

# **Bread Financial 2Q23 Investor Deck**

May 31, 2023



# **Forward-Looking Statements**

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements give our expectations or forecasts of future events and can generally be identified by the use of words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," "project," "plan," "likely," "may," "should" or other words or phrases of similar import. Similarly, statements that describe our business strategy, outlook, objectives, plans, intentions or goals also are forward-looking statements. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements we make regarding, and the guidance we give with respect to, our anticipated operating or financial results, future financial performance and outlook, future dividend declarations, and future economic conditions.

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# **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

We prepare our 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 in relation to tangible assets per share. 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".



# **Key Updates**

- Onsumers remain resilient, despite macroeconomic headwinds.
  - While unemployment remains low, persistent inflation continues to pressure US retail sales growth.
  - Cost conscious consumers are shifting savings on gas toward spend on categories such as restaurants and beauty.
- Total 2Q23 credit sales are trending as expected, lower year-over-year given the sale of the BJ's portfolio in 1Q23.
  - Active partner sales are up double-digits driven by the additions of AAA and NFL.
- Ontinued strength in direct-to-consumer ("DTC") deposit growth.
- Credit performance in line with 1Q23 earnings call guidance with positive early stage delinquency trends.
- Nemain focused on 2Q23 parent debt refinancing and projected debt pay down.



# Our business transformation

Building a stronger, more focused tech-forward financial services company driving customer loyalty and profitable growth



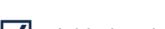












Added and extended iconic brand partner relationships

















Focused on improving capital ratios and reducing our leverage

### 1Q23 key financial milestones

Portfolio size	\$18.1 <sub>B</sub>	with ~100 partner relationships
Capital ratios significantly improved	+3 <sub>x</sub>	TCE/TA ratio increase since 1Q20 to 9.1%
Reduced debt	-39%	\$1.2 billion parent debt reduction since 1Q20
Loan loss reserve materially higher	+300 <sub>bps</sub>	reserve rate increase since CECL Day 1
660+ Vantage Score cardholders mix	+500 <sub>bps</sub>	since 1Q20 to 58%
Increased direct-to- consumer deposits	+\$4.4 <sub>B</sub>	DTC deposits since 1Q20 to \$5.6 billion
Delivering shareholder value	+36% cagr	tangible book value per share growth since 1Q20

# 2023 focus areas





### **Responsible Growth**

Support organic growth and new brand partner launches that deliver long-term value



### **Strengthen Financial Resilience**

Build capital and reduce parent-level debt; ensure proactive credit, liquidity, and interest rate risk management



### **Optimize Data & Technology**

Leverage new capabilities to create additional value and drive efficiencies



### **Strategically Invest**

Deliver exceptional value and experiences through marketing, loyalty, and technology innovation



# Differentiated products and brand partnerships

Expanded product offering provides consumer choice across the total addressable market





# Product **graduation**

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



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



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

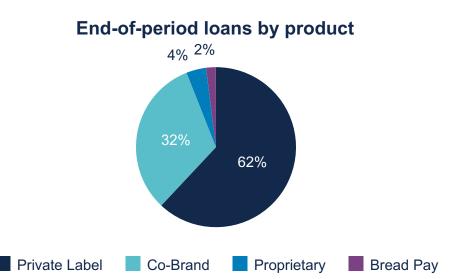
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American adults, including 1 in 6 U.S. female adults

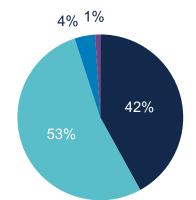


# 1Q23 product diversification

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



### **Credit sales by product**



### **Private Label**

(Closed Network)



- Long history of successes with programs tailored to build customer loyalty and drive sales for our partners' brands
- Traditional PLCC average loan ~\$400; also provide promotional "Big Ticket" PLCC financing
- Higher revenue yields; deeper underwriting; lower credit lines

Co-Brand (Open Network)



- Ideal for well known brands; builds brand loyalty and enables general purpose network spend, improving diversification
- Majority of co-brand portfolio >660 Vantage score
- Higher credit scores; higher credit lines; lower revenue yields

### Proprietary

(Open Network)



- General purpose cashback cards to capture incremental spend, and build and retain customer relationships
- Increases total addressable market, including the Millennial and Gen Z populations
- No partner risk or share of economics

### **Bread Pay**



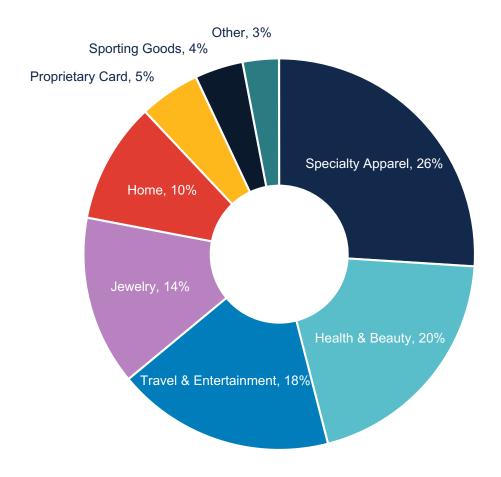
- Bread Pay consists of direct-to-consumer buy now, pay later (BNPL) offerings including both digital installment and split-pay
- Bolsters full suite of products to provide consumer choice with focus on Millennials and Gen Z
- Over 95% of loans are installment



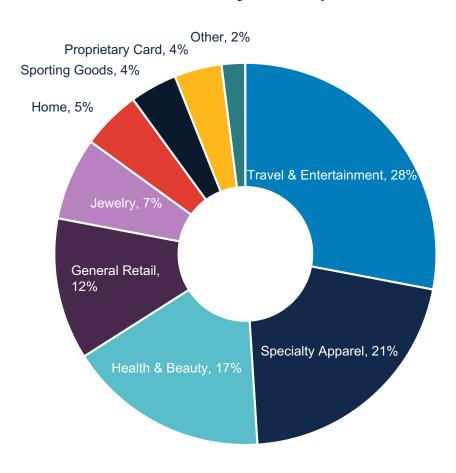
# 1Q23 partner diversification

Improving portfolio diversification through brand partner additions and vertical expansion

### **End-of-period loans by brand partner**



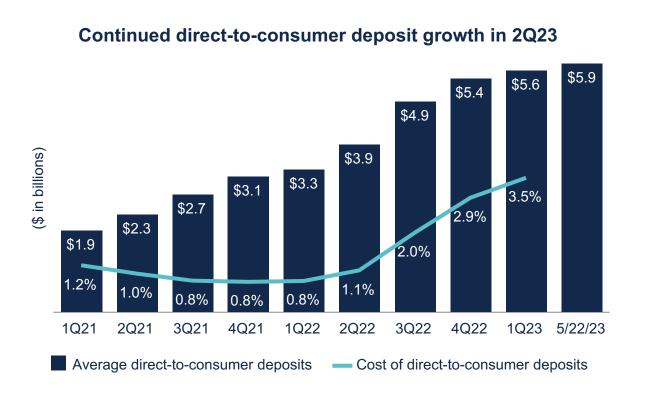
### **Credit sales by brand partner**

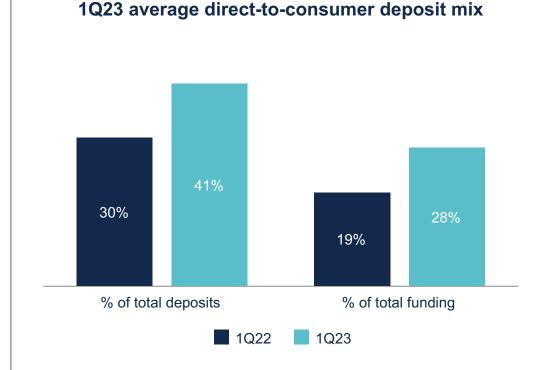




# Direct-to-consumer deposit growth

Strong growth in Bread Savings™ direct-to-consumer deposits diversifies our funding mix, averaging over \$35 million weekly growth since the beginning of April 2023





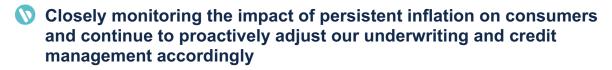


# Credit performance update

Improvement in early-stage delinquencies provides confidence in 3Q23 net loss rate outlook

### Notable improvement in early-stage delinquency rates

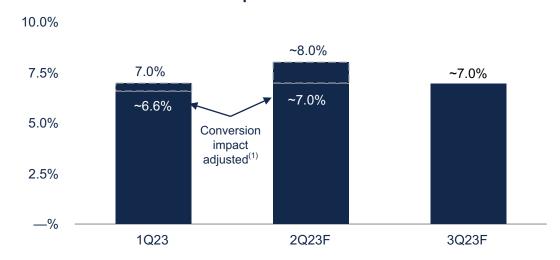




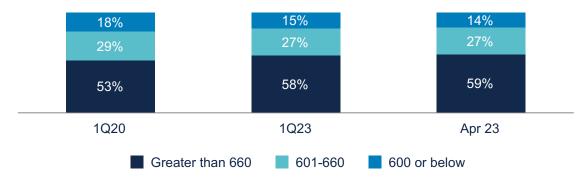
**○** 660+ Vantage Score mix steady in April, up 600 basis points from 1Q20

(1) Estimated impact related to the transition of our credit card processing services to Net loss rates.

### Net loss rate expected to stabilize in 3Q23



### Maintaining improved Vantage score mix vs. pre-pandemic levels





# Strengthened financial resilience

### Bread Financial is positioned to perform well through a full economic cycle

Strong corporate governance

Proactive risk management

Prudent balance sheet management

Expense discipline

Enhanced core capabilities



Strengthened balance sheet and funding mix

Loan loss reserve materially higher

Capital ratios significantly improved

Reduced debt levels

Increased mix of direct-to-consumer deposits



Enhanced credit risk management and underlying credit distribution

Diversification across products and partners

Prudent and proactive line management

Well-established risk appetite metrics

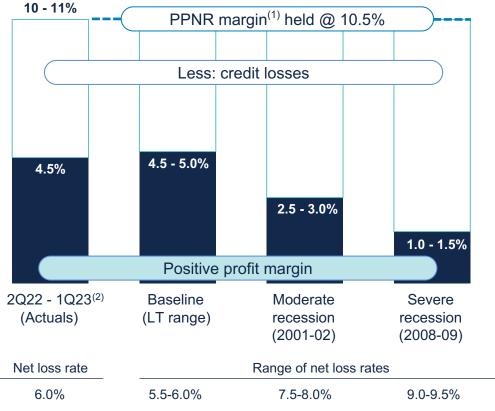
Credit mix shift to higher quality over time

Active recession readiness playbook



# Strong, durable profit margins

## Positive profit margin maintained in stressed scenarios



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

- Attractive risk-adjusted loan yield<sup>(3)</sup> of 20.2% over the previous four quarters. Approximately **350 bps** higher than the closest peer.
- Loan loss reserve materially higher. Rate of 12.3%, up 630 bps from year-end 2019 and prior pre-recession periods.
- Capital ratios significantly improved. TCE/TA ratio<sup>(4)</sup> at 9.1%, an increase of over 600 basis points from 1Q20.
- Credit mix shifting to higher quality. Risk score mix with >660 at 58%, above pre-pandemic levels.

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

- (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. 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.



# Prudent balance sheet management

Disciplined financial oversight enabled continued execution of strategic initiatives with ample liquidity and funding

### Strong, Stable Funding Base

**Growing online direct-to-consumer deposits;** small average account size

>90% FDIC insured

**Diverse funding sources** 



### **Disciplined Financial Management**

Prudent interest rate risk management

No Held-to-Maturity securities

Liquidity portfolio held nearly all in cash at Fed

### Strengthened balance sheet and funding mix

**Capital ratios** significantly improved

Reduced debt

Increased direct-toconsumer deposits

+\$4.4B DTC deposits since 1Q20 to \$5.6 billion

Loan loss reserve materially higher

+300bps reserve rate increase since CECL Day 1



# Capital allocation

Fortifying our balance sheet through strong free cash flow; building capital and shareholder value and meaningfully reducing debt

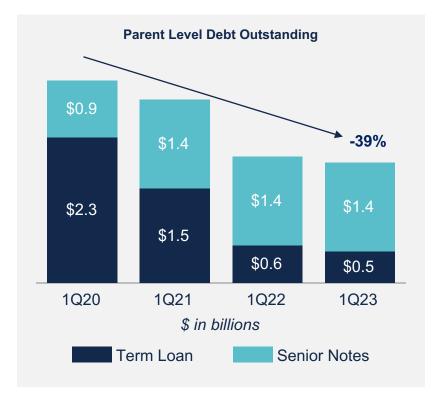
### **Improve capital metrics**

\$1.2 billion tangible common equity build since 2020

# Total Company Tangible Common Equity / Tangible Assets Ratio (TCE / TA)<sup>(1)</sup> +3x 7.8% 9.1% 1Q20 1Q21 1Q22 1Q23

### Reduce debt levels

Paid down \$1.2 billion since 2020



### **Drive shareholder value**

More than \$23 increase since 2020



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# Environmental, Social, & Governance (ESG)

### **ESG STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK**



### Managing Our Business Responsibly

Integrating ESG criteria into our overall governance, risk management, business strategy and priorities



### **Empowering Our Customers**

Empowering customers through inclusive, responsible access to a diverse mix of financial solutions



Promoting an inclusive, engaged culture that empowers associates through opportunities to grow, develop and lead



Accelerating our actions and investments to address the impact of climate change while driving resource efficiency



Making bold, strategic investments that empower our communities and create possibilities



Bread Financial's 10th annual ESG
Report highlights our performance
and progress in advancing our ESG
strategy for the 2022 fiscal year, and
notably marks our first year reporting
in accordance with the Taskforce on
Climate-Related Financial
Disclosures (TCFD)

- Integrated ESG principles into our business strategy and operations, setting new baselines for key metrics to help measure and manage our progress.
- Infused DE&I more deliberately throughout our workplace, workforce marketplace and community
- Improved competitive compensation, significantly enhanced benefits, flexibility in where they work, and access to a robust mental wellness platform
- Successfully executed against all priorities in our Climate Action Roadmap, which included a comprehensive energy audit of our facilities, a climate risk assessment, and scenario analysis

### RECOGNITION OF OUR EFFORTS





Forbes 2022 Global 2000 World's Largest Public Companies

Newsweek's 2023 America's Most Responsible Compani





2022 FinTech Breakthrough Award

Forbes 2022 America Best Employers for



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Top 3 Contact Center in North America





2022 Healthy Workplace Platinum Award

2022-2023 Health KC Platinum Leve Certification



Certified Center of Excellence





# Appendix



# **Summary financial highlights**

# **Continuing Operations**

(\$ in millions)	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23
Credit sales	\$ 6,043 \$	7,401 \$	7,380 \$	8,778 \$	6,887 \$	8,140 \$	7,689 \$	10,166 \$	7,373
Year-over-year change	(1%)	54%	20%	15%	14%	10%	4%	16%	7%
Average credit card and other loans	\$ 15,785 \$	15,282 \$	15,471 \$	16,086 \$	16,650 \$	17,003 \$	17,598 \$	19,820 \$	19,405
Year-over-year change	(14%)	(5%)	1%	2%	5%	11%	14%	23%	17%
End-of-period credit card and other loans	\$ 15,537 \$	15,724 \$	15,690 \$	17,399 \$	16,843 \$	17,769 \$	18,126 \$	21,365 \$	18,060
Year-over-year change	(12%)	(1%)	1%	4%	8%	13%	16%	23%	7%
End-of-period direct-to-consumer deposits	\$ 2,152 \$	2,398 \$	3,052 \$	3,180 \$	3,561 \$	4,191 \$	5,176 \$	5,466 \$	5,630
Year-over-year change	81%	30%	79%	87%	66%	75%	70%	72%	58%
Return on average assets <sup>(1)</sup>	4.9%	4.8%	3.7%	1.1%	4.0%	0.2%	2.4%	(2.2%)	7.7%
Return on average equity <sup>(2)</sup>	66.3%	56.4%	38.0%	11.1%	38.5%	2.2%	22.8%	(23.3%)	73.0%
Net interest margin <sup>(3)</sup>	17.7%	17.3%	18.9%	18.8%	19.4%	18.6%	19.9%	19.1%	19.0%
Loan yield <sup>(4)</sup>	23.8%	23.9%	25.6%	25.2%	25.6%	25.0%	27.2%	26.0%	26.6%
Efficiency ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	50.1%	55.5%	50.6%	50.0%	46.2%	52.9%	49.7%	53.1%	42.2%
Tangible common equity / tangible assets ratio (TCE/TA) <sup>(6)</sup>	5.2%	6.4%	7.2%	6.6%	7.8%	7.5%	8.0%	6.0%	9.1%
Tangible book value per common share <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 21.32 \$	27.12 \$	31.18 \$	28.09 \$	31.87 \$	31.75 \$	34.30 \$	29.42 \$	38.44
Cash dividend declared per common share	\$ 0.21 \$	0.21 \$	0.21 \$	0.21 \$	0.21 \$	0.21 \$	0.21 \$	0.21 \$	0.21
Payment rate <sup>(8)</sup>	18.8%	17.6%	16.7%	17.2%	17.7%	15.3%	15.5%	16.4%	15.6%
Delinquency rate	3.8%	3.3%	3.8%	3.9%	4.1%	4.4%	5.7%	5.5%	5.7%
Net principal loss rate	5.0%	5.1%	3.9%	4.4%	4.8%	5.6%	5.0%	6.3%	7.0%
Reserve rate	11.9%	10.4%	10.5%	10.5%	10.8%	11.2%	11.4%	11.5%	12.3%

- (1) Return on average assets represents annualized Income from continuing operations divided by average Total assets.
- (2) Return on average equity represents annualized Income from continuing operations divided by average Total stockholders' equity.
- (3) Net interest margin represents annualized Net interest income divided by average Total interest-earning assets.
- (4) Loan yield represents annualized Interest and fees on loans divided by Average credit card and other loans.
- 5) Efficiency ratio represents Total non-interest expenses divided by Total net interest and non-interest income.



- (6) 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.
- (7) Tangible book value per common share represents TCE divided by shares outstanding and is a non-GAAP financial measure.
- (8) Payment rate represents consumer payments during the last month of the period, divided by the beginning-of-month Credit card and other loans, including held for sale in applicable periods.

# **Credit quality trends**

### **Delinquency Rates**



<sup>(1)</sup> Peak Delinquency and Net loss rates occurred in 2009.

<sup>(2)</sup> The 2Q22 Net loss rate includes a 30 basis point increase from the effects of the purchase of previously written-off accounts that were sold to a third-party debt collection agency. Note: The 3Q22, 4Q22, and 1Q23 Delinquency and Net loss rates were impacted by the transition of our credit card processing services.



### Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP financial measures

(\$ in millions)	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23
Pretax pre-provision earnings (PPNR)									
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 367 \$	354 \$	259 \$	65 \$	302 \$	16 \$	189 \$	(207) \$	638
Provision for credit losses	33	(14)	161	363	193	404	304	692	107
Pretax pre-provision earnings (PPNR)	\$ 400 \$	340 \$	420 \$	428 \$	495 \$	420 \$	493 \$	485 \$	745
Less: Gain on portfolio sale	_	_	(10)	_	_	_	_	_	(230)
PPNR less gain on portfolio sale	\$ 400 \$	340 \$	410 \$	428 \$	495 \$	420 \$	493 \$	485 \$	515
Tangible common equity (TCE)									
Total stockholders' equity	\$ 1,764 \$	2,048 \$	2,246 \$	2,086 \$	2,268 \$	2,275 \$	2,399 \$	2,265 \$	2,716
Less: Goodwill and intangible assets, net	(704)	(699)	(694)	(687)	(682)	(694)	(690)	(799)	(790)
Tangible common equity (TCE)	\$ 1,060 \$	1,349 \$	1,552 \$	1,399 \$	1,586 \$	1,581 \$	1,709 \$	1,466 \$	1,926
Tangible assets (TA)									
Total assets	\$ 21,163 \$	21,812 \$	22,257 \$	21,746 \$	20,938 \$	21,811 \$	21,960 \$	25,407 \$	21,970
Less: Goodwill and intangible assets, net	(704)	(699)	(694)	(687)	(682)	(694)	(690)	(799)	(790)
Tangible assets (TA)	\$ 20,459 \$	21,113 \$	21,563 \$	21,059 \$	20,256 \$	21,117 \$	21,270 \$	24,608 \$	21,180

