

# 4Q'24 FINANCIAL RESULTS

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### 2024 Year in Review





# **Delivering Consistent Returns Over Time**



LONG-TERM TARGETS:

~2.5+% ROA ~28+% ROTCE



# **4Q'24 Financial Highlights**

#### **SUMMARY**



\$1.91

**DILUTED EPS** 

compared to \$1.03



\$104.7 billion

**LOAN RECEIVABLES** 

compared to \$103.0 billion



70.3 million

AVERAGE ACTIVE ACCOUNTS compared to 71.5 million

#### FINANCIAL METRICS



15.01%

**NET INTEREST MARGIN** 

compared to 15.10%



6.45%

**NET CHARGE-OFFS** 

compared to 5.58%



33.3%

**EFFICIENCY RATIO** 

compared to 36.0%

#### CAPITAL



13.3%

CET1

liquid assets of \$17.2 billion, 14.4% of total assets



\$82.1 billion

**DEPOSITS** 

84% of current funding



\$197 million

**CAPITAL RETURNED** 

\$100 million share repurchases



# 4Q'24 Business Highlights

#### **BUSINESS EXPANSION**









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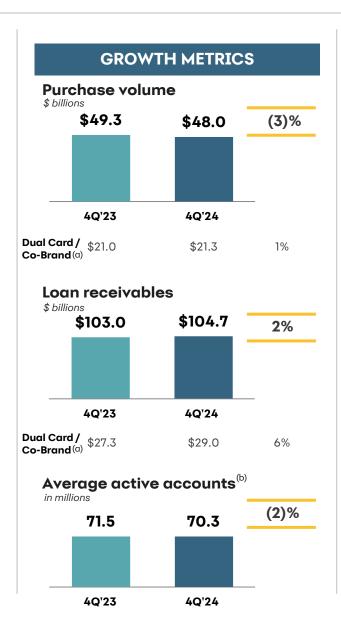




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### **Financial Results**

## **Summary earnings statement**

			B/(	W)
\$ in millions, except per share statistics	4Q'24	4Q'23	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
Total interest income	\$5,710	\$5,549	\$161	3%
Total interest expense	1,118	1,083	(35)	(3)%
Net interest income (NII)	4,592	4,466	126	3%
Retailer share arrangements (RSA)	(919)	(878)	(41)	(5)%
Provision for credit losses	1,561	1,804	243	13%
Other income	128	71	57	80%
Other expense	1,267	1,316	49	4%
Pre-tax earnings	973	539	434	81%
Provision for income taxes	199	99	(100)	(101)%
Net earnings	774	440	334	<b>76</b> %
Preferred dividends	21	11	(10)	(91)%
Net earnings available to common stockholders	\$753	\$429	\$324	76%
Diluted earnings per share	\$1.91	\$1.03	\$0.88	<i>8</i> 5%
Book value per share	\$39.55	\$32.36	<i>\$7.19</i>	22%
Tangible book value per share*	\$34.07	\$27.59	\$6.48	23%

## **4Q'24 Highlights**

#### \$774 million Net earnings, \$1.91 Diluted EPS

#### Net interest income up 3%

- Interest and fees on loans up 3% driven primarily by growth in average loan receivables, the impact of our PPPC\*\*, partially offset by higher reversals and lower late fee incidence
- Interest expense increase attributed to higher interest-bearing liabilities

#### • Retailer share arrangements increased 5%

 Increase reflects program performance which includes the impact of our PPPC

#### Provision for credit losses down (13)%

 Lower provision driven by reserve release of \$100 million vs. a reserve build of \$402 million in the prior year, partially offset by higher net charge-offs

#### Total Other income up 80%

 Primarily driven by the impact of PPPC related fees partially offset by Pets Best disposition

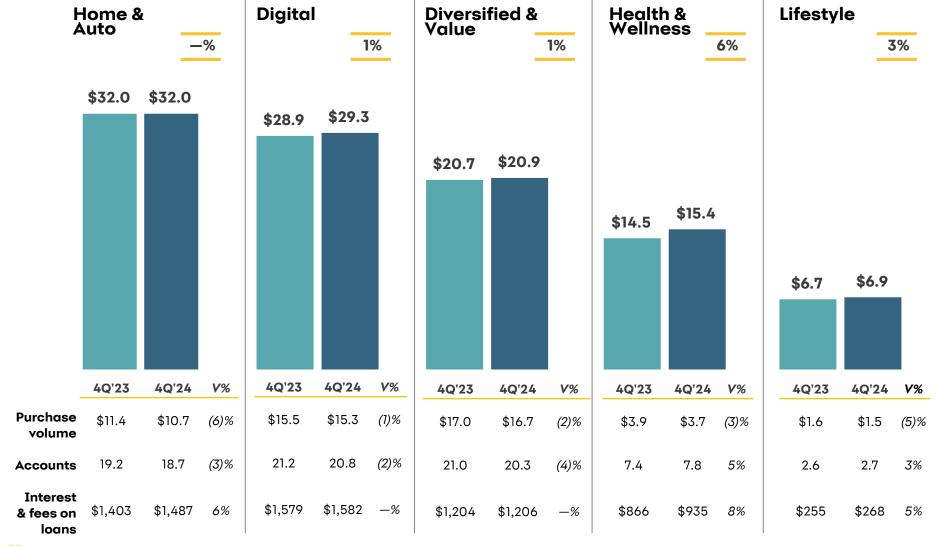
#### Total Other expense down 4%

 Decrease primarily driven by prior year restructuring costs and other notable expenses (see appendix for details) and lower operational losses, partially offset by costs related to the Ally Lending acquisition and technology investments



# 4Q'24 Platform Results<sup>(o)</sup>

### Loan receivables





### **Net Revenue**



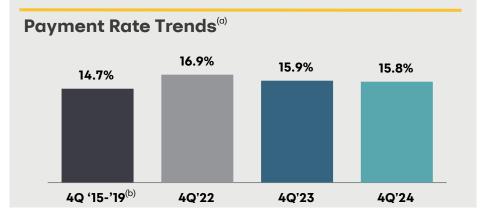
#### Net revenue

\$ in millions

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4Q'23 Net revenue	\$3,659
Interest and fees on loans	157
Interest on cash and debt securities	4
Total interest expense	(35)
Net interest income change	\$126
Retailer share arrangements	(41)
Total other income	57
4Q'24 Net revenue	\$3,801

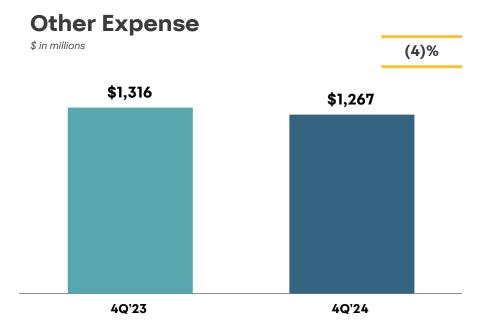
# **4Q'24 Highlights**

- Net revenue increased \$142 million, or 4%
  - Net interest income increased \$126 million, or 3%, driven primarily by higher interest & fees on loans
    - Loan receivables yield of 21.27%, up 8 bps primarily driven by repricing, including the impact of our PPPC, as well as lower payment rate, partially offset by higher reversals and lower late fee incidence
    - Total interest-bearing liabilities cost of 4.58%, up 3 bps
  - Retailer share arrangements increased \$41 million reflecting program performance which includes the impact of our PPPC
  - Total Other income increase primarily driven by the impact of PPPC related fees partially offset by Pets Best disposition





# Other Expense



			B/(W)	
	4Q'23	4Q'24	<u>/</u> \$	<u>V%</u>
<b>Employee costs</b>	\$538	\$478	\$60	11%
Professional fees	228	249	(21)	(9)%
Marketing/BD	138	147	(9)	(7)%
Information processing	190	207	(17)	(9)%
Other	222	186	36	16%
Other expense	\$1,316	\$1,267	\$49	4%
Efficiency <sup>(a)</sup>	36.0%	33.3%		2.7 pts.

# **4Q'24 Highlights**

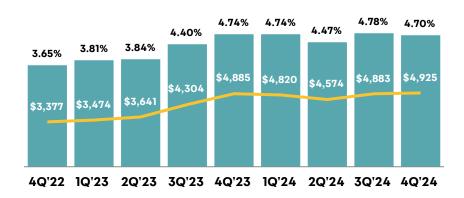
- Total Other expense down 4%
  - Decrease primarily driven by prior year restructuring costs and other notable expenses (see appendix for details) and lower operational losses, partially offset by costs related to the Ally Lending acquisition and technology investments
    - Employee cost decrease primarily attributable to \$43 million of restructuring costs related to voluntary early retirement program in the prior year
    - Other decrease primarily attributable to lower operational losses
- Efficiency ratio 33.3% vs. 36.0% prior year
  - Decrease in ratio driven by lower expenses and higher revenue



# **Asset Quality Metrics**

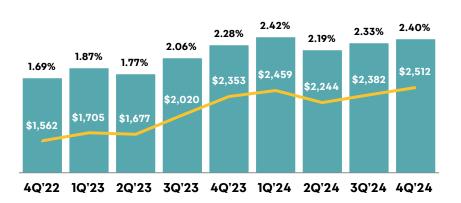
### 30+ days past due

\$ in millions, % of period-end loan receivables



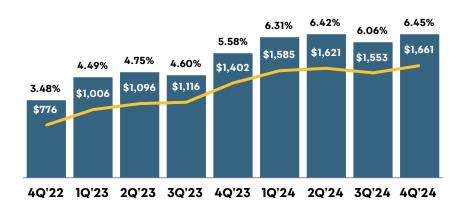
# 90+ days past due

\$ in millions, % of period-end loan receivables



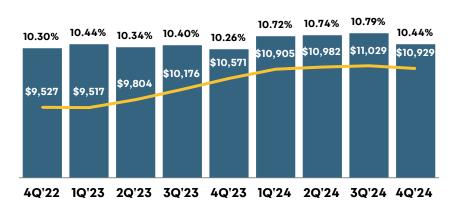
# **Net charge-offs**

\$ in millions, annualized as a % of average loan receivables including held for sale



### Allowance for credit losses (0)(b)

\$ in millions, % of period-end loan receivables



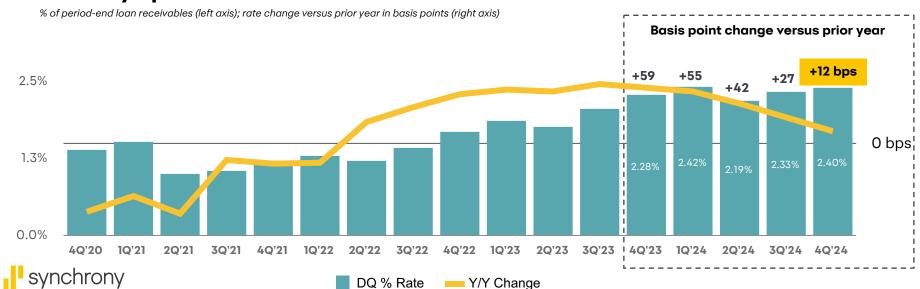


# **Delinquency Trends**





# 90+ days past due

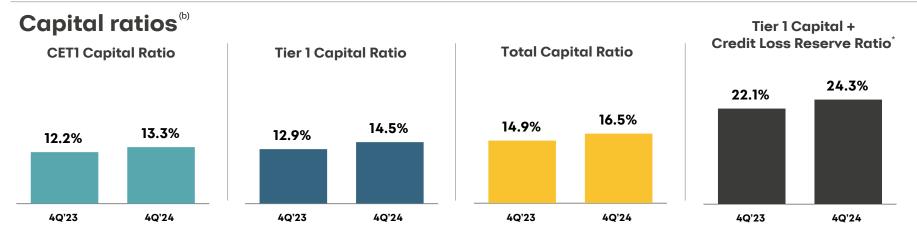


# Funding, Capital and Liquidity

#### **Funding sources** \$ in billions <u>%</u> \$97.1 \$97.5 8% Unsecured \$8.6 \$7.6 Securitization \$7.8 8% \$7.3 84% \$81.2 \$82.1 **Deposits** 4Q'23 4Q'24 \$16.8 \$17.2 Liquid assets 3.0 2.6 Undrawn credit facilities Total<sup>(a)</sup> \$19.8 \$19.8 16.8% % of Total assets 16.6%

### **CET1% Walk**

4Q'23 CET1%	12.2%
Net Earnings	2.8%
Risk Weighted Asset changes	(0.1)%
Common & Preferred dividends	(0.5)%
Share repurchases	(1.0)%
CECL transition provisions	(0.5)%
Pets Best disposition & Ally Lending acquisition	0.3%
Other activity, net	0.1%
4Q'24 CET1%	13.3%





<sup>\*</sup> The "Tier 1 Capital + Credit Loss Reserve Ratio" is the sum of our "Tier 1 Capital" and "Allowance for Credit Losses," divided by our "Total Risk-Weighted Assets". Tier 1 Capital and Risk-Weighted Assets are adjusted to reflect the fully phased-in impact of CECL. These adjusted metrics are non-GAAP measures, see Non-GAAP Reconciliation in appendix.

# 2025 Outlook

# Baseline Macroeconomic Assumptions (excludes effects of qualitative overlays)

### **Additional Assumptions**

<b>U/E Rate</b> (YE'25)	GDP Growth (FY'25)	Fed Funds (YE'25)	<b>Deposit Betas</b> (FY'25)	<ul> <li>Stable macroeconomic environment</li> <li>No impact of late fee rule included, given the</li> </ul>
4.1%	2.2%	4.25%	~60%	uncertainty regarding the effective date* • Impact of PPPC included

<b>Key Driver</b>	FY 2025	Full Year Framework
Period-end loan receivables growth	Low single digit growth	<ul> <li>Purchase volume growth reflects the impact of credit actions and selective consumer spend behavior</li> <li>Payment rate generally in-line with 2024</li> </ul>
Net revenue  RSA / Average loan receivables	\$15.2 - \$15.7B 3.60 - 3.85%	<ul> <li>Follow normal seasonal trends, adjusted for the following:         <ul> <li>growth in I&amp;F and Other income** as the impact of our PPPC builds partially offset by lower average Prime Rate and lower late fees</li> <li>lower funding cost due to lower benchmark rates as CD maturities reprice partially offset by lower yielding investment portfolio</li> </ul> </li> <li>RSA increasing as program performance improves, driven by declining net</li> </ul>
Net charge-offs	5.8 - 6.1%	charge-offs and the increasing impact of our PPPC  Generally follow seasonal trends with peak in 1H
Efficiency ratio	31.5 - 32.5%	Remain focused on driving operating leverage

(comments and trends in comparison to 2024, except where noted)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Other income excludes the Pets Best gain on sale impact in 1Q'24



<sup>\*</sup>If the late fee rule were to go into effect, this outlook would no longer be applicable.

### **Footnotes**

All amounts and metrics included in this presentation are as of, or for the three months ended, December 31, 2024, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Delivering Consistent Returns Over Time**

- a. Classification of Prime & Super Prime refers to VantageScore credit scores of 651 or higher for 2019-2024 and FICO scores of 661 or higher for periods prior to 2019.
- b. RSA/ALR refers to Retailer share arrangements as a percentage of Average loan receivables; NCO/ALR refers to Net charge-offs as a percentage of Average loan receivables; Prime & Super Prime/EOP refers to Prime & Super Prime Loan receivables as a percentage of total period-end Loan receivables; RSA/Purchase volume refers to Retailer share arrangements as a percentage of Purchase volume.

#### 4Q'24 Business Highlights

- a. Dual Card / Co-Brand metrics are consumer only and include in-partner and out-of-partner activity.
- b. Average active accounts are credit card or installment loan accounts on which there has been a purchase, payment or outstanding balance in the current month.
- c. New accounts represent accounts that were approved in the respective period, in millions.
- d. Purchase volume per account is calculated as total Purchase volume divided by Average active accounts, in \$.
- e. Average balance per account is calculated as the Average loan receivables divided by Average active accounts, in \$.

#### **Platform Results**

a. Accounts represent Average active accounts in millions. Loan receivables \$ in billions, Purchase volume \$ in billions and Interest and fees on loans \$ in millions.

#### **Net Revenue**

- a. Payment rate is calculated as customer payments divided by beginning of period loan receivables.
- b. Historical payment rate excludes portfolios sold in 2019 and 2022.

#### Other Expense

a. Efficiency ratio is calculated as Total Other expense divided by sum of Net interest income plus Other income less Retailer share arrangements.

#### **Asset Quality Metrics**

- a. Allowance for credit losses reflects the adoption of ASU 2022-22, "Financial Instruments Credit Losses (Topic 326): Troubled Debt Restructurings and Vintage Disclosures" on January 1, 2023, which included a \$294 million reduction to the allowance for credit losses upon adoption.
- b. Allowance for credit losses includes impact of Ally Lending acquisition beginning in 1Q'24.

#### **Funding, Capital and Liquidity**

- a. Excludes uncommitted credit facilities and available borrowing capacity related to unencumbered assets.
- b. Capital ratios reflect the phase-in of an estimate of CECL's effect on regulatory capital over a three-year transitional period beginning in the first quarter of 2022, with effects fully phased-in beginning in the first quarter of 2025. CET1, Tier 1, and Total Capital Ratio are presented on a Transition basis and capital ratios for 2024 and 2023 reflect 75% and 50%, respectively, of the phase-in of CECL effects.





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# Notable Other Expense Items - 4Q

The following table sets forth notable items incurred during 4Q'24 and 4Q'23 included in Total Other expense. \$\\$in \text{millions}\$

	Quarter Ended December 31		
	2023	2024	
Preparatory expenses related to Late Fee rule change	\$7	\$8	
lestructuring costs:			
Voluntary employee early retirement program	43	_	
Site Strategy	9	_	
DIC Special Assessment	9	_	
ets Best sale-related expenses	5	_	
otal	\$73	\$8	



# Transaction related activity and other notable items - 2024

The following table sets forth transaction related activity and other notable items incurred during 2024. 
\$\frac{1}{2} \text{ in millions}\$

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	2024
Transaction related activity					
Disposition of Pets Best:					
Total Other income - Pets Best gain on sale	\$1,069	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$1,069
Total Other expense - indirect sale-related expenses	3	_	_	_	3
Total	\$1,066	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$1,066
Ally Lending Acquisition:					
Provision for credit losses - reserve build	\$190	\$(10)	\$-	\$—	\$180
Total	\$190	\$(10)	\$-	\$-	\$180
Notable Other income items					
Total Other income:					
Gain related to Visa B-1 share exchange	\$-	\$51	\$-	\$—	\$51
Total	\$-	\$51	\$-	\$-	\$51
Notable Other expense items					
Total Other expenses:					
Preparatory expenses related to Late Fee rule change	\$7	\$23	\$11	\$8	\$49
Total	\$7	\$23	\$11	\$8	\$49



# Non-GAAP Reconciliation\*

The following table sets forth the components of our Tier 1 Capital + Reserves ratio for the periods indicated below.

\$ in millions

	At December 31	
	2023	2024
Tier 1 Capital	\$ 13,334	\$ 15,239
Less: CECL transition adjustment	(1,146)	(573)
Tier 1 capital (CECL fully phased-in)	\$ 12,188	\$ 14,666
Add: Allowance for credit losses	10,571	10,929
Tier 1 capital (CECL fully phased-in) plus Reserves for credit losses	\$ 22,759	\$ 25,595
Risk-weighted assets	\$103,460	\$105,417
Less: CECL transition adjustment	(580)	(290)
Risk-weighted assets (CECL fully phased-in)	\$102,880	\$105,127



# Non-GAAP Reconciliation (Continued)

The following table sets forth a reconciliation between GAAP results and non-GAAP adjusted results.

	At Decem	At December 31	
	2023	2024	
Tangible common equity (\$ in millions):			
GAAP Total equity	\$13,903	\$16,580	
Less: Preferred stock	(734)	(1,222)	
Less: Goodwill	(1,105)	(1,274)	
Less: Intangible assets, net	(839)	(854)	
Tangible common equity	\$11,225	\$13,230	
Tangible book value per share:			
Book value per share	\$32.36	\$39.55	
Less: Goodwill	(2.72)	(3.28)	
Less: Intangible assets, net	(2.05)	(2.20)	
Tangible book value per share	\$27.59	\$34.07	



# Non-GAAP Reconciliation (Continued)

The following table sets forth a reconciliation between GAAP results and non-GAAP managed-basis results for 2009.

\$ in millions	
	Year Ended December 31, 2009
Net charge-offs as a % of average loan receivables, including held for sale:	
GAAP	11.26 %
Securitization adjustments	(0.59)%
Managed basis	10.67 %
Net interest income as a % of average loan receivables, including held for sale:	
GAAP	16.21 %
Securitization adjustments	1.44 %
Managed basis	17.65 %
Retailer share arrangements as a % of average loan receivables, including held for	
GAAP	3.40 %
Securitization adjustments	(1.80)%
Managed basis	1.60 %
Average loan receivables	
GAAP	\$23,485
Securitization adjustments	23,181
Managed basis	\$46,666
Period-end loan receivables	
GAAP	\$22,912
Securitization adjustments	23,964
Managed basis	\$46,876

