

SIGNAL IDUNA Allgemeine Versicherung Aktiengesellschaft

Update

Key Rating Drivers

Mutual Ownership: German non-life insurer SIGNAL IDUNA Allgemeine Versicherung Aktiengesellschaft (SIAV) and Swiss reinsurer SIGNAL IDUNA Rueckversicherungs AG (SI Re) are members of the German SIGNAL IDUNA (Signal Iduna) insurance group. SIAV's and SI Re's ultimate parent is the mutual life insurer SIGNAL IDUNA Lebensversicherung a. G. (SIL), which is one of the three mutual insurers heading Signal Iduna. Fitch Ratings views SIAV and SI Re as 'Core' to SIL.

Strong Company Profile: Fitch assesses Signal Iduna's operating scale as 'Moderate', with expected total assets of EUR66 billion and gross written premiums (GWP) of EUR7 billion in 2024. We expect the company to continue ranking 11th in the German primary insurance market by GWP. Its competitive position benefits from its large network of tied agents and exclusive partners, as well as from its strong links to the official bodies of crafts and commerce and the public service.

Strong Capitalisation: We assess SIL's capitalisation as strong, as shown by Signal Iduna's group Solvency II (S2) ratio of 156% at end-2024, excluding transitional measures (end-2023: 141%). We expect Signal Iduna's S2 ratio to be less sensitive to interest-rate changes following a reduction in the duration gap between its assets and liabilities in the past three years.

Its Prism Global score, based on SIL's consolidated accounts, increased to 'Extremely Strong' at end-2023 from 'Very Strong' at end-2022. SIAV reported a strong S2 ratio of 187% at end-2024 (178%).

Strong Profitability: SIL's strong financial performance is reflected by a Fitch-calculated five-year average net combined ratio of 98.8%. However, this ratio deteriorated to 102.7% in 2024 (2023: 100.4%; 2022: 96.5%), primarily due to heightened claims inflation in the motor segment and an increase in average claims costs. Despite this decline, the trend is broadly in line with market developments.

Strong ALM: Fitch views SIL's asset and liability management (ALM) as strong. SIL has maintained the duration gap between its liabilities and assets at low levels after it was reduced in recent years. We expect SIL to closely monitor its duration gap and to keep it at low levels.

Very Strong Reserving: Fitch regards non-life reserving practices as very strong. This view is supported by an average release of 9.1% of the prior-year reserve for 2020–2024, far stronger than Fitch's estimate for the German non-life market five-year average of 5.9%.

Rating Sensitivities

Factors that Could, Individually or Collectively, Lead to Negative Rating Action/Downgrade

- Decline of Signal Iduna's S2 ratio to below 125% on a sustained basis.
- A fall of the Prism score to the lower end of the 'Strong' category.
- A net combined ratio of more than 104% on a sustained basis.

Factors that Could, Individually or Collectively, Lead to Positive Rating Action/Upgrade

- A sustained improvement of Signal Iduna's S2 ratio to more than 160% while maintaining the Prism score at least at 'Very Strong' and financial performance at current levels.

Key Rating Drivers - Scoring Summary

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Other Criteria Elements				
Provisional IFS				A
Non-insurance Attributes	Positive	Neutral	Negative	+0
Ownership / Group Support	Positive	Neutral	Negative	+0
Transfer & Convertibility / Country Ceiling	Yes	No	AAA	+0
Insurer Financial Strength Rating				A

Bar Chart Legend:

Vertical Bars = Range of Driver

Bar Colors = Relative Importance

- Higher Influence
- Moderate Influence
- Lower Influence

Bar Arrows = Driver Outlook

- Positive
- Negative
- Evolving
- Stable

Ratings

SIGNAL IDUNA Allgemeine Versicherung Aktiengesellschaft	
Insurer Financial Strength	A
SIGNAL IDUNA Rueckversicherungs AG	
Insurer Financial Strength	A
Outlooks	
Insurer Financial Strength	Stable

Financial Data

SIGNAL IDUNA Lebensversicherung a. G.

(EURm)	End-2024	End-2023
Total assets	37,217	36,516
Total equity and reserves	1,936	1,879
Total gross written premiums	3,544	3,348
Net income	71	132
Solvency II (%)	156	141

Note: Consolidated German GAAP.
Source: Fitch Ratings, SIL

Applicable Criteria

[Insurance Rating Criteria \(March 2024\)](#)

Related Research

[German Non-Life Dashboard: Mid-Year Update 2024 \(August 2024\)](#)

[German Insurers' Non-Life Premium Growth Offsets Rise in Claims and Reinsurance Cost \(May 2025\)](#)

[European Insurance Outlook 2025 \(December 2024\)](#)

[German Composite Insurers - Peer Review \(November 2024\)](#)

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