

Summary Of Brokers Calls

Company	СМР	Call	Target AUD	Ву
ALD	\$29.25	Outperform	\$36.50	Macquarie
ALX	\$6.05	Hold	\$6.43	Morgans
ВХВ	\$13.95	Buy	\$15.90	UBS
СВО	\$1.22	Buy	\$1.75	Bell Potter
DBI	\$2.64	Add	\$2.76	Morgans
DXC	\$2.53	e text	\$3.18	Morgans
GQG	\$1.51	Outperform	\$2.15	Macquarie
MFG	\$8.38	Hold	\$9.85	Morgans

ALD AMPOL LIMITED Overnight Price: \$ 29.25

Macquarie rates ALD as Outperform

Ampol looks set to have sustained a weaker second quarter because of lower refining margins and the outage at Lytton. As a result Macquarie reduces estimates for 2023 by -7%. The target is lowered to \$36.50 from \$39.45 to reflect earnings downgrades.

Outperform maintained. The broker suggests any weakness stemming from "messy" second quarter results may provide the opportunity to accumulate the stock.



ALX ATLAS ARTERIA Overnight Price: \$ 6.05

Morgans rates ALX as Hold

Ahead of the August reporting season, Morgans updates its forecasts for infrastructure stocks under its coverage for the significant shift in interest rates since the broker's last review in April.

Since that time, forward interest rates have increased by more than 1% weighing on the cost of debt, explains Morgans, while for some stocks a decline in both the Australian dollar and the AUD/Euro exchange rate have had beneficial impacts. Atlas Arteria does benefit from these favourable currency movements and the broker also raises its DPS outlook to reflect significant cash balances at the fund level that build up from upgraded APRR distribution forecasts.

BXB BRAMBLES LIMITED Overnight Price: \$ 13.95

UBS rates BXB as Buy

UBS expects Brambles' result due in August will show the company's free cash flow recovery is likely to carry into FY24, the broker expecting a FY24 run rate of \$300m down from \$330m in FY23 after dividends...

The broker expects prices will "slow down but not go down" with most of the recent uptick attributable to a normalisation of lumber prices, and that better asset control and fewer replacement purchases are likely to kick in from here. UBS foresees further upside in the target price, believing the company has not fully rerated, observing it is trading at a discount to the sector peers. Still, the broker expects August guidance to be conservative.

CBO COBRAM ESTATE OLIVES LIMITED

Overnight Price: \$ 1.22

Bell Potter rates CBO as Buy

Bell Potter is reviewing Cobram Estate Olives following the Paine Schwartz offer for Costa Group ((CGC)). Many of the same traits are present such as a seasonally-depressed yield pushing the share price towards the underlying value of the agricultural assets, implying little for the brands.

After the company recently downgraded its FY23 yield outcome, the broker adjusts forecasts to reflect the smaller harvest and higher base interest rates. Yet this is a portfolio of assets which are yet to reach economic maturity and the current share price, in the broker's view, ignores the uplift in asset values likely to accrue by FY30.



DBI DALRYMPLE BAY INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED

Overnight Price: \$ 2.64

Morgans rates DBI as Add

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DXC DEXUS CONVENIENCE RETAIL REIT

Overnight Price: \$ 2.53

Morgans rates DXC as Add

Morgans updates its forecasts for Dexus Convenience Retail REIT for a loss of income due to asset sales as well as a higher interest cost assumption, and the broker's target falls to \$3.18 from \$3.53.

Across FY23 asset sales were around 5% of the total portfolio, observes the analyst, and the REIT has announced the sale of three further assets totaling \$15.4m with proceeds used to pay down debt. Preliminary revaluations of the portfolio as at June 30 have also resulted in cap rates expanding by 20bps with values falling by -2.9%. The Add rating is unchanged.

GQG GQG PARTNERS INC

Overnight Price: \$ 1.51

Macquarie rates GQG as Outperform

GQG Partners reported net inflows of \$1.2 bn in the June quarter and confirmed client demand is "reasonable". Macquarie notes the relative performance metrics have been more mixed in 2023, resulting in a slowing of net flows.

Emerging market equities in terms of relative performance are well ahead on a one and three-year basis, with international equities around benchmark. The broker believes the performance history and recent flows warrant a premium multiple and an Outperform rating is maintained. Target rises to \$2.15 from \$2.05.



MFG MAGELLAN FINANCIAL GROUP LIMITED Overnight Price: \$ 8.38

Morgans rates MFG as Hold

Morgans marks-to-market its forecasts for Magellan Financial and lowers its target to \$9.85 from \$10.02 on FY24/25 downgrades of around -3-4% due to lower funds under management (FUM). Hold.

The group experienced outflows of -\$2.1bn in June-23 and -\$10.2bn in the calendar year-to-date. While the broker believes the peak for outflows has passed, they still continue and present risks to the Retail FUM base.

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