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Non-GAAP financial measures

We prepare our audited Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). However, certain information included herein constitutes non-GAAP financial measures. Our calculations of non-GAAP financial measures may differ from the calculations of similarly titled measures by other companies. In particular, *Pretax pre-provision earnings* (PPNR) is calculated by increasing/decreasing Income from continuing operations before income taxes by the net provision/release in Provision for credit losses. *PPNR less gain on portfolio sales* then decreases PPNR by the gain on any portfolio sales in the period. We use PPNR and PPNR less gain on portfolio sales as metrics to evaluate our results of operations before income taxes, excluding the volatility that can occur within Provision for credit losses and the one-time nature of a gain on the sale of a portfolio. *Tangible common equity over Tangible assets* (TCE/TA) represents Total stockholders’ equity reduced by Goodwill and intangible assets, net, (TCE) divided by Tangible assets (TA), which is Total assets reduced by Goodwill and intangible assets, net. We use TCE/TA as a metric to evaluate the Company’s capital adequacy and estimate its ability to cover potential losses. *Tangible book value per common share* represents TCE divided by shares outstanding. We use Tangible book value per common share as a metric to estimate the Company’s potential value. We believe the use of these non-GAAP financial measures provide additional clarity in understanding our results of operations and trends. For a reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP measures, please see the “Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures”.

2024 focus areas

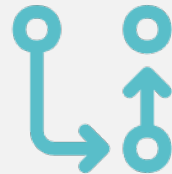
Responsible growth

Scale and diversify product offerings to align with the changing macroeconomic landscape, while optimizing brand partner growth and revenue opportunities



Manage macroeconomic and regulatory environment

Proactively execute strategies to mitigate business impacts resulting from government regulation and macroeconomic challenges



Accelerate digital and technology capabilities

Drive our digital-first strategy to enhance product offerings, further enable customer self-servicing, and improve the overall customer experience



Operational excellence

Accelerate continuous improvement gains to drive technology advancements, improved customer satisfaction, control enhancements, enterprise-wide efficiency, and value creation

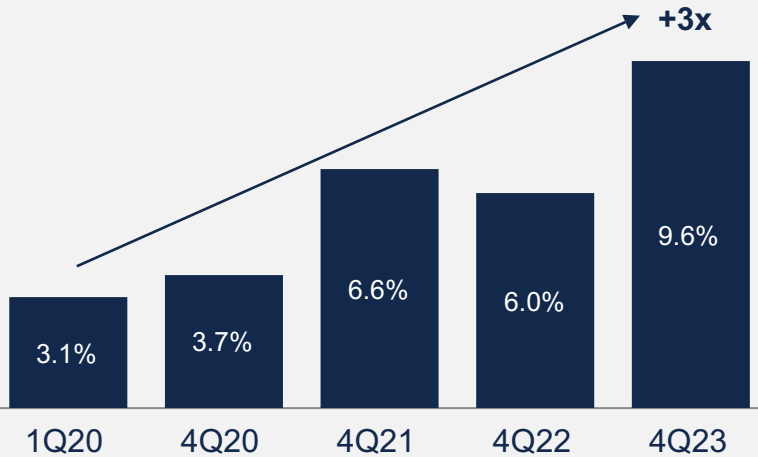


Strengthened balance sheet

Improve capital metrics

\$1.4 billion tangible common equity build since 2020

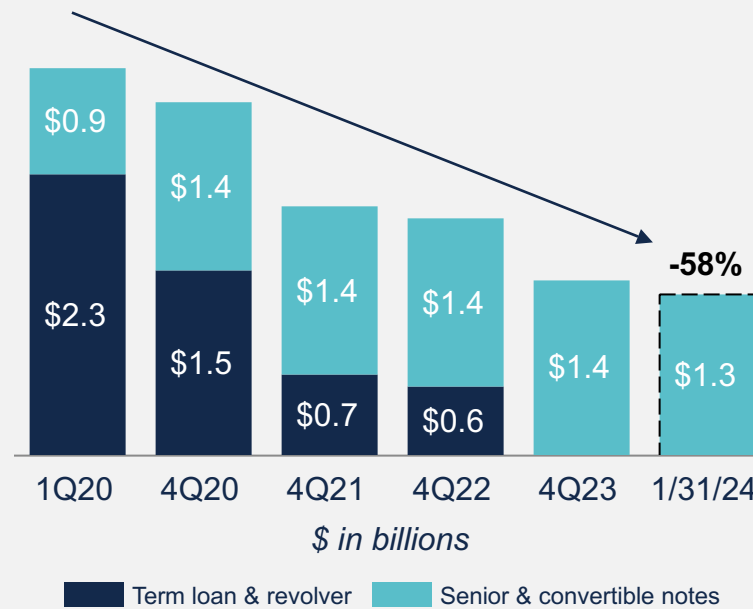
Total company tangible common equity / tangible assets ratio⁽¹⁾



Reduce debt levels

Paid down \$1.8 billion since 2020

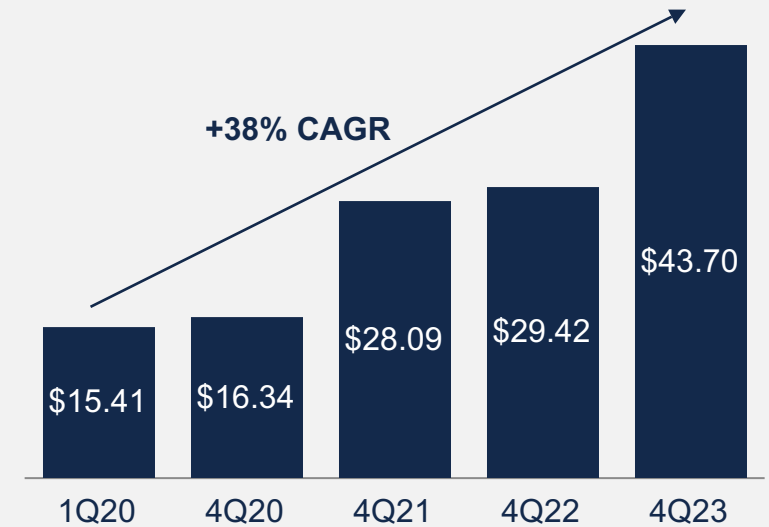
Parent level debt outstanding



Drive shareholder value

~\$28 increase in TBVPS since 2020

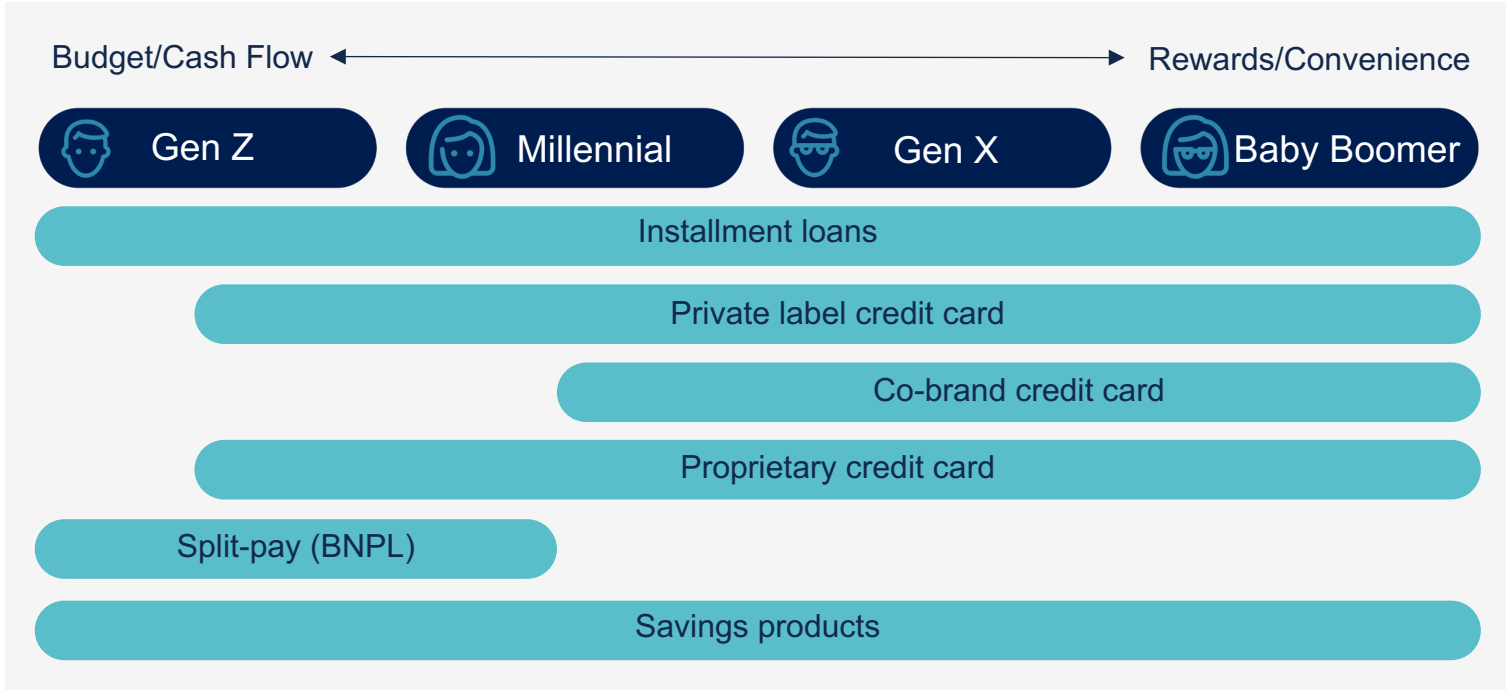
Tangible book value per share (TBVPS)⁽²⁾



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 (2) Tangible book value per common share represents TCE divided by shares outstanding and is a non-GAAP financial measure.

Differentiated products and brand partnerships

Expanded product offerings provide consumer choices across the total addressable market



Product optimization

presents the right product, to the right customer, at the right time

Product **graduation** from credit-building products to a full suite of financial offerings



Long history of brand partnership success

 Card partner loyalty

5 largest partners

under contract through at least 2028

 Well diversified

~100

card partners in multiple industry verticals

 U.S. consumer penetration

We've put a card in the wallets of

1 in 7

American adults

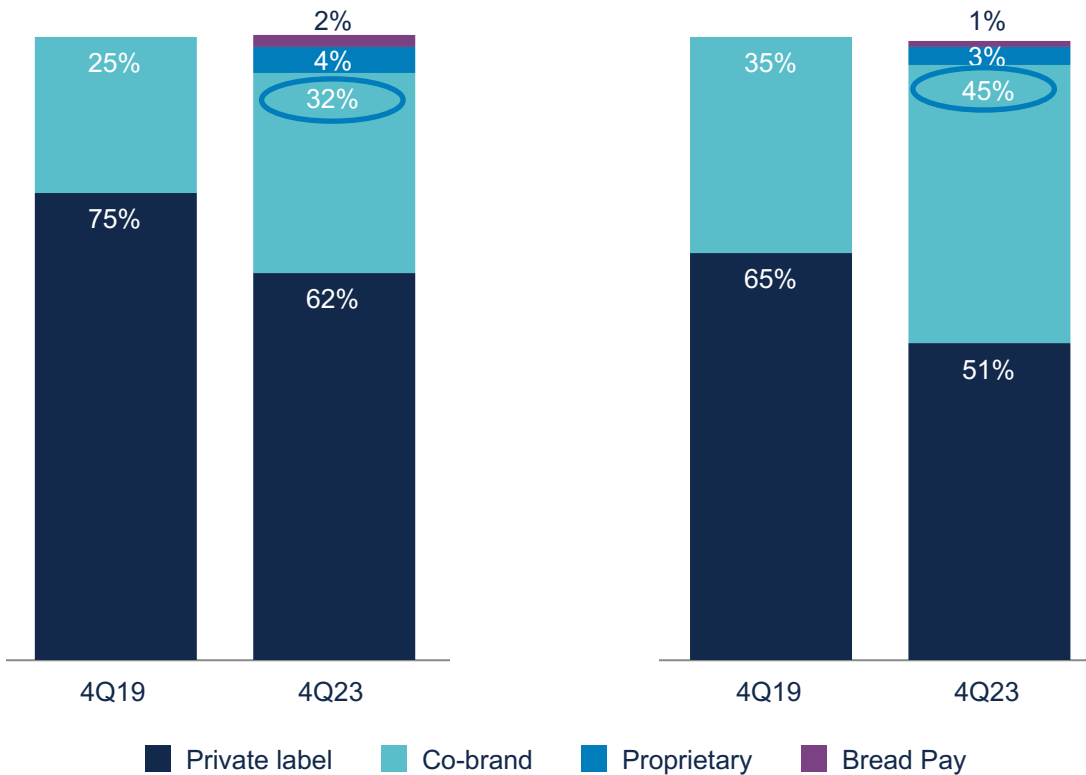
Diversified product and partner mix

Diversifying our product and partner mix to optimize risk-adjusted returns and deliver sustainable, profitable growth

Product diversification

End-of-period loans

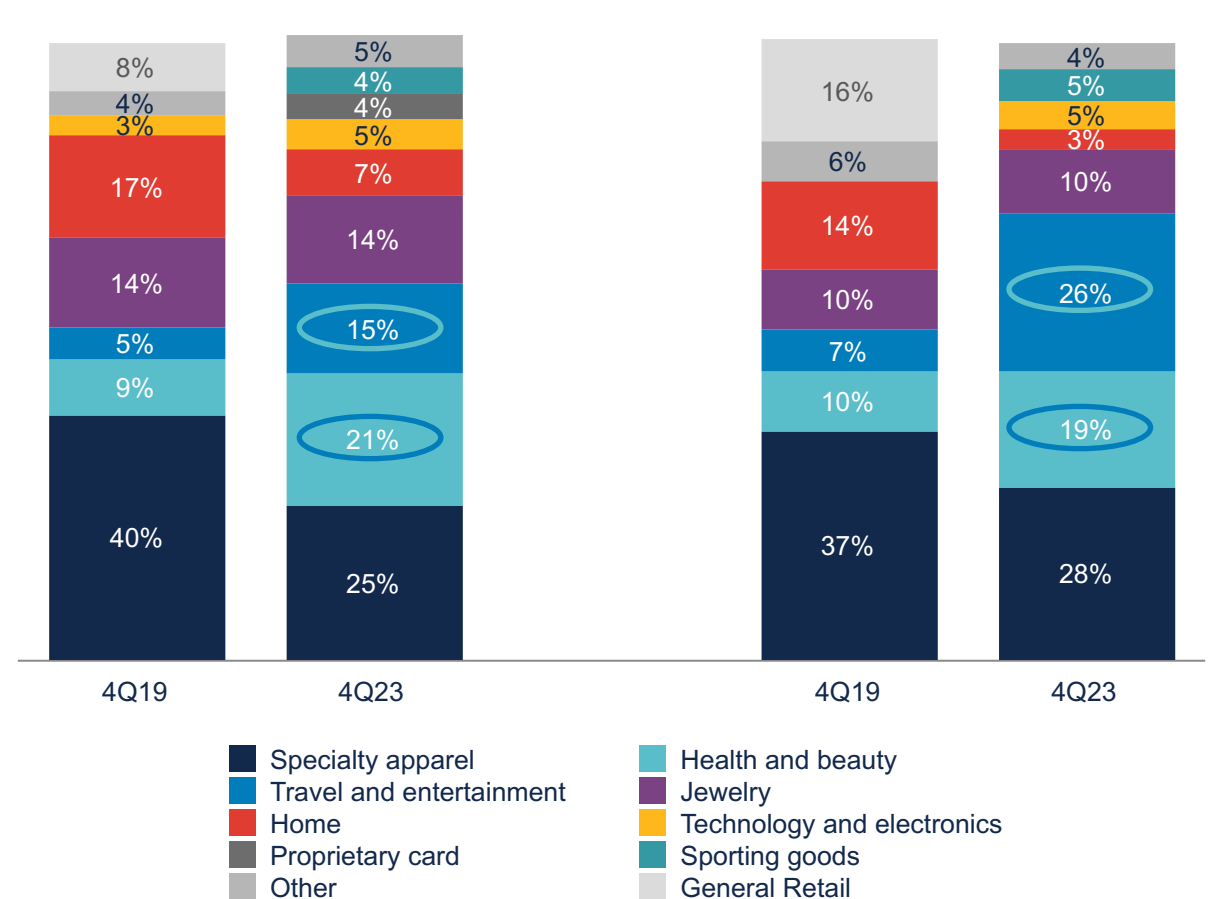
Credit sales



Partner diversification

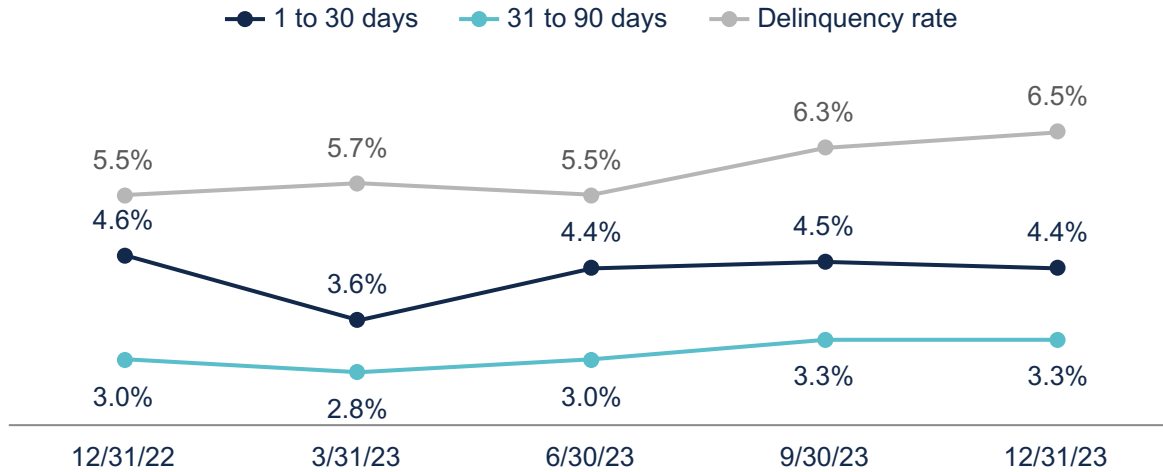
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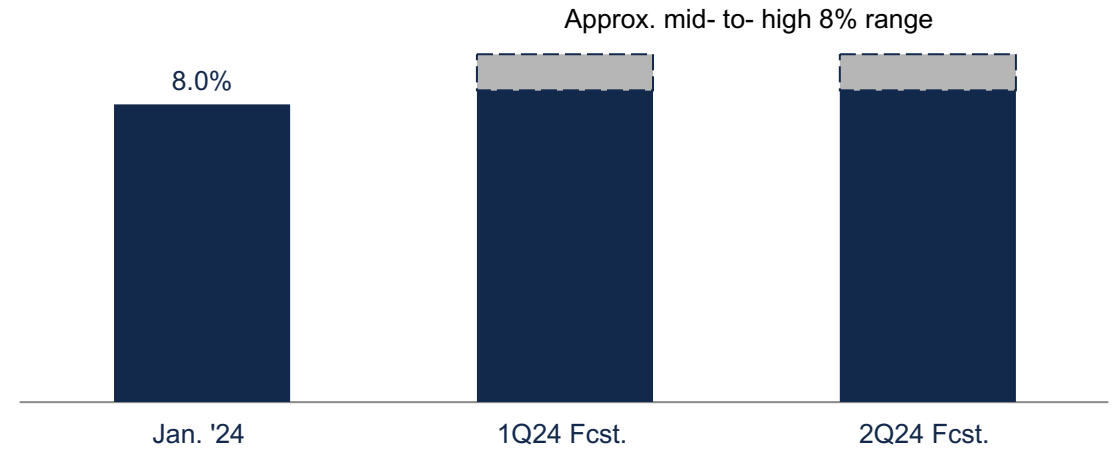


Credit performance update

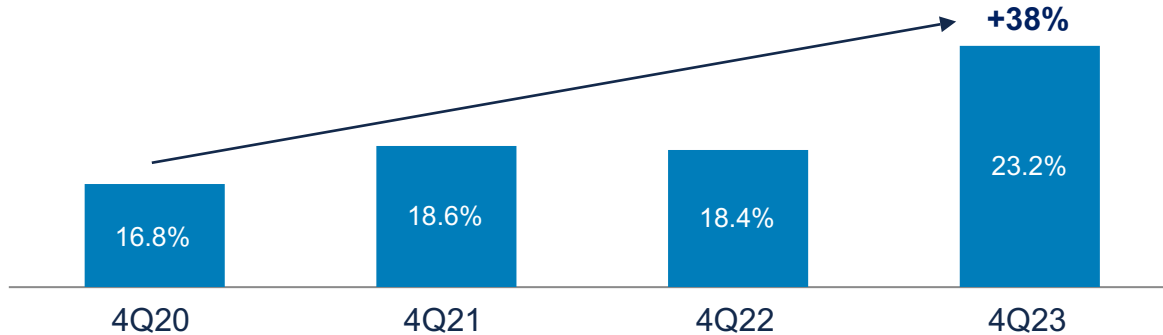
Early-stage delinquency rates trending as expected



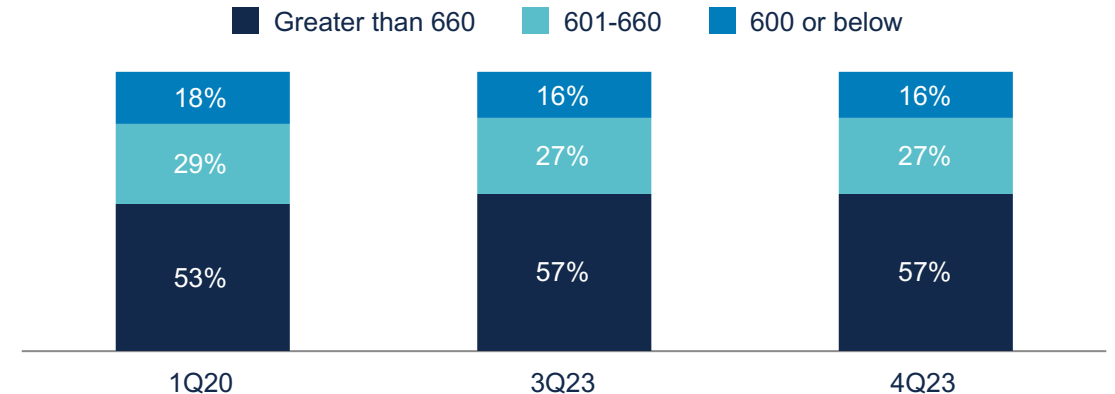
Net loss rate expected to peak in the first half of 2024



Total loss absorption capacity
(Total company TCE + credit reserves rate)⁽¹⁾



Maintaining improved Vantage Score mix vs. pre-pandemic levels



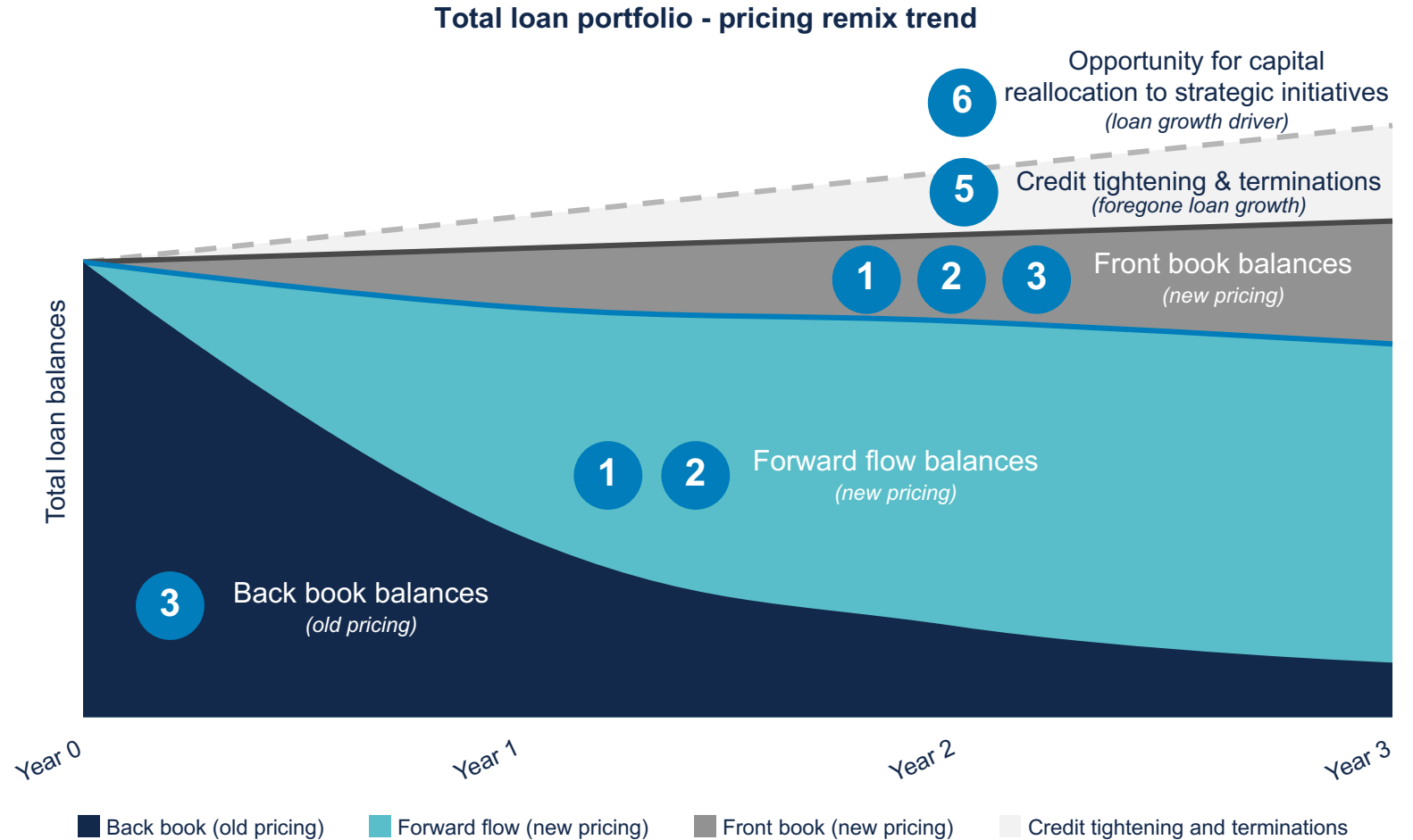
(1) The "Tangible common equity + credit reserves rate" is calculated as the sum of Tangible common equity and Allowance for credit losses divided by End-of-period credit card and other loans.

Strategies to mitigate proposed CFPB rule

Back book loan balance repricing will phase in over time

Specific actions we intend to implement

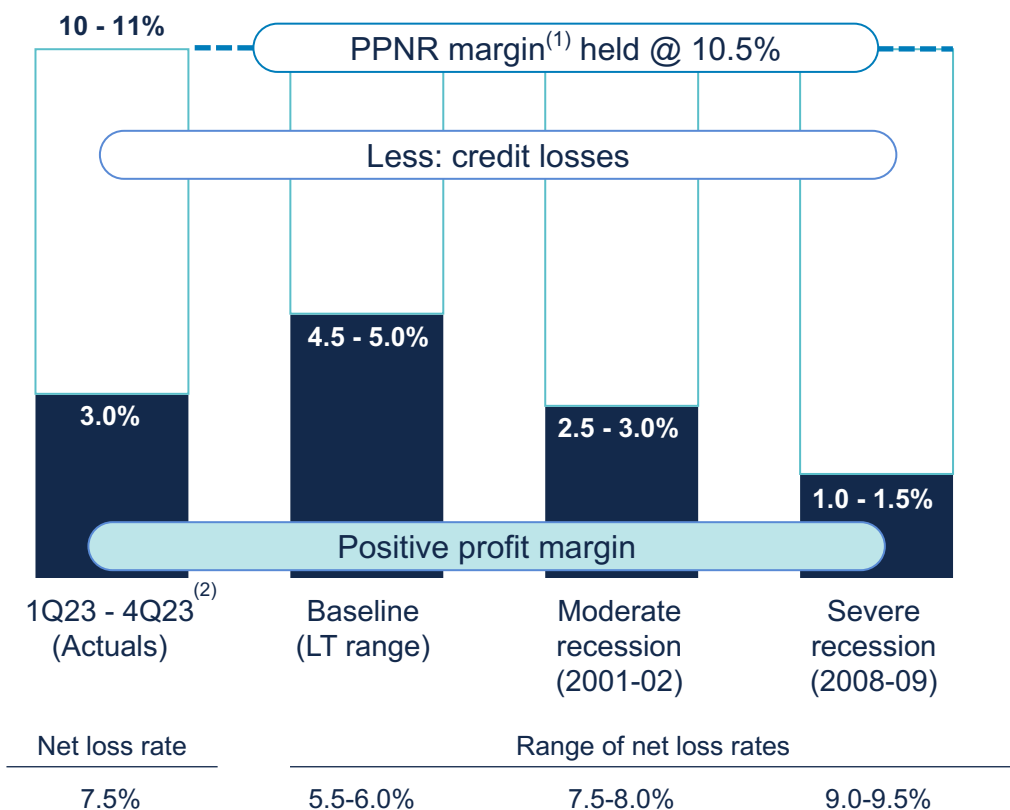
- 1 Increase APRs
- 2 Introductory promotional fees
- 3 Maintenance fees
- 4 Refine retailer share arrangements
(no material loan balance impact)
- 5 Tighten underwriting
- 6 Strategic growth; adjacent products



Note: Under the CFPB's proposed rule-making, the late fee safe harbor amount would be reduced to \$8 and late fees would not be permitted to exceed 25% of the consumer's required minimum payment. No final rule has been published at this time, and thus the terms and impact of any rule remain uncertain. See "Forward-Looking Statements" included elsewhere in this presentation.




Positioned for strong, durable profit margins

Positive profit margin maintained in stressed scenarios



Expect to outperform historic loss levels due to enhanced credit risk management

In addition to strong profit margins, **strengthened balance sheet ratios and credit mix** provide more layers and confidence in resilience.

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Attractive risk-adjusted loan yield⁽³⁾ of 19.8% on average over the previous four quarters. Approximately **360 basis points** higher than the closest peer.
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Loan loss reserve materially higher. Rate of **12.0%** in 4Q23, **up 600 bps** from year-end 2019 and prior pre-recession periods.
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Capital ratios significantly improved. TCE/TA ratio⁽⁴⁾ at **9.6%** in 4Q23, an increase of **over 650** basis points from 1Q20.
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Credit mix shifting to higher quality. Risk score mix with >660 at **57%** in 4Q23, above pre-pandemic levels.

(1) Pretax pre-provision earnings (PPNR) margin represents PPNR divided by average loans. PPNR is a non-GAAP financial measure. See the Non-GAAP financial measures section and the Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures included in the appendix.

(2) Excludes \$230 million Gain on sale in 1Q23

(3) Risk-adjusted loan yield represents loan yield less the net principal loss rate.

(4) Tangible common equity (TCE) represents total stockholders' equity reduced by goodwill and intangible assets, net. Tangible assets (TA) represents total assets reduced by goodwill and intangible assets, net. TCE/TA is a non-GAAP financial measure. See the Non-GAAP financial measures section and the Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures included in the appendix.

2024 financial outlook

Reflects moderating sales growth as a result of macroeconomic pressures and strategic credit tightening

Full year 2023 actuals	Full year 2024 outlook	Commentary
Average loans \$18,216 million	Down low-single digits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on our current economic outlook, ongoing strategic credit tightening actions, higher gross credit losses, and visibility into our pipeline, we expect 2024 average credit card and other loans to be down low-single digits relative to 2023. Excluding the sold BJ's portfolio, we expect average loans to be up low-single digits.
Revenue (excl. Gain on sale) \$4,059 million	Down low to mid-single digits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Net interest margin is expected to be lower than the 2023 full year rate as a result of higher reversals of interest and fees due to higher gross credit losses, a continued shift in product mix to co-brand, proprietary, and installment lending products, as well as anticipated interest rate reductions by the Federal Reserve. Revenue guidance excludes portfolio sale gains and any potential impact from the proposed CFPB late fee rule. For context, while not included in our 2024 outlook, assuming a hypothetical October 1, 2024 effective date, if the CFPB credit card late fee rule were to be implemented as proposed, our current estimate is that the rule would reduce fourth quarter total revenue by approximately 25% relative to the fourth quarter of 2023, net of mitigation actions we will proactively implement. Once the final rule is published, we will take further mitigating actions with our partners. As these actions mature over time, the net impact of the rule will lessen.
Total non-interest expenses \$2,092 million	Nominal positive operating leverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expect to deliver nominal full year positive operating leverage, excluding gains on sales. We continue to strategically invest in technology modernization, marketing, and product innovation to drive growth and efficiencies.
Net loss rate 7.5%	Low 8% range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our outlook is inclusive of continued inflationary pressure on consumers' ability to pay, our credit management actions, and expected slower loan growth.

Note: At this time, our outlook does not factor in potential impacts of the proposed CFPB late fee rule changes. Under the CFPB's proposed rule-making, the late fee safe harbor amount would be reduced to \$8 and late fees would not be permitted to exceed 25% of the consumer's required minimum payment. No final rule has been published at this time, and thus the terms and impact of any rule remain uncertain. See "Forward-Looking Statements" included elsewhere in this presentation.



Appendix



Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures

(\$ in millions)	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	2022	2023		
Pretax pre-provision earnings (PPNR)													
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 65	\$ 302	\$ 16	\$ 189	\$ (207)	\$ 638	\$ 86	\$ 225	\$ 19	\$ 300	\$ 968		
Provision for credit losses	363	193	404	304	692	107	336	304	482	1,594	1,229		
Pretax pre-provision earnings (PPNR)	\$ 428	\$ 495	\$ 420	\$ 493	\$ 485	\$ 745	\$ 422	\$ 529	\$ 501	\$ 1,894	\$ 2,197		
Less: Gain on portfolio sale	—	—	—	—	—	(230)	—	—	—	—	(230)		
PPNR less gain on portfolio sale	\$ 428	\$ 495	\$ 420	\$ 493	\$ 485	\$ 515	\$ 422	\$ 529	\$ 501	\$ 1,894	\$ 1,967		
	1Q20	4Q20	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	2022	2023
Tangible common equity (TCE)													
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 1,088	\$ 1,522	\$ 2,086	\$ 2,268	\$ 2,275	\$ 2,399	\$ 2,265	\$ 2,716	\$ 2,736	\$ 2,864	\$ 2,918	\$ 2,265	\$ 2,918
Less: Goodwill and intangible assets, net	(354)	(710)	(687)	(682)	(694)	(690)	(799)	(790)	(780)	(771)	(762)	(799)	(762)
Tangible common equity (TCE)	\$ 734	\$ 812	\$ 1,399	\$ 1,586	\$ 1,581	\$ 1,709	\$ 1,466	\$ 1,926	\$ 1,956	\$ 2,093	\$ 2,156	\$ 1,466	\$ 2,156
Tangible assets (TA)													
Total assets	\$ 24,235	\$ 22,547	\$ 21,746	\$ 20,938	\$ 21,811	\$ 21,960	\$ 25,407	\$ 21,970	\$ 21,609	\$ 21,608	\$ 23,141	\$ 25,407	\$ 23,141
Less: Goodwill and intangible assets, net	(354)	(710)	(687)	(682)	(694)	(690)	(799)	(790)	(780)	(771)	(762)	(799)	(762)
Tangible assets (TA)	\$ 23,881	\$ 21,837	\$ 21,059	\$ 20,256	\$ 21,117	\$ 21,270	\$ 24,608	\$ 21,180	\$ 20,829	\$ 20,837	\$ 22,379	\$ 24,608	\$ 22,379