Sparebanken Sør

1st quarter 2017



Sparebanken Sør

Business

Sparebanken Sør is an independent financial group with activities within banking, securities and real estate brokerage.

Balance

The sixth largest Norwegian bank with total assets of more than NOK 100 billions.

Employees

431 employees and branch offices across the counties of Aust-Agder, Vest-Agder and Telemark.

Products and services

General banking services- and products, in addition to real-estate brokerage, life- and non-life insurance, stock brokerage and leasing through wholly- and partially owned subsidiaries and companies.

Summary

As one of the largest regional banks, Sparebanken Sør is committed to further growth and development in the region.

An important support in local business and industry























Agder & Telemark

NUMBER OF RESIDENTS 470 000



A market with 470 000 people.
No other bank covers this area as
Sparebanken Sør. The bank has
approximately 150 000 retail customers
and 14 000 corporate customers.

RM CM/RM

A complete provider of financial services

Considerable product range - still potential for increased product sales

Subsidiaries



- Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt is a wholly owned subsidiary of Sparebanken Sør
- The subsidiary is licensed as a financial enterprise with the right to issue bonds, in which investors receive preferential coverage in home mortgages granted by the bank (covered bonds).
- Through the issuance of covered bonds, the Sparebanken Sør Group can offer mortgages with competitive terms to its customers



- Sparebanken Sør is a 90.1%-owner in Sørmegleren Holding AS, which is the parent company of the real estate agency Sørmegleren AS
- Sørmegleren is represented with a total of 14 offices, with its headquarters in Kristiansand
- Convey about 2.200 homes a year, and is the regions largest real estate agency

Business partners



- Sparebanken Sør entered in 2008 as a 10%owner in Frende Holding and is one of 15 independent savings banks with holdings
- Frende has 175 000 customers and offers insurance, both life and general, to corporate and retail customers.



- Brage Finans is a financing company owned by 10 independent savings banks, and Sparebanken Sør is a 15%-owner
- The distribution of the company's products is done through the owners and through its own sales organization

NORNE

- Sparebanken Sør became a 18%-owner in Norne Sec. in 2008, and is one of 14 independent savings banks with holdings.
- Norne is a full service investment firm with corporate finance – services, analysis, and stock and bond brokerage.

Suppliers





Holberg Fondene





Key features 1st quarter 2017

- Good results from ordinary operations
- Positive development in net interest income
- Positive net income from financial instruments due to a positive change in the market value of bonds
- Costs under control
- Low loan losses
- Defaults on loans further reduced
- Loan growth of 3.8 percent during the last 12 months
- Deposit growth of 8.4 percent during the last 12 months
- Return on equity after tax of 8.7 percent
- Common equity tier 1 capital ratio of 14.6 percent and leverage ratio of 8.9 percent, when including 80 percent of accrued profit

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Income statement Sparebanken Sør

Profit before tax at the end of Q1 2017 amounted to NOK 276 million

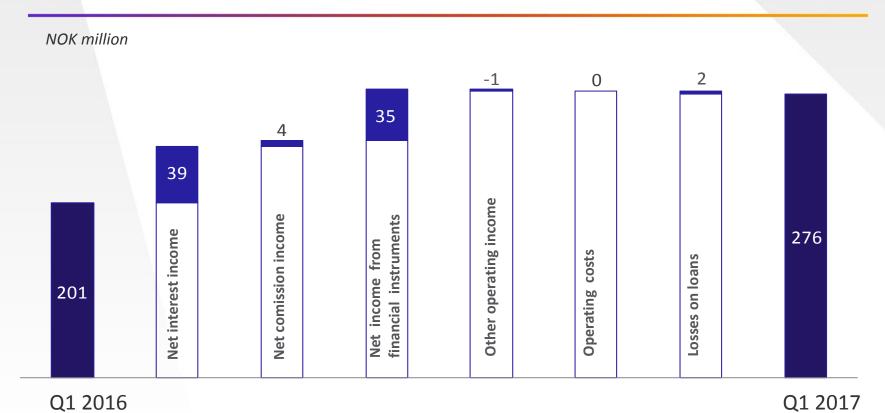
The main features for Sparebanken Sør in Q1 2017:

- Satisfactory development in net interest income
- Positive net income from financial instruments due to changes in the market value of bonds
- Costs under control
- Low losses on loans

The profit in Q1 2017 equals a return on equity after tax of 8.7 percent

NOK million	31.03.2017	31.03.2016	Change
Net interest income	401	362	39
Net commission income	71	67	4
Net income from financial instruments	14	-21	35
Other operating income	4	5	-1
Total income	490	413	77
Total expenses	199	199	0
Profit before losses on loans	291	214	77
Losses on loans, guarantees	15	13	2
Profit before taxes	276	201	75
Tax expenses	66	51	15
Profit for the period	210	150	60

Improvement in profit before taxes, Q1 2016 – Q1 2017





Key figures – quarterly profit trend

Net interest income to total assets

Net interest income to total assets, adjusted for the fee to the Banks` Guarantee fund



Costs Income Ratio







Key figures – quarterly profit trend

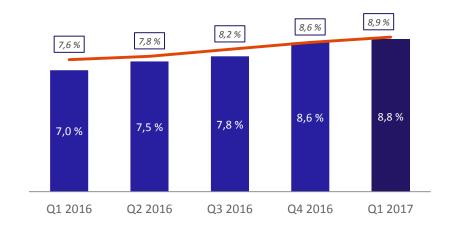
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio

Common equity tier 1 capital ratio including 80 % of profit and equity issuance in Q2 2016



Leverage ratio

Leverage ratio including 80 % share of profit and equity issuance in Q2 2016



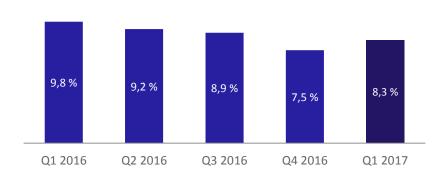


Key figures – quarterly profit trend

Return on equity after tax₁₎

Return on equity after tax excl. financial instruments₂₎











Profit and loss

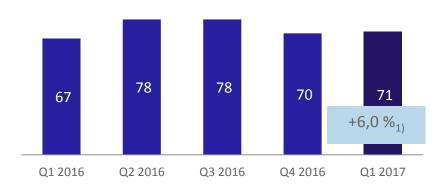
NOK million

Net interest income

Net interest income, adjusted for the fee to the Guarantee Fund and interest on hybrid capital



Net commission income



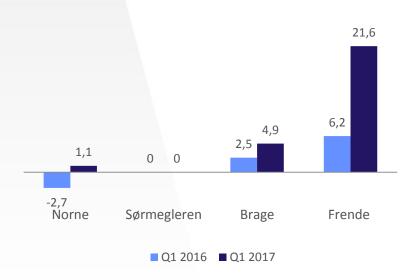
1) Changes from the same period in 2016.



Profit contribution from affiliated companies

The companies' profit before tax

NOK million



 There have been no value adjustments related to Frende, Brage or Norne in Q1 2017.

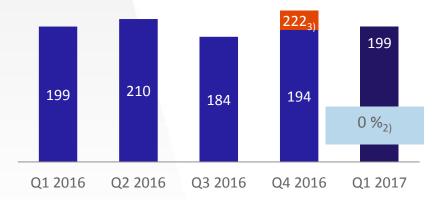


Profit and loss

NOK million

Operating expenses

Profit from ordinary operations,





- 1) Net interest income, adjusted for accounting changes + Net commision income + Other operating income Operating costs, adjusted for the conversion of the pension scheme
- 2) Changes from the same accounting period in 2016
- Included the accounting effect of NOK 42 million from the conversion of the pension scheme



Balance sheet items

NOK billion

Loans Deposits





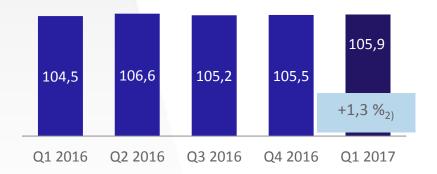
- 1) Changes from the same accounting period in 2016
- 2) Loan growth in Q1 2017 amounted to NOK 1.7 billion, equivalent to 7.5 percent, of which retail customers accounted for 3.2 percent and corporate customers 15.7 percent (annualized)



Balance sheet items

NOK billion

Total assets Equity

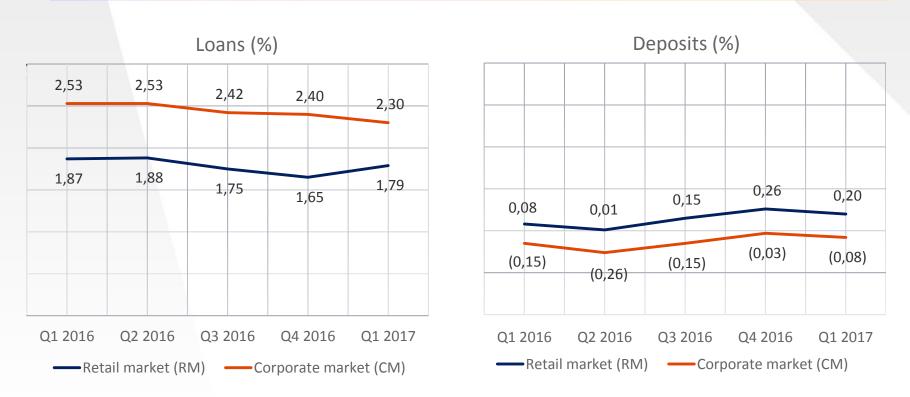




- 1) The equity incl. hybrid capital
- 2) Changes from the same accounting period in 2016



Interest margin development



Loans: Average interest rates minus 3 month weighted average of 3 month NIBOR. Deposits: 3 month weighted average of 3 month NIBOR minus average interest rates. All numbers in % per annum.



Losses and non-performing loans

Development in losses in NOK million and as a percentage of gross loans

Development in non-performing loans in NOK million and as a percentage of gross loans

Development in loss provisions in NOK million and as a percentage of gross loans









A well diversified loan portfolio

High RM share and geographical diversification contribute to a balanced portfolio

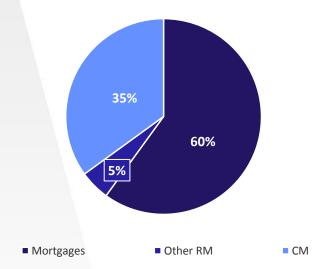


- #1 position in Vest-Agder and Aust-Agder, #3 position in Telemark.
- Close and long term cooperation with major firms/organizations in the region. The KNIF segment amounts to NOK 7.4 billion i loans to customers and NOK 4.5 billion in customer deposits. KNIF corporates constitute the biggest share with NOK 4.5 billion in loans and NOK 3.9 in deposits.
- Loans to customers are concentrated in the banks market area.
- High RM share is in itself risk reducing. Loans under NOK 2 million constitute a dominant portion (42 percent).

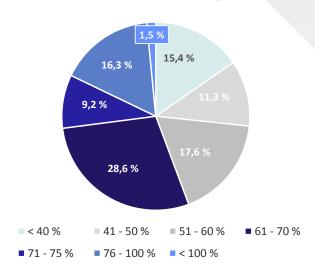


Sparebanken Sør – Mortgages





Loan to Value (Group)



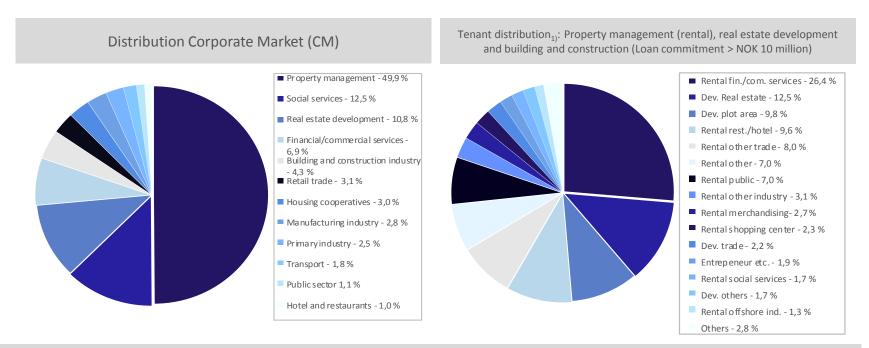
- Mortgages constitute a large part of the RM portfolio
- Loans with LTV (Loan to Value) below 75 percent constitute 82.1 percent

The LTV distribution is based on a distribution, of which the whole commitment is rated as the last part of the commitment.



A well diversified loan portfolio

CM portfolio with very low direct exposure to oil and oil service industry



The CM loan portfolio reflects the business activity in the region with one major exception: Sparebanken Sør has a very low direct exposure to the oil and oil service industry.

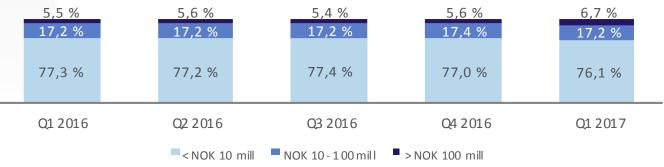


Portfolio

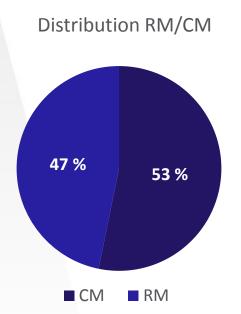
Deposits distributed by size



Loans* distributed by commitment size



Deposits







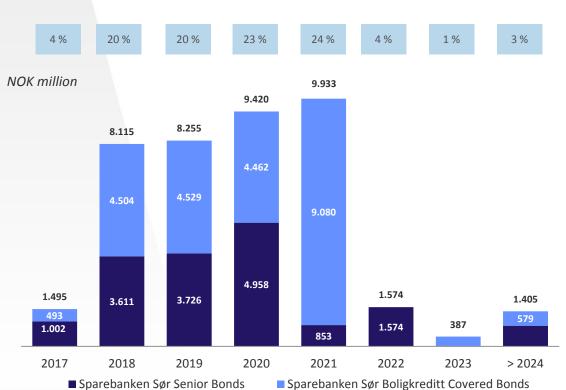
Deposits as a percentage of net loans have increased over the last 12 months, with a deposit growth of 8.4 percent



Funding

Well diversified funding profile is a security net in case of market turmoil

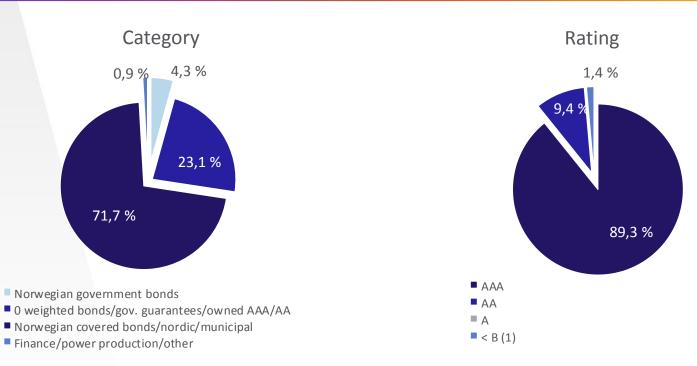




- Total funding for the Group amounted to NOK 40.6 bn, with NOK 24 bn issued as covered bonds as at 31 March 2016
- The bank has a reassuring maturity profile and limited maturities in 2017
- Funding with maturities after 2017 amounts to 96% of the portfolio
- Liquidity indicator 1 at 108%
- Average maturity at 3.1 years



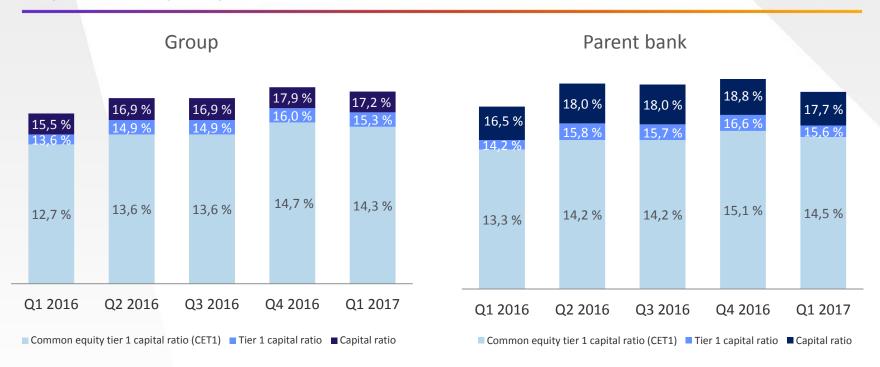
Liquidity portfolio (Group)



- Total liquidity portfolio of NOK 10.9 bn
- 100 % investment grade and 100 % liquid instruments (LCR eligible)
- Liquidity reserve (LCR) of 114 % for the Group



Capital adequacy



When including 80 of accrued profit, Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio amounts to 14.6 percent and Leverage Ratio 8.9 percent for the group

Restructuring and cost focus



Considerable potential has been realized – further efficiency improvements will take place as part of ongoing operations.

The Group opened a new office in Jæren on 27 April 2017.



Summary after Q1 2017

Result

Improved profit from ordinary operations, through positive growth, stable net interest income, combined with low costs and losses on loans

Finance

Positive net income from financial instruments due to positive changes in the market value of bonds

Capital

The Bank's financial strength is considered satisfactory in light of the current regulatory requirements. Included 80 percent of the profit, the common equity tier 1 capital ratio amounts to 14.6 per cent and the leverage ratio amounts to 8.9 percent.

Capital

Loan growth of NOK 3.4 billion the last 12 months, corresponding to a 3.8 percent annual growth. The deposit growth of NOK 4.1 billion, or 6.6 percent the last 12 months.

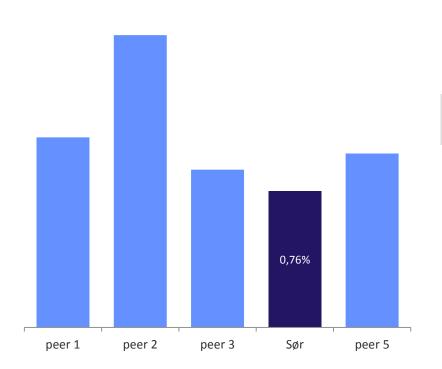
Summary

Sound operations contribute to a pre-tax result of NOK 276 million in Q1 2017.



Three strategic pillars

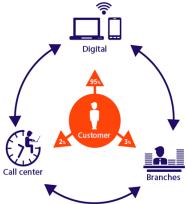
One of the most cost effective financial institutions₁₎



Strong customer relations

The bank is customer relation oriented, with fast decisions based on local knowledge through closeness to customers and market

Optimal channel interaction and digitalization





Our focus areas

Differentiated and high growth potential

Local, regional and national customer segments



Regional business





















Outlook

Macro

Growth in the Norwegian economy has been low in recent years, and this is expected to continue in 2017. Future outlook is considered more positive.

The region

The economic outlook for the bank's market area is considered positive. Housing prices have a positive development, and unemployment is falling.

Capital requirements

The Bank has a common equity tier 1 capital ratio of 14.6 percent and leverage ratio of 8.9 percent. Along with a positive profit from ordinary operations, the opportunities for further growth are positive.

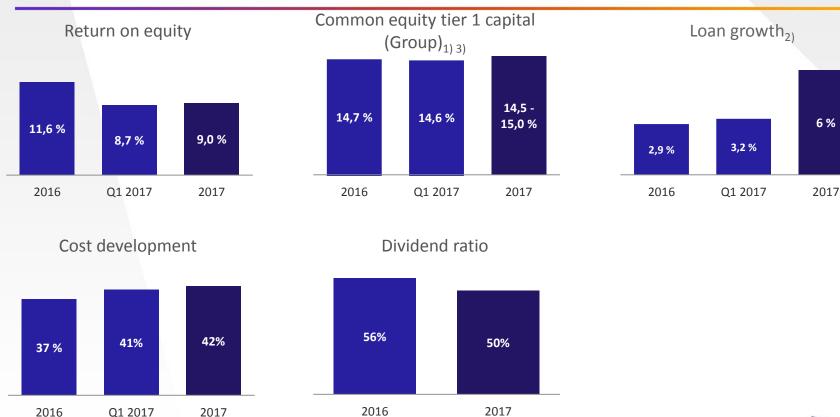
Funding and liquidity

The Bank is well positioned to establish long-term funding from the Norwegian and the international financial market.

Summary

Sparebanken Sør will contribute to further growth and development in the region. To fulfill this vision the bank will be a leading, solid and independent player in the Agder and Telemark counties.

Financial key variables and ambitions



- 1) Incl. share of profit
- 2) Growth YTD annualized
- 3) Will be determined with regard to market expectations, the Financial Supervisory Authority recommendations and ICAAP



Appendix



Equity certificate owners

20 largest equity certificate owners as at 31 March 2017

	Name	Number of ECs	Share of Ecs %		Name	Number of ECs	Share of Ecs %
1	Sparebankstiftelsen Sparebanken Sør	8.125.679	51,88	11	Allumgården AS	151.092	0,96
2	Bergen Kom. Pensjonskasse	500.000	3,19	12	Otterlei Group AS	123.500	0,79
3	Arendal Kom. pensjonskasse	449.825	2,87	13	MP Pensjon PK	107.173	0,68
4	Holta Invest AS	444.410	2,84	14	Ottersland AS	100.000	0,64
5	Pareto AS	417.309	2,66	15	Profond AS	97.115	0,62
6	Glastad Invest AS	387.467	2,47	16	Wenaas Kapital AS	90.350	0,58
7	Merrill Lynch	329.080	2,10	17	Artel Holding A/S	82.131	0,52
8	EIKA utbytte VPF c/o Eika kapitalforv.	278.432	1,78	18	Apriori Holding AS	72.575	0,46
9	Wenaasgruppen AS	186.000	1,19	19	Varodd AS	70.520	0,45
10	Gumpen Bileiendom AS	154.209	0,98	20	Birkenes Sparebank	66.000	0,42
	Total 10 largest owners	11.272.411	71,96		Total 20 largest owners	12.232.867	78,08

- As at 31 March 2017 15 663 944 ECs of NOK 50 each had been issued
- Profit (Group) per EC as at 31 March 2017 amounted to NOK 2.4
- The board of Trustees decided on 30 March 2016 to issue 10 895 270 new ECs, the issuance was concluded 3 May 2016. At this point in time the ownership ratio increased from 13 percent to 19.8 percent. The ownership ratio for Q1 SPAREBANKEN SØR 2017 was 18,7 percent

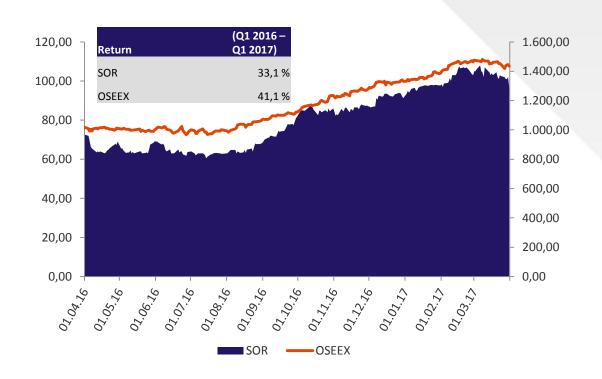
SOR – stock price and liquidity

Price development

- Equity Certificates with a return of 5.75 percent in Q1 2017
- The Stock price for SOR was NOK 96.50 as at 31.03.2017, which is 75 percent higher than the share issuance price (NOK 55)
- Buying SOR ECs the first trading day of 2016(NOK 140) and participating in the share issuance gave a return of 24 percent in 2016

Liquidity

- A turnover of 483 832 equity certificates in Q1 2017, compared with 137 469 in Q1 2016
- In 2016 there was a turnover of 2.3 million equity certificates, compared with a turnover in 2014 and 2015 of 52 293 and 144 013 in respectively



Days without turnover Q1 2016

Days without turnover Q1 2017

137kVolume Q1 2016

484k Volume Q1 2017

Dividend policy

50 percent of equity certificate capital's proportion of annual profits

- Sparebanken Sør will through sound, stable and profitable operations secure its equity certificate owners a competitive return in terms of dividend and return on their investments.
- The surplus will be distributed between the equity certificate capital (equity certificate owners) and the primary capital in accordance with their proportion of the equity capital.
- When determining the annual dividend, Sparebanken Sør's capital needs, including regulatory requirements, expectations from investors and the bank's strategic targets will be taken into consideration.
- The ambition is that approximately half of the equity certificate capital's proportion of annual profits after tax should be paid as dividend.







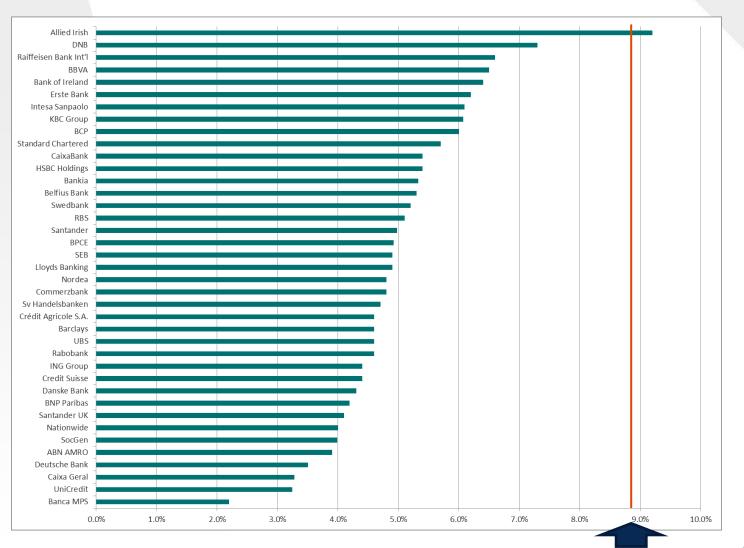
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Capital assessment

31.03.2017	CET1	Leverage Ratio
Sør	14,30 %	8,80 %
Peer 1	14,70 %	8,60 %
Peer 2	14,80 %	7,40 %
Peer 3	14,70 %	7,10 %
Peer 4	14,40 %	7,10 %

- Sparebanken Sør has fullfilled the Financial Authorities' expectations of a 14,5 % common equity tier 1 (CET1) capital ratio
- Sparebanken Sør is the only of the large regional banks that uses the standard method in the capital adequacy calculations
- Sparebanken Sør is very solid, has a high CET1 capital and a very high Leverage ratio
- With a CET1 capital ratio of 14.3 percent, the bank has a considerable buffer beyond the regulatory requirements.
- Norwegian banks are well-capitalized compared to European banks



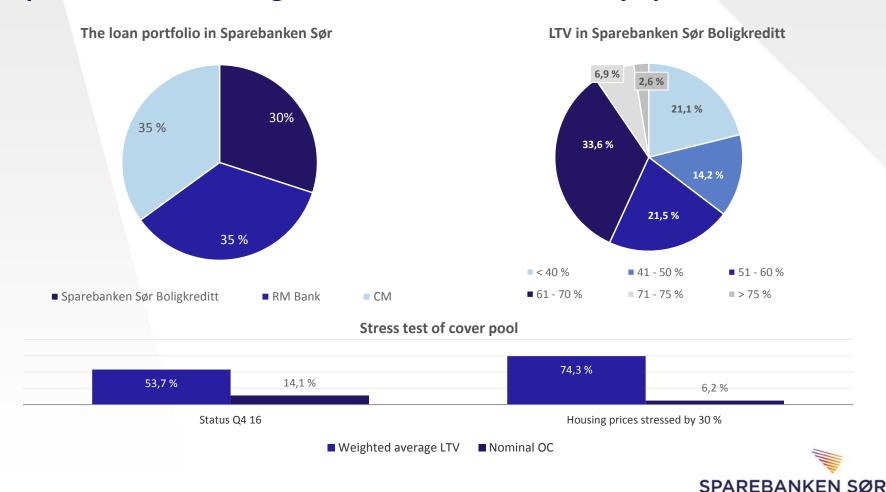


Leverage ratio, Q4 2016

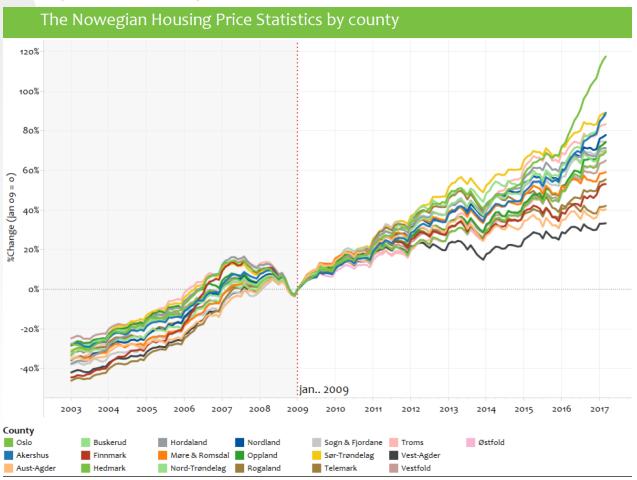
- Selected European banks



Sparebanken Sør Boligkreditt AS – 100 % owned by Sparebanken Sør



House price development March 2017



Year over year:

Vest-Agder	+ 2,7 %
Aust-Agder	+ 2,1 %
Telemark	+ 8,4 %
Rogaland	- 0,6 %
Oslo	+ 22.4 %

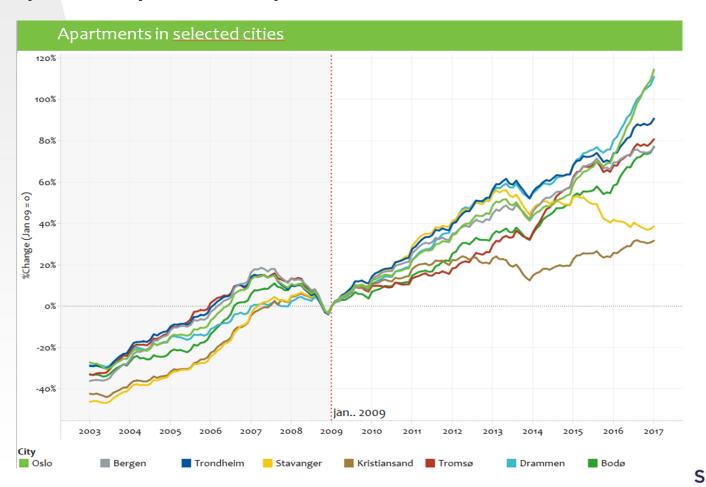
February - March:

Vest-Agder	+ 0,1 %
Aust-Agder	+ 0,3 %
Telemark	+ 0,6 %
Rogaland	+ 0,3 %
Oslo	+ 1,0 %



Source: Eiendomsverdi AS

Apartment price development March 2017



Year over year:

Kristiansand + 3,6 % Stavanger - 1,5 % Oslo + 22,7 %

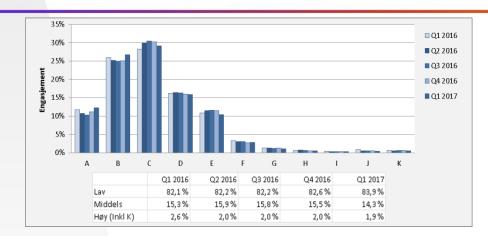
February - March:

Kristiansand - 0,5 % Stavanger - 0,2 % Oslo + 0,9 %



Source: Eiendomsverdi AS

Portfolio quality - score (PD)



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Medium	F	1,25	2,00
∄	G	2,00	3,00
	Н	3,00	5,00
High	1	5,00	8,00
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	K	100,00	

Comment:

A small improvement in risk profile for RM and CM



Unemployment is now decreasing

Key figures from the Norwegian labour market, April 2017

		As a percentage		Percentage	As a percentage
	Number of	of the work	Change from	change from last	of the work
	unemployd	force	last year	year	force, last year
I alt	78 212	2,8 %	-7 259	-8%	3,1%
Østfold	4 405	3,1%	- 274	-6%	3,3 %
Akershus	6 973	2,2 %	- 780	-10 %	2,5 %
Oslo	10 708	2,9 %	-1 663	-13 %	3,3 %
Hedmark	2 065	2,1%	- 293	-12 %	2,4 %
Oppland	1 756	1,8 %	- 263	-13 %	2,1%
Buskerud	3 804	2,6%	- 331	-8%	2,8 %
Vestfold	4 039	3,2 %	176	5%	3,1%
Telemark	2 641	3,0 %	- 331	-11 %	3,4 %
Aust-Agder	1 833	3,2 %	- 339	-16 %	3,8 %
Vest-Agder	3 153	3,3 %	- 399	-11 %	3,7 %
Rogaland	10 865	4,2 %	- 898	-8%	4,5 %



Development in net interest adjusted for changes in accounting principles

NOK million	Q1 2017	Q4 2016	Q3 2016	Q2 2016	Q1 2016
Net interest income	401	408	398	397	362
Guarantee fund fee		-9	-9	-9	28
Net interest income, adjusted for the fee to the Banks`Guarantee Fund	401	399	389	388	390
In % of total assets	1,54 %	1,51 %	1,46 %	1,48 %	1,52 %

Net interest income adjusted for changes in the accounting of the fee to the Norwegian Banks' Guarantee Fund



190 years of development and renewal

Arendal Sparebank was founded in **1825** as one of the first savings banks in Norway.

1973

The bank merged with 4 other savings banks in Aust-Agder, and formed Aust-Agder Sparebank. Sparebanken Sør was established in **1984** after a merger between Aust-Agder Sparebank, 2 other savnings banks in Aust-Agder and 9 from Vest-Agder 1985 The bank entered for the first time
Telemark, through a merger with Nissedal
Sparebank and totals today 7 branches in the county, where the latest was the opening of an office in Skien in the fall of 2012.

2014 Merger between Sparebanken Pluss and Sparebanken Sør and the new bank is named Sparebanken Sør.

The bank's history dates back to **1824** when Christianssand Sparebank was established as one of the first savings banks in Norway.

The banks more recent history starts in 1984 when Sparebanken Agder was established through a merger between Christianssands Sparebank, Halse and Harkmark Sparebank, Iveland Sparebank, Oddernes Sparebank, Vennesla Sparebank and Øvrebø and Hægeland Sparebank.

Four savings banks in Telemark and Sparebanken Agder joined forces in 1987. Through the merger the bank was named Sparebanken Agder and Telemark. In 1988 the name was changed to Sparebanken Pluss

In January 1997 Sparebanken
Pluss and Sparebanken NOR
agreed that Sparebanken
NOR was to take over
Sparebanken Pluss' branches in
Telemark while Sparebanken
Pluss was to take over
Sparebanken Nor's office in
Kristiansand. Through this deal
the banks business again was
concentrated in the Agder
counties.





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