## News Release



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## **Director appointment**

Wesfarmers today announced the appointment of Alison Watkins to the Board of Wesfarmers Limited, effective from 1 September 2021.

Ms Watkins has been Group Managing Director of Coca-Cola Amatil Limited (Amatil) for seven years, stepping down on 10 May 2021 following the acquisition of Amatil by Coca-Cola European Partners plc.

Before leading Coca-Cola Amatil, Ms Watkins was Chief Executive Officer of GrainCorp Ltd, one of Australia's largest grain handling, trading and processing companies, and prior to that was Chief Executive Officer of leading juice maker, Berri Limited. Other previous roles included Managing Director of Regional Banking and Group General Manager Strategy at Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited (ANZ), and a decade at McKinsey & Company from 1989 to 1999, where she became a partner in 1996.

Ms Watkins is also a Member of the Reserve Bank of Australia Board, a Board Member of the Business Council of Australia, a Non-executive Director of The Centre for Independent Studies, has recently been announced as Chancellor-elect of the University of Tasmania and will join the board of CSL Limited on 19 August 2021. She has previously been a Non-executive Director of ANZ, Woolworths Limited and Just Group Limited.

Born and raised in rural Tasmania, Ms Watkins holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Tasmania, is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, the Financial Services Institute of Australasia, and the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Wesfarmers' Chairman Michael Chaney said he was pleased to welcome Ms Watkins to the Board.

"Alison will bring extensive experience, both at CEO and Board level, and is strongly aligned with Wesfarmers' focus on delivering shareholder value in a sustainable way. She is a highly respected business leader who has contributed significantly to economic, business and public policy development in Australia. Her appointment further strengthens the Board's mix of skills, knowledge and experience, including in the areas of retail, sustainability, strategy, finance, and people and culture."

Ms Watkins said she was looking forward to joining the Wesfarmers Board.

"Wesfarmers is a company I've always greatly admired and I am excited to have this opportunity to contribute to its future".

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