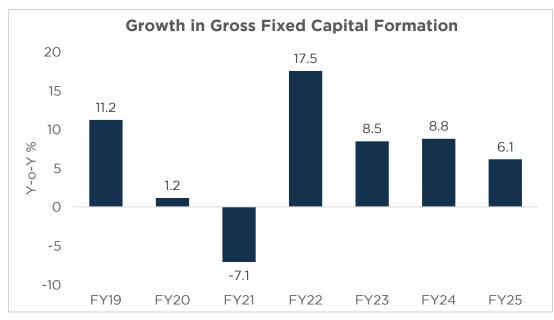
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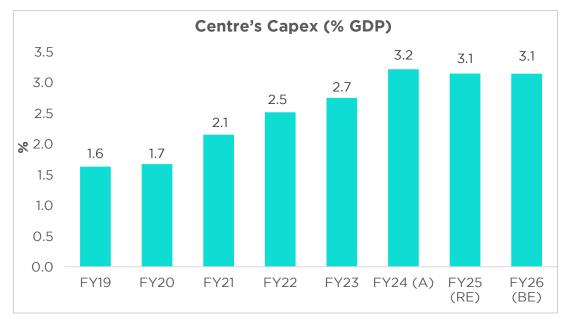
- Bank credit growth to large industries and services combined moderated to 10.1% as of Mar-25 compared to 16.7% as of Mar-24.
- The moderation in bank credit to services can be attributed to the increased risk weightage for NBFCs. Restoring risk weights on bank exposure to NBFCs is expected to support credit growth going forward.
- Growth in credit disbursements to large industries (~70% share in total industrial credit) was seen at a 6.2% compared to 6.4% last year.

## **Centre to Maintain Emphasis on Capex in FY26**





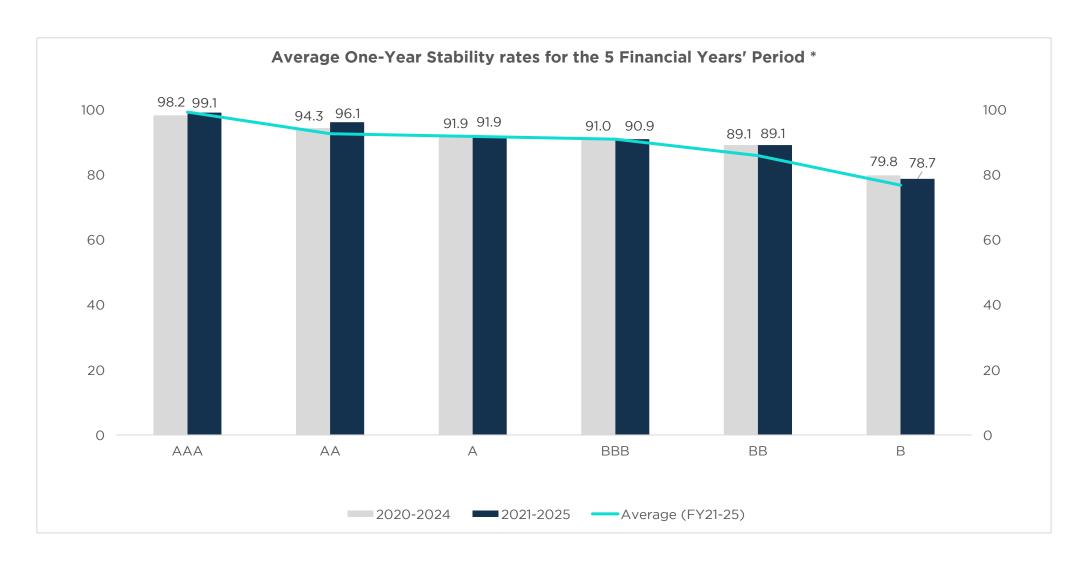




- In FY25, investment in the economy was impacted by a slowdown in public capex
- Centre's capex is budgeted to rise by 10.1% (y-o-y) to Rs 11.2 trillion in FY26
- Capex-to-GDP ratio is budgeted at 3.1% in FY26, unchanged from the previous year and much higher than the pre-COVID (FY19) level of 1.6%

## CareEdge Ratings' stability rates Vs industry average (in %)





<sup>\*</sup> Source: Data published by CRAs on their respective websitae



## **Standalone: Q4 & FY25 Key Highlights**



REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS

EBITDA & EBITDA Margin %

PAT & PAT Margin %

**Earning Per Share** 

**FY25** 



Rs. 155.2 Crs
YoY
22%

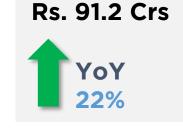
Margin: 46 %

Rs. 147.9 Crs
YoY
24%

Margin: 38 %

Rs. 49.49

**Q4FY25** 



Rs. 45.8 Crs
YoY
31%

Margin: 50 %



Rs. 15.00

## **Consolidated: Q4 & FY25 Key Highlights**





EBITDA & EBITDA Margin %

PAT & PAT Margin %

**Earning Per Share** 

**FY25** 



Rs. 109.7 Crs

Rs. 155.3 Crs



Margin: 39 %

Rs. 140.0 Crs



Margin : 31 %

**Q4FY25** 



Rs. 47.4 Crs



**Margin: 43 %** 

Rs. 43.4 Crs



Margin: 35 %

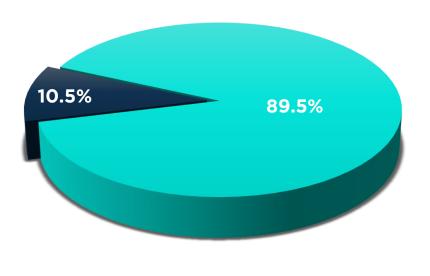
Rs. 45.89

Rs. 14.24

## **Consolidated: Segmental Contribution**







■ Ratings Business ■ Non-Ratings Business

RS. 360.1 Crs

RATINGS
BUSINESS

Rs. 360.1 Crs

YoY
21 %

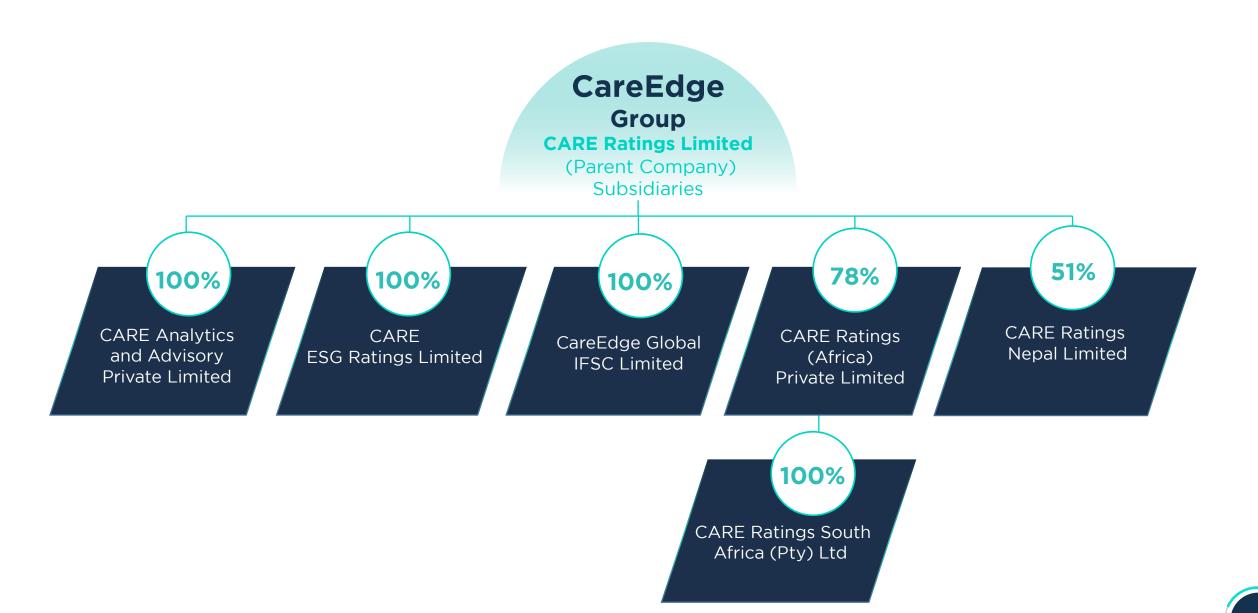
Rs. 42.2 Crs
NON-RATINGS
BUSINESS

Rs. 42.2 Crs

YoY
27 %









## **Overall Ratings Business**



### CareEdge Ratings - India

- Incorporated in 1993, India's second largest credit rating agency licensed by SEBI & accredited by RBI
- Strong position across BFSI, Infrastructure & Corporate sector ratings

## Ratings Business

### CareEdge Global IFSC Limited (Subsidiary of CARE Ratings Ltd. with 100% stake)

- Licence received from IFSCA, 39 countries sovereign rating released
- Assigned global scale ratings of combined debt value about USD 3 billion

### CARE Ratings (Africa) Private Limited (Subsidiary of CARE Ratings Ltd. with 78% stake)

- Incorporated in 2014, Multilateral and Institutional Shareholding AFDB, MCB Eq. Fund, SBM (NFC) etc.
- Established CARE Ratings South Africa (Pty) Ltd., received the regulatory approval to offer Credit Ratings services including Sovereign Ratings

### CARE Ratings Nepal Limited (Subsidiary of CARE Ratings Ltd. with 51% stake)

- Incorporated and registered in Nepal, Licensed by SEBON, Institutional Shareholding
- Significant coverage of Nepal's financial services landscape

# Other Ratings

### **CARE ESG Ratings Limited (Subsidiary of CARE Ratings Ltd. with 100% stake)**

- SEBI approved Category I ESG Ratings provider following issuer-pays model
- 6 ESG Ratings assignment executed



## **CARE Analytics and Advisory Private Limited (CAAPL)**



### **Advisory Services**

### **Advisory & Consulting Practice**

- · Bespoke Consulting
- Feasibility Studies
- Financial appraisals
- Techno-Economic Viability (TEV) studies
- Risk advisory
- · Transaction advisory

### **Sustainability Practice**

- ESG Strategy and Integration
- Green/Social Bond SPOs
- BRSR/ESG/GRI Reporting
- Climate Change & Decarbonization Strategy
- ESG Due Diligence
- Impact Analysis & Assessment
- ESG Trainings
- GHG inventorization
- Life Cycle Assessments

### **Grading Services**

- AIF /MFI / COCA/ NGO/ LPG Grading
- Corporate Governance

### **Research Services**

- · Customized Sectoral Research
- Industry Risk Scores
- Research for Global Fund Houses

### **Analytics Services**

### **Risk Consulting**

- Valuation Services
- Scorecard & Model creation/validations
- Policy & SOP Reviews

### **Digital Banking Solutions**

- Customer Journey enhancements
- Platform evaluation support
- Project Management services for implementations

### **Risk Analytics**

- Risk Score Cards (Application, Behavioral, Fraud & Internal Rating)
- IFRS (PD, LGD, EAD Models)
- Credit Monitoring Early Warning and Fraud Management
- Basel III Compliance Products (Credit Risk, Market Risk and Operational Risk)





		For Q4 FY25	For FY25	Growth For FY25	
	Reports Published	94	333	1.2%	
B	Webinars	12	28	7.6%	
	Knowledge Sharing & Speaker Forums	14	127	15.4%	
() - () - () - () - () - () - () - () -	Media coverages	2,071	6,828	195.0%	
	Opinion pieces published in Media	10	46	76.9%	
A	TV interviews	8	26	52.9%	
6 <u>6</u> —	Individual Interactions & Quotes in Media	345	1517	81.1%	

## Outreach Activities: Q4 FY25





CareEdge Global along with IFSCA and INDIA INX hosted 'The Dialogue' on 'Navigating GIFT City Issuances' in Mumbai.

CareEdge Ratings hosted 'Charcha', focusing on 'Navigating Growth Amid Risks' in the BFSI industry', in Jaipur.



CareEdge Global along with IFSCA and INDIA INX hosted 'The Dialogue' on 'Navigating GIFT City Issuances' in New Delhi



#### CareEdge as Knowledge Partner

CareEdge Ratings associated as a Knowledge Partner with ET MSME Awards 2024

CareEdge Advisory was the knowledge partner for FPJ's India's Best Annual Report Awards - 2024







CareEdge Ratings Capex report quoted in the Economic Survey: CareEdge Ratings stands as India's trusted source for comprehensive economic surveys, providing valuable insights.





**Other Highlights** 

CareEdge Africa celebrated its 10th Anniversary, marking a decade of growth and innovation.



CareEdge Analytics proudly announced the launch of EdgeAvira.Al, the nextgen Al-driven platform.



## **Outreach Activities: Q4 FY25**



### **Knowledge Sharing Forums & Speaker Invitations**































## **Together for a Better Tomorrow**



# 3,150+

Children supported through
Healthcare projects providing
Paediatric cardiac surgeries, Type 1
Diabetes care, Education facilities
through book bank, E-learning facilities
& street kids Rehabilitation Projects

We support the following
Sustainable Development Goals
out of the 17 goals as adopted by
the United Nations

1200+

Patients supported through Essential healthcare services like palliative care for cancer patients, Kidney transplants, Ventilator facilities & motorized beds etc 600+

Women supported through
Healthcare kits for expectant
mothers, Education & financial
sustainability projects like Millet
Value Chain, tailoring & computer
education for women in rural areas

23%

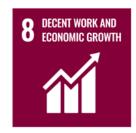
The CSR budget supports Defence personnel and their families, such as VeerNaris of our Martyrs, developing a school for children of Navy personnel with special needs, and supporting the needs of paraplegic defence forces.























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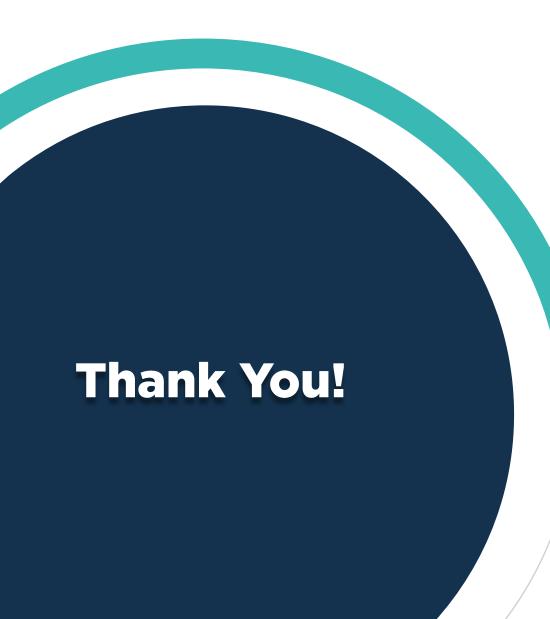
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