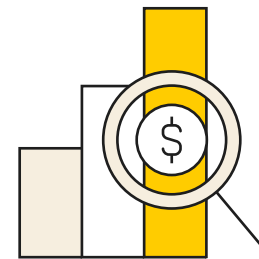


Reporting Season Wrap

February 2022



Impact of the pandemic

Covid-driven lockdowns, subsequent re-openings and pressure on profits and margins caused by supply-chain disruptions all featured. Cash levels are at record highs, giving companies plenty of options.



Companies more cautious

More firms have chosen to cut or leave dividends steady. Supply chain issues and labour shortages are pushing up costs, central banks are preparing to lift interest rates and geopolitical issues dominate.

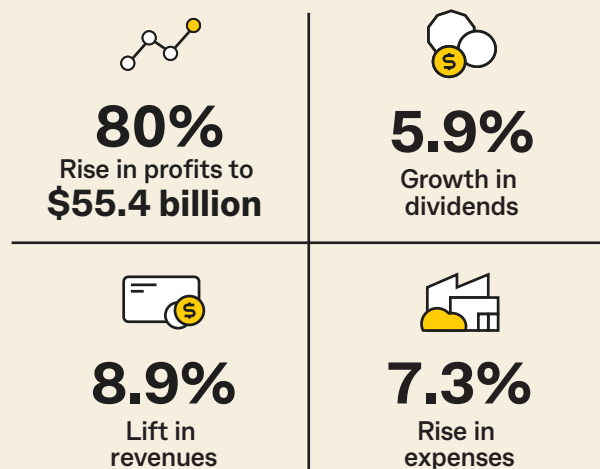


Buy-backs announced

A number of companies announced buy-backs of shares including JB Hi-Fi; Commonwealth Bank; G8 Education; Whitehaven Coal; BlueScope Steel; Chorus and Silver Lake Resources.

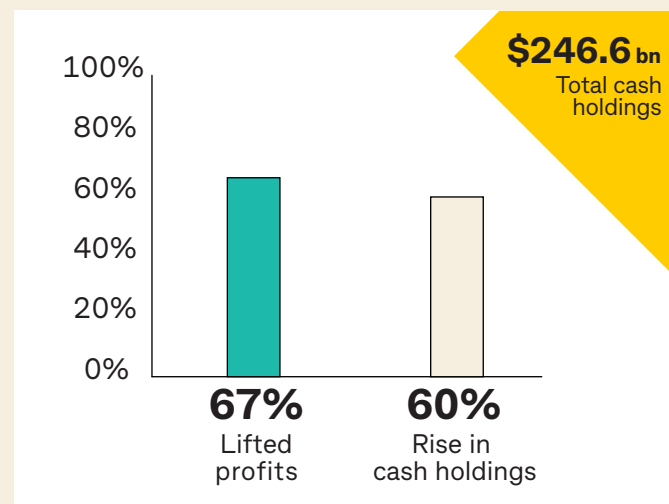
Results at a glance

Aggregate results of 138 companies from the S&P/ASX200 Index reporting half-year results to December.



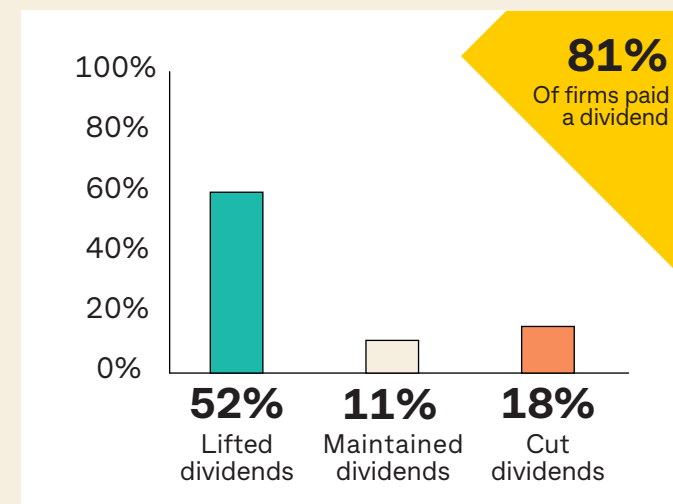
Company Profits

Cost pressures remain a dominant concern.



Dividend results

Of the S&P/ASX200 companies reporting half-year results to December.



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