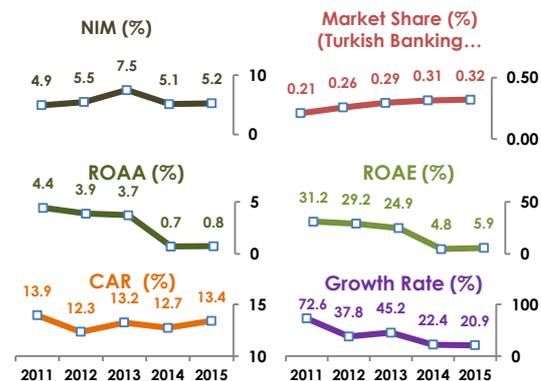


**Corporate Credit Rating**  
 (Update)

**Banking**

		Long-Term	Short-Term	
International	Foreign Currency	BBB-	A-3	
	Local Currency	BBB-	A-3	
	Outlook	Stable	Stable	
National	Local Rating	AA (Trk)	A-1+(Trk)	
	Outlook	Stable	Stable	
Sponsor Support		2	-	
Stand Alone		AB	-	
Sovereign*	Foreign Currency	BBB-	-	
	Local Currency	BBB-	-	
	Outlook	FC	Stable	-
		LC	Stable	-

\* Assigned by Japan Credit Rating Agency, JCR on August 28, 2015  
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**Strengths**

- Exceptional growth performance following the restructuring process which began in 2007 that turned Aktif Bank into the largest privately owned bank
- Continuous increase in market share across the Turkish Banking Sector as a whole
- Constant profit generation throughout the reviewed period, despite the realization of feeble profitability figures in last two consecutive years
- Having widest alternative delivery channels through thousands of customer touch point providing the Bank with a true retail platform associated with innovative products offering a competitive advantage in the market
- Existence of entrepreneurial-oriented management structure with established track record in the financial services industry
- Established strength of diversifying fund sources through issued bank bonds, asset backed securities and Sukuk
- Higher CET1 capital share among the total shareholders' equity and continuity of profit retention policy strengthening the capital base
- Widely dispersed business mix across subsidiaries expected to make a larger contribution in the upcoming period
- Notable progress in NPLs book coupled with successful collection

**Constraints**

- Persisting high credit risk concentration among the cash and non-cash loans customers, with Significant share extended to the group companies along with the existence of non-secured loans portfolio with tangible assets
- Continuity of higher OPEX, pressurizing profit and profitability ratios
- Sector-wide structural maturity mismatches and short maturity profile of funding
- Upside risks via a weakened TRY and downside risks to growth exerting pressure on profit margins and impacts on debt-servicing capabilities of the real sector further aggravated by the recent upward trend in bankruptcy postponements
- Despite the relative improvement in reliance on capital and money markets to sustain high growth rates, possible emergence of liquidity risks in case of a sudden deterioration in market conditions

Aktif Yatırım Bankası A.Ş.					
Financial Data	2015*	2014*	2013*	2012*	2011*
Total Assets (USD mn)	2,599	2,696	2,398	1,979	1,351
Total Assets (TRY mn)	7,557	6,252	5,109	3,518	2,553
Total Net Loans (TRY mn)	4,638	3,983	3,578	2,367	1,678
Equity (TRY mn)	875	882	833	458	348
Net Profit (TRY mn)	26	34	125	95	66
Market Share (%) **	7.09	7.40	7.28	6.67	6.13
ROAA (%)	0.75	0.73	3.73	3.88	4.44
ROAE (%)	5.93	4.83	24.92	29.20	31.23
Equity/Assets (%)	11.57	14.11	16.31	13.03	13.63
Capital Adequacy Ratio (%)	13.60	12.73	13.23	12.34	13.94
Annual Asset Growth Rate (%)	20.87	22.38	45.23	37.79	72.56

\* End of year \*\* On solo basis among the Development and Investment Banking Sector

**Overview**

Aktif Yatırım Bankası A.Ş. (hereinafter referred to as "Aktif Bank" or the "Bank") was incorporated as an investment bank under the name of Çalık Yatırım Bankası A.Ş. in July 1999 before changing its name to Aktif Yatırım Bankası A.Ş. on August 1, 2008. The Bank carries out operations in the fields of corporate banking, retail banking, leasing, factoring, trade finance and consulting through a network of 8 branches along with a workforce of 634 as of FY2015. As having the largest alternative delivery channels, the Bank offers a wide range of products and services through thousands of touch points without the need for opening new branches. The Bank, with over 16k customer touch points including PTT Branches, N Kolay Points, Dealers, E-Kent Points, N-Kolay Stores, Branches and Money Post Offices, has turned into a true retail platform.

In FY2015, higher OPEX continued to exert pressure on profitability figures and the Bank's net profit contracted by 23% year on year basis, though its pre-tax profit exhibited an increase of 25.78%. According to the solo based financials compliant with Banking Regulation and Supervision Authority (BRSA) standards, solo net profit was TRY 80.9mn and almost flat compared to the previous year's figure of TRY 80.8mn and remarkably different from the TRY 26mn IFRS based consolidated profit. Regarding the return on assets, the Bank underperformed both the Turkish Banking and the Development & Investment Banking Sectors' averages. On the other hand, taking into consideration the return on equity, while the Bank outperformed the Development & Investment Banking Sector, it underperformed the Turkish Banking Sector. In the first quarter of the ongoing year, the Bank reported net profits of TRY 23.31mn, (1Q2015: TRY 10.45mn) exhibiting a notably increase with a rate of 123% over the previous year. Decrease in OPEX and increase in operating income supported net profit increase in the 1Q2016.

Although Aktif Bank is not entitled to receive deposits, it has fueled its sound growth performance through funding from issued bank bonds, asset backed securities, sukuk certificates and its own internal resources. Aktif Bank, Turkey's largest privately owned Investment Bank, was ranked 23<sup>rd</sup> among 47 banking institutions at FYE2015 as in the previous year.

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