

New York Community Bancorp

Management update, leadership change should instill confidence

Maintain Rating: NEUTRAL | PO: 5.00 USD | Price: 4.08 USD

Negative narrative weighing on the stock should subside

Management's update this morning during the 8:30am ET conference call where it reaffirmed expectations that the bank could still meet its \$2.8-2.9bn net interest income (NII) outlook and messaging that pre-provision earnings should cover any future credit provisioning costs should debunk some of the negative thesis that has weighed on the stock in recent days. While management did not share specifics on any mix-shift in deposits YTD the fact that deposit balances have stayed flat over the last couple of days despite the significant stock sell-off is a positive as it pertains to how the Street assesses liquidity risk.

Heavy lifting ahead

We believe management's messaging during the conference call, the announcement of a new Executive Chairman Alessandro (Sandro) DiNello (former examiner, history of dealing with banking regulators when he led Flagstar Bank before its merger with NYCB) are undoubtedly positives. While the update should stabilize things in the near term, the path forward on medium-term EPS power and profitability remains uncertain as the bank adjusts to the higher regulatory requirements while continuing to diversify its business mix. Moreover, the perceived risk tied to all things commercial real estate (CRE) are also likely to weigh on investor appetite to step-in here despite the stock trading at a fraction of TBV. Maintain Neutral rating.

2026E
1.05
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5.0%
1.16
0.20
3.9x
3.9x
4.9%

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Stock Data

4.08 USD Price Objective 5.00 USD Date Established 7-Feb-2024 Investment Opinion B-2-8 52-Week Range 3 96 USD -14 22 USD Mrkt Val / Shares Out (mn) 2,946 USD / 722.1 Free Float 97 4% Average Daily Value 95.40 USD BofA Ticker / Exchange NYCB / NYS Bloomberg / Reuters NYCB US / NYCB.N ROE (2024E) 5.4% ESGMeter™ Medium

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Glossary

TBV: Tangible book value

CET1: Common equity tier 1

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Income Statement Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Net Interest Income	1,396	3,077	2,790	2,899	2,989
% change	8.3%	120.4%	-9.3%	3.9%	3.1%
Net Fee Income	90	557	598	626	626
Securities Gains / (Losses)	(2)	(1)	0	0	0
Total Operating Income	1,574	4,190	3,985	4,151	4,241
Operating Expenses	(461)	(2,175)	(2,432)	(2,449)	(2,486)
% change	-10.7%	371.8%	11.8%	0.7%	1.5%
Provisions Expense	(16)	(701)	(160)	(100)	(100)
% change	522.8%	4,281.3%	-77.2%	-37.5%	0%
Operating Pre-Tax Income	864	757	796	975	1,029
Operating Net Income to Comm S/Hold.	602	585	581	719	760
GAAP Net Income	634	617	613	751	792
Balance Sheet Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Total Assets	90,144	116,322	122,105	125,123	130,655
Average Interest Earning Assets	59,240	102,489	112,690	113,745	118,020
Total Gross Customer Loans	70,116	85,801	82,385	81,824	81,394
% change	53.3%	22.4%	-4.0%	-0.7%	-0.5%
Total Customer Deposits	58,721	81,365	85,057	89,756	94,841
% change	67.5%	38.6%	4.5%	5.5%	5.7%
Tangible Equity	5,608	7,266	8,121	8,781	9,483
Common Shareholders' Equity	8,321	10,317	11,045	11,620	12,236
Key Metrics (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Net Interest Margin	2.36%	3.00%	2.48%	2.55%	2.53%
Effective Tax Rate	26.6%	18.5%	23.0%	23.0%	23.0%
Loan / Deposit Ratio	119.4%	105.5%	96.9%	91.2%	85.8%
Tangible Common Equity / Assets	6.2%	6.2%	6.7%	7.0%	7.3%
ROA	0.93%	0.51%	0.47%	0.58%	0.59%
ROF	9.1%	5.6%	5.4%	6.4%	6.4%
RoTE	12.4%	8.8%	7.5%	8.5%	8.3%
Dividend Payout Ratio	54.7%	68.4%	24.9%	20.1%	19.0%
Efficiency Ratio (Cost / Income Ratio)	29.3%	51.9%	61.0%	59.0%	58.6%
Quality of Earnings (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
Total Non-Interest Inc / Operating Inc	11.3%	26.6%	30.0%	30.2%	29.5%
NPLs plus Foreclosed Real Estate / Loans	0.2%	0.5%	1.3%	1.2%	1.1%
Loan Loss Reserves / NPLs	278.72%	231.78%	100.42%	113.37%	127.94%
Loan Loss Reserves / Total Loans	0.56%	1.16%	1.30%	1.33%	1.37%

Company Sector

Banks-US Regionals

Company Description

New York Community Bancorp, Inc. is the parent company of Flagstar Bank, N.A., one of the largest regional banks in the country. The Company is headquartered in Hicksville, New York with regional headquarters in Troy, Michigan. Proforma, at September 30, 2022, the Company had \$88.4 billion of assets, \$66.0 billion of loans, deposits of \$58.3 billion, and total stockholders' equity of \$9.3 billion.

Investment Rationale

The sell-off in the stock post 4Q results combined with elevated headline risk has the potential to influence customer behavior and drive higher than expected deposit costs. This poses significant downside risk to our current EPS forecast. While significant uncertainty remains (on regulatory actions, credit, execution) current valuations reflect these risks.

Stock Data	
Average Daily Volume	23,383,164

	2023	2024
Q1	0.23A	0.12E
Q2	0.47A	0.18E
Q3	0.36A	0.23E
Q4	-0.27A	0.27E

Quarterly Earnings Estimates

Price objective basis & risk

New York Community Bancorp (NYCB)

Our \$5.0 PO is based on a 50%/50% weighting between our 2024e EPS and 2024e TBV. We assign 5.0x/0.5x multiples, respectively, below the bank's 5 year pre pandemic median of 15.1x/1.7x given heightened uncertainty surrounding EPS/ROTCE outlooks, owing to the macro backdrop. Upside risks to our price objective are: better than expected growth, faster than expected decline in market interest rates that would provide relief in funding costs and to its CRE borrowers, and better than expected deal synergies. Downside risks to our price objective are: worse than expected credit losses, higher deposit costs, severe downturn in the NYC economy and the NYC commercial real estate market.

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	First Hawaiian Inc.	FHB	FHB US	Brandon Berman
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	Invesco Mortgage Capital, Inc.	IVR	IVR US	Derek Hewett
	loanDepot Inc	LDI	LDI US	Derek Hewett
	MidCap Financial Investment Co	MFIC	MFIC US	Derek Hewett
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Business Performance	Numerator	Denominator
Return On Capital Employed	NOPAT = (EBIT + Interest Income) \times (1 - Tax Rate) + Goodwill Amortization	Total Assets – Current Liabilities + ST Debt + Accumulated Goodwill
Return On Equity Operating Margin	Net Income Operating Profit	Amortization Shareholders' Equity Sales
Earnings Growth	Expected 5 Year CAGR From Latest Actual	N/A
Free Cash Flow	Cash Flow From Operations — Total Capex	N/A
Quality of Earnings Cash Realization Ratio Asset Replacement Ratio Tax Rate Net Debt-To-Equity Ratio Interest Cover	Numerator Cash Flow From Operations Capex Tax Charge Net Debt = Total Debt — Cash & Equivalents EBIT	Denominator Net Income Depreciation Pre-Tax Income Total Equity Interest Expense
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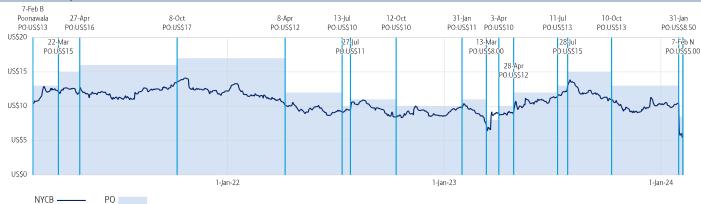
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Buy	100	49.75%	Buy	84	84.00%
Hold	54	26.87%	Hold	41	75.93%
Sell	47	23.38%	Sell	35	74.47%

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