

Bangkok Bank (BBL TB)

FUNDAMENTAL VIEW 1 As of 17 Jun 2025

- Bangkok Bank is a family run conservative financial institution, with high capital and liquidity levels.
- It acquired Indonesia's Permata Bank in 2020 which resulted in a meaningful decline in its CET1 ratio to 14%. It is back to ~16% range and management aims to keep the CET1 ratio at ~16% in prepartion for Basel III final reforms.
- Profitability (ROA and ROE) has historically been below the industry average, due
 in part to higher exposure to the lower-yielding corporates segment that has
 resulted in a lower NIM. However, the returns gap has narrowed as this has
 supported its asset quality outperformance versus peers in a prolonged sluggish
 macroeconomic environment.

RISKS & CATALYSTS

As of 17 Jun 2025

- We see a significant impact to the Thai economy from potential US tariffs, with
 ripple effects in the form of lower bank NIMs and higher credit costs than earlier
 guided for this year. Moody's also downgraded its rating outlook on the Thailand
 sovereign, and consequently the Thai banks including BBL, to negative on 29 April
 2025, citing increased risks to Thailand's economic and fiscal strength, partly due
 to the potential impact of new US tariffs.
- We anticipate greater NIM pressure on BBL than most peers given the larger corporate book, which has started to come through. Loan growth will also remain middling across the Thai banks due to a focus on quality amid the current backdrop. However, we take comfort in BBL's strong loss buffers and safer large corporate book.
- The acquisition of Bank Permata of Indonesia in May 2020 provides BBL with
 exposure to the high growth opportunities of the Indonesian market, which is the
 bank's identified main base for overseas expansion, but this also presents higher
 risks.

CREDIT QUALITY SCORE (C	QS) ²			As of 30 Ju	n 2025			
CURRENT CQS		cQ	S OUTLOO	K ³				
52	NEG	ATIVE	STABLE	POSIT	ΓIVE			
HISTORICAL RATINGS: AVERAGE AGENCY RATING (ACR) VS CQS								
CQS					ACR			
80								
75					Α			
70								
65 —								
60					BBB			
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50								
45					ВВ			
40								
Jul 24 Sep 24 Nov 24	Jan 25	Mar 25	May 25	Jun 25				
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KEY METRICS	As of 17 Jun 2025

THB MN	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	1Q25
PPP ROA	1.65%	1.60%	1.92%	2.02%	2.17%
ROA	0.65%	0.67%	0.93%	1.00%	1.10%
ROE	5.6%	5.9%	8.1%	8.3%	9.0%
Equity / Assets	11.4%	11.5%	11.8%	12.2%	12.2%
CET1 Ratio	15.2%	14.9%	15.4%	16.2%	15.8%
Calculated NPL ratio	3.20%	3.10%	2.70%	2.70%	3.00%
Provisions / Loans	1.38%	1.24%	1.26%	1.30%	1.34%
Gross LDR	82%	84%	84%	85%	84%
Liquidity Coverage Ratio	270%	271%	277%	n/m	n/m

BUSINESS DESCRIPTION

As of 17 Jun 2025

- Bangkok Bank was set up in 1944 and was listed on the Stock Exchange of Thailand in 1975. It is a family-run bank and the current President of the bank, Chartsiri Sophonpanich, is the grandson of the founder of the bank.
- It is the largest bank by assets in Thailand. It was briefly surpassed by Kasikornbank in 2018, but the Bank Permata acquisition has taken BBL back to No.1.
- The bank is corporate-loan focused, and the loan book was split 48% corporate, 17% SME, 11% retail, and 24% international as at March 2025. It is by far the most international amongst the Thai banks, with branches in 14 economies.
- BBL's overseas presence has been enhanced by the acquisition of Bank Permata, the 12th largest bank in Indonesia. Bank Permata's asset size is ~10% of that of BBL.

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