



2Q17 Financial Results  
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# Vision, Strategic Objectives and Goal

## Vision

**Be the leading direct bank and payments partner**

## Focus areas and strategic objectives

### **Achieve profitable, disciplined growth**

- Excel at serving our customers; simple, secure experience with deep relationships
- Offer differentiated products
- Leverage payments network

### **Invest for the future**

- Build awareness and consideration
- Enhance capabilities and operating model

**Manage risk prudently**

## Goal

**Create long-term shareholder value**

# 2Q17 Highlights

- Delivered net income of \$546MM, diluted EPS of \$1.40 and 9% revenue growth YOY
- Achieved 8% total loan growth YOY with good momentum across all primary lending products (credit cards, private student and personal loans)
- Held the line on operating expenses, despite strong loan growth
- Remained disciplined on risk-adjusted returns with 19% return on equity
- Managed rewards rate lower (-1 bp YOY and -5 bps QOQ)
- Increased Payment Services volume rate of growth (up 12% YOY)
- Announced 2017-2018 capital plan, raising quarterly common dividend \$0.05 to \$0.35 per share and planning to purchase \$2.23Bn of common shares over four quarters

# 2Q17 Summary Financial Results

(\$MM, except per share data)	2Q17	2Q16	B / (W)	
			\$ Δ	% Δ
Revenue Net of Interest Expense	\$2,419	\$2,216	\$203	9%
Net Principal Charge-off	520	384	(136)	(35%)
Reserve Changes build/(release)	120	28	(92)	(329%)
Provision for Loan Losses	640	412	(228)	(55%)
Operating Expense	912	906	(6)	(1%)
Direct Banking	831	868	(37)	(4%)
Payment Services	36	30	6	20%
Total Pre-Tax Income	867	898	(31)	(3%)
Income Tax Expense	321	282	(39)	(14%)
Net Income	\$546	\$616	(\$70)	(11%)
<b>ROE</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>22%</b>		
<b>Diluted EPS</b>	<b>\$1.40</b>	<b>\$1.47</b>	<b>(\$0.07)</b>	<b>(5%)</b>
Pre-Tax, Pre-Provision Income <sup>(1)</sup>	\$1,507	\$1,310	\$197	15%

## Highlights

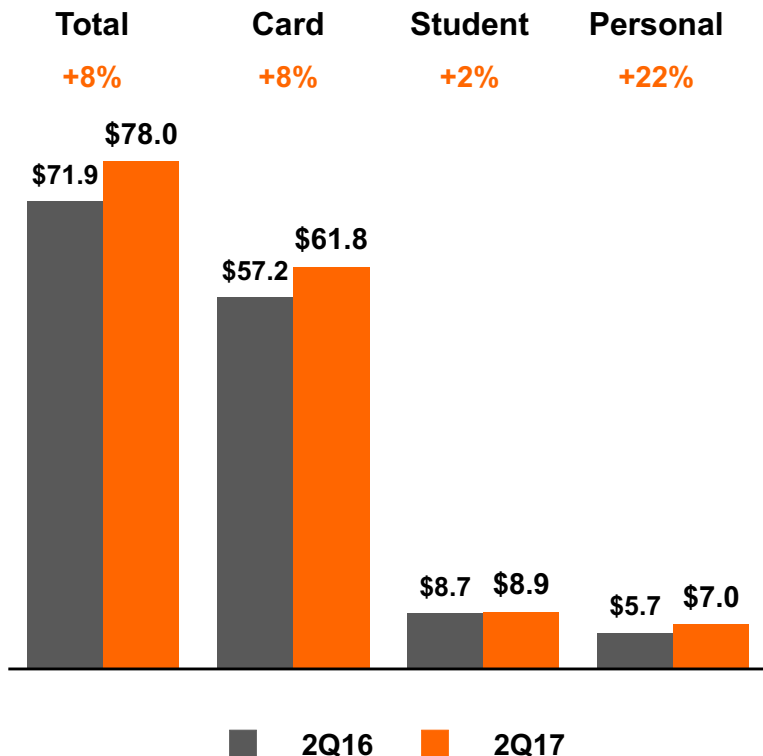
- Diluted EPS of \$1.40, down 5% YOY (2Q16 included a non-recurring tax benefit of \$0.11 per share)
- Revenue net of interest expense of \$2.4Bn, up 9% YOY, driven by higher net interest income
- Provision for loan losses increased \$228MM YOY (55%) on higher net charge-offs and a reserve build
- Expenses rose just 1%, primarily from higher compensation and benefits

### Note(s)

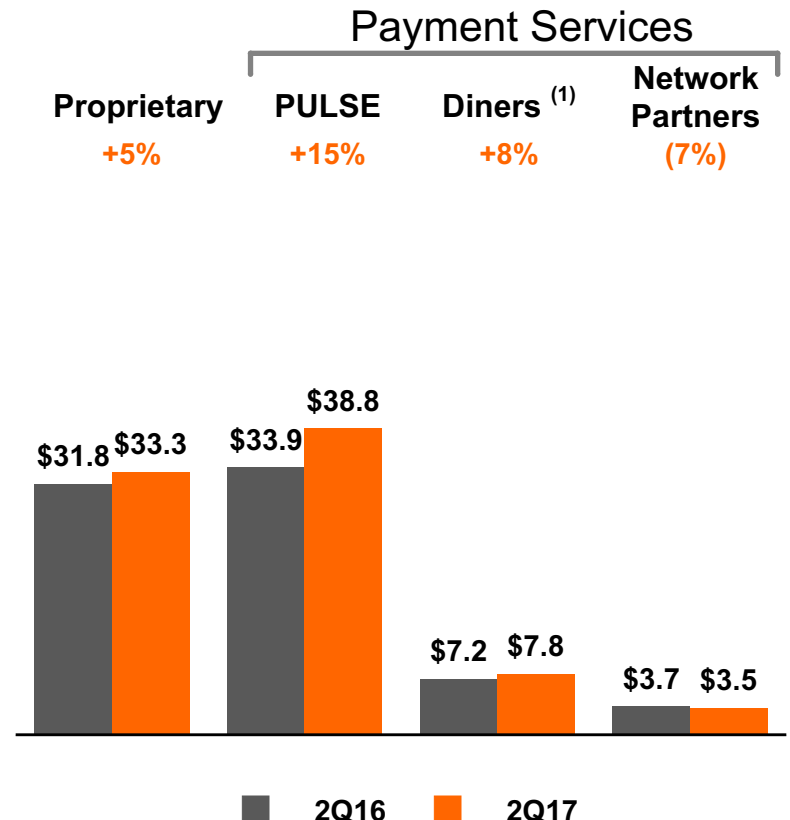
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# 2Q17 Loan and Volume Growth

## Ending Loans (\$Bn)



## Volume (\$Bn)



Total Network Volume up 9% YOY

**Note(s)**

1. Volume is derived from data provided by licensees for Diners Club branded cards issued outside of North America and is subject to subsequent revision or amendment

# 2Q17 Revenue Detail

(\$MM)	2Q17	2Q16	B / (W)	
			\$ Δ	% Δ
Interest Income	\$2,338	\$2,090	\$248	12%
Interest Expense	400	339	(61)	(18%)
Net Interest Income	1,938	1,751	187	11%
Discount/Interchange Revenue	666	636	30	5%
Rewards Cost	388	371	(17)	(5%)
Net Discount/Interchange Revenue	278	265	13	5%
Protection Products Revenue	56	59	(3)	(5%)
Loan Fee Income	83	79	4	5%
Transaction Processing Revenue	42	39	3	8%
Other Income	22	23	(1)	(4%)
Total Non-Interest Income	481	465	16	3%
Revenue Net of Interest Expense	<u>\$2,419</u>	<u>\$2,216</u>	<u>\$203</u>	<u>9%</u>
Direct Banking	\$2,346	\$2,147	\$199	9%
Payment Services	73	69	4	6%
Revenue Net of Interest Expense	<u>\$2,419</u>	<u>\$2,216</u>	<u>\$203</u>	<u>9%</u>

(\$MM)	2Q17	2Q16	Change	
			QOQ	YOY
Discover Card Sales Volume	\$32,172	\$30,702	10%	5%
Rewards Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	1.20%	1.21%	-5 bps	-1 bp

**Note(s)**

1. Rewards cost divided by Discover card sales volume

## Highlights

- Net interest income of \$1.9Bn, up 11% YOY on higher loan growth and modest NIM expansion
- Net discount and interchange revenue increased \$13MM (5%) on increased card sales
- Rewards rate decreased 1 bp YOY, driven by lower promotional rewards

# 2Q17 Net Interest Margin

(\$MM)	2Q17		2Q16	
	Average Balance	Rate	Average Balance	Rate
Credit Card	\$60,700	12.66%	\$56,124	12.42%
Private Student	9,020	7.45%	8,816	7.13%
Personal	6,820	12.22%	5,608	12.25%
Other	314	5.59%	262	5.04%
Total Loans	76,854	11.98%	70,810	11.72%
Other Interest-Earnings Assets	15,175	1.11%	14,562	0.71%
Total Interest-Earnings Assets	<u>\$92,029</u>	10.19%	<u>\$85,372</u>	9.84%
Direct to Consumer and Affinity	\$36,956	1.29%	\$33,215	1.22%
Brokered Deposits and Other	15,600	2.07%	14,740	1.78%
Interest Bearing Deposits	52,556	1.52%	47,955	1.39%
Borrowings	26,122	3.09%	24,621	2.82%
Total Interest-Bearing Liabilities	<u>\$78,678</u>	2.04%	<u>\$72,576</u>	1.88%

(%)	Change		
	2Q17	QOQ	YOY
Total Interest Yield	11.98%	4bps	26bps
NIM on Receivables	10.11%	4bps	17bps
NIM on Interest-Earning Assets	8.44%	14bps	19bps

## Highlights

- Net interest margin on receivables increased 17bps YOY on higher card yield and portfolio mix, partially offset by higher charge-offs and funding costs
- Credit card yield increased 24bps YOY as the prime rate increased, partially offset by higher interest charge-offs
- Average consumer deposits grew 11% YOY and composed 47% of total average funding
- Funding costs on interest-bearing liabilities increased 16bps YOY, driven by higher market rates and funding mix



# 2Q17 Operating Expense Detail

(\$MM)	2Q17	2Q16	B / (W)	
			\$ Δ	% Δ
Employee Compensation and Benefits	\$367	\$340	(\$27)	(8%)
Marketing and Business Development	192	198	6	3%
Information Processing & Communications	77	89	12	13%
Professional Fees	156	150	(6)	(4%)
Premises and Equipment	23	23	0	—%
Other Expense	97	106	9	8%
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$912</b>	<b>\$906</b>	<b>(\$6)</b>	<b>(1%)</b>
Direct Banking	876	868	(\$8)	(1%)
Payment Services	36	38	2	5%
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$912</b>	<b>\$906</b>	<b>(\$6)</b>	<b>(1%)</b>
<b>Operating Efficiency<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>37.7%</b>	<b>40.9%</b>		<b>320 bps</b>
<b>Adjusted Operating Efficiency<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>37.7%</b>	<b>40.3%</b>		<b>260 bps</b>

## Highlights

- Employee compensation and benefits up 8% YOY, primarily on higher staffing levels driven by increased compliance headcount
- Information processing down 13% YOY, primarily from infrastructure efficiencies
- Operating efficiency improved 320 bps on expense discipline and completion of certain AML projects

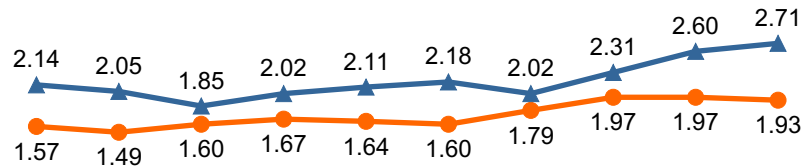
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1. Defined as reported total operating expense divided by revenue net of interest expense
2. 2Q16 operating efficiency ratio adjusted for \$12 million in look back related anti-money laundering remediation expenses. Management believes adjusted operating efficiency, which is a non-GAAP measure, helps investors understand the effect of activities that are not expected to continue and provides investors with a useful metric to evaluate the company's ongoing operating performance; see appendix for a reconciliation

# Credit Performance Trends

## Total Company Loans

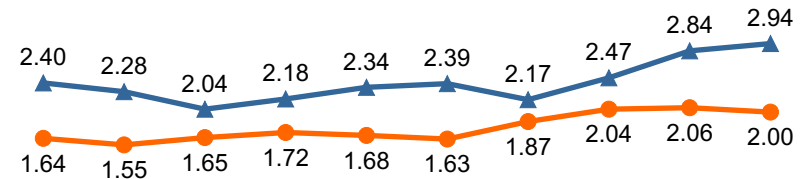
Revised 2017 NCO guidance: 2.7 - 2.8%



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▲ NCO rate (%) ● 30+ day DQ rate ex-PCI (%)

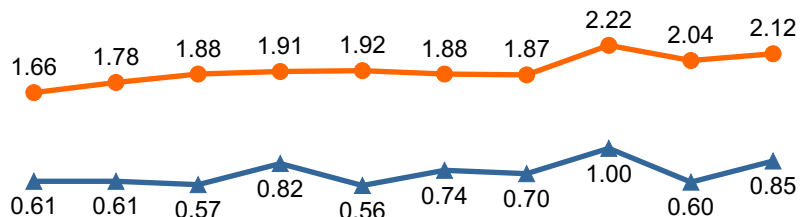
## Credit Card Loans



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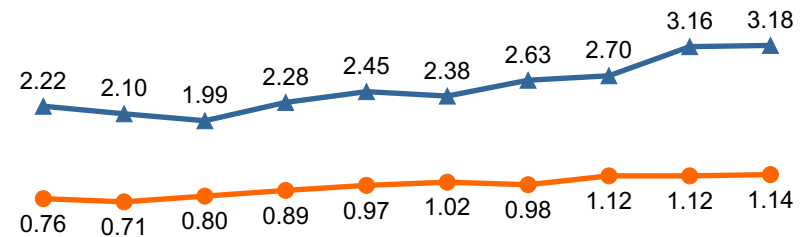
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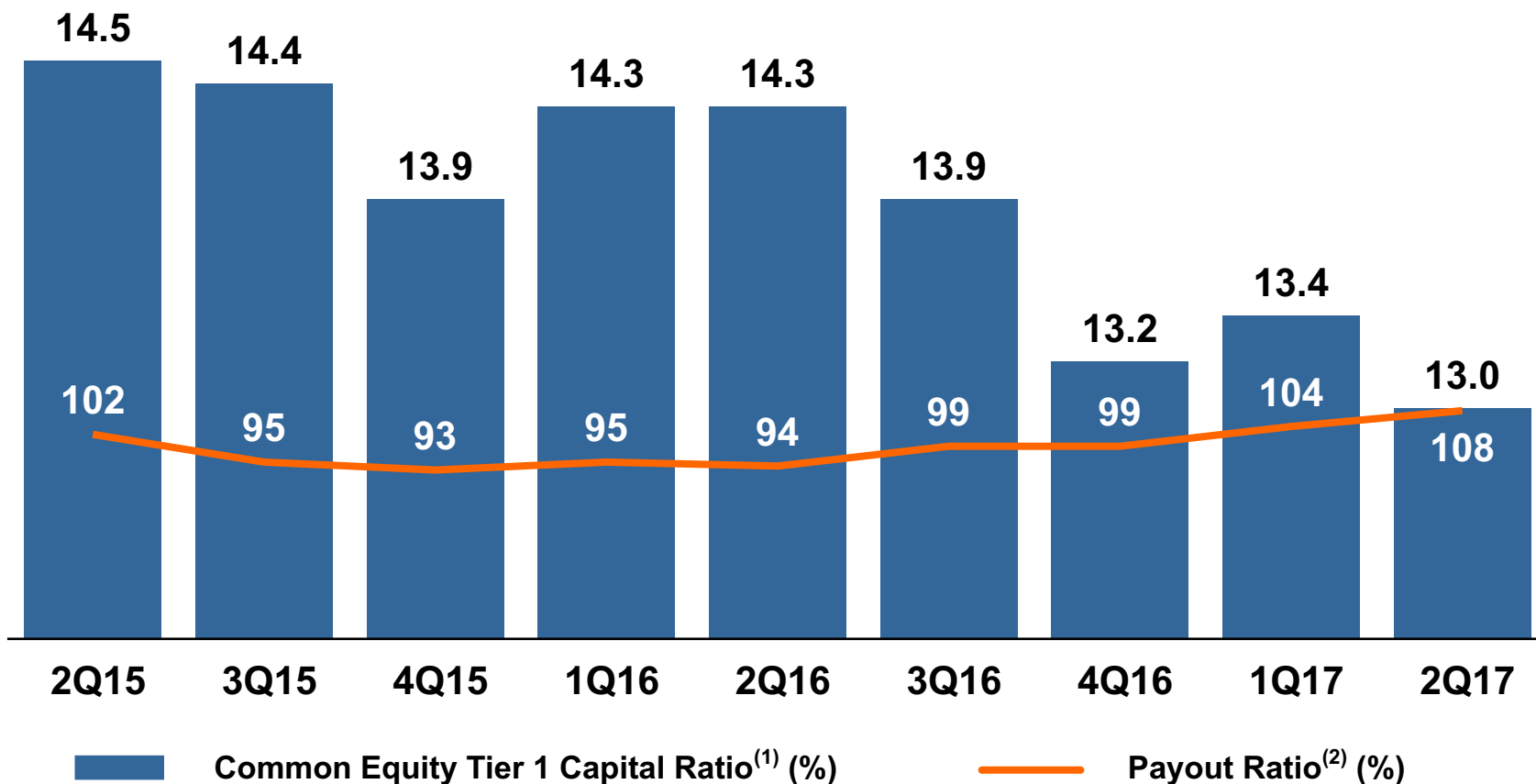
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# Capital Trends



**Note(s)**

1. Common Equity Tier 1 Capital Ratio (Basel III Transition)
2. Payout Ratio is displayed on a trailing twelve month basis. This represents the trailing twelve months' Capital Return to Common Stockholders divided by the trailing twelve months' Net Income Allocated to Common Stockholders

# 2Q17 Financial Summary

## Profitability

- Net income of \$546MM and diluted EPS of \$1.40
- Revenue growth of 9% on higher net interest income
- NIM of 10.11%, up 17bps YOY
- Return on equity remains strong at 19%
- Efficiency ratio improved 3pp YOY to 38%

## Balance Sheet

- Total loans grew 8% (\$6.1Bn) YOY with strong contributions from all primary lending products
- Credit card loans grew 8% (\$4.6Bn) YOY as sales volume increased 5%
- Average consumer deposits grew 11% (\$3.7Bn) YOY as deposit rates increased slightly

## Credit and Capital

- Total NCO rate of 2.71%, up 53 bps YOY
  - Driven by supply-induced credit normalization and loan seasoning
  - Revised 2017 guidance to 2.7 - 2.8%
- Capital plan announced for 3Q17 - 2Q18:
  - Raised quarterly common dividend \$0.05 to \$0.35/share
  - Planned gross share repurchases of \$2.23Bn

# Appendix

# Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Data

(unaudited, \$MM)	2Q17	2Q16
Provision for loan losses	\$640	\$412
Income before income taxes	867	898
<b>Pre-tax, pre-provision income<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b><u>\$1,507</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,310</u></b>
Revenue net of interest expense	\$2,419	\$2,216
Total operating expense	912	906
Excluding anti-money laundering and related compliance program expenses	—	12
Adjusted operating expense	<u>\$912</u>	<u>\$894</u>
<b>Adjusted Operating Efficiency<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b><u>37.7%</u></b>	<b><u>40.3%</u></b>

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