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INFORMATION ON CAPITAL ADEQUACY OF

Santander Bank Polska Group
as at 31 December 2024

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I. Introduction

This document is issued under the Santander Bank Polska Group Disclosure Strategy formulated based on Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (hereinafter CRR) as amended, which formed the legal basis of the reporting date i.e. 31 December 2024.

Starting from January 1st, 2014 by the decision of the European Parliament and of the Council the new regulations of the CRD IV/CRR package come into force. The CRD IV/CRR package consist of two parts, the CRD IV Regulation and CRR Directive. Amendments to the above regulations are introduced by the CRD V / CRR II package as well as Regulation (EU) 2020/873 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2020 amending Regulations (EU) No 575/2013 and (EU) 2019/876 as regards certain adjustments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The regulations are directly applicable in all EU member states. The Act of 5 August 2015 on macroprudential supervision over the financial system and crisis management in the financial system transposes CRD IV into the Polish law.

Santander Bank Polska S.A. is the significant subsidiary of Banco Santander S.A. with its seat in Spain, which is the EU parent institution. Santander Bank Polska S.A. discloses information about the capital adequacy on a consolidated basis – at the highest local level of prudential consolidation – i.e. based on the data of Santander Bank Polska Group.

The objective of the report is to present information about the capital adequacy of Santander Bank Polska Group in accordance with the requirements set out in Article 13 of CRR. Information is published in accordance with the Commission Implementing Regulation (UE) 2021/637 of 15 March 2021 laying down implementing technical standards with regard to public disclosures by institutions of the information referred to in Titles II and III of Part Eight of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1423/2013, Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/1555, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/200 and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2295.

The data presented in the report have been prepared as at 31 December 2024. The information contained refers to the above regulations insofar as they apply to the Bank and the Santander Bank Polska S.A. Group. Unless otherwise stated, the figures presented in the Report are expressed in thousands of PLN. Any differences in totals and shares result from the presentation of the amounts with the specified precision.

Disclosure of capital adequacy	Guidelines on disclosures	Article of CRR
I. Introduction		
2. Capital Group		
3. Outline of differences in consolidation	Scope of application of the regulatory framework	Article 436
II. Risk Management	Risk management, objectives and policies	Article 435, 446, 451a(4)
III. Own funds	Own funds	Article 437, 436 point (e)
	Transitional arrangements for mitigating the impact of the introduction of IFRS 9 on own funds	Guidelines EBA/GL/2020/12
	Own funds and eligible liabilities	Article 437a
IV. Capital requirements	Capital requirements	Article 438 point d), 447
1. Total capital requirements		
2. Credit risk	Credit risk and its mitigation	Article 442, 444 point (e), 453
	ECAI	Article 444
3. Counterparty credit risk	Counterparty credit risk	Article 439, 444 point (e), 452
4. Market risk	Market risk	Article 445
V. Capital buffers	Macroprudential supervisory measures	Article 440
VI. Capital adequacy		Artykuł 438
1. Capital adequacy management		
2. Regulatory capital adequacy		
3. Internal capital adequacy		Article 438 point a)
VII. Securitization	Exposure to securitization positions	Article 449
VIII. Leverage ratio	Leverage ratio	Article 451
IX. Encumbered assets and unencumbered assets	Unencumbered assets	Article 443
X. Policy of variable components of remuneration	Governance arrangements	Article 435(2)
	Remuneration	Article 450
XI. Liquidity risk measures	Liquidity information	Article 448(1), 451a(2)(3)
N/A	Specialised lending	Article 438 point (e)
N/A	Indicators of global systemic importance	Article 441
N/A	The IRB approach for credit risk purpose	Article 452
N/A	The Advanced Measurement Approaches to operational risk	Article 454
N/A	Internal market risk measurement models	Article 455
N/A	The variations in the risk-weighted exposure amounts that result from the use of internal models.	Article 438 point (h)

1. Capital Group

Santander Bank Polska S.A. forms a Group with following subsidiaries which are consolidated in accordance with IFRS 10 and associates which are accounted for using the equity method.

EU LI3 – OUTLINE OF THE DIFFERENCES IN THE SCOPES OF CONSOLIDATION (ENTITY BY ENTITY) AS AT 31.12.2024

Name of the entity	Method of accounting consolidation	Method of prudential consolidation				Description of the entity
		Full consolidation	Proportional consolidation	Equity method	Neither consolidated nor deducted	
Santander Factoring Sp. z o.o.	Full consolidation	X				Factoring services
Santander F24 S.A.	Full consolidation	X				Lending services
Santander Leasing S.A.	Full consolidation	X				Lease services
Santander Finanse Sp. z o.o.	Full consolidation	X				Financial, lease and insurance intermediary services
Santander Inwestycje Sp. z o.o.	Full consolidation	X				Purchase and sale of shares in commercial companies and other securities; prospecting activities
Santander Towarzystwo Funduszy Inwestycyjnych S.A.	Full consolidation	X				Management of: open-ended investment funds and specialised open-ended investment funds, private closed-ended investment fund and portfolios that include one or more financial instruments
Santander Consumer Bank S.A.	Full consolidation	X				Banking services
Santander Consumer Multirent Sp z o.o.	Full consolidation	X				Lease and factoring services
SC Poland Consumer 23-1 DAC	Full consolidation	X				SPV set up for the purpose of securitisation
SCM Poland Auto 2019-1 DAC	Full consolidation	X				SPV set up for the purpose of securitisation
Santander Consumer Financial Solutions Sp z o.o.	Full consolidation	X				Lending institution-consumer loans
Stellantis Consumer Financial Services Polska Sp z o.o.	Full consolidation	X				Financial services in support of car sales (consumer loans)
Stellantis Financial Services Polska Sp z o.o.	Full consolidation	X				Financial services in support of car sales (leasing, loan, factoring)
Santander Allianz Towarzystwo Ubezpieczeń S.A.	Equity method			X		Insurance services (personal and property insurance)
Santander Allianz Towarzystwo Ubezpieczeń na Życie S.A.	Equity method			X		Insurance services (life insurance)
Polfund - Fundusz Poręczeń Kredytowych S.A.	Equity method			X		Issuing loan guarantees, investing and managing entrusted funds

Compared with 31 December 2023, the list of subsidiaries of Santander Bank Polska S.A. did not change.

All subsidiaries of Santander Bank Polska Group as at 31 December 2024 are consolidated with the Bank in accordance with IFRS 10.

In the consolidated financial statements of Santander Bank Polska Group for 2024, the following companies are accounted for using the equity method in accordance with IAS 28:

- Santander Allianz Towarzystwo Ubezpieczeń S.A.
- Santander Allianz Towarzystwo Ubezpieczeń na Życie S.A.
- POLFUND – Fundusz Poręczeń Kredytowych S.A.

Compared with 31 December 2023, the list of associates did not change.

Detailed information on the structure of the Capital Group of Santander Bank Polska S.A. are presented in the Management Board Report on Santander Bank Polska Group Performance in 2024.

2. Outline of the differences in the scopes of consolidation

At Santander Bank Polska Group, there are no differences between consolidation for regulatory purposes and consolidation for accounting purposes in terms of entity structure. There are no subsidiaries which would not meet the definition of an institution, a financial institution or an ancillary services undertaking, which, as indicated in the CRR, could result in consolidation differences.

EU LI1 – DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE ACCOUNTING SCOPE AND THE SCOPE OF PRUDENTIAL CONSOLIDATION AND MAPPING OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT CATEGORIES WITH REGULATORY RISK CATEGORIES (PLN K)

	Carrying values of items						Not subject to own funds requirements or subject to deduction from own funds
	Carrying values as reported in published financial statements	Carrying values under scope of prudential consolidation	Subject to the credit risk framework	Subject to the CCR framework	Subject to the securitisation framework	Subject to the market risk framework	
Breakdown by asset classes according to the balance sheet in the published financial statements							
Assets							
1 Cash and balances at central banks	10 575 107	10 575 107	10 575 107	-	-	-	-
2 Loans and advances to banks	8 812 988	8 812 988	8 812 988	-	-	-	-
3 Financial assets held for trading	9 347 575	9 347 575	-	7 678 157	-	9 149 925	-
4 Hedging derivatives	1 401 753	1 401 753	-	1 369 490	-	1 363 319	-
5 Loans and advances to customers	174 776 281	174 776 281	154 147 346	2 294 849	18 334 085	-	-
6 Buy-sell-back transactions	12 126 356	12 126 356	-	12 126 356	-	-	-
7 Investment securities	76 912 655	76 912 655	76 912 655	-	-	-	-
8 Assets pledged as collateral	1 198 845	1 198 845	-	1 198 845	-	1 198 845	-
9 Investments in associates	967 209	967 209	967 209	-	-	-	-
10 Intangible assets	979 811	979 811	582 417	-	-	-	397 394
11 Goodwill	1 712 056	1 712 056	-	-	-	-	1 712 056
12 Property, plant and equipment	795 006	795 006	795 006	-	-	-	-
13 Right of use assets	489 056	489 056	489 056	-	-	-	-
14 Current income tax assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Net deferred tax assets	1 414 382	1 414 382	1 397 990	-	-	-	16 392
16 Assets classified as held for sale	5 400	5 400	5 400	-	-	-	-
17 Other assets	2 859 438	2 859 438	2 859 438	-	-	-	-
18 Total assets	304 373 920	304 373 920	257 544 613	24 667 698	18 334 085	11 712 089	2 125 841
Breakdown by liability classes according to the balance sheet in the published financial statements							
Liabilities							
1 Deposits from banks	5 148 660	5 148 660	-	-	-	-	-
2 Hedging derivatives	607 737	607 737	-	600 069	-	600 069	-
3 Financial liabilities held for trading	9 909 687	9 909 687	-	8 133 751	-	7 967 031	-
4 Deposits from customers	232 028 762	232 028 762	-	-	-	-	-
5 Sell-buy-back transactions	1 198 455	1 198 455	-	1 198 455	-	-	-
6 Subordinated liabilities	2 228 898	2 228 898	-	-	-	-	-
7 Debt securities in issue	11 851 163	11 851 163	-	-	-	-	-
8 Lease liabilities	348 450	348 450	-	-	-	-	-
9 Current income tax liabilities	741 297	741 297	-	-	-	-	-
10 Deferred tax liability	686	686	-	-	-	-	-
11 Provisions for off balance sheet credit facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12 Other provisions	2 169 759	2 239 744	-	-	-	-	-
13 Other liabilities	3 699 179	3 629 194	-	-	-	-	-
14 Total liabilities	269 932 732	269 932 732	-	9 932 275	-	8 567 100	-
Equity							
Equity attributable to owners of Santander Bank Polska S.A.	32 527 468	32 527 468	-	-	-	-	-
1 Share capital	1 021 893	1 021 893	-	-	-	-	-
2 Other reserve capital	24 424 796	24 076 876	-	-	-	-	-
3 Revaluation reserve	-	218 647	-	-	-	-	-
4 Retained earnings	2 086 694	2 434 615	-	-	-	-	-
5 Profit for the current period	5 212 731	5 212 732	-	-	-	-	-
6 Non-controlling interests in equity	1 913 719	1 913 719	-	-	-	-	-
7 Total equity	34 441 188	34 441 187	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities and equity	304 373 920	304 373 920	-	9 932 275	-	8 567 100	-

The differences in table EU LI1 affect presentation only. They have no impact on the total assets, liabilities or equity of Santander Bank Polska Group in the light of accounting standards or regulatory requirements.

Santander Bank Polska Group does not identify any impediments to the prompt transfer of own funds or to the repayment of liabilities within the Group.

EU LI2 – MAIN SOURCES OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN REGULATORY EXPOSURE AMOUNTS AND CARRYING VALUES IN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (PLN K)

	Total	Items subject to			
		Credit risk framework	Securitisation framework	CCR framework	Market risk framework
1 Assets carrying value amount under the scope of prudential consolidation (as per template LI1)	304 373 920	257 544 613	18 334 085	24 667 698	11 712 089
2 Liabilities carrying value amount under the scope of prudential consolidation (as per template LI1)	269 932 732	-	-	9 932 275	8 567 100
3 Total net amount under the scope of prudential consolidation	34 441 187	257 544 613	18 334 085	14 735 423	3 144 989
4 Off-balance-sheet amounts	63 994 226	63 994 226	-	-	-
5 Differences in valuations	157 017	-	-	157 017	-
6 Differences due to different netting rules, other than those already included in row 2	-	-	-	-	-
7 Differences due to consideration of provisions	- 264 217	- 264 217	-	-	-
8 Differences due to the use of credit risk mitigation techniques (CRMs)	- 11 282 938	4 326 352	- -	15 609 290	-
9 Differences due to credit conversion factors	- 53 747 445	- 53 747 445	-	-	-
10 Differences due to Securitisation with risk transfer	- 18 334 085	- -	18 334 085	-	-
11 Other differences	7 059 385	5 674	-	7 053 711	-
12 Exposure amounts considered for regulatory purposes	278 196 064	271 859 203	-	6 336 861	-

The key factor underlying the difference presented in the line 'Other adjustments' of table EU LI2 is the impact of the methodology of calculating the exposure to counterparty credit risk in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council dated 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms.

II. Risk Management

1. Objectives and strategies for risk management – general

Risk management objectives

The business activity of Santander Bank Polska Group is exposed to a number of risks defined as the possibility to impact the Bank's capacity to deliver its strategic objectives through some events. The main objective of risk management is to ensure that while the Group increases the shareholder value, it also takes risk consciously and controllably. This is done through introduction of a formal risk management system aimed to ensure that the Bank has adequate process for setting and delivering objectives in its business activity.

The risk management system ensures compliance with the respective legal requirements for risk management, in particular with the Banking Law Act and the requirements detailing its operation laid down in the Regulation of the Minister Finance, Development Funds and Regional Policy and the recommendations issued by the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (KNF). The risk management system is comprehensively described in the „Strategy for risk management in Santander Bank Polska S.A.“, which was adopted by the Management Board and approved by the Supervisory Board.

The risk management system comprises:

- Principles of risk measurement and management;
- Processes applied to identify, measure, estimate and monitor risks to which the Bank is exposed, including foreseeable future risks;
- Risk limits and rules of conduct to be followed if the limits are exceeded;
- A reporting system to ensure that the risk level is monitored;
- An organisational structure adjusted to the size and profile of the risk incurred.

As part of its risk management system, the Bank exercises oversight over the risk inherent in its subsidiaries as well as monitors the risk related to outsourcing of activities.

To ensure consistency of the risk management processes, Santander Bank Polska Group implements relevant written policies, standards and procedures and monitors compliance with such regulations. Santander Bank Polska S.A. subsidiaries are obligated to implement internal regulations reflecting the risk management principles across the Group.

For risks embedded in the Group's activity, numerous risk identification and assessment processes have been developed. Such processes are also used for determining the most favourable risk-reward and for setting and verifying risk mitigation limits. The Group applies as well as modifies and develops risk management methods and takes into consideration changes in the Group's risk profile, economic environment, regulatory requirements and best market practice.

The main risks in the Group's activity are directly related to the applied business model:

- **Credit risk including concentration risk** - the risk of loss stemming from the fact that the customer or the counterparty is unable or unwilling to meet their contractual obligations and that the held collateral is insufficient to pay the Bank's claims. It also comprises counterparty credit risk, i.e. exposure to credit risk associated with treasury transactions, arising from changes in market parameters (e.g. fluctuations in exchange rates and/or interest rates, variability of options) during the tenor of the transaction. Depending on their direction, such fluctuations may give rise to a loss and credit exposure. This definition also comprises concentration risk, i.e. the risk of default by a single entity, entities that are connected through capital or organisational ties or groups of entities, in respect of which probability of default depends on the shared circumstances.
- **Operational risk** - the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from external events. This definition includes legal risk, but excludes strategic or reputational risk.
- **Market risk on the banking book** (because the currency risk in the banking book is transferred and managed in the trading book, it is understood primarily as the interest rate risk in the banking book) is the likelihood of suffering losses due to the impact of interest rate movements on the Bank's equity structure (income, expenses, assets, liabilities and other off-balance

sheet operations). It is the Group's financial and economic exposure to interest rate movements. Interest rate risk is a significant element of the banking activity, having a significant impact on the net interest margin and market value of equity.

- **Market risk on the trading book** - the risk of loss arising from adverse changes in interest rates, exchange rates, equity instrument prices or credit spread.
- **Liquidity risk** - the risk arising from the need to ensure that the Group always has sufficient funds to cover unconditional and contingent liabilities towards customers and contractors at an economic price.
- **Model risk** - the risk of implementation and use of incorrectly built/defined models or parameters, incorrect application of models or failure to update them. The risk also covers inadequate control and monitoring of performance of the models applied by the Bank.
- **Reputational risk** - the risk arising from any negative perception of the Bank and other members of the Group to which the Bank belongs by customers, counterparties, shareholders/investors and local communities.
- **Compliance risk** - the risk of legal or regulatory sanctions, significant financial loss impacting the results or negative impact on reputation that the Bank may suffer due to its failure to comply with the law, internal regulations and market standards.
- **Business risk** - the risk of losses arising from unfavourable changes in the business environment and internal environment of the Bank that may have a direct or indirect impact on the generated business or result in the adoption of an inadequate business strategy, incorrect implementation of the strategy or failure to take relevant actions in response to changes in the market. Business risk incorporates strategic risk. Business risk incorporates strategic risk.
- **Capital risk** - the risk of failure to ensure an adequate level and structure of own funds relative to the size of business and exposure to risk and, consequently, the risk that own funds are insufficient to absorb unexpected losses taking into account the growth plans and extreme conditions.
- **Risk of excessive financial leverage** – where the leverage (LR) is understood as the relative size of an institution's assets, off-balance sheet obligations and contingent obligations to pay or to deliver or to provide collateral, including obligations arising from received funding, made commitments, derivative or repurchase agreements, but excluding obligations which can only be enforced during the liquidation of an institution, compared to that institution's own funds; the of excessive financial leverage results from the institution's vulnerability due to leverage or contingent leverage that may require unintended corrective measures to its business plan, including distressed selling of assets which might result in losses or in valuation adjustments to its remaining assets.
- **ESG risks** – the risk of negative impact of ESG factors (environmental, social and corporate governance) on the balance sheet of the Santander Bank Polska S.A. Group and its customers and counterparties. This is a cross-cutting risk that affects the bank's traditional financial and non-financial risks to varying degrees and through diverse transmission channels. The bank considers the impact of this risk on: credit, operational, reputational and market risks, and compliance and business risks.

Risk management structure and organisation

Governance (committees)

Supervisory Board is responsible for ongoing supervision of the risk management system. The Board approves the strategy, key risk management policies and risk appetite, and monitors the use of internal limits from the perspective of current business strategy and the macroeconomic environment. It conducts reviews of key risk areas, the identification of threats and the process of defining and monitoring remedial actions. The Supervisory Board also assesses the effectiveness of measures taken by the Management Board, including risk management.

Audit and Compliance Committee of the Supervisory Board supports the Board in fulfilling the supervisory duties. The Committee makes annual reviews of the Group's internal mechanisms for financial control, accepts reports of the independent audit unit and compliance unit. The Committee receives quarterly reports on the delivery of post-audit recommendations and based on those reports, it assesses the quality of actions taken. The Audit Committee assesses the effectiveness of internal control system and risk management system. Moreover, the Committee's tasks include the monitoring of financial audit, in particular the inspection carried out by the audit company, the control and monitoring of independence of the chartered auditor and audit company, informing the Supervisory Board about outcomes of the inspection and making the assessment of the chartered auditor's and the audit company's independence. Moreover, the Committee's role is to develop the policy and procedure for selecting the audit company and to present to the Supervisory Board the recommendations on election, re-election and recalling of External Auditor and on the External Auditor's fee.

The Risk Committee supports the Supervisory Board in assessing the effectiveness of the internal control and risk management systems and measures adopted and planned to ensure an effective management of material risks. The Committee meets at least 4 times a year. The Chief Risk Officer, who is in charge of Risk Management Division, provides the Risk Committee with comprehensive and understandable information about risk, enabling its Members to understand the Bank's risk profile.

Management Board is responsible for effective risk management. In particular it. Specifically, it sets up an organisational structure tailored to the size and profile of the risks taken, to segregate responsibilities in order that risk assessment and control functions remain independent of operational functions, to introduce and update a risk management strategy and ensure an adequate information policy. It reviews financial results of the Group. The Management Board has established a number of committees directly responsible for the development of risk management methods and for monitoring of risk levels in specific areas.

The Management Board fulfils its risk management role through its three committees: Risk Management Committee, Risk Management Sub-Committee, and Risk Control Committee, where the Management Board members are supported by key risk management officers.

Risk Management Committee makes the most material credit decisions (above pre-defined levels) and approves the annual Model Plan (incl. for risk assessment models). RMC is also an executive committee to which requests from lower level committees may be escalated.

Risk Control Committee responsible for reviewing and controlling the overall enterprise wide risk management profile of the Santander Bank Polska Group as well as the compliance with the Group's Risk Appetite and reporting those aspects to the Management Board. With a comprehensive reporting procedure in place, the Committee has a full and consistent picture of the Bank's current risk profile and is able to control risk against the risk appetite. The Committee also ensures that appropriate rules are established for all material risks identification, assessment, management, and reporting. RCC also supervises other committees responsible for the management of risks identified in the Bank's operations.

The Risk Control Committee supervises the activities of the below-listed committees operating in the risk management field:

Credit Risk Committee, which approves and supervises the risk management policy and risk measurement methodology as well as monitors credit risk of consolidated credit portfolio or in cases pertaining to more than one business segment.

Credit Policy Forum for Retail Portfolios, Credit Policy Forum for SME Portfolios and Credit Policy Forum for Business & Corporate portfolios, which approve and supervise the risk management policy and risk measurement methodology as well as monitor credit risk pertaining exclusively to the business segment to which the given committee is dedicated.

Credit Committee, which takes credit decisions on the basis of the assigned lending discretions.

Provisions Committee takes decisions on impairment charges in individual and collective approach, for credit exposures, as well as other financial instruments and assets and on legal risk provisions. Moreover, the Committee formulates the methodology, reviews the adequacy of parameters applied when setting the impairment in individual and collective approach for Santander Bank Polska Group, excluding Santander Consumer Bank Group.

Restructuring Committee, responsible for decisions regarding the non-performing portfolio, such as approving strategy towards large credit exposures, approving cause of loss analyses, and for monitoring the portfolio and effectiveness of the recovery processes.

Information Management Committee, which takes decisions regarding the scope of data and information management processes so as to ensure proper risk management and compliance with the regulatory requirements.

Operational Risk Management Committee (ORMCo), which sets the direction for strategic operational risk actions in Santander Bank Polska Group in the area of business continuity, information security and fraud prevention.

Suppliers Panel, which establishes standards and carries out monitoring regarding providers and services, incl. outsourcing; main forum for discussion on risk resulting from the cooperation with suppliers.

Model Risk Management Committee, which is responsible for model risk management as well as supervises the methodology of models used in Santander Bank Polska Group.

Market and Investment Risk Committee, which approves and supervises the risk management policy and risk measurement methodology as well as monitors market risk in the banking book, market risk in the trading book, structural risk for the balance sheet, liquidity risk and investment risk;

Assets and Liabilities Management Committee (ALCO), whose responsibilities include: oversight over banking book transactions of the Bank and the Group, management of liquidity and interest rate risk in the banking book, funding and managing the balance sheet (including the pricing policy and foreign currency structure).

Liquidity Forum, which monitors liquidity position of the Bank, with a special focus on the dynamics of deposit and credit volumes, the Bank's needs for financing and the general market situation.

Capital Committee, which is responsible for the management of capital, especially for the ICAAP process.

Disclosure Committee, which verifies if the financial information of Santander Bank Polska Group published by the Bank meets the legal and regulatory requirements.

Local Marketing and Monitoring Committee, which approves new products and services before commercialisation, taking into account reputation risk analysis.

Compliance Committee responsible for supporting the supervisory process for ensuring compliance of the bank's activities and compliance with the applicable regulations; the Committee is responsible for compliance issues that have a cross-cutting impact on business units and supporting areas. It discusses and consults on key compliance proposals.

AML Decision Committee (Anti-Money Laundering), which it sets the standards and direction for strategic actions aimed to prevent money laundering and terrorist financing in Santander Bank Polska S.A. Group (SBP S.A. Group) and monitors ML/TF risk management objectives. The Committee is also a control body in charge of preventing money laundering and terrorist financing across the Group activities and an advisory body for the Management Board Member responsible for the implementation of obligations specified in the Act of 1 March 2018 on the prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing.

AML Operational Committee, which takes decisions related to the fulfilment of duties aimed to prevent money laundering and terrorist financing in the Bank, including those related to: establishment and maintenance of business relations with high risk customers, also PEP customers, and approval of internal procedures in this area

The most important committee responsible for managing sustainability and ESG issues at the Bank is the **ESG Committee**. Its mandate is to support the Bank's Board of Directors in fulfilling its management responsibilities with regard to the Bank's strategic sustainability activities. The Committee sets the strategic direction and establishes and monitors sustainability objectives for all areas of the Bank's business. This committee is chaired by the CEO.

To coordinate the day-to-day implementation of activities related to the development and implementation of ESG solutions, including responsible banking, sustainable development, organisational culture, sustainable financing, ESG risks and the climate agenda, the Committee has established a working group called the ESG Forum.

ESG Panel is a cross-department panel of experts supporting business segments of Santander Bank Polska S.A. Group in the proper identification and classification of transactions and products as compliant with EU Taxonomy, the Internal Sustainable Finance Classification System and with other Polish and European regulations in this area in order to prevent greenwashing risk.

The Bank has dedicated authorities which are convened in crisis situations:

- **Gold Committee** - is the ultimate management authority which takes decisions in crisis situations (with the consideration of the roles of the Management Board and the Supervisory Board), it recommends the Management Board to activate the Recovery Plan, activates liquidity and capital contingency plans, and activates business continuity plans and the communication plan (if not already implemented at an earlier stage of an event).
- **Silver Committee** - the main special situations governance body following the activation of the contingency situation, which assesses the impact of that situation and coordinates activities as part of the special situation management, activates action plans (e.g. business continuity plans) and BAU restoration procedures, and draws lessons learned after the special situation is resolved. It supports the Gold Committee.
- **Bronze Group** - is responsible for the identification of and prompt response to threats or events that may pose a risk to the normal functioning of the Bank and/or the Group. It identifies new threats in cooperation with the committees which manage risks on a regular basis. It supports the Silver Committee.

Organizational structure (units)

In terms of organizational structure, the risk management system relies on three independent and complementary levels (lines of defence):

- **1st line of defence** comprises risk management as part of the Bank's operations and is based on business units, which generate risk that affects the achievement of the Bank's targets. The first line of defence includes activities carried out by each employee and business unit in respect of quality and correctness of the tasks performed. The first line of defence receives assessments,

information and analyses of risk exposures from the risk management unit and takes them into account in the risk management process, including decision-making processes. However, it is the management of business units within the first line of defence who is responsible for business decisions made, and eventually the Bank's Management Board in line with their authorities;

- **2nd line of defence** includes risk management by employees holding dedicated job positions or working in dedicated organisational units as well as the activity of compliance function. Risk management as part of the second line of defence is independent from risk management in the first line of defence. The second line of defence is formed by functions which support the Bank's management in risk identification and management by providing the relevant tools, internal regulations and mechanisms for managing, monitoring, ongoing verification, testing and reporting risk as well as specialist functions which assess the effectiveness of the first line controls. Units in the second line of defence are also responsible for performing activities within vertical monitoring, comprising ongoing verification and vertical testing.

The second line of defence units are organisationally separate from the activities they are to monitor and control as they operate within separate organisational structures, specifically:

- ✓ The Risk Management Division, whose units report directly to the Head of the Risk Management Division (Chief Risk Officer (CRO)), who is a Vice-president of the Bank's Management Board responsible for risk management; Risk Management Division's role is to provide assurance that the key risks are being identified and managed by the management, and that the Bank acts in line with internal risk policies. The units support the Bank's management in the process of identifying and managing risk by providing relevant tools for risk management, monitoring and reporting. Within the Division there has been established, among others, the Internal Control Model Function that coordinates preparation, implementation and ongoing updates to the Internal Control Model (ICM). ICM covers the whole activity of Santander Bank Polska Group;
 - ✓ The Compliance function reporting directly to the Management Board Member in charge of the Compliance and Financial Crime Control Division; Compliance function's goal is to support Santander Bank Polska Group's management in managing non-compliance risks to ensure that Santander Bank Polska Group complies with legislation, regulatory requirements and best practices recognising that the Compliance unit is particularly responsible for controls safeguarding compliance with legislation, internal regulations and market standards related to the type of business. The responsibility for ensuring compliance in specialist areas, such as, inter alia, prudential rules, taxation, company law, employment law and health and safety, is allocated to an appropriate specialist function;
 - ✓ Financial Accounting and Control function that supports the Bank's management through assuring correct and reliable reflection of the Bank and Group's standing in (internal and external) financial information;
 - ✓ Special functions responsible for independent risk management, including the Control Centre.
- **3rd line of defence** is formed by the Internal Audit Area, which provides independent and objective examination and assurance of the first and second tier controls as well as the assessment of the management system of the Bank and its subsidiaries, including the effectiveness of managing the risk related to the Bank's business and the business of its subsidiaries. Internal Audit Area reports directly to the President of the Management Board (CEO).

The three lines of defence model ensures that the risk management function is independent of the business units responsible for risk-taking. The three lines of defence provide the Management and Supervisory Boards with up-to-date and accurate information about the risk profile and management quality.

As part of its due diligence processes prior to entering into loan agreements or other types of agreements, the bank monitors the compliance of its counterparties with corporate governance standards. However, at the current stage, they are not implemented in the Bank's internal processes, and the Bank does not take into account the role of contractors' supervisory authorities in the field of non-financial reporting. The Bank plans to take steps to take into account issues related to the corporate governance of its contractors in the future.

Risk reporting and measurement systems

Santander Bank Polska Group assesses and reports the risk on an ongoing basis. The foundation of the risk management and control is valid, reliable and detailed management information. It enables risk identification, assessment, management and reporting at the relevant level. The Bank has defined the official List of reports for the Bank Executives Management Information System which presents the key management reports, including those for the risk management area, along with specification of units responsible for their preparation, bodies/ units to which the reports are addressed (the Bank management and committees), as well as, frequency and overall

contents of said reports. The principles have been defined based on the list of significant risks and expert recommendations made by owners of individual risks which were developed in the consideration of external requirements, the Bank's internal needs and best corporate practice.

Data used for reporting the risk level are taken from numerous IT systems of Santander Bank Polska Group and are subject to strict certification ensuring high quality and transparency of metrics regarding risk management, in accordance with the European standards formulated by the Basel Committee.

The central risk management report is the Unit Report which includes comprehensive information prepared monthly by the Risk Management Division. The report covers: macroeconomic environment review, utilisation of the risk appetite limits, review of the credit portfolio quality, balance of provisions, current metrics relating to market risk, liquidity risk, structural risk, conduct risk, operational risk, compliance risk and legal risk, model risk, strategic risk and capital adequacy risk. The report is presented to the Risk Control Committee (the Management Board level) and to the Risk Committee (operating at the Supervisory Board level).

In response to the presented information, the management of the second line of defence units, as well as, the Committees and the Management Board and the Supervisory Board take adequate decisions, in line with the powers in place, thus causing potential modification of the risk management strategy.

Stress tests

The Bank and the Santander Bank Polska Group apply stress tests in order to assure adequate risk management. The purpose of stress tests is to analyse the impact of stressed conditions on: risk appetite, capital plans, liquidity contingency plans, recovery and resolution plans, strategic and business planning. Stress tests are performed at the Bank and the Group based on assumptions that ensure accurate risk assessment or measurement. The frequency of stress tests depends on the risk or process but it must not be lower than once a year.

Risk prevention and mitigation strategy

The Bank protects itself against risk or mitigates risk by introducing suitable risk controls adjusted to the size and complexity of the Bank's business, in particular through:

- Defining and monitoring of **watch threshold and limits** adjusted to the Bank's size and risk profile. Watch thresholds and limits are adjusted to the Bank's risk appetite;
- **Establishment of organisational units in charge of risk management** and structuring them into independent three lines of defence;
- **Establishment of committees** taking risk management decisions in accordance with powers delegated to them by the Management Board;
- **Introduction of internal control system**, i.e. establishment of effective controls for risk-generating processes, formally described in the Internal Control Model. Each year, the Bank carries out the assessment of the construction and effectiveness of the control and the Bank's Management Board and an independent external auditor make the certification of the Internal Control Model. The certification outcomes are reported to the engaged Committee operating at the Supervisory Board level;
- **Risk culture promotion**, i.e. enhancing the staff awareness of risk management issues (Intranet articles, mailing, contests, etc.), obligatory inclusion of risk management objectives in the performance review and risk management training;
- **Risk transfer instruments** (security measures, insurance, guarantees) adequate for individual risk types.

Risk appetite

Risk management in the Bank and the Group is consistent with the risk profile which corresponds to the general risk appetite defined by the Group. Risk appetite is expressed as quantitative limits and captured in the Risk Appetite Statement approved by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

The formulation of the Risk Appetite Statement is based on certain foundations reflecting the Bank's and the Group's targets in terms of risk that are in line with the strategy and business plans. The Bank's and the Group's risk appetite is set below its risk capacity. Additionally limits are set using stress tests and scenario analyses to ensure the stability of the bank's position even if adverse circumstances materialise. Global limits are used to set watch limits and shape risk management policies. Risk levels covered by the limits are subject to regular monitoring and reporting monthly to relevant committees up to the level of Risk Committee at Supervisory Board. There are also appropriate escalation paths in place to convey information of the limits excess.

Details about managing different risk types, the structure of corporate governance and roles of selected units in risk management oversight are presented in Note 4 of the Consolidated Financial Statements of Santander Bank Polska Group for 2024.

2. Objectives and strategies for risk management – by risk category

Credit risk, Counterparty credit risk

Introduction

Credit risk is defined as the possibility of suffering a loss if the borrower fails to meet their credit obligation, including payment of interest and fees. It results in the impairment of credit assets and contingent liabilities as a consequence of the borrower's worsening credit quality. Credit risk measurement is based on the estimation of credit risk weighted assets, with the relevant risk weights representing both the probability of default and the potential loss in the event of the borrower's default.

Credit risk in the Bank and Group arises mainly from lending activities on the retail, corporate and interbank markets. This risk is managed as part of the policy approved by the Management Board on the basis of the adopted credit procedures and discretionary limits. The internal system of credit grading and monitoring used by the bank and allows for the early identification of potential defaults that might impair the loan book. Additionally the Bank and the Group use a large set of credit risk mitigation tools, both collateral (financial and nonfinancial) and specific contractual terms and clauses (covenants).

Credit risk management in the Bank and Group involves actions taken as a result of the ongoing analysis of the macroeconomic environment and internal reviews of particular credit portfolios. These advanced credit risk assessment tools allow quick remedial actions to be effected in response to the first signs of any change in the portfolio's quality or structure.

Risk management structure and organisation

The credit risk oversight in Santander Bank Polska Group is performed by Credit Risk Committee. Its key responsibilities include development and approval of the best sectoral practice, industry analyses, credit policies as well as implementation of grading and assessment systems aimed at ensuring sustainable growth of the credit portfolio. To align the Group's management processes with the current strategic goals, three sub-committees (Credit Policy Forums) were additionally established with a responsibility for the key customer segments: retail segment, SME segment and the business/corporate segment. The oversight over the credit risk models is the responsibility of the Model Risk Management Committee.

The Risk Management Division is responsible for a consolidated credit risk management process, including management and supervision of credit delivery, defining credit policies, providing decision-making tools and credit risk measurement tools, quality assurance of the credit portfolio and provision of reliable management information on the credit portfolio.

Risk identification, measurement and risk reporting

Credit risk management is based on existing credit policies. Credit policies refer to particular business segments, loan portfolios and banking products. They contain guidelines for the identification of the areas where specific types of risks manifest themselves, specifying the methods of their measurement and mitigation to the level acceptable to the Group (e.g. loan-to-value ratios, FX risk in the case of foreign currency loans).

The Group reviews and updates its credit policies on a regular basis, aiming to bring them in line with the Group's strategy, current macroeconomic situation, legal developments and changes in regulatory requirements.

The credit decision-making process being part of the risk management policy is based upon Individual Credit Discretions vested in credit officers, commensurate with their knowledge and experience within the business segments. Credit exposures in excess of PLN 50m are referred to the Credit Committee composed of senior management and top executives. Transactions above certain thresholds (ranging from PLN 115m to PLN 460m, depending on the type of transaction and the level of credit risk) are additionally approved by the Risk Management Committee functioning at Board level.

The Group continually strives to ensure best quality credit service while satisfying the borrowers' expectations and ensuring security of the credit portfolio. To this end, the credit risk approval function has been segregated from the sales function.

Intensive work has been undertaken to further develop credit risk assessment tools to conform to the recommendations of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority, requirements International Financial Reporting Standards and the best practice in the market.

The Group uses credit risk grading models for its key credit portfolios, including corporate customers, SMEs, home loans, property loan, cash loans, credit cards and personal overdrafts. The Group regularly monitors its credit grading using the rules specified in its Lending Manuals. Additionally, for selected models, an automated process of credit grade verification is carried out based on the number of overdue days or an analysis of the customer's behavioural data. Credit grade is also verified at subsequent credit assessments.

The Group performs regular reviews to determine the actual quality of the credit portfolio, confirm that adequate credit grading and provisioning processes are in place, verify compliance with the procedures and credit decisions and to objectively assess professionalism in credit management. The reviews are performed by the two specialised units: Control and Sectoral Strategies Office and Anti-Money Laundering Department, which are independent of the risk-taking units

Risk prevention and mitigation

In the Group's security model, the Collateral and Credit Agreements Centre is the central unit responsible for creation and maintenance of securities. The Security Manual as a procedure describing legal standards for the application of collateral security is managed by the Legal and Compliance Division. The role of the department is to ensure that security covers are duly established and held effective in line with the lending policy for all business segments. The unit is also responsible for developing standardised internal procedures with respect to perfecting and maintaining validity of collateral as well as ensuring that establishment, monitoring and release of security covers is duly effected. The department also manages the bank's real estate appraisal process.

Furthermore, the Collateral Centre provides assistance to credit units in credit decision making and development of credit policies with respect to collateral. The unit gathers data on collateral and ensures appropriate management information.

The tables below show types of collateral that can be used to secure loans and advances to customers from non-banking sector.

RETAIL CUSTOMERS

Type	Type of collateral
Cash loan	bills, guarantees, credit insurance
Credit on liquid assets	guaranty deposit, amounts frozen on account, investment funds
Student loan	sureties
Housing loan	mortgage, credit insurance, transfer of claim
Leasing	bills, guarantees, transfer of rights to bank's account; court registered pledge on movables; transfer of ownership, open mortgage, obligation of the leased asset supplier to buy the asset back (buy-back guarantee)

BUSINESS CUSTOMERS

Type	Type of collateral
Commercial credit	guaranty deposit, registered pledge, bills
Revolving credit	assignment of credit, bills, guarantees, registered pledge
Building credit	mortgage
Investment credit	mortgage, sureties, warranty
Granted and with supplements	guarantees, warranty
Leasing	bills, guarantees, transfer of rights to bank's account; court registered pledge on movables; transfer of ownership, open mortgage, obligation of the leased asset supplier to buy the asset back (buy-back guarantee)

Before a credit decision is approved, in the situations provided for in internal regulations, the Collateral and Credit Agreements Centre assesses the collateral quality and value, a process that includes:

- Verification of property valuations prepared by real estate appraisers and assessment of the value of the collateral for commercial loans;
- Assessment of the legal status of the collateral object for commercial loans;
- Evaluation of documentation related to the real estate investment process (applies to certain cases);
- Legal consultation on proposed collateral.

The Collateral and Credit Agreements Centre actively participates in credit processes, executing tasks including:

- Verification of the completeness of signed collateral documents received from the Registry and compliance with the Bank's internal procedures (verification done before or immediately after the launch);
- Recording and verification of data in information systems;
- Monitoring of collateral and evaluation of the correctness of the establishment of collateral;
- Reporting on the status of collateral in each segment;
- Releasing of the security.

In managing its receivables, the Group carries out the process of collateral liquidation. Selection of proper actions towards the liquidation of specific collateral depends on the type of the collateral (personal or tangible). In principle the Group aims at voluntary proceedings in the course of collateral liquidation. When there is no evidence of cooperation with a collateral provider, the Group's rights are exercised in compliance with the law and internal regulations in the bankruptcy and enforcement proceedings.

Counterparty credit risk

The exposure to counterparty risk in the scope of estimating the capital requirement is determined in accordance with the standardised approach for counterparty credit risk provided for under CRR.

Counterparty credit risk is managed using the adopted credit procedures and the system of treasury limits established in the respective credit decisions, including as a result of the counterparty credit assessment. The credit decision also determines how the limit allocated to the customer is to be secured. Limits are set taking into consideration potential exchange rate or interest rate fluctuations. The customer's exposure in respect of the allocated limit is monitored on a daily basis.

The Bank can additionally limit counterparty risk by obtaining additional collateral, i.e. on a margin call basis as stated in the master agreement signed with customer, or by signing CSAs (Credit Support Annex) with customers as they considerably limit transaction risk.

Such solutions hedge counterparties against exposure changes resulting from changes in the market value of instruments underlying derivative contracts, independent of the level of repayment capacity of the Bank or its counterparties.

In addition, counterparty credit risk is limited through posting the initial margin.

For entities with an appropriate contract type that allows for netting, a formula that takes netting into account is used when calculating counterparty risk exposures.

If the event of a customer's credit deterioration or the customer defaults on the transaction and a long-term claim arise, the Bank decides to create a credit reserve.

Market risk

Introduction

Market risk is defined as an adverse earnings impact of changes in interest rates, FX rates, share quotations, stock exchange indices, etc. It arises both in trading and banking activity (FX products, interest rate products, equity linked trackers).

Santander Bank Polska Group is exposed to market risk arising from its activity in money and capital markets and services provided to customers. Additionally, the Group undertakes the market risk related to the active management of balance sheet structure (assets and liabilities management).

The activity and strategies on market risk management are directly supervised by the Market and Investment Risk Committee and are pursued in accordance with the framework set out in the Market Risk Policy and the Structural Risk Policy approved by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

Risk management structure and organisation

The key objective of the market risk policy pursued by the Group is to reduce the impact of variable market factors on the Group's profitability and to grow income within the strictly defined risk limits while ensuring the Group's liquidity and market value.

The market risk policies of Santander Bank Polska Group establish a number of risk measurement and mitigation parameters in the form of limits and metrics. Risk limits are periodically reviewed to align them with the Group's strategy.

Interest rate and FX risks linked to the banking business are managed centrally by the Financial Management Division. The Division is also responsible for acquiring funding, managing liquidity and making transactions on behalf of ALCO Committee (Assets and Liabilities Management Committee). This activity is controlled by the measures and limits approved by the Market and Investment Risk Committee, the bank's Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

The debt securities and the interest rate and FX hedging portfolio is managed by ALCO Committee, which takes all decisions on the portfolio's value and structure.

The market risk on the trading portfolio is managed by the Corporate and Investment Banking Division, which is also responsible for the activities of Santander Brokerage Poland. The Group's trading activity is subject to a system of measures and limits, including Value at Risk, stop loss, position limits and sensitivity limits. These limits are approved by the Market and Investment Risk Committee, the bank's Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

The Financial Risk Department within the Risk Management Division is responsible for ongoing risk measurement, implementation of control procedures and risk monitoring and reporting. The Department is also responsible for shaping the market risk policy, proposing risk measurement methodologies and ensuring consistency of the risk management process across the Group. Owing to the fact that the Department is a part of the Risk Management Division, the risk measurement and monitoring processes are separate from the risk-taking units.

The market risk of equity instruments held by Santander Brokerage Poland (shares, index-linked securities) is managed by Santander Brokerage Poland itself and supervised by the Market and Investment Risk Committee of Santander Bank Polska S.A.

The bank's Market and Investment Risk Committee, chaired by the Management Board member in charge of the Risk Management Division, is responsible for independent control and monitoring of market risk in the banking and trading books.

Risk identification and measurement

The trading book of Santander Bank Polska Group contains securities and derivatives held by the Corporate and Investment Banking Division for trading purposes. The instruments are marked to market each day, and any changes in their value are reflected in the profit and loss. Market risk in the trading book includes interest rate risk, currency risk and repricing risk.

The interest rate risk in the Group's banking book is the risk of adverse impact of interest rate changes on the Group's income and the value of its assets and liabilities. Interest rate risk arises primarily on transactions entered in the bank's branches and in the business and corporate centres, as well as the transactions made in the wholesale market by the Financial Management Division. Additionally, interest rate risk can be generated by transactions concluded by other units, e.g. through acquisition of municipal/ commercial bonds or the bank's borrowings from other sources than the interbank market.

Santander Bank Polska Group uses several methods to measure its market risk exposure. The methods employed for the banking portfolio are the MVE and NII sensitivity measures, stress tests and Value at Risk (VaR), while the methods used for the trading portfolio include: VaR, stop loss, sensitivity measures (PV01) and stress tests. The risk measurement methodology is subject to an independent initial and periodic validation, the results of which are presented for approval to the Models and Methodology Panel (part of the Market and Investment Risk Committee).

At Santander Bank Polska Group, the VaR in the trading portfolio is determined using a historical method as a difference between the mark-to-market value of positions and the market values based on the most severe movements in market rates from a determined observation window. VaR is calculated separately for interest rate risk, FX risk and the two risks at the same time. VaR is also calculated for the repricing risk of the equity instruments portfolio of Santander Brokerage Poland.

Due to the limitations of the VaR methodology, the Group additionally performs sensitivity measurement (showing how position values change in reaction to price/profitability movements), Stressed VaR measurement and stress tests.

Risk reporting

The responsibility for reporting market risk rests with the Risk Management Division, specifically the Financial Risk Department.

Each day, the Financial Risk Department controls the market risk exposure of the trading book in accordance with the methodology laid down in the Market Risk Policy. It verifies the use of risk limits and reports risk levels to units responsible for risk management in the trading book, to Santander Group and to the Market and Investment Risk Committee.

Once a month, the Financial Risk Department provides information about the risk exposure of the trading book and selected measures to the Market and Investment Risk Committee and prepares the Risk Dashboard (in cooperation with other units of the Risk Management Division), which is presented to the Risk Management Committee.

The results of market risk measurement with regard to the banking book are reported by the Financial Risk Department to persons responsible for operational management of the bank's balance sheet structure and to persons in charge of structural risk management on a daily basis (information about the ALCO portfolio) or on a monthly basis (interest rate gap, NII and MVE sensitivity measures, stress test results, VaR). This information is also reported each month to the bank's senior executives (Market and Investment Risk Committee, ALCO). The selected key interest rate risk measures, including risk appetite measures defined for the Group's banking book, are reported to the bank's Management Board and Supervisory Board.

Risk prevention and mitigation

The Bank has adopted a conservative approach to risk-taking both in terms of the size of exposures and the types of products. A large portion of the Financial Market Area activity revolves around mitigating the risk related to customer transactions at the retail and corporate level. In addition, flows from customer transactions are generally for non-market amounts and tenors and thus risk capacity is required to manage these mismatches with wholesale transactions.

From the Bank's perspective, the market risk limits are small and are in place to allow sufficient capacity and time to neutralise interest rate and foreign exchange risks, while at the same time allowing the Financial Market Area to hold some of portfolio positions opened to add value to the organisation.

There is a greater emphasis placed on market making over pure mark to market trading and this is reflected in both limit utilisation and budgetary targets.

The combination of transactions made by the Financial Market Area and positions transferred from the Bank arising from customers' FX and derivative activity create the overall interest rate and currency risk profiles, which are managed under the policy and operational limits in place. The Financial Market Area subsequently decides either to close these positions or keep them open in line with market view and approved limits. The return earned is a mix of flow management and market making. However, there is no intention to keep aggressive trading positions.

The interest rate and currency risk of the Financial Market Area is managed via the trading book in accordance with the Market Risk Policy approved by the Management Board. Accounting and risk systems help to ensure allocation of each position into appropriate books. Relevant teams (desks) are responsible for individual types of market risk (interest rate risk and currency risk).

To ensure that the trading book positions are marketable, the Bank controls the gross value of the positions (separately long and short positions) versus the entire market. This is to check if it is technically possible to close an open position one way, without taking into account other closings. The control is performed by the Financial Risk Department separately for currency positions and interest rate positions. The control results are reported to the first line of defence.

As regards market risk in the Banking book, all positions that generate repricing risk are transferred for management to the Financial Management Division, responsible for shaping the Bank's balance sheet structure, including by entering into transactions in the interBank market so as to manage the interest rate risk profile according to the approved risk strategy and in compliance with the allocated risk limits.

The Bank's subsidiaries also mitigate their exposure to interest rate risk. If there is a mismatch between the repricing of assets and liabilities, the company enters into appropriate transactions via the standard Bank accounts held with the Bank or makes derivative transactions with the Bank, which from the transaction date manages the risk as part of the global limit of Santander Bank Polska Group.

The interest rate risk in the banking book is managed based on the following measures:

- NII sensitivity (the sensitivity of net interest income to a parallel shift of the yield curve by 100 bp);

- MVE sensitivity (the sensitivity of the market value of equity to a parallel shift of the yield curve by 100 bp);
- CSRBB – credit spread risk in banking book;
- VaR - Value-at-Risk;
- Basis risk;
- Gap risk;
- Stress scenarios (stress-tests, reverse stress-tests);
- Duration, BPV.

The Bank calculates all the above-mentioned measures at least monthly.

The basic scenario for calculating MVE sensitivity and NII sensitivity is a parallel shift of the yield curve by 100 basis points (bps). For both of these measures, on a monthly basis, the Bank conducts extended analyses addressing internal and regulatory demand.

The following are primarily used for MVE sensitivity:

- Parallel and non-parallel shocks described in the EBA Guidelines (EBA/RTS/2022/10) in relation to Tier 1 Capital;
- Parallel shocks of interest rate changes by +/-200 bps and higher;
- Reverse stress tests, which indicate the size of the shock that will exceed the established threshold.

For NII sensitivity, the following are primarily used:

- Parallel shocks described in the EBA Guidelines (EBA/RTS/2022/10) in relation to Tier 1 Capital;
- Parallel interest rate shocks of +/-200 bps and higher;
- Reverse stress tests, which indicate the size of the shock that will exceed the established threshold.

The table below presents the sensitivity of net interest income (NII) and economic value of capital (MVE) to a parallel shift in yield curves by 100 bps as of the end of 2024 and in the comparative period. It presents the results of scenarios in which the impact of interest rate changes on net interest income and economic value of capital would be negative, data in PLN milions.

1 day holding period (PLN mln)	NII sensitivity		MVE sensitivity	
	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
Santander Bank Polska	-313	-130	-963	-665
Grupa Santander Bank Polska	-376	-188	-1 143	-819

The above table presents data for the Bank and the Santander Group, which includes Santander Bank Polska S.A., Santander Leasing S.A., Santander Factoring Sp. z o.o. and Santander Consumer Bank S.A. In addition, a narrower range of entities, i.e. Santander Bank Polska S.A. and Santander Leasing S.A., is assumed in the report for 31.12.2023.

In 2024, the interest rate risk limit utilization levels for both the interest income (NII) and economic value of capital (MVE) sensitivity increased compared to 2023. There were no exceedances of RED operational limits. The increase in MVE exposure was caused by the implementation of the interest income sensitivity hedging strategy, which consequently increased the duration of the banking book portfolio. The implementation of the above-mentioned hedging strategy was mainly based on entering into cash flow hedging transactions under hedge accounting (Cash-Flow Hedge Accounting) and increasing the ALCO portfolio with fixed-coupon debt securities. Additionally, the increase in NII exposure was caused by a change in the treatment of new sales for current accounts. This change had the effect of reducing the sensitivity of the liability side of the balance sheet.

In 2024, operational limits for MVE sensitivity were increased. A more conservative approach was adopted within the NII sensitivity limits in order to maintain an appropriate buffer for the SOT NII regulatory limit.

In order to hedging the interest rate risk on the banking book, the Bank conducts an annual limit planning process. The limit structure distinguishes limits within the risk appetite statement (RAS) and operational limits. RAS limits are approved by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board, while operational limits are approved by the Market and Investment Risk Committee. For the most important measures, i.e. MVE sensitivity and NII sensitivity, the limit structure includes both operational limits and RAS. The interest rate risk management strategy in the banking book is approved by the Asset and Liability Management Committee (ALCO), mainly within the mandates for the first line of defence. The main instruments of rate risk management are:

- Balance sheet management to ensure structural exposure is aligned with expected risk appetite;
- Interest rate swaps. They are used for both hedge accounting and economic hedging;

- ALM bond portfolio management.

As part of the 2024 limit grid, compared to 2023, limits have been expanded to include CSRBB risk, basis risk, repricing date mismatch risks and SOT NII measures. In addition, the NII model was reviewed, which changed the treatment of new sales for current accounts.

EU IRRBB1 - INTEREST RATE RISKS OF NON-TRADING BOOK ACTIVITIES (VALUES IN K PLN)

Shock scenarios used for supervisory purposes	Changes in the carrying amount of the updated balance sheet *		Changes in net interest income **	
	31.12.2024	30.06.2024	31.12.2024	30.06.2024
	1 Parallel increase in shock	- 2 727 740	- 3 022 793	434 408
2 Parallel fall in shocks	539 645	1 016 862	- 1 086 955	- 1 109 023
3 Decrease in short-term rates and increase in long-term rates (steepener)	435 702	163 723		
4 Increase in short-term rates and decrease in long-term rates (flattener)	- 1 534 430	- 990 270		
5 Increase in short-term rates	- 2 316 715	- 1 954 213		
6 Decrease in short-term rates	988 752	868 593		

* MVE sensitivity is calculated in accordance with the EBA guidelines contained in EBA/RTS/2022/10

** NII sensitivity is calculated in accordance with the EBA guidelines contained in EBA/RTS/2022/10

The decrease in MVE sensitivity between June and December 2024 is mainly due to the growth in retail and wholesale current accounts. In contrast, the decrease in the sensitivity of NII was influenced by the growth in time deposits and the Bank's actions as part of its interest income hedging strategy, such as entering into Cash-Flow hedge (IRS) transactions.

In the period since the previous Pillar 3 disclosures for June 2024, there have been no significant changes to the modelling assumptions or parameters used.

Most of the key modelling assumptions and parameters used for the purposes of the disclosures included in the EU IRRBB1 table (under Annex XXXVIII - Instructions for interest rate risk on positions not held in the trading book disclosure templates) are consistent with the Bank's assumptions adopted for the internal measurement of interest rate risk in the banking book. For the internal purposes of calculating the total MVE sensitivity and NII sensitivity, the Bank uses an internal aggregation model of position sensitivity in different currencies, which takes into account correlations between currencies and their historical volatilities. It is also worth noting that in the measurement for internal purposes, the Bank does not apply a lower bound (floor) to the curves used.

In measuring IRRBB, behavioral models used for both internal and regulatory purposes play an important role. The greatest impact on risk measures are:

- The prepayment model for loans, which distinguishes cash loans (divided into fixed and variable interest rates), mortgage loans (divided into fixed-variable and variable interest rates) and for the SME and BCB segments;
- The model of term deposit terminations (divided into retail and wholesale customers);
- The model for deposits without a maturity date, within which a sub-model operates that takes into account the relationship between market interest rates and the amortization profile of the deposit balance.

The models are subject to regular monitoring to assess their correctness and adjustment to the changing regulatory and legal environment and the changing market and internal situation of the Bank.

THE TABLE BELOW PRESENTS THE AVERAGE AND LONGEST REPRICING PERIOD FOR DEPOSITS WITHOUT A MATURITY DATE AS AT 31/12/2024.

Product	Average period (in years)	Maximum period (in years)
Retail current accounts	4,78	10
Retail saving accounts	0,14	10
Wholesale current accounts	2,66	10
Wholesale saving accounts	0,08	10

VaR and EaR in the banking portfolio are calculated separately. The key methods of measurement of the interest rate risk in the trading book include the VaR methodology, stop loss, PV01 sensitivity measurement and stress tests.

The VaR is calculated for open positions in the Trading Book using the historical simulations method. Under this method the Group estimates the value of portfolio for 520 scenarios generated on the basis of historically observable daily changes in market parameters. VaR is estimated as the 99th percentile of the lowest valuations P&L vector based on the change in the valuation of all trading portfolio in a given historical scenario.

The stop-loss mechanism is used to manage the risk of loss on trading positions subject to fair value measurement through profit or loss.

Stress tests are used in addition to these measures by providing an estimate of the potential losses in the event of materialisation of the stressed conditions in the market. The results of stress scenarios are based on sensitivity reports and on a given stress test scenario. Scenarios are based on historical periods of extreme market rate movements and on scenarios derived using expert judgement to account for additional potential changes in risk factors.

The table below shows risk measures at the end of 2024 and 2023 for 1-day position holding period (values in k PLN).

Interest rate risk	VaR	
	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
1 day holding period		
Average	8 203	7 443
Maximum	12 892	14 049
Minimum	3 913	3 258
as of the end of period	3 913	6 952
Limit	16 036	13 812

The observed values of the VaR in 2024 were higher than in 2023, which was expected in accordance with Bank's expectation of increasing scale of its business operations, yet with the maximum observed interest rate VaR lower compared to previous year. Approved for 2024 VaR-like limit levels were, in average, larger by more than 10% than 2023 limit levels. Based on that, average VaR position held across the year remains in line with expected risk exposure for 2024.

FX risk is the risk that adverse movements in foreign exchange rates will have an impact on performance (and result in losses). This risk is managed on the basis of the VaR limit for the open currency positions in the Group's trading portfolio and the portfolio of Santander Brokerage Poland which manages open positions linked to the market maker activity. Stress tests are used in addition to this measure by providing an estimate of the potential losses in the event of materialisation of the stressed conditions in the market. Stress tests use the currency exposure and the scenarios of extreme movements in currency rates based on historical data. Furthermore, the stop-loss mechanism is used for managing the risk of losses on trading positions.

In accordance with its policy, the Group does not maintain open positions on currency options. Transactions made with customers are immediately closed in the wholesale market thus limiting the Group's exposure to the market risk on the currency options portfolio.

Open FX positions of subsidiaries are negligible and are not included in the daily VaR estimation.

The table below illustrates the risk measures at the end of December 2024 and 2023 (values in k PLN). Both the levels of VaR-type limits for FX risk and the risk exposure remain stable year to year.

FX risk	VaR	
1 day holding period	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
Average	679	749
Maximum	1 742	2 411
Minimum	234	81
as of the end of period	356	648
Limit	3 691	3 542

In 2024, there were no VaR-type limit exceedances, which confirms the adequacy of VaR-type limit levels set, remaining in line with Bank's business activity and related to its exposure to market risk.

In regards to the structural exposure to currency risk in the Group's balance sheet, in 2024 the share of foreign currency assets in the balance sheet decreased. This was due to a smaller increase in the balance of assets in foreign currencies compared to the increase in total assets, with further gradual decrease of CHF loans, as a result of the continuing amortisation of the CHF mortgage portfolio.

The liquidity gap in individual currencies was closed with the use of swap transactions on the currency market.

The tables below present the Group's key FX positions as at 31 December 2023 and in the comparable period.

31.12.2024	PLN	EUR	CHF	USD	Other	Total
ASSETS						
Cash and operations with central banks	9 410 544	844 570	30 143	118 318	171 532	10 575 107
Receivables from banks	1 171 432	5 789 220	18 400	1 618 555	215 381	8 812 988
Receivables from customers	147 298 313	25 094 119	394 980	1 833 642	155 227	174 776 281
Financial assets	71 938 741	4 456 849	-	517 065	-	76 912 655
Selected assets	229 819 030	36 184 758	443 523	4 087 580	542 140	271 077 031
LIABILITIES						
Liabilities to banks	2 453 600	2 473 078	557	219 742	1 683	5 148 660
Liabilities to customers	189 591 445	30 566 962	965 744	9 168 360	1 736 251	232 028 762
Subordinated liabilities	1 118 875	1 110 023	-	-	-	2 228 898
Selected liabilities	193 163 920	34 150 063	966 301	9 388 102	1 737 934	239 406 320

31.12.2023	PLN	EUR	CHF	USD	Other	Total
ASSETS						
Cash and operations with central banks	6 956 993	977 508	58 997	146 384	277 637	8 417 519
Receivables from banks	1 280 971	7 206 043	26 333	793 695	226 798	9 533 840
Receivables from customers	132 253 696	23 411 744	2 154 107	1 592 194	108 266	159 520 007
Financial assets	63 386 625	3 223 918	-	1 074 040	-	67 684 583
Selected assets	203 878 285	34 819 213	2 239 437	3 606 313	612 701	245 155 949
LIABILITIES						
Liabilities to banks	2 489 169	1 645 426	311	19 536	2 011	4 156 453
Liabilities to customers	166 002 155	30 893 667	1 000 857	9 500 127	1 880 550	209 277 356
Subordinated liabilities	1 118 250	1 568 093	-	-	-	2 686 343
Selected liabilities	169 609 574	34 107 186	1 001 168	9 519 663	1 882 561	216 120 152

The risk attached to the prices of equity instruments listed in active markets is managed by Santander Brokerage Poland which operates within the Corporate and Investment Banking Division. This risk is generated by own trades of Santander Brokerage Poland concluded in regulated markets (spot market instruments and futures).

It is measured using a Value at Risk model based on the historical analysis method.

The market risk management process at the Brokerage is overseen by the Market and Investment Risk Committee of Santander Bank Polska. The Committee sets the VaR limit for Santander Brokerage Poland, approves changes in the risk measurement methodology and oversees the risk management process.

The table below presents the risk measures in 2024 and 2023 (values in thousands PLN).

Equity risk	VaR	
	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
1 day holding period		
Average	761	379
Maximum	2 059	759
Minimum	439	112
as of the end of period	2 059	424
Limit	1 638	1 574

In 2024, there was 1 excess of the VAR limit for the BH equity risk. It was due to the high volatility of prices in the last session, which resulted in a significant increase in the VAR according to the methodology without a significant change in the portfolio structure.

Liquidity risk

Introduction

Liquidity risk is the risk that the bank fails to meet its contingent and non-contingent obligations towards customers and counterparties as a result of a mismatch of financial cash flows.

The activity and strategies on liquidity risk management are directly supervised by the Market and Investment Risk Committee and are pursued in accordance with the framework set out in the Liquidity Risk Policy approved by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

Risk management structure and organisation

The objective of the Liquidity Risk Policy of Santander Bank Polska Group is to:

- Ensure the ability to finance assets and satisfy claims, both current and future, in a timely manner and at an economic price;
- Manage the maturity mismatch between assets and liabilities, including the intraday mismatch of cash flows;
- Set a level of the liquidity risk in the form of various internal limits;
- Ensure proper organisation of the liquidity management process within the whole Santander Bank Polska Group;
- Prepare the organisation for emergence of adverse factors, either external or internal;
- Ensure compliance with regulatory requirements, both qualitative and quantitative.

The general principle adopted by Santander Bank Polska Group in its liquidity management process is that all expected outflows occurring within one month in respect of deposits, current account balances, loan drawdowns, guarantee payments and transaction settlements should be at least fully covered by the anticipated inflows or available High Quality Liquid Assets (HQLA, liquidity buffer) assuming normal or predictable conditions for the Group's operations. As of December 2024, 31st the value of liquidity buffer was PLN 88.7bn, and consists of: extremely liquid securities (mainly Treasury Bonds or bonds fully guaranteed by Central Government of Poland and Treasury Bonds issued by governments of Germany, Spain, United States, UK and bonds issued by European Investment Bank) in total 90.2%, central bank assets (including NBP bills) 6.8%, cash 1.4%, surplus in current accounts of National Bank of Poland (NBP) over the amount of mandatory reserve 1.6%. All components of liquid buffer are recognized as level 1 of liquid assets.

The purpose of this policy is also to ensure an adequate structure of funding in relation to the growing scale of the Group's business by maintaining structural liquidity ratios at pre-defined levels.

The Group uses a suite of additional watch limits and thresholds with respect to the following:

- Loan-to-deposit ratio;
- Ratios of reliance on wholesale funding, which are used to assess the concentration of foreign currency funding from the wholesale market;
- Concentration of deposit funding;
- Encumbrance assets ratio;
- Ratios laid down in CRR – LCR and NSFR;
- Survival horizon under stressed conditions;
- The HQLA buffer;
- The buffer of assets which might be liquidated over an intraday horizon.

The internal liquidity risk limits, including the limits established in the Risk Appetite Statement, are set on the basis of both historical values of the selected liquidity risk ratios as well as their future values which are estimated against a financial plan. The limits also take into account the results of stress tests.

At least once a year, Santander Bank Polska Group carries out the Internal Liquidity Adequacy Assessment Process (ILAAP), which is designed to ensure that the Group can effectively control and manage liquidity risk. In particular, the ILAAP ensures that the Group:

- Maintains sufficient capacity to meet its obligations as they fall due;
- Reviews the key liquidity risk drivers and ensures that stress testing reflects these drivers and that they are appropriately controlled;

- Provides a record of both the liquidity risk management and governance processes;
- Carries out assessment of counterbalancing capacity.

The ILAAP results are subject to approval by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board to confirm adequacy of the liquidity level of Santander Bank Polska S.A. Group in terms of liquid assets, prudent funding profile and the Group's liquidity risk management and control mechanisms.

The Asset and Liability Management Department (DZAP), located within the Bank's structures, takes actions to optimize the financing of Santander Bank Polska S.A. Group, in particular in the case of entities 100% dependent on the Bank. The aforementioned activities are aimed at optimizing the structure and cost of financing the Group, while ensuring an appropriate level of security and stability of financing sources. DZAP, as the owner of the Bank's Liquidity Emergency Plan, also takes care of the synchronization of activities and the flow of information within the Group in the event of a liquidity crisis.

Risk identification and measurement

The responsibility for identification and measurement of liquidity risk rests with the Risk Management Division, specifically the Financial Risk Department.

The role of the Department is to draft liquidity risk management policies, carry out stress tests and to measure and report on risk on an ongoing basis.

Liquidity risk is measured by means of the modified liquidity gap, which is designed separately for the PLN and currency positions. The reported future contractual cash flows are subject to modifications based on: statistical analyses of the deposit and credit base behaviour and assessment of product/ market liquidity – in the context of evaluation of the possibility to liquidate Treasury securities by selling or pledging them in repo transactions or using liquidity support instruments with NBP, as well as the possibility of transaction rolling in the interbank market.

When measuring liquidity risk, the bank additionally analyses the degree of liquidity outflows arising from potential margin calls due to changes in the value of derivative transactions and collateral needs related to secured financing transactions resulting from the downgrade of the bank's credit rating, among other things.

Concurrently, liquidity risk is measured in accordance with the requirements laid down in the CRD IV/ CRR package and in their implementing provisions.

In order to establish a detailed risk profile, the Group conducts stress tests using the following 9 scenarios:

- a) Standard scenarios with imposed operating limits and included in the liquidity risk appetite:
 - Baseline scenario, which assumes non-renewability of wholesale funding;
 - Idiosyncratic liquidity crisis scenarios (specific to the bank);
 - Local systemic liquidity crisis scenario;
 - Global systemic liquidity crisis scenario;
 - Combined scenarios (combination of idiosyncratic and local crisis scenarios - with an operational limit not included in the risk appetite and as a separate combined scenario of idiosyncratic crisis and global systemic crisis);
- b) Supporting / ad hoc scenarios without imposed limits:
 - Deposit outflows in a one-month horizon;
 - Scenario for an accelerated outflow of deposits that can be terminated via electronic access channels;
 - ESG liquidity scenario.

For each of the above scenarios, the Group estimates the minimum survival horizon. The survival horizon, assessed through the prism of risk appetite, as at December 31, 2024 was 173 days.

In addition, the bank performs stress tests for intraday liquidity risk as well as reverse stress tests.

Risk reporting

The responsibility for reporting liquidity risk rests with the Risk Management Division, specifically the Financial Risk Department.

The results of liquidity risk measurement are reported by the Financial Risk Department on a daily basis to persons in charge of operational management of the bank's liquidity and to persons responsible for liquidity risk management (information about intraday and current liquidity risk, including FX funding ratios and LCR) and – on a monthly basis – to senior executives (other liquidity risk ratios, including regulatory ratios).

Risk prevention and mitigation

The responsibility for supervision over the liquidity risk management process rests with the Assets and Liabilities Committee (ALCO), which also provides advice to the Management Board. ALCO prepares management strategies and recommends to the Management Board appropriate actions with regard to strategic liquidity management, including strategies of funding the bank's activity. Day-to-day management of liquidity is delegated to the Financial Management Division. The Assets and Liabilities Management Department, which is a part of the Division, is responsible for developing and updating the relevant liquidity management strategies.

The bank has a liquidity contingency plan approved by the Management Board and Supervisory Board to cater for unexpected liquidity problems, whether caused by external or internal factors. The plan, accompanied by stress tests, includes different types of scenarios and enables the bank to take adequate and effective actions in response to unexpected external or internal liquidity pressure through:

- Identification of threats to the bank's liquidity on the basis of a set of early warning ratios which are subject to ongoing monitoring, including intraday liquidity risk ratios;
- Effective management of liquidity/ funding, using a set of possible remedial actions and the management structure adjusted to the stressed conditions;
- Communication with customers, key market counterparties, shareholders and regulators.

In 2024, the Santander Bank Polska S.A. Group focused on the maintenance adequate level of liquidity buffer and effective allocation of the liquidity. The stabilisation in market interest rates and increase of liquidity surplus on the market resulted in moderate competition for customer deposits in the banking sector. At the end of December 2024, the loan-to-deposit ratio was 71%, compared to 72% at the end of December 2023, while the liquidity coverage ratio on a consolidated basis was 216%, compared to 218% in the previous year. The Bank also took care of the proper diversification of financing sources by limiting the funds obtained from the wholesale market and from the strategic investor. The wholesale market financing concentration ratio (financing concentration ratios from the wholesale market are calculated as the ratio of financing obtained in the form of issues or from financial and non-financial customers not classified as retail customers to total financing) for the Bank as at 31 December 2024 amounted to 33.7% compared to 31.6% at the end of 2023, while the financing ratio from the strategic investor was 0% (whole financing has been repaid) and 0.3% for the compared periods.

In 2024 and in the comparable period, all key regulatory ratios as well as liquidity risk measures identified as part of the risk appetite applicable to the Bank and Group were maintained at the levels required by regulations or approved by the Bank's Supervisory Board.

The tables below show the cumulated liquidity gap on an consolidated level (for Santander Bank Polska Group) as at 31 December 2024 and in the comparable period. Nominal values are presented.

31.12.2024	A'vista	up to 1 month	from 1 to 3 months	from 3 to 6 months	from 6 to 12 months	from 1 to 2 years	from 2 to 5 years	above 5 years	TOTAL
Assets	30 472 121	24 809 518	18 000 451	15 931 558	23 836 286	31 931 701	67 395 754	69 108 307	281 485 696
including:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Sell-buy-back transactions	10 240 318	328 684	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 569 002
- Deposits from banks	2 106 871	3 456 738	1 709 200	1 281 900	-	-	-	290 000	8 844 709
- Deposits from customers	18 124 932	7 013 126	10 833 113	10 323 920	13 585 426	21 458 086	38 002 003	54 650 305	173 990 911
Liabilities and equity	159 022 784	36 776 904	31 404 140	8 131 225	7 269 350	4 332 119	5 155 407	110 757	252 202 687
including:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Sell-buy-back transactions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Deposits from banks	2 101 134	423 790	1 466 046	235 342	248 328	348 350	416 438	-	5 239 427
- Deposits from customers	156 921 651	34 953 553	29 441 940	6 778 802	2 766 088	343 276	216 599	12 285	231 434 194
- Debt securities in issue	-	200 000	459 933	1 079 332	4 179 391	3 068 637	2 653 794	98 472	11 739 559
- Subordinated liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	512 760	1 685 828	-	2 198 588
- Lease liabilities	-	1 493	36 222	37 749	75 542	59 096	182 749	-	392 851
Contractual liquidity gap	- 128 550 664	- 11 967 387	- 13 403 689	- 7 800 333	- 16 566 936	- 27 599 582	- 62 240 347	- 68 997 551	- 29 283 009
Cumulated contractual liquidity gap	- 128 550 664	- 140 518 050	- 153 921 740	- 146 121 407	- 129 554 471	- 101 954 888	- 39 714 542	- 29 283 009	-
Off Balance positions Total	59 628 874	6 285 776	934 587	587 866	761 252	371 504	633 572	23	69 203 453
- guarantees & letters of credits	21 341 713	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21 341 713
- credit lines	11 604 307	6 250 765	555 289	158 801	-	-	-	-	18 569 162

* The vast majority of other financial liabilities are within the range of 1 month

31.12.2023	A'vista	up to 1 month	from 1 to 3 months	from 3 to 6 months	from 6 to 12 months	from 1 to 2 years	from 2 to 5 years	above 5 years	TOTAL
Assets	27 646 495	26 337 668	18 283 025	14 355 897	16 334 676	34 129 582	60 250 981	59 787 882	257 126 204
including:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Sell-buy-back transactions	8 228 594	140 172	-	-	-	-	-	-	8 368 766
- Deposits from banks	3 564 839	3 429 515	2 174 000	-	55 000	-	-	250 000	9 473 354
- Deposits from customers	15 853 062	6 165 386	10 316 861	9 370 163	12 696 480	19 772 096	35 764 965	49 021 044	158 960 057
- Deposits from customers	-	7 218 494	2 117 726	4 776 607	4 491 444	13 979 853	23 972 602	10 345 621	66 902 346
Liabilities and equity	146 588 595	28 295 845	25 946 462	9 755 926	5 495 759	5 839 626	3 407 570	165 547	225 497 330
including:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Sell-buy-back transactions	-	273 388	-	-	-	-	-	-	273 388
- Deposits from banks	144 041 364	27 705 468	25 245 227	7 244 800	3 862 891	454 570	447 174	5 047	209 006 542
- Debt securities in issue	-	-	300 000	2 193 505	1 319 678	4 924 215	373 203	-	9 110 600
- Subordinated liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 652 671
- Lease liabilities	-	-	28 020	37 289	74 518	26 041	39 535	160 500	365 903
Contractual liquidity gap	- 118 942 101	- 1 959 177	- 7 663 436	- 4 599 971	- 10 837 917	- 28 289 955	- 56 843 411	- 59 622 334	- 31 628 875
Cumulated contractual liquidity gap	- 118 942 101	- 120 901 278	- 128 564 714	- 123 964 743	- 113 126 826	- 84 836 871	- 27 993 460	- 31 628 875	-
Off Balance positions Total	48 805 527	6 070 637	1 070 736	491 057	411 334	493 731	423 367	23	57 766 412
- guarantees & letters of credits	15 162 702	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15 162 702
- credit lines	7 482 642	6 028 728	618 372	185 372	-	-	-	-	14 315 113

* The vast majority of other financial liabilities are within the range of 1 month

Details about the Risk Management are presented in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements of Santander Bank Polska Group for 2024.

Operational risk

Introduction

Santander Bank Polska Group adopted the operational risk definition of the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, which says that **operational risk** is the risk of a loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from external events. Operational risk contains also legal risk but does not contain strategic risk or reputational risk.

The objective of the **operational risk management** is to minimize the likelihood and/or reduce the impact of unexpected and adverse events.

Risk management structure and organisation

Santander Bank Polska Group has implemented an integrated risk management framework to ensure that all risks which have a significant impact on Santander Bank Polska Group business are identified, measured, monitored and controlled. Operational risk management in Santander Bank Polska Group involves employees at all levels of the organization and consists of a number of

interrelated components. Operational risk is inherent in all the Group's business processes, including the outsourced functions or services delivered in cooperation with third parties.

Santander Bank Polska Group has defined the **Operational Risk Management Strategy**. In addition, detailed politics, procedures and guidelines are used to define how risks are identified, estimated, monitored and mitigated.

The Operational Risk Management Committee (ORMCo) established by the Management Board is responsible for setting operational risk management standards for Santander Bank Polska Group. ORMCo is the main forum for discussions on operational risk. It sets out the strategic direction for operational risk management, determines and monitors objectives for managing operational risk, including business continuity, information security, outsourcing / insourcing and crime preventing.

Taking into consideration growing importance of cyber threats in the world, bank has a DREAM (Digital Risk Express Active Meetings), which is the function responsible for, among others, reporting and monitoring technological and operational risks, escalating important aspects related to IT risk; review of IT strategy, Cybersecurity and Operations, review of the most important IT, Cyber and Operations projects. DREAM takes steps to make decisions quickly and effectively to mitigate identified risks.

Awareness of employees and customers plays a key role in combating cyber threats. This is why bank has a CyberEducation Forum, whose role is to provide opinions and coordinate the implementation of all initiatives promoting a culture of cybersecurity among the bank's clients and employees. The forum is responsible for holistic shaping of the bank's image as a safe institution and consistent promotion of cyber principles.

Risk identification and measurement

The basic tool to identify and assess operational risk is self-assessment. In the self-assessment process, Santander Bank Polska Group identifies the risks it may be exposed to when delivering its functions, assesses inherent and residual risks in terms of their likelihood and impact, and evaluates the construction and the control environment functioning.

In the process of risk selfassessment the specialised risks are assessed, such as technology risk, vendors risk, cyber risk, fraud risk, compliance risk, model risk and risk of AML, corruption and bribery, data management and ESG.

Additionally, the operational risk identification and assessment process is supported by other tools, e.g. scenario analysis, business impact analysis (BIA), risk analysis in new initiatives.

Risk reporting

Each organizational unit is required to report operational events identified in its area of activity. A quick communication path to higher management is prepared for key operational events. The Bank and the Group runs a database of operational events identified across the whole organization. The collected data is used to analyse the root causes and consequences of the events, define lessons to be learned and take preventive and corrective measures.

OPERATIONAL INCIDENTS IN SANTANDER BANK POLSKA GROUP IN 2024 GROSS LOSSES (PLN K)

Event types	Operational event class		PLN k	%	
		Event category			
1. Internal fraud	1.1. Unauthorised activity		1 417	0,0%	
	1.2. Theft and fraud		542	0,0%	
2. External fraud	2.1. Theft and fraud		9 259	0,3%	
	2.2. Security of systems		616	0,0%	
3. Occupational safety and health, employment practices	3.1. Labour relations		330	0,0%	
	3.2. Safety and health in the workplace		3	0,0%	
	3.3. Discriminations		-	0,0%	
4. Customers, products and operating practices	4.1. Adaptation, disclosure of information and trust		-	24	0,0%
	4.2. Inappropriate business or market practices		-	607	0,0%
	4.3. Defective products		3 100 412	98,6%	
	4.4. Selection, Sponsorship and Risks		1 000	0,0%	
	4.5. Consulting services		-	0,0%	
5. Damage to tangible assets	5.1. Natural disasters and other incidents		2 108	0,1%	
6. Business interruption and system errors	6.1. Systems		5 146	0,2%	
	7.1. Reception, execution, execution and maintenance of transactions		21 915	0,7%	
7. Execution of transactions, delivery and management of operating processes	7.2. Monitoring and presentation of reports		53	0,0%	
	7.3. Acceptance of customers and documentation		71	0,0%	
	7.4. Customer account management		1	0,0%	
	7.5. Trade counterparties other than the Bank's clients (e.g. clearing chambers)		398	0,0%	
	7.6. Distributors and suppliers		226	0,0%	

* Data do not include credit boundary events; the data include resolved provisions but do not include recoveries nor profits due to operational risk.

In 2024 the highest level of operational losses was observed in category "Customers, products and operating practices – Defective products" (4.3). The level of losses was mainly caused by provisions and losses for legal risk concerning the portfolio of foreign currency mortgage loans: PLN 3 088m (including PLN 2 255 m of Santander Bank Polska S.A. and PLN 833m of Santander Consumer Bank) - data includes exchange rate differences. The high level of operational risk losses in the aforementioned category results from the questioning of contractual provisions in terms of abusiveness, and the change in the level of write-offs reflects the changing trends in jurisprudence and the increase in court cases.

The Santander Bank Polska Group also belongs to the external database of operational incidents conducted by The Polish Bank Association (ZBP) and uses other sources of information concerning the external operational incidents. The analysis of the collected data enables to carry out benchmark and defines lessons to be learned regarding the incidents materialized out of the Group.

The Santander Bank Polska Group is monitoring the risk indicators. Monitoring is based on financial, operational and technological indicators. The indicators provide early warning of emerging threats and supports observation of the risk profile placed in the Bank and in the Group.

Operational risk reporting process is aimed at delivering the current and adequate information to the management. Operational issues reporting includes information on inter alia, operational events and losses, incidents in the area of information security and business continuity, risk indicators and defined risk mitigation actions.

Information on risk protection and mitigation

The process of mitigating action management is to eliminate or reduce operational risk. The analysis conducted with the help of the operational risk tools (like operation events database, risk indicators, risk self-assessment, scenario analysis, internal controls certification results) are the basis to define risk mitigating actions.

Ensuring an appropriate level of information security and security of the ICT environment is a key aspect of the Bank's operations. At Santander Bank Polska S.A., there is an Information Security Management System that is certified in accordance with ISO / IEC 27001: 2022. Information security management includes supervision over processes supporting information security in the Santander Bank Polska Group business environment and assessment of adequacy of information security and information systems requirements.

One of the elements of risk mitigation is business continuity management process. Each organisation unit is required to develop and update its business continuity management plans to prevent from interrupting the key business processes in case of unplanned disruption. BCM plans are tested on a regular basis to provide assurance to Santander Bank Polska Group that key business processes are able to be restored at the required service level and within the agreed timeframe. The Group has backup solutions which makes it able to restore activity in case of any crisis takes place.

For the purpose of operational risk mitigation, Santander Bank Polska Group has an insurance policies which covers particular financial risks, motor, property, cyber risk and professional indemnity insurance.

Table EU OR1 can be found in Appendix to this report „Pillar III 2024 12 Tables”, which is available on the Santander Bank Polska website.

Compliance Risk

Introduction

Santander Bank Polska S.A. as a universal bank providing a wide array of financial services to retail and business customers, a parent company in a capital group providing a number of additional specialised financial services, and as an important member of the Polish banking system, is exposed to the compliance risk mainly in the following areas:

- Domestic and international regulations concerning the type of offered products and service delivery methods applied by the bank and Capital Group (in particular: the legislation on consumer and competition protection, capital markets, financial markets etc.);
- Good practice codes and other regulations that the Capital Group has adopted for application, i.a. in connection with membership in domestic or international sectoral associations;
- Generally applicable laws regarding the employment law, health and safety at work, taxes, accounting, personal data protection etc. which are binding for all enterprises operating in Poland;
- Domestic and international (mainly: EU) sectoral regulations in the area of reporting, prudential standards, functioning on capital and investment market, prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing etc.

Risk management structure and organisation

Compliance risk is defined as the risk of legal or regulatory sanctions, significant financial loss or negative impact on reputation that the Bank may suffer due to its failure to comply with the law, internal regulations and market standards. Compliance risk consists of the following risk categories:

- Regulatory risk;
- Conduct risk;
- Reputational risk;
- Financial crime risk.

The Bank attaches particular importance to compliance delivered through management and control of compliance risk in the form of identification and risk assessment, controls, independent monitoring and reporting.

The control function is rendered by the so-called three lines of defence. The first line of defence is the operational risk management, the second line consists in on-going vertical verification and vertical testing, while the internal audit units provide the third line of defence.

Compliance duties of the second line of defence in the Bank are rendered by the Compliance Unit and other organisational units operating under internal regulations, in particular:

- Compliance with employment law – HR Division;
- Compliance with company law – Corporate Governance unit;
- Compliance with health and safety regulations – the Business Partnership Division;
- For obligations in the field of counteracting money laundering and terrorist financing and in the field of compliance with international sanction programs - the AML unit;
- Compliance with taxation law and reporting requirements – Financial Accounting and Control Division;
- Compliance with prudential regulations – Risk Management Division.

The bank's Management Board adopted an amended Compliance Policy (recent update in May 2024), which was approved by the Supervisory Board. As part of the implementation of the Policy the Compliance Unit have the relevant mandate to support senior managers in effective management of the compliance risk and to report all compliance issues to the Bank's Management Board and Audit and Compliance Committee of the Supervisory the Management Board and to the Audit and Compliance Committee of the Supervisory Board. These bodies ensure compliance with regulatory obligations and approve internal control rules and the Policy framework, and make sure that the Compliance Unit is independent from business units and has relevant resources to perform its tasks. The head of the Compliance Unit reports directly to the Member of the Management Board responsible for the compliance risk supervision and has direct access to the Audit and Compliance Committee of the Supervisory Board and to the Supervisory Board.

The bank's Management Board and the Supervisory Board – especially through the Audit and Compliance Committee - regularly review key compliance issues identified by the Compliance Unit:

- As part of monitoring of products;
- As part of compliance monitoring;
- As part of the monitoring of proprietary transactions effected by employees;
- Based on the information on regulators' activity;
- As part of the review of upcoming legislative initiatives;
- As part of the review of anti-money laundering initiatives;
- As part of the review of ethical issues;
- As part of the review of customers' complaints.

The Compliance Unit's tasks are delivered through:

- Independent identification, assessment and monitoring of compliance risk that the Group is exposed to (with the focus on new products and services, prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing, protection of confidential information, conflicts of interest or private account shares dealing by employees);
- Providing advice and reporting to the Risk Management Committee, the bank's Management Board and Audit and Compliance Committee on the effectiveness of the processes established to ensure compliance with laws and regulations within its area of responsibility;
- Publication of policies and procedures, providing the management and staff with guidance on compliance risk;
- Centralisation of the approval of new products;
- Strengthening of the principles regarding ethical business conduct;
- Maintaining a communication channel that enables employees to provide (also anonymously) information about suspected unethical behaviour;
- Cooperation with compliance units within the Bank's Capital Group.

Apart from the aforementioned activities, the Compliance Unit actively cooperates with the Corporate Communications and Marketing Area and Risk Management Division in terms of managing of the reputational risk defined as the risk of current or potential negative economic impact to the Bank due to damage to the perception of the Bank on the part of customers, employees, shareholders/investors and the wider community.

Santander Bank Polska Capital Group also has specialised committees supporting the management of the compliance risk in specific areas. These committees consist of the representatives of key organisational units who are competent and duly authorised to make decisions and provide high-quality advice. These committees are as follows:

- Compliance Committee;
- Local Product Marketing and Monitoring Committee;
- AML Decision Making Committee;
- AML Operating Committee.

Risk identification and measurement

With regard to the process of compliance risk management, all employees in the Bank are obliged to identify risk. Compliance Unit is responsible for the implementation of procedures which define the scope and type of information necessary to identify risk, as well as is responsible for their application. Main sources used in the process of compliance risk identification are the following:

- Information on changes and planned changes in the applicable laws;
- Information on new potential abusive contractual clauses;
- Outcomes of the analysis of bank's products and services;
- Outcomes of the analysis of complaints and claims;
- Outcomes of the risk-selfassessment processes;
- Analysis of the operational events database;
- Findings of the Compliance Unit in the course of independent monitoring process and findings of the internal audit unit;
- Information from anonymous channel dedicated to reporting identified non-observance cases;
- Conclusions resulting from supervisory activities executed by authorized institutions (e.g. the Polish Financial Supervision Authority) and activities carried out by other authorized institutions (e.g. the President of the Competition and Consumer Protection Office, Financial Ombudsman).

Compliance risk measurement is carried out as part of the independent monitoring process, risk self-assessment and observation of risk indicators.

Based on information obtained as part of risk identification and risk measurement, the bank performs quarterly overall assessment of the compliance risk.

Risk reporting

Compliance Unit submits periodical reports on the process of compliance risk management, to the Bank's Management Board, Audit and Compliance Committee and directly to Supervisory Board.

Reports are submitted on a quarterly basis and covers in particular:

- Outcomes of the identification of compliance risk, including major changes in applicable laws, internal regulations and market standards,
- Outcomes of the compliance risk Assessment, including level of the overall compliance risk assessment,
- Outcomes of functioning of the most important mechanisms of compliance risk control (analysis of new products and services, compliance risk indicators),
- Outcomes of compliance monitoring process (including vertical testing of control mechanisms),
- Degree of performance of the Compliance&Conduct Programme.

Conflict management

Santander Bank Polska S.A. and its subsidiaries effectively manage potential and actual conflicts of interest that might give rise to risks of damage to the interests of Customers and other parties.

The Bank effectively manages conflicts of interest in three stages. The first stage is to avoid situations that may lead to a potential conflict. The second stage is to take organisational actions by the Bank to prevent conflicts of interest and, should such conflicts happen, to ensure they are managed in a way that does not violate the interests of any entities concerned. If the existing procedures and organisational solutions do not effectively prevent the risk of conflicts of interest, the third stage is to disclose the conflict of interest.

In order to manage such situations, the Bank has implemented the Conflict of Interest Prevention Policy ("Policy").

This document establishes:

- Circumstances which may lead to or represent an actual conflict of interest (with a particular focus on conflicts between the Bank and its customers, conflicts among customers; as well as conflicts between the Bank and its shareholders, the Bank and its associates/ subsidiaries, and the Bank and members of its governing bodies);
- Procedures and organisational measures to prevent and manage conflicts of interest effectively, including: appropriate assignment of roles and responsibilities; transparent procedures governing transactions with related persons/ entities; segregation of tasks related to the provision of services from those related to oversight and reporting; setting up information barriers; preventing undue influence on a given activity by persons actively engaged in that task (including persons from outside the Bank); preventing situations where the same person performs activities related to different services simultaneously or consecutively if it could have an adverse impact on the proper management of conflicts of interest; assessing business partners with regard to their compliance with the obligation to prevent conflicts of interest.

The Policy is in addition to the rules of preventing and managing conflicts of interest set out in other internal regulations of the Bank, including in:

- General Code of Conduct;
- Guidelines for Bank employees concerning non-competition and membership in supervisory and management boards of commercial companies on their own behalf outside the Bank;
- Guidelines on gifts and invitations at Santander Bank Polska S.A.;
- Code of Conduct in Securities Markets;
- Code of Conduct for Research Activity;
- Procurement Policy;
- Remuneration Policy of Santander Bank Polska Group.

ESG risks

Strategy and business processes

Environmental, social and governance (ESG) matters are covered by the Bank's **strategy**.

2024 was the first year when the Bank implemented its new strategy: "We help you achieve more". It emphasizes that the challenges the Bank and the society face require a huge responsibility. That is why the Bank consciously makes ethical decisions, keeping in mind its impact on the community and the environment. With a sustainable business model, the Bank creates value for customers, employees, shareholders and local communities, working towards a better future for us, our children and our planet. This is what the Bank's third strategic direction – Total Responsibility – is about.

Santander Bank Polska Group follows the **Responsible Banking and Sustainability Policy**. According to the document, responsible banking is based on building sustainable value for all stakeholders. For this reason, the Bank is committed to developing opportunities and managing the attendant risks. The document lays down the Bank's principles, commitments, goals and strategy in relation to shareholders, employees, customers and suppliers.

Under the policy, Santander Bank Polska Group manages its **impact** in the **environmental area ("E")** in accordance with the prudence principle. The Bank limits the financing of operations that may have a direct environmental and social impact and long-term implications for climate change. The Bank supports customers in the transition to a more sustainable economy and strives to reduce greenhouse emissions in its business operations.

In the social area ("S"), we prevent financial exclusion by offering financial education and supporting education, entrepreneurship and employment. As part of the social commitments contained in the policy, we abide by the principle of equal treatment of all customers. In employee relations, we focus on building diverse teams. We follow such rules as:

- Preventing discrimination and practices that offend people's dignity;
- Preventing forced labour or child labour;
- Respecting the freedom of association and collective bargaining;
- Compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Standards (OSHS);
- Offering fair employment conditions;
- Facilitating work-life balance;
- Safeguarding the right to the protection of personal data and privacy.

In the governance area ("G"), the Bank promotes behaviours, processes and policies that support responsible conduct of business. The Bank applies a solid and effective risk governance system. The Bank listens to its stakeholders and takes care to ensure that this relationship is Simple, Personal and Fair. The Bank maintains channels of dialogue and cooperation with stakeholders. In particular, the Bank is engaged in dialogue with shareholders. Cooperation with business partners is based on the principle of equal treatment and non-corruption policy. At the same time, the Bank encourages its suppliers to make commitments related to sustainability and transition to

a low carbon economy. In the past years, the procurement process involved an obligatory CSR questionnaire for bidders, the questionnaire results being recognised in the subject-matter evaluation. In 2024, the Bank introduced a comprehensive ESG risk screening system for suppliers – a step toward full integration of environmental, social and corporate governance criteria into the management of relations with suppliers. In 2024, the Bank also developed ESG Code for suppliers – this document will replace the CSR questionnaire and set the minimum environmental, social and governance standards that our counterparties must comply with. Its official implementation is scheduled for Q1 2025.

The Responsible Banking and Sustainability Policy also applies to voluntary commitments of the Santander Bank Polska Group which enable the organisation to mitigate ESG risks. These are international conventions and standards such as:

- Equator Principles (International Finance Corporation guidelines);
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- United Nations Global Compact;
- Principles for Responsible Banking (UNEP FI);
- United Nations Sustainable Development Goals;
- United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights;
- OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises;
- Fundamental conventions of the International Labour Organization.

Santander Bank Polska Group undertakes climate-related initiatives in compliance with the **Net Zero global ambition** of Banco Santander. The Bank takes steps to align its portfolio with the goals set in the Paris Agreement, regulatory requirements (in particular: ESRS and EBA guidelines) and UE the EU policies which indicate that the financial sector plays a major role in tackling climate change. That is why the Bank works towards achievin the net zero emissions by 2050 in, its entire value chain. Our strategic objectives in this area are:

- To stop providing financial services to power generation customers with more than 10% of revenues dependent on thermal coal;
- To support customers in their transition process by providing comprehensive RES financing and developing adequate financial products.

The Bank has been pursuing these objectives by providing green financing (especially in the area of renewable energy sources), sustainable growth of the share of the RES portfolio among energy sector clients (currently: approx. 30% of the total energy portfolio), and by providing sustainability-linked loans (SLL). The Bank's initiatives are addressed both at corporate and retail customers. Our offer comprises well-fitted products designed to finance energy efficiency solutions for buildings, electric vehicles, heat pumps, electric vehicle charging stations and energy storage. The Bank has been analysing the market on an ongoing basis and identifying the successive, most impactful initiatives to support the decarbonization of our portfolio.

One of the priorities of the Bank's Total Responsibility business strategy is to support customers in their "green" transition. To support the customers, the Bank engages in a dialogue to analyse their investments whether they comply with the EU Taxonomy or represent a intermediate step toward the Taxonomy goals in the long-term perspective. Also, our organisation consistently applies the ESG risks in its credit analyses. Since 2024, the Bank has been publishing GARs (green asset ratios). They show the portion of the Bank's assets that represent the financing provided in line with the EU Taxonomy, environmentally sustainable in the context of mitigating climate changes and adapting to them. In 2023, the key GAR was 0.4% for TURNOVER and 0.5% for CAPEX. In 2024, they amounted to 0.6% according to TURNOVER, 0.6% according to CAPEX, respectively.

To support customers in their ESG-oriented transformation, Santander Bank Polska Group implemented an in-house classification system for sustainable transactions as early as in 2022. It specifies the criteria to be met by specific and general purpose lending to be classified as green, social or sustainable finance. The system is based on the recognised market standards, including the EU taxonomy. Other guidelines that the system complies with are: ICMA Social and Green Bond Principles, Climate Bond Standards and LMA Sustainability Linked Loan Principles.

This system is common for the whole Banco Santander Group. The regulation is updated on a regular basis in order to align with evolving market standards and regulations. The 2024 update concerned, primarily, alignment with certain technical criteria of the

EU Taxonomy (with respect to the criteria of substantial contribution to the environmental objectives of the EU Taxonomy). However, it should be borne in mind that SFICS is not the same as the EU Taxonomy. In particular, it does not assume full verification of the 'do no significant harm' (DNSH) and minimum social safeguards (MSS) criteria. In 2024, the total amount of green and sustainable financing extended in line with these criteria accounted for PLN 8 669 m.

The Bank helps customers with their transition to a low carbon economy, through well-fitted financing offers:

- Cross-sector – an opportunity to finance decarbonisation projects of existing customers;
- Energy sector – an opportunity to engage in projects and cooperate with companies specialising in RES solutions and new energy technologies, such as energy storage or other strategic solutions for the energy sector;
- Transport/ automotive sector – an opportunity to finance projects promoting the use of electric or low-emission vehicles as well as solutions for the low-emission transport;
- Agriculture sector – work on the development of advisory services regarding the use of low-carbon solutions in agriculture and development of financial services in this respect;
- Real estate sector – financing of new energy-efficient commercial and residential real estates.

The Bank defines specific criteria for cooperation, as well as identification, assessment, monitoring and management of environmental and social risks and other activities impacting climate change performed by customers, in particular those from the energy, oil and gas, soft commodities, mining and metal sectors. For more details, please see the section "ESG Risk Management".

Corporate governance

Issues related to responsible banking (including ESG risks) are discussed by the Bank's Management Board, the Supervisory Board and relevant committees. The Management Board oversees and approves the implementation of strategic objectives falling within the Total Responsibility approach as well as handles the integration of ESG criteria into the Bank's business strategy (in the short-, medium- or long-term perspective) and the risk management process. This responsibility involves the management of climate risks, including the integration of Santander Bank Polska Group's ambition into the Net Zero strategy of Banco Santander Group. Both of the Bank's decision-making bodies approve the key policies and internal control system as well as participate in risk review and approval processes.

Strategic documents are drawn up by the Bank's relevant organisational units (stakeholders) and committees, in line with their scope of responsibilities. The Management Board and Supervisory Board receive regular reports on the progress in implementing the strategy, including the ESG objectives.

The allocation of powers within the Management Board provides for the following division of ESG agenda-related tasks and responsibilities:

- ESG risk management – Vice President of the Management Board in charge of the Risk Management Division;
- Green finance – Member of the Management Board in charge of the Business and Corporate Banking Division;
- Coordination of the Group's responsible banking activities, including ESG qualitative reporting – Head of the Corporate Communication and Marketing Area operating outside the divisional structure;
- Quantitative reporting on ESG – Member of the Management Board in charge of the Financial Accounting and Control Division.

Under the new strategy, all employees of the Bank have Total Responsibility-related goals assigned as obligatory targets recognised in their performance assessment. These goals support the implementation of the sustainability strategy throughout the organization. In addition, the ESG component is one of the qualitative factors that are taken into account in calculating the bonus pool for top executives, with weights ranging from -5% to +5%.

Examples of aspects considered in the assessment:

- Volume of green finance;
- Number of Green Finance-trained employees;
- Volume of optimised emissions from proprietary operations;
- Number of women holding managerial positions;
- Gender pay gap;

In line with its terms of reference, the **Supervisory Board** oversees the development, implementation and execution of the responsible banking agenda and compliance with regulatory requirements on ESG. Starting from 2024, the powers of Supervisory Board committees, namely the Risk Committee and Audit and Compliance Committee, has been expanded. It was agreed that ESG risks would also be addressed when reviewing the Group's risk profile, in the same way as when reviewing and making recommendations to the Supervisory Board with regard to risk policies comprising the general risk management framework of the organisation. The Audit and Compliance Committee will review the ESG Report and ESG ratings of the Bank and the Group.

The key committee in charge of sustainable development and ESG-related matters is the **Responsible Banking and Corporate Culture Committee** (pursuant to the Management Board's Resolution of 27 June 2024, the Committee's name has been changed to the ESG Committee). It supports the Management Board in defining the Bank's strategic directions and standards as well as in managing the responsible banking and ESG. Moreover, the Committee assists the Management Board in defining the objectives and in monitoring their delivery – both in the Bank and across Santander Bank Polska Group. The Committee is chaired by the President of the Management Board. Among other things, the committee defines strategies and annual targets in the areas of responsible banking and sustainable development, corporate culture, sustainable financing, ESG risks and the climate agenda. It also makes sure that the Bank successfully implements its social and environmental policies.

The Committee is composed of the following members:

- President of the Management Board of Santander Bank Polska S.A. – Chair of the Committee;
- Vice President of Management Board, Head of Corporate and Investment Banking Division;
- Vice President of Management Board, Head of Risk Management Division;
- Vice President of Management Board, Head of Wealth Management and Insurance Division;
- Member of Management Board, Head of Retail Banking Division;
- Member of Management Board, Head of Business Partnership Division;
- Member of Management Board, Head of Financial Management Division;
- Member of Management Board, Head of Business and Corporate Banking Division;
- Member of Management Board, Head of Digital Transformation Division;
- Member of Management Board, Head of Accounting and Financial Control Division;
- Head of the Corporate Governance Department;
- Head of Compliance Area;
- Head of Legal Area;
- Head of Corporate Communications and Marketing Area;
- Head of Talent Management and Organisational Culture Transformation Department;
- Chief Employee Experience Officer.

The Committee established the **ESG Forum**, a working group that coordinates the ongoing delivery of initiatives concerning responsible banking, sustainable development, ESG, corporate culture, sustainable finance, ESG risks and climate strategy. The Forum also analyses the challenges, opportunities and threats related to the EU Sustainable Finance agenda. The ESG Forum plans and coordinates the delivery of ESG initiatives as well as submits periodic reports to the ESG Committee. The Forum is composed of the top executives from all divisions and areas.

Apart from the ESG Committee, the following decision-making bodies handle the Bank's impact in the area of ESG Responsible Banking & Corporate Culture Committee, the following decision-making bodies handle the Bank's impact in the area of ESG:

- Operational Risk Management Committee (ORMCO);
- Disclosure Committee;
- Information Management Committee;
- Risk Management Committee;
- Risk Management Forum;
- Regulatory and Reputational Risk Committee;
- Credit Committee;
- Local Marketing and Monitoring Committee;
- Public Policy Committee;

Supervisory Board committees in 2024:

- Audit and Compliance Committee;
- Risk Committee;
- Nominations Committee;
- Remuneration Committee.

ESG powers are defined in the terms of reference of decision-making bodies, organisational units and committees, as well as in the **Responsible Banking Model**. The latter internal regulation of the Bank defines the key accountabilities and processes concerning responsible banking so that they can be performed properly. It also specifies the roles and responsibilities with regard to the crucial initiatives as well as the common approach to responsible banking.

The ESG risk management Banklies within the competences of the ESG Risk Management Office which is located in the Risk Management Division. ESG risks are reflected in:

- The Division's strategy (by defining risk transmission channels to traditional banking risks);
- The Division's terms of reference of the (roles and responsibilities).

Oversight of this area is exercised through reports submitted at meetings of the Management Board committees (ESG Committee, Risk Control Committee), the Management Board, the Risk Committee of the Supervisory Board, and the Supervisory Board.

The Risk Management Division also includes the **ESG Panel** which certifies the sustainable financing in the context of internal and external regulations. This contributes to the prevention of the greenwashing risk.

Risk management

When defining the ESG risk management framework, the Bank relies on a number of regulations, guidelines and acknowledged standards. The actions comprise, inter alia:

- Guidelines of the European Central Bank;
- Guidelines of the European Banking Authority;
- Recommendations of the TCFD;
- United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI);
- Obligatory and voluntary non-financial disclosure standards, including the NFRD and the GRI standard;
- The KNF's guidelines outlined in the "Letter to commercial banks on supervisory expectations in the ESG area."

The Bank does not recognise ESG risk as a separate material risk, but indicates its transmission channels to the following risks: credit, liquidity, compliance, reputational, business, and operational. At the same time, the Bank keeps extending its analysis of risk transmission channels and currently the analysed impact is being expanded to include market risk in the trading book and liquidity risk. The use of this approach has implications for the process of estimating and quantifying material risks.

ESG risk is also considered in an annual risk profile assessment.

The risk report presented to the Bank's Management Board and Supervisory Board includes qualitative information about ESG risk management. In 2024, the Bank extended the methodology adopted to assess climate risks (physical and transition ones) connected with individual sectors and properties, allowing the Bank to conduct a collective analysis of the materiality of climate risks connected with the credit portfolio.

The Bank follows the **Environmental, Social and Climate Change Risk Management Policy** approved by the Management Board. It specifies the conditions of cooperation with customers from sensitive sectors such as oil and gas, energy production and transmission, mining and metals, and soft commodities. The document divides the activities in the above sectors into two categories: prohibited activities and activities subject to additional analysis. The adopted criteria are consistent with best practice and standards applicable in Banco Santander Group and worldwide.

As regards the mining sector, the Bank committed to terminate all of its exposures to thermal coal mining worldwide by 2030. The Group fulfilled these commitments in 2023 upon expiry of the last loan agreements. The Bank has also set a zero limit for this item in the Risk

Appetite Statement. At the same time, the Bank defined more comprehensive indicators concerning ESG risks, which were integrated into the risk appetite in 2024.

Environmental, Social & Climate Change Risk Management Policy provides for such limitations as:

- No financing for any projects or activities related to oil and gas extraction, power generation or transmission, mining and metals, manufacturing, plantations or other major infrastructure projects located in the areas classified as Ramsar Sites, World Heritage Sites or by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) as categories I, II, III or IV;
- No financing for any projects or expansion of existing facilities of the gas and oil sector located north of the Arctic Circle;
- No financing for the extraction, processing or wholesale distribution of asbestos.

Specific regulations are set out in implementing rules, such as the environmental and social risk analysis procedure for customers from the Corporate and Investment Banking (CIB) segment and the Business and Corporate Banking (BCB) segment.

The **ESG risk assessment** of CIB customers is performed on the local level, taking into account the solutions applied by Santander Group. ESCC (Environmental, Social and Climate Change) risk of customers/ transactions from the sectors defined in the relevant policy (in particular: oil and gas, power generation and transmission, mining and metals and soft commodities sectors) is analysed on a case-by-case basis. Analysts recommend the ESCC risk which is reflected in the customer's credit application and covered by periodic reviews. The assessment process is expanded to include new sensitive sectors, such as: automotive, food and chemical – in particular: production of plastics and agrochemicals.

In addition, a structured analysis of plans for transition into lower emissions is carried out for customers from high-emission industries such as energy production based on fossil fuels, coal mining, airlines, and steelmaking.

Project finance is based on analysis made in line with the Equator Principles, a market standard and a common language for assessment of environmental and social risks in projects, applied by large financial institutions worldwide. This assessment is carried out by the business line and ESCC analysts acting together. In the first step, project category is identified in the context of its potential impact on environmental and social issues. Next, the project is analysed in detail (the level of such analysis depending on the category assigned). The follow-up recommendation is recognised in the credit application.

The assessment of other corporate customers is currently largely automated and uses an algorithm which enables the preselection of climate risks. Customers are assigned environmental flags indicating the level of those risks. The flags are assigned to all customers as part of portfolio preselection carried out on the basis of the characteristics of specific companies (including their PKD business code indicating the nature of their business).

Moreover, if a potential higher ESG risk is identified by any participant of the lending process (the banker, the credit analyst or the Credit Committee), the ESG Risk Management Office will be requested to carry out an additional, individual analysis (the process is not formalised yet).

In 2024, the Bank put even more effort to comprehensively include ESG factors in the structured risk assessment process for BCB customers. The relevant solutions are scheduled for implementation in Q3 and Q4 2025. In the next step, the Bank will work on applying the process in the SME segment in line with the proportionality rule.

With regard to personal customers, the Bank is primarily working on extending the scope of held and analysed data about transition risk and the risk of a change in consumer preferences in respect of the mortgage loan portfolio. Those data will also be crucial for developing the assessment of ESG risks (including climate risks) in the real estate segment.

Sector	Examples of sub-sectors
Agriculture	Crop growing, animal husbandry, horticulture, forestry
Industry	Food, beverages, tobacco, wood products, chemicals, plastics, building materials, machinery
Mining and metallurgy	Coal and metal ore mining, coke production, metal and steel production
Oil and gas	Mining, processing, distribution, integrated companies
Generation of electricity, with the split into conventional and renewable sources	All energy sources: coal, gas, oil, nuclear energy, solar energy, wind, biomass, energy distribution
Real estate, construction, mortgage loans	Mortgage loan for personal customers, financing of commercial real estate, construction
Transport	Production of cars and trucks and other means of transport, maritime transport, air transport, rail transport, car transport

In 2024, the Bank refreshed its sensitivity analysis of the Bank's portfolio to climate risks, taking into account an assessment of the sensitivity of the most exposed sectors that make up the portfolio. It considered physical and transition risks in the 11 sectors in which Banco Santander customers are active and which are exposed most to climate risks. Nine out of those 11 sectors are strongly represented in the portfolio of Santander Bank Polska S.A. Renewable energy generation and mortgage loans were recognised as a separate sector. The sectors identified in the above process were assessed as relatively sensitive to climate risks. Other sectors and the non-mortgage retail credit portfolio were assessed as relatively insensitive to climate risk.

A climate risk materiality matrix was prepared for the identified sectors. The matrix is used as a basis for reporting for the following portfolios: the Corporate and Investment Banking (CIB), the Business and Corporate Banking (BCB), SME customers and mortgage loans (the remaining portfolios will be covered with the assessment as the methodology evolves).

The analysis was made in three long-term time horizons: for 2030, for 2040 and for 2050. The Bank's analysis was based on climate scenarios defined by the Network for Greening the Financial System (NGFS). The NGFS is the world's leading group of central banks and supervision authorities with more than 130 members (including the biggest institutions such as the European Central Bank, the Bank of England and the US Federal Reserve System) determined to ensure a better understanding and management of climate risks. The NGFS methodology provides for the following three scenarios:

- The Orderly Transition scenario, which assumes that climate policies are introduced early and become gradually more stringent, letting both physical and transition risks to become relatively subdued;
- The Disorderly Transition scenario, which assumes that climate policy efforts will be delayed or divergent across countries and sectors, thus increasing transition risks;
- The Hot House World scenario, which assumes that global efforts are insufficient to halt significant global warming, leading thus to severe physical risks and irreversible impacts.

The main types of risks from both categories (physical risks and transition risks) were considered during the analysis. The risk was graded on a 1 to 5 scale, with 1 representing very low risk and 5 – very high risk. The analysis was qualitative, but it included the concept of double materiality: it considered both the channels of the Bank's impact on climate change and the impact of climate change on the Bank's performance. The methodology and scope of this analysis are being constantly developed to more accurately reflect the impact of climate risks on the Bank's portfolio.

In the majority of scenarios, most sectors in the portfolio will be exposed to low **physical risks**. The risk was assessed slightly higher (as medium) for the energy and renewable energy sectors and for the agriculture and water supply sectors – hence the higher share and risk exposure of that category in the CIB and SME segments. This situation applies to the entire analysis period because NGFS scenarios predict that physical risks will only start to materialise in a significant way after 2050. The exposure would look slightly different in the Hot House World scenario, in which the risk is also assessed higher for the fuel sector and several other sectors in 2050 as physical risks may start to materialise a bit earlier in this scenario.

In the case of transition risks, the portfolio exposure to the transformation risk in the Orderly Transition scenario is a bit for 2030 perspective owing to the very high risk assessment of the fuel sector and the metal and mining sector. The risk assessment of those two sectors is slightly lower for 2040 and for 2050 perspectives, which results in a lower portfolio exposure across all segments. The exposure is largest for the Corporate and Investment Banking (CIB) segment, given that the energy, mining and metal sectors represent a relatively sizable part of that portfolio. For other segments, the exposure results from the share of the transport sector in the said portfolio, and – in the case of the Business and Corporate Banking (BCB) segment – additionally from the considerable share of the metal sector.

In the slower-than-expected (Disorderly Transition) scenario, the exposure to climate risks is the highest for 2040 perspective: more than 20% of the CIB portfolio will be classified as very high risk (for the BCB portfolio, this figure will be 13%). For comparison, this category is not present at all within this time horizon if the transformation is orderly. In the long term (2050), the percentage share of high-risk categories will be much lower, especially in the BCB and SME segments.

The last of the analysed scenarios ("Hot House World") does not assume any fast or ambitious climate policy efforts, which leads to a significantly lower transition risk assessment compared to other scenarios. In this scenario, portfolio exposure will be slightly reduced for 2040 perspectives. It is only the CIB portfolio where the exposure will grow till 2050 due to the share of the power sector.

The **results of the analyses of physical and transition climate risks** are included in the definition of transmission channels for relevant risks.

Credit risk:

- Impact of physical risk – a negative impact on borrowers and their repayment capacity, particularly in the case of the agri sector, where physical risk may reduce crop yields. More frequent and severe weather conditions and natural disasters may also decrease the value of loan collateral;
- Impact of transition risk – EU or national regulations may cause deterioration in the repayment capacity of business borrowers operating in specific sectors, notably high-carbon sectors such as energy, fuel, transport and logistics, or agriculture.

Liquidity and funding risk:

- Impact of physical risk – climate changes, including natural disasters and severe weather conditions, may cause a sudden increase in liquidity needs;
- Impact of transition risk – no significant impact of transition risk was identified.

Market risk:

- Impact of physical risk – risk of losses arising from changes in the value of the Bank's assets and liabilities caused by natural disasters and severe weather conditions;
- Impact of transition risk – higher costs related to CO₂ emissions may result in an increase in costs for some companies (notably in the high-carbon sectors such as energy or fuel sectors). This may lead to a decrease in income generated by those companies and then in their investment capacity, which in turn may cause a reduction in the number of new credit applications. Furthermore, regulatory pressure may indirectly affect the financial market through the limitation of investments in specific customer groups.

Operational risk:

- Impact of physical risk – severe weather conditions may affect the operations of the Bank's branches (e.g. flood, power outage);
- Impact of transition risk – increased costs of energy may cause a rise in expenses incurred by the Bank (e.g. higher rental costs).

Reputational risk:

- Impact of physical risk – no significant impact of physical risk was identified;
- Impact of transition risk – continued financing of sectors which are negatively perceived by regulators, market participants and rating agencies (mainly high-carbon sectors) may adversely affect the perception of the Bank.

The Bank and its affiliates considered climate change risks when preparing the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and where necessary. The conducted analysis concluded that environmental issues do not have any significant impact on the financial statements as a whole.

In 2024, the Bank delivered the following projects to develop the environmental risk quantification system:

- Implementation of a systemic solution for obtaining data about the environmental and social characteristics of customers and for including that information in the credit risk assessment of corporate customers from segments lower than CIB;
- Estimation of the emission rate linked with the portfolios of business and retail mortgage loans. The Bank uses the PCAF methodology. The Bank has been working to improve the accuracy of estimates, by sourcing new types of data and having its business units engaged in direct communication with customers.

The Bank manages environmental risk using internal data (collected during the lending process), publicly available data (e.g. non-financial reports of its counterparties) and data from external suppliers (e.g. rating agencies and physical risk data providers). The availability of the data of some counterparties about their exposure to environmental risks is currently limited. The Bank monitors data availability on an ongoing basis and takes measures to obtain additional information from its counterparties. Moreover, the Bank cooperates with BIK to develop the taxonomy data platform. The Bank has been amending its current processes on an ongoing basis so

as to collect the widest-possible range of environmental risk data. It is also building an analytical database to collect ESG-related data. The database will be used as a single data source for all business lines and risk units of the Bank. The above solutions are implemented in stages. Their purpose is to create as accurate an ESG data repository as possible.

When developing the risk framework, supervising and managing the delivery of objectives and adherence to the strategy and policies related to **social and governance risk management**, the Bank takes into account the employee relationships and labour standards at its counterparties. In particular, when selecting suppliers, the Bank takes into consideration the implementation of policies regarding ethical conduct, compliance with law and social standards such as occupational health and safety requirements, diversity and inclusion in the workplace as well as adherence to the UN Global Compact principles. Currently, the Bank's assessment of counterparties does not include an analysis of their assessment of customer protection and responsibility for products.

III. Own funds

The level of own funds of the Santander Bank Polska Group is adjusted to the Group's business.

Own funds are calculated in accordance with the Banking Law and the rules set out in Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012.

According to CRR, own funds of the Group are a sum of:

- Tier I capital;
- Tier II capital.

Tier I capital consists of:

- Common Equity Tier I capital, which is a sum of items of Common Equity Tier I capital items after adjustments, deductions and inclusions;
- Additional Tier I capital.

Tier II capital includes items of Tier II capital after deductions.

Common Equity Tier I consists of:

1. Share capital, fully paid and registered at its nominal value.
2. Emission premium.
3. Supplementary capital.
4. Profit or loss eligible– pursuant to Art. 26 of CRR, the non-audited profit for the current period or the annual profit may be included in Common Equity Tier I capital, as long as the Bank is granted approval from a relevant authority (KNF in this case). Relevant authority shall issue the approval on conditions that:
 - a. Profits have been verified by institution-independent persons responsible for analysing financial statements of the institution;
 - b. The institution has satisfactorily proved that the profit amount has been reduced by all foreseeable encumbrances and dividends.
5. Accumulated other comprehensive income.
6. Other reserves.
7. Funds for general banking risk.
8. Minority interest recognised in Common Equity Tier I capital – calculated in line with the standards indicated in Art. 84 of CRR.
9. Adjustment and deductions from Common Equity Tier I items:
 - a. Additional value adjustments due to the requirements of prudent valuation – acc. to Article 34 and 105 of CRR;
 - b. Goodwill arising on acquisition;
 - c. Other intangible assets;
 - d. Surplus of deferred tax assets or liabilities exceeding 10% of Tier I - according to EBA's interpretation re. inclusion of assets and reserves under deferred tax, in line with the answer Q&A 2014_980, the Bank nets deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities in order to determine the threshold value necessary to calculate the deductible amount;
 - e. Surplus of material exposure in financial sector institutions exceeding 10% of Tier I;

- f. Portion of deferred income tax assets depending on future profitability and arising from temporary differences, as well as direct and indirect holdings in Common Equity Tier I instruments, where the institution has invested a considerable amount of funds, which shall be deducted;
- g. Defined benefit pension fund assets;
- h. Cash flow hedge reserve;
- i. Adjustments re IFRS 9 phase in – acc. to Article 473a;
- j. Securitisation positions which can alternatively be subject to a 1.250% risk weight;
- k. Shortage of coverage due to non-performing exposures acc. to Article 47 of CRR;
- l. Own CET1 instruments.

Tier II capital includes eligible subordinated loans of the bank and instruments issued by subsidiaries that are given recognition in Tier II Capital.

Reconciliation between balance sheet items used to calculate own funds and regulatory own funds, according to methodology described in Annex to the Commission Implementing Regulation (UE) 2021/637, is presented in the table below.

EU CC2 - RECONCILIATION OF REGULATORY OWN FUNDS TO BALANCE SHEET IN THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS AT 31.12.2024 (PLN K)

	Balance sheet as in published financial statements	Under regulatory scope of consolidation	Reference
	As at period end	As at period end	
Assets - Breakdown by asset classes according to the balance sheet in the published financial statements			
1 Intangible fixed assets	979 811	397 394	III. Condensed consolidated statement of financial position (Assets)
2 Goodwill	1 712 056	1 712 056	
3 Deferred tax assets (net)	1 414 382	1 397 990	
-including assets that do not exceed the threshold set in Article 48(1)(a)	1 414 382	1 397 990	
Liabilities - Breakdown by liability classes according to the balance sheet in the published financial statements			
1 Subordinated obligations	2 228 898	-	III. Condensed consolidated statement of financial position
-including loans eligible as instruments under Tier II	2 127 985	1 203 648	
Shareholders' Equity			
1 Share capital	1 021 893	1 021 893	III. Condensed consolidated statement of financial position (Liabilities and Equity)
2 Other capital items	24 424 796	23 932 927	
3 Revaluation reserve	-	218 647	
4 Non-controlling interests	1 913 719	635 498	
5 Retained earnings	2 086 694	1 914 622	
6 Current year profit	5 212 731	-	
Total Equity	34 441 186	27 286 294	

As at 31 December 2024, the total own funds of the Santander Bank Polska Group amounted to PLN **26 120 573k**.

The amounts and nature of their specific items are presented in EU CC1 table. The disclosure uses the template presented in Annex of Commission Implementing Regulation (UE) 2021/637. The table is limited to lines relevant for Santander Bank Polska Group.

EU CC1 - COMPOSITION OF REGULATORY OWN FUNDS OF SANTANDER BANK POLSKA GROUP AS AT 31.12.2024 (PLN K)

	Amounts
Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital: instruments and reserves	
1 Capital instruments and the related share premium accounts	9 003 867
of which: Instrument type 1	9 003 867
2 Retained earnings	1 914 622
3 Accumulated other comprehensive income (and other reserves)	15 082 496
EU-3a Funds for general banking risk	649 810
5 Minority interests (amount allowed in consolidated CET1)	635 498
6 Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital before regulatory adjustments	27 286 294
Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital: regulatory adjustments	
7 Additional value adjustments (negative amount)	-
8 Intangible assets (net of related tax liability) (negative amount)	2 109 451
11 Fair value reserves related to gains or losses on cash flow hedges of financial instruments that are not valued at fair value	77 537
EU-20a Exposure amount of the following items which qualify for a RW of 1250%, where the institution opts for the deduction alternative	189 213
EU-20c of which: securitisation positions (negative amount)	189 213
27a Other regulatory adjustments	39 114
28 Total regulatory adjustments to Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1)	-
29 Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital	24 792 191
Additional Tier 1 (AT1) capital: instruments	
36 Additional Tier 1 (AT1) capital before regulatory adjustments	-
Additional Tier 1 (AT1) capital: regulatory adjustments	
43 Total regulatory adjustments to Additional Tier 1 (AT1) capital	-
44 Additional Tier 1 (AT1) capital	-
45 Tier 1 capital (T1 = CET1 + AT1)	24 792 191
Tier 2 (T2) capital: instruments	
46 Capital instruments and the related share premium accounts	1 203 648
48 Qualifying own funds instruments included in consolidated T2 capital (including minority interests and AT1 instruments not included in rows 5 or 34) issued by subsidiaries and held by third parties	124 734
51 Tier 2 (T2) capital before regulatory adjustments	1 328 382
Tier 2 (T2) capital: regulatory adjustments	
57 Total regulatory adjustments to Tier 2 (T2) capital	-
58 Tier 2 (T2) capital	1 328 382
59 Total capital (TC = T1 + T2)	26 120 573
60 Total Risk exposure amount	147 721 396
Capital ratios and requirements including buffers	
61 Common Equity Tier 1 capital	16,78%
62 Tier 1 capital	16,78%
63 Total capital	17,68%
64 Institution CET1 overall capital requirements	3,53%
65 of which: capital conservation buffer requirement	2,50%
66 of which: countercyclical capital buffer requirement	0,02%
67 of which: systemic risk buffer requirement	
EU-67a of which: Global Systemically Important Institution (G-SII) or Other Systemically Important Institution (O-SII) buffer requirement	1,00%
EU-67b of which: additional own funds requirements to address the risks other than the risk of excessive leverage	0,01%
68 Common Equity Tier 1 capital (as a percentage of risk exposure amount) available after meeting the minimum capital requirements	12,28%
Amounts below the thresholds for deduction (before risk weighting)	
72 Direct and indirect holdings of own funds and eligible liabilities of financial sector entities where the institution does not have a significant investment in those entities (amount below 10% threshold and net of eligible short positions)	1 470
73 Direct and indirect holdings by the institution of the CET1 instruments of financial sector entities where the institution has a significant investment in those entities (amount below 17,65% thresholds and net of eligible short positions)	1 355 533
75 Deferred tax assets arising from temporary differences (amount below 17,65% threshold, net of related tax liability where the conditions in Article 38 (3) CRR are met)	1 397 990

1. Tier I

Common Equity Tier I

Share capital in accordance with the Bank's Statutes and the entry to the Court Register as at 31 December 2024 amounted to **PLN 1 021 893k**.

Supplementary capital is created from profit allocations and from share premium. By the Bank's Statutes, the supplementary capital is created from net profit allocations. Its purpose is to cover any balance sheet losses. The value of the allocations is determined by the General Meeting of Shareholders. As at 31 December 2024, the supplementary capital in own funds was **PLN 9 328 308k** incl. share premium of **PLN 7 981 974k**.

Other reserves are created from net profit allocations in an amount approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders. Other reserves are used to cover balance sheet losses if they are greater than the supplementary capital. The decision to resort to the reserve capital is taken by the General Meeting of Shareholders. As at 31 December 2024, after including prudential consolidation adjustments, the other reserves and accumulated other comprehensive income in own funds were **PLN 15 082 496k**.

Funds for general banking risk for unidentified banking business risk are created from net profit allocations in an amount approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders. The funds for general banking risk are used to cover costs and losses connected with unidentified banking risks that were not separately provided for. As at 31 December 2024, the general risk fund earmarked for unidentified risks of the banking business was **PLN 649 810k**.

Net profit of Santander Bank Polska Group from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024 totaled **PLN 5 244 797k**, including **PLN 32 066 k** of profit attributable to shareholders who do not exercise control. As at 31 December 2024 Santander Bank Polska Group not included the current year profit in own funds.

As at 31st December 2024 in Own Funds of Santander Bank Polska Group the **retained earnings** are included in the amount of **PLN 1 914 622k**.

In April 2024, the General Meeting of Santander Bank Polska S.A. Shareholders agreed on the distribution of the net profit of **PLN 4 672 978k** for the accounting year from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 as follows:

- PLN 3 504 072k was allocated to the dividend for shareholders;
- PLN 87 042k was allocated to capital reserves;
- PLN 1 081 865k kept undistributed.

Additionally, It was decided to allocate to dividend for shareholders the amount of **PLN 1 056 637k** out of the Dividend Reserve created by force of resolution no. 6 of the Annual General Meeting of 22 March 2021 on profit distribution and creation of capital reserve ("Resolution No. 6/2021"). Total amount allocated for Dividend was **PLN 4 560 709k**.

102,189,314 (say: one hundred two million, one hundred eighty nine thousand and three hundred fourteen) series A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N and O shares give entitlement to the Dividend.

Dividend per one share was **PLN 44.63**.

The Dividend record day was 16 May 2024 and the Dividend was paid out on 23 May 2024.

Minority interests

As at 31 December 2024, the minority interests recognised in the consolidated Tier 1 capital totalled PLN **635 498k** and were attributed of SCB Group.

Minority interest are no longer included in own funds based on the balance sheet value, but are calculated according to article 84 of CRR.

Adjustments and deductions from Common Equity Tier I

As at 31 December 2024, the adjustment of the Common Equity Tier 1 capital due to goodwill amounted to PLN **(1 712 056)k**, including:

- PLN 1 688 516k – goodwill arising from the merger of Santander Bank Polska S.A. and Kredyt Bank on 4 January 2013. The goodwill recognised as at the date of the merger between Santander Bank Polska S.A. and Kredyt Bank represents a control premium and arises from the possibility to generate additional benefits from the expected synergies, increase in revenues and market share, combination of staff competencies and an increase in the effectiveness of processes, in relation to the fair value of the acquired net assets.
- PLN 23 540k – goodwill arising from the fact that Santander Bank Polska S.A. holds 60% shares of Santander Consumer Bank, which, in turn, has a 50% stake in PSA Finance Polska. Santander Bank Polska S.A. disclosed non-controlling interests representing 70% of share capital and voting power at the General Meetings of PSA Finance Polska and, indirectly, PSA Consumer Finance Polska.

As at 31 December 2024, deduction from Common Equity Tier I regarding other intangible assets amounted to PLN **(397 394)k**. The value of the shortage in coverage due to non-performing exposures amounted to PLN **(30 767)k**. The value of securitisation positions which can alternatively be subject to a 1 250% risk weight amounted to PLN **(189 213)k**.

Santander Bank Polska Group has calculated the additional value adjustments due to the requirements for prudent valuation according to articles 34 and 105 of CRR. It amounted to PLN **(157 017)k**.

EU PV1 - PRUDENT VALUATION ADJUSTMENTS (PVA)

Category level AVA	Risk category							Category level AVA - Valuation uncertainty		Total category level post-diversification	
	Equity	Interest Rates	Foreign exchange	Credit	Commodities	Unearned credit spreads AVA	Investment and funding costs AVA	Of which: Total core approach in the trading book	Of which: Total core approach in the banking book		
1 Market price uncertainty	23 489	24 816	-	150 769	-	247	-	99 660	1 933	97 727	
2 Not applicable											
3 Close-out cost	-	38 675	-	1 910	-	1 326	-	20 956	2 383	18 573	
4 Concentrated positions	23 442	-	-	-	-	-	-	23 442	-	23 442	
5 Early termination	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
6 Model risk	-	-	-	-	-	1 794	-	897	897	-	
7 Operational risk	1 182	3 195	-	7 684	-	-	-	12 062	432	11 630	
8 Not applicable											
9 Not applicable											
10 Future administrative costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
11 Not applicable											
12 Total Additional Valuation Adjustments (AVAs)								157 017	5 645	151 372	

2. Tier II

Subordinated liabilities

Own funds of Santander Bank Polska Group include:

- Pursuant to the KNF decision of 24 February 2017 (letter No. DBK/DBK 2/7100/6/7/2016/2017), the subordinated bonds of EUR 120m issued by Santander Bank Polska S.A. on 2 December 2016, maturing on 3 December 2026 and taken up by investors, were allocated to Tier 2 capital;
- Pursuant to the KNF decision of 19 October 2017 (letter No. DBK/DBK 2/7100/1/14/2017), the subordinated bonds of EUR 137.1m issued by Santander Bank Polska S.A. on 22 May 2017, maturing on 22 May 2027 and taken up by an investor, were allocated to Tier 2 capital;
- Pursuant to the Decision of KNF of 6 June 2018 (document DBK-DBK2.7100.3.2018.) subordinated loan PLN 1b, issued by Santander Bank Polska S.A. on 5th April 2018, with maturity of 5 May 2028 were allocated to Tier II capital.

From 3 December 2021, the amount of the first and from 22 May 2022, the amount of the second and from 5 April 2023, the amount of the third of the above-mentioned subordinated loans are amortized due to the final 5 years of maturity, in accordance with Art. 64 CRR. Hence, as at 31 December 2024, own funds include subordinated liabilities of PLN **1 203 648k**.

Instruments issued by subsidiaries that recognised in Tier II capital

Following the acquisition of control over Santander Consumer Bank in 2014, its qualifying own funds of PLN **124 734k**, calculated in accordance with Art. 88 of CRR as own funds of a subsidiary, represent another item of Tier II capital of Santander Bank Polska Group.

More details about the subordinated liabilities are presented in Note 34 to the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Santander Bank Polska Group for 2024.

Table EU CCA: Detailed description of capital instruments' main features can be found in Appendix to this report „Pillar III 2024 12 Tables”, which is available on the Santander Bank Polska website.

3. Transitional arrangements for mitigating the impact of the introduction of IFRS 9 on own funds

On 12 December 2017, the European Parliament and the Council adopted Regulation No 2017/2395 amending Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 as regards transitional arrangements for mitigating the impact of the introduction of IFRS 9 on own funds and for the large exposures treatment of certain public sector exposures denominated in the domestic currency of any Member State. This Regulation entered into force on the next day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union and has been applicable since 1 January 2018. The European Parliament and the Council concluded that the application of IFRS 9 may lead to a sudden significant increase in expected credit loss provisions and consequently to a sudden decrease in institutions' Common Equity Tier 1 capital.

The regulation regarding the mitigation of impact of IFRS 9 on Tier 1 capital provides for the following:

- Where an institution's opening balance sheet on the day that it first applies IFRS 9 reflects a decrease in Common Equity Tier 1 capital as a result of increased expected credit loss provisions, including the loss allowance for lifetime expected credit losses for financial assets that are credit-impaired, compared to the closing balance sheet on the previous day, Santander Bank Polska Group should be allowed to include in its Common Equity Tier 1 capital a portion of the increased expected credit loss provisions for a transitional period. That transitional period should have a maximum duration of 5 years and should start in 2018. The portion of expected credit loss provisions that can be included in Common Equity Tier 1 capital should decrease over time down to zero to ensure the full implementation of IFRS 9 on the day immediately after the end of the transitional period.
- The multipliers that can be applied in consecutive years of the transitional period, from 2018 are as follows: 95%, 85%, 70%, 50%, 25%.
- If Santander Bank Polska Group decides to apply the IFRS 9 transitional arrangements, it should publicly disclose its own funds, capital ratios and leverage ratio both with and without the application of those arrangements in order to enable the recipients of financial statements to determine the impact of those arrangements.
- Institution should decide whether to apply those transitional arrangements and inform the Regulatory Supervision accordingly.
- During the transitional period, Institution may reverse once its initial decision, subject to the prior permission of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority, which should ensure that such decision is not motivated by considerations of regulatory arbitrage.
- Institutions that decide to apply transitional arrangements should be required to adjust the calculation of regulatory items which are directly affected by expected credit loss provisions to ensure that they do not receive inappropriate capital relief. For example, the specific credit risk adjustments by which the exposure value is reduced under the standardised approach for credit risk should be reduced by a factor which has the effect of increasing the exposure value. This would ensure that an institution would not benefit from both an increase in its Common Equity Tier 1 capital due to transitional arrangements as well as a reduced exposure value.

Having analysed Regulation No. 2017/2395, the bank as the parent company has decided to apply the transitional arrangements provided for therein, which means that the full impact of the introduction of IFRS 9 will not be taken into account for the purpose of capital adequacy assessment of Santander Bank Polska Group.

Bank fulfilled its obligations imposed by the CRR by informing the Polish Financial Supervision Authority about its intention to apply transitional provisions (letter ref. GZP/06/01/2018 of 31 January 2018).

From 30th June 2020, the Group applied the updated rules for transitional arrangements related to IFRS 9. In accordance with the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council (EU) 2020/873 of 24 June 2020 the formula on the basis of which the amount included in own funds is determined has been modified in such a way that the dynamic factor is calculated in relation to the status as of 01/01/2020 instead of 01/01/2018 and the transitional period for the dynamic factor is extended until 31 December 2024. Starting from 2020, the multipliers (f2) for the dynamic factor that can be applied in the subsequent years of the transition period are: 100%, 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, respectively. In addition, a factor was added to the formula, calculated as the change in provisions for expected credit losses between 01/01/2020 and 01/01/2018.

Based on the changes resulting from the above-mentioned Regulation and Art. 473a (7a) from June 2020 The Group uses a derogation in the form of assigning a risk weight equal to 100% to the adjustment value included in own funds.

Below, Grupa Santander Bank Polska S.A. has disclosed own funds, capital ratios, as well as the leverage ratio, both including and excluding application of transitional solutions stemming from Article 473a of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013:

COMPARISON OF INSTITUTIONS' OWN FUNDS AND CAPITAL AND LEVERAGE RATIOS WITH AND WITHOUT THE APPLICATION OF TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR IFRS 9 (PLN K)

	31.12.2024	30.09.2024	30.06.2024	31.03.2024*	31.12.2023*
Available capital (amounts)					
1 Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital	24 792 191	24 861 776	24 653 318	24 441 853	24 273 646
2 Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital as if IFRS 9 or analogous ECLs transitional arrangements had not been applied	24 722 309	24 791 895	24 583 437	24 371 972	24 133 883
3 Tier 1 capital	24 792 191	24 861 776	24 653 318	24 441 853	24 273 646
4 Tier 1 capital as if IFRS 9 or analogous ECLs transitional arrangements had not been applied	24 722 309	24 791 895	24 583 437	24 371 972	24 133 883
5 Total capital	26 120 573	26 374 254	26 299 192	26 238 213	26 205 765
6 Total capital as if IFRS 9 or analogous ECLs transitional arrangements had not been applied	26 050 692	26 304 373	26 229 310	26 168 332	26 066 002
Risk-weighted assets (amounts)					
7 Total risk-weighted assets	147 721 396	151 357 992	147 447 770	146 631 200	140 519 215
8 Total risk-weighted assets as if IFRS 9 or analogous ECLs transitional arrangements had not been applied	147 692 495	151 329 091	147 418 868	146 602 297	140 461 412
Capital ratios					
9 Common Equity Tier 1 (as a percentage of risk exposure amount)	16,78%	16,43%	16,72%	16,67%	17,27%
10 Common Equity Tier 1 (as a percentage of risk exposure amount) as if IFRS 9 or analogous ECLs transitional arrangements had not been applied	16,74%	16,38%	16,68%	16,62%	17,18%
11 Tier 1 (as a percentage of risk exposure amount)	16,78%	16,43%	16,72%	16,67%	17,27%
12 Tier 1 (as a percentage of risk exposure amount) as if IFRS 9 or analogous ECLs transitional arrangements had not been applied	16,74%	16,38%	16,68%	16,62%	17,18%
13 Total capital (as a percentage of risk exposure amount)	17,68%	17,43%	17,84%	17,89%	18,65%
14 Total capital (as a percentage of risk exposure amount) as if IFRS 9 or analogous ECLs transitional arrangements had not been applied	17,64%	17,38%	17,79%	17,85%	18,56%
Leverage ratio					
15 Leverage ratio total exposure measure	319 719 581	308 110 946	300 226 806	294 087 026	287 208 319
16 Leverage ratio	7,75%	8,07%	8,21%	8,31%	8,45%
17 Leverage ratio as if IFRS 9 or analogous ECLs transitional arrangements had not been applied	7,73%	8,05%	8,19%	8,29%	8,41%

* Data in relevant periods include profits included in own funds taking into account the applicable EBA guidelines

4. Own funds and eligible liabilities

The information presented is in accordance with the requirements set forth by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/763 of April 23, 2021, laying down implementing technical standards for the application of Regulation (EU) No. 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to supervisory reporting in the area of minimum own funds requirement and eligible liabilities, and public disclosure thereof. Santander Bank Polska S.A., as a subsidiary that is part of the Santander cross-border group with its parent company, Banco Santander, belongs to a group defined as a global systemically important institution.

Santander Bank Polska S.A. as subsidiary of Santander Group, a global systemically important institution, is required to comply with Article 92a of the CRR with respect to the obligation to satisfy the requirements for own funds and bailed-in liabilities laid down in the CRR.

According to Article 92a of the CRR, the requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities are calculated as 18% of the total risk exposure amount ("TREA") and 6,75% of the total exposure measure ("TEM").

In accordance with Article 128 of Directive (EU) 2019/878 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Directive 2013/36/EU as regards exempted entities, financial holding companies, mixed financial holding companies, remuneration, supervisory measures and powers and capital conservation measures ("CRD V"), institutions should not use Common Equity Tier 1 capital that is maintained to meet the combined buffer requirement to meet the risk-based components of the requirements set out in Article 92a of the CRR.

Based on these provisions, the required minimum regulatory TLAC (total loss-absorbing capacity) is increased by the value of capital buffers that the Bank is required to maintain.

This means that the minimum regulatory TLAC must be maintained at 21.52% of the TREA.

For Santander Bank Polska Group, the TLAC calculated as own funds and eligible liabilities in relation to the TREA as at 31 December 2024 is 22.89%. The TLAC calculated as own funds and eligible liabilities in relation to the TEM as at 31 December 2024 is 10.58%.

In relation to the minimum requirements specified in Article 92a of the CRR, the Bank obtained the approval from resolution authorities, in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article 72b(3) of the CRR, to use the liabilities that do not meet the subordination requirement defined in Article 72b(2)(d) of the CRR in the amount not exceeding 3.5% of the TREA.

The Bank is also required to meet the requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL) based on Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms.

Based on the decision provided by the Bank Guarantee Fund of 8 May 2024, the target value of the MREL requirement for the Bank is 15.38% in relation to the total risk exposure amount (the subordination requirement is 15.02%) and 5.91% in relation to the total exposure measure.

At the same time in accordance with Article 19(2)(3), Article 21(3)(3), Article 42(3) and Article 48(3) of the Act on macro-prudential supervision, which transposes Article 128 of the CRD, Common Equity Tier 1 instruments maintained by the entity in accordance with the combined buffer requirement are not eligible for the MREL requirement expressed as a percentage of the total risk exposure. This rule does not apply to the MREL requirement expressed as a percentage of the total exposure measure.

As a result, the Bank needs to maintain the target MREL at 18.90% in relation to the total amount of risk exposure, including in respect of subordination at 18.54%.

As at 31 December 2024, the Bank met the applicable minimum MREL requirements. The MREL ratio in relation to TREA was 22.89%, while the MREL including own funds and eligible subordinated liabilities was 20.79%. As at 31 December 2024, the MREL in relation to the TEM was 10.58%, in relation to subordinated debt 9.61%.

EU KM2: KEY METRICS – MREL SANTANDER BANK POLSKA GROUP (PLN K)

	Minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL)		G-SII Requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (TLAC)			
	a	b	c	d	e	f
	31.12.2024	31.12.2024	30.09.2024	30.06.2024	31.03.2024**	31.12.2023**
Own funds and eligible liabilities, ratios and components						
1 Own funds and eligible liabilities	33 815 513	33 815 513	34 813 235	33 174 728	32 972 904	32 832 591
EU-1a Of which own funds and subordinated liabilities	30 715 513					
2 Total risk exposure amount of the resolution group (TREA)	147 721 396	147 721 396	151 357 992	147 447 770	146 631 200	140 519 215
3 Own funds and eligible liabilities as a percentage of TREA (row1/row2)	22,89%	22,89%	23,00%	22,50%	22,49%	23,37%
EU-3a Of which own funds and subordinated liabilities	20,79%					
4 Total exposure measure of the resolution group	319 719 581	319 719 581	308 110 946	300 226 806	294 087 026	287 208 319
5 Own funds and eligible liabilities as percentage of the total exposure measure	10,58%	10,58%	11,30%	11,05%	11,21%	11,43%
EU-5a Of which own funds or subordinated liabilities	9,61%					
6a Does the subordination exemption in Article 72b(4) of the CRR apply? (5% exemption)		No	No	No	No	No
6b Pro-memo item - Aggregate amount of permitted non-subordinated eligible liabilities in-instruments if the subordination discretion as per Article 72b(3) CRR is applied (max 3.5% exemption)		3 100 000	3 955 820	3 962 600	3 960 180	3 969 600
6c Pro-memo item: If a capped subordination exemption applies under Article 72b (3) CRR, the amount of funding issued that ranks pari passu with excluded liabilities and that is recognised under row 1, divided by funding issued that ranks pari passu with excluded liabilities and that would be recognised under row 1 if no cap was applied (%)		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL)*						
TLAC expressed as percentage of TREA		18,00%	18,00%	18,00%	18,00%	18,00%
TLAC expressed as percentage of TEM		6,75%	6,75%	6,75%	6,75%	6,75%
EU-7 MREL requirement expressed as percentage of the total risk exposure amount	15,38%					
EU-8 Of which to be met with own funds or subordinated liabilities	15,02%					
EU-9 MREL requirement expressed as percentage of the total exposure measure	5,91%					
EU-10 Of which to be met with own funds or subordinated liabilities	5,91%					

* Excluding combined buffer requirement

** Data in relevant periods include profits included in own funds taking into account the applicable EBA guidelines

EU TLAC1 - POSITION OF SANTANDER BANK POLSKA GROUP (PLN K)

	Minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL)	G-SII requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (TLAC)	Memo item: Amounts eligible for the purposes of MREL, but not TLAC
Own funds and eligible liabilities and adjustments			
1 Common Equity Tier 1 capital (CET1)	24 792 191	24 792 191	-
2 Additional Tier 1 capital (AT1)	-	-	-
6 Tier 2 capital (T2)	1 328 382	1 328 382	-
11 Own funds for the purpose of Articles 92a CRR and 45 BRRD	26 120 573	26 120 573	-
Own funds and eligible liabilities: Non-regulatory capital elements			
12 Eligible liabilities instruments issued directly by the resolution entity that are subordinated to excluded liabilities (not grandfathered)	3 700 000	3 700 000	-
EU-12a Eligible liabilities instruments issued by other entities within the resolution group that are subordinated to excluded liabilities (not grandfathered)	-	-	-
EU-12b Eligible liabilities instruments that are subordinated to excluded liabilities, issued prior to 27 June 2019 (subordinated grandfathered)	-	-	-
EU-12c Tier 2 instruments with a residual maturity of at least one year to the extent they do not qualify as Tier 2 items	894 940	894 940	-
13 Eligible liabilities that are not subordinated to excluded liabilities (not grandfathered pre cap)	3 100 000	3 100 000	-
EU-13a Eligible liabilities that are not subordinated to excluded liabilities issued prior to 27 June 2019 (pre-cap)	-	-	-
14 Amount of non subordinated instruments eligible, where applicable after application of Article 72b (3) CRR	3 100 000	3 100 000	-
17 Eligible liabilities items before adjustments	7 694 940	7 694 940	-
EU-17a Of which subordinated	4 594 940	4 594 940	-
Own funds and eligible liabilities: Adjustments to non-regulatory capital elements			
18 Own funds and eligible liabilities items before adjustments	33 815 513	33 815 513	-
19 (Deduction of exposures between MPE resolution groups)	-	-	-
20 (Deduction of investments in other eligible liabilities instruments)	-	-	-
22 Own funds and eligible liabilities after adjustments	33 815 513	33 815 513	-
EU-22a Of which own funds and subordinated	30 715 513		
Risk-weighted exposure amount and leverage exposure measure of the resolution group			
23 Total risk exposure amount	147 721 396	147 721 396	-
24 Total exposure measure	319 719 581	319 719 581	-
Ratio of own funds and eligible liabilities			
25 Own funds and eligible liabilities (as a percentage of total risk exposure amount)	22,89%	22,89%	0,00%
EU-25a Of which own funds and subordinated	20,79%		
26 Own funds and eligible liabilities (as a percentage of total exposure measure)	10,58%	10,58%	0,00%
EU-26a Of which own funds and subordinated	9,61%		
27 CET1 (as a percentage of TREA) available after meeting the resolution group's requirements	4,89%	4,89%	
28 Institution-specific combined buffer requirement		3,52%	
29 of which: capital conservation buffer requirement		2,50%	
30 of which: countercyclical buffer requirement		0,02%	
31 of which: systemic risk buffer requirement		0,00%	
EU-31a of which: Global Systemically Important Institution (G-SII) or Other Systemically Important Institution (O-SII) buffer		1,00%	
Memorandum items			
EU-32 Total amount of excluded liabilities referred to in Article 72a(2) CRR		118 767 208	

EU TLAC3A table can be found in Appendix to this report „Pillar III 2024 12 Tables“, which is available on the Santander Bank Polska website.

IV. Capital requirements

1. Total capital requirements

The capital requirements of Santander Bank Polska Group are set in accordance with part III of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012, which was the official legal basis as at 31 December 2024.

In 2024, Santander Bank Polska S.A. applied the standardised approach to the calculation of capital requirement for credit, market and operational risk. Under this approach the total capital requirement for credit risk is calculated as a sum of risk-weighted assets multiplied by 8%. To calculate risk-weighted exposures, risk weights are allocated to all exposures in accordance with the CRR. The Group measures its balance sheet assets and liabilities in accordance with International Accounting Standards.

The Bank calculates and monitors capital requirements for all key risks, including:

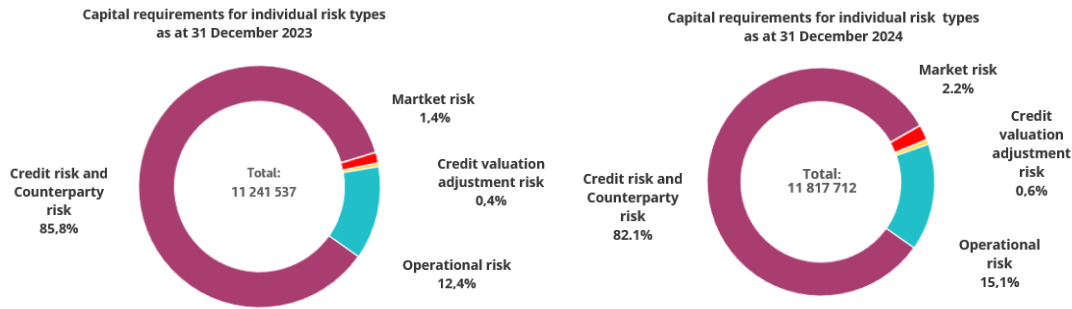
- Capital requirement for credit risk;
- Capital requirement for market risk, including:
 - ✓ Capital requirement for positions risk, including:
 - Specific and general risk of debt instruments;
 - Specific and general risk of equity instruments;
 - ✓ Capital requirement for FX risk;
- Capital requirement for the settlement, supplier and counterparty credit risk;
- Capital requirement for credit valuation adjustments;
- Capital requirement for the excess of large exposures limit;
- Capital requirement for the excess of capital concentration limit;
- Capital requirement for operational risk;
- Capital requirement for securitisation.

Santander Bank Polska Group calculates capital requirement separately for the exposures classified into the banking and trading book.

As at 31 December 2024, the total capital requirements of Santander Bank Polska Group calculated in line with the CRR was **PLN 11 817 712k**, including:

- for credit risk and counterparty credit risk, credit valuation adjustment risk, securitisation **PLN 9 777 039k**;
- for market risk **PLN 255 220k**;
- for operational risk **PLN 1 785 453k**.

PERCENTAGE STRUCTURE OF THE CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS FOR 12/2023 AND 12/2024



EU KM1 - KEY METRICS TEMPLATE (PLN K)

	31.12.2024	30.09.2024	30.06.2024	31.03.2024*	31.12.2023*
Available own funds (amounts)					
1 Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital	24 792 191	24 861 776	24 653 318	24 441 853	24 273 646
2 Tier 1 capital	24 792 191	24 861 776	24 653 318	24 441 853	24 273 646
3 Total capital	26 120 573	26 374 254	26 299 192	26 238 213	26 205 765
Risk-weighted exposure amounts					
4 Total risk exposure amount	147 721 396	151 357 992	147 447 770	146 631 200	140 519 215
Capital ratios (as a percentage of risk-weighted exposure amount)					
5 Common Equity Tier 1 ratio (%)	16,78%	16,43%	16,72%	16,67%	17,27%
6 Tier 1 ratio (%)	16,78%	16,43%	16,72%	16,67%	17,27%
7 Total capital ratio (%)	17,68%	17,43%	17,84%	17,89%	18,65%
Additional own funds requirements to address risks other than the risk of excessive leverage (as a percentage of risk-weighted exposure amount)					
EU 7a Additional own funds requirements to address risks other than the risk of excessive leverage (%)	0,01%	0,01%	0,01%	0,01%	0,01%
EU 7b of which: to be made up of CET1 capital (percentage points)	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%
EU 7c of which: to be made up of Tier 1 capital (percentage points)	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%
EU 7d Total SREP own funds requirements (%)	8,01%	8,01%	8,01%	8,01%	8,01%
Combined buffer and overall capital requirement (as a percentage of risk-weighted exposure amount)					
8 Capital conservation buffer (%)	2,50%	2,50%	2,50%	2,50%	2,50%
EU 8a Conservation buffer due to macro-prudential or systemic risk identified at the level of a Member State (%)					
9 Institution specific countercyclical capital buffer (%)	0,02%	0,02%	0,01%	0,01%	0,02%
EU 9a Systemic risk buffer (%)					
10 Global Systemically Important Institution buffer (%)					
EU 10a Other Systemically Important Institution buffer (%)	1,00%	1,00%	1,00%	1,00%	1,00%
11 Combined buffer requirement (%)	3,52%	3,52%	3,51%	3,51%	3,52%
EU 11a Overall capital requirements (%)	11,53%	11,53%	11,52%	11,52%	11,53%
12 CET1 available after meeting the total SREP own funds requirements (%)	9,67%	9,42%	9,83%	9,88%	10,64%
Leverage ratio					
13 Total exposure measure	319 719 581	308 110 946	300 226 806	294 087 026	287 208 319
14 Leverage ratio (%)	7,75%	8,07%	8,21%	8,31%	8,45%
Additional own funds requirements to address the risk of excessive leverage (as a percentage of total exposure measure)					
EU 14a Additional own funds requirements to address the risk of excessive leverage (%)	-	-	-	-	-
EU 14b of which: to be made up of CET1 capital (percentage points)	-	-	-	-	-
EU 14c Total SREP leverage ratio requirements (%)	3,00%	3,00%	3,00%	3,00%	3,00%
Leverage ratio buffer and overall leverage ratio requirement (as a percentage of total exposure measure)					
EU 14d Leverage ratio buffer requirement (%)	-	-	-	-	-
EU 14e Overall leverage ratio requirement (%)	3,00%	3,00%	3,00%	3,00%	3,00%
Liquidity Coverage Ratio					
15 Total high-quality liquid assets (HQLA) (Weighted value -average)	80 153 395	78 738 271	78 759 401	76 787 292	73 386 633
EU 16a Cash outflows - Total weighted value	53 178 983	52 589 006	53 158 751	52 806 299	52 951 038
EU 16b Cash inflows - Total weighted value	14 770 379	14 393 214	15 020 467	15 276 320	15 049 171
16 Total net cash outflows (adjusted value)	38 408 604	38 195 791	38 138 285	37 529 979	37 901 867
17 Liquidity coverage ratio (%)	209%	206%	207%	205%	194%
Net Stable Funding Ratio					
18 Total available stable funding	220 444 427	212 099 324	208 195 299	204 665 027	201 280 056
19 Total required stable funding	142 507 759	139 844 267	136 163 566	132 421 978	128 865 657
20 NSFRR ratio (%)	155%	152%	153%	155%	156%

* Data in relevant periods include profits included in own funds taking into account the applicable EBA guidelines

EU OV1 – OVERVIEW OF RWA (PLN K)

	Total risk exposure amounts (TREA)		Total own funds requirements
	a	b	c
	31.12.2024	30.09.2024	31.12.2024
1 Credit risk (excluding CCR)	115 812 532	119 711 426	9 265 003
2 Of which the standardised approach	115 812 532	119 711 426	9 265 003
3 Of which the Foundation IRB (F-IRB) approach	-	-	-
4 Of which slotting approach	-	-	-
EU 4a Of which equities under the simple riskweighted approach	-	-	-
5 Of which the Advanced IRB (A-IRB) approach	-	-	-
6 Counterparty credit risk - CCR	5 018 191	5 005 136	401 455
7 Of which the standardised approach	3 117 040	3 222 239	249 363
8 Of which internal model method (IMM)	-	-	-
EU 8a Of which exposures to a CCP	67 940	72 904	5 435
EU 8b Of which credit valuation adjustment - CVA	965 801	945 101	77 264
9 Of which other CCR	867 410	764 892	69 393
15 Settlement risk	-	-	-
16 Securitisation exposures in the non-trading book (after the cap)	1 382 261	1 123 929	110 581
17 Of which SEC-IRBA approach	-	-	-
18 Of which SEC-ERBA (including IAA)	-	-	-
19 Of which SEC-SA approach	1 382 261	1 123 929	110 581
EU 19a Of which 1250%	-	-	-
20 Position, foreign exchange and commodities risks (Market risk)	3 190 255	3 199 344	255 220
21 Of which the standardised approach	3 190 255	3 199 344	255 220
22 Of which IMA	-	-	-
EU 22a Large exposures	-	-	-
23 Operational risk	22 318 158	22 318 158	1 785 453
EU 23a Of which basic indicator approach	-	-	-
EU 23b Of which standardised approach	22 318 158	22 318 158	1 785 453
EU 23c Of which advanced measurement approach	-	-	-
24 Amounts below the thresholds for deduction (subject to 250% risk weight)	6 883 808	6 413 027	550 705
29 Total	147 721 396	151 357 992	11 817 712

* In row EU 19a institution disclose the own funds requirement for securitisation exposures on the non-trading book deducted from own funds in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title II of Part Three CRR. This own funds requirement is deducted from own funds and does not generate RWEAs with risk-weight at 1250%.

The biggest item is the total capital requirement of Santander Bank Polska Group is the capital requirement for credit risk (including the amount below the threshold for deduction (subject to 250% risk weight)), which on 31 December 2024 accounted for 78.4% of the total capital requirement. Santander Bank Polska Group manages credit risk on a priority basis, using its internal rating systems, credit concentration limits and sectoral exposure limits, seeking to maintain the possible highest quality of the credit portfolio.

The Santander Bank Polska S.A. uses contractual netting according to art. 295-298 of CRR.

2. Credit risk

The structure of the exposure

In the capital adequacy assessment process, Santander Bank Polska Group classified each of these exposures in accordance with the standardised approach as provided for in Article 112 CRR.

The tables below present details of exposures in accordance with (UE) 2021/637 Regulation. The exposure classes for which no items have been identified, have been disregarded.

Pursuant to Article 1 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 183/2014 of 20 December 2013 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms, with regard to regulatory technical standards for specifying the calculation of specific and general credit risk adjustments, the Santander Bank Polska Group's capital adequacy account includes adjustments connected with general and specific risk which were applied to Tier 1 capital to reflect losses related to credit risk, in accordance with the applicable accounting standards, and disclosed accordingly in the income statement, regardless of whether they arise from impairment, value adjustment or provisions for off-balance sheet items.

EU CR1: PERFORMING AND NON-PERFORMING EXPOSURES AND RELATED PROVISIONS (PLN K)

	Gross carrying amount/nominal amount				Accumulated impairment, accumulated negative changes in fair value due to credit risk and provisions				Accumulated partial write-off		Collateral and financial guarantees received		
	Performing exposures		Non-performing exposures		Performing exposures – accumulated impairment and provisions		Non-performing exposures – accumulated impairment, accumulated negative changes in fair value due to credit risk and provisions		On performing exposures	On non-performing exposures			
	Of which stage 1	Of which stage 2	Of which stage 2	Of which stage 3	Of which stage 1	Of which stage 2	Of which stage 2	Of which stage 3					
005 Cash balances at central banks and other demand deposits	11 544 044	11 544 044	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
010 Loans and advances	191 414 337	173 583 757	17 604 749	7 666 403	7 243 936	- 1 586 897	- 559 433	- 1 023 511	- 3 973 587	- 3 864 550	- 1 331 298	118 092 971	2 509 148
020 Central banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
030 General governments	2 444 355	2 267 734	176 621	3	3	- 4 963	- 2 474	- 2 489	- 2	- 2	-	57 383	-
040 Credit institutions	17 741 023	17 741 023	-	-	-	- 325	- 325	-	-	-	-	11 017 846	-
050 Other financial corporations	4 778 474	4 745 821	32 646	18 836	18 465	- 19 454	- 17 219	- 2 235	- 13 076	- 12 854	- 2 962	1 932 587	4 911
060 Non-financial corporations	77 340 040	70 396 058	6 938 291	4 319 676	4 022 030	- 662 898	- 192 668	- 470 099	- 1 908 972	- 1 858 959	- 725 235	49 794 685	1 820 678
070 Of which SMEs	57 292 116	51 398 937	5 887 493	3 729 915	3 432 322	- 580 001	- 159 766	- 420 104	- 1 848 904	- 1 798 939	- 724 075	40 445 729	1 740 336
080 Households	89 110 445	78 433 131	10 457 191	3 327 889	3 203 438	- 899 257	- 346 747	- 548 687	- 2 051 538	- 1 992 736	- 603 101	55 290 471	683 559
090 Debt securities	76 441 324	76 440 077	-	27 270	27 270	-	-	-	- 26 876	- 26 876	-	-	-
100 Central banks	5 995 624	5 995 624	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
110 General governments	56 298 784	56 298 784	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
120 Credit institutions	10 129 502	10 129 502	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
130 Other financial corporations	4 017 414	4 016 167	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
140 Non-financial corporations	-	-	-	27 270	27 270	-	-	-	- 26 876	- 26 876	-	-	-
150 Off-balance-sheet exposures	68 940 534	66 806 513	2 131 750	311 176	293 607	53 761	34 984	18 756	40 158	- 30 576	-	-	1 896
160 Central banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
170 General governments	2 478 659	2 459 143	19 516	-	-	- 678	- 654	- 24	-	-	-	-	-
180 Credit institutions	5 738 408	5 738 408	-	-	-	- 254	- 254	-	-	-	-	-	-
190 Other financial corporations	7 493 810	7 493 286	524	-	-	- 3 997	- 3 549	- 448	-	-	-	-	-
200 Non-financial corporations	46 851 528	45 265 572	1 585 870	301 333	285 888	39 817	25 911	13 906	40 153	- 30 571	-	-	1 896
210 Households	6 378 129	5 850 105	525 840	9 843	7 719	9 014	4 615	4 378	4	- 4	-	-	-
220 Total	348 340 239	328 374 401	19 736 499	8 004 850	7 564 813	- 1 640 658	- 594 417	- 1 042 267	- 4 040 621	- 3 922 002	- 1 331 298	118 092 971	2 511 044

As at 31/12/2024, the gross carrying amount of NPLs calculated in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2021/637 was 3,85 %.

EU CQ1: CREDIT QUALITY OF FORBORNE EXPOSURES (PLN K)

	Gross carrying amount/nominal amount of exposures with forbearance measures				Accumulated impairment, accumulated negative changes in fair value due to credit risk and provisions			Collateral received and financial guarantees received on forborne exposures		
	Performing forborne	Non-performing forborne		On performing forborne exposures	On non-performing forborne exposures			Of which collateral and financial guarantees received on non-performing exposures with forbearance measures		
		Of which defaulted	Of which impaired							
005 Cash balances at central banks and other demand deposits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
010 Loans and advances	2 252 423	1 916 467	1 916 467	1 916 460	-	129 620	-	703 203	2 464 165	829 365
020 Central banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
030 General governments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
040 Credit institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
050 Other financial corporations	857	4 400	4 400	4 400	-	116	-	3 569	1 242	604
060 Non-financial corporations	1 252 413	1 303 711	1 303 711	1 303 711	-	91 493	-	373 161	1 502 480	617 451
070 Households	999 153	608 355	608 355	608 348	-	38 011	-	326 472	960 443	211 310
080 Debt Securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
090 Loan commitments given	48 360	15 563	15 563	15 563	-	904	-	13 943	-	-
100 Total	2 300 783	1 932 030	1 932 030	1 932 023	-	130 524	-	717 146	2 464 165	829 365

EU CQ3: CREDIT QUALITY OF PERFORMING AND NON-PERFORMING EXPOSURES BY PAST DUE DAYS (PLN K)

	Gross carrying amount/nominal amount											
	Performing exposures			Non-performing exposures								
	Not past due or past due ≤ 30 days	Past due > 30 days ≤ 90 days		Unlikely to pay that are not past due or are past due ≤ 90 days	Past due > 90 days ≤ 180 days	Past due > 180 days ≤ 1 year	Past due > 1 year ≤ 2 years	Past due > 2 years ≤ 5 years	Past due > 5 years ≤ 7 years	Past due > 7 years	Of which defaulted	
005 Cash balances at central banks and other demand deposits	11 544 044	11 544 044	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
010 Loans and advances	191 414 337	190 592 930	821 408	7 666 403	2 943 404	888 890	1 071 135	1 157 020	1 054 641	227 413	323 900	7 666 403
020 Central banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
030 General governments	2 444 355	2 444 352	4	3	-	-	2	1	0	-	-	3
040 Credit institutions	17 741 023	17 741 023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
050 Other financial corporations	4 778 474	4 776 562	1 912	18 836	4 255	1 308	2 497	3 535	6 291	582	368	18 836
060 Non-financial corporations	77 340 040	77 123 802	216 238	4 319 676	1 890 764	490 257	489 203	496 950	510 341	164 984	277 176	4 319 676
070 Of which SMEs	57 292 116	57 076 907	215 208	3 729 915	1 585 739	226 666	488 966	494 210	492 452	164 786	277 095	3 729 915
080 Households	89 110 445	88 507 191	603 254	3 327 889	1 048 385	397 325	579 433	656 534	538 008	61 847	46 356	3 327 889
090 Debt securities	76 441 324	76 441 324	-	27 270	-	-	-	-	27 270	-	-	27 270
100 Central banks	5 995 624	5 995 624	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
110 General governments	56 298 784	56 298 784	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
120 Credit institutions	10 129 502	10 129 502	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
130 Other financial corporations	4 017 414	4 017 414	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
140 Non-financial corporations	-	-	-	27 270	-	-	-	-	27 270	-	-	27 270
150 Off-balance-sheet exposures	68 940 534	-	-	311 176	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	311 176
160 Central banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
170 General governments	2 478 659	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
180 Credit institutions	5 738 408	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
190 Other financial corporations	7 493 810	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
200 Non-financial corporations	46 851 528	-	-	301 333	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	301 333
210 Households	6 378 129	-	-	9 843	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9 843
220 Total	348 340 239	278 578 298	821 408	8 004 850	2 943 404	888 890	1 071 135	1 157 020	1 081 911	227 413	323 900	8 004 850

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Overdue and impaired items

An exposure is considered as overdue if the obligor is in arrears with capital and/or interest payments. In such circumstances, the entire exposure is considered as delinquent, regardless of whether or not the payment delay relates to the whole exposure or a part thereof.

An exposure is considered as impaired, if the Group has objective evidence that it will not be able to recover the exposure in accordance with the underlying credit agreement.

Santander Bank Polska Group posts impairment allowances in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standard 9 Financial instruments (IFRS 9).

The IFRS 9 approach is based on estimation of the expected credit loss (ECL). ECL allowances reflect an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes, the time value of money; and reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions. ECL allowances are measured at an amount equal to a 12-month ECL or the lifetime ECL, when it is deemed there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition (Stage 2) or impairment (Stage 3). Accordingly, the ECL model gives rise to measurement uncertainty, especially in relation to:

- Measurement of a 12-month ECL or the lifetime ECL;
- Determination of when a significant increase in credit risk occurred;
- Determination of any forward-looking events reflected in ECL estimation, and their likelihood.

In accordance with IFRS 9, the recognition of expected credit losses depends on changes in credit risk level which occur after initial recognition of the exposure. The standard defines three main stages for recognising expected credit losses:

- Stage 1 – exposures with no significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, i.e. the likelihood of the exposure being downgraded to the impaired portfolio (Stage 3 exposures) has not increased. For such exposures, 12-month expected credit losses is recognised.
- Stage 2 – exposures with a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, but with no objective evidence of impairment. For such exposures, lifetime expected credit losses is recognised.
- Stage 3 – exposures for which the risk of default has materialised (objective evidence of impairment has been identified). For such exposures, lifetime expected credit losses is recognised.

Lifetime expected losses are recognised also for the exposures classified as POCI (purchased or originated credit-impaired).

In the case of classification into Stage 3, the Group applies objective indications of impairment, as defined in accordance with the Basel Committee's recommendations and Recommendation R.

The Group estimates ECL using both an individual approach (for individually significant exposures with objectively evidenced impairment [Stage 3]) and collective approach (individually insignificant exposures with objectively evidenced impairment, and incurred but not reported losses).

The Group on a periodically basis recalibrates its models and updates the forward-looking information used for estimating ECL, taking into account the impact of changes in economic conditions, modifications of the Group's credit policies and recovery strategies, which is designed to ensure appropriate level of impairment allowances.

Exposures which are overdue by more than 90 days, but which are not treated as impaired, have a negligible share in the total volume. These are mainly cases where the amount above which an exposure is classified into NPLs has not been exceeded. Under the current Credit Classification Policy, such exposures are classified in Stage 2.

The Group applies debt forbearance defined as a repayment concession for customers experiencing financial difficulties or customers who will have problems servicing their debts owed to Santander Bank Polska Group on the original terms and conditions. The concession may involve a modification of the previous terms and conditions of a debt contract or its total or partial refinancing. The purpose of debt restructuring is to better align repayment terms with the current and projected financial standing of the customer, minimise default risk and/or maximise recovery.

Restructuring does not refer to a technical or operational modification of contractual terms, or changes attributable to other factors than payment difficulties (business or market conditions).

Management provision

In 2024, in addition to the ECL resulting from the complex calculation model implemented in the system, Santander Banka Polska S.A. Group reviewed management adjustments, updating the risk level with current and expected future events, which resulted in:

- The management adjustment has been released in the amount of PLN 19 600 k for the portfolio of retail loans secured by mortgages, the risk of which may increase after the cessation of aid measures – payment holidays in force in 2022 and 2023;
- The management adjustment for the corporate portfolio, which was created to cover the underestimation of the LGD parameter due to the earlier implementation of the new model in the amount of PLN 15 340 k (the management adjustment was updated accordingly to the amount PLN 15 340k as of 27.09.2024, PLN 39 710 k as of 30.06.2024 and PLN 27 520k as of 31.12.2023).

Detailed disclosures regarding credit risk are included in note: 4. Risk management. of Consolidated Financial Statements of Santander Bank Polska Group for 2024.

Table EU CQ4 and EU CQ5 can be found in Annex to this report „Pillar III 2024 12 Tables”, which is available on the Santander Bank Polska website.

The Santander Bank Polska S.A. Group also does not present information on collateral obtained through possession and enforcement processes (EU CQ7, EU CQ8) due to the absence of such collateral.

Credit risk mitigation

The Group uses credit risk mitigation techniques both for funded credit protection and for unfunded credit protection.

In the latter case, borrowers protected by guarantees are allocated a risk grade that corresponds to the risk grade of the guarantor. Most providers of unfunded credit protection are banks, including Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego (with its “de minimis” guarantee programme) and the Ministry of Finance as a State unit.

As at 31 December 2024, the Group’s debt instruments portfolio included PLN **5 836 249k** worth of bonds of Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego and PLN **4 016 167k** worth of bonds of Polski Fundusz Rozwoju (PFR), which were fully guaranteed by the State Treasury. In the case of debt issued in the domestic currency and EUR, a risk weight of 0% was assigned.

In the case of funded credit protection, Santander Bank Polska Group recognizes exposures secured by financial collateral. In the case of unfunded credit protection, Santander Bank Polska Group recognizes exposures secured by financial collateral.

EU CR3 – CRM TECHNIQUES OVERVIEW: DISCLOSURE OF THE USE OF CREDIT RISK MITIGATION TECHNIQUES (PLN K)

	Secured carrying amount					
	Unsecured carrying amount	Of which secured by collateral			Of which secured by financial guarantees	Of which secured by credit derivatives
		a	b	c	d	
1 Loans and advances	84 462 182	120 602 119	106 744 620	13 857 499	-	
2 Debt securities	76 441 718	-	-	-	-	
3 Total	160 903 900	120 602 119	106 744 620	13 857 499	-	
4 Of which non-performing exposures	1 184 063	2 509 148	2 074 276	434 872	-	
EU-5 Of which defaulted	1 184 063	2 509 148	-	-	-	

EU CR4 – STANDARDISED APPROACH – CREDIT RISK EXPOSURE AND CRM EFFECTS (PLN K)

Exposure classes	Exposures before CCF and before CRM		Exposures post CCF and post CRM		RWAs and RWAs density	
	On-balance-sheet exposures	Off-balance-sheet exposures	On-balance-sheet exposures	Off-balance-sheet exposures	RWAs	RWAs density (%)
	a	b	c	d	e	f
1 Central governments or central banks	73 610 006	-	88 950 273	849 385	3 619 810	4,03%
2 Regional government or local authorities	1 539 816	233 300	1 539 816	22 025	312 368	20,00%
3 Public sector entities	318 828	215 392	318 644	2 182	160 413	50,00%
4 Multilateral development banks	4 322 254	14 354	10 338 710	2 871	-	-
5 International organisations	-	-	-	-	-	-
6 Institutions	14 486 107	8 073 479	15 854 067	1 078 860	6 570 969	38,81%
7 Corporates	35 468 330	35 155 131	22 680 298	3 760 512	24 384 874	92,22%
8 Retail	48 774 144	13 440 693	46 558 136	2 337 112	33 993 978	69,52%
9 Secured by mortgages on immovable property	67 166 126	6 225 475	65 400 028	1 419 816	34 519 678	51,66%
10 Exposures in default	3 021 477	248 999	2 830 590	116 510	3 472 115	117,81%
11 Exposures associated with particularly high risk	1 245 503	265 508	248 880	95 112	515 988	150,00%
12 Covered bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-
13 Institutions and corporates with a short-term credit assessment	-	-	-	-	-	-
14 Collective investment undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Equity	1 741 904	-	1 741 904	-	3 775 204	216,73%
16 Other items	5 713 472	-	5 713 472	-	4 487 134	78,54%
17 TOTAL	257 407 967	63 872 329	262 174 819	9 684 384	115 812 532	42,60%

Allocating risk weights to the credit portfolio

The risk weights used in the calculation of capital requirement for credit risk in the standardised approach are based on the provision of Chapter 2, Title II, Part III of the CRR. Risk weights are allocated in line with the category of the exposure and the credit quality of the exposure/entity.

Defaulted exposures have their risk weight allocated in accordance with the rules laid down in Article 127 of the CRR.

Pursuant to Article 125(2) of the CRR, Santander Bank Polska S.A. additionally assigns a preferential risk weight of 35% to a part of an exposure which is fully and completely secured by a mortgage on a residential property and whose value does not exceed 80% of the market value of the property in question.

Above rules have been implemented taking into account the Regulation of the Minister of Economic Development and Finance of 25 May 2017 on a higher risk weight for exposures secured with mortgages on properties, for exposures secured by mortgages on a residential property, where the principal or interest instalment is linked to an exchange rate of a currency or currencies other than the currency of the debtor's revenue, the risk weight is set at 150%.

Pursuant to Article 126 of the CRR and to Regulation of the Minister of Finance, Development Funds and Regional Policy of 8 October 2020 amending the Regulation on a higher risk weight for exposures secured with mortgages on properties, Santander Bank Polska S.A. identifies exposures effectively secured by mortgage on a commercial property used by the borrower to conduct his own business and not generating income generated by rent or profits from their sale, to which preferential risk weight is applied.

In each asset class, appropriate risk weight is allocated depending on the available credit rating of external rating institutions or export credit agencies. The Bank accepts ratings of the following agencies:

- Fitch Ratings;
- Moody's Investors Service;
- Standard and Poor's Ratings Services.

If two credit ratings are available for an exposure and the ratings are linked to different risk weight of the particular exposure, the Bank uses the higher risk weight. If for an exposure 3 or more credit ratings are available, the Bank uses two ratings with the lowest risk weights and if the two are different, the higher risk weight is applied.

EU CR5 – STANDARDISED APPROACH (PLN K)

Exposure classes	Risk weight															Total	Of which unrated
	0%	2%	4%	10%	20%	35%	50%	70%	75%	100%	150%	250%	370%	1250%	Others		
	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q
1 Central governments or central banks	87 762 481	-	-	-	639 187	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 397 990	-	-	-	89 799 658	89 160 471
2 Regional government or local authorities	-	-	-	-	1 561 841	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 561 841	1 561 841
3 Public sector entities	-	-	-	-	-	-	320 826	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	320 826	320 826
4 Multilateral development banks	10 341 581	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 341 581	10 341 581
5 International organisations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6 Institutions	-	236 262	-	-	5 940 921	-	10 755 366	-	-	377	-	-	-	-	-	16 932 926	1 433 116
7 Corporates	-	-	-	-	1 764	-	146 466	-	-	26 292 579	1	-	-	-	-	26 440 810	25 450 835
8 Retail exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48 895 248	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48 895 248	48 895 248
9 Exposures secured by mortgages on immovable property	-	-	-	-	-	39 821 328	9 476 318	-	-	16 245 579	1 276 619	-	-	-	-	66 819 844	66 675 548
10 Exposures in default	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 897 072	1 050 029	-	-	-	-	2 947 101	2 947 101
11 Exposures associated with particularly high risk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	343 992	-	-	-	-	343 992	343 992
12 Covered bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13 Exposures to institutions and corporates with a short-term credit assessment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14 Units or shares in collective investment undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Equity exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	386 371	-	1 355 533	-	-	-	1 741 904	1 741 904
16 Other items	1 226 338	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 487 134	-	-	-	-	-	5 713 472	5 713 472
17 TOTAL	99 330 399	236 262	-	-	8 143 713	39 821 328	20 698 976	-	48 895 248	49 309 112	2 670 641	2 753 523	-	-	-	271 859 203	254 585 935

3. Counterparty credit risk

The structure of the exposition

The tables below present detailed information about instruments held in trading and non-trading portfolios in relation to counterparty credit risk (CCR).

Santander Bank Polska Group uses standardised approach for counterparty credit risk to calculate the exposures and risk weighted assets for counterparty credit risk.

EU CCR1 – ANALYSIS OF CCR EXPOSURE BY APPROACH (PLN K)

	Replacement cost (RC)	Potential future exposure (PFE)	EEPE	Alpha used for computing regulatory exposure value	Exposure value pre-CRM	Exposure value post-CRM	Exposure value	RWEA
EU-1 EU - Original Exposure Method (for derivatives)	-	-	-	1,4	-	-	-	-
EU-2 EU - Simplified SA-CCR (for derivatives)	-	-	-	1,4	-	-	-	-
1 SA-CCR (for derivatives)	763 818	3 297 661	-	1,4	5 686 071	5 686 071	5 686 071	3 117 040
2 IMM (for derivatives and SFTs)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2a Of which securities financing transactions netting sets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2b Of which derivatives and long settlement transactions netting sets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2c Of which from contractual cross-product netting sets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3 Financial collateral simple method (for SFTs)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4 Financial collateral comprehensive method (for SFTs)	-	-	-	-	16 260 080	650 790	650 790	136 471
5 VaR for SFTs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6 Total	-	-	-	-	21 946 151	6 336 861	6 336 861	3 253 511

* The scope of disclosed information compliant with the CRR.

EU CCR3 – STANDARDISED APPROACH – CCR EXPOSURES BY REGULATORY EXPOSURE CLASS AND RISK WEIGHTS (PLN K)

Exposure classes	Risk weight												Total exposure value
	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	
	0%	2%	4%	10%	20%	50%	70%	75%	100%	150%	Others		
1 Central governments or central banks	27 524	-	-	-	152 861	-	-	-	-	-	-	180 385	
2 Regional government or local authorities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3 Public sector entities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
4 Multilateral development banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
5 International organisations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
6 Institutions	-	3 312 069	-	-	2 095 150	4 053 252	-	-	-	-	-	9 460 471	
7 Corporates	-	-	-	-	2 913	137 240	-	-	1 428 464	-	-	1 568 617	
8 Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14 609	-	-	-	14 609	
9 Institutions and corporates with a short-term credit assessment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
10 Other items	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 396	1 396	
11 Total exposure value	27 524	3 312 069	-	-	2 250 924	4 190 492	-	14 609	1 428 464	-	1 396	11 225 478	

EU CCR2 – TRANSACTIONS SUBJECT TO OWN FUNDS REQUIREMENTS FOR CVA RISK (PLN K)

	Exposure value	RWEA
1 Total transactions subject to the Advanced method	-	-
2 (i) VaR component (including the 3× multiplier)	-	-
3 (ii) stressed VaR component (including the 3× multiplier)	-	-
4 Transactions subject to the Standardised method	4 612 655	965 801
EU-4 Transactions subject to the Alternative approach (Based on the Original Exposure Method)	-	-
5 Total transactions subject to own funds requirements for CVA risk	4 612 655	965 801

EU CCR8 – EXPOSURES TO CCPS (PLN K)

	Exposure value	RWEA
1 Exposures to QCCPs (total)		67 940
2 Exposures for trades at QCCPs (excluding initial margin and default fund contributions); of which	3 312 069	66 241
3 (i) OTC derivatives	3 309 393	66 188
4 (ii) Exchange-traded derivatives	-	-
5 (iii) SFTs	2 676	54
6 (iv) Netting sets where cross-product netting has been approved	-	-
7 Segregated initial margin	-	-
8 Non-segregated initial margin	-	-
9 Prefunded default fund contributions	84 926	1 699
10 Unfunded default fund contributions	-	-
11 Exposures to non-QCCPs (total)		-

Credit risk mitigation

The Santander Bank Polska S.A. uses contractual netting according to art. 295-298 of CRR.

EU CCR5 – COMPOSITION OF COLLATERAL FOR CCR EXPOSURES (PLN K)

Collateral type	Collateral used in derivative transactions				Collateral used in SFTs			
	Fair value of collateral received		Fair value of posted collateral		Fair value of collateral received		Fair value of posted collateral	
	Segregated	Unsegregated	Segregated	Unsegregated	Segregated	Unsegregated	Segregated	Unsegregated
1 Cash – domestic currency	-	856 550	56 108	207 759	-	1 940 803	-	-
2 Cash – other currencies	-	1 742 250	806 475	1 139 581	-	-	-	-
3 Domestic sovereign debt	-	514	-	-	-	4 155 639	-	-
4 Other sovereign debt	-	309 544	-	-	-	9 767 209	-	-
5 Government agency debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6 Corporate bonds	-	5 604	-	447 745	-	-	-	-
7 Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8 Other collateral	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9 Total	-	2 914 461	862 582	1 795 085	-	15 863 650	-	-

Santander Bank Polska S.A. doesn't have credit derivatives.

4. Market risk

The table below presents the elements of own funds requirements for market risk under the standardized approach.

EU MR1 - MARKET RISK UNDER THE STANDARDISED APPROACH (PLN K)

	RWEAs
Outright products	
1 Interest rate risk (general and specific)	2 704 542
2 Equity risk (general and specific)	485 713
3 Foreign exchange risk	-
4 Commodity risk	-
Options	
5 Simplified approach	-
6 Delta-plus approach	-
7 Scenario approach	-
8 Securitisation (specific risk)	-
9 Total	3 190 255

As at December 31, 2024 there was no capital requirement in the Bank due to foreign exchange risk.

V. Capital buffers

The Act of 5 August 2015 on macroprudential supervision over the financial system and crisis management in the financial system transposed CRD IV into the Polish law with regard to, among other things, additional capital buffers to be maintained by banks.

In addition, the KNF's has set minimum levels of capital ratios. Banks should maintain Tier 1 capital ratios at the minimum levels under Pillar 1 as set out in Article 92 of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (Official Journal of the European Union of 2013, p. 1, as amended; "CRR") and under Pillar 2 ("add-on") arising from Article 138(1)(2a) of Banking Law (consolidated text: Journal of Laws of 2017, item 1876) and combined buffer requirement set out in Act of 5 August 2015 on macroprudential supervision over the financial system and crisis management (consolidated text: Journal of Laws of 2017, item 1934).

From 1 January 2019 the conservation buffer is 2.5 p.p.

Based on the assessment of the systemic importance of the bank, the KNF in its decision of 19 December 2017, as presented in letter No DAZ/7105/5/7/2017, identified the bank as an other systemically important institution (O-SII) and imposed O-SII buffer on the bank. Based on the Polish Financial Supervision Authority's decision dated 16 December 2022 the Bank is currently required to maintain the O-SII buffer in the amount equivalent to 1% of the total risk exposure amount calculated in accordance with art. 92 par. 3 of the Regulation (EU) No 575/2013. The Bank' Group maintains the O-SII buffer at the same level.

On 12 November 2019 Bank received the decision of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (letter no DBK.700.57.2019 dated 5 November 2019) regarding the expiry of a decision issued by Polish Financial Supervision Authority dated of 15 October 2018 (no DBK-DBK2.700.21.2018) in the subject of maintain own funds to cover the additional capital requirement to secure the risk arising from FX mortgage loans for households at over the amount calculated in accordance with the detailed rules set in Regulation. Thus, the Bank is not obliged to keep the additional capital requirement indicated in the expired decision.

Bank received letter from the Polish Financial Supervision Authority no DBK-DBK2B.700.2.2023 dated 21 December 2023 concerning imposing on the Bank the amount of an additional capital requirement over the amount calculated in accordance with detailed rules defined in Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 for the Bank' Group. The Polish Financial Supervision Authority imposed the additional capital requirement covering the risk of the foreign currency mortgage loans for households, at Bank's Group level at amount 0.013 p.p., for the amount calculated in accordance with article 92 item 1 letter c of the Regulation (EU) No 575/2013, which should be covered at least in 75% by Tier I funds (equivalent to own funds requirement of 0.010 p.p. over the amount calculated in accordance with article 92 item 1 letter b of the Regulation (EU) No 575/2013) and at least in 56.25% of the Common Equity Tier I capital (equivalent to own funds requirement of 0.007 p.p. over the amount calculated in accordance with art. 92 clause 1 letter a of the Regulation (EU) No 575/2013).

To mitigate the risk of credit crunch arising from the Covid-19 pandemic, on 18 March 2020 the Minister of Finance, issued a regulation based on the recommendation of the Financial Stability Committee removing banks' obligation to keep the systemic risk buffer of 3%.

On 17 December 2024 Bank received a letter from the Polish Financial Supervision Authority whereby the PFSA informs in the supervisory assessment process the Bank's sensitivity to the possible materialization of stress scenarios affecting the level of own funds and risk exposure was assessed as low. The total capital add-on recommended under Pillar 2 offset by the capital conservation buffer is 0.00 p.p. at the standalone level and 0.00 p.p. at the consolidated level, therefore the PFSA doesn't determine an additional capital add-on to absorb potential losses that may arise from stress conditions.

Taking into account all requirements, the minimum capital ratios as at 31 December 2024 are as follows:

- Tier 1 capital ratio of 9.52% and 9.530% for the Bank and the Group, respectively;
- Total capital ratio of 11.52% and 11.533% for the Bank and the Group, respectively.

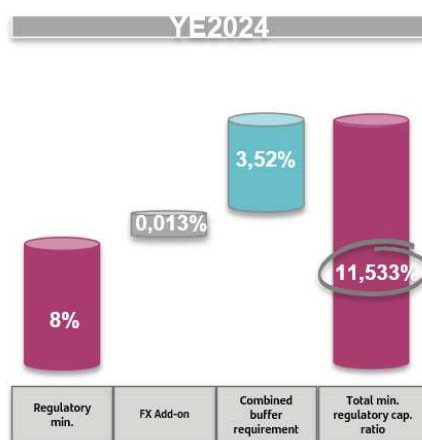
V. CAPITAL BUFFERS

The table below presents unconsolidated and consolidated minimum ratios.

CAPITAL BUFFERS OF SANTANDER BANK AND SANTANDER BANK POLSKA GROUP AT 31.12.2024 AND 31.12.2023

Components of the minimum capital requirement		31.12.2024	31.12.2023
Minimal capital ratios	Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio	4.5%	4.5%
	Tier 1 capital ratio	6%	6%
	Total capital ratio	8%	8%
Santander Bank Polska		no requirement	no requirement
Santander Bank Polska Capital Group:			
Additional capital requirement for Santander Bank Polska relating to the portfolio of FX mortgage loans for households	· for total capital ratio:	✓ 0.013 p.p.	✓ 0.013 p.p.
	· Tier 1 capital ratio:	✓ 0.010 p.p.	✓ 0.010 p.p.
	· for Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio:	✓ 0.007 p.p.	✓ 0.007 p.p.
The capital buffer for Santander Bank Polska as other systemically important institution		✓ 1 p.p.	✓ 1 p.p.
The capital conservation buffer maintained in accordance with the Macroprudential Supervision Act		✓ 2.5 p.p.	✓ 2.5 p.p.
The systemic risk buffer (SRB)		✓ 0 p.p.	✓ 0 p.p.
The institution specific countercyclical capital buffer		✓ 0.02 p.p.	✓ 0.02 p.p.
The bank's sensitivity to an unfavorable macroeconomic scenario measured using the supervisory stress tests results (P2G)	Santander Bank Polska	✓ 0 p.p.	✓ 0.37 p.p.
	Santander Bank Polska Capital Group	✓ 0 p.p.	✓ 0.37 p.p.

CAPITAL BUFFERS AND RATIOS OF SANTANDER BANK POLSKA GROUP AS AT 31.12.2024



Since 1 January 2016, the countercyclical capital buffer ratio of 0% has been applied to credit exposures in Poland. The ratio shall be effective until it is changed by way of an ordinance of the Finance Minister. Polish Financial Stability Committee of 14 June 2024 recommended to set the countercyclical capital buffer rate at the level of:

- 1% – after 12 months;
- 2% – after 24 months.

Since the announcement of the Regulation by the Minister of Finance. The Regulation of the Minister of Finance of 18 September 2024 on the countercyclical buffer rate entered into force on 24 September 2024.

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The institution specific countercyclical capital buffer for other countries as at 31 December 2024 for the Group amounts to 0.02%. Santander Bank Polska Group calculates the bank-specific countercyclical capital buffer in accordance with the Act of 5 August 2015 on macroprudential supervision over the financial system and crisis management.

THE AMOUNT OF THE INSTITUTION SPECIFIC COUNTERCYCLICAL CAPITAL BUFFER (PLN K)

1 Total risk exposure amount	147 721 396
2 Institution specific countercyclical capital buffer rate	0,02%
3 Institution specific countercyclical capital buffer requirement	24 144

EU CCyB1 table - Geographical distribution of credit exposures relevant for the calculation of the countercyclical buffer can be found in Appendix to this report „Pillar III 2024 12 Tables”, which is available on the Santander Bank Polska website.

VI. Capital adequacy

1. Capital adequacy management

It is the policy of the Santander Bank Polska Group to maintain the level of capital adequate to the type and scale of operations and the level of risk. The level of own funds required to ensure safe operations of Santander Bank Polska Group and capital requirements estimated for the unexpected loss is determined in accordance with the CRD IV / CRR package as amended plus KNF recommendations regarding national options.

The Management Board is accountable for capital management, calculation and maintenance processes, including assessment of capital adequacy vis a vis different economic conditions and evaluations of stress tests results and their impact on internal capital and capital adequacy. Responsibility for general oversight over estimation of internal capital rests with the Supervisory Board.

The Management Board delegated on-going capital management to Capital Committee. Capital Committee conducts regular assessment of capital adequacy of the Bank and the Group, also in extreme conditions, monitors the actual and required capital levels and initiates transactions affecting these levels (e.g. by recommending the value of dividends to be paid).

The Capital Committee is the first body in the bank to define capital policy and rules for assessment of capital adequacy both for the Bank and the Group. It also approves capital plans and sets out rules underpinning allocation of capital into individual segments when estimating profitability of the same. However, any ultimate decisions regarding increase or decrease of capital are taken by relevant authorities of the bank and subsidiaries in accordance with the applicable law and the Bank's Statutes.

The Bank controls capital adequacy of companies within Santander Bank Polska Group as part of corporate governance exercised by the Bank as a parent entity.

One of the bank's material subsidiaries which are subject to Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms is Santander Consumer Bank S.A. in which the bank is the majority shareholder.

As at 31 December 2024, Santander Consumer Bank S.A. met the regulatory capital adequacy requirements in terms of capital ratios, capital buffers and the leverage ratio, among other things.

Capital Policy

The capital management policy of Santander Bank Polska Group stipulates the minimum capital ratios, taking into account regulatory requirements, applicable capital buffers and additional own fund requirements under Pillar 2.

Pursuant to CRR, institutions must at all times satisfy the following own funds requirements:

- Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio of 4.5%;
- Tier 1 capital ratio of 6%;
- Total capital ratio of 8%.

As at 31 December 2024, the minimum capital ratios of the bank and Santander Bank Polska Group satisfying the regulatory recommendations and additional own fund requirements under Pillar 2 were as follows:

- Tier 1 capital ratio of Santander Bank Polska S.A. of 9.52%;
- Tier 1 capital ratio of Santander Bank Polska Group of 9.530%;
- Total capital ratio of Santander Bank Polska S.A. of 11.52%;
- Total capital ratio of Santander Bank Polska Group of 11.533%.

The above-mentioned capital ratios take into account the KNF recommendation on an additional capital requirement related to home mortgages and an additional capital buffer in connection with the identification of Santander Bank Polska S.A. as other systemically important institution, a conservation buffer, the institution specific countercyclical capital buffer and P2G buffer.

Dividend Recommendations of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority

In the letter of 10 December 2024 the KNF presented its stance on the dividend policy of commercial banks in 2025.

In accordance with the requirements set by the Regulator, 50% of 2024 profit could only be distributed by the banks which meet the basic criteria, in particular:

- Their Tier I capital ratio is not lower than the minimum required level:
 - ✓ 6% +75%*add-on + combined buffer requirement (taking into account the announced target level of the countercyclical buffer, i.e. 2%) + P2G buffer;
- Their total capital ratio is not lower than the minimum required level:
 - ✓ 8% + add-on +combined buffer requirement (taking into account the announced target level of the countercyclical buffer, i.e. 2%) + P2G buffer.

As recommended by the KNF, banks may distribute up to 75% of their profit if they meet all the criteria for distribution of up to 50% of the profit and their portfolio of loans granted to the non-financial sector is of a good credit quality (the share of non-performing loans is not higher than 5%, taking into account debt instruments).

The maximum possible dividend from profit for 2024 has been limited to 75% due to the expected strengthening of the capital base in order to absorb the possible materialization of risks accumulated in the environment of the Polish banking sector.

For the banks with a sizeable portfolio of foreign currency home loans, the dividend yield should be prudentially adjusted in line with the following criteria:

Criterion 1 – share of foreign currency home loans in the total portfolio of loans granted to the non-financial sector:

- Banks with the share above 5% – dividend yield to be adjusted by 20 p.p.;
- Banks with the share above 10% – dividend yield to be adjusted by 40 p.p.;
- Banks with the share above 20% – dividend yield to be adjusted by 60 p.p.;
- Banks with the share above 30% – dividend yield to be adjusted by 100 p.p.

Criterion 2 – share of foreign currency home loans granted in 2007-2008 in the portfolio of foreign currency home loans:

- Banks with the share above 20% – dividend yield to be adjusted by 30 p.p.;
- Banks with the share above 50% – dividend yield to be adjusted by 50 p.p.

Tier 1 ratio required by the KNF for Santander Bank Polska S.A. to pay up to 50% and up to 75% of the profit is 11.530% on a consolidated level and 11.52% on a standalone level.

Total capital ratio required by the KNF for Santander Bank Polska S.A. to pay up to 50% and up to 75% of the profit is 13.533% on a consolidated level and 13.52% on a standalone level.

As at 31 December 2024, Santander Bank Polska S.A. meets the criteria to pay a dividend of 75% of the net profit earned in 2024, both at the individual and consolidated levels. Taking into account the portfolio of foreign currency housing loans for households held by the Bank, the adjustment to dividend yield is 0 p.p.

2. Regulatory capital adequacy

Pursuant of Article 92 of CRR, total capital ratio is determined on the basis of own funds and total capital requirements multiplied by 12.5.

The capital requirement for Santander Bank Polska Group as at 31 December 2024 was determined in accordance with Regulation no. 575/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms as well as KNF recommendations regarding national options.

The capital requirements for credit, market and operational risks were calculated using a standardised approach. The capital requirement for credit risk is the most significant one.

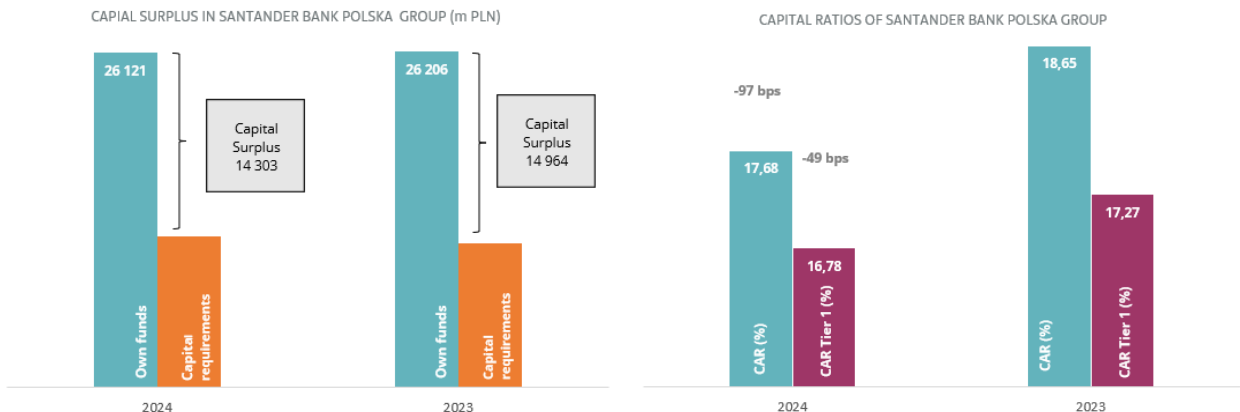
The value of asset exposure is the carrying value of the asset after adjustments for specific credit risk, additional value adjustments and other own fund deductions related to a particular asset. The off-balance sheet exposure is the percentage of the nominal value less adjustments for specific credit risk.

Taking into account total capital requirements of PLN **11 817 712k** as at 31 December 2024 and own funds of PLN **26 120 573k**, the capital ratio of Santander Bank Polska Group is **17.68%**.

The total capital ratio as at 31 December 2024 vs. 31 December 2023 was impacted by the following:

- Allocation of the profit for 2023 to Tier 1 capital and the dividend payment;
- Amortization of subordinated loans recognized in Tier 2 capital and early repayment of one of them;
- Reduction in the value of the portfolio of foreign currency loans secured on residential real estate;
- Securitisation transactions:
 - ✓ On 26 June 2024, Santander Bank Polska entered into a synthetic securitisation transaction on a corporate loans portfolio;
 - ✓ On 29 June 2024, Santander Consumer Bank entered into a synthetic securitization transaction executed on a portfolio of cash and installment loans;
 - ✓ On 20 November 2024, Santander Leasing entered into a synthetic securitisation transaction on a portfolio of leasing assets, activated after meeting the conditions specified in the guarantee agreement on 16 December 2024;
 - ✓ On 17 December 2024, Santander Bank Polska entered into a synthetic securitisation transaction on a portfolio of cash loans granted to individuals;
- An increase in risk weighted assets as a result of an increase in the value of the capital requirement due to operational risk calculated according to the standardized method based on the annual results of business lines achieved in 2021-2023;
- An increase in risk-weighted assets due to market risk as a result of the change in the portfolio of debt instruments and portfolio of equity instruments (shares and contracts).

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3. Internal capital adequacy

Notwithstanding the regulatory methods for measuring capital requirements, Santander Bank Polska Group carries out an independent assessment of current and future capital adequacy as part of the internal capital adequacy process (ICAAP). The purpose of the process is to ensure that the level and nature of own funds guarantee the solvency and stability of the Bank's and the Group's operations.

The capital adequacy assessment is one of the fundamental elements of the Group's strategy, the process of defining risk appetite and the process of planning.

The internal capital estimation process is based on the capital estimation methodology of Banco Santander Group adjusted to local conditions and approved by the Model Risk Management Committee. For specific risks identified in the Bank's and Group's business or recommended by local regulations or supervision authorities for inclusion in the internal capital estimation process, the Group applies internal risk measurement models for measurable risks and add-ons approach for qualitative (difficult to measure) risks.

The following risks are subject to the statistical loss estimation models:

- Credit risk including credit concentration risk (credit risk);
- Operational risk;
- Market risk (in the trading book and banking book);
- ALM risk;
- Business risk;
- Fixed assets risk;
- Intangible assets risk;
- Deferred tax risk.

In the case of credit risk the internal capital is estimated on the basis of risk parameters including the probability of default of Santander Bank Polska Group customers (PD - probability of default) and loss given default (LGD loss given default).

Other risks, e.g. reputational risk and compliance risk, are treated as quality risks that the Bank manages in line with written procedures and policies and supervises within the assigned ownerships and relevant committees.

Santander Bank Polska Group performs an internal assessment of capital requirements, including under stressed conditions, taking into account different macroeconomic scenarios.

Internal capital estimation models are assessed and reviewed annually to adjust them to the scale and profile of the Group's business and to take account of any new risks and the management judgement.

The review and assessment is the responsibility of the Group's risk management committees, including: Capital Committee and Model Risk Management Committee.

VII. Securitisation

Santander Bank Polska Group presents information on securitisation in accordance with points j)-l) of Article 449 of the CRR.

Securitisation tables for the Santander Bank Polska Capital Group (EU SEC1, EU SEC3, EU SEC4, EU SEC5) can be found in Annex „Pillar III 2024 12 Tables”, which is available on the Santander Bank Polska website.

Santander Bank Polska S.A.

Synthetic securitisation 2022

On March 31, 2022, Santander Bank Polska S.A. concluded with the International Finance Corporation (IFC) a securitisation transaction, as a result of which a portfolio of cash loans in the amount of PLN 2 443 520 k was covered by the guarantee, with the possibility of increasing this amount in the future to the level of PLN 2 878 788 k. The transaction is the first transaction concluded by the Bank and entities of the SBP Group with this investor. Its purpose is to release the capital that the Bank will allocate to finance climate projects (projects related to climate change mitigation, focusing mainly on renewable energy sources, energy efficiency and financing green real estate projects) with a total value of at least USD 600 000 k.

The transaction is a synthetic securitisation without a financing element, and the selected portfolio of cash loans covered by it remains included in the Bank's balance sheet.

The transaction is set to expire by 31 January 2030. Santander Bank Polska is the originator of the synthetic securitisation and it does not perform any other roles in the synthetic structure in question. No Securitisation Special Purpose Entities (SSPE) participate in the transaction.

The transaction is an implementation of the Bank's Tier 1 capital optimization strategy by transferring a significant part of the risk (SRT) related to securitized credit exposures to a third party (IFC), in accordance with Art. 245 (1) (a) and Art. 245 (2) (a) of the CRR Regulation. The structure of the transaction assumes the division of the securitized portfolio into three tranches: the senior tranche (82.67% of the portfolio), the guaranteed mezzanine tranche (16.5% of the portfolio) and the first loss tranche junior (0.83% of the portfolio). Only the guaranteed tranche is covered by unfunded credit protection in the form of a guarantee granted to the Bank by IFC on the basis of the Guarantee Agreement. The IFC is qualified according to Art. 117 of the CRR Regulation as a multilateral development bank which, based on the principles set out in the CRR Regulation, can be assigned a risk weight of 0%.

As at 31 December 2024, the amounts of the individual tranches were as follows:

- Senior tranche PLN 729 096 k;
- Mezzanine tranche: PLN 145 519 k;
- Junior tranche: PLN 23 856 k.

The risk-weighted exposure amounts for the retained tranches (ie senior and first loss tranches) are calculated using the SEC-SA standardized approach in accordance with Art. 261 (the transaction is not an STS securitisation).

The first loss tranche is deducted from Common Equity Tier 1 items pursuant to Art. 36 sec. 1 lit. k) of the CRR, as an alternative to applying a risk weight of 1,250%.

As at 31 December 2024, the total amount of deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 capital due to securitisation is PLN 16 249 k and the senior tranche generated a risk-weighted exposure amount of PLN **185 786 k**.

Securitisation 2023

On 28th February 2023 Santander Bank Polska has purchased bonds issued by VCL Master Poland DAC (SSPE).

Transaction was externally certified with a STS status. Banks intention is to hold the bonds till the maturity. Primary risk of the bonds is credit risk.

In February 2024, an amendment regarding replenishment period renewal was signed.

The risk-weighted exposure amounts for the bonds are calculated under the securitisation approach SEC-SA.

As at 31st December 2024, the senior tranche generated a risk-weighted exposure amount of PLN **50 000k**.

Synthetic securitisation 2024

On 26 June 2024, Santander Bank Polska entered into a synthetic securitisation transaction on a corporate loans portfolio with a total nominal value of PLN 3 730 485 k. The securitised portfolio was divided into three tranches, determining the order of credit loss allocation: senior (92.4% of the portfolio), mezzanine (6.85% of the portfolio) and first loss tranches (0.75% of the portfolio).

The junior tranche and senior tranche were acquired by Santander Bank Polska. The mezzanine tranche was acquired in full by external investors. The transaction structure does not use the Synthetic Excess Spread. As part of the transaction, Santander Bank Polska obtained credit risk protection in a synthetic form in relation to the exposures from the portfolio, in the form of funded credit linked notes ("CLNs") issued directly by Santander Bank Polska. The CLNs cover losses on the securitisation portfolio in the amount of the mezzanine tranche. The requirement to maintain a significant net economic share is met by retaining randomly selected eligible exposures representing at least 5% of the nominal value of the securitised loans.

As part of the transaction on 26 June 2024, Santander Bank Polska issued CLNs marked with ISIN code XS2846982820, maturing on 31 December 2033, with a nominal value of PLN 256 000 k. The Bank has the option of earlier repayment of its bonds under the CLNs. On 26 June 2024, the CLNs were introduced to trading in the alternative trading system on the Vienna MTF organised by Wiener Börse AG (Vienna Stock Exchange).

As at 31 December 2024, the values of individual tranches were as follows:

- Senior tranche PLN 2 720 970k;
- Mezzanine tranche PLN 202 109k;
- Junior tranche PLN 27 979k.

As of 31 December 2024, the senior tranche generated the amount of risk-weighted assets of PLN **272 097k**. Moreover, in connection with the application of a regulatory volatility adjustment in the event of a currency mismatch for the securitisation position resulting from the mezzanine tranche covered by credit protection, the Bank includes an additional amount of risk-weighted assets in the amount of PLN **47 444k**. The total amount of risk weighted assets for securitisation is PLN **319 541k**.

On 17 December 2024, Santander Bank Polska concluded a synthetic securitisation transaction on a portfolio of cash loans granted to natural persons with a total nominal value of PLN 4 499 975k.

The securitized receivables portfolio was divided into three tranches: senior tranche (89.49% of the portfolio), mezzanine (8.76% of the portfolio) and junior tranche, which is the first loss tranche (1.75% of the portfolio). The junior and senior tranches were taken up by the Bank. The mezzanine tranche was taken up in full by external investors not related to the Bank.

As part of the transaction, on December 17, 2024, Santander Bank Polska issued CLN Bonds marked with the ISIN code XS2944989313 with a maturity date of February 7, 2033, with a nominal value of PLN 394 000 k. The Bank has the option of early repayment of liabilities arising from the CLN Bonds. On December 17, 2024, the CLN Bonds were introduced to trading in the alternative trading system on the Vienna MTF organized by Wiener Börse AG (Vienna Stock Exchange).

The requirement to maintain a significant net economic participation is met by retaining randomly selected eligible exposures representing at least 5% of the nominal value of the securitized loans. The agreement assumes a one-year replenishment period during which the Bank may supplement the transaction structure with the value of the amortized portfolio.

As at 31 December 2024, the value of the securitized portfolio is PLN 4 073 263k. The amounts of the tranches were as follows:

- Senior tranche PLN 3 600 513k;
- Mezzanine tranche PLN 394 000k;
- Junior tranche PLN 78 750k.

As at 31 December 2024, the total amount of deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 capital due to securitisation is PLN **61 565k**, and the senior tranche generated the amount of risk-weighted assets of PLN **360 051k**.

In the securitisation transactions concluded in 2024, Santander Bank Polska acts as originator and has no other roles within the synthetic structure under review. No securitisation special purpose entities (SSPEs) are involved in the transaction.

The transactions carried out take the form of a synthetic STS securitisation with risk transfer within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 2402/2017 of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing a general framework for securitisation and establishing a specific framework for simple, transparent and standard securitisations, as well as amending Directive 2009/65 /EC, 2009/138/EC and 2011/61/EU and regulations (EC) No. 1060/2009 and (EU) No. 648/2012, as amended (Securitisation Regulation), and the selected loan portfolios covered by it remain on the Bank's balance sheet.

The transactions implement the Bank's Tier 1 capital optimization strategy by transferring a significant part of the risk (SRT) related to securitized credit exposures to a third party, in accordance with Art. 245(1)(a) and Art. 245(2)(a) of the CRR Regulation.

The entire securitized portfolio is risk weighted according to the standard method. To calculate risk weights for individual tranches, the Bank used the SEC-SA method, in accordance with Art. 262 of the CRR Regulation.

First loss tranches are deducted from Common Equity Tier 1 capital items, based on Art. 36 section 1 letter k) CRR Regulation, as an alternative to the use of a risk weight of 1,250%.

On 25 October 2024, the Bank exercised the option of early termination (clean-up call) of the synthetic securitisation of the cash loan portfolio concluded on December 7, 2018 with the European Investment Fund (EIF). The purpose of the transaction was to release capital further allocated to financing projects supporting the development of the SME, corporate and public sector customer segments. The bank fulfilled all obligations arising from the contract. Early termination of the transaction resulted from the terms of the contract, which indicated such a possibility in the event of a reduction in the value of the securitized portfolio below 10% of its initial value.

Securitisation risks

The securitisation transactions carried out by the Bank are designed to reduce credit risk and release part of the capital. In the case of Santander Bank Polska, securitisation risks include, but are not limited to risks resulting from the Bank's role as the entity initiating and handling the transaction (monitoring of underlying transactions, reporting and debt collection). The Bank constantly analyses risks that may materialise after the conclusion of the securitisation transactions, as well as risks that may materialise in connection with the planned execution of subsequent securitisation transactions.

Santander Consumer Bank S.A.

Synthetic securitisation

On 29 June 2024, Santander Consumer Bank. carried out a synthetic securitisation transaction of the Bank's portfolio of cash and instalment loans in the total amount of PLN 3 409 981k. The transaction is part of the Bank's Tier 1 capital optimisation strategy and was aimed at obtaining capital relief on the retail loan portfolio.

The structure of the transaction includes the division of the securitised portfolio into three tranches: senior (88.77% of the portfolio) mezzanine (8.23% of the portfolio) and junior (i.e. the first-loss tranche) (3% of the portfolio).

The transaction takes the form of a synthetic STS securitisation with a recognised transfer of a significant portion of risk. As part of the agreement signed with the private investor, the Bank obtained a financial guarantee for 100% of the mezzanine tranche. In addition, the investor has deposited cash equivalent to the guaranteed amount under the financial guarantee to secure the payment.

The transaction includes a six-month revolving period during which the Bank has the option to replenish the amortised amount of the securitised portfolio with new exposures that meet the criteria set out in the agreement. The transaction does not have a funding element and the securitised portfolio of cash and installment loans covered by the transaction remains on the Bank's balance sheet.

As at 31 December 2024, the gross carrying amounts of the tranches were as follows:

- Senior tranche PLN 3 019 972k;
- Mezzanine tranche PLN 279 831k;
- Junior tranche PLN 89 216k.

As at 31 December 2024, the total amount of deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 capital due to securitisation is PLN **55 411k** and the senior tranche generated the amount of risk-weighted assets of PLN **301 977k**.

In 2024, Santander Consumer Bank S.A. continued the synthetic securitisation transaction entered into December 2020 with the European Investment Fund for the Bank's portfolio of cash and instalment loans. The purpose of the transaction carried out was to obtain capital relief on the retail loan portfolio, which provides additional capacity to finance projects supporting the development of the SME customer segment.

As at 31 December 2024, the total amount of deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 capital due to securitisation is PLN **5 056k**.

On 31 July 2024, Santander Consumer Bank exercised the option of early termination (clean-up call) of the synthetic securitisation of the cash and installment loan portfolio concluded on 5 July 2019 with the European Investment Fund (EIF).

Liquidity securitisation

In December 2022, the Santander Consumer Bank concluded a new securitisation transaction of the cash loan portfolio. The transaction is a traditional, revolving securitisation with a maximum duration of 10 years.

As part of this transaction, SCB transferred the ownership rights from future cash flows, worth PLN 1 250 000 k, to the special purpose entity: SC Poland Consumer 23-1 DAC (SPV) based in Ireland, and granted a subordinated loan of PLN 250 000 k to this company. The loan is subordinated to senior and secured binds. Interest on the loan is paid in cascade payments, i.e. in a specific order, from the funds held by the SPV, and the total capital repayment will take place after full redemption of the bonds. The interest rate on the loan is based on a fixed rate.

The acquisition by the SPV of receivables from SCB took place thanks to the issue of bonds secured by a registered pledge on the company's assets worth PLN 1 000 000k, bearing interest based on the WIBOR rate.

In December 2024, the Bank extended the revolving period of the transaction by 12 months. Consequently, the beginning of the amortization of the transaction will begin in December 2025. The other terms of the transaction remain unchanged.

In the light of the provisions of IFRS 9, the contractual terms of both securitisations do not meet the conditions for not including the securitized assets in the Bank's statement of financial position.

As at December 31, 2024, the fair values were:

- Subordinated loan granted - PLN 253 307k;
- Securitised assets - PLN 1 081 818k.

At the same time, Santander Consumer Bank recognizes a liability for securitisation cash flows in the statement of financial position in the item Amounts due to customers in the amount equal to PLN 1 256 195k as at 31 December 2024.

Santander Consumer Multirent Sp. z o.o.

Liquidity securitisation

In May 2022, Santander Consumer Multirent Sp z o.o. (SCM) restructured the securitisation transaction of the July 2020 lease portfolio. The concluded transaction is a traditional and revolving securitisation involving the transfer of ownership of the securitized receivables to the special purpose entity SCM POLAND AUTO 2019-1 DAC (SPV3) with its registered office in Ireland.

As at 31.12.2024, the value of the bonds based on securitised assets issued by the Company totalled PLN 891 000 k. The interest on the issued bonds consists of the WIBOR 1M rate and a margin. As a result of the securitisation, SCM obtained financing for its operations in exchange for giving up the rights to future flows resulting from the securitized loan portfolio.

In order to support the financing of the transaction, SCM granted SPV3 a subordinated loan with a value of PLN 216 700 k as at 31 December 2024. The loan is subordinated to senior and secured bonds. Interest on the loan is paid in cascade payments, i.e. in a specific order, from the funds held by SPV4, and the total repayment of the principal will take place after full redemption of the bonds. The interest rate on the loan is based on a variable rate based on WIBOR 1M.

In the light of the provisions of IFRS 9, the contractual terms of the securitisation transaction do not meet the conditions for not including the securitized assets in the SCM's statement of financial position. In connection with the above, SCM recognizes securitized assets as at 30 June 2024 under Finance lease receivables in the amount of PLN 1 100 000 k.

At the same time, SCM recognizes a liability for securitisation flows under the field: Other liabilities, in the amount as at 31 December 2024 of PLN 1 107 700 k.

As at 31 December 2024, SCM also had receivables due to current settlements with the SPV in the amount of PLN 7 552 k, these receivables are presented in Trade receivables and other receivables.

Santander Leasing S.A.

Synthetic securitisation 2020

On 19 June 2020 Santander Leasing SA made a guarantee agreement with the European Investment Fund ("EIF"). The pertinent guarantee relates to a lease and loan portfolio totalling approx. PLN 2 014 000k. The transaction is set to expire on 31 May 2031.

The guarantee agreement made by Santander Leasing conforms to the requirements set out in CRR Regulation regarding synthetic securitisation, however, it is not an STS transaction. The transaction is a synthetic securitisation which does not involve financing and it covers the selected portfolio of lease and loans which remain on the Company's balance sheet.

Structure of the transaction is that the securitised portfolio is divided into three tranches: senior (85% portfolio), mezzanine (14.2%) and junior, i.e., the first loss tranche (0.8%). As at the guarantee activation date, the senior tranche totalled PLN 1 700 000k, the mezzanine tranche was PLN 284 000k and the junior tranche amounted to PLN 16 000k. The senior and mezzanine tranches are fully guaranteed by the EIF (in relation to the principal component of the underlying exposures). In addition, the mezzanine tranche is secured by a counter-guarantee from the European Investment Bank (EIB).

As at 31 December 2024, the amounts of the tranches were as follows:

- Senior tranche PLN 295 747k;
- Mezzanine tranche PLN 37 391k;
- Junior tranche PLN 15 332k.

In the synthetic securitisation process, Santander Leasing acts as the initiating entity and does not play any other roles within the analyzed synthetic structure. The transaction does not involve special purpose entities for securitisation purposes (SSPE).

For the purposes of the said synthetic securitisation meeting capital adequacy, under Article 245(1)(b) of CRR the principal component of the junior tranche exposures will be deducted from Common Equity Tier 1. In addition, the value of Common Equity Tier 1 will be reduced by a value of the available Synthetic Excess Spread.

As at 31 December 2024 the cumulative deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 on account of securitisation amount to PLN 7 865 k.

Synthetic securitisation 2021

On 16 December 2021 Santander Leasing SA made a guarantee agreement with the European Investment Fund ("EIF"). The pertinent guarantee relates to a lease and loan portfolio totalling approx. PLN 2 736 219k. The transaction is set to expire on 30 November 2030.

The guarantee agreement made by Santander Leasing SA conforms to the requirements set out in CRR Regulation regarding synthetic securitisation, however, it is not an STS transaction. The transaction is a synthetic securitisation which does not involve financing and it covers the selected portfolio of lease and loans which remain on SL's statement of financial position.

Structure of the transaction is that the securitised portfolio is divided into two tranches: senior (87.5% portfolio) and junior, i.e. the first loss tranche (12.5% portfolio). As at the guarantee activation date, the senior tranche was PLN 2 394 192k and the junior tranche amounted to PLN 342 027k. The junior tranche was guaranteed by EIF. Both the principal, as well as the interest components of the underlying exposures are covered by EIF guarantee. The Synthetic Excess Spread (SES) was not applied in the transaction.

As at 31 December 2024, the tranche amounts were as follows:

- Senior tranche PLN 331 664k;
- Junior tranche PLN 170 213k.

SL is the originator of the synthetic securitisation process and does not perform any other roles in the synthetic structure in question. Securitisation special purpose entities (SSPEs) are not involved in the transaction. The amount of risk-weighted exposure with respect to the retained tranche is defined with the use of a standard SEC-SA method, in line with Article 262 of CRR.

As at 31 December 2024 the senior tranche generated risk-weighted exposure of PLN **49 750k**.

Synthetic securitisation 2023

On 28 September 2023 Santander Leasing SA made a guarantee agreement with the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development "EBRD". The pertinent guarantee relates to a lease and loan portfolio totalling approx. PLN 2 382 979k. The transaction is set to expire on 28 February 2032.

The guarantee agreement made by Santander Leasing SA (hereinafter "SL") conforms to the requirements set out in CRR Regulation (amended by Regulation (EU) 2017/2041) regarding synthetic securitisation. The transaction is a synthetic securitisation which does not involve financing and it covers the selected portfolio of lease and loans which remain on SL's statement of financial position.

Structure of the transaction is that the securitised portfolio is divided into three tranches: senior, mezzanine and first loss.

As at the guarantee activation date, the senior tranche was PLN 2 097 021k (88% portfolio), protected was PLN 254 979k (10,70% portfolio) and the first loss tranche amounted to PLN 30 979k (1,3% portfolio). The protected tranche was guaranteed by EBRD. Both the principal, as well as the interest components of the underlying exposures are covered by EBRD guarantee.

The synthetic securitisation structure created under the guarantee agreement does not generate additional exposure for the company to risks typical of traditional securitisation transactions (e.g. liquidity risk related to the securitized assets).

As at 31 December 2024, the tranche amounts were as follows:

- Senior tranche PLN 1 151 360k;
- Protected tranche PLN 139 995k;
- Junior tranche PLN 28 565k.

As at 31 December 2024, the total amount of deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 capital due to securitisation is PLN **21 230k**, while the senior tranche generated a risk-weighted exposure amount of PLN **115 136k**.

SL is the originator of the synthetic securitisation process and does not perform any other roles in the synthetic structure in question. No Securitisation Special Purpose Entities (SSPE) participate in the transaction.

On 20 November 2024, Santander Leasing signed a guarantee agreement with the European Investment Fund. The agreement assumes that the securitisation transaction covers a portfolio of receivables arising from leasing agreements and loan agreements worth PLN 3 945 652k.

The effective date of the Guarantee Agreement depends on the fulfillment of specified conditions. One of the key conditions determining the effective date of activation of the guarantee was the fulfillment of the obligation regarding the pre-allocation of capital released as part of the transaction for newly granted loans to the SME and MidCap sectors, in accordance with the requirements set by the European Investment Fund (EIF) and the European Investment Bank (EIB).

The Santander Bank Polska Group met all conditions necessary to activate the Guarantee Agreement on 16 December 2024. This means effective coverage of the securitized portfolio with credit protection in the form of a guarantee for 100% of the senior tranche and 100% of the mezzanine tranche. The first loss tranche (junior) has been retained in its entirety and will be deducted from Common Equity Tier 1 capital items, based on Art. 36 section 1 letter k) CRR Regulation, as an alternative to the use of a risk weight of 1,250%. Deduction from CET 1 capital implies the application of the "full deduction method" as set out in Art. 245 section 1 lit. b) of the CRR Regulation.

As at 31 December 2024, the total amount of deductions from Common Equity Tier 1 capital due to securitisation is PLN **21 836k**.

The guarantee agreement assumes a two-year replenishment period, during which the entity may supplement the transaction structure with the value of the amortized portfolio. In order to maintain the stability of the portfolio structure, the transaction used the Synthetic Excess Spread (SES) mechanism with economic use-it-or-lose-it characteristics, enabling the allocation of losses outside the securitisation structure up to 0.7% of the portfolio size annually.

As of 31 December 2024, the value of the securitized portfolio is PLN 3 704 325k. The amounts of the tranches were as follows:

- Senior tranche PLN 3 148 676k;
- Mezzanine tranche PLN 526 014k;
- Junior tranche PLN 29 635k.

VIII. Leverage ratio

The leverage ratio of Santander Bank Polska Group is set in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 as amended.

The leverage ratio of Santander Bank Polska Group is disclosed in accordance with the Regulation (UE) 2021/637 of 15 March 2021 laying down implementing technical standards with regard to public disclosures by institutions of the information referred to in Titles II and III of Part Eight of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1423/2013, Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/1555, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/200 and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2295.

The leverage ratio (LR) shall be calculated as an institution's capital measure divided by that institution's total exposure measure and shall be expressed as a percentage.

A reference day for the following data is 31 December 2024. Presented leverage ratio is calculated in relation to Tier 1 capital phase in definition. Santander Bank Polska Group disclose the information on sub-consolidated basis. Fiduciary items are not eliminated from the total leverage ratio exposure.

VIII. LEVERAGE RATIO

EU LR2 - LRCOM: LEVERAGE RATIO COMMON DISCLOSURE AS AT 31.12.2024 (PLN K)

	CRR leverage ratio exposures	
	a	b
	31.12.2024	30.06.2024
On-balance sheet exposures (excluding derivatives and SFTs)		
1 On-balance sheet items (excluding derivatives, SFTs, but including collateral)	284 644 562	268 739 880
2 Gross-up for derivatives collateral provided, where deducted from the balance sheet assets pursuant to the applicable accounting framework	442 031	403 488
3 (Deductions of receivables assets for cash variation margin provided in derivatives transactions)	-1 365 527	-1 259 088
6 (Asset amounts deducted in determining Tier 1 capital)	-2 494 103	-2 335 253
7 Total on-balance sheet exposures (excluding derivatives and SFTs)	281 226 963	265 549 028
Derivative exposures		
8 Replacement cost associated with SA-CCR derivatives transactions (ie net of eligible cash variation margin)	3 312 558	3 835 452
EU-8a Derogation for derivatives: replacement costs contribution under the simplified standardised approach	-	-
9 Add-on amounts for potential future exposure associated with SA-CCR derivatives transactions	6 863 087	5 689 083
13 Total derivatives exposures	10 175 645	9 524 534
Securities financing transaction (SFT) exposures		
14 Gross SFT assets (with no recognition of netting), after adjustment for sales accounting transactions	14 532 176	12 655 045
16 Counterparty credit risk exposure for SFT assets	638 156	362 003
18 Total securities financing transaction exposures	15 170 332	13 017 048
Other off-balance sheet exposures		
19 Off-balance sheet exposures at gross notional amount	63 994 226	57 869 638
20 (Adjustments for conversion to credit equivalent amounts)	-50 847 585	-45 733 442
22 Off-balance sheet exposures	13 146 641	12 136 196
Excluded exposures		
EU-22k (Total exempted exposures)	-	-
Capital and total exposure measure		
23 Tier 1 capital	24 792 191	24 653 318
24 Total exposure measure	319 719 581	300 226 806
Leverage ratio		
25 Leverage ratio (%)	7,75%	8,21%
EU-25 Leverage ratio (excluding the impact of the exemption of public sector investments and promotional loans) (%)	7,75%	8,21%
25a Leverage ratio (excluding the impact of any applicable temporary exemption of central bank reserves) (%)	7,75%	8,21%
26 Regulatory minimum leverage ratio requirement (%)	3,00%	3,00%
EU-27a Overall leverage ratio requirement (%)	3,00%	3,00%
Choice on transitional arrangements and relevant exposures		
EU-27b Choice on transitional arrangements for the definition of the capital measure	transitional	transitional
Disclosure of mean values		
28 Mean of daily values of gross SFT assets, after adjustment for sale accounting transactions and netted of amounts of associated cash payables and cash receivable	16 436 153	15 107 384
29 Quarter-end value of gross SFT assets, after adjustment for sale accounting transactions and netted of amounts of associated cash payables and cash receivables	14 532 176	12 655 045
30 Total exposure measure (including the impact of any applicable temporary exemption of central bank reserves) incorporating mean values from row 28 of gross SFT assets (after adjustment for sale accounting transactions and netted of amounts of associated cash payables and cash receivables)	321 623 558	302 679 145
30a Total exposure measure (excluding the impact of any applicable temporary exemption of central bank reserves) incorporating mean values from row 28 of gross SFT assets (after adjustment for sale accounting transactions and netted of amounts of associated cash payables and cash receivables)	321 623 558	302 679 145
31 Leverage ratio (including the impact of any applicable temporary exemption of central bank reserves) incorporating mean values from row 28 of gross SFT assets (after adjustment for sale accounting transactions and netted of amounts of associated cash payables and cash receivables)	7,71%	8,15%
31a Leverage ratio (excluding the impact of any applicable temporary exemption of central bank reserves) incorporating mean values from row 28 of gross SFT assets (after adjustment for sale accounting transactions and netted of amounts of associated cash payables and cash receivables)	7,71%	8,15%

* The scope of disclosed information compliant with the CRR.

EU LR1 and LR3 tables can be found in Appendix to this report „Pillar III 2024 12 Tables“, which is available on the Santander Bank Polska website.

As at 31 December 2024, the leverage ratio of Santander Bank Polska Group totalled 7.75% (vs. 8.21% as at 30.06.2024) and more than double the minimum requirement of 3%.

VIII. LEVERAGE RATIO

The Santander Bank Polska Group has the Leverage & Excessive Leverage Risk Policy in place which defines the objectives and addresses the key aspects of measurement, monitoring and reporting the leverage ratio and its compliance with the regulatory requirements as well as identification, management and monitoring of excessive leverage risk. The document sets out the roles and responsibilities of the parties involved in the relevant processes.

Identifying the risk of excessive financial leverage is about identification of current and potential risk sources and factors and assessing their potential impact on activity of the Bank and the Bank's Capital Group.

Stress testing as per "Stress Testing Policy" is carried out under the risk measurement. Stress testing for the risk of excessive leverage takes place at least once a year as well as in the case of adverse events in the internal and external Bank environment.

When setting the limits of the risk appetite, Santander Bank Polska takes into account the results of stress testing. The overriding goal is to ensure stable revenues, liquidity and safe level of capital ratios.

Stress testing is performed based on objective scenario under regular analyses for the purpose of ICAAP.

The output received will be used for setting the right limits, these include the right credit portfolio concentration levels which guarantee optimal use of available capital and achievable return on the funds invested in lending.

Monitoring the risk of excessive leverage is, among others, about setting limits and watch level to keep the risk at a safe level and controlling these under the Bank's risk appetite.

The limits are set at least once a year and represent the appendix to the SBP Group Risk Appetite Statement. Utilisation of the limits is controlled monthly.

IX. Encumbered assets and unencumbered assets

An asset is treated as encumbered if it has been pledged or if it is subject to any form of arrangement to secure or credit-enhance any on-balance-sheet or off-balance-sheet transaction from which it cannot be freely withdrawn (for instance, to be pledged for funding purposes).

Presented information in according to 443 article of CRR.

EU AE1 - ENCUMBERED AND UNENCUMBERED ASSETS OF SANTANDER BANK POLSKA GROUP AS AT 31.12.2024 (PLN K)

	Carrying amount of encumbered assets		Fair value of encumbered assets		Carrying amount of unencumbered assets		Fair value of unencumbered assets	
	of which notionally eligible EHQLA and HQLA		of which notionally eligible EHQLA and HQLA		of which EHQLA and HQLA		of which EHQLA and HQLA	
	010	030	040	050	060	080	090	100
010 Assets of the disclosing institution	9 442 376	4 549 264			280 108 503	70 246 478		
030 Equity instruments	-	-	-	-	476 020	-	-	-
040 Debt securities	4 549 264	4 549 264	4 549 264	4 549 264	68 322 667	66 878 740	68 322 667	66 883 138
050 of which: covered bonds	1 058 588	-	-	-	16 969 902	-	-	-
060 of which: securitisations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
070 of which: issued by general governments	4 132 627	4 132 627	4 132 627	4 132 627	51 292 119	49 929 454	51 292 119	49 933 730
080 of which: issued by financial corporations	1 305 975	416 637	416 637	416 637	13 924 215	13 887 505	13 924 215	13 887 627
090 of which: issued by non-financial corporations	84 625	-	-	-	2 015	-	2 015	-
120 Other assets	4 893 112	-			211 309 816	3 367 738		

* As the average of the sum of the four quarter-end values over the previous twelve months

EU AE2 - COLLATERAL RECEIVED AND OWN DEBT SECURITIES ISSUED OF SANTANDER BANK POLSKA GROUP AS AT 31.12.2024 (PLN K)

	Fair value of encumbered collateral received or own debt securities issued		Unencumbered	
	of which notionally eligible EHQLA and HQLA		Fair value of collateral received or own debt securities issued available for encumbrance	
	010	030	040	060
130 Collateral received by the disclosing institution	-	-	11 222 003	7 790 076
140 Loans on demand	-	-	14 655	-
150 Equity instruments	-	-	-	-
160 Debt securities	-	-	11 207 348	10 772 006
170 of which: covered bonds	-	-	-	-
180 of which: securitisations	-	-	-	-
190 of which: issued by general governments	-	-	11 192 886	10 772 006
200 of which: issued by financial corporations	-	-	1 889	-
210 of which: issued by non-financial corporations	-	-	12 573	-
220 Loans and advances other than loans on demand	-	-	-	-
230 Other collateral received	-	-	-	-
240 Own debt securities issued other than own covered bonds or securitisations	-	-	-	-
241 Own covered bonds and securitisations issued and not yet pledged				
250 TOTAL COLLATERAL RECEIVED AND OWN DEBT SECURITIES ISSUED	9 442 376	4 549 264		

* As the average of the sum of the four quarter-end values over the previous twelve months

EU AE3 - SOURCES OF ENCUMBRANCE AT 31.12.2024 (PLN K)

	010	030
	010 Carrying amount of selected financial liabilities	5 715 264

* As the average of the sum of the four quarter-end values over the previous twelve months

The information on encumbered and unencumbered assets, as contained in this disclosure, has been prepared in accordance with Commission Delegated Regulation (UE) 2022/1994 of 21 November 2022 amending the implementing technical standards laid down in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/451 as regards own funds, asset encumbrance, liquidity and reporting for the purposes of identifying global systemically important institutions.

IX. ENCUMBERED ASSETS

The scope of regulatory consolidation for the purposes of disclosing information on asset encumbrance corresponds to the scope of application in relation to the liquidity requirements on a consolidated basis, as defined in Part Two of Chapter 2 of Regulation (EU) No 75/2013;

The figures in above tables are presented at their net carrying amounts (taking into account any allowances under IFRS 9).

As at 31 December 2024, Santander Bank Polska Group had assets which were encumbered on account of:

- Repo transactions;
- Financing agreements signed by Santander Bank Polska S.A. and subsidiaries with international financial institutions;
- Collateral connected with the Bank's operations in the derivatives market.

The development in time of encumbrances related to the Bank's financing agreements with international financial institutions results from:

- The value of assets constituting the collateral (an increase stemming from signing new financing agreements or subsequent tranches within the already concluded agreements, decreases stemming from payment of obligations under financing agreements);
- Parameters of financial instruments constituting collateral.

To secure financing agreements with international financial institutions, the Bank concluded agreements on financial pledge based on treasury bonds. The pledge coverage ratio depends on the Bank's rating and changes along with the rating upgrade/ downgrade. If the contractual collateral value goes below the required minimum level, the Bank is required to provide additional collateral.

The development in time in the encumbrances connected with the collateral provided in relation to the Group's operations in the derivatives market results from changes in the market value of the Bank's transactions with individual contractors in this market.

The category of unencumbered assets which the Group believes cannot be encumbered as part of the ordinary business includes selected credit portfolios.

All amounts and types of encumbered assets and off-balance sheet items, as presented in line 10 of EU AE3 are connected with liabilities.

In Santander Bank Polska Group there are no differences between the scope of regulatory consolidation for disclosing information on asset encumbrance and for the application of liquidity requirements on a consolidated basis. In both cases, the following entities are subject to consolidation:

- Santander Bank Polska S.A.;
- Santander Consumer Bank S.A.;
- Santander Leasing S.A.;
- Santander Factoring Sp. z o.o.

The value of exposure to be disclosed equals its net carrying amount. Average exposure values are estimated in two stages:

- First, mean values as at the end of the last four quarters are calculated. Each mean value includes values from four quarters (i.e. the current quarter and three previous ones);
- Next, the average of mean values from step one is calculated.

X. Policy of variable components of remuneration

The variable remuneration principles of Santander Bank Polska Group are defined in the **Remuneration Policy of Santander Bank Polska Group, established by the Management Board and approved by the Supervisory Board.**

In 2024, the Remuneration Policy of Santander Bank Polska Group was updated. The Remuneration Policy is the key element of the remuneration strategy; it defines the principles of staff remuneration in the Bank Group and is intended to develop, review, implement and supervise practices related to staff remuneration. The Bank Group's Remuneration Policy is consistent with the interests of shareholders, employees, customers and local communities and, in particular, it promotes behaviours reflecting corporate values. The Remuneration Policy and related practices are gender neutral.

Santander Bank Polska Group has put in place general regulations applicable for all employees, including those whose professional activity has a significant impact on the Bank's risk profile ("material risk takers", "MRTs").

The Policy is reviewed once a year or more frequently after each significant organisational or legal change.

In line with the annual review of the Remuneration Policy, minor changes were made in 2024:

- Alignment with the Regulation of the Minister of Finance on the risk management system, the internal control system, the remuneration policy and the detailed method for estimating internal capital;
- Update to the EBA guidelines on sound remuneration policies in accordance with Directive 2013/36/EU (EBA/GL/2021/04);
- Changes resulting from the Banco Santander Group Remuneration Policy;
- Alignment with ESMA guidelines on remuneration in light of MiFID II (ESMA35-43-3565).

The method of remunerating members of the Bank's governing bodies is laid down in the "Remuneration policy for members of the Supervisory Board of Santander Bank Polska S.A." and "Remuneration policy for members of the Management Board of Santander Bank Polska S.A.", documents adopted by the General Meeting.

Decision-making process for determining the remuneration policy

The Remuneration Policy of Santander Bank Polska Group is adopted by the Management Board and approved by the Supervisory Board. The Remuneration Policies for the Management Board and the Supervisory Board are developed by the Management Board and presented for approval to the Bank's General Meeting.

Key features of the bonus schemes for other employees are reviewed by the Remuneration Committee of the Supervisory Board, and approved by the Management Board member in charge of the Business Partnership Division. All regulations on awarding variable components of remuneration that apply to employees of the Bank are published in the form of ordinances issued by the Management Board member in charge of the Business Partnership Division, in accordance with and on the basis of the Remuneration Policy of Santander Bank Polska Group.

The Supervisory Board has the Remuneration Committee and the Nominations Committee.

The key tasks of the Remuneration Committee include reviewing and monitoring the Bank's remuneration policy, and supporting the General Meeting of Shareholders, the Supervisory Board and the Management Board in developing and implementing that policy.

In particular, the Committee:

- Presents the Supervisory Board with recommended remuneration principles for the Management Board members, taking account of all forms of remuneration. Proposed performance-based remuneration system should be accompanied with recommended assessment of objectives and criteria to adjust the remuneration to the long-term interests of the Bank's shareholders and to the Bank's objectives;
- Provides the Supervisory Board with recommendations on remuneration for individual Management Board members and other basic employment conditions in compliance with the remuneration principles adopted in the Bank and evaluation of a given Management Board member's performance;
- Reviews reports on the application of the remuneration policy, including such issues as the rules and level of remuneration of Management Board members and Key Function Holders in the Bank. Provides the Supervisory Board with general recommendations for the level and structure of remuneration for the Key Function Holders in the Bank as well as considers the reports on the level and structure on remuneration (fixed and variable) based on relevant information provided by the Management Board;
- Supervises and issues opinions on the remuneration policy referred to in the Banking Law and regularly reviews this policy (namely its compliance with risk guidelines) and its application, including preparation of the report for the Supervisory Board on the policy application, remuneration rules and their impact on management of the Bank;
- Minimum once a year, supports the Supervisory Board in reviewing the remuneration policy and rules applicable in the Bank, including a check if such remuneration policy is gender neutral and supports the equal treatment of staff of different genders, and in assessing their impact on the management of the Bank;
- Performs annual reviews of remuneration systems and assesses their adequacy;
- Approves the key features of the Bank's main variable remuneration schemes;
- Supervises the application of malus clauses in compliance with the Bank's internal regulations (in particular, verifies the report with details on the identified event, involvement of key function holders (including Management Board members), the reasons for applying a malus clause, and the percentage or amount of variable remuneration to remain unpaid to the employee concerned), and presents recommendations to the Supervisory Board as to application of malus clauses;
- Issues opinions and monitors variable remuneration for persons whose professional activities have a material impact on the Bank's risk profile, i.e. individuals in charge of: risk management in the 2nd line of defence, the compliance unit and internal audit unit;
- Actively participates in the identification of material risk takers in the Bank's Group, monitors this process on an ongoing basis, and at least once a year – based on the report on staff changes in the positions identified as having material impact on the risk profile, and the key criteria applied in the identification process – recommends a list of the Group's material risk takers for approval by the Supervisory Board;
- Ensures adequacy of information provided to shareholders on the remuneration policy and practice, in particular on the proposed higher maximum ratio between fixed and variable components of remuneration;

- Reviews any other issues reported by the Supervisory Board.

The key task of the Nominations Committee is to issue recommendations to the Supervisory Board as regards appointing and removing members of the Supervisory Board and Management Board by the Bank's relevant body, and to issue opinions as regards appointing and removing key function holders – at the request of the Management Board President. In particular, the Committee:

- Evaluates and recommends candidates for the Management Board taking into account the balance of knowledge, skills, diversity and experience required to manage the Bank;
- Evaluates and recommends candidates for the Supervisory Board presented to the General Meeting, taking into account the balance of knowledge, skills, diversity and experience of the Supervisory Board required to perform the duties arising from the applicable law, as well as proposes the composition of the Supervisory Board's committees;
- Defines the scope of duties of a candidate for a Management Board member and a Supervisory Board member as well as requirements with regard to the knowledge and skills as well as time commitment required to perform the function;
- Defines a target for the representation of the underrepresented gender in the Management Board and prepares the Management Board Diversity Policy on how to achieve the target level taking into account a wide range of characteristics and skills required among the Management Board members;
- Regularly, at least once a year, assesses the structure, size, composition and effectiveness of the Management Board and Supervisory Board and presents the Supervisory Board with recommendations concerning any changes;
- Regularly, at least once a year, assesses, in line with the criteria set by the Supervisory Board based on the Committee's recommendations – the knowledge, skills and experience of individual members of the Management Board and Supervisory Board as well as the collective suitability of these bodies and presents to the Supervisory Board a report on the results of these assessments;
- Periodically reviews the policy of the Management Board on selection and assessment of suitability of the Bank's senior executives (key function holders), and makes recommendations to the Management Board in this respect;
- Approves the list of successors of members of the Bank's Supervisory Board;
- Recommends the list of successors of members of the Bank's Management Board to the Supervisory Board;
- Verifies if members of the Management Board and Supervisory Board commit sufficient time to performing their respective functions;
- Reviews any other issues reported by the Supervisory Board.

In 2024, the Remuneration Committee of the Supervisory Board met seven times in the following composition:

- The Committee Chairperson: Danuta Dąbrowska;
- Committee members: José Luís de Mora, Marynika Woroszyńska-Sapieha, Tomasz Sójka, Dominika Bettman.

As at 31 December 2024, three members of the Committee: Dominika Bettman, Danuta Dąbrowska and Tomasz Sójka had the status of independent members.

In 2024, the Nominations Committee of the Supervisory Board met four times in the following composition:

- The Committee Chairperson: Marynika Woroszyńska-Sapieha and Tomasz Sójka;
- Committee Members: José Luís de Mora, Danuta Dąbrowska, Jerzy Surma, Kamilla Marchewka- Bartkowiak and David Hexter.

As at 31 December 2024, four members of the Committee: Danuta Dąbrowska, Kamilla Marchewka- Bartkowiak and Tomasz Sójka had the status of independent members.

Santander Bank Polska Group applies the criteria of identification of material risk takers in accordance with Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 2021/923 of 25 March 2021. The group of material risk takers includes in particular Management Board members,

Supervisory Board members and other senior managers, defined by the Bank as directors or other persons who have knowledge of risks attached to the Bank's operations and who take decisions that have a significant impact the Bank's risk profile.

MRTs are identified based on the above quantitative and qualitative criteria on the individual (institution's) level, and on the consolidated level.

The purpose of the Group's Remuneration Policy is to ensure long-term sustainable growth of the Group, protect the stakeholders, including customers, owners and employees by, among others, ensuring adequate staff remuneration for their performance and motivating them to deliver best results and to achieve the Bank's strategic goals, both in terms of business and quality aspects, based on T.E.A.M.S. values(Think Customer, Embrace Change, Act Now, Move Together, Speak Up).

Under the Remuneration Policy, the remuneration structure fully reflects market practices while the remuneration levels match the ones offered in the banking sector.

The Bank defines the total average gross remuneration of Management Board members per year to the total average gross remuneration of other Bank's employees per year as the 35-times multiple at maximum.

Link between remuneration and performance

All employees are subject to bonus schemes defining the variable component of their remuneration. In each of the schemes, the bonus and its amount are contingent on the achievement of pre-defined business and quality targets.

Bank employees pursue specified individual objectives adapted to the operations of relevant Bank units, except that the objectives assigned to employees of control units correspond to their respective functions, and their remuneration does not depend on business results of the business areas they control.

In the case of sales units, in addition to business targets, the performance evaluation also takes into account objectives related the customer's best interest.

Under incentive schemes for the Bank's Management Board members and key function holders, remuneration is linked to the assessment of the company's long-term financial position, long-term growth of shareholder value, business stability, and risk appetite.

In 2022, Santander Bank Polska introduced the VII Incentive Programme by Resolution No. 30 of the Ordinary General Meeting (hereinafter the "Programme"). The Programme is aimed at employees of the Bank and its subsidiaries who make a significant contribution to the growth of its value. The aim of the Programme is to motivate participants to achieve business and quality objectives in line with the Bank Group's long-term strategy, as well as to create a mechanism to ensure their stronger connection with the Group and to encourage them to care for its long-term well-being.

All persons with the status of Identified Employees in the Santander Group will obligatorily participate in the programme. The list of other key participants will be prepared by the Management Board Members and approved by the Bank's Supervisory Board, while the participation of other employees in the Program will be voluntary.

Under the Programme, upon fulfilment of the conditions described in the Participation Agreement and in the Resolution confirming the achievement of the objectives, participants will be granted the right to receive an award constituting the variable remuneration component of the Bank's own shares, which under IFRS 2 Share-based Payment (hereafter IFRS 2) constitutes an equity-settled payment programme (so-called equity-settled transactions). For this purpose, the Bank will acquire up to 2,331,000 Equity Shares between 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2033.

The Bank's Management Board will purchase Own Shares for the purpose of implementing Incentive Programme VII on the basis of the authorisation granted by the General Meeting in a separate resolution. If it is not possible to purchase Own Shares (e.g. due to the lack of liquidity of Own Shares on the Stock Exchange, market prices of shares exceeding the limits set by the General Meeting, no decision of the General Meeting to authorise the Management Board to purchase Own Shares in given years of the Incentive Programme VII or no decision of the General Meeting to create a reserve capital for the purpose of purchasing Shares in a given year) in a number corresponding to the amount of Awards granted, the Bank will proportionally reduce the number of Shares granted to a Participant. The difference between the value of the Award granted and the value of the Shares transferred by the Bank to the Participants under the Award will be paid in cash equivalent.

The cumulative prerequisites for entitlement to the award in any given year will be:

- Achievement of Santander Bank Polska S.A. (hereinafter SAN PL) PAT at a level of at least 50% of the budget for the year;

- Achievement of team business targets for the year at SAN PL, Division or Unit level of at least 80%;
- With the proviso that the level of achievement of the objectives is calculated as the weighted average level of achievement of at least three business objectives of Santander Bank Polska S.A., the Division or the unit in which the participant is employed, within the framework of the financial plan approved by the Supervisory Board for the year, in particular:
 - ✓ PAT (net profit from SAN PL Group business activities (excluding Santander Consumer Bank));
 - ✓ ROTE (return on fixed capital as a percentage calculated according to SAN PL reporting methodology);
 - ✓ NPS (Customer Satisfaction Index - calculated in accordance with SAN PL reporting methodology);
 - ✓ RORWA (return on risk-weighted assets as calculated under the SAN PL reporting methodology);
 - ✓ Number of customers;
 - ✓ Number of digital customers;
- The participant's failure to receive an annual assessment of less than 1.5 on a rating scale of 1 to 4 for a given year.

In addition, at the request of the Bank's Management Board, the Supervisory Board will decide to grant a retention award to a participant if the following prerequisites are met:

- The participant obtaining an average annual individual goal achievement score of at least 2.0 on a rating scale of 1 to 4 during the period of participation in Incentive Programme VII;
- The Bank's weighted average annual target achievement for the years 2022-2026 at a level of not less than 80% with the following weights:
 - ✓ Average annual PAT realisation (weighting of 40%);
 - ✓ Average annual RORWA realisation (40% weighting);
 - ✓ Average annual ESG (environmental, social, corporate governance) achievement (weighting of 20%).

The maximum number of own shares to be transferred to participants as retention awards is 451,000 shares.

In order to implement the Programme, Santander Bank Polska S.A. acquired in 2024. 134,690 own shares (out of 271,000 purchasable shares) equivalent to PLN 72,333,668 (out of the PLN 72,357,000 capital earmarked for the Programme in 2024).

The average purchase price per share during the 2024 share buyback period was: PLN 539.15.

The Programme was introduced for a period of five years (2022-2026), with the purchase of treasury shares and the transfer of shares to participants being carried out until 2033 due to the deferral of variable remuneration payments.

All repurchased treasury shares were transferred to participants' individual brokerage accounts. Due to the exhaustion of the amount earmarked for the repurchase of the Bank's own shares in 2024, the Bank's Management Board, as of 13.03.2024, terminated the repurchase of the Bank's own shares in 2024 for the participants of the Programme for the 2023 award and the part of the 2022 award which was subject to a one-year retention period. At the same time, instructions were issued to transfer the above-mentioned shares to the brokerage accounts of eligible programme participants. After settlement of all instructions, the Bank has no treasury shares.

Characteristic features of the remuneration scheme and performance criteria that have to be met to obtain rights to shares, share options or variable remuneration components.

The purpose of the remuneration system is to ensure the Bank's stable growth, acquire and retain talent, and safeguard shareholders' interests. The Bank's remuneration system includes two key components: fixed remuneration and variable remuneration, as well as non-salary benefits.

The remuneration policy is shaped around the base salary. Bank's employees receive base salary determined using a job valuation methodology. The base remuneration depends on the employee's grade, among other things. For each grade, remuneration brackets are determined based on an annual pay report prepared by renowned consulting companies, and data published by Statistics Poland.

The variable component of the remuneration depends on the bonus scheme applicable for the employee. Payment of bonuses under a scheme is contingent on the delivery of pre-defined business goals (in particular, the growth rate or value of the PAT) and quality indicator levels. Identified business units are also assigned objectives related to a specified level of cost of risk and ROTE, as well as risk management and portfolio quality objectives.

Variable components of remuneration are awarded based on the bonus scheme rules applicable for the employees in question.

Employees of the Internal Audit Area, the Compliance Area and units in charge of risk management and HR issues are awarded variable components of remuneration for the delivery of objectives arising from their roles and responsibilities. Their remuneration cannot depend on business results generated by the Bank's business areas controlled by them.

For employees with a significant impact on the Bank's risk profile, a policy of paying part (no less than 50%) of variable remuneration in the form of the Bank's own shares, granted on the basis of participation in an incentive scheme, is applied in accordance with the applicable regulations. Moreover, payment of at least 40% of the variable remuneration component is deferred for four years (five years in the case of Management Board members and senior managers). Each of the deferred parts can be reduced or withheld if specific negative factors occur. At the same time, once approved for payment, deferred cash components may be increased by the inflation rate for relevant years. The performance is assessed for the period of minimum three years to eliminate the focus on short-term profits so that the Bank's economic cycle and business risk are taken into account when awarding the performance-correlated remuneration, which ensures sustainable performance in short, medium and long-term perspective (ex-ante approach).

Santander Bank Polska Group has applied principles of identification, assessment and ex-post review of performance for which the variable remuneration has to be adjusted based on the performance of employees categorised as material risk takers and other employees subject to those regulations.

The factors analysed when deciding to apply the rules for adjusting variable remuneration, alongside the decision-making process, are described in detail in the Procedure for application of malus clauses in Santander Bank Polska Group, and include:

- Significant irregularities in risk management by the entity, business unit, control unit or support function;
- Material adjustments to the Group's financial statements, based on the external auditor's opinion, except where the adjustments are due to changes in accounting standards;
- Breach of internal policies or the Code of Conduct, in particular those affecting the risk profile;
- Significant changes in financial capital or risk profile of the Bank Group;
- Significant increases in requirements for economic or regulatory capital when not anticipated at the time when the exposure was approved;
- Regulatory sanctions or criminal charges made against the entity or employees who are held liable;
- Any misconduct, whether individual or collective, in particular when those refer to marketing of unsuitable products;
- Poor financial performance of the Group.

The Bank ensures also consistency of the Remuneration Policy with the Bank's strategy for integrating risks related to sustainable development by linking it to variable remuneration of the employees responsible for developing investment recommendations as part of investment advisory services. In addition, fixed and variable remuneration should be aligned with the Group's ESG objectives/ limits by linking variable remuneration of the Group's key function holders to the achievement of such objectives, preventing excessive risk-taking in this area and misinformation about the Group's ESG-related measures ("green-washing" practices).

Moreover, ESG (environment, social responsibility and governance) is one of the factors included in qualitative factors applied to calculate the bonus pool for top executives and key employees and its weight ranges from -5% to +5%.

All employees covered by the Remuneration Policy have the right to receive equal pay for equal work or work of equal value, regardless of their gender. Work of equal value means the work which requires comparable professional skills, practice and experience from employees and involves comparable responsibility and effort. The Bank strives to ensure gender-neutral pay, equal opportunities and elimination of inequalities due to an employee's gender.

The updated Remuneration Policy introduced changes aimed first of all at emphasising the right to equal pay for equal work of equal value irrespective of the gender and introducing the rules for reporting the EPG.

The gender pay equity element is a priority for the Bank's Management Board and was a key factor during the 2024 fixed remuneration regulatory process. The so-called Equal Pay Gap indicator is 0.5% is constantly monitored and is part of cyclical performance reporting.

Ratio between fixed and variable components of remuneration

The ratio between the fixed and variable components of remuneration depends on the bonus scheme applicable to the employee and the extent to which the relevant business and quality targets have been achieved at the Bank's/ unit's and individual level (which determines the amount of the bonus) as well as on whether the employee is covered by a long-term incentive programme. If the employee has not achieved their goals specified in individual bonus schemes, the variable part of the remuneration may be withheld.

The total variable remuneration paid to Management Board members and MRTs for a given calendar year cannot exceed 100% of the total fixed remuneration paid. In exceptional cases this limit might be increased to maximum 200% of fixed remuneration. The decision on determining the maximum ratio of the fixed components of the total remuneration to the variable components of the remuneration in the Santander Bank Polska Group was taken by the AGM on 27 April 2022. In voting on the resolution, valid votes were representing 81.94% of the Bank's share capital. The resolution was adopted with 99.96% votes in favour.

Main parameters of variable components of remuneration

The Bank's remuneration scheme was designed to enable the effective acquisition and retention of employees whose competences are required to deliver all strategic objectives of the Bank successfully and efficiently.

Consequently, the Bank has implemented a range of diverse bonus schemes addressed to various groups of employees, in particular the employees of sale and support units. The schemes differ in terms of criteria which determine whether the bonus will be paid and what its final amount will be. Each scheme has its own individual accountability criteria, including: satisfaction and the number of loyal customers, cost of risk, NPL, ROTE and net profit.

Other differences between the schemes include the frequency of bonus payments and maximum levels of bonus available to the employees covered by the given scheme. At the same time, the Bank has the option of awarding individual discretionary awards pursuant to the Bank's internal regulations.

Principles of managing the bank

As at 31 December 2024, the Bank's Management Board was composed of ten members. Members are appointed by the Supervisory Board for a joint term of three years.

The number of Management Board members holding one directorship position in the Group was seven.

The number of Management Board members holding non-executive directorships in other entities was two.

The competences, powers and duties of the Bank's Supervisory Board are detailed in the Commercial Companies Code and the Bank's Articles of Association.

To ensure relevant management of the business activity and proper selection of the Management Board members and key function holders, the Bank has adopted the **Policy on selection and suitability assessment of Management Board members and key function holders at Santander Bank Polska S.A. ("Suitability Policy")**.

The Bank strives to ensure that the Management Board members, key function holders, and candidates for those functions should at all times have professional skills suitable for their positions, sufficient knowledge, skills, professional experience, independence of mind as well as that they are of good repute both in their professional and private lives.

The suitability assessment involves the assessment of skills, experience, reputation, and the overall professional activity. The assessment of knowledge, skills and experience of persons subject to the Suitability Policy is made at the stage of their selection and after their appointment. The assessment is made in the following form:

- Assessment and re-assessment of individual suitability of Management Board members;
- Assessment and re-assessment of the collective suitability of the Management Board;
- Assessment and re-assessment of individual key function holders.

The assessment is made on the basis of documents and statements which confirm the knowledge, skills, experience, prior functions as well as reputation of the assessed individuals and on the basis of individual meetings with them.

When making the assessment, the Nominations Committee of the Supervisory Board, and the Bank's Management Board should consider if the assessed person can commit sufficient time to perform their duties and responsibilities, including time to understand the Bank's activities, the main risks, implications of conducted activity as well as the risk management strategy, in particular if that member performs additional professional or political roles.

At the same time, in 2024 the Group continued to apply its Performance Management Policy. The Policy defines a new model, tools, dates as well as individuals and units engaged in the performance management process in Santander Bank Polska Group. The model laid down in the Policy is based on three pillars: HOW we deliver tasks and WHAT we do, as well as risk management objectives. Details of the objectives and performance evaluation are related to the Bank's business targets, and are specified in appropriate procedures.

Moreover, when promoting the Management Board Diversity Policy, the Bank strives to ensure that the candidates for the roles of Management Board members and key function holders possess a wide range of qualities and skills as well as ability to demonstrate independence of mind and opinions. The Bank cares to ensure the Management Board's diversity in terms of gender and to prevent any situation of discrimination against candidates for the Management Board's member roles, especially on the grounds of gender, educational background, geographical provenance, experience or age. When appointing the Management Board members, the Supervisory Board will strive to achieve at least 30% share of women in the Management Board in 2025 and simultaneously ensure the Management Board's diversity in terms of geographical provenance. The Nominations Committee will take into consideration the Bank's relationship with Santander Group and its cross-border business objectives. The diversity strategy is implemented in the processes of selection, suitability assessment and succession planning.

The Bank also cares about constant development of its employees and ensuring succession for the Management Board members and key function holders in order to mitigate the risk related to long-term absences or unexpected cessation of these functions. The processes are carried out based on the Nomination and Succession Planning Policy for Management Board members and key function holders at Santander Bank Polska S.A. In accordance with that policy, by promoting or appointing people as Management Board members or key function holders the Bank strives to ensure that candidates for those positions have high professional qualifications suitable for their roles and that they are of good repute both in their professional and private lives. The process of identifying successors in a non-discriminatory way is to select candidates who could potentially fill the positions covered by the policy based on, e.g. assessment of their work experience, performance, and development potential.

Quantitative data on variable remuneration components for 2024 will be published together with information on the capital adequacy of Santander Bank Polska for the first half of 2025.

In 2024, there were no reductions in deferred executive remuneration as part of the performance-related adjustment.

In the analysed financial year, one person working at Santander Bank Polska S.A. received remuneration in excess of EUR 1 million.

In 2024, five employees whose professional activities have a material impact on the risk profile had their employment contract terminated.

X. REMUNERATION POLICY

EU REM1 - REMUNERATION AWARDED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR (PLN K)

		MB Supervisory function	MB Management function	Other senior management	Other identified staff
1	Number of identified staff	12	11	38	124
2	Total fixed remuneration	2 471	19 525	23 407	50 382
3	Of which: cash-based	1 516	16 277	22 227	48 913
4	(Not applicable in the EU)				
EU-4a	Fixed remuneration				
5	Of which: shares or equivalent ownership interests	-	-	-	-
EU-5x	Of which: share-linked instruments or equivalent non-cash instruments	-	-	-	-
6	Of which: other instruments	-	-	-	-
7	(Not applicable in the EU)				
8	Of which: other forms	955	3 249	1 180	1 469
9	(Not applicable in the EU)				
9	Number of identified staff	12	11	38	124
10	Total variable remuneration	-	-	-	-
11	Of which: cash-based	-	-	-	-
12	Of which: deferred	-	-	-	-
EU-13a	Of which: shares or equivalent ownership interests	-	-	-	-
EU-14a	Of which: deferred	-	-	-	-
EU-13b	Variable remuneration*				
EU-14b	Of which: share-linked instruments or equivalent non-cash instruments	-	-	-	-
EU-14c	Of which: deferred	-	-	-	-
EU-14d	Of which: other instruments	-	-	-	-
EU-14e	Of which: deferred	-	-	-	-
15	Of which: other forms	-	-	-	-
16	Of which: deferred	-	-	-	-
17	Total remuneration (2 + 10)	2 471	19 525	23 407	50 382

* At the date of the report, no data are available on the variable parts of the remuneration for the financial year

EU REM2 - SPECIAL PAYMENTS TO STAFF WHOSE PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES HAVE A MATERIAL IMPACT ON INSTITUTIONS' RISK PROFILE (IDENTIFIED STAFF) (PLN K)

	MB Supervisory function	MB Management function	Other senior management	Other identified staff
Guaranteed variable remuneration awards				
1	Guaranteed variable remuneration awards - Number of identified staff	-	-	-
2	Guaranteed variable remuneration awards -Total amount	-	-	-
3	Of which guaranteed variable remuneration awards paid during the financial year, that are not taken into account in the bonus cap	-	-	-
Severance payments awarded in previous periods, that have been paid out during the financial year				
4	Severance payments awarded in previous periods, that have been paid out during the financial year - Number of identified staff	-	-	-
5	Severance payments awarded in previous periods, that have been paid out during the financial year - Total amount	-	-	-
Severance payments awarded during the financial year				
6	Severance payments awarded during the financial year - Number of identified staff	-	-	2
7	Severance payments awarded during the financial year - Total amount	-	-	1 190
8	Of which paid during the financial year	-	-	1 190
9	Of which deferred	-	-	-
10	Of which severance payments paid during the financial year, that are not taken into account in the bonus cap	-	-	-
11	Of which highest payment that has been awarded to a single person	-	-	547

X. REMUNERATION POLICY

EU REM3 - DEFERRED REMUNERATION (PLN K)

Deferred and retained remuneration	Total amount of deferred remuneration awarded for previous performance periods	Of which due to vest in the financial year	Of which vesting in subsequent financial years	Amount of performance adjustment made in the financial year to deferred remuneration that was due to vest in the financial year	Amount of performance adjustment made in the financial year to deferred remuneration that was due to vest in future performance years	Total amount of adjustment during the financial year due to ex post implicit adjustments (i.e. changes of value of deferred remuneration due to the changes of prices of instruments)	Total amount of deferred remuneration awarded before the financial year actually paid out in the financial year	Total amount of deferred remuneration awarded for previous performance period that has vested but is subject to retention periods
1 MB Supervisory function	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 Cash-based	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3 Shares or equivalent ownership interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4 Share-linked instruments or equivalent non-cash instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 Other instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6 Other forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7 MB Management function	30 563	11 824	18 738	-	-	1 242	13 381	4 067
8 Cash-based	14 399	5 871	8 527	-	-	309	6 183	-
9 Shares or equivalent ownership interests	12 134	4 498	7 636	-	-	-	4 683	4 067
10 Share-linked instruments or equivalent non-cash instruments	4 030	1 455	2 575	-	-	933	2 515	-
11 Other instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12 Other forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13 Other senior management	20 607	8 869	11 738	-	-	644	9 309	3 913
14 Cash-based	10 116	4 683	5 433	-	-	191	4 727	-
15 Shares or equivalent ownership interests	8 028	3 329	4 699	-	-	-	3 144	3 913
16 Share-linked instruments or equivalent non-cash instruments	2 463	858	1 606	-	-	453	1 438	-
17 Other instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18 Other forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19 Other identified staff	15 327	4 969	10 358	-	-	2 440	11 348	1 915
20 Cash-based	7 779	2 557	5 222	-	-	1 093	5 625	233
21 Shares or equivalent ownership interests	2 345	954	1 391	-	-	256	1 210	919
22 Share-linked instruments or equivalent non-cash instruments	5 203	1 458	3 745	-	-	1 091	4 513	764
23 Other instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24 Other forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 Total amount	66 497	25 662	40 835	-	-	4 326	34 037	9 895

EU REM4 - REMUNERATION OF 1 MILLION EUR OR MORE PER YEAR (PLN K)

	EUR	Identified staff that are high earners as set out in Article 450(i) CRR
1 1 000 000 to below 1 500 000	-	-
2 1 500 000 to below 2 000 000	-	1
3 2 000 000 to below 2 500 000	-	-

EU REM5 table can be found in Appendix to this report „Pillar III 2024 12 Tables“, which is available on the Santander Bank Polska website.

Details on Management Board and Supervisory Board members' remuneration are presented in Note 52 of the Consolidated Financial Statements of Santander Bank Polska Group for 2024 and The Management Board Report on Santander Bank Polska Group Performance in 2024.

XI. Liquidity risk measures

Santander Bank Polska S.A. presents information on liquidity risk measures in accordance with Article 451a para. 2, 3.

The table below presents the disclosure of the amount and components of the net income coverage ratio.

EU LIQ1 – QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION OF LCR PLN K

EU 1a Quarter ending on	Total unweighted value (average)				Total weighted value (average)			
	31.12.2024	30.09.2024	30.06.2024	31.03.2024*	31.12.2024	30.09.2024	30.06.2024	31.03.2024*
EU 1b Number of data points used in the calculation of averages	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
HIGH-QUALITY LIQUID ASSETS								
1 Total high-quality liquid assets (HQLA)					80 153 395	78 738 271	78 759 401	76 787 292
CASH - OUTFLOWS								
2 Retail deposits and deposits from small business customers, of which:	152 505 963	149 605 212	145 990 786	142 175 810	13 101 710	12 786 107	12 258 552	11 773 152
3 <i>Stable deposits</i>	94 065 426	91 498 317	89 149 289	86 502 426	4 703 271	4 574 916	4 457 464	4 325 121
4 <i>Less stable deposits</i>	57 577 062	56 380 319	53 813 166	51 611 707	8 398 438	8 211 191	7 801 088	7 448 031
5 Unsecured wholesale funding	61 876 554	59 778 298	60 592 360	60 515 960	26 695 494	26 013 600	26 963 421	27 712 403
6 <i>Operational deposits (all counterparties) and deposits in networks of cooperative banks</i>	10 287 885	8 330 126	5 885 926	3 419 223	2 415 331	1 967 037	1 391 745	808 350
7 <i>Non-operational deposits (all counterparties)</i>	51 220 487	50 979 370	54 311 333	56 720 946	23 911 981	23 577 760	25 176 575	26 528 261
8 <i>Unsecured debt</i>	368 182	468 802	395 101	375 791	368 182	468 802	395 101	375 791
9 Secured wholesale funding					-	-	-	-
10 Additional requirements	36 276 486	36 204 920	35 930 113	35 216 531	10 404 199	10 262 879	10 328 354	10 214 391
11 <i>Outflows related to derivative exposures and other collateral requirements</i>	7 451 608	7 363 957	7 406 581	7 321 778	7 451 608	7 363 957	7 406 581	7 321 778
12 <i>Outflows related to loss of funding on debt products</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13 <i>Credit and liquidity facilities</i>	28 824 878	28 840 963	28 523 533	27 894 753	2 952 591	2 898 922	2 921 773	2 892 614
14 <i>Other contractual funding obligations</i>	1 974 412	2 625 518	2 754 847	2 290 988	1 634 142	2 288 156	2 424 296	1 985 947
15 <i>Other contingent funding obligations</i>	26 868 765	25 438 839	24 864 889	24 064 619	1 343 438	1 238 264	1 184 128	1 120 406
16 TOTAL CASH OUTFLOWS					53 178 983	52 589 006	53 158 751	52 806 299
CASH - INFLOWS								
17 <i>Secured lending (e.g. reverse repos)</i>	6 598 968	6 791 497	7 834 018	8 387 980	-	-	-	-
18 <i>Inflows from fully performing exposures</i>	9 720 471	9 728 339	10 528 004	11 015 108	8 525 068	8 524 024	9 358 620	9 835 796
19 <i>Other cash inflows</i>	6 245 311	5 869 190	5 661 847	5 440 524	6 245 311	5 869 190	5 661 847	5 440 524
(Difference between total weighted inflows and total weighted outflows arising from transactions in third countries where there are transfer restrictions or which are denominated in non-convertible currencies)					-	-	-	-
EU-19a								
EU-19b (Excess inflows from a related specialised credit institution)					-	-	-	-
20 TOTAL CASH INFLOWS	22 564 750	22 389 025	24 023 869	24 843 612	14 770 379	14 393 214	15 020 467	15 276 320
EU-20a <i>Fully exempt inflows</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
EU-20b <i>Inflows subject to 90% cap</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
EU-20c <i>Inflows subject to 75% cap</i>	22 564 750	22 389 025	24 023 869	24 843 612	14 770 379	14 393 214	15 020 467	15 276 320
TOTAL ADJUSTED VALUE								
EU-21 LIQUIDITY BUFFER					80 153 395	78 738 271	78 759 401	76 787 292
22 TOTAL NET CASH OUTFLOWS					38 408 604	38 195 791	38 138 285	37 529 979
23 LIQUIDITY COVERAGE RATIO					209%	206%	207%	205%

* Data in relevant periods include profits included in own funds taking into account the applicable EBA guidelines

The main factors influencing the Liquidity Coverage Ratio (hereinafter 'LCR') are:

- On the outflow side, retail deposits, and then non-operating non-retail deposits, additional outflows due to the impact of a negative market scenario on the valuation of derivatives and outflows due to irrevocable off-balance sheet liabilities, including those related to trade financing;
- On the inflows side, these are mainly the expected inflows from receivables from financial institutions (interbank and central bank deposits);
- On the side of liquid assets, the main part are liquid Treasury bonds or bonds fully guaranteed by the Treasury (including securities issued by the Polish Development Fund and Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego as part of anti-crisis shields during the COVID-19 pandemic), government bonds of Germany, Spain, UK and bonds issued by the European Investment Bank, NBP bills (NBP), and then cash and the surplus on NBP accounts over the amount of the required reserve.

The main factors remain substantially the same over time.

Disclosed LCR in December 2024 remains on high and safe level, much above both the regulatory and internal Group's limits. The indicator that remains at a high level is primarily the result of high level of deposit base (especially in 'stable retail deposits' category), realized issues, allocated mainly in high quality liquid assets and specification of operational deposits within non-retail customer deposits.

In line with the Liquidity Risk Policy, the Group prudently manages an appropriately diversified deposit base. Financing is mostly based on the current accounts and term deposits of individual clients and enterprises, mainly non-financial. The Group also focuses on diversifying sources of long-term financing, being present on wholesale markets by issuing debt and taking long-term loans on the financial market. A significant, but much smaller than the aforementioned, part of financing are own issues in the form of both subordinated and ordinary debt. It should be noted that in 2024 r. Bank has issued PLN 1.9 billion in April and PLN 1.8 billion in September, Santander Factoring Sp. z o.o. issued PLN 1405 million and Santander Leasing S.A. PLN 695 million of new bonds and received PLN 325 million of loans. In the current strategy, the Group attempts to minimize the share of secured financing.

The main derivatives exposures of Group come from cross currency and fx swaps transactions. These transactions are aimed at obtaining funding in foreign currency (eg. CHF for financing of mortgages) from one side, and are the form of managing of liquidity surplus in currencies (eg. EUR) from the other hand.

LCR calculation include derivative payables and receivables during the next 30 days, posted and received collaterals (margin calls) due to valuation of derivative contracts and additional outflows due to impact of an adverse market scenario on derivative transactions (calculated with the usage of regulatory method of 'historical look back approach').

Notwithstanding the fulfillment of the required LCR limits at the aggregated level for all currencies, the Group maintains the LCR ratio above 100% for the domestic currency (PLN). In the case of the second currency identified as significant within the meaning of the CRR provisions, the periodically occurring mismatches are additionally monitored as part of the adjusted gap analysis and stress scenarios for the EUR currency. The Bank has the option of adjusting the liquidity position in EUR by acquiring liquid funds in this currency on the wholesale financial market, including, inter alia, FX swap transactions on dates beyond the LCR horizon (i.e. over 30 days).

The Group uses secured instruments to fund its activity to a limited degree only. However, in accordance with the existing contractual provisions, if the Group's rating is reduced by one notch (to BBB), the maximum potential additional security on account of those instruments would be as at December 31st 2024 PLN 6.4 million. At the same time, it should be noted that this potential obligation is not unconditional and its final value would depend on negotiations between the bank and its counterparty in relation to the above transactions.

EU LIQ2: NET STABLE FUNDING RATIO PLN K

	Unweighted value by residual maturity				Weighted value
	No maturity	< 6 months	6 months to < 1yr	≥ 1yr	
Available stable funding (ASF) Items					
1 Capital items and instruments	27 286 294	-	-	1 328 382	28 614 676
2 Own funds	27 286 294	-	-	1 328 382	28 614 676
3 Other capital instruments		-	-	-	-
4 Retail deposits		158 149 642	65 262	15 027	147 540 758
5 Stable deposits		102 642 673	3 675	579	97 514 610
6 Less stable deposits		55 506 969	61 587	14 448	50 026 148
7 Wholesale funding:		76 274 662	1 574 618	10 086 385	42 127 531
8 Operational deposits		14 286 456	-	-	7 143 228
9 Other wholesale funding		61 988 206	1 574 618	10 086 385	34 984 303
10 Interdependent liabilities		-	-	-	-
11 Other liabilities:	-	11 496 916	39 865	2 141 529	2 161 462
12 NSFR derivative liabilities	-				
13 All other liabilities and capital instruments not included in the above categories		11 496 916	39 865	2 141 529	2 161 462
14 Total available stable funding (ASF)					220 444 427
Required stable funding (RSF) Items					
15 Total high-quality liquid assets (HQLA)					1 209 853
EU-15a Assets encumbered for a residual maturity of one year or more in a cover pool		-	-	-	-
16 Deposits held at other financial institutions for operational purposes		-	-	-	-
17 Performing loans and securities:		43 228 549	11 683 168	131 043 031	120 164 545
18 Performing securities financing transactions with financial customers collateralised by Level 1 HQLA subject to 0% haircut		11 927 718	-	-	-
19 Performing securities financing transactions with financial customer collateralised by other assets and loans and advances to financial institutions		7 059 486	207 972	1 690 655	2 500 590
20 Performing loans to non-financial corporate clients, loans to retail and small business customers, and loans to sovereigns, and PSEs, of which:		14 483 552	10 481 866	87 936 468	87 354 449
21 With a risk weight of less than or equal to 35% under the Basel II Standardised Approach for credit risk		-	-	-	-
22 Performing residential mortgages, of which:		725 842	727 270	34 252 602	23 176 134
23 With a risk weight of less than or equal to 35% under the Basel II Standardised Approach for credit risk		700 148	700 209	33 325 667	22 361 862
24 Other loans and securities that are not in default and do not qualify as HQLA, including exchange-traded equities and trade finance on-balance sheet products		9 031 950	266 060	7 163 306	7 133 373
25 Interdependent assets		-	-	-	-
26 Other assets:		10 947 743	58 632	17 693 503	18 288 980
27 Physical traded commodities				-	-
28 Assets posted as initial margin for derivative contracts and contributions to default funds of CCPs		-			-
29 NSFR derivative assets		132 566			132 566
30 NSFR derivative liabilities before deduction of variation margin posted		2 443 323			122 166
31 All other assets not included in the above categories		8 371 853	58 632	17 693 503	18 034 248
32 Off-balance sheet items		58 955 379	761 252	2 696 058	2 844 380
33 Total RSF					142 507 759
34 Net Stable Funding Ratio (%)					155%

Statement of the Management Board of Santander Bank Polska S.A.

The Management Board of Santander Bank Polska S.A. declares that, to the best of its knowledge, the arrangements contained in this "Information on Capital Adequacy of Santander Bank Polska Group as at 31 December 2024" give a true view of the facts, while the risk management arrangements, notably with regard to liquidity risk, give assurance that the risk management systems in use are appropriate in terms of the risk profile and strategy of the Bank's Group.

The Management Board of Santander Bank Polska S.A. approves this "Information on Capital Adequacy of Santander Bank Polska Group as at 31 December 2024", which contains details about risks, discusses the general risk profile of the Bank and the Bank's Group associated with the business strategy, and includes key metrics and figures that provide external stakeholders with a comprehensive view of risk management by the Bank's Group, including interaction between the Bank's risk profile and risk appetite expressed in the form of strategic risk tolerance limits, as determined by the Management Board and approved by the Supervisory Board.

XII. Events after the reporting date

Regulation (EU) 2024/1623 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 2024 amending Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 as regards requirements for credit risk, credit valuation adjustment risk, operational risk, market risk and the output floor (CRR3) effective as of 1 January 2025 introduces a number of changes in relation to the calculation of capital requirements for material risks, i.e. credit risk, counterparty credit risk, operational risk and market risk. The purpose of the amendment of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 is to fully transpose the international standards defined by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (particularly Basel III) into the EU legislation.

The new reform package also includes the amendment of Directive 2013/36/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards supervisory powers, sanctions, third-country branches, and environmental, social and governance risks. The purpose of new Directive (EU) 2024/1619 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 2024 (CRD6) is to further harmonise the banking supervisory framework, ensure coherence of the internal banking market and integrate environmental risks into the bank's risk assessment.

The CRR3 introduces a number of changes to the rules for calculation of risk-weighted assets under the standardised approach for credit risk to increase the accuracy and risk sensitivity of that approach. Furthermore, the CRR3 sets new requirements for recognising contractual obligations in relation to which banks must hold capital to cover credit risk. The increase in risk sensitivity of the standardised approach is addressed by, among other things, introduction of new exposure classes (specialised lending exposures, land acquisition, development and construction exposures, transactor exposures), updated classification of off-balance sheet exposures and assignment of credit conversion factors.

In the case of exposures secured by property, new property valuation requirements have been set and new LtV-based risk weighting methods have been included.

According to the regulation, the risk weight multiplier of 1.5 should apply to retail exposures to natural persons secured by mortgages on residential property which are denominated in a different currency than the currency of the obligor's source of income.

In relation to the requirement for credit valuation adjustment (CVA) risk, the CRR3 modifies the formula for calculation of the requirement under the basic approach specified in Article 384 to be applied by the bank. It also changes the risk weights assigned to counterparties.

With regard to the calculation of capital requirement for operational risk, the CRR3 introduces a new standardised approach, which will replace the three approaches used to date. Evaluation of the existing approaches found a lack of comparability arising from a wide range of internal modelling practices under the advanced measurement approach and a lack of risk sensitivity in the standardised approaches. Therefore, and in order to simplify the operational risk framework, all existing approaches for estimating requirements for operational risk have been replaced by a single non-model-based method to be used by all institutions. The new standardised approach is based on the data from the bank's income statement and balance sheet, and the capital requirement is calculated in accordance with Articles 312- 314 as the sum of three components (the interest, leases and dividend component, the services component and the financial component) multiplied by a relevant factor.

The CRR3 also sets new requirements for market risk, which must be implemented by 1 January 2026.

As estimated by Santander Bank Polska S.A., the percentage impact of the above-mentioned regulations on the risk-weighted assets for individual risks, at the date of entry into force (i.e. 1 January 2025), at the level of:

- Credit risk -3.57% on a standalone basis and -3.75% on a consolidated basis;
- Operational risk -4.97% on a standalone basis and -10.78% on a consolidated basis;
- Credit valuation adjustment (CVA) risk 14.71% on a standalone basis and 14.70% on a consolidated basis.

As estimated by Santander Bank Polska S.A., the impact of the above-mentioned regulations and changes on capital ratios is approx. +64 p.p. on a standalone basis and +80 p.p. on a consolidated basis.

The above-mentioned CRD6 sets out additional requirements related to environmental aspects (ESG risks) of the bank's management, including integration of ESG risks in strategies, policies, procedures and systems for risk identification, measurement and monitoring, as well as testing of the bank's resilience to long-term negative impacts of ESG factors. ESG risks will be subject to regulatory reviews and assessments.

CRR3 also introduces changes to the disclosure requirements of Part Eight of the Regulation and the target arrangements for the manner of disclosure will follow the recommendations of the EBA.

As major providers of funding for businesses and households in the European Union, banks have a relevant role to play in promoting sustainable development across the European Union and may contribute to achieving the environmental and sustainability objectives as well as climate neutrality by 2050 in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2021/1119 establishing the framework for achieving climate neutrality.