

KRUNG THAI BANK

THAILAND / BANKING

KTB TB

HOLD

FROM BUY

TARGET PRICE	THB19.90
CLOSE	THB18.10
UP/DOWNSIDE	+9.9%
PRIOR TP	THB23.10
CHANGE IN TP	-13.9%
TP vs CONSENSUS	-12.6%

Deteriorating asset quality

- 4Q23 net profit was much below our expectation, mainly from rising ECL to tackle NPL management and reclassify ITD loans.
- Asset quality showed signs of deteriorating.
- We cut 2024-25E net profit and 2024 TP; downgrade to HOLD call.

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Asset quality deteriorated but still manageable

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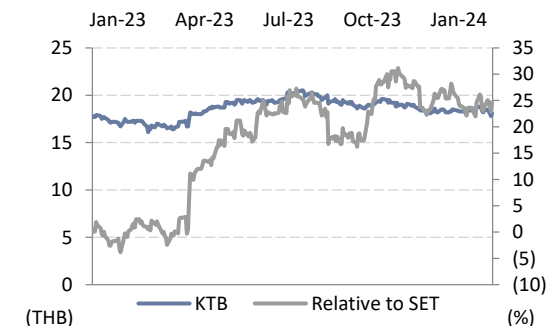
We cut our 2024-25E net profit by 5.8% and 7.6%, respectively, to reflect 1) higher credit cost due to its asset quality deterioration; 2) lower loan growth, mainly from the volatile government-related loans; and 3) a higher cost-to-income ratio from the abnormally low level in 2023. We forecast 2024-25 net profit growth of 2-3% p.a., down from the previous 5-6% p.a.

Downgrade recommendation to HOLD

We reduce our call to HOLD for dividend yields of c4% p.a. (from Buy). Our 2024 GGM-based TP of THB19.90 (from THB23.10) implies a P/BV of 0.65x (from 0.81x) under expected L-T ROE of 8.0% (from 9.0%) and COE of 11.8% (from 10.9%). The current share price is relatively fair since it is approaching its 5-year P/BV average (2018-23) at 0.6x.

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Operating profit	50,223	51,493	53,003	54,935
Net profit	36,616	37,621	38,760	40,236
EPS (THB)	2.62	2.69	2.77	3.44
vs Consensus (%)	-	(5.3)	(7.0)	14.4
Recurring net profit	36,616	37,621	38,760	40,236
Core EPS (THB)	2.62	2.69	2.77	3.44
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	(5.8)	(7.6)	-
EPS growth (%)	8.7	2.7	3.0	24.0
Core P/E (x)	6.9	6.7	6.5	5.3
Dividend yield (%)	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.6
Price/book (x)	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4
ROE (%)	9.4	9.0	8.7	8.5
ROA (%)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(1.6)	(6.2)	4.0
Relative to country (%)	(0.7)	(3.5)	27.0
Mkt cap (USD m)	7,123		
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)	18.8		
Free float (%)	45		
Major shareholder	FIDF (55%)		
12m high/low (THB)	20.50/16.00		
Issued shares (m)	13,976		

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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Investment thesis

We have a negative view of KTB’s 4Q23 results, leading to a 2024-25E earnings and 2024 TP cut as follows:

- With the rising ECL, despite mainly coming from the ITD loan reclassification to stage 2, the coverage ratio remained at the same level, reflecting the higher-than-expected new NPL formation;
- Loan growth is still pressured by the government-related segment, whereas the high-yield, retail segment has not been able to compensate for the overall growth predicted due to its prudent credit policy;
- The current share price is relatively fair since it is approaching its 5-year P/BV average (2018-23) at 0.6x. Hence, we reduce our recommendation to HOLD for dividend (from Buy).

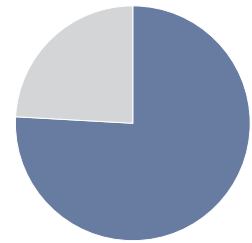
Company profile

Krung Thai Bank began operations in 1966 and in 1989 was the first privatised state enterprise to be listed on the SET. At end-2022, KTB was the largest Thai bank in terms of lending, and ranked third by total assets.

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Principal activities (revenue, 2023)

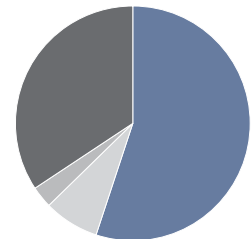
- Net interest income - 75.9 %
- Non-interest income - 24.1 %



Source: Krung Thai Bank

Major shareholders

- FIDF - 55.1 %
- Thai NVDR - 7.6 %
- EGAT Saving and Credit Cooperative Limited - 3.0 %
- Others - 34.3 %



Source: Krung Thai Bank

Catalysts

Potential share price catalysts for KTB include:

- Greater utilization of data acquired from KTB’s digital channels;
- Lower credit cost from a better-than-expected new NPL rate;
- Better operating cost control.

Risks to our call

Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) broad-based economic recovery supporting higher loan growth; and 2) asset quality improvement, mainly from the retail segment, reducing its ECL burdens. By contrast, upside risks comprise better economic conditions and strengthening asset quality.

Event calendar

Date	Event
Apr 2024	1Q24 results announcement

Key assumptions

	2024E (%)	2025E (%)	2026E (%)
Net profit (THB m)	37,621	38,760	40,236
EPS (THB)	2.69	2.77	2.88
Net profit growth (%)	2.7	3.0	3.8
NIM (%)	3.28	3.27	3.27
Loan growth (%)	1.0	1.0	1.0
Fee growth (%)	1.5	1.5	1.5
Non-NII growth (%)	4.6	3.6	3.5
Credit cost (bp)	140	135	130
Cost to income (%)	43.4	44.0	44.4
NPL ratio	3.80	3.80	3.80

Source: FSSIA estimates

Earnings sensitivity

		----- 2024E -----	
Loan growth	±2ppt	(1)	1
% change in net profit		(2)	2.2
NIM (%)	±5bp	3.23	3.28
% change in net profit		(4.5)	4.5
Credit cost (bp)	±10bp	130	140
% change in net profit		5.5	(5.5)

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2023 net profit was THB36.6b, growing by 8.7% y-y, pushed by the solid growth of net interest income and NIM expansion, which offset the impacts of sluggish fee income, rising operating expenses (mainly IT investment related), and ECL.

Exhibit 1: KTB – 4Q23 results summary

Year end Dec 31	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	--- Change ---		2022	2023	Change
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(y-y %)
Net interest income	24,606	25,619	27,771	29,667	30,362	2.3	23.4	90,405	113,420	25.5
Non-interest income	10,046	9,653	7,944	9,221	9,228	0.1	(8.1)	34,986	36,046	3.0
Fee income - net	5,073	5,139	4,797	5,503	5,434	(1.2)	7.1	20,316	20,872	2.7
Total operating income	34,652	35,272	35,715	38,888	39,590	1.8	14.2	125,391	149,465	19.2
Total operating expenses	15,696	13,650	14,028	16,733	17,745	6.0	13.1	54,771	62,157	13.5
PPOP before tax	18,956	21,622	21,687	22,155	21,845	(1.4)	15.2	70,620	87,309	23.6
Expected credit loss	7,532	8,104	7,754	8,157	13,070	60.2	73.5	24,338	37,085	52.4
Income tax	2,494	2,531	2,864	2,774	1,733	(37.5)	(30.5)	9,077	9,902	9.1
Non-controlling interest	821	921	912	941	931	(1.1)	13.4	3,508	3,705	5.6
Net profit	8,109	10,067	10,157	10,282	6,111	(40.6)	(24.6)	33,698	36,616	8.7
EPS (THB)	0.58	0.72	0.73	0.74	0.44	(40.6)	(24.6)	2.41	2.62	8.7
Key ratios	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	--- Change ---		2022	2023	Change
Asset quality ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(%)	(%)	(y-y %)
Gross NPLs (THB m)	101,096	102,542	98,810	98,309	99,439	(0.5)	(6.1)	101,096	99,439	(1.6)
Change (% from prior period)	(3.5)	1.4	(3.6)	(0.5)	1.1			(5.3)	(1.6)	
NPL ratios (%) - reported	3.26	3.22	3.11	3.10	3.08			3.26	3.08	
NPL ratio (%)*	3.90	3.97	3.83	3.74	3.86			3.90	3.86	
Coverage ratio (%) - reported	180	183	177	180	181			180	181	
Coverage ratio (%)*	172	177	171	174	174			172	174	
Credit cost (bp)	116	125	120	125	201			93	143	
Profitability ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	(%)	
Cost to income ratio	45.3	38.7	39.3	43.0	44.8			43.7	41.6	
Average yield (%)	3.59	3.95	4.26	4.57	4.74			3.28	4.34	
Cost of funds (%)	0.87	1.13	1.21	1.32	1.49			0.76	1.28	
NIM (%) - reported	2.61	2.80	3.00	3.20	3.38			2.60	3.22	
NIM (%)*	2.83	2.97	3.21	3.42	3.45			2.62	3.23	
Non-interest income/total income (%)	29.0	27.4	22.2	23.7	23.3			27.9	24.1	
Liquidity ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	(%)	
Loan to deposit	100.1	98.5	100.0	100.7	97.3			100.1	97.3	
Loan to deposit & borrowing (LDBR)	94.6	93.2	94.2	94.8	91.8			94.6	91.8	
Capital adequacy ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	(%)	
CAR	19.8	19.9	20.1	20.5	20.7			19.8	20.7	
CET 1/ Risk assets	15.7	15.8	16.1	16.4	16.5			15.7	16.5	
Tier 2 / Risk assets	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.2	4.2			3.1	4.2	
Loan growth	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	(%)	
q-q	(0.7)	(0.4)	(0.2)	2.0	(2.0)					
y-y	(1.4)	(2.9)	(2.2)	0.7	(0.6)			(1.4)	(0.6)	
Year-to-date	(1.4)	(0.4)	(0.6)	1.4	(0.6)					

Sources: KTB; FSSIA's compilation

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Exhibit 2: KTB – Staged loans and ECL

	2021	2022	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	2021	2022	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23
	(THB b)	(THB b)	(THB b)	(THB b)	(THB b)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Staged loans						% Staged loans				
Stage 1	2,306,478	2,289,507	2,276,905	2,290,350	2,354,779	87.16	87.53	87.39	88.33	88.90
Stage 2	228,443	217,522	217,505	204,087	196,282	8.63	8.32	8.35	7.87	7.41
Stage 3	111,422	108,732	110,912	98,506	97,740	4.21	4.16	4.26	3.80	3.69
Total	2,646,343	2,615,761	2,605,322	2,592,943	2,648,801	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Allowance for ECL						% ECL to staged loans				
Stage 1	44,722	44,720	46,619	46,442	47,396	1.94	1.95	2.05	2.03	2.01
Stage 2	48,923	52,526	55,146	52,635	53,046	21.42	24.15	25.35	25.79	27.03
Stage 3	77,334	76,508	79,135	69,503	70,112	69.41	70.36	71.35	70.56	71.73
Total	170,979	173,754	180,900	168,580	170,554	6.46	6.64	6.94	6.50	6.44
LLR / Loans	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)					
Stage 1	1.94	1.95	2.05	2.03	2.01					
Stage 2	21.42	24.15	25.35	25.79	27.03					
Stage 3	69.41	70.36	71.35	70.56	71.73					
Total	6.46	6.64	6.94	6.50	6.44					
NPL / TL	4.21	4.16	4.26	3.80	3.69					
NPL vs. Stage 2 loans / TL	12.84	12.47	12.61	11.67	11.10					
LLR / NPL	153.45	159.80	163.10	171.14	174.50					
LLR / (NPL vs. Stage 2 loans)	50.31	53.26	55.08	55.71	58.01					

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Exhibit 3: 2024-25E earnings revisions

	Current			Previous			Change		
	2024E	2025E	2026E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2024E	2025E	2026E
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Net profit (THB m)	37,621	38,760	40,236	39,929	41,941	43,652	(5.8)	(7.6)	(7.8)
EPS (THB)	2.69	2.77	2.88	2.86	3.00	3.12	(5.8)	(7.6)	(7.7)
Net profit growth (%)	2.7	3.0	3.8	5.6	5.0	4.1			
NIM (%)	3.28	3.27	3.27	3.14	3.15	3.15			
Loan growth (%)	1.0	1.0	1.0	3.0	3.0	3.0			
Fee growth (%)	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5			
Non-NII growth (%)	4.6	3.6	3.5	6.3	3.6	3.8			
Credit cost (bp)	140	135	130	125	125	125			
Cost to income (%)	43.4	44.0	44.4	41.4	41.3	41.3			
NPL ratio	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.80			

Source: FSSIA estimates

Downgrade recommendation to HOLD

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Exhibit 4: GGM-based 2024 TP

Gordon growth model	New	Previous
Sustainable ROE	8.0%	9.0%
g	1.0%	1.0%
ROE-g	7.0%	8.0%
Beta	1.10	1.05
Risk free rate	3.0%	2.5%
Risk premium	8.0%	8.0%
COE	11.8%	10.9%
COE-g	10.8%	9.9%
ROE-g/COE-g (PBV)	0.65	0.81

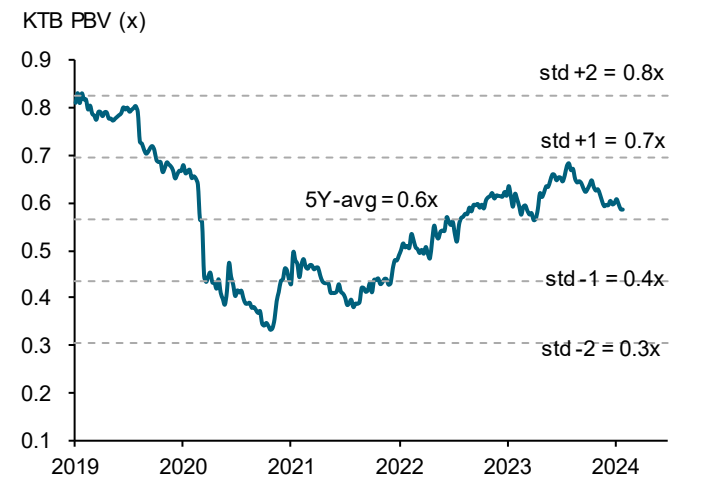
Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 5: Share price performance of banks under our coverage, as of 19 January 2024

	Price performance				
	1M	3M	6M	1Y	YTD
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
BBL TB	(3.65)	(13.17)	(11.85)	(4.29)	(7.35)
KBANK TB	(7.60)	(5.81)	(5.81)	(15.92)	(10.00)
KKP TB	(6.57)	(10.19)	(23.55)	(35.09)	(7.96)
KTB TB	(12.02)	(16.15)	(20.30)	(5.85)	(12.50)
SCB TB	0.00	4.26	(5.88)	(4.15)	(1.89)
TISCO TB	(0.26)	1.04	(0.26)	(4.88)	(2.26)
TTB TB	13.84	4.62	7.10	28.37	8.38
SETBANK	(2.54)	(5.58)	(8.81)	(6.18)	(4.87)
SET	(1.94)	(1.54)	(9.90)	(17.85)	(2.69)

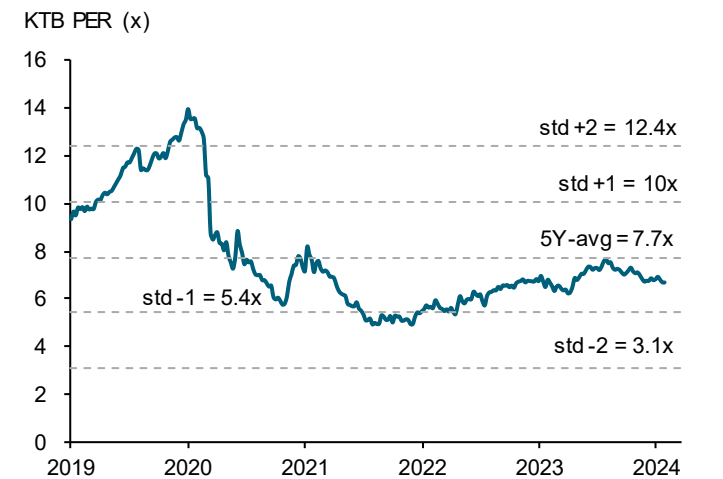
Source: Bloomberg

Exhibit 6: KTB – one-year prospective PBV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 7: KTB – one-year prospective PER band



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Exhibit 8: Regional bank peers comparison, as of 19 January 2024

Company name	BBG code	Share price (LCY)	Target price (LCY)	Upside (%)	Market Cap. (USD b)	----- PE -----		----- PBV ----		----- ROE ----		-- Div yld --	
						23E (x)	24E (x)	23E (x)	24E (x)	23E (%)	24E (%)	23E (x)	24E (x)
Thailand													
Bangkok Bank	BBL TB	144.50	191.00	32	7,767.2	6.6	6.6	0.5	0.5	8.1	7.7	4.4	4.5
Kasikornbank	KBANK TB	125.50	140.00	12	8,373.2	7.2	6.8	0.6	0.5	8.2	8.1	3.8	4.1
Krung Thai Bank	KTB TB	18.10	19.90	10	7,123.4	6.9	6.7	0.6	0.6	9.4	9.0	4.2	4.3
SCB X	SCB TB	105.00	118.00	12	9,956.0	8.1	8.0	0.7	0.7	9.3	9.0	7.1	7.4
TMBThanachart Bank	TTB TB	1.69	2.19	30	4,609.8	8.9	10.0	0.7	0.7	8.2	7.0	5.6	5.6
Kiatnakin Bank	KKP TB	48.00	55.00	15	1,144.5	6.8	6.0	0.7	0.6	10.0	10.7	6.8	6.5
Tisco Financial Group	TISCO TB	97.75	97.00	(1)	2,203.8	10.7	11.6	1.8	1.8	17.1	15.7	8.2	8.2
Thailand weighted average					5,825	9.0	8.5	0.8	0.7	8.9	8.9	4.4	4.6
Hong Kong													
Industrial & Comm Bank of China	1398 HK	3.59	n/a	n/a	224,304.5	3.3	3.3	0.3	0.3	10.7	10.4	9.4	9.6
China Construction Bank	939 HK	4.39	n/a	n/a	142,484.0	3.1	2.9	0.3	0.3	11.5	11.1	9.9	10.2
HSBC Holdings	5 HK	58.65	n/a	n/a	142,591.2	5.7	5.6	0.9	0.8	15.8	15.5	8.8	10.6
Bank of China	3988 HK	2.88	n/a	n/a	147,693.7	3.5	3.4	0.3	0.3	10.2	9.9	9.0	9.3
Hong Kong average					164,268	3.9	3.8	0.5	0.4	12.0	11.7	9.3	9.9
China													
Industrial & Comm Bank of China	601398 CH	4.89	n/a	n/a	224,421.8	5.0	4.8	0.5	0.5	10.6	10.2	6.3	6.5
Agricultural Bank of China	601288 CH	3.68	n/a	n/a	175,734.4	5.1	4.8	0.5	0.5	11.1	10.7	6.2	6.4
China Construction Bank	601939 CH	6.48	n/a	n/a	142,558.5	5.0	4.8	0.6	0.5	11.6	11.1	6.1	6.3
Bank of China	601988 CH	3.97	n/a	n/a	147,770.9	5.4	5.2	0.5	0.5	10.4	10.1	5.8	6.0
China average					172,621	5.1	4.9	0.5	0.5	10.9	10.6	6.1	6.3
South Korea													
KB Financial Group	105560 KS	49,500	n/a	n/a	15,035.3	4.0	3.8	0.4	0.3	9.6	9.1	6.5	6.9
Shinhan Financial Group	055550 KS	36,800	n/a	n/a	14,305.5	4.3	4.1	0.4	0.3	9.2	8.8	5.6	6.1
Hana Financial Group	086790 KS	41,200	n/a	n/a	9,043.3	3.3	3.2	0.3	0.3	9.8	9.6	8.4	9.0
Industrial Bank of Korea	024110 KS	11,630	n/a	n/a	6,952.0	3.5	3.4	0.3	0.3	9.5	9.2	8.5	8.9
South Korea average					11,334	3.8	3.6	0.3	0.3	9.5	9.2	7.3	7.7
Indonesia													
Bank Central Asia	BBCA IJ	9,625	n/a	n/a	75,827.5	24.2	22.2	4.8	4.4	21.0	20.7	2.3	2.7
Bank Rakyat Indonesia Persero	BBRI IJ	5,800	n/a	n/a	56,323.6	14.9	13.1	2.7	2.5	18.9	20.2	5.0	5.7
Bank Mandiri Persero	BMRI IJ	6,525	n/a	n/a	39,021.0	11.9	10.8	2.4	2.1	21.2	21.0	4.1	5.2
Bank Negara Indonesia Persero	BBNI IJ	5,500	n/a	n/a	13,323.0	9.7	8.6	1.4	1.3	15.0	15.5	4.2	4.8
Bank Syariah Indonesia	BRIS IJ	2,010	n/a	n/a	6,147.8	17.7	14.9	2.5	2.2	15.3	16.0	0.8	1.0
Indonesia average					38,129	15.7	13.9	2.8	2.5	18.3	18.7	3.3	3.9
Malaysia													
Malayan Banking	MAY MK	9.03	n/a	n/a	23,001.1	11.6	11.2	1.2	1.2	10.5	10.6	6.7	6.8
Public Bank	PBK MK	4.35	n/a	n/a	17,810.6	12.3	11.7	1.6	1.5	13.0	12.8	4.3	4.5
CIMB Group Holdings	CIMB MK	6.01	n/a	n/a	13,492.4	9.3	8.7	0.9	0.9	10.4	10.4	5.9	6.3
Hong Leong Bank	HLBK MK	18.80	n/a	n/a	8,755.4	10.3	9.8	1.2	1.1	12.1	11.4	3.4	3.4
RHB Bank	RHBBANK MK	5.53	n/a	n/a	5,050.2	8.2	8.1	0.8	0.7	9.6	9.3	7.0	7.2
Malaysia average					13,622	10.3	9.9	1.1	1.1	11.1	10.9	5.4	5.6
Singapore													
DBS Group Holdings	DBS SP	32.05	n/a	n/a	61,393.4	8.1	8.3	1.4	1.3	17.5	16.1	6.5	7.1
Oversea-Chinese Banking	OCBC SP	12.91	n/a	n/a	43,369.5	8.2	8.1	1.0	1.0	13.2	12.7	6.4	6.6
United Overseas Bank	UOB SP	27.85	n/a	n/a	34,870.5	8.2	8.0	1.1	1.0	13.3	12.9	6.1	6.4
Singapore average					46,544	8.2	8.2	1.2	1.1	14.6	13.9	6.3	6.7
Regional average (excl. Thailand)					71,651	8.2	7.7	1.1	1.0	12.8	12.6	6.1	6.5
Total average (incl. Thailand)					57,264	8.2	7.8	1.1	1.0	12.4	12.1	6.1	6.4

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

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Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Interest Income	113,475	152,369	163,544	165,340	167,251
Interest expense	(23,070)	(38,949)	(46,089)	(46,652)	(47,158)
Net interest income	90,405	113,420	117,455	118,688	120,093
Net fees & commission	20,316	20,872	21,186	21,504	21,826
Foreign exchange trading income	5,233	5,178	6,000	6,500	7,000
Securities trading income	239	195	195	195	195
Dividend income	352	319	351	387	425
Other income	8,847	9,481	9,955	10,453	10,975
Non interest income	34,986	36,046	37,687	39,038	40,422
Total income	125,391	149,465	155,142	157,726	160,515
Staff costs	(25,763)	(25,766)	(26,539)	(27,335)	(28,155)
Other operating costs	(29,007)	(36,391)	(40,859)	(42,081)	(43,086)
Operating costs	(54,771)	(62,157)	(67,398)	(69,416)	(71,241)
Pre provision operating profit	70,620	87,309	87,744	88,309	89,274
Expected credit loss	(24,338)	(37,085)	(36,252)	(35,306)	(34,339)
Other provisions	-	-	-	-	-
Operating profit	46,283	50,223	51,493	53,003	54,935
Recurring non operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Associates	-	-	-	-	-
Goodwill amortization	-	-	-	-	-
Non recurring items	0	0	0	0	0
Profit before tax	46,283	50,223	51,493	53,003	54,935
Tax	(9,077)	(9,902)	(10,093)	(10,389)	(10,767)
Profit after tax	37,206	40,321	41,400	42,614	44,168
Non-controlling interest	(3,508)	(3,705)	(3,779)	(3,855)	(3,932)
Preferred dividends	-	-	-	-	-
Other items	-	-	-	-	-
Reported net profit	33,698	36,616	37,621	38,760	40,236
Non recurring items & goodwill (net)	-	-	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	33,698	36,616	37,621	38,760	40,236
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	2.41	2.62	2.69	2.77	3.44
Reported EPS	2.41	2.62	2.69	2.77	3.44
DPS	0.68	0.76	0.78	0.80	0.83
Growth					
Net interest income (%)	8.4	25.5	3.6	1.0	1.2
Non interest income (%)	7.9	3.0	4.6	3.6	3.5
Pre provision operating profit (%)	12.0	23.6	0.5	0.6	1.1
Operating profit (%)	51.6	8.5	2.5	2.9	3.6
Reported net profit (%)	56.1	8.7	2.7	3.0	3.8
Recurring EPS (%)	56.1	8.7	2.7	3.0	24.0
Reported EPS (%)	56.1	8.7	2.7	3.0	24.0
Income Breakdown					
Net interest income (%)	72.1	75.9	75.7	75.2	74.8
Net fees & commission (%)	16.2	14.0	13.7	13.6	13.6
Foreign exchange trading income (%)	4.2	3.5	3.9	4.1	4.4
Securities trading income (%)	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Dividend income (%)	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
Other income (%)	7.1	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.8
Operating performance					
Gross interest yield (%)	3.28	4.34	4.56	4.56	4.55
Cost of funds (%)	0.76	1.28	1.48	1.48	1.48
Net interest spread (%)	2.52	3.06	3.08	3.08	3.07
Net interest margin (%)	2.6	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3
Cost/income(%)	43.7	41.6	43.4	44.0	44.4
Cost/assets(%)	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9
Effective tax rate (%)	19.6	19.7	19.6	19.6	19.6
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	28.3	29.0	29.0	29.0	24.3
ROE (%)	9.2	9.4	9.0	8.7	8.5
ROE - COE (%)	(0.8)	(0.5)	(0.9)	(1.2)	(1.5)
ROA (%)	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
RORWA (%)	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	3.9

* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted

Sources: Krung Thai Bank; FSSIA estimates

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Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Gross customer loans	2,592,838	2,576,516	2,602,281	2,628,304	2,654,587
Allowance for expected credit loss	(174,378)	(173,317)	(173,569)	(176,875)	(180,214)
interest in suspense	25,372	22,909	26,543	26,809	27,077
Net customer loans	2,443,832	2,426,108	2,455,256	2,478,238	2,501,450
Bank loans	550,941	701,162	708,173	722,337	736,783
Government securities	-	-	-	-	-
Trading securities	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	322,942	329,132	337,635	346,717	356,432
Cash & equivalents	61,591	55,626	42,978	53,825	63,367
Other interesting assets	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible fixed assets	72,029	65,924	67,204	68,516	69,861
Associates	-	-	-	-	-
Goodwill	-	-	-	-	-
Other intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-
Other assets	141,084	125,694	133,402	141,734	150,749
Total assets	3,592,419	3,703,646	3,744,648	3,811,366	3,878,642
Customer deposits	2,590,236	2,646,872	2,673,340	2,700,074	2,727,074
Bank deposits	277,099	282,696	288,350	294,117	297,058
Other interest bearing liabilities	151,172	160,839	164,056	165,696	167,353
Non interest bearing liabilities	181,340	166,447	169,820	173,262	176,774
Hybrid Capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	3,199,847	3,256,853	3,295,566	3,333,149	3,368,260
Share capital	72,005	72,005	72,005	72,005	72,005
Reserves	304,300	330,371	357,683	385,849	416,995
Total equity	376,305	402,376	429,688	457,854	489,000
Non-controlling interest	16,267	18,470	19,394	20,363	21,382
Total liabilities & equity	3,592,419	3,677,700	3,744,648	3,811,366	3,878,642
Supplementary items					
Risk weighted assets (RWA)	2,131,788	2,182,395	2,222,123	2,261,714	0
Average interest earning assets	3,456,331	3,510,866	3,586,335	3,628,191	3,674,323
Average interest bearing liabilities	3,031,708	3,054,457	3,108,076	3,142,817	3,175,686
CET 1 capital	335,601	359,787	386,807	414,643	0
Total capital	401,825	425,859	453,119	481,197	0
Gross non performing loans (NPL)	101,096	99,439	98,887	99,876	100,874
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	26.92	28.79	30.74	32.76	41.78
Tangible book value per share	26.92	28.79	30.74	32.76	41.78
Growth					
Gross customer loans	(1.4)	(0.6)	1.0	1.0	1.0
Average interest earning assets	4.1	1.6	2.1	1.2	1.3
Total asset (%)	1.0	3.1	1.1	1.8	1.8
Risk weighted assets (%)	11.5	2.4	1.8	1.8	nm
Customer deposits (%)	(0.9)	2.2	1.0	1.0	1.0
Leverage & capital measures					
Customer loan/deposits (%)	94.3	91.7	91.8	91.8	91.7
Equity/assets (%)	10.5	10.9	11.5	12.0	12.6
Tangible equity/assets (%)	10.5	10.9	11.5	12.0	12.6
RWA/assets (%)	59.3	58.9	59.3	59.3	-
CET 1 CAR (%)	15.7	16.5	17.4	18.3	-
Total CAR (%)	18.8	19.5	20.4	21.3	-
Asset Quality (FSSIA's calculation)					
Change in NPL (%)	(5.3)	(1.6)	(0.6)	1.0	1.0
NPL/gross loans (%)	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.8
Allowance for ECL/gross loans (%)	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8
Allowance for ECL/NPL (%)	172.5	174.3	175.5	177.1	178.7
Valuation					
Recurring P/E (x) *	7.5	6.9	6.7	6.5	5.3
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	8.3	7.6	7.4	7.2	5.8
Reported P/E (x)	7.5	6.9	6.7	6.5	5.3
Dividend yield (%)	3.8	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.6
Price/book (x)	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4
Price/tangible book (x)	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4
Price/tangible book @ target price (x)	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5

* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted

Sources: Krung Thai Bank; FSSIA estimates

Krung Thai Bank PCL (KTB TB)

FSSIA ESG rating

★★★★

63.10 /100

Exhibit 9: FSSIA ESG score implication

Rating	Score	Implication
★★★★★	>79-100	Leading its industry peers in managing the most significant ESG risks which not only better cost efficiency but also lead to higher profitability.
★★★★	>59-79	A mixed track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to industry peers.
★★★	>39-59	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been constructively addressed, well-managed and incorporated into day-to-day operations, in which targets and achievements are evaluated annually.
★★	>19-39	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been identified with key management in charge for progress to be followed up on and to provide intensive disclosure. Most targets are conventional and achievable.
★	1-19	The company has adopted the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs), established sustainability management guidelines and fully complies with regulations or ESG suggested guidance from related organizations such as the SET and SEC.

Sources: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 10: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA ESG score	Domestic ratings						Global ratings						Bloomberg	
		DJSI	SET THSI	THSI	CG score	AGM level	Thai CAC	Morningstar ESG risk	ESG Book	MSCI	Moody's	Refinitiv	S&P Global	ESG score	Disclosure score
SET100	69.20	5.34	4.40	4.40	4.76	4.65	3.84	Medium	51.76	BBB	20.87	58.72	63.91	3.72	28.17
Coverage	67.12	5.11	4.15	4.17	4.83	4.71	3.53	Medium	52.04	BB	16.97	56.85	62.09	3.40	31.94
BBL	62.08	--	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	54.70	--	29.00	58.68	67.00	2.19	60.06
KBANK	84.17	Y	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	62.19	AA	46.00	73.83	83.00	4.05	59.77
KTB	63.10	--	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	53.59	BBB	34.00	64.64	64.00	2.12	61.33
SCB	62.57	Y	Y	Y	5.00	4.00	--	High	--	A	--	--	86.00	3.43	--
KKP	62.96	--	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	52.81	BBB	--	77.56	26.00	2.18	45.90
TISCO	61.17	--	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	61.41	--	--	66.13	29.00	3.57	44.21
TTB	63.69	--	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	53.98	--	36.00	56.17	71.00	3.20	52.96

Sources: SETTRADE.com; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 11: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	1.36	1.75	1.82	1.72	2.13	2.07	2.14	2.12
BESG environmental pillar score	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BESG social pillar score	1.18	1.88	1.95	1.92	2.63	2.65	2.72	2.63
BESG governance pillar score	3.69	4.06	4.28	3.83	4.34	4.03	4.18	4.28
ESG disclosure score	38.85	41.85	42.19	42.19	53.35	55.27	56.12	61.33
Environmental disclosure score	6.74	8.46	8.46	8.46	34.46	38.63	38.63	39.47
Social disclosure score	28.57	29.56	30.59	30.59	38.12	39.69	42.26	57.07
Governance disclosure score	81.10	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36
Environmental								
Emissions reduction initiatives	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change opportunities discussed	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Risks of climate change discussed	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
GHG scope 1	—	—	—	—	14	14	12	15
GHG scope 2 location-based	7	135	128	60	53	50	45	42
GHG Scope 3	—	—	—	—	26	28	27	43
Carbon per unit of production	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biodiversity policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Energy efficiency policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total energy consumption	—	—	—	—	211	203	180	174
Renewable energy use	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0
Electricity used	—	232	219	103	105	100	90	84
Fuel used - natural gas	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 12: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Waste reduction policy	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hazardous waste	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0
Total waste	—	—	—	—	3	4	3	3
Waste recycled	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Waste sent to landfills	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Environmental supply chain management	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water consumption	—	—	—	—	170	147	121	119
Social								
Human rights policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Policy against child labor	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and recall policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Consumer data protection policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Equal opportunity policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gender pay gap breakout	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Pct women in workforce	69	69	69	70	70	70	70	71
Pct disabled in workforce	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Business ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Health and safety policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lost time incident rate - employees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total recordable incident rate - employees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Training policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fair remuneration policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Number of employees – CSR	24,057	23,611	22,417	21,606	21,133	20,262	18,937	17,157
Employee turnover pct	—	—	—	—	7	5	9	12
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	2,742,500	1,726,760	1,693,780	1,591,920	1,507,460	2,322,770	2,102,850	1,350,850
Social supply chain management	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Governance								
Board size	12	12	12	12	11	12	12	12
No. of independent directors (ID)	4	6	6	6	5	6	6	6
No. of women on board	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	2
No. of non-executive directors on board	9	11	11	11	10	8	8	11
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
No. of board meetings for the year	28	27	27	24	27	26	23	22
Board meeting attendance pct	93	96	92	84	94	97	100	96
Board duration (years)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Director share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Age of the youngest director	51	44	45	47	48	49	49	50
Age of the oldest director	61	62	63	64	64	65	66	67
No. of executives / company managers	21	20	20	20	19	21	19	22
No. of female executives	7	4	5	4	3	3	3	3
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Size of audit committee	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	3
No. of ID on audit committee	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	3
Audit committee meetings	19	26	25	22	20	22	19	26
Audit meeting attendance %	91	96	95	95	98	100	98	98
Size of compensation committee	4	3	3	3	2	3	3	3
No. of ID on compensation committee	3	2	3	2	1	2	2	2
No. of compensation committee meetings	20	19	17	17	21	20	15	15
Compensation meeting attendance %	95	95	90	92	94	100	100	100
Size of nomination committee	4	3	3	3	2	3	3	3
No. of nomination committee meetings	20	19	17	17	21	20	15	15
Nomination meeting attendance %	95	95	90	92	94	100	100	100
Sustainability governance								
Verification type	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

Disclaimer for ESG scoring

ESG score	Methodology	Rating																			
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) By S&P Global	The DJSI World applies a transparent, rules-based component selection process based on the companies' Total Sustainability Scores resulting from the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA). Only the top-ranked companies within each industry are selected for inclusion.	Be a member and invited to the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) for DJSI. Companies with an S&P Global ESG Score of less than 45% of the S&P Global ESG Score of the highest scoring company are disqualified. The constituents of the DJSI indices are selected from the Eligible Universe.																			
Sustainability Investment List (THSI) By The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	THSI quantifies responsibility in Environmental and Social issues by managing business with transparency in Governance, updated annually. Candidates must pass the preemptive criteria, with two crucial conditions: 1) no irregular trading of the board members and executives; and 2) free float of >150 shareholders, and combined holding must be >15% of paid-up capital. Some key disqualifying criteria include: 1) CG score of below 70%; 2) independent directors and free float violation; 3) executives' wrongdoing related to CG, social & environmental impacts; 4) equity in negative territory; and 5) earnings in red for > 3 years in the last 5 years.	To be eligible for THSI inclusion , verified data must be scored at a minimum of 50% for each indicator, unless the company is a part of DJSI during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against the nature of the relevant industry and materiality. SETTHSI Index is extended from the THSI companies whose 1) market capitalization > THB5b (~USD150b); 2) free float >20%; and 3) liquidity >0.5% of paid-up capital for at least 9 out of 12 months. The SETTHSI Index is a market capitalisation-weighted index, cap 5% quarterly weight at maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.																			
CG Score by Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)	An indicator of CG strength in sustainable development, measured annually by the Thai IOD, with support from the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET). The results are from the perspective of a third party, not an evaluation of operations.	Scores are rated in six categories: 5 for Excellent (90-100), 4 for Very Good (80-89), 3 for Good (70-79), 2 for Fair (60-69), 1 for Pass (60-69), and not rated for scores below 50. Weightings include: 1) the rights; 2) and equitable treatment of shareholders (weight 25% combined); 3) the role of stakeholders (25%); 4) disclosure & transparency (15%); and 5) board responsibilities (35%).																			
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Krung Thai Bank	KTB TB	THB 18.10	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) broad-based economic recovery supporting higher loan growth; and 2) asset quality improvement, mainly from the retail segment, reducing its ECL burdens. By contrast, upside risks comprise better economic conditions and strengthening asset quality.
Kasikornbank	KBANK TB	THB 125.50	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) government stimulus projects leading to an economic recovery; and 2) rising NIM from well-controlled cost of funds.
Bangkok Bank	BBL TB	THB 144.50	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) an impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
SCB X	SCB TB	THB 105.00	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
TMBThanachart Bank	TTB TB	THB 1.69	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
Kiatnakin Bank	KKP TB	THB 48.00	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based target price include weakening asset quality and lower fee income and upside risks include better capital market conditions, higher used car price, and strengthening asset quality.
Tisco Financial	TISCO TB	THB 97.75	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) aggressive loan growth; and 2) well-controlled asset quality.

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