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Breakout III: Up, Up, and... **Balance Sheet** Management in a **World of Great Uncertainty**

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Bank Director Acquire or Be Acquired

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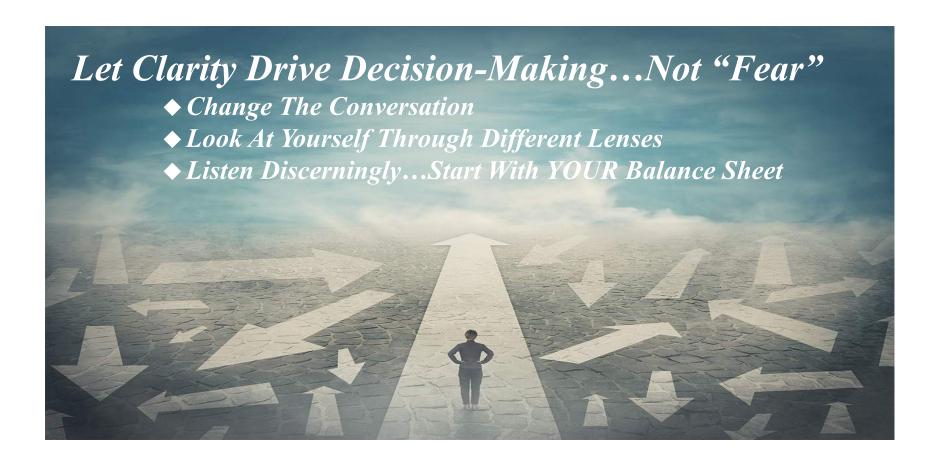
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4 Discussion Themes in Mind...

MOST IMPORTANT = What's on YOUR Minds!



Balance Sheet Risk Management

Lending Strategy

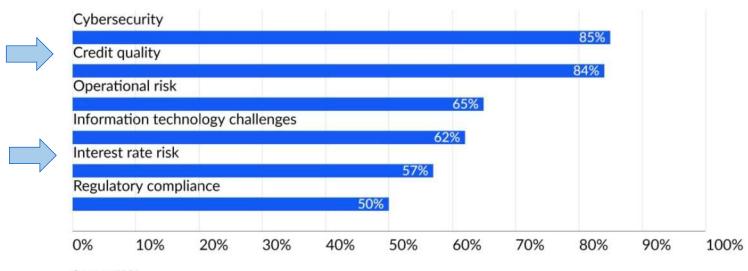
Deposit Pricing & Product Strategy

Investment Strategy



What's on Bankers' Minds?

Banks < \$10 Billion







B/S Risk Management Realities: Liquidity

Things That Should Be on Your Mind

- Liquidity Philosophy...
 - Has your definition and focus changed?
 - Many "conflicted" by 2-3 years of oversized cash position
 - "Noise" from unrealized security losses
 - ▶ Is Cash really King?
 - > Role of wholesale
- Your "Story" Matters Greatly
 - Managing the conversation...internally & externally
 - Revisit/Reaffirm attitudes, appetites & policies
 - Contingency planning



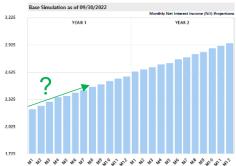


B/S Risk Management Realities: IRR

Things That Should Be on Your Mind

- Current Challenges With "Getting It Right"
 - Base Case Risk Assessments Continue To Be Misleading
 - > The "Catch-up" factor is REAL!
 - Many "asset sensitive" banks will feel/appear liability sensitive...soon
 - Has business model changed....
 or temporary phenomenon?
 - o How impact strategy...now?





- Managing "The Street's" Perception of Your Core Deposit Franchise
 - Non-Linear & Life-Cycle Betas
- Betting on Rates? Good Luck!
 - > Let your balance sheet talk

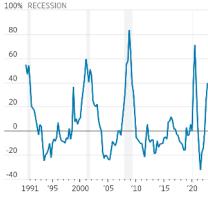


B/S Risk Management Realities: Credit

Things That Should Be on Your Mind

- How Looking at Credit?
 - Risk appetites & conversations changing
- Reconciling Loan Growth With Credit Outlook
- Pricing Strategy & Discipline...Rationalizing Pricing?
- ...And, What About Stress Testing & Capital Planning?

Percentage of U.S. banks tightening lending standards



Source: Federal Reserve via St. Louis Fed

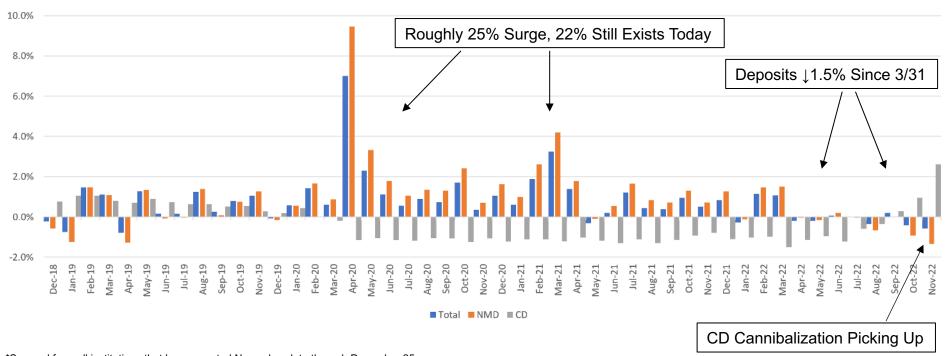






Deposit Trends

Deposits360°® Month-Over-Month Trends (All Clients)



*Sourced from all institutions that have reported November data through December 25



Notes to Date

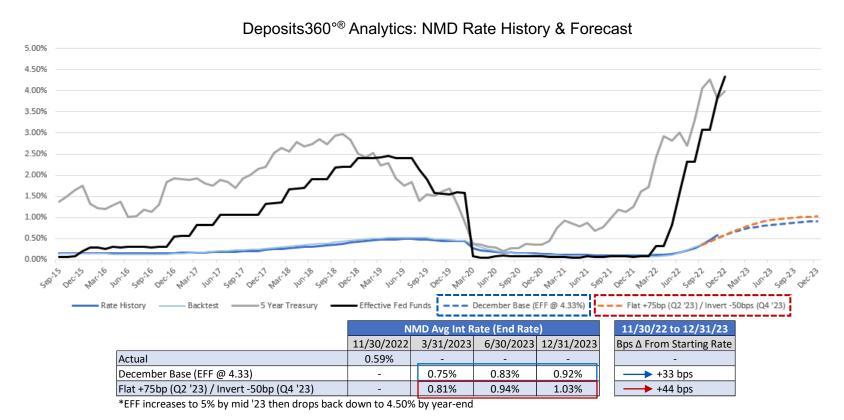
- 1. Betas Very Muted Thus Far (through November)
 - ◆ Total NMDs 9%, Interest Bearing NMDs 13%
 - Betas have accelerated over the past few months



- 2. NMD Rates Above 2019 Peak Levels But Well Below 2007 Peak Levels
- 3. Recent Decay Trends Almost 50% Higher Than Pre-Pandemic Levels
 - Attrition has tended to be "Discretionary/Investable" balances
- 4. CD Rate Spreads Relative to Market In Line With Historical Trends
- 5. MMDA Rate Spreads Relative To Market Still Lagging



NMD Rate Forecast

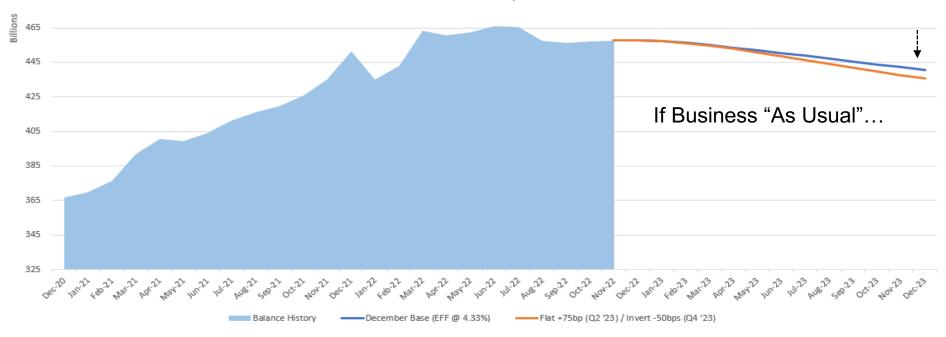


Forecast derived from Deposits360°® - Industry NMD Rates above are balance weighted averages and do not include any outlier removal



NMD Balance Forecast

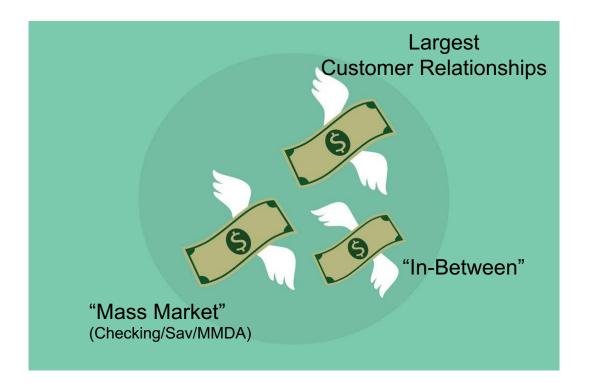
NMD Balance History & Forecast



*Forecast derived from Deposits360°®



Deposit Strategy Discussion: Creating Important Perspective





Deposit Action Items

- 1. Identify Source of Attrition
 - Losing relationships or decline in average balances? Shift to CDs? Business vs. consumer?
 - Challenge: greater comingling of discretionary vs. core/operating \$
 - Develop early warning systems, execute comeback campaigns
- 2. Need to Be Agile
 - Allow data analytics to guide strategies
- 3. Defining the next MMDA move
 - Trusting the exception process vs. "walking-up" rates...Where do I have to be priced?
 - Review tier structure
- 4. Defining the CD portfolio objective
 - Stack CD offerings (new money, checking balance premium, etc.)
 - **♦** Focus on managing cannibalization
- 5. Differentiated Product & Pricing Strategies
 - Targeted Customers, Location, Etc.
 - Messaging @ Points of Customer Contact







Setting the Tone for Deposit Strategy



- Deposit Special Analysis
- Migration & Cannibalization
- Normal Fluctuation vs. Disintermediation
- Potential Deposits At Risk
- Segmentation Analysis
- Relationship Analysis
- Stickiness Factors
- Branch Activity Differences
- CD Maturity Retainage
- Marginal Cost of Funds
- Early Warning System
- Beta and Decay Levels and Trends
- And More



MMDA Attrition Case Study: Exception Pricing Running Its Course

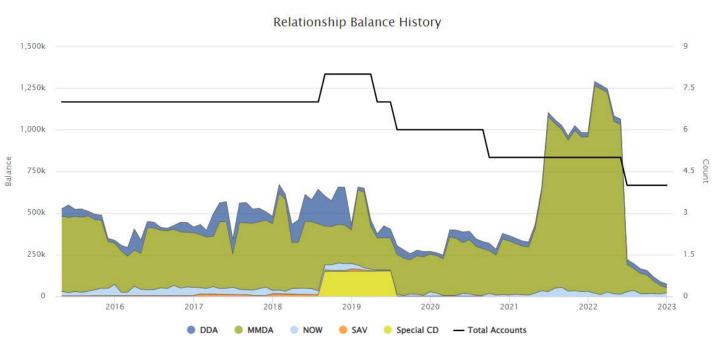
3/31 through 9/30

Total Growth



	Balance	Rate	# Rel.
Starting Balance	786,389k	0.23	6,803
INFLOW	62,166k	0.34	2,866
New Relationship	9,446k	0.20	61
Existing +	52,720k	0.36	2,805
SHIFTS	945k	-2.11	3,048
DDA	493k	0.00	264
NOW	1,985k	0.10	2,125
SAV	621k	0.08	296
MMDA	-498k	0.37	86
Time Deposits	-1,655k	1.25	277
OUTFLOW	-107,978k	0.24	2,179
Existing -	-95,225k	0.25	2,019
Closed Relationship	-12,753k	0.21	160
Ending Balance	741,523k	0.31	6,678
NET CHANGE	-44,867k	0.08	-125

Setting The Tone For Deposit Strategy: Customer-Level Attrition Analysis



DETAILS

Account Fees: \$0.00 Branch: Sandwich Branch Customer Age: 67 Years Date Closed: N/A Date Opened: 11/08/2004 Gender: N/A

Market Region: Upper Cape Relationship Age: 18 Years Zip Code: 02563-3108

FLAGS

- ✓ Account Fee
- Auto Bill Pay
- X Bill Pay
- X Commercial
- ✓ Debit Card
- ✓ Direct Deposit
- ✓ Internet Banking
- ✓ Mobile Banking
- X Opened Online
- X Out of Market
- ✓ Overdraft

*Source: Deposits360°®



CD Special w/ High Cannibalization: 11 Month @ 2.85%





Lending Issues & Realities

- Desire for NIM Restoration
- Revisit Definition of "Normal" Pricing...& Pricing Strategy
 - Getting paid for risk
 - When do you walk?
- Loan Pricing Pressures & Related Spreads
 - Talk of Recession (Credit Risk)
 - Elevated Prepayment Risks
 - Competition & Rationalization?
- Fixed Rate Lending Capacity vs. Appetite
- Role of Derivatives
- 2023 Loan Growth Concerns





Current Loan Pricing in Perspective: That Was Then, This Is Now

September 2018 ... When Loan Rates Peaked Last Cycle 5 Year CRE Rates = +/- 5.50%

	Treasury FHLB		Prime Swap	SOFR Swap	
5Yr	2.95%	3.20%	5.80%	NA	
Spreads	+255BP	+230bp	- 30BP		
Loan Rate	5.50%	5.50%	5.50%		

Then What?

2019... More of Same

2020... Yikes & Spikes

2021... "Phew" & Contracted

2022... Look Out Below!

Early January 2023 "Today"

	Treasury	FHLB	Prime Swap	SOFR Swap
5Yr	3.70%	4.10%	6.60%	3.70%
@ Same Spread	+250BP	+230bp	- 30BP	+240
	6.20%	6.40%	6.30%	6.10%

3 Months Prior = 7.25%+

What Just Happened
Over The Last Year?
& Where Do We Go From
Here?





Investment Portfolio Conundrum





Wholesale Funding

Philosophy Matters: Wholesale Funding Strategy, Policies & Contingency Liquidity Planning

- Role of Brokered & Insured Deposits
- Role of FHLB & Repos
- Role of Fed



- Thought Process Is Key: Short-Term/Floating vs. Fixed Rate Funding
- Fixed Rate vs.
 - Floating/Short-Term with Caps?
 - Short-Term/Floating with Pay Fixed Swaps?
- Callable Brokered & Prepayable Advances
- One-Way Insured Deposit Buy/Sell Programs



DON'T "Just Say No"... The Important Role of Derivatives

Can Create Competitive Advantage



& Provide Important Flexibility



Some Governance Considerations

- Risk modeling & risk assessment has become much more challenging
- Assumptions need to be revisited/updated
 & documented

- Sensitivity testing more critical than ever
- Community Bank Model Validation rigor needs to be revisited



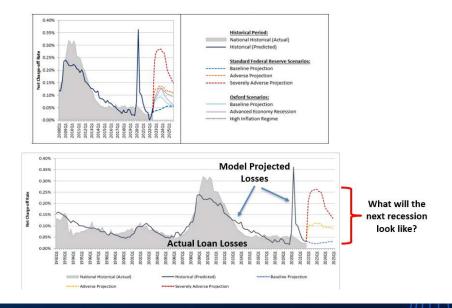


Benefits of Capital Planning & Stress Testing Discipline

... Not for "Bad Times"









Key Takeaways





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