

# Q2 2024 close period notification and current consensus

### **Results communications**

WPP will report Q2 and Interim results at 0700 UK on 7 August 2024

The WPP IR Team is available for calls and questions up to and including 3 July 2024 after which we will be in close period.

### Company-compiled consensus for Q2 and FY 2024

Post-Q1 consensus numbers were published on 21 May 2024, made up of contributions from 14 analysts.

Summary below and detail of all metrics on Vuma here

	Q2 24	H1 24	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26
Organic growth (%)	-0.1	-0.9	0.5	2.1	2.5
Memo: Organic growth (%) median	-0.3	-1.0	0.5	2.2	2.5
Headline operating profit margin (%)	na	11.3	14.9	15.3	15.5
Headline fully diluted EPS (p)	na	30.1	91.3	97.4	102.7

## **Modelling considerations**

**Q2 FX Considerations:** Current (26 June 2024) USD/GBP of c.\$1.27 represents a strengthening of GBP vs the USD since the rate at 19 April of c.\$1.24 referenced in Q1 guidance. That implies that the headwind from FX to reported net sales in 2024 will be somewhat greater than the 1.1% guided with Q1 results. Current FX rates would imply a c.2.4% drag to FY2024 a c.2.9% drag to H1 and a c.2.0% drag to Q2.

**Shares outstanding:** For modelling purposes a FY24 weighted average fully diluted shares outstanding of 1,091m may be used.

#### Organic growth history:

	Q1 23	Q2 23	Q3 23	Q4 23	Q1 24
Organic growth (%)	2.9%	1.3%	-0.6%	0.3%	-1.6%

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