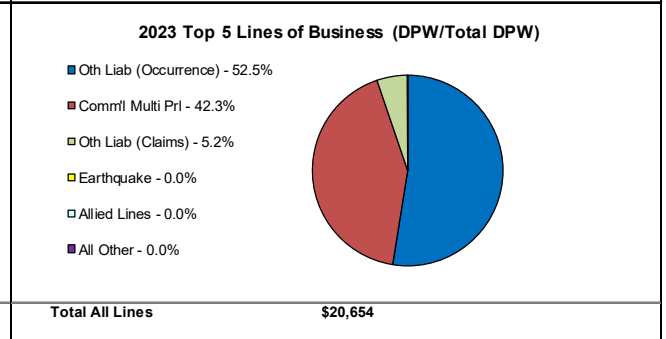
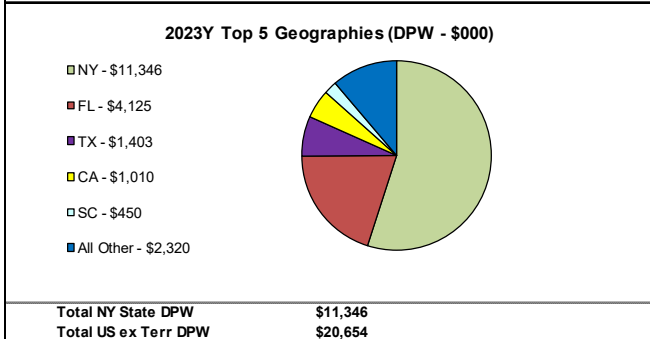
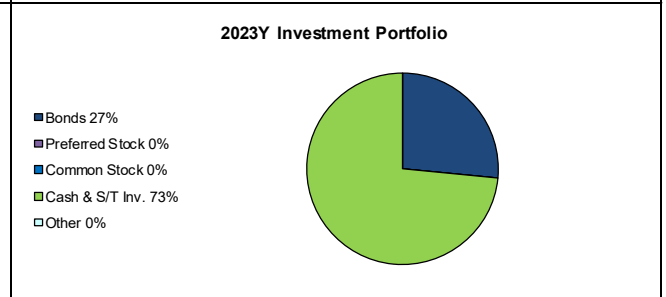
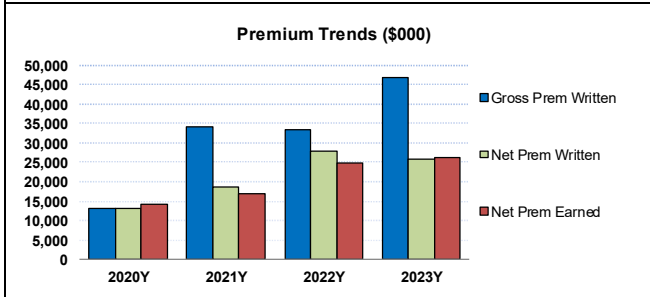
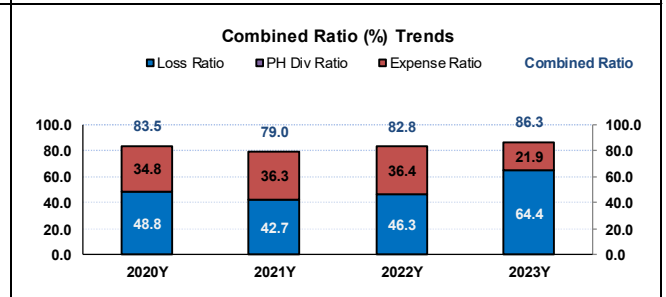
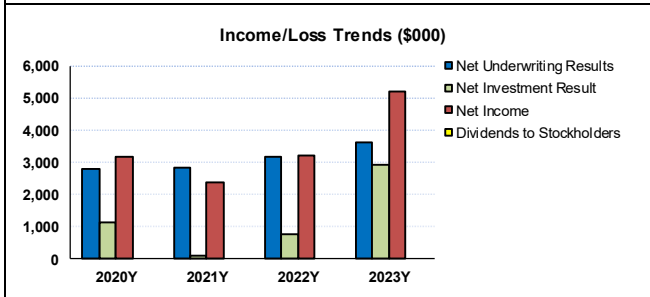




**SUPERIOR SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, NAIC #16551**  
**PARENT – Market Group, Inc**

Dollars in 000

	2020Y	2021Y	2022Y	2023Y		2020Y	2021Y	2022Y	2023Y
Total Assets	74,978	81,347	90,857	113,649	RBC Ratio (%)	1,841.0	2,714.9	3,815.5	7,950.8
Total Liabilities	17,084	20,900	27,117	44,718	2yr Res Development	-103	-330	-920	-546
Policyholder Surplus	57,894	60,447	63,741	68,931	2yr Dev / Surplus	-20.3%	-60.3%	-158.9%	-90.3%
Cash & Invested Assets	67,622	72,817	81,256	87,257	Affiliated Common Stock	0	0	0	0
Cash & Invested Assets / Total Assets	90.2%	89.5%	89.4%	76.8%	Affiliated CS / Surplus	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Net Cash from Operations	1,329	5,252	8,481	5,881	Net Reins Recoverable	15,816	24,110	20,190	21,334
Loss & LAE Reserves	2,019	2,589	3,689	4,525	Net Reins Rec / Surplus	27.3%	39.9%	31.7%	30.9%
Loss & LAE Reserves/Surplus	3.5%	4.3%	5.8%	6.6%	AMB / S&P Ratings	A / NR	A / NR	A / NR	A / NR



**TOP 5 REINSURERS FOR SUPERIOR SPECIALTY INS CO. BY GROSS RECOVERABLES**

PERIOD: 2023Y

Dollars in 000

Reinsurer	Reinsurance Class	Reins Authorized Status	Gross Recov	Over 120 Days Overdue
1 - Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance Company of America	US Unaffiliated	Authorized	7,983	0
2 - Vantage Risk Insurance Corporation	US Unaffiliated	Unauthorized	7,125	0
3 - Star Insurance Company	US Unaffiliated	Authorized	5,905	0
4 - Westfield Insurance Company	US Unaffiliated	Authorized	5,845	0
5 - Market Global Reinsurance Company	US Affiliated Non-captive Non-pooling	Authorized	3,147	0

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## ULTIMATE PARENT – Markel Group, Inc

Corporate Profile		Financial Strength Ratings
Address:	Markel Group Inc. 4521 Highw oods Parkw ay Glen Allen, VA, 23060	S&P Global: - Moody's: #OUTSIDE SUBSCRIPTION Fitch: - AM Best - P&C: -
Website:	<a href="http://www.markel.com">www.markel.com</a>	
President :	-	
Ticker Symbol:	NYSE: MKL	
SEC Filing:	<a href="#">10-K</a>	

Highlights (\$000)	2020Y	2021Y	2022Y	2023Y
Total Assets	41,710,054	48,477,096	49,791,259	55,045,710
Total Policy Reserves	21,725,607	24,465,493	27,819,367	30,774,801
Total Debt	4,049,272	4,932,603	4,658,023	4,437,013
Total Other Liabilities	1,888,717	2,464,050	2,740,015	3,137,604
Sep Account Liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total Liabilities	28,649,731	33,275,508	36,054,220	39,519,817
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>12,814,681</b>	<b>14,740,210</b>	<b>13,213,885</b>	<b>15,056,208</b>
Total Liab & Equity	41,464,412	48,015,718	49,268,105	54,576,025
Book Value / Share (\$)	885.67	1,036.20	935.65	1,095.95
Reserves / Investments & Cash (x)	0.87	0.85	1.00	0.98
Reserves / Liabilities (x)	0.76	0.74	0.77	0.78
Reserves / Equity (x)	1.70	1.66	2.11	2.04
Debt / Equity (x)	0.32	0.33	0.35	0.29
Dec. 31 Closing Price (\$)	1,033.30	1,234.00	1,317.49	1,419.90
Net Income (\$)	831,767	2,447,735	-103,357	2,101,090
Basic EPS (\$)	55.67	176.92	-23.72	147.32
Investment Yield (%)	4.40	8.76	-4.18	7.73
Ratios (%)				
Loss Ratio	61.80	55.10	58.60	64.20
Expense Ratio	36.00	35.30	33.20	34.20
PH Dividend Ratio	<u>-0.10</u>	<u>-0.10</u>	<u>-0.10</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Combined Ratio	97.70	90.30	91.70	98.40

## HISTORY

Superior Specialty Insurance Company (Superior Specialty) was incorporated in the State of Missouri in December 1985, as Savers Property and Casualty Insurance Company, a subsidiary of Franklin Insurance Holdings, Inc. Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Inc. acquired the company July 1990. Fosun International Holdings Ltd acquired the Meadowbrook Insurance Group in July 2015. For reasons not currently known, the company became a subsidiary of Starr Insurance Company (Starr), through which it had participated in an intercompany reinsurance agreement which was novated, Oct. 1, 2016, and all risks were assumed by Starr. The company was sold as a shell company in 2018 to State National Insurance Company (State National), a wholly owned subsidiary of Markel Corporation (Markel). The company has been eligible to write surplus lines business in New York since September 24, 1990. As of December 31, 2023, Superior Specialty is domiciled in Delaware as a domestic surplus line insurer and operated on a non-admitted basis in all fifty- (50) states and the District of Columbia.

## REINSURANCE

Effective January 1, 2019, Superior Specialty participates in an intercompany pooling agreement including seven (7) affiliates, with its parent, State National, pool lead retaining 30%. All business written is ceded to the pool and the company receives 10% of the combined pool. As such, the financial strength of the company is heavily dependent on the underwriting performance of its fellow pool members, the credit risk of State National/Markel, as well as investment risk of its own investment portfolio, managed in common by Markel. Because of its recent purchase as a shell co. by State National/Markel, analytical data for the years 2016 to 2018 was not considered meaningful. Nonetheless, for the years 2020 through 2023 net recoverable was shown as \$16M, \$24M, \$20M and \$21M, representing 27%, 40%, 32% and 31% of company surplus.

## HOLDING COMPANY

Founded in 1930, in Norfolk, VA, as the Mutual Casualty Company, by Samuel A. Markel to focus on fleet trucking and bus insurance, the company now known Markel Corporation with headquarters in Richmond, VA is a diverse financial holding company serving a variety of niche specialty markets, insurance 'fronting' for other insurance providers through its State National Ins. Division, International insurance and reinsurance and global reinsurance offering facultative, quota share and excess of loss coverages. Markel also offers investment management, weather derivatives and a variety of insurance securitization investment products. AM Best collectively rates six (6) insurance subsidiaries of the Markel Corporation, including the company. For the years 2020 through 2023 the group was rated by AM Best as 'A' and assigned the financial size of XV (\$2bn - >).

## SUBSEQUENT NOTEWORTHY OBSERVATIONS

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Financial Term	Definition
2y Dev/Surplus (IRIS #12)	Reflects the magnitude of two years of loss reserve development in relation to prior reported surplus. A positive ratio indicates the portion of reserves that may have been underestimated in prior years in relation to prior year's surplus. A negative ratio indicates the portion of reserves that may have been overestimated in prior years in relation to prior year's surplus.
2yr Res Development	The two-year increase or decrease in loss and loss adjustment expenses as a result of the re-estimation of reserves. A positive number indicates that reserves may have been underestimated in prior years. A negative number indicates that reserves may have been overestimated in prior years.
Affiliated Common Stock	The amount of common stock owned by the insurer that represents investments in affiliates or subsidiaries.
Affiliated CS / Surplus	The percentage of surplus that is comprised of investments in affiliates or subsidiaries.
AMB / S&P Ratings	Financial strength ratings from AM Best Company and Standard & Poor's. <sup>1</sup>
Cash & Invested Assets	Bonds, stocks, mortgage loans on real estate, real estate, cash related investments, contract loans, invested assets, write-ins and receivable for securities.
Cash & Invested Assets/Total Assets	A measure of liquidity that indicates the portion of assets held in cash or marketable securities.
Combined Ratio	A measure of overall underwriting profitability. It is the sum of the loss and expense ratios. A combined ratio of less than 100% indicates an underwriting profit.
Dividends to Stockholders	Distribution of earnings to stockholders paid in the form of money, stock, scrip, etc. The amount is decided by the board of directors.
DPW – Direct Premiums Written	Premiums written including gross premiums booked, adjusted for additional or return premiums, on policies where the company is the primary or direct carrier, as it relates to a specific line of business.
Expense Ratio	The ratio of underwriting expenses to net premiums written. The ratio represents the percentage of net premiums written that went toward underwriting expenses, such as commissions to agents and brokers, state and municipal taxes, salaries, employee benefits and other operating costs.
Gross Premiums	The total premium written and assumed by an insurer before deductions for reinsurance.
Loss & LAE Reserves	The estimated liability for unpaid insurance claims that have occurred as of a given evaluation date. Usually includes losses incurred but not reported (IBNR), losses due but not yet paid, and amounts not yet due. For individual claims, the loss reserve is the estimate of what will ultimately be paid out on that claim.
Loss & LAE Reserves/Surplus	Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves as a percentage of policyholders' surplus. The higher the value, the greater the insurer's reserve leverage and the greater the financial pressure on surplus.
Loss Ratio	The ratio of incurred losses and loss adjustment expenses to net premiums earned. A measure of the underlying profitability, or loss experience, of a total book of business.
Net Cash from Operations	Indicates net cash generated from insurance operations, including underwriting and investment activities, after accounting for dividends and taxes paid.
Net Income	The total after-tax earnings generated from operations as reported in the insurance company's statutory annual statement.
Net Investment Result	The return received by insurers from their investment portfolios including interest, dividends and realized capital gains/losses on stocks.
Net Premiums Earned	The portion of net premiums written that the policyholder has already paid and for which the insurance company has already afforded coverage.
Net Premiums Written	Represents gross premium written less reinsurance ceded.

Financial Term	Definition
Net Reins Rec / Surplus	Measures the dependence on reinsurers and potential exposure to adjustments on such reinsurance as a percentage of surplus.
Net Reins Recoverable	The total ceded reinsurance recoverables due for paid losses, unpaid losses, losses incurred but not reported (IBNR), unearned premiums and commissions less funds held from reinsurers.
Net Underwriting Results	Net premiums earned less incurred losses, loss adjustment expenses, and underwriting expenses incurred.
PH Div Ratio	A return of premium to policyholders based upon financial results of the company and lower-than-expected claims. Usually paid by mutual companies
Policyholder Surplus	The difference between total admitted assets and total liabilities. It also is the sum of paid in capital, paid in and contributed surplus, and net earned surplus, including voluntary contingency reserves. As of January 1, 2019, the minimum policyholder surplus requirement for eligible insurers in New York is \$47 million.
RBC Ratio (%)	<p>This ratio identifies the insurers that are inadequately capitalized by dividing total adjusted capital by the minimum amount of capital that regulatory authorities feel is necessary to support their operations and investments.</p> <p>A ratio of 200% or more results in “no action” from regulators. However, insurers whose ratio is between 200% and 300% may be subject to the Property/Casualty trend test, which will trigger a “Company Action Level” event if the insurer’s combined ratio is greater than 120%.</p> <p>A ratio of 150% to 200% results in a “Company Action Level”, under which the insurer must prepare a report to the regulator outlining a comprehensive action plan that identifies the conditions that contributed to their current financial condition as well as remediation plans.</p> <p>A ratio of 100% to 150% results in a “Regulatory Action Level”. In addition to the insurer filing an action plan, the state insurance commissioner is required to perform any examinations or analyses that he or she deems necessary and issue appropriate corrective orders to address the insurer’s financial problems.</p> <p>A ratio below 100% triggers an “Authorized Control Level” or “Mandatory Control Level”, under which the regulator can take steps to place the insurer under its control.</p>
Total Assets	Assets that are permitted by state law to be included in the company’s financial statements. Admitted assets generally include assets that are liquid and whose value can be objectively assessed, or receivables that can reasonably be expected to be paid.
Total Liabilities	A summation of all company obligations recognized on the balance sheet. This includes provisions for loss and unearned premium reserves, commissions payable and other balances due.

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