

# Nordea

## Q1'24: Still a preferred choice in the sector

- Minor net earnings revisions for 2024e-26e
- 12% annual cash yields (incl. buybacks) in 2025e-26e
- We keep our BUY rating with a TP of SEK 152 (152)

### Competitive CAGR'23-26e in net earnings at a discount

Nordea delivered better Q1'24 operating profit than we expected due to stronger trading income and lower loan losses, and the resolution fund fee (in costs) was also lower than projected. The most important income items, NII and net commission income, were in line with our forecasts. Net loan losses stood at 3 bp of lending and the management overlay of EUR 505m (15bp of lending) was unchanged. The CET1 ratio stood at 17.2% vs. the min. requirement by year-end of 13.6%, which implies a management buffer of 360bp vs. Nordea's target of 150bp. This implies plenty of room for healthy cash yields even if the Norwegian acquisition, which most likely will be consolidated by year-end 2024, is expected to absorb some 40bp-50bp. We therefore feel comfortable about part of the share buybacks we expected in 2024 just having been postponed to 2025/26. We still expect Nordea to outperform peers in terms of CAGR'23-26e in adjusted net profit, while it is valued as discount. In addition, the total annual cash yields should compare well vs. peers. Taken together, this means that Nordea remains a preferred choice in the sector.

### Adj. net profit & total buybacks intact for 2024e-26e

We have marginally revised our adjusted net earnings estimates for 2024e-26e, while we have reallocated our share buybacks between 2024-2026.

### We keep our positive view on the stock

The absolute return case looks compelling at ~1.2x BV'24e considering ROEs of 15-16% in 2024e-25e, an adj. P/E'24e of 7.3x and total cash yields of 12% p.a. in 2025-26e. We also expect Nordea to show relative NII resilience when rates come down, while it would offset a potentially adverse income development with cost-cutting. We keep our positive view with an unchanged TP of SEK 152.

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EURm	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026e
Total income	9,721	11,743	12,106	11,866	11,896
Total operating costs	-4,834	-5,238	-5,240	-5,322	-5,415
Operating profit	4,762	6,338	6,530	6,262	6,234
EPS adj.	1.09	1.40	1.44	1.41	1.45
BVPS	8.25	8.64	9.07	9.43	9.79
NAVPS	7.15	7.56	7.98	8.32	8.66
DPS	0.80	0.92	0.95	0.97	1.01
Total income growth (%)	1.0	20.8	3.1	-2.0	0.3
Total.op.costs (%)	4.0	8.4	0.0	1.6	1.7
Op. profit growth (%)	-3.5	33.1	3.0	-4.1	-0.4
C/I (%)	47.0	44.7	43.4	45.0	45.6
Loan losses (%)	0.03	0.05	0.10	0.08	0.07
Source: ABG Sundal Collier, Con	npany Data				

#### Reason: Post-results comment







#### **Financials**

Estimate changes (%)

	2024e	2025e	2026e
Total income	0.3	-0.0	-0.0
Total op costs	-0.1	-0.0	-0.2
Operating profit	1.1	-0.1	0.0
EPS adj.	0.0	-1.1	-0.6
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#### NDA.SE-SE/NDA SS

Share price (SEK)	10/4/2024	123.95		
Target price		152.0		

MCap (SEKm)	434,546
MCap (EURm)	37,155
No. of shares (m)	3,505.6
Free float (%)	90.0
Av. daily volume (k)	6,449

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#### **Performance**



	2024e	2025e	2026e
P/E adj. (x)	7.3	7.5	7.3
EPS adj. growth (%)	3.0	-2.4	2.7
P/BV (x)	1.17	1.12	1.08
BVPS growth (%)	4.9	4.0	3.8
P/NAV	1.33	1.27	1.22
NAVPS growth	5.6	4.3	4.1
Dividend yield (%)	9.0	9.2	9.6
ROE (%)	16.2	15.2	14.9
RONAV (%)	18.6	17.3	17.1
CET 1 ratio	16.4	15.8	15.9

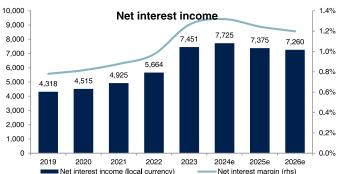
# **Company description**

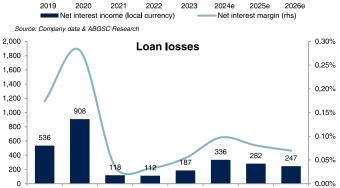
Nordea is the largest bank in the Nordics with significant presence in all Nordic countries. Although the lion's share of its earnings are derived from its Retail Banking operations, they are also present within Wholesale Banking, Life and Wealth Management.

### Sustainability information

# **Risks**

Weaker than expected asset quality in the Nordics, weaker than expected pre-provisioning earnings trend and regulation (capital requirements, taxes etc.).





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2024e

2026e



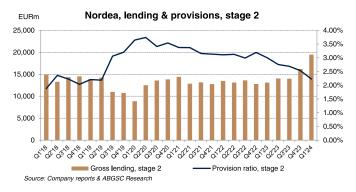
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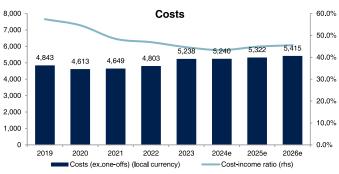
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Loan losses (local currency)

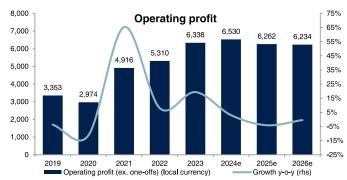
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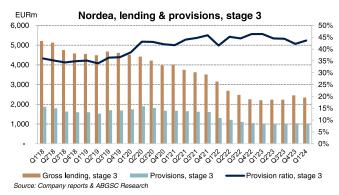




Source: Company data & ABGSC Research



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	Outcome	ABGSC est.		Infront consensus				q-o-q		у-о-у	
EURm	Q1'24e	Q1'24e	Deviat	ion	Q1'24e	Devia	tion	Q4'23	growth	Q1'23	growth
Net interest income	1,954	1,948	6	0%	1,935	19	1%	1,946	0%	1,765	11%
Net commission income	763	760	3	0%	774	-11	-1%	763	0%	765	0%
Trading income	291	225	66	29%	244	47	19%	154	89%	345	-16%
Insurance	61	50	11	22%	51	10	21%	40	53%	46	33%
Other income	16	11	5	45%	13	3	19%	12	33%	0	
Total income	3,085	2,994	91	3%	3,017	68	2%	2,915	6%	2,921	6%
Personnel costs	-749	-742	-7	1%	-751	2	0%	-735	2%	-719	4%
Other costs	-540	-568	28	-5%	-627	87	-14%	-682	-21%	-703	-23%
Total costs	-1,289	-1,310	21	-2%	-1,378	89	-6%	-1,417	-9%	-1,422	-9%
Profit before loan losses	1,796	1,683	113	7%	1,640	156	10%	1,498	20%	1,499	20%
Loan losses	-33	-70	37	-53%	-86	53	-61%	-94	-65%	-21	57%
Other	0	0	0	-	-1	1	-100%	12	-100%	2	-100%
Operating profit	1,763	1,613	150	9%	1,554	209	13%	1,416	25%	1,480	19%
Tax	-402	-359	-43	12%	-373	-29	8%	-309	30%	-332	21%
Other	-26	-26	0	0%				0	-	-25	4%
Net profit	1,335	1,228	107	9%	1,181	154	13%	1,107	21%	1,123	19%
CET1 ratio	17.2%	17.5%	-0.3%		17.0%			17.0%		15.7%	

Source: Company data, ABGSC forecasts, Infront consensus

	Nev	v forecasts	$\top$	Old	d forecasts		Diff					
EURm	2024e	2025e	2026e	2024e	2025e	2026e	2024	<del>1</del> e	2025	Бe	2026	э̀е
Net interest income	7,725	7,375	7,260	7,725	7,375	7,260	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Net commission income	3,105	3,218	3,337	3,115	3,224	3,345	-10	0%	-6	0%	<del>-</del> 7	0%
Trading income	1,000	1,000	1,020	965	1,000	1,020	35	4%	0	0%	0	0%
Insurance	225	230	234	221	225	230	4	2%	4	2%	4	2%
Other income	51	44	45	46	45	46	5	11%	-1	-2%	-1	-2%
Total income	12,106	11,866	11,896	12,072	11,869	11,900	34	0%	-3	0%	-4	0%
Personnel costs	-3,038	-3,138	-3,225	-3,019	-3,113	-3,207	-19	1%	-25	1%	-18	1%
Other costs	-2,202	-2,184	-2,190	<del>-</del> 2,229	-2,212	-2,218	27	-1%	28	-1%	28	-1%
Total costs	-5,240	-5,322	-5,415	-5,248	-5,325	-5,425	8	0%	2	0%	10	0%
Profit before loan losses	6,866	6,544	6,481	6,824	6,545	6,475	42	1%	-1	0%	6	0%
Loan losses	-336	<del>-</del> 282	-247	-370	<del>-</del> 277	-244	34	-9%	-4	2%	-3	1%
Operating profit	6,530	6,262	6,234	6,459	6,267	6,231	71	1%	-5	0%	3	0%
Tax	-1,467	-1,409	-1,403	-1,437	-1,395	-1,386	-31	2%	-14	1%	-16	1%
Net profit	5,036	4,827	4,805	4,996	4,847	4,819	40	1%	-20	0%	-13	0%
Adjusted net profit	5,064	4,850	4,854	5,024	4,870	4,867	40	1%	-20	0%	-13	0%
Number of shares*, YE	3,482	3,395	3,306	3,450	3,380	3,303	32	1%	15	0%	4	0%
Share buybacks	500	1,050	1,150	850	850	1,000	-350	-41%	200	24%	150	15%
EPS	1.44	1.40	1.43	1.43	1.42	1.44	0.00	0%	-0.02	-1%	-0.01	-1%
Adjusted EPS	1.44	1.41	1.45	1.44	1.43	1.46	0.00	0%	-0.02	-1%	-0.01	-1%
DPS	0.95	0.97	1.01	0.96	0.98	1.01	-0.01	-1%	0.00	0%	0.00	0%

Source: ABGSC forecasts

\* Number of shares outstanding

Nordea - Income statement, q								
EURm	Q1'23	Q2'23	Q3'23	Q4'23	Q1'24e	Q2'24e	Q3'24e	Q4'24e
Net interest income	1,765	1,831	1,909	1,946	1,954	1,950	1,917	1,904
Net commission income	765	751	742	763	763	781	767	794
Trading income	345	290	225	154	291	240	229	240
Insurance	46	68	63	40	61	61	60	43
Other income	0	15	13	12	16	10	12	13
Total income	2,921	2,955	2,952	2,915	3,085	3,042	2,985	2,994
Personnel costs	-719 	-725	-729	-735	-749	-756	-762	-772
Other costs	-703	-480	-465	-682	-540	-546	-527	-589
Total costs	-1,422	-1,205	-1,194	-1,417	-1,289	-1,302	-1,289	-1,361
Profit before loan losses	1,499	1,750	1,758	1,498	1,796	1,740	1,696	1,633
Loan losses	-21 -	-38	-33	-95	-29	-95	-100	-112
Other	2	6	0	12	-4	0	0	4
Operating profit	1,480	1,718	1,725	1,415	1,763	1,645	1,596	1,525
Tax	<del>-</del> 332	-383	-380	-309	-402	-370	-356	-339
Other	-25	0	0	0	-26	0	0	0
Net profit	1,123	1,335	1,345	1,106	1,335	1,275	1,240	1,186
Tax rate	22%	22%	22%	22%	23%	23%	22%	22%
EPS	0.31	0.37	0.38	0.31	0.38	0.36	0.35	0.34
Adjusted net profit	1,121	1,330	1,337	1,238	1,343	1,283	1,244	1,194
Adjusted EPS	0.31	0.37	0.37	0.35	0.38	0.37	0.35	0.34
Key balance sheet data								
EURm	Q1'23	Q2'23	Q3'23	Q4'23	Q1'24e	Q2'24e	Q3'24e	Q4'24e
Lending, net	339,746	339,980	343,292	344.828	346,216	346,416	346,207	348,632
Goodwill & other intangibles	3,923	3,905	3,958	3,826	3,785	3,784	3,782	
Total assets		602,351	609,824	584,702	604,904	604,904	3,762 604,904	3,781
Shareholders' equity	604,125 27,439	28,335	29,620	30,475	28,144	29,419	30,659	587,329 31,573
Net asset value					· ·	25,636	· ·	
	23,516	24,430	25,662	26,649	24,359	25,636	26,877	27,793
Capital adequacy								
EURm	Q1'23	Q2'23	Q3'23	Q4'23	Q1'24e	Q2'24e	Q3'24e	Q4'24e
Tier 1 capital, excl. hybrids	22,279	22,393	23,004	23,645	23,798	23,701	24,074	24,632
Tier 1 capital, reported	25,514	25,626	26,318	26,845	27,061	26,964	27,337	27,895
Capital base	28,542	28,643	29,164	30,815	31,021	30,924	31,297	31,855
Risk exposure amount (BIS II/III)	141,976	140,023	140,925	138,719	138,579	138,579	149,965	150,340
Asset quality								
EURm	Q1'23	Q2'23	Q3'23	Q4'23	Q1'24e	Q2'24e	Q3'24e	Q4'24e
Problem loans, gross	2,206	2,238	2,234	2,457	2,343	2,405	2,465	2,564
Provisions	-1,642	-1,596	-1,591	-1,653	-1,636	-1,674	-1,710	-1,771
Problem loans, net	564	642	643	804	707	731	755	792
Key figures								
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Profitability	Q120	QL LU	Q0 20	Q-7 2-0	GI Z-TC	QL L-TC	Q0 2-10	Q 7 2 10
Net interest margin	1.18%	1.21%	1.26%	1.30%	1.31%	1.29%	1.27%	1.28%
ROE	15.61%	19.15%	18.57%	14.72%	18.22%	17.72%	16.51%	15.25%
RONAV	18.07%	22.18%	21.36%	18.93%	21.06%	20.53%	18.95%	17.47%
ROREA	3.13%	3.79%	3.83%	3.16%	3.85%	3.68%	3.44%	3.16%
Efficiency								
Adj. cost/income ratio	49%	41%	40%	49%	42%	43%	43%	45%
Adj. cost/assets	0.95%	0.80%	0.79%	0.95%	0.87%	0.86%	0.85%	0.91%
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Financial position	1500/	1500/	1600/	10/0/		1000/	1000/	Inn%
Financial position Lending/deposits	156%	156% 23%	160%	164%	160%	160% 23%	160% 25%	
Financial position Lending/deposits REA/total assets	24%	23%	23%	24%	23%	23%	25%	26%
Financial position Lending/deposits REA/total assets Tier 1 ratio, core	24% 15 <b>.</b> 7%	23% 16 <b>.</b> 0%	23% 16.3%	24% 17.0%	23% 17 <b>.</b> 2%	23% 17.1%	25% 16 <b>.</b> 1%	26% 16.4%
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Source: Company data, ABGSC forecasts

Income statement (EURm)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026e
Net interest income	4,666	4,491	4,318	4,515	4,925	5,664	7,451	7,725	7,375	7,260
Net commission income	3,369	2,993	3,011	2,959	3,495	3,186	3,021	3,105	3,218	3,337
Trading income	1,328	1,088	1,012	900	1,119	623	1,014	1,000	1,000	1,020
Insurance income	0	0	0	0	0	173	217	225	230	234
Other operating income	106	600	282	92	81	75	40	51	44	45
Total income	9,469	9,172	8,623	8,466	9,620	9,721	11,743	12,106	11,866	11,896
Personnel costs	-3,212	-2,998	-3,017	-2,752	-2,759	-2,793	-2,908	-3,038	-3,138	-3,225
Other operating costs	-1,890	-1,873	-2,969	-1,891	-1,890	-2,041	-2,330	-2,202	-2,184	-2,190
Total operating costs	-5,102	-4,871	-5,986	-4,643	-4,649	-4,834	-5,238	-5,240	-5,322	-5,415
Profit before loan losses	4,367	4,301	2,637	3,823	4,971	4,887	6,505	6,866	6,544	6,481
Loan losses	-369	-173	-536	-908	-118	-112	-187	-336	-282	-247
Investment portfolio	-	-	-	-	-			-	v_	
Other items	0	-175	12	48	83	-13	20	0	0	0
Operating profit	3,998	3,953	2,113	2,963	4,936	4,762	6,338	6,530	6,262	6,234
Tax	-950	-872	-571	-698	-1,105	-1,175	-1,404	-1,467	-1,409	-1,403
Other items after tax	-17	-11	-23	-27	-1,105	-1,173	-1,404	-1,407	-1,409	-1, <del>4</del> 05 -26
	3,031	3,070	-23 1,519	2,238	3,805	3,563	4,909	5,036	4,827	4,8 <b>05</b>
Net profit	23.8	22.1			22.4			22.5	22.5	
Tax rate (%)			27.0	23.6		24.7	22.2			22.5
EPS	0.75	0.76	0.38	0.55	0.95	0.94	1.37	1.44	1.40	1.43
Net profit adj.	2,638	2,382	2,335	2,240	3,844	4,136	5,025	5,064	4,850	4,854
EPS adj.	0.65	0.59	0.58	0.55	0.96	1.09	1.40	1.44_	1.41	1.45
Key balance sheet data	- -	-	- -			-			-	- -
Net lending	310,158	308,304	323,091	329,765	345,050	345,743	344,828	348,632	354,551	363,331
Goodwill and intangibles	3,983	4,035	3,695	3,771	3,784	4,005	3,826	3,781	3,774	3,733
Total assets	581,612	551,408	554,848	552,160	570,353	594,729	584,702	587,329	598,518	613,515
Shareholders equity	32,398	32,145	30,740	32,983	32,744	30,096	30,475	31,573	32,025	32,381
Net asset value	28,415	28,110	27,045	29,212	28,960	26,091	26,649	27,793	28,252	28,648
Capital adequacy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tier 1 capital, excl. hybrids	24,515	24,134	24,421	26,553	25,880	23,872	23,645	24,632	25,114	25,447
Tier 1 capital, reported	28,008	26,984	27,518	29,141	29,012	27,154	26,845	27,895	28,377	28,710
Capital base	31,747	31,028	31,236	31,801	32,275	30,213	30,815	31,855	32,337	32,670
Risk exposure amount (BIS II)	125,779	155,886	150,215	155,440	151,906	145,299	138,719	150,340	159,326	159,821
Asset quality	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Problem loans, gross	6,068	4,581	4,610	3,979	3,512	2,255	2,457	2,564	2,604	2,574
Provisions for problem loans	-2,333	-2,040	-2,184	-2,448	-2,206	-1,673	-1,653	-1,771	-1,739	-1,678
Problem loans, net	3,735	2,541	2,426	1,531	1,306	582	804	792	865	897
Key figures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Profitability	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Net interest margin (%)	0.78	0.79	0.78	0.82	0.88	0.97	1.26	1.32	1.24	1.20
ROE (%)	9.4	9.5	4.8	7.0	11.6	11.3	16.2	16.2	15.2	14.9
RONAV (%)	9.3	8.4	8.5	8.0	13.2	15.0	19.1	18.6	17.3	17.1
ROREA (%)	2.3	2.2	1.0	1.5	2.5	2.4	3.5	3.5	3.1	3.0
Cost efficiency	-	_	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Cost/income Core (%)	53.9	56.9	57.6	54.8	48.6	47.0	44.7	43.4	45.0	45.6
Costs/assets Core (%)	0.85	0.86	0.88	0.83	0.83	0.82	0.89	0.89	0.90	0.89
Financial position	-	-	-	-	-	_	_		-	_
Net lending/deposits (%)	179.9	186.9	191.5	179.8	167.7	159.0	164.2	165.0	164.7	164.4
REA/assets (%)	21.6	28.3	27.1	28.2	26.6	24.4	23.7	25.6	26.6	26.1
Common equity tier 1 ratio (%)	19.5	15.5	16.3	17.1	17.0	16.4	17.0	16.4	15.8	15.9
Tier 1 ratio, reported (%)	22.3	17.3	18.3	18.7	19.1	18.7	19.4	18.6	17.8	18.0
Capital adequacy (%)	25.2	19.9	20.8	20.5	21.2	20.8	22.2	21.2	20.3	20.4
Equity ratio Core (%)	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.8	4.5	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.2	4.1
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Asset quality	- 20	- 1 F			10	0.7	-		- 0.7	- 0.7
Problem loans, gross/lending (%)	2.0	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Problem loans, net/lending (%)	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Provision ratio (%)	38.4	44.5	47.4	61.5	62.8	74.2	67.3	69.1	66.8	65.2
Loan losses, net/lending (%)	0.12	0.06	0.17	0.28	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.10	0.08	0.07

Source: ABG Sundal Collier, Company Data

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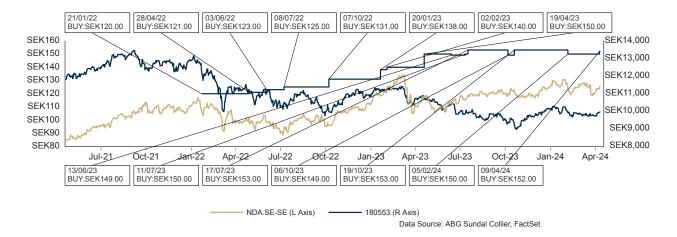
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