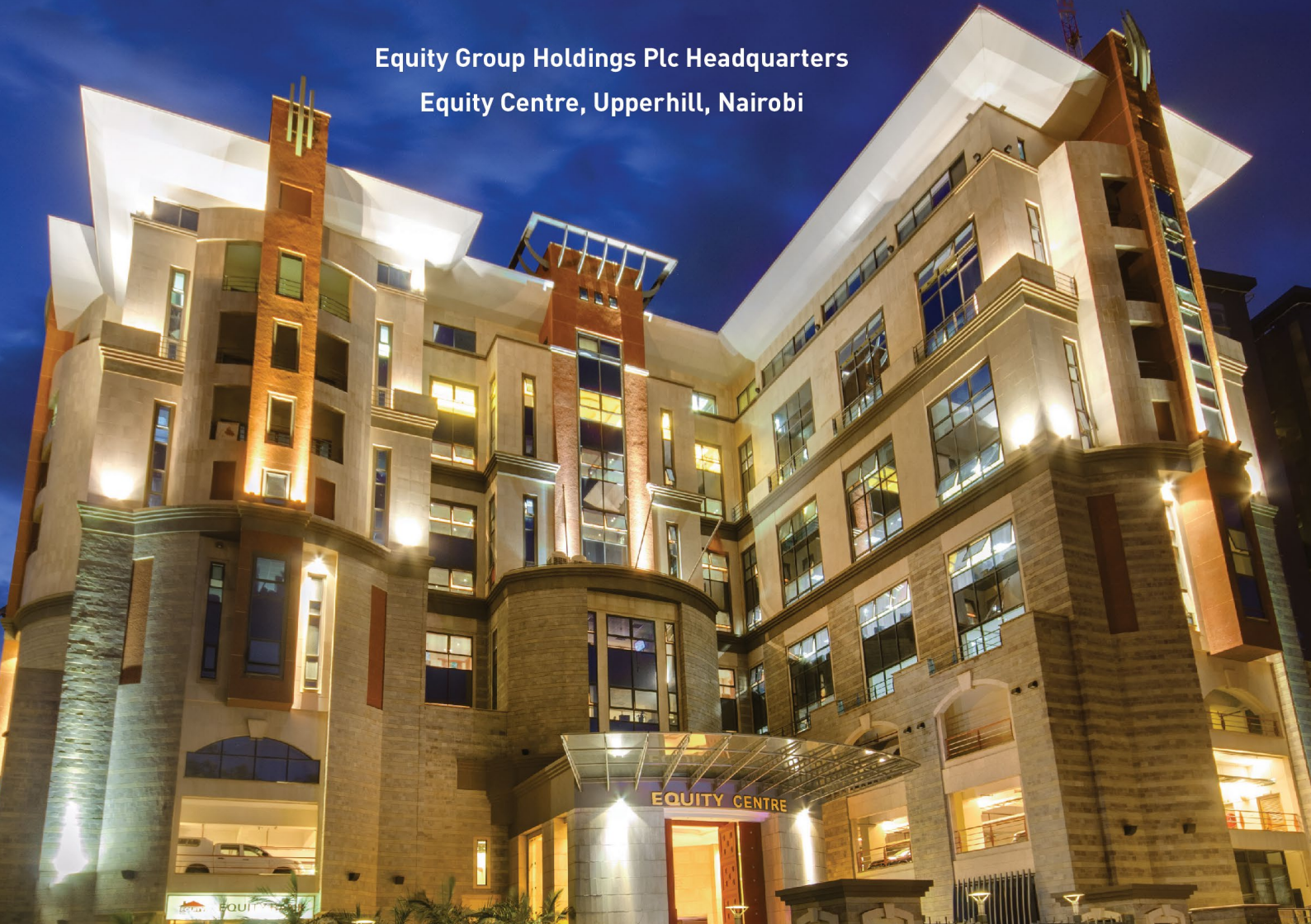


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Equity Group's Philosophies

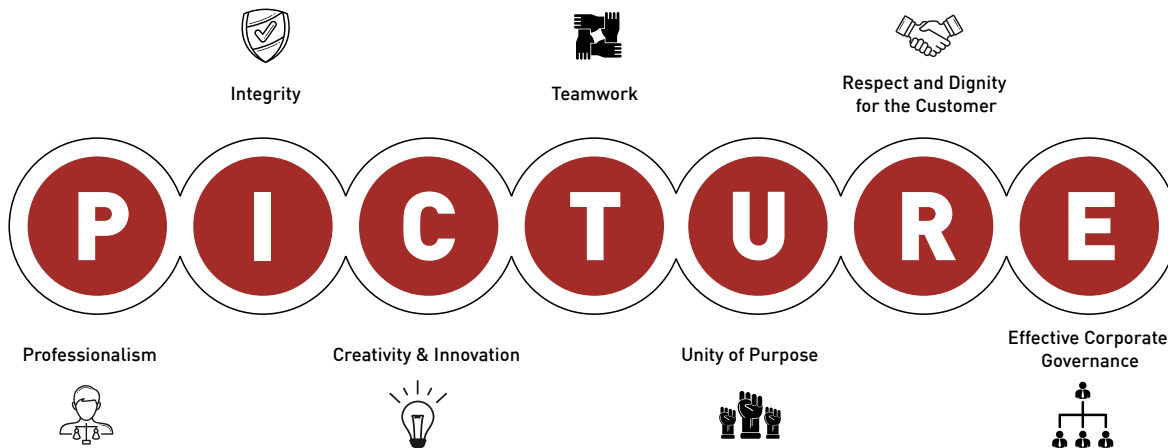
Our Purpose:

Transforming lives, giving dignity and expanding opportunities for wealth creation

Our Vision:

To be the champion of the socio-economic prosperity of the people of Africa

Our Core Values:



Our Mission:

We offer integrated financial services that socially and economically empower consumers, businesses and communities

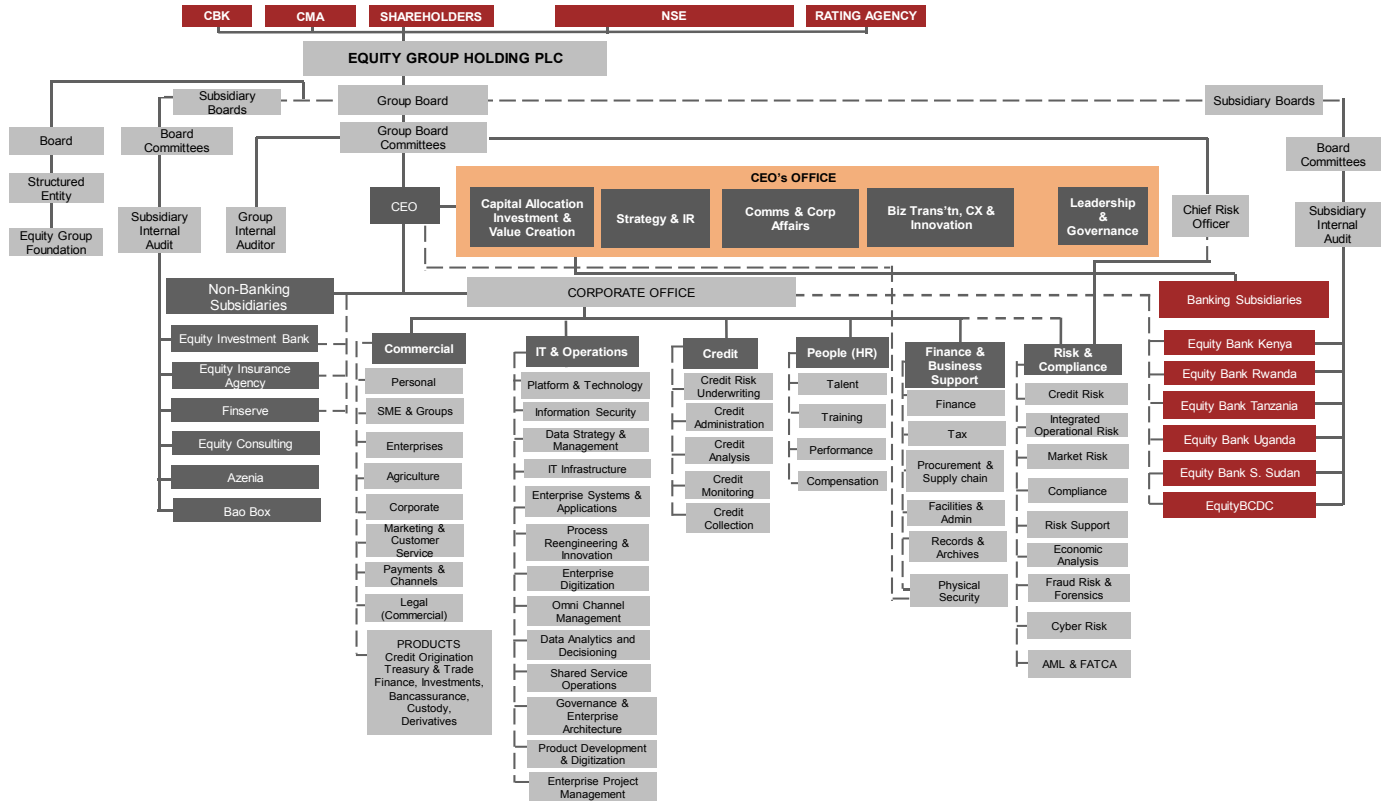
Positioning Statement:

We provide inclusive financial services that transform livelihoods, give dignity and expand opportunities



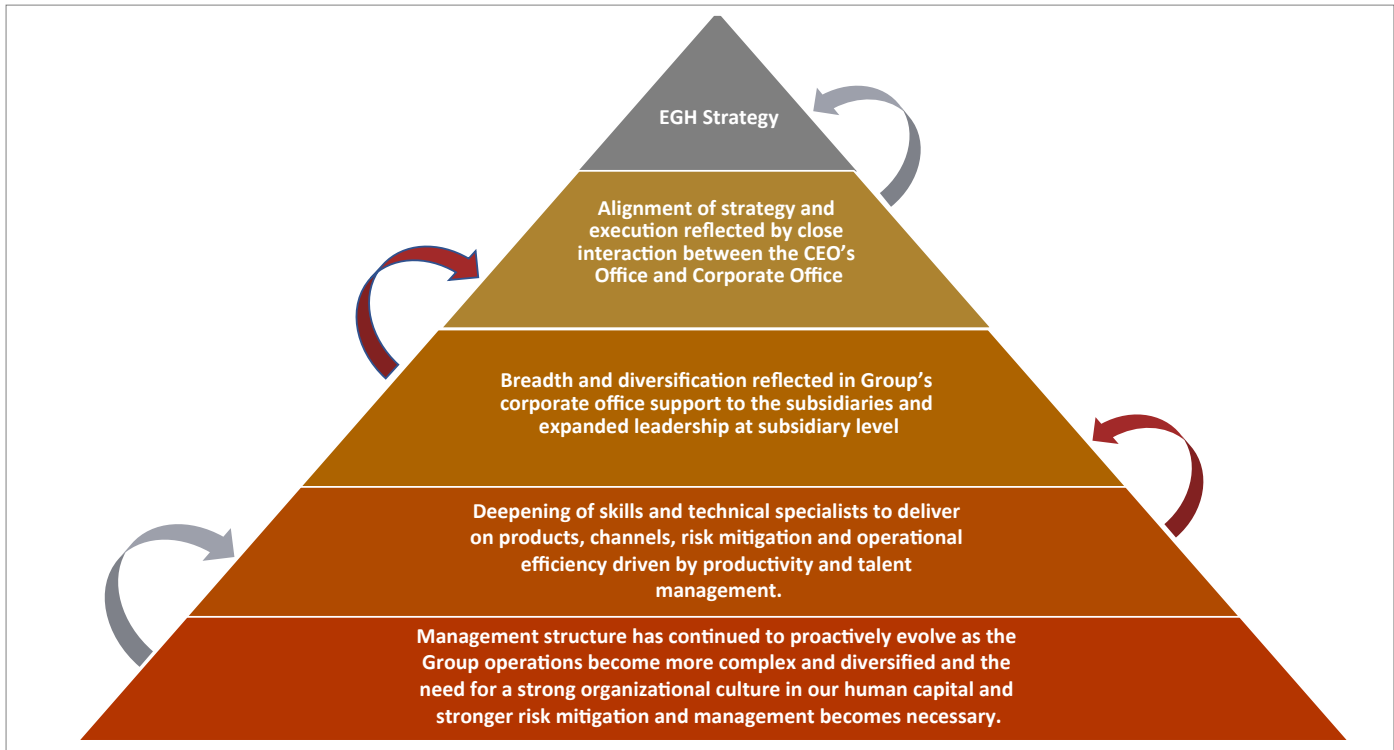
Governance and Organizational Structure

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Breadth and Depth of the Management Team



Group Executive Management



Dr. James Mwangi, CBS
Group Managing Director &
Chief Executive Officer



Mary Wamae
Group Executive Director



Polycarp Igathe
Group Chief Commercial
Officer



Olanrewaju Bamisebi
Group Director,
IT and Operations



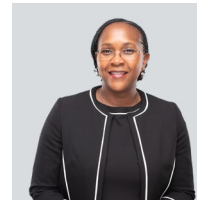
Sam Gitwekere
Group Director Credit Risk



Christine Browne
Group Director Legal
Services and Company
Secretary



Brent Malahay
Group Director Strategy,
Strategic Partnerships and
Investor Relations



Gloria Byamugisha
Group Chief Human
Resources Officer



David Ngata
Group Finance Director



James Mutuku
Group Director, Treasury
and Trade Finance



Elizabeth Gathai
Director Digitization and
Automation



John Wilson
Group Chief Risk Officer



Joy DiBenedetto
Group Director
Communications



Bildard Fwamba
Chief Internal Auditor

Group Executive Management



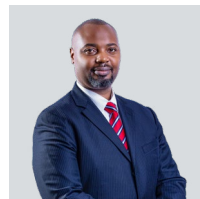
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Emmanuel Deh
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Equity Bank Kenya



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Equity Bank Uganda



Anthony Kituuka
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Equity Bank Uganda



Addis Ababa Othow
Managing Director,
Equity Bank South Sudan



Hannington Namara
Managing Director,
Equity Bank Rwanda



Robert Kiboti
Managing Director,
Equity Bank Tanzania



Esther Kitoka
Executive Director,
Equity Bank Tanzania



Célestin Muntuabu
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Jean-Claude Tshipama
Deputy Managing Director,
EquityBCDC S.A.

Group Board of Directors



Prof. Isaac Macharia
Non-Executive Chairman



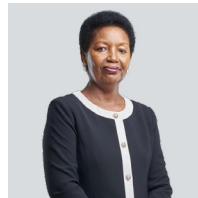
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Managing Director and
Chief Executive Officer



Mary Wamae
Executive Director



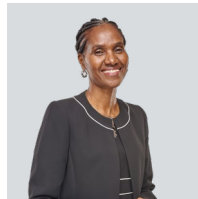
Dr. Edward Odundo
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Evelyn Rutagwenda
Non-Executive Director



Vijay Gidoomal
Non-Executive Director



Dr. Helen Gichohi
Non-Executive Director



Christopher Newson
Non-Executive Director



Christine Browne
Company Secretary



Press Release

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EQUITY GROUP EMERGES RESILIENT AMIDST MULTIPLE CRISIS

- 54% growth in total assets
- 58% growth in customer deposits
- 64% growth in profit after tax
- 31% strong topline revenue growth
- Strong revised 2021 outlook

Nairobi May 26th 2021..... Equity Group has returned strong quarter one results in a challenging environment amidst the multi-faceted Covid-19 crisis of health, economic disruption, and humanitarian challenges, giving hope of resilience and recovery.

“Our strategy; purpose-first, inclusivity, affordability, reach, agility and quality have proven resilient and sustainable” said Dr. James Mwangi, the Equity Group CEO while releasing the first quarter of 2021 financial results. “Purpose has proved profitable” he added.

During the multi-crisis year, Equity focused on social impact investment in health investing Kshs.1.7 billion in social response to society, forgoing Kshs.1.5 billion in waived mobile transaction fees, waiving Kshs.1.2 billion in loan rescheduling fees and accommodating Kshs.171 billion (or 31%) of the loan book for up to 3 years of principal and interest repayment breaks to enable businesses to survive. “We kept the lights of the economies we operate in on, supported businesses to repurpose, retool and recover by supporting livelihoods of our customers during the crisis”, said Dr. Mwangi.

He added, “We have adopted a two-pronged strategy of being offensive and defensive. We strengthened our capital buffers by retaining profits and withholding dividend payouts, took long-term loan facilities that strengthened our liquidity buffers, supported host communities and our clients to mitigate the impact of the crisis on them by waiving fees and rescheduling their loans to match loan repayments to new cashflow patterns. Internally, we focused on risk mitigation and management in a challenging environment, enhanced our NPL coverage through provisions and sought collaboration with development financial institutions on credit and risk sharing guarantees. We evolved our organization structure through strong governance focus on risk management, diversity of skills and competencies to enhance our succession planning and mitigation of key person risks”, added Dr. Mwangi.

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Operationally, the Group focused on generating and growing non-funded income, treasury efficiency, geographical expansion and business diversification, business transformation through innovation and digitization, balance sheet optimization and agility, asset quality and risk mitigation while pursuing efficiencies and brand development through social impact investment underscoring the performance of the Group.

Interest income grew by 32% while non-funded income grew by 30% to contribute 42% of total income. Regional subsidiaries registered resilience and robust growth to contribute 40% of total deposits and total assets and 23% of profit before tax with Rwanda and Uganda delivering above cost of capital returns.

“Evolving economic, social, political governance reforms and environment have strengthened prospects for long-term sustained regional growth and investment, This coupled with development of physical and soft infrastructure enhance opportunities for private sector credit growth and productivity gains from cross border trade” said Dr. Mwangi.

The Group registered a balance sheet expansion of 54% to reach Kshs.1.07 trillion driven by a 58% growth in customer deposits underpinned by Kshs.140 billion shareholders’ funds. A liquid balance sheet with Kshs.500 billion of cash, cash equivalents and government securities reflect the agility to redeploy funding seamlessly as the economies recover from the adverse impact of the Covid-19 multi-crisis.

The Group took advantage of consumers’ lifestyle changes that acted as a tailwind to human adoption of technology resulting into change in consumer lives and behavior. The Group changed its strategy to adopt to the changing environment and executed a rapid business transformation that saw 98% of all transactions being digital in count, and 65% of volume by value. “Over the last one year, we have witnessed firsthand as our customers adopted our mobile and internet technology channels on self-service devices making our financial services offering truly a 24-hour service and lifestyle”, said Dr. Mwangi.

“The business has seized the moment and fast-tracked transformation by investing and deploying fintech capabilities of biodata, artificial intelligence, machine learning, analytics and algorithms to support customer personalized product and services, offering wide lifestyle capabilities and global reach and presence” added Dr. Mwangi.

Strong focus on asset quality saw the Group develop an investment portfolio mix that resulted in a market and sectoral diversification across currencies and different geographies. The Group reported a non-performing loan book of 11.3% compared to the industry

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average of 14.6%. Strong risk mitigation saw NPL coverage stand at 99% from a mix of provisions at 87% and 12% of credit risk guarantees.

Of the 31% of the loan book, or Kshs.171 billion Covid-19 accommodated or rescheduled loan book, Kshs.59 billion has resumed repayment with Kshs. 5 billion fully repaid and Kshs.3 billion behind schedule in repayment. Kshs.66 billion is expected to resume repayment within 6 months by 30th September 2021.

On efficiency and cost optimization, the regional subsidiaries continue to gain momentum with marked improvement in cost to asset ratio and cost to income ratio and significant balance sheet and revenue growth.

The Group's brand popularity is soaring in trust on account of our social engagement through our purpose-first strategy of shared prosperity evidenced by *Wings to Fly* and Elimu scholarships, Equity Afia health services, environmental protection through tree planting and clean energy product offering, empowering wealth creation through financial literacy and entrepreneurship development services and social safety net programmes.

Boosted by market leadership position in terms of balance sheet; market capitalization; customer base; capital base; and reinforced by the accelerated adoption of technologies by customers, a society seeking multi-sensory engagement, shared prosperity, purpose-first business models, the Group has reviewed its 2021 performance outlook upward to a return on equity of between 25% to 30% and return on assets of between 3.6% to 4.3% in an environment predicted by the World Bank and IMF to recover quickly.

The experience over the last 3 years of adoption of IFRS9 and riding the tide of Covid-19 multi crisis has brought forth the strength of the Group's strong risk management culture of boldness, decisiveness and prudence. On account of the differentiated management decisions last year, the Group has emerged resilient with a strong foundation that gives hope and confidence of strong future performance as reflected by strong top line revenue growth.

From the lessons of the disruption of its previously unbroken track record of paying out dividend since its listing in the stock exchange, the Group formulated a capital allocation, value creation and distribution policy that guarantees a dividend payout of between 30% to 50% of the Group's profit after tax and institutionalized the policy by the creation of an executive position in charge of capital allocation and value creation.

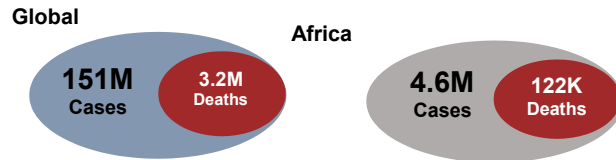


Macroeconomic and Operating Environment

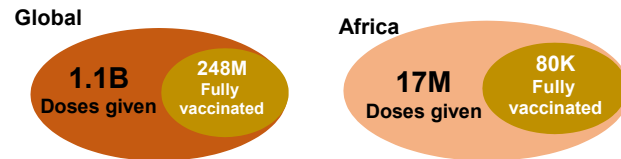
The Great Multi Crises - COVID-19

Global Health crisis

- Cases reported as of 30 April 2021



- Vaccinations as of 30 April 2021



- New COVID-19 variants in India, Brazil, UK and South Africa are fuelling more contagious and dangerous waves across the globe

Source: John Hopkins, Africa CDC & WHO

Humanitarian and Economic crisis



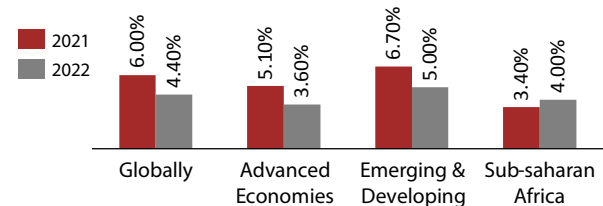
IMF - Approximately 107 million people will fall below the poverty line by end of 2021 due to Covid-19



World Bank forecasts global activity is to expand 4% 2021, below previous expectations amid a sharp resurgence of new COVID-19 cases



IMF - Optimistic GDP growth forecasts after vaccines



International Labour Organisation – Projects that at least 36 million jobs will be lost in 2021

COVID-19 Management and Responses

Key government and banks' regulator interventions across the region

- Encouraged financial institutions to accommodate loan restructuring for their clients
- Promotion of the use of e-payments to reduce risk of contaminated bank notes
- Reduced the Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) to boost banks liquidity
- Formulating stimulus packages to support most affected sectors like tourism
- Imposing travel bans from countries with COVID-19 resurgence
- Acquisition and administering of COVID-19 vaccines for the population

Regional COVID-19 Financial Assistance (Rapid Financing Instrument) from IMF

Kenya

 USD 1,316 million

Uganda

 USD 492 million

Rwanda

 USD 268 million

DRC

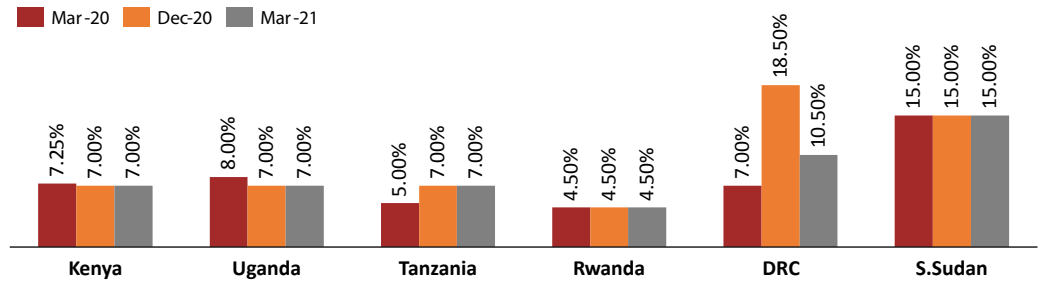
 USD 363 million

South Sudan

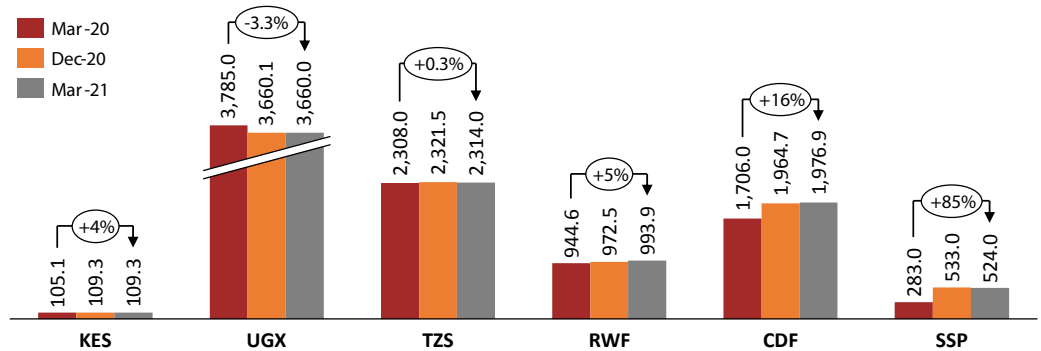
 USD 226 million

Regional CBR and Currency Depreciation

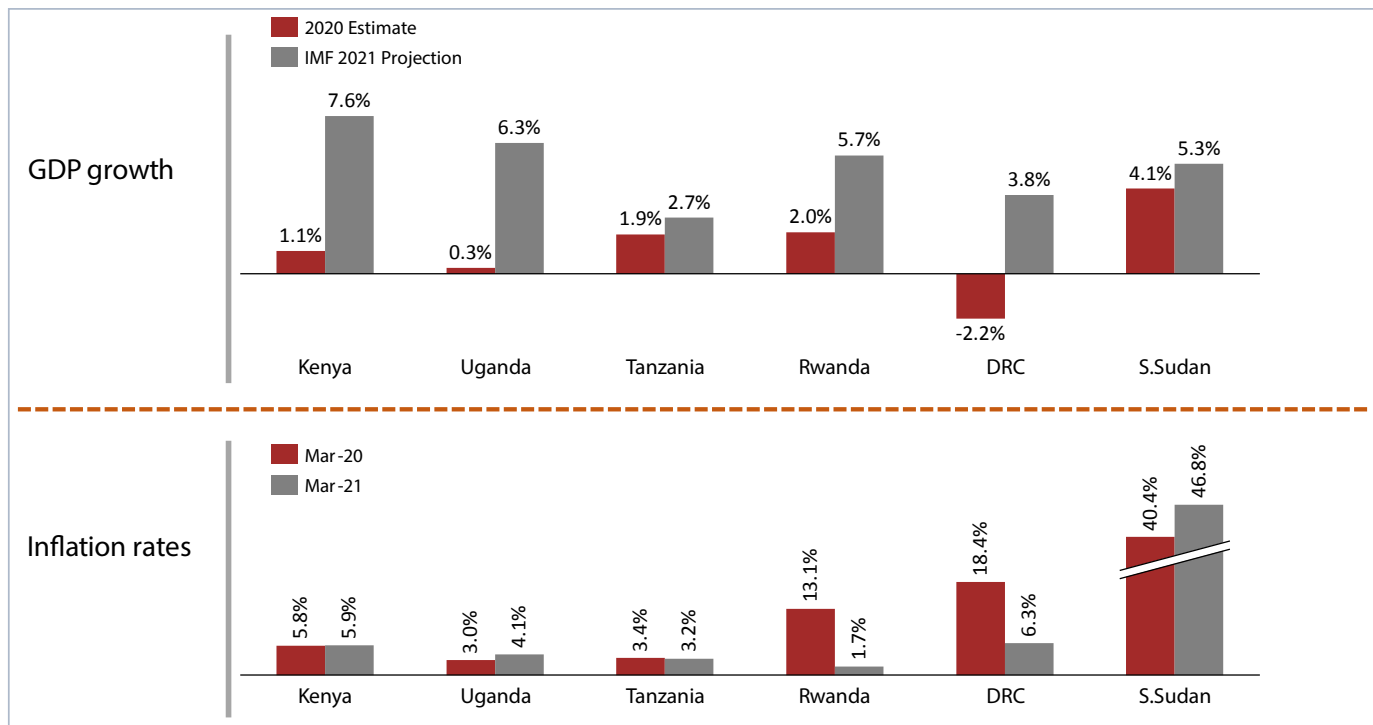
Regional CBR



Regional Currency Depreciation to USD



GDP Growth Projected to improve across the Region



Source: IMF & CBK

Equity Social Investments Complements Government Efforts against Covid-19 Pandemic

Kes 4.4 billion to complement Government's health and social responses as well as support our **customers**



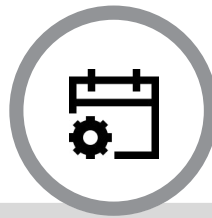
Health Response

Waived fees on mobile banking transactions to discourage use of cash and leveraged off our health clinics to support educational awareness. Transaction fee foregone amounted to **Kes 1.5 billion**.



Social Response

Equity Group Foundation, Mastercard Foundation and Dr. James Mwangi family contribution to the Covid 19 fund totalling **Kes 1.7 Billion**.



Loan restructuring

In response to the challenging operating environment for customers, we have identified borrowers impacted by COVID-19 who account for **31%** of our loan portfolio. Loan restructuring fees waived amounted to **Kes 1.2 billion**.



Capital buffers

In response to the global and regional uncertain operating environment, we have enhanced core capital buffers by withdrawal of 2019 dividend amounting to **Kshs 9.5 Billion**, not recommending a dividend payment in 2020 and raised **USD 100 million** of Tier 2 capital.



Risk management

In response to a challenging operating outlook, we partnered with development institutions to obtain partial credit guarantee on select borrowers and enhanced our provisioning intensity to proactively manage emerging risks.



Liquidity buffers

In response to the potential liquidity risk arising from accommodation of our customers and the challenging environment, the Group secured DFI funding amounting to **USD 380 million** in FY 2020 to strengthen liquidity; liquidity levels now rising to **61%** from **52%**.



Equity Bank Business Model and Strategy

Equity Bank Business Model & Strategy Focus

Inclusive, High volume, Low Margin, Digital and Experiential, Agile and Quality-Driven Business Model

1. Non-Funded Income Growth

2. Treasury efficiency

3. Geographical expansion and Business Diversification

4. Balance Sheet Efficiency, Optimization and Agility

5. Business Transformation - Innovation and Digitization

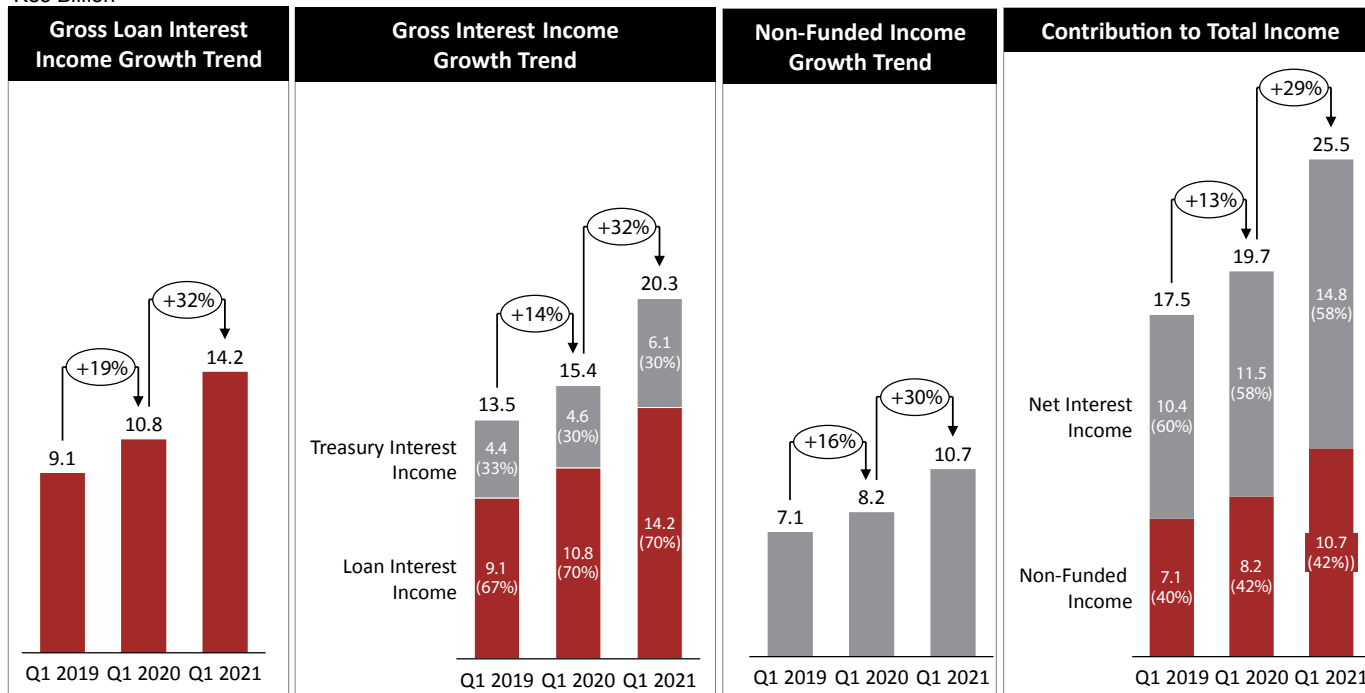
6. Asset Quality, Distribution and Risk Mitigation

7. Efficiency and Cost Optimization

8. Impact Investment & Social Brand Development

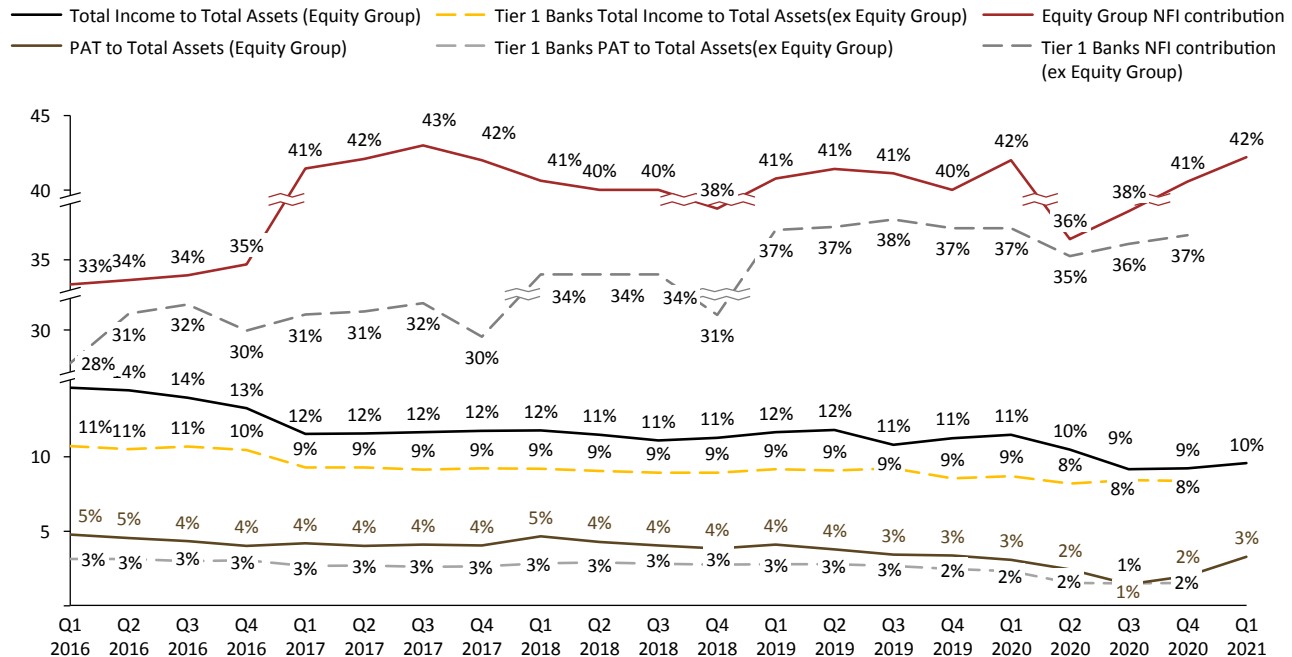
Focus Area 1: Non-Funded Income Growth

Kes Billion

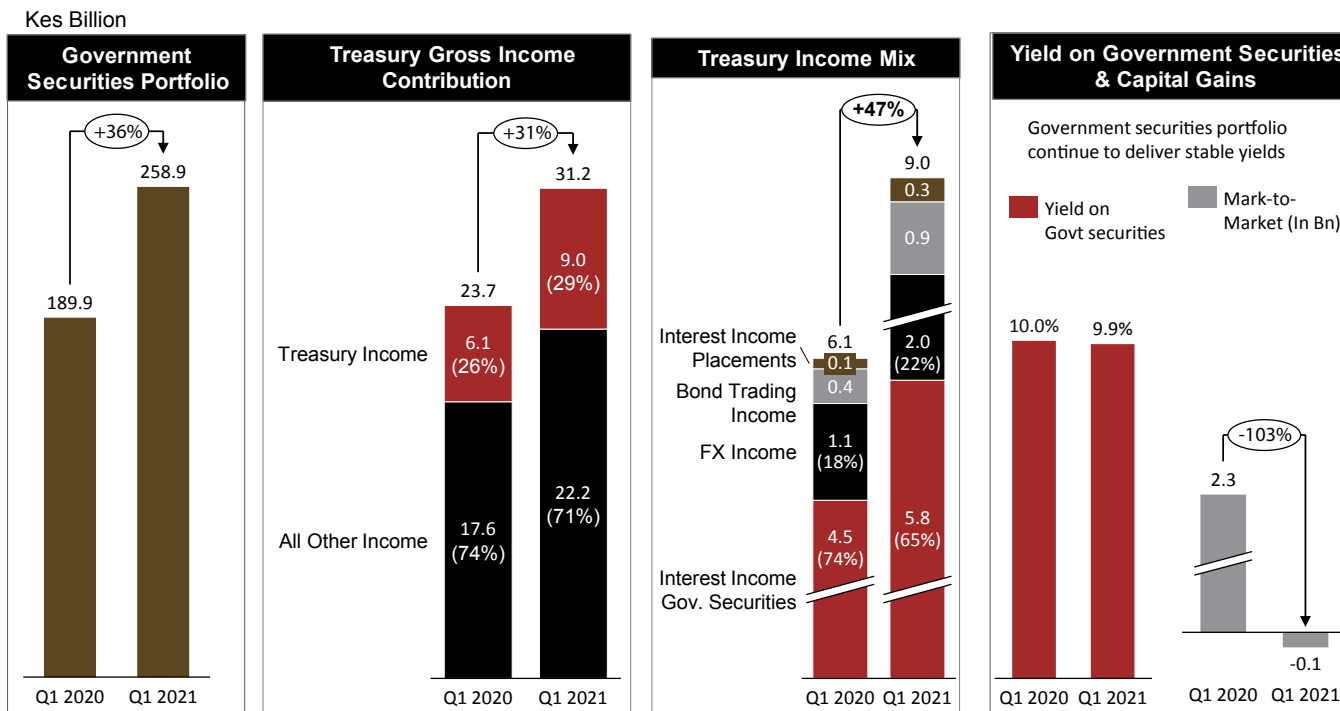


Focus Area 1: NFI Contribution

NFI contribution back to pre-covid-19 level; Equity Group still more diversified than the sector average as at Q4 2020. Equity's focus on NFI has led to superior returns compared to the market with higher income and profitability on total assets



Focus Area 2: Treasury Efficiency



Note: Income calculation above is before funding costs

Focus Area 3: Subsidiaries Performance and Contribution

Kes Billion

Q1 2021	EBTL	EBRL	EBUL	EBSS	Equity BCDC	EIA	EIB	Finserve	Other Subs Total [% Contribution]	EBKL [% Contribution]	Group [% growth]	Other Subs Contribution Q1 2021	Other Subs Contribution Q1 2020
Deposit	18.1	27.3	51.1	8.0	265.9				370.4	553.7	790.6	40%	28%
<i>YoY Growth</i>	14%	10%	49%	37%	272%				40%	60%	58%		
Loan	15.9	22.5	40.5	0.4	85.9				165.2	322.5	487.7	34%	25%
<i>YoY Growth</i>	19%	25%	35%	393%	155%				34%	66%	29%		
Assets	29.2	40.7	66.3	12.2	320.0	0.8	0.6	2.3	472.4	718.0		40%	28%
<i>YoY Growth</i>	10%	20%	40%	26%	273%	71%	28%	9%	40%	60%	54%		
Revenue	0.6	1.1	2.1	0.2	4.8	0.4	0.1	0.3	9.6	16.5	25.5	37%	30%
<i>YoY Growth</i>	71%	28%	34%	-59%	142%	8%	-182%	-5%	37%	63%	29%		
Cost before provisions	0.5	0.4	1.1	0.1	4.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	6.5	6.4	12.7	50%	36%
<i>YoY Growth</i>	12%	0%	23%	-31%	200%	-19%	17%	-6%	50%	50%	31%		
<i>PBT before provisions</i>	0.1	0.7	1.0	0.1	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.1	2.9	10.1	12.8	22%	23%
<i>YoY Growth</i>	294%	60%	50%	-66%	26%	19%	151%	-2%	22%	78%	28%		
PBT	0.1	0.6	0.9	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	2.8	9.3	11.7	23%	26%
<i>YoY Growth</i>	226%	69%	68%	-66%	86%	19%	151%	-3%	23%	77%	67%		
PAT	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	1.9	7.1	8.7	21%	25%
<i>YoY Growth</i>	226%	69%	56%	-74%	75%	19%	151%	-3%	21%	79%	64%		
<i>RoAE</i>	6.9%	25.3%	25.9%	12.0%	6.2%	58.3%	14.6%	4.2%	12.1%	32.8%	25.1%	12.1%	17.7%
<i>Cost of Capital</i>	20%	19%	19%	>25%	22%	18%	18%	18%	21%	18%	19%	21%	21%

Focus Area 3: Geographical Expansion and Business Diversification

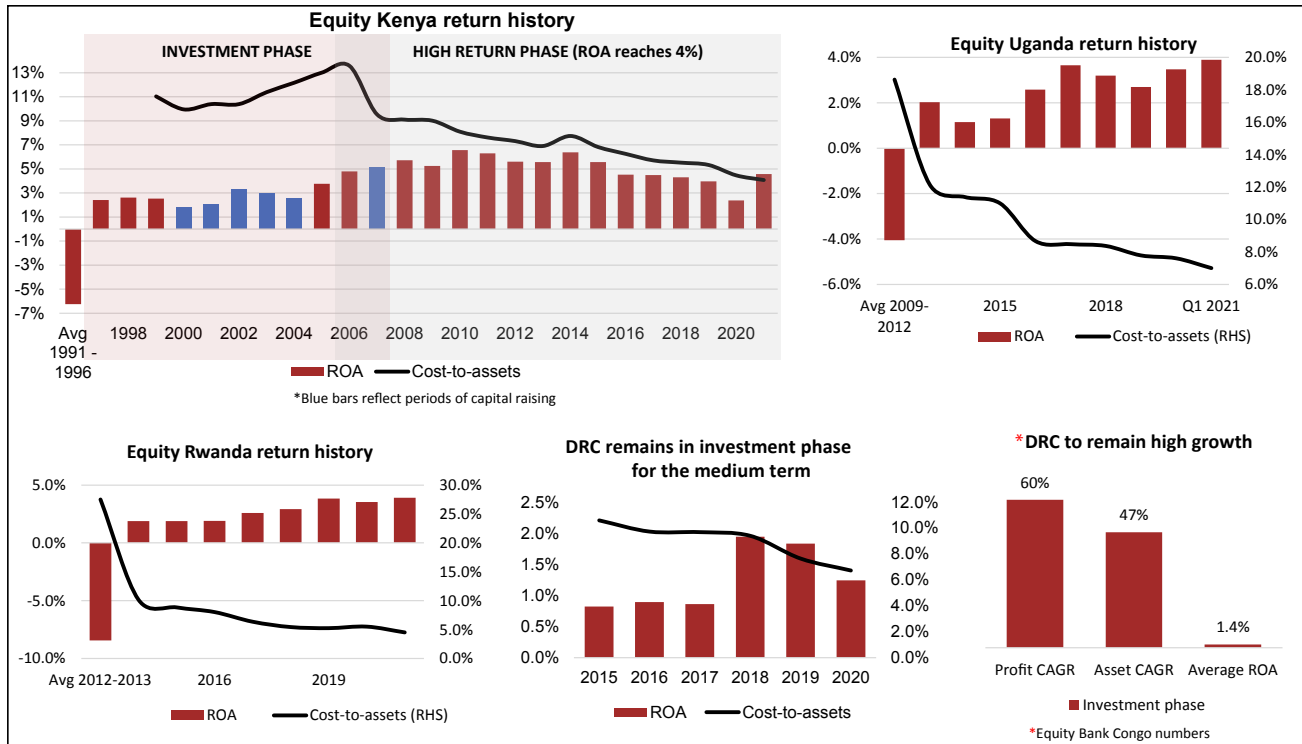
Performance Trend - Banking Subsidiaries: Value creation and growth

RoAE			RoAA		
Subsidiary	Q1 2020	Q1 2021	Subsidiary	Q1 2020	Q1 2021
EBKL	21.6%	32.8%	EBKL	3.0%	4.2%
EBUL	24.0%	25.9%	EBUL	3.4%	3.9%
EBRL	19.3%	25.3%	EBRL	2.9%	3.9%
EBTL	-7.9%	6.9%	EBTL	-1.1%	1.2%
Equity BCDC	10.9%	6.2%	Equity BCDC	1.1%	0.5%
EBSSL	48.9%	12.0%	EBSSL	17.8%	3.7%

Cost-to-Assets Ratio			Cost-to-Income Ratio		
Subsidiary	Q1 2020	Q1 2021	Subsidiary	Q1 2020	Q1 2021
EBKL	4.9%	3.7%	EBKL	45.4%	38.7%
EBUL	7.9%	7.0%	EBUL	59.4%	54.5%
EBRL	5.5%	4.5%	EBRL	52.5%	40.8%
EBTL	6.8%	6.7%	EBTL	119.2%	78.2%
Equity BCDC	6.0%	5.3%	Equity BCDC	66.8%	82.8%
EBSSL	5.3%	3.0%	EBSSL	22.5%	37.4%

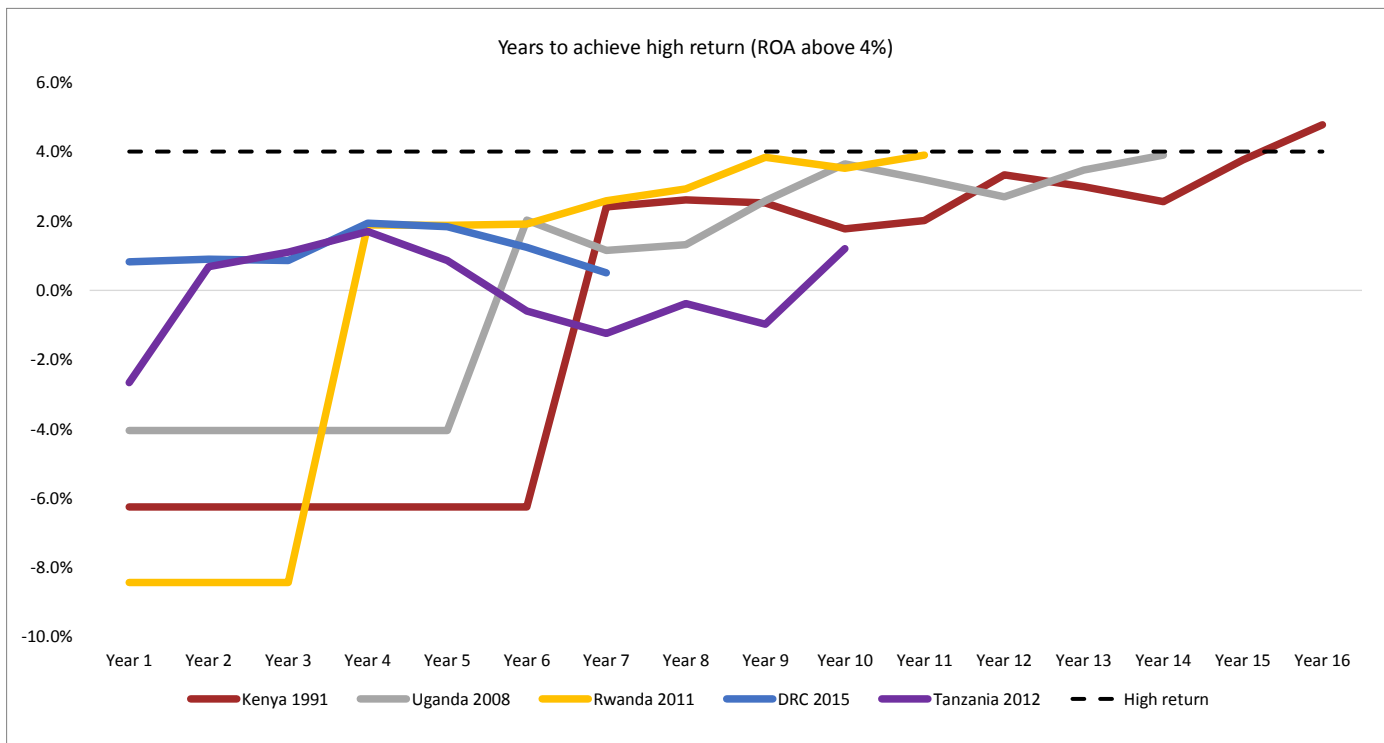
Focus Area 3: Geographical Expansion and Business Diversification

Regional subsidiaries are high-growth assets, with UG and RW becoming high-return subsidiaries as well



Focus Area 3: Geographical and Business Diversification

Subsidiaries achieving high returns in shorter periods



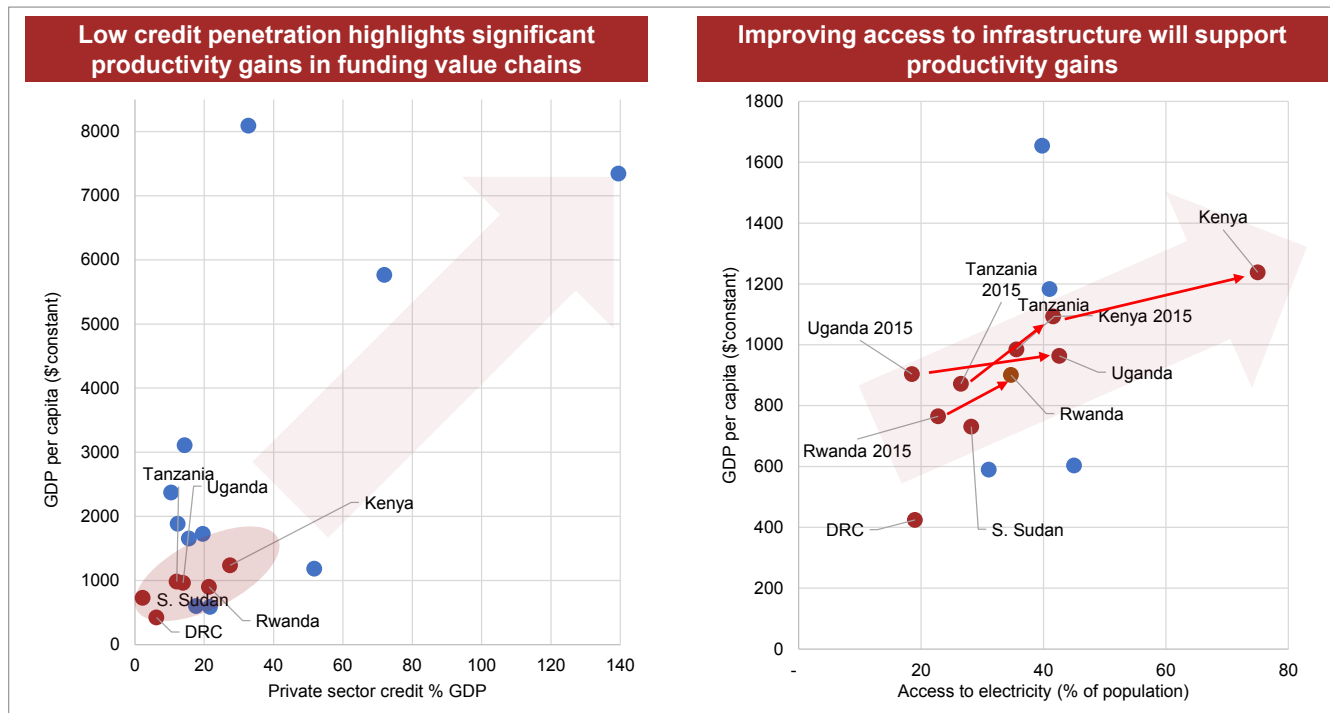
Focus Area 3: Geographical and Business Diversification

- Present in 6 countries and a commercial representative office in Ethiopia
- We are a Top 2 bank in our two largest markets and in the Top 10 in three other markets
- Population of ~385 million
- Nominal GDP of ~USD 359 Bn
- EBC and BCDC operations merged effective 31 December 2020 to create EquityBCDC
- EquityBCDC is the second largest subsidiary of Equity Group Holdings



Focus Area 3: Geographical Expansion and Business Diversification

Productivity gains coming from improving access to credit and infrastructure



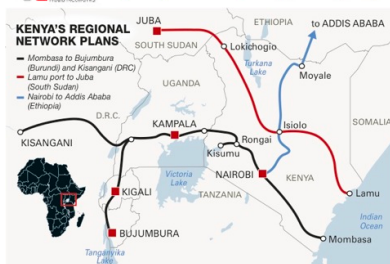
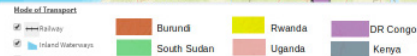
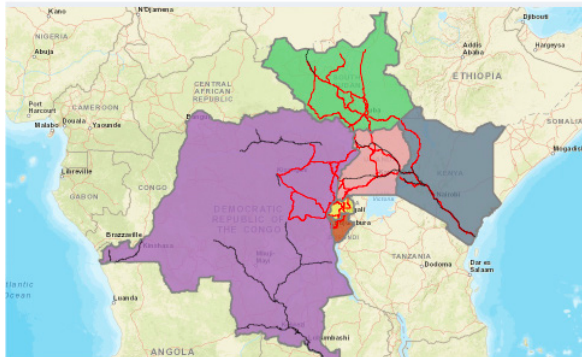
Source: World Bank

Focus Area 3: Geographical and Business Diversification

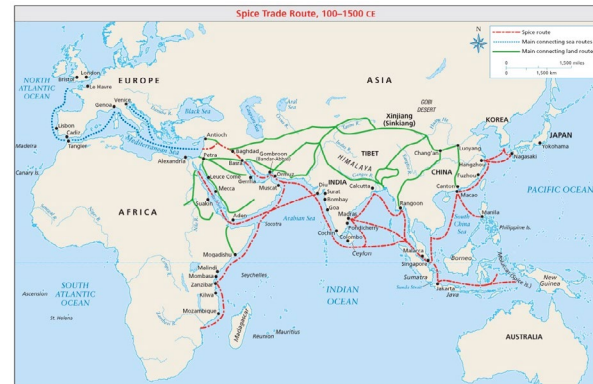
Regional trade and growing connectivity to global trade underpinned by expanding trade corridors

East and Central Africa increasing infrastructure connectivity

NORTHERN CORRIDOR MEMBER STATES



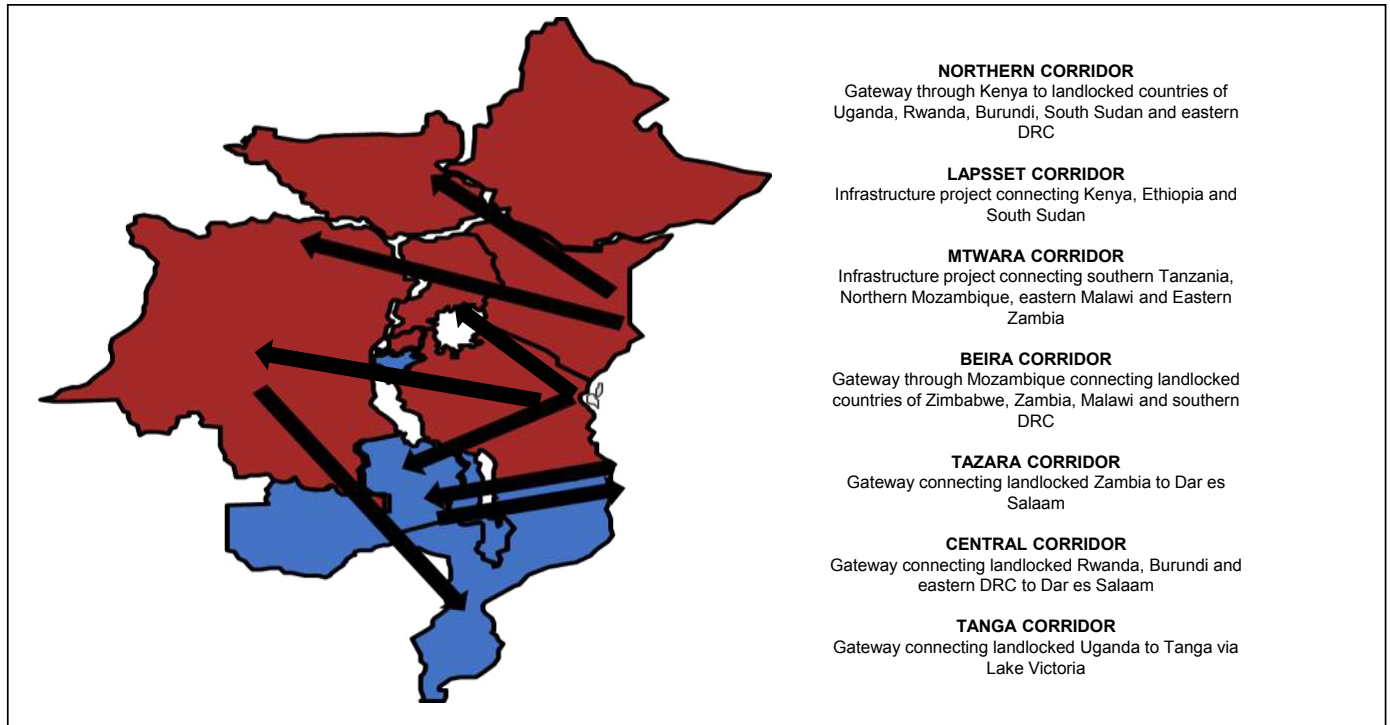
Growing linkages to global trade and commerce



Source: World Bank, Reuters, "Rail in Ethiopia Riding High while Kenya Still Lagging Behind," The Nairobi Network, March 25, 2014, <http://www.thehabarnet.com/wpcontent/uploads/2014/03/Kenya-Regional-Transportation-Map.jpg>, UNCTAD, Northern Corridor Transit and Transport Coordination Authority

Focus Area 3: Geographical Expansion and Business Diversification

Equity Group regional presence to drive cross-border trade and support informal traders



Focus Area 3: Geographical Expansion and Business Diversification

DRC significant resource endowment

- Improving government policy and governance:** This is affirmed by the US reinstating the DRC eligibility for trade preferences under the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) in January 2021. The US government highlighted that “The reinstatement recognizes the DRC’s progress towards establishing a market-based economy, rule of law, political pluralism, and the right to due process, as well as eliminating barriers to US trade and investment, and enacting policies to reduce poverty and protect human rights”. Furthermore, the IMF 2019 reengagement in scrutinizing economic and financial policies (through Article IV consultations) further demonstrates the DRC government’s commitment to economic and financial reforms and scrutiny.
- Resource endowment:** DRC’s significant resource wealth is geared towards a greener and technology-oriented global economy and reflected in critical resources such as: (i) largest reserves of Coltan/tantalite – estimated at 60-80% of global reserves (Coltan is used in many electronic devices including mobile phone); (ii) significant high grade copper reserves and largest cobalt reserves – copper and cobalt demand will be accelerated by increased usage of electric vehicles and charging stations (5x more than gas car), renewable energy and storage systems, 5G base stations. With improving government policy and governance, DRC’s resource endowment should benefit the domestic real economy over the long-term. In this regard, the government has announced closer scrutiny on mining contracts.
- Demographic dividend to drive secular consumption opportunities:** DRC has a large young population, over 100m, with 45% of the population in urban centres presenting consumption opportunities.
- Key regional trade partner:** DRC has made an application to join the East African Community which will foster trade in the region. At the same time improving regional trade relations across East and Central Africa bodes well for regional cross border trade opportunities for scale financial players like Equity Group that has four operations that border the DRC.



Focus Area 3: Geographical and Business Diversification

Landmark Oil Pipeline deal signed by Uganda and Tanzania

- Tripartite East African Crude Oil Pipeline project agreement (EACOP) signed off on 11 April 2021 between Uganda, Tanzania and large oil companies
- The deal paves way for:
 - US\$ 15Bn investment (c.40% of Uganda GDP)
 - Construction of 1,440km (\$3.55bn) electrically heated crude oil pipeline from Ugandan Albertine region to Tanzanian seaport of Tanga
 - Creation of c.10,000 plus jobs
 - Possible peak production of 230,000 barrels per day



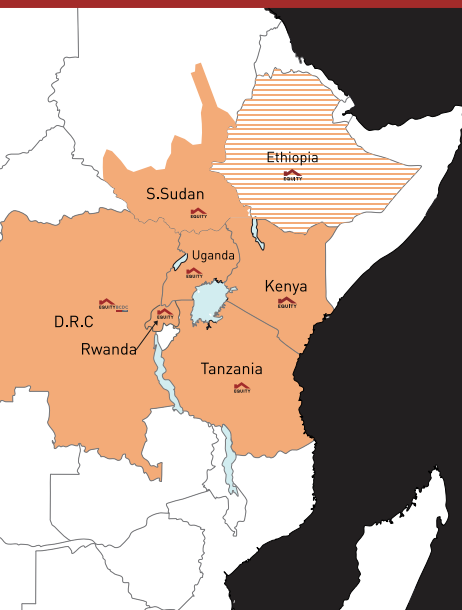
Focus Area 3: Geographical Expansion and Business Diversification

Promising Tanzania Operating Environment

- The newly sworn in Tanzania president, Samia Suluhu Hassan's, visit to Kenya in early May eased bilateral relations between the two trade partners. The two countries agreed to eliminate trade barriers which began in 2016 and aggravated by conflicting COVID-19 protocols in 2020.
- Tanzania, on 20th May 2021 signed the host country EACOP agreement with Total and the Ugandan government for the construction of a \$3.55 billion oil pipeline which will see Tanzania earn \$12.7 for each barrel transported.
- The Tanzanian and Kenyan governments have entered into an agreement to build a gas pipeline from Dar es Salaam to Mombasa which will increase trade between the two countries.
- The application by Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) to join the East African Community presents a huge opportunity to Tanzania due to its proximity to DRC and its reliance on neighboring countries for agricultural resources. DRC has approximately 93 million population and is rich natural resources

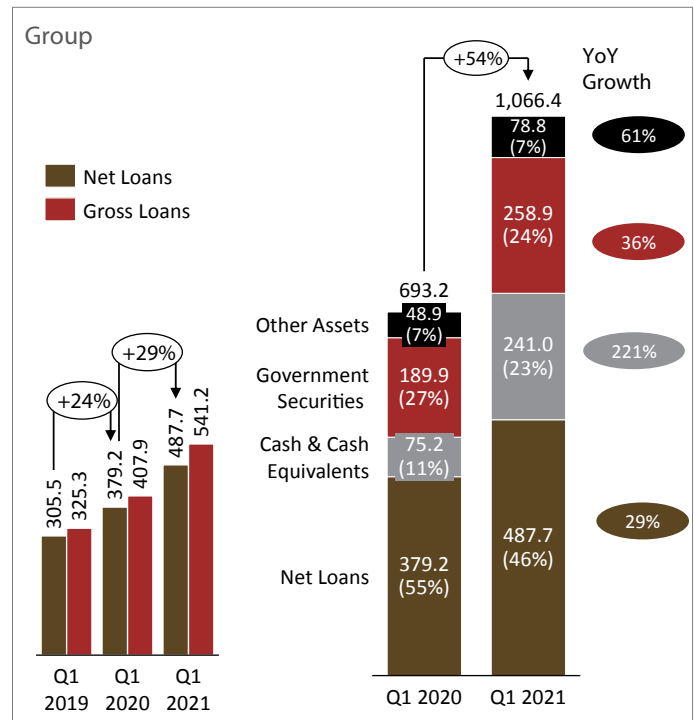
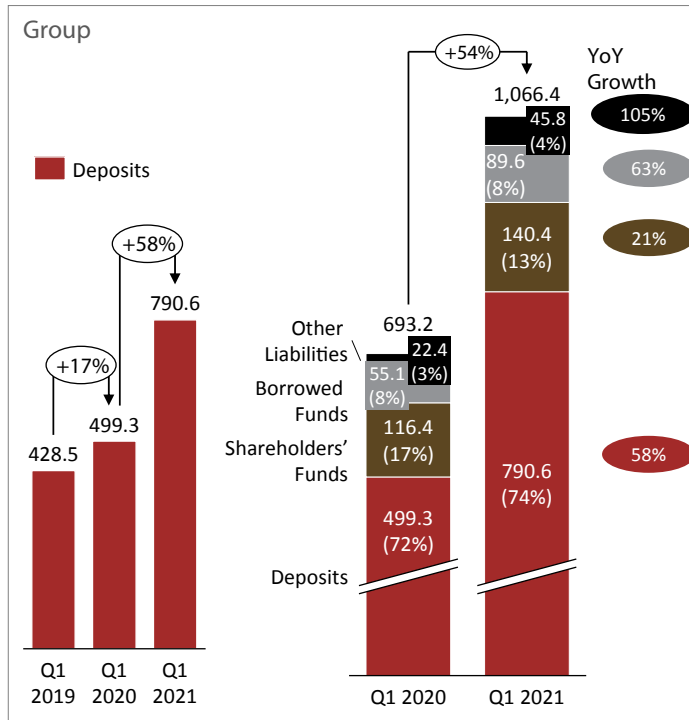


Focus Area 3: Geographical and Business Diversification



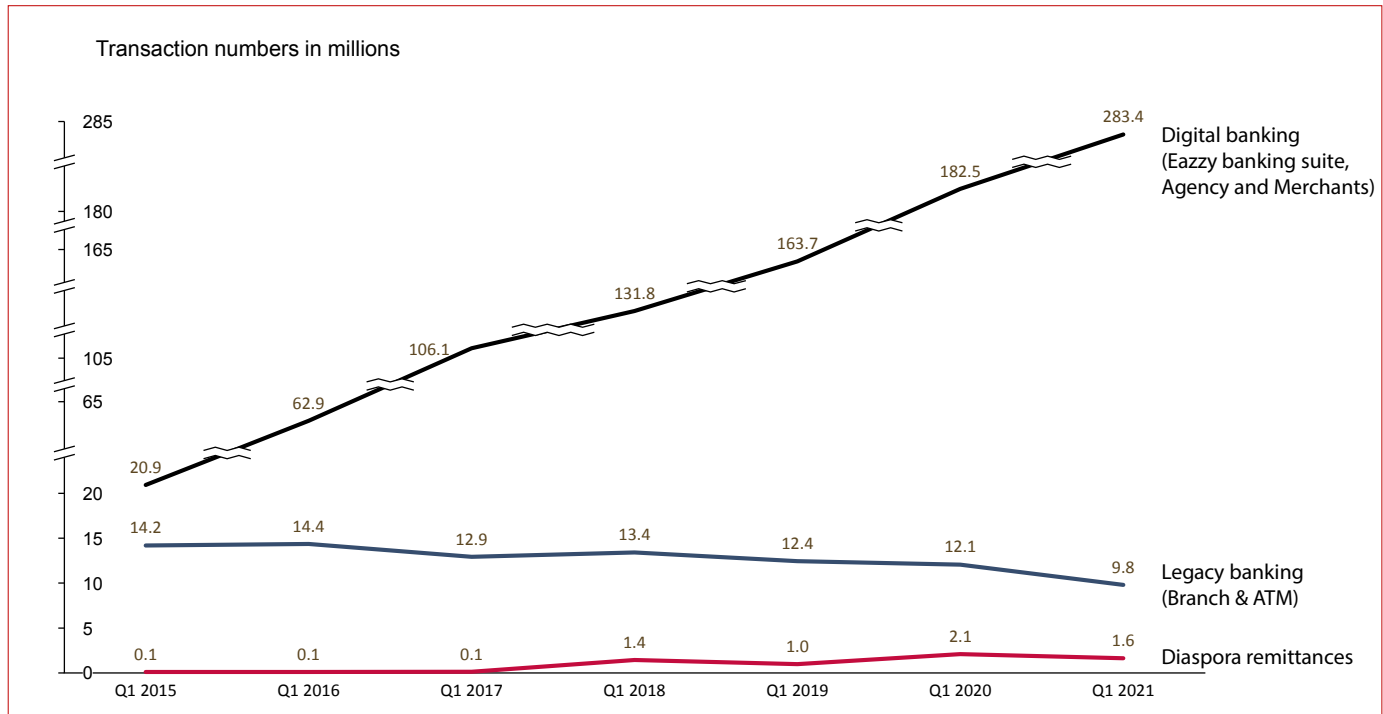
BRANCHES	336	CAPITAL CITY	124
Branches in Kenya	190	Nairobi	52
Branches in Uganda	43	Kampala	21
Branches in S. Sudan	5	Juba	4
Branches in Tanzania	14	Dar es Salaam	1
Branches in Rwanda	14	Kigali	8
Branches in DRC	70	Kinshasa	38
AGENT OUTLETS			53,151
POINT OF SALE TERMINALS (POS)			34,862
ATM			725

Focus Area 4: Balance Sheet Efficiency, Optimization and Agility



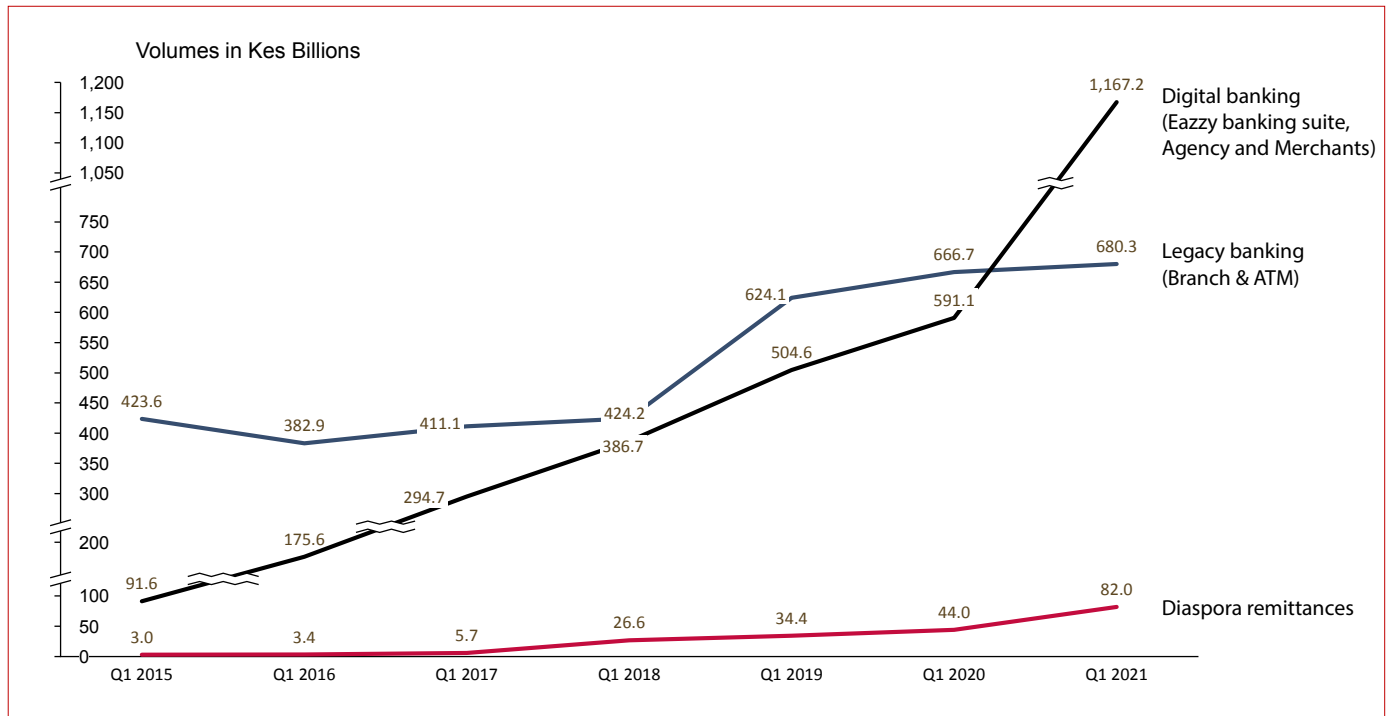
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Digital business: Enabling transition from fixed cost to 3rd party variable cost channels and self-service platforms



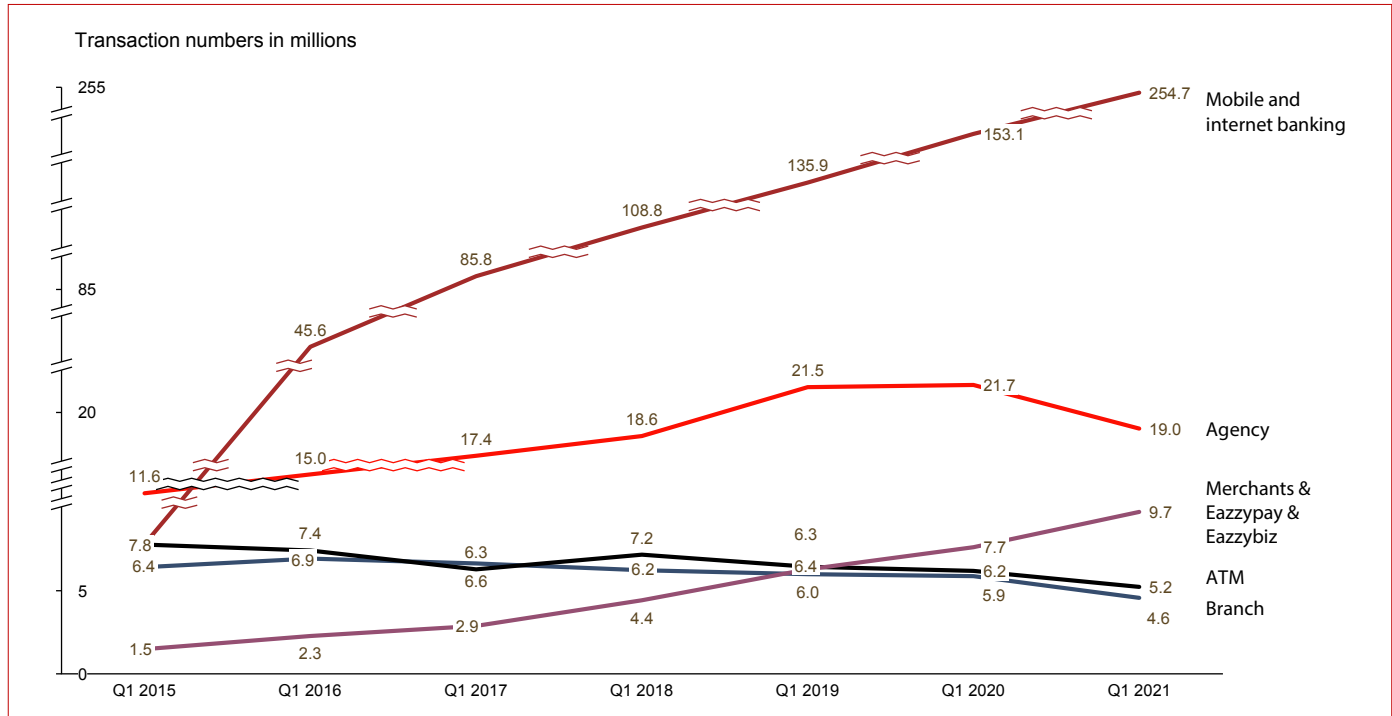
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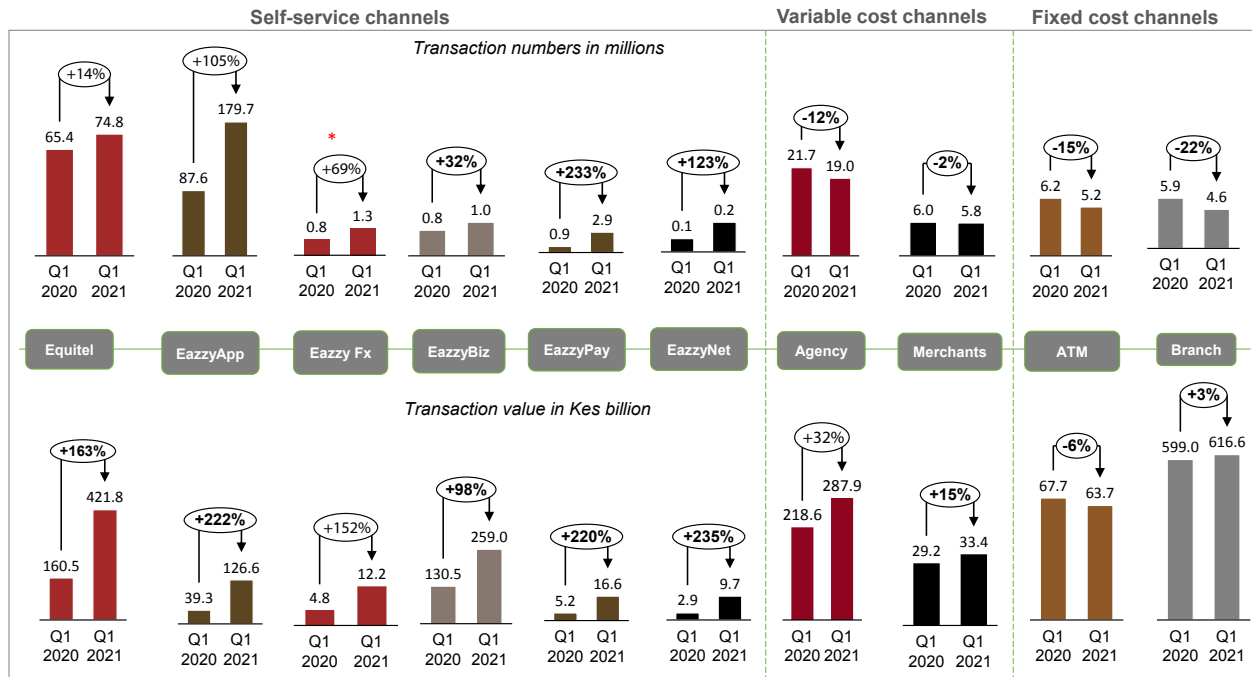
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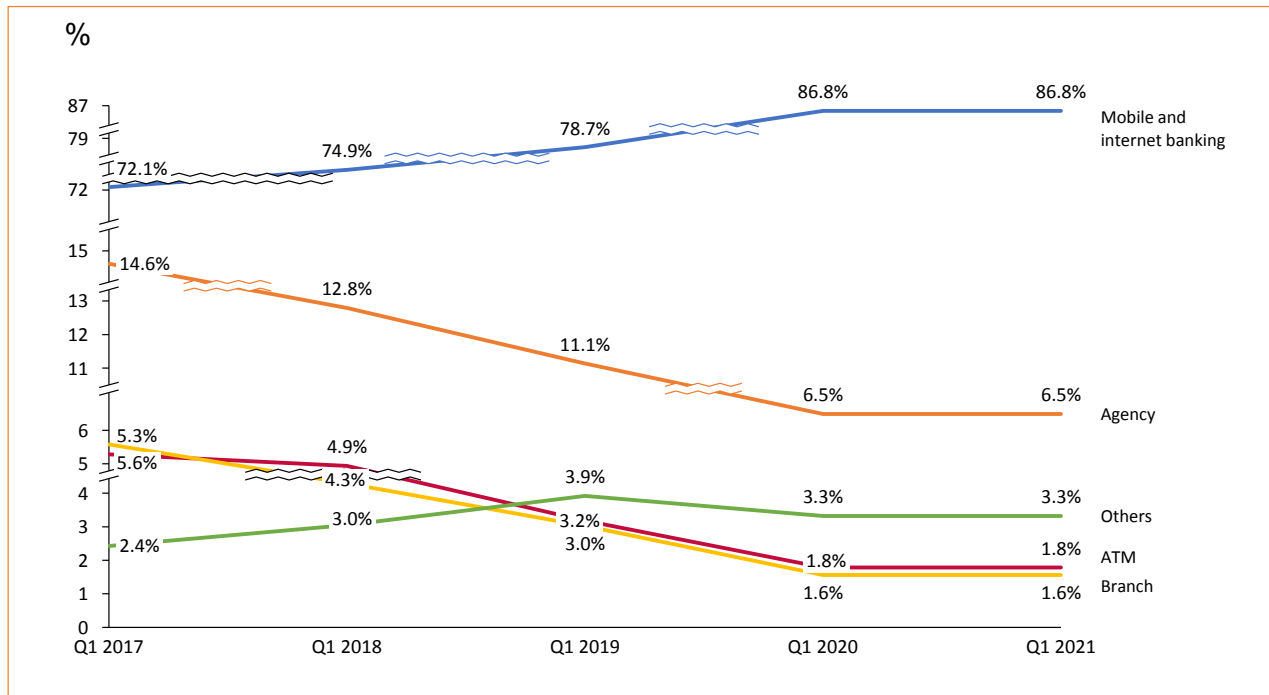
Migrating from Fixed and variable cost channels to self-service channels



* EazzyFx transaction numbers in thousands

Focus Area 5: Business Transformation - Fintech Capabilities: Digital Business

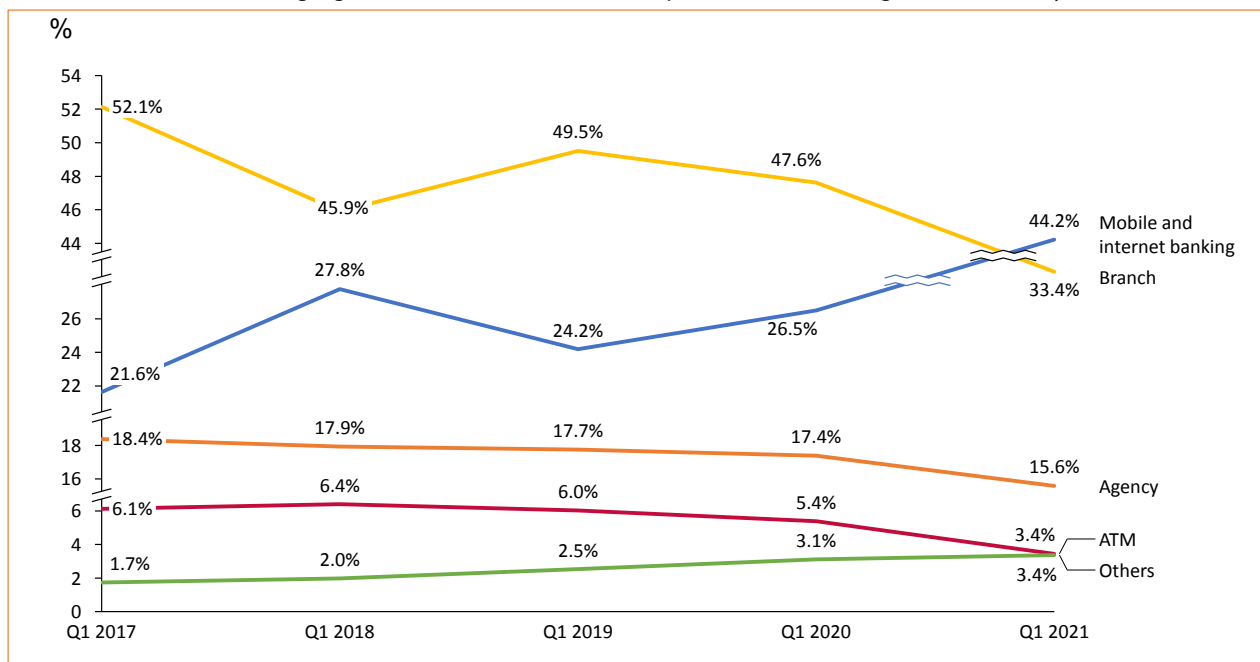
98% of our Transactions outside the branch



Focus Area 5: Business Transformation - Fintech Capabilities: Self-Service Channels

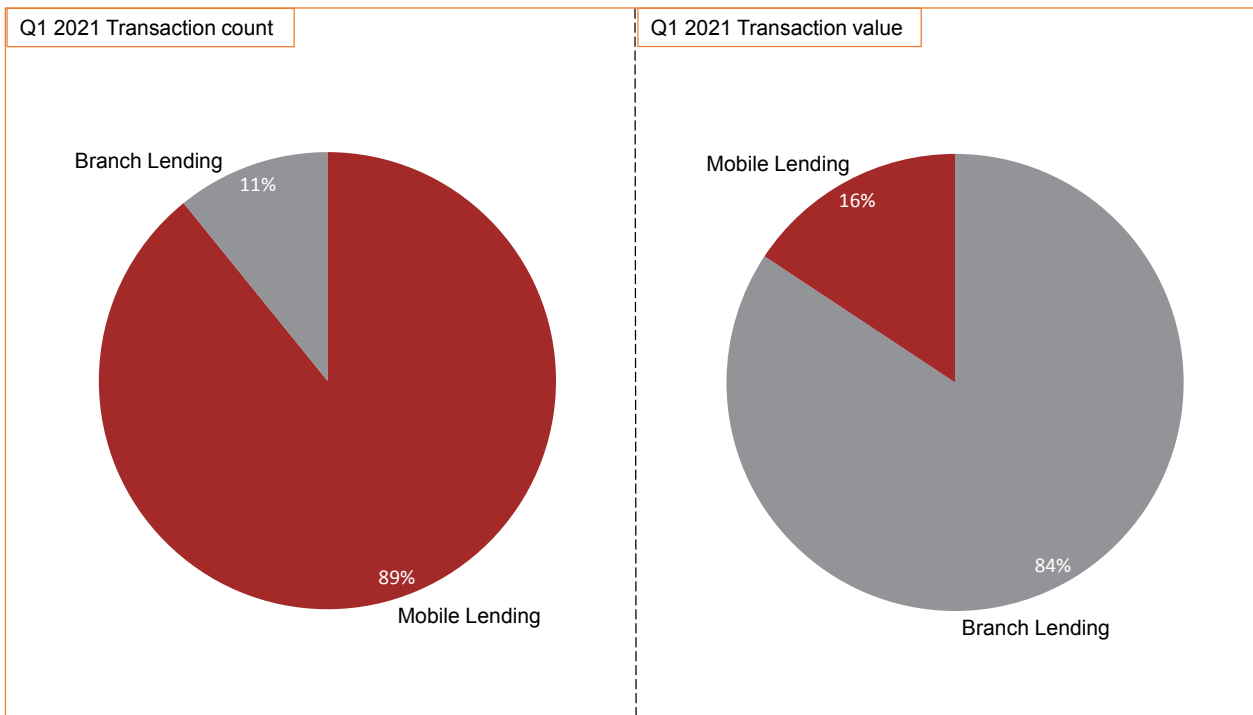
67% of our Transactions Value outside the branch

Branches now handling high value transactions for SME, corporates, wealth management & advisory services

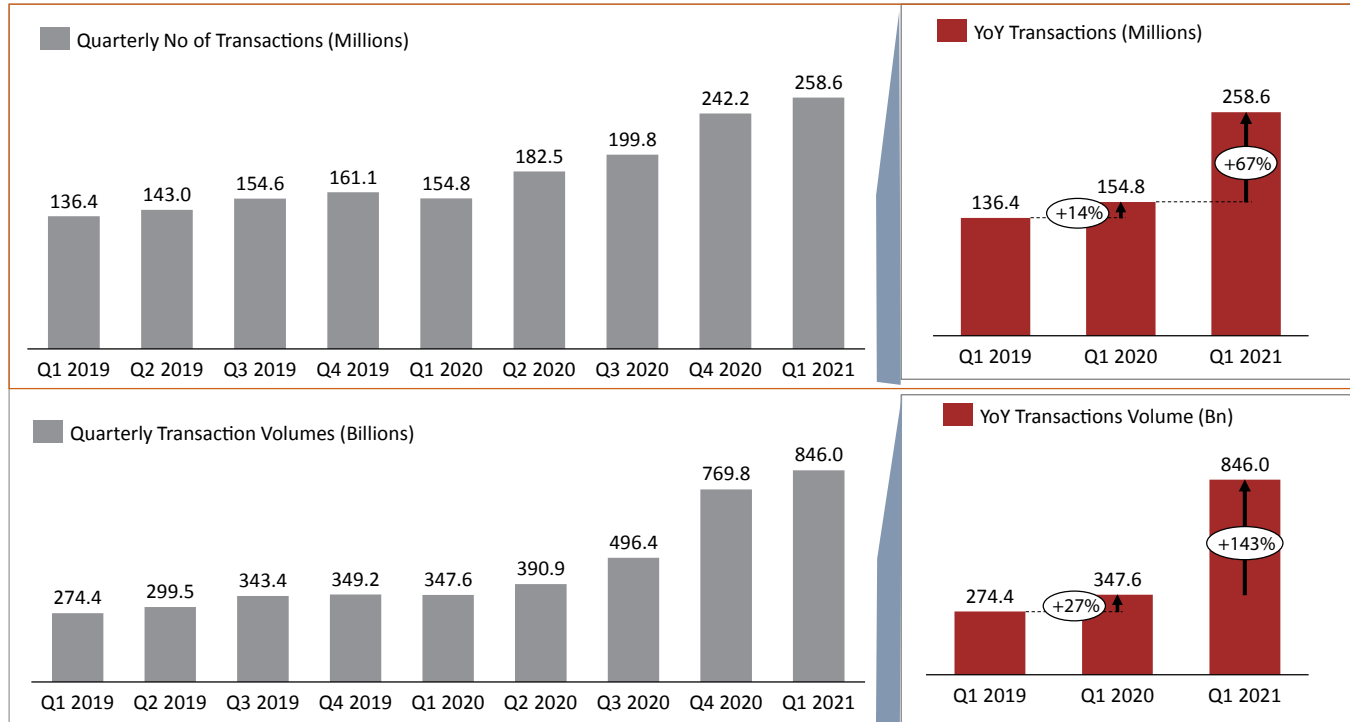


Focus Area 5: Business Transformation - Fintech Capabilities: Data Strategy, Decision Science and Analytics

89% of our Loan Transactions via Mobile Channel

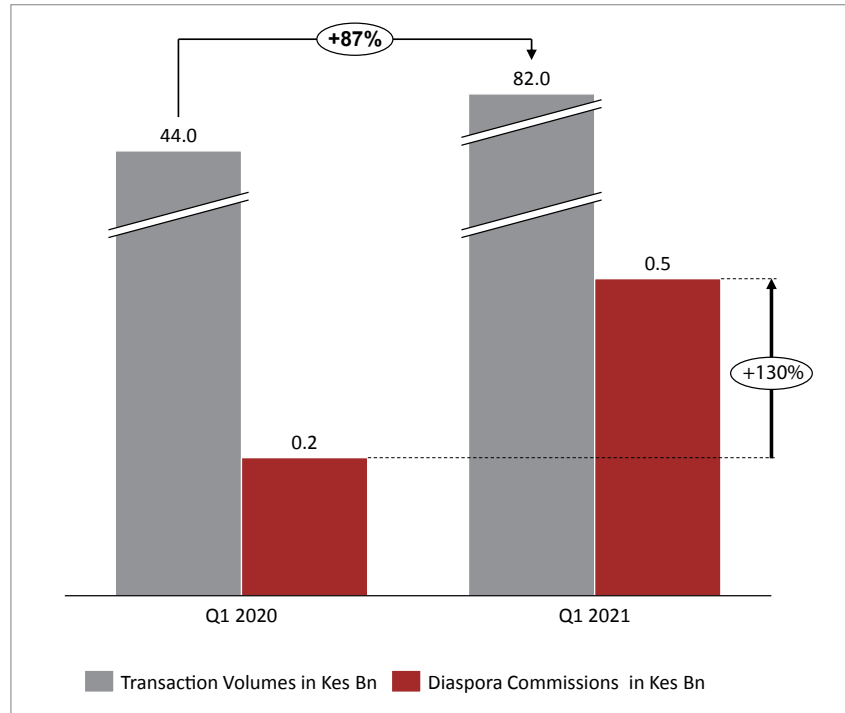


Focus Area 5: Business Transformation - Fintech Capabilities: Lifestyle Support Payments Processing Capabilities



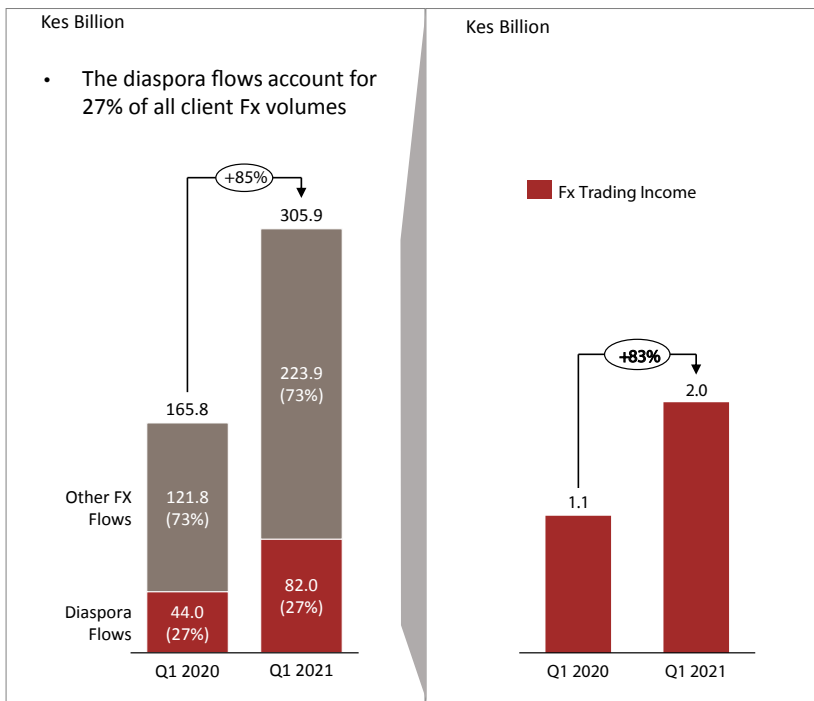
Focus Area 5: Business Transformation - Fintech Capabilities: Compressing Time and Geography

Remittances Processing

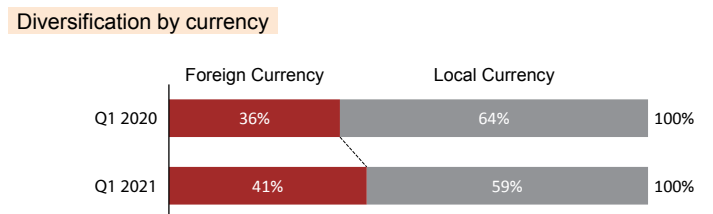
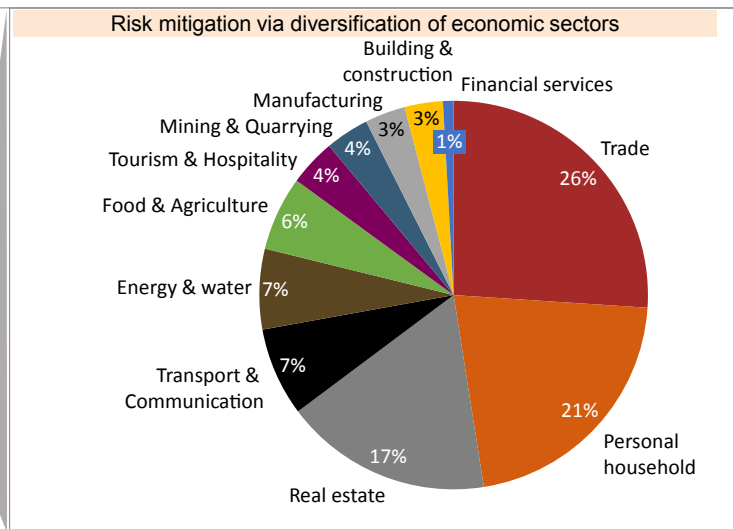
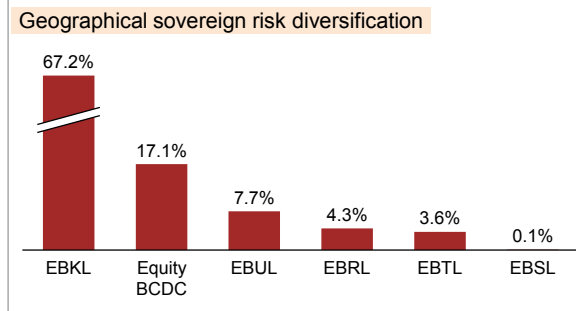
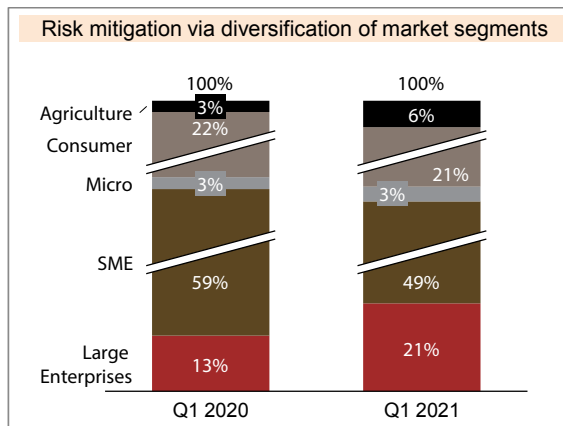


Focus Area 5: Business Transformation - Fintech Capabilities: Global Presence

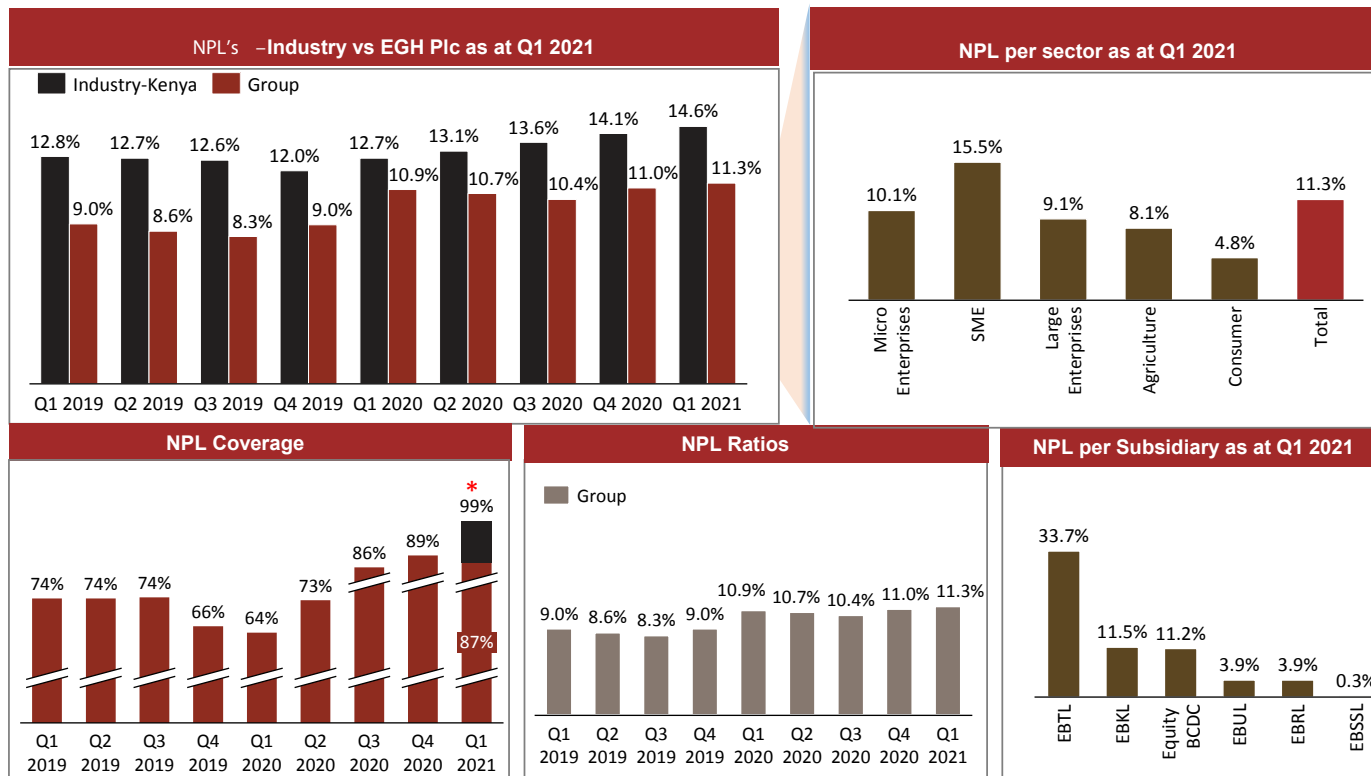
FX Trading – Enabling Global Trade



Focus Area 6: Asset Quality, Distribution and Risk Mitigation



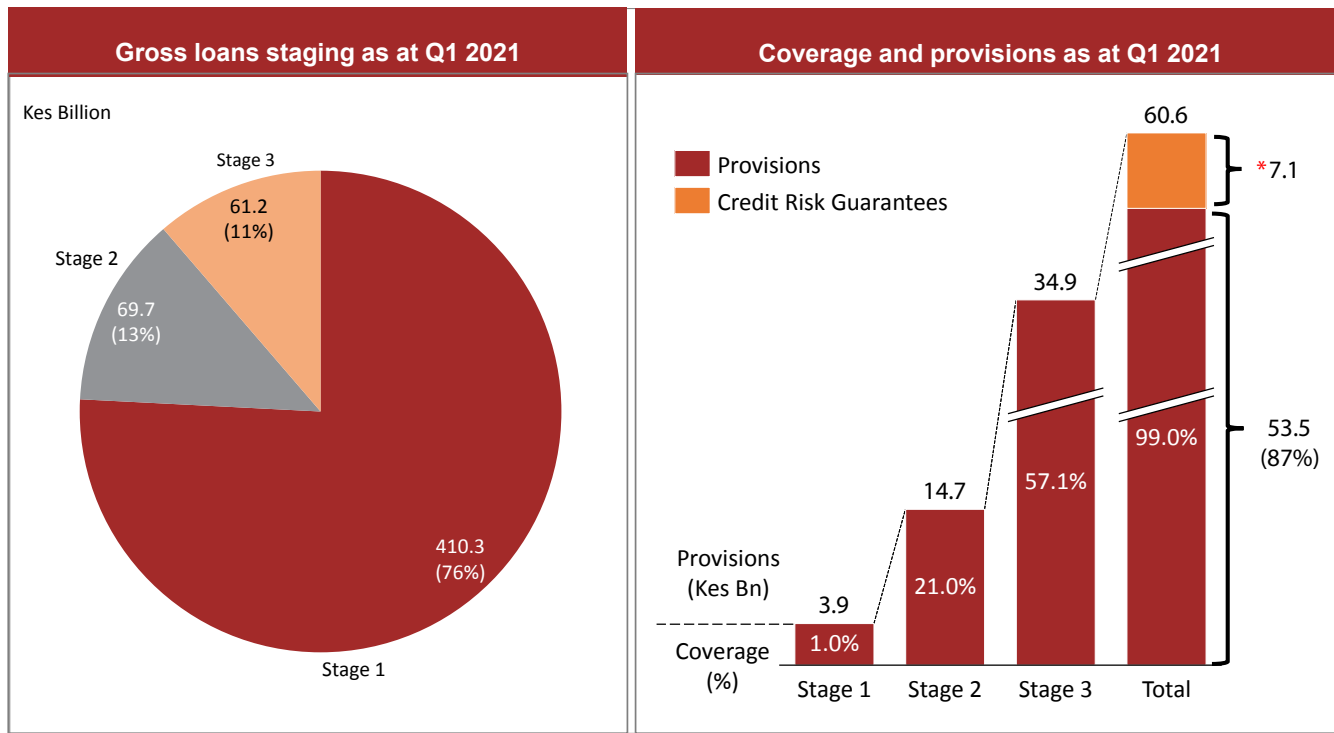
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* Q1 2021 NPL Coverage inclusive of credit risk guarantees

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Prudent approach to credit risk management



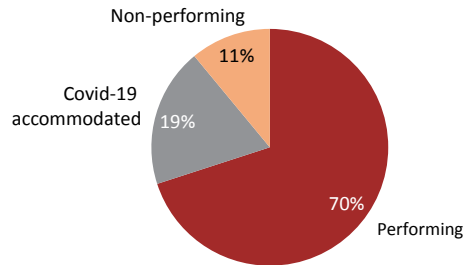
* Credit risk guarantees providing additional Kes 7.1 Billion NPL coverage

Focus Area 6: Asset Quality, Distribution and Risk Mitigation

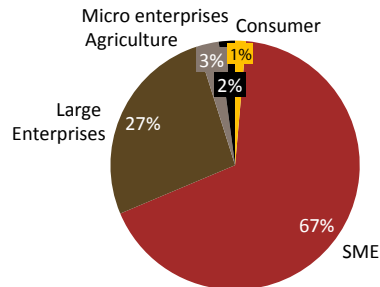
Long-term and Prudent approach driven by deep knowledge and understanding of the Bank's customers

As part of the Group's commitment to support lives and livelihoods and keeping the lights of the economy on, the Group accommodated Kes 171 billion of loans. The group's gross loan book is Kes 541 billion, so this represents 31% of the loan portfolio. However, as at the end of March 2021, Kes 59 billion had resumed repayment and Kes 9 billion had been downgraded to NPL (Stage 3). Kes 103 billion therefore remains under moratorium constituting 19% of the loan book analysed as below:

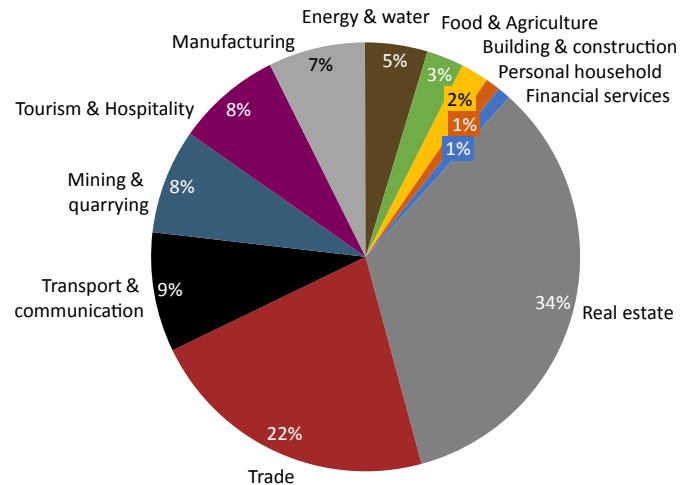
Overall loan book segmentation



Covid-19 accommodated loans segmentation by market sector



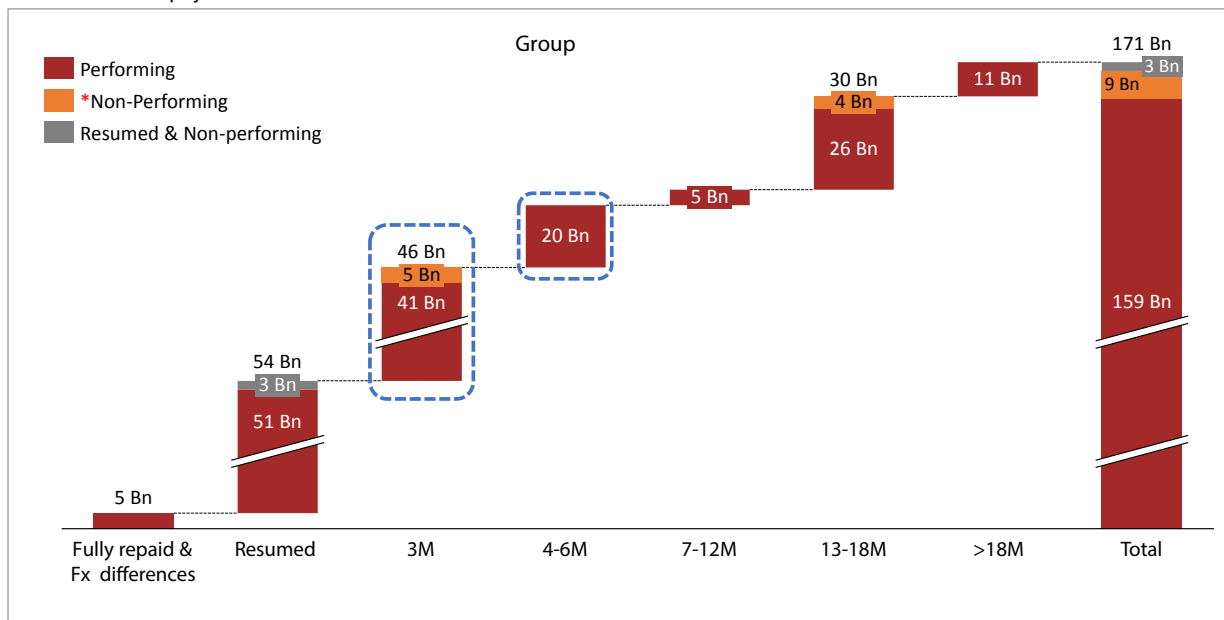
Covid-19 accommodated loans segmentation by economic sector



Focus Area 6: Asset Quality, Distribution and Risk Mitigation – Proactive Prudent Management

Covid-19 accommodated loans (Kes 171 Bn); Kes 59B resumed repayment, additional Kes 66B expected to resume in 6 Months

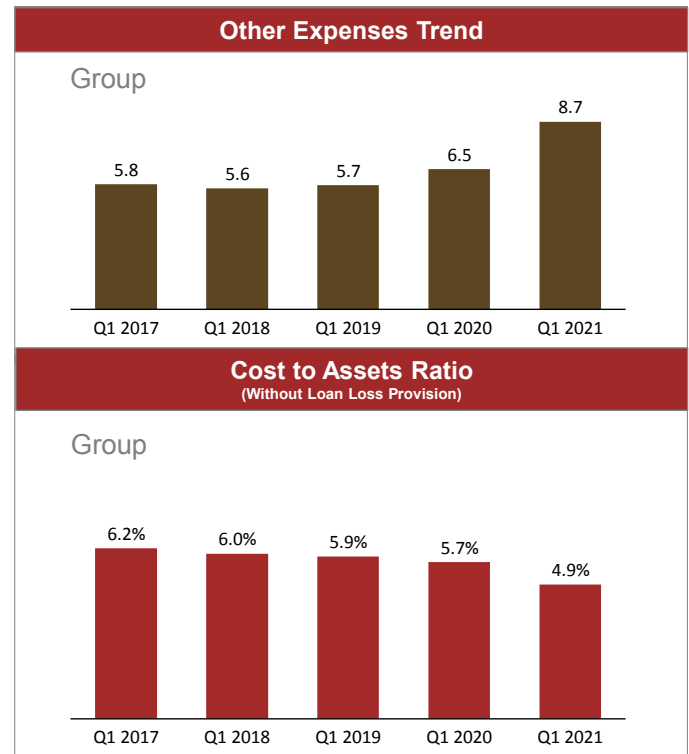
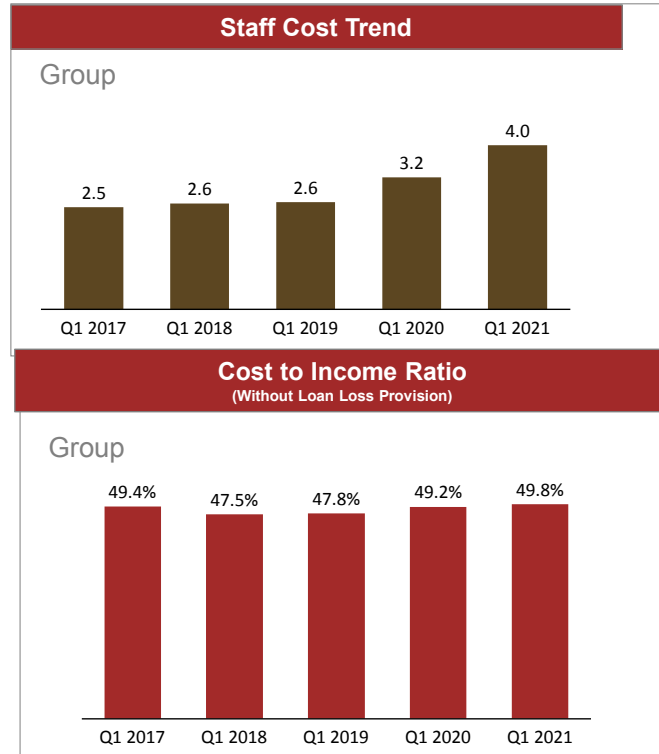
Moratorium expiry intensifies within the next 6 Months



*Non-performing refers to proactively downgraded loans pre-expiry of moratorium

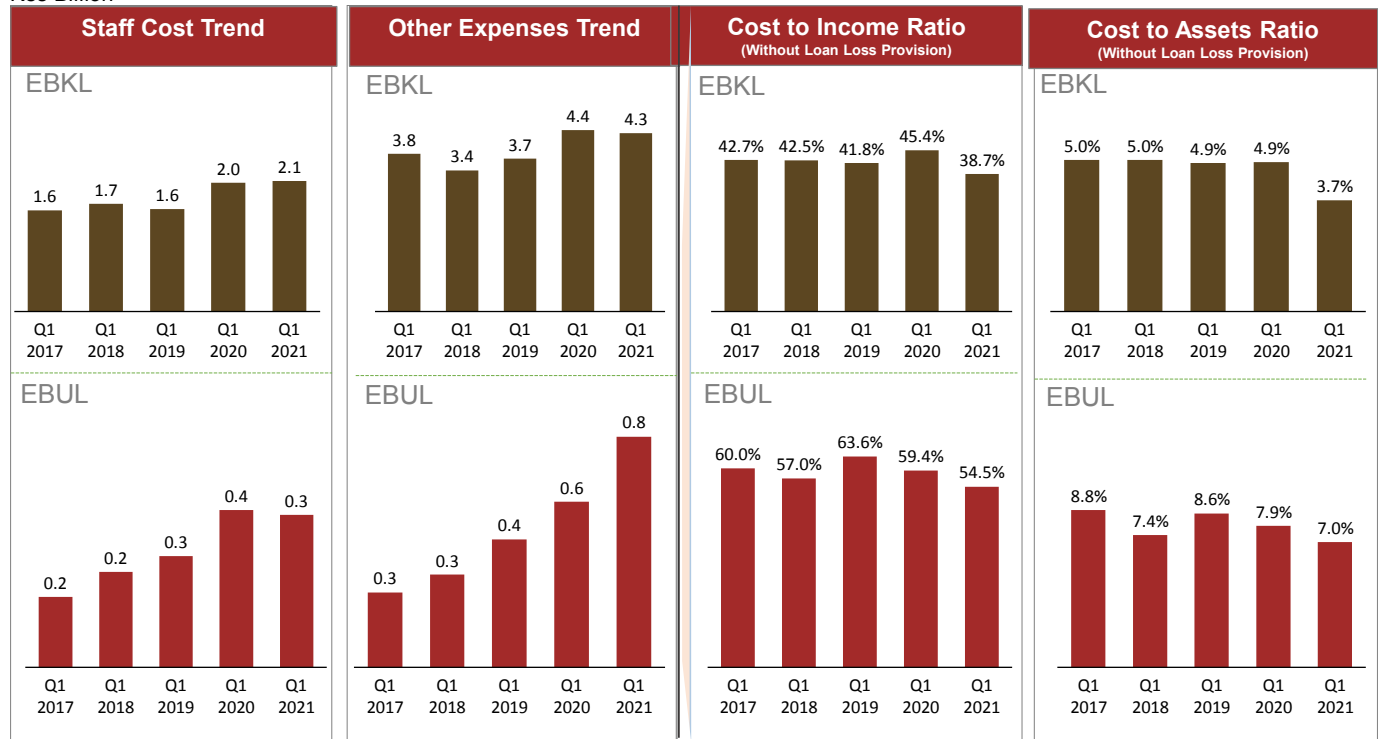
Focus Area 7: Efficiency and Cost Optimization

Kes Billion



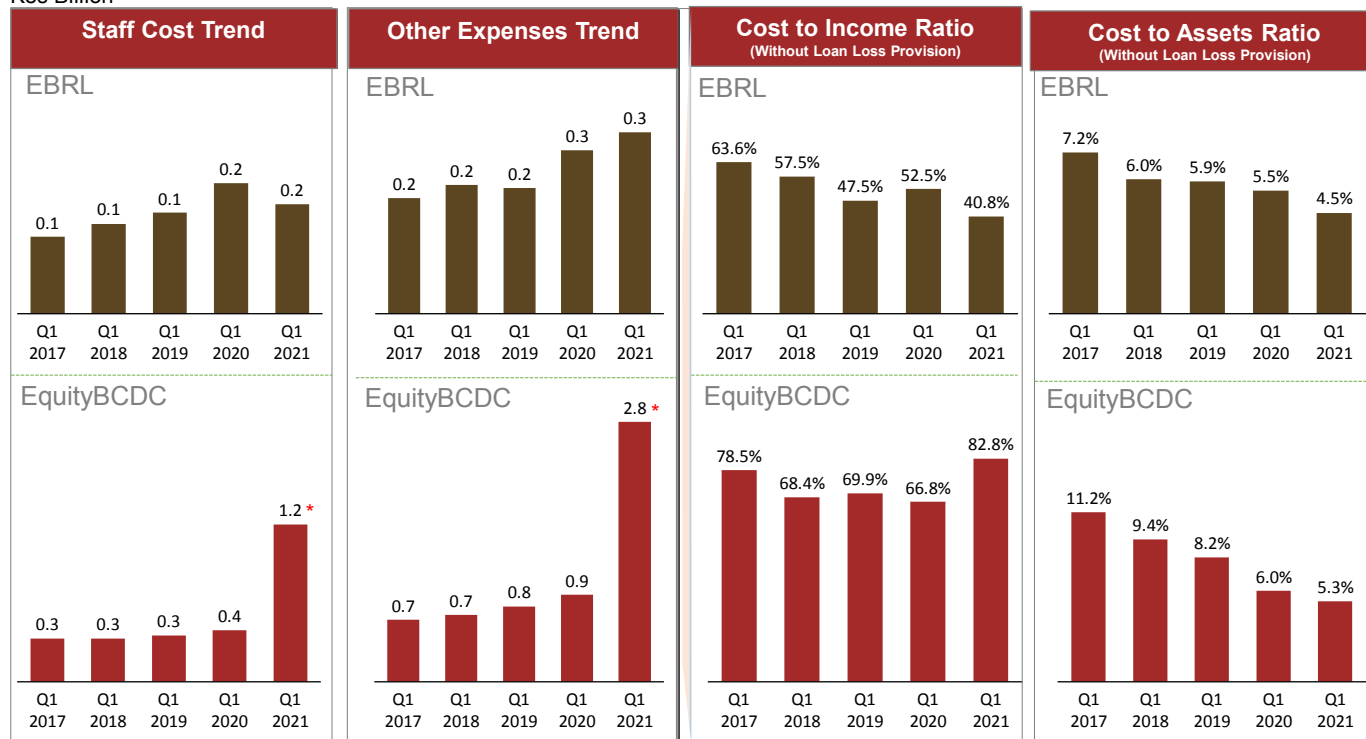
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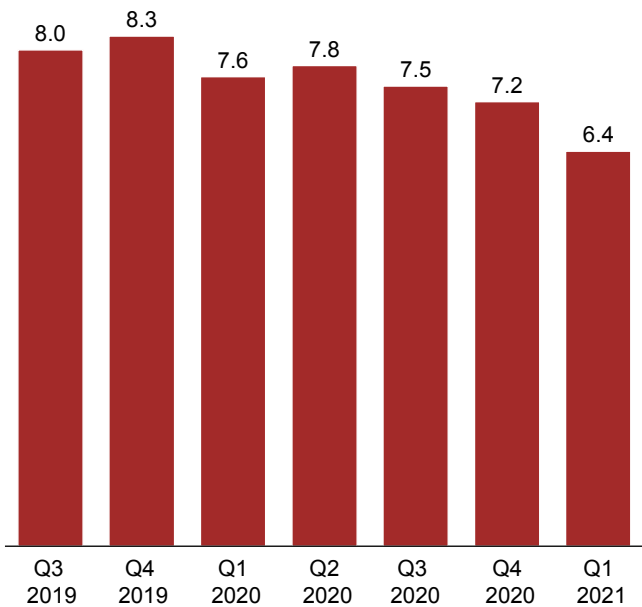
*The increase is as a result of acquisition and merger of ex-BCDC and ex-EBCL

Focus Area 7: Efficiency and Cost Optimization

Group

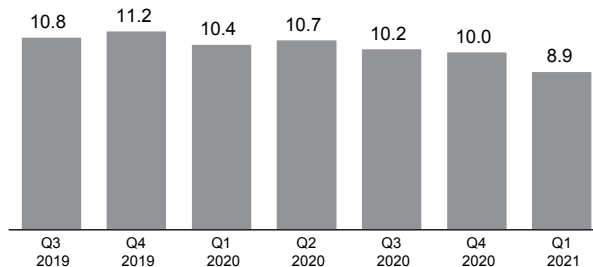
Net Interest Margin

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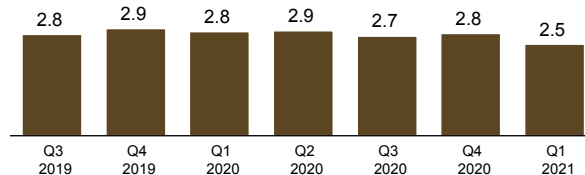
Yield on Interest Earning Assets

%

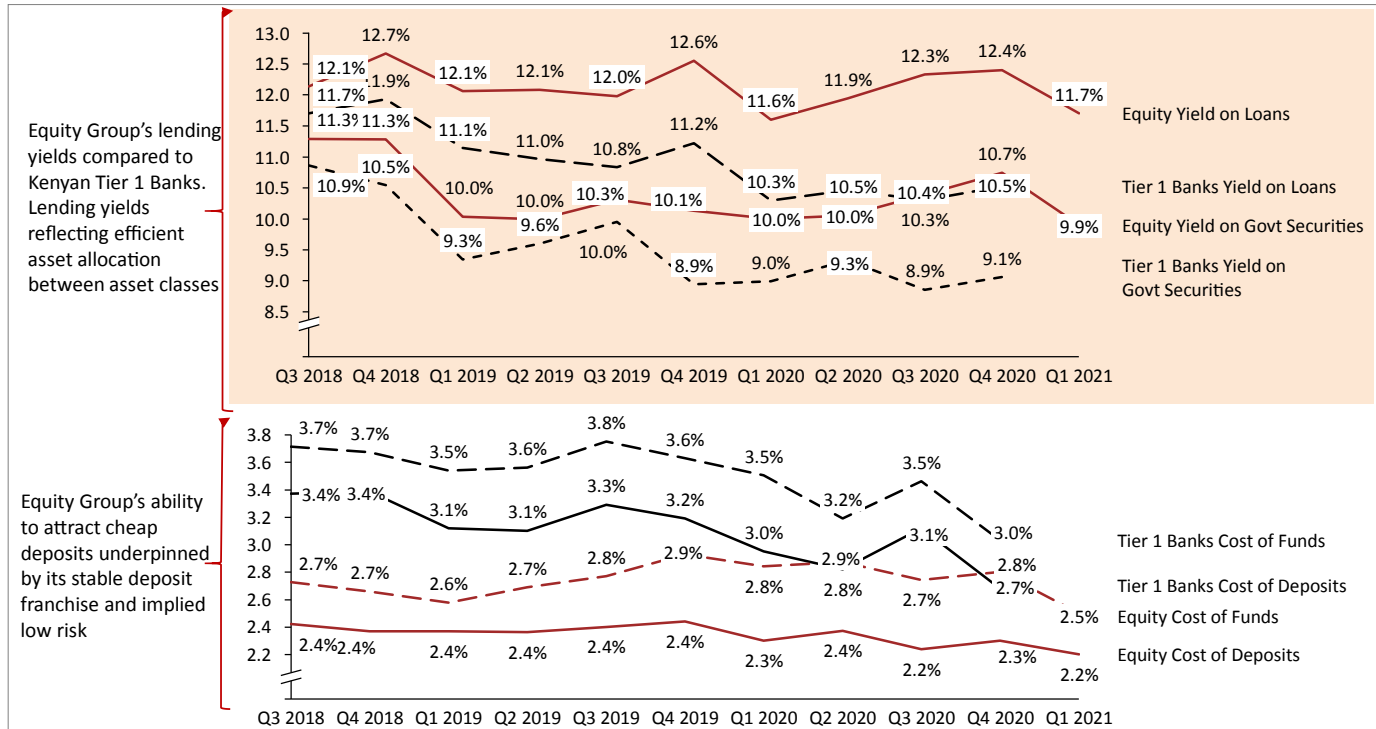


Cost of Funds

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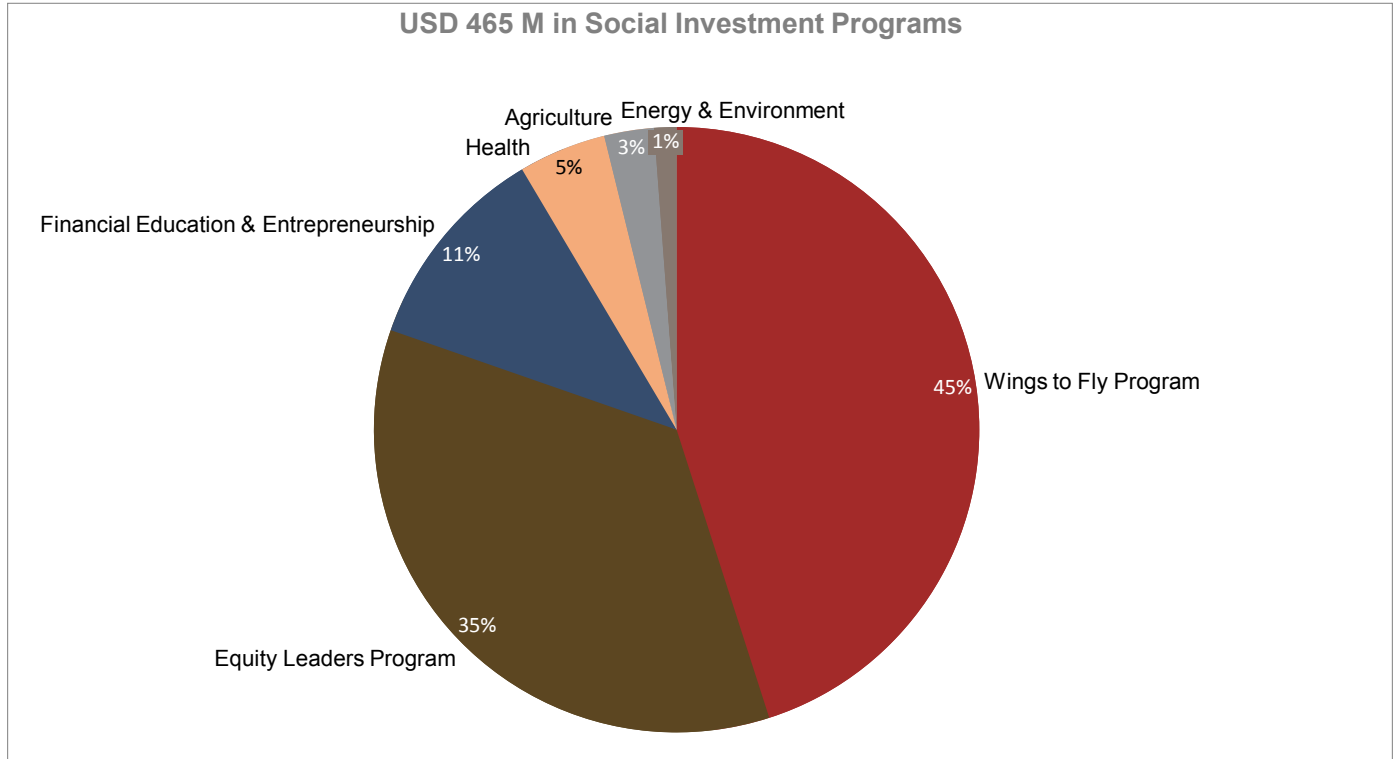
Focus Area 7: Efficient Financial Intermediation



Tier 1 Banks excludes Equity Group. Industry data available up to Q1 2021

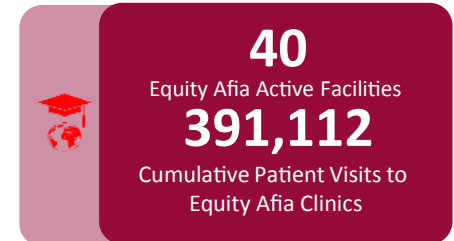
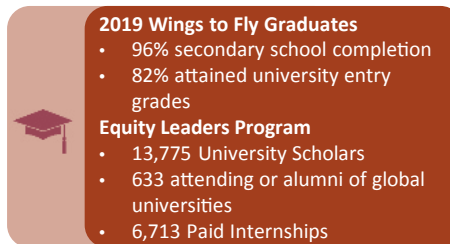
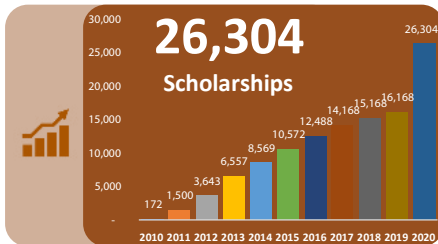
Focus Area 8: Impact Investment

Impact & Social Investment Programs



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Shared Prosperity Business Model and its Social Impact





Business Validation

Global Ratings and Accolades



Equity Bank Credit Rating

- National Rating: B2
- Global Rating: Aaa.ke/KE-1
- Rating Outlook: Negative

Same as the sovereign rating



- Position 20 globally on Return on Assets
- Position 62 globally on Soundness (Capital Assets Ratio)
- Position 55 globally on Profits on Capital
- Position 754 largest bank globally



Africa's SME Bank of the Year, 2018, 2019 & 2020



African Business Leadership Awards 2020

- African CEO of the Year - Dr. James Mwangi



Africa's top 150 most valuable brands

- Position 2 - in Kenya
- Position 69 - in Africa



2020 Oslo Business for Peace Award
Dr. James Mwangi.



- Position 7 overall
- Position 5 on soundness
- Position 9 on growth performance
- Position 8 on return on risk
- Position 6 on leverage category
- Position 6 on profitability



- Best Bank in Africa
- Best Digital Bank in Africa
- Excellence in Leadership in Africa



Equity Bank Credit Rating

- Long Term Rating: AA-
- Short Term Rating: A1
- Rating Outlook: Negative

Global Ratings and Accolades



- Socially Responsible Bank in Africa, 2020
- Best Regional Bank - East Africa - Equity Bank 2020
- African Bank of the Year, 2018
- African Banker of the Year, 2018 (Dr. James Mwangi)
- Best Retail Bank in Africa, 2017



Equity Bank has been recognised for the last 13 Years since 2007 as the Top Banking Superbrand in Kenya.



- EABC Chairman’s Award - Overall Best Regional Company, 2018
- Best East African Company - CSR, 2018
- Best East African Company - Financial services, 2018 (1st Runners up)



Dr. James Mwangi, named to the 3rd Annual 2019 Bloomberg 50 list

The Banker



Bank of the Year 2019 & 2020

- Bank of the Year- Kenya 2019
- Bank of the Year - Uganda 2019
- Bank of the Year - Rwanda 2020
- Bank of the Year - DRC 2020
- Bank of the Year- South Sudan 2019 & 2020



Customer Satisfactory Survey 2020

- Best Tier 1 (3rd place) - Customer Responsiveness and Satisfactory Digital Experience



Top Acquirer 2019 Award



- Best Overall Winner – 1st Runners Up
- Most Innovative Bank – Winner
- Best in Sustainable Finance – 2nd Runners Up

2020 National Banking Awards and Accolades



Brand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Best Overall Bank - 9 years running 2. Best Bank in Tier 1 - 6 years running 3. Best Bank in Sustainable CSR - 4 years running 4. Most customer-centric bank - 3 years running 5. Bank with the lowest charge for individuals - 4 years running
Franchise Segment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Best Bank in SME Banking - 2 years running 2. Best Bank in Retail 3. Best Bank in Agency Banking - 6 years running 4. Best Bank in Mobile Banking- 3 years running 5. Best Commercial Bank in Microfinance - 6 years running 6. Best Bank in Internet Banking - 1st Runner Up 7. Best Bank in Corporate Banking - 1st Runner Up 8. Bank with the lowest charge for loans - 1st Runner Up
Product	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Best Bank in Mortgage Finance 2. Best Bank in Agriculture and Livestock Financing - 2 years running 3. Special Judges Award for Product Innovation - Elimu Scholarship 4. Best Bank in Product Marketing - 1st Runner Up 5. Best Bank in Product Innovation - 1st Runner Up 6. Best Bank in Trade Finance - 1st Runner Up - 3 years running
Leadership	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CEO of the Year - Dr. James Mwangi - 4 years running 2. Corporate Banker of the Year - Moses Ndirangu 3. Outstanding Young Banker - Dennis Maranga

Global Ratings and Accolades



Equity Group's MD and CEO, Dr. James Mwangi, was honoured in the 2019 Bloomberg 50 list. This is an honorary list of fifty innovators, entrepreneurs, and leaders who have impacted the global business landscape in measurable ways. Dr. Mwangi was lauded for his contribution in steering Equity Bank to have presence in the greater Central and Southern Africa region. He was honored alongside environmental activist Greta Thunberg, New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern, CNN President and Warner Media Chairman Jeff Zucker, Singer and entrepreneur Rihanna, among others.

Global Ratings and Accolades

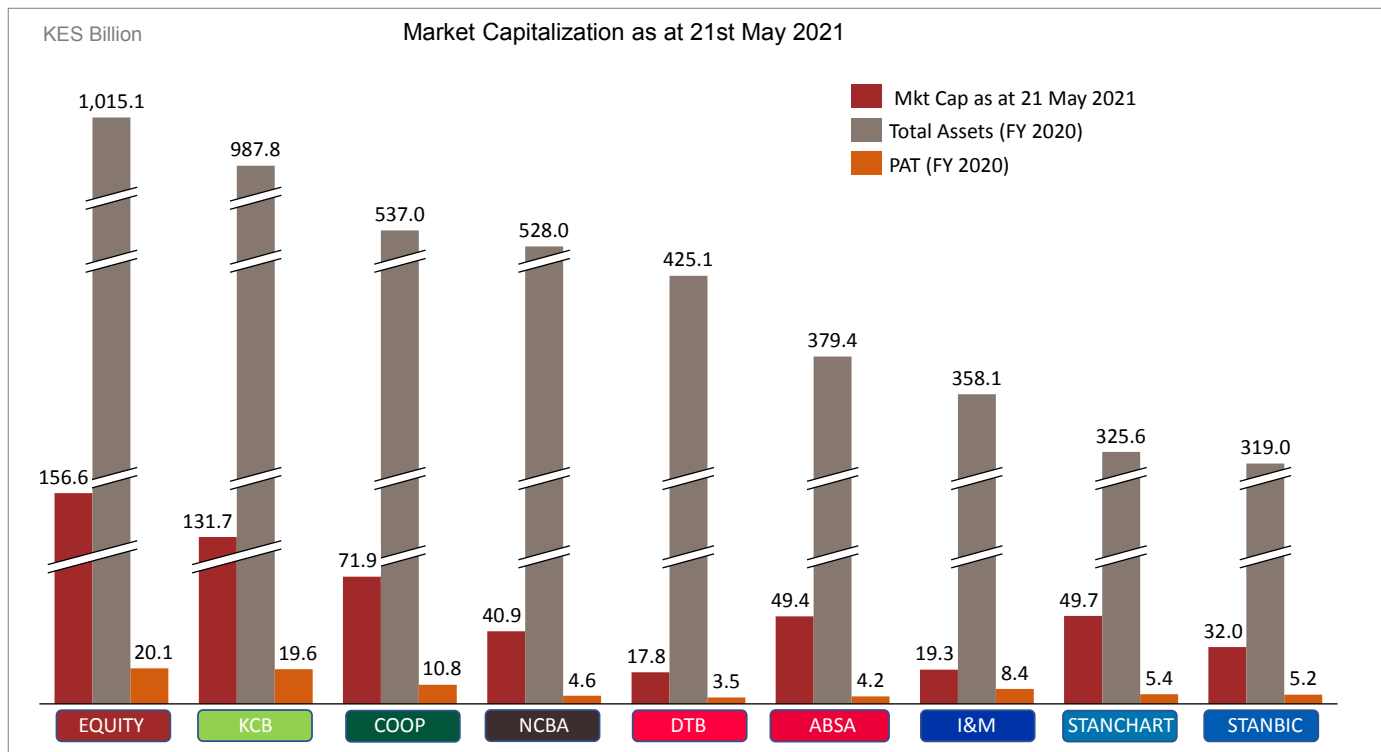
Dr. James Mwangi honouree, 2020 Oslo Business for Peace Award

Honourees are chosen by a prestigious Award committee consisting of past Nobel Prize winners in Peace Economics.

“Dr. James Mwangi receives the Award for his businessworthy values in championing financial inclusion for all in East and Central Africa. Dr. Mwangi helped achieve a social revolution by bringing banking services to people who previously had limited access to them bolstering Kenya’s GDP. Dr. Mwangi is an exceptional entrepreneur and humanitarian. The committee sees him as a shining example of how business leaders can accelerate change and help solve the world’s problems,” said Per Saxegaard, Founder of the Oslo Business for Peace Awards.



Market Validation



Source: Source: Business Daily 24th May 2021



Intermediation and Financial Performance

Balance Sheet

<i>KES Billion</i>	Q1 2020	Q1 2021	Growth
Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	75.2	241.0	221%
Government Securities	189.9	258.9	36%
Net Loans	379.2	487.7	29%
Other Assets	48.9	78.8	61%
Total Assets	693.2	1,066.4	54%
Liabilities & Capital			
Deposits	499.3	790.6	58%
Borrowed Funds	55.1	89.6	63%
Other Liabilities	22.4	45.8	105%
Shareholders' Funds	116.4	140.4	21%
Total Liabilities & Capital	693.2	1,066.4	54%

Income Statement

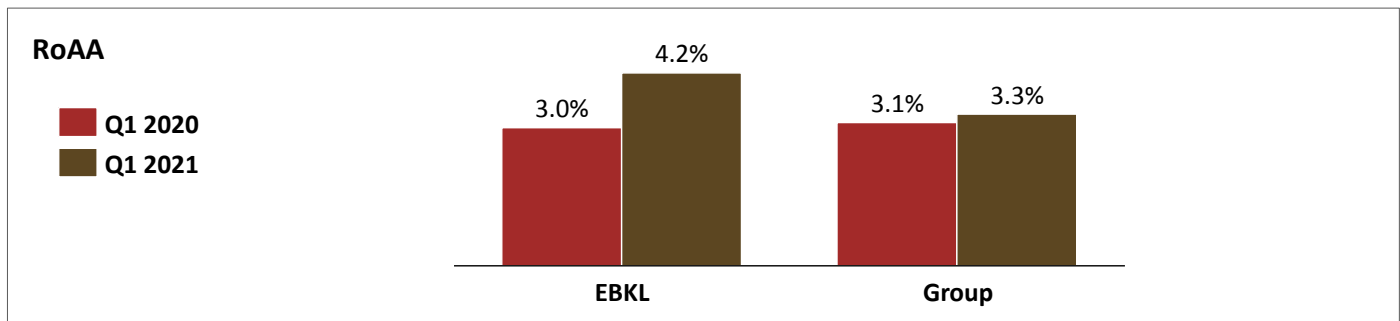
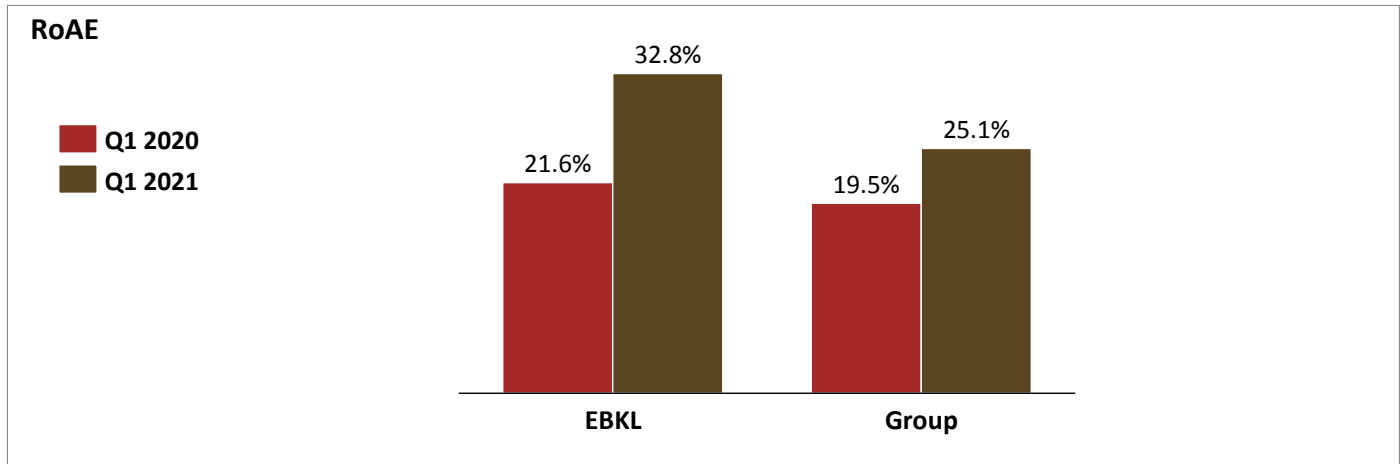
KES Billion

	Q1 2020	Q1 2021	Growth
Interest Income	15.4	20.3	32%
Interest Expense	3.9	5.5	42%
Net Interest Income	11.5	14.8	28%
Non Funded Income	8.2	10.7	30%
Total Income	19.7	25.5	29%
*Loan Loss Provision	3.0	1.1	-64%
Staff Costs	3.2	4.0	25%
Other Operating Expenses	6.5	8.7	34%
Total Costs	12.7	13.8	8%
Net (loss)/gain on Monetary Assets	(0.01)	0.06	741%
PBT	7.0	11.7	67%
Tax	1.7	3.0	78%
PAT	5.3	8.7	64%
Earnings per share	1.4	2.3	63%

*Loan loss provision has been presented net of recoveries. In the CBK publication Loan Loss Provision is presented as a gross amount. The gross provisions and recoveries are as follows;

KES Bn	Q1 2020	Q1 2021
Gross loan loss provision	3.1	1.3
Loan recoveries	0.1	0.2
Net loan loss provision	3.0	1.1

RoAE and RoAA Trend



Financial Ratios

	EBKL Q1 2020	EBKL Q1 2021	Group Q1 2020	Group Q1 2021
Profitability				
Interest Yield from Loans & Advances	10.4%	11.1%	11.6%	11.7%
Interest Yield from Gov't Securities	10.1%	9.7%	10.0%	9.9%
Yield from Earning Assets	10.2%	9.3%	10.4%	8.9%
Cost of Deposits	2.5%	2.1%	2.3%	2.2%
Cost of Funds	3.0%	2.4%	2.8%	2.5%
Net Interest Margin	7.2%	6.9%	7.6%	6.4%
Cost to Income with Provisions	49.6%	43.5%	64.5%	54.1%
Cost to Income without Provisions	45.4%	38.7%	49.2%	49.8%
Return on Average Equity	21.6%	32.8%	19.5%	25.1%
Return on Average Assets	3.0%	4.2%	3.1%	3.3%
Cost of Capital	18%	18%	19%	19%
Asset Quality				
PAR	10.5%	11.5%	10.9%	11.3%
Cost of Risk	3.7%	1.1%	3.2%	1.0%
Leverage				
Loan / Deposit Ratio	71.2%	58.3%	76.5%	61.7%
Capital Adequacy Ratios				
Core Capital to Risk Weighted Assets	12.6%	12.0%	17.5%	14.3%
Total Capital to Risk Weighted Assets	16.8%	15.5%	21.0%	18.1%
Liquidity				
Liquidity ratio	54.9%	81.5%	51.6%	60.6%

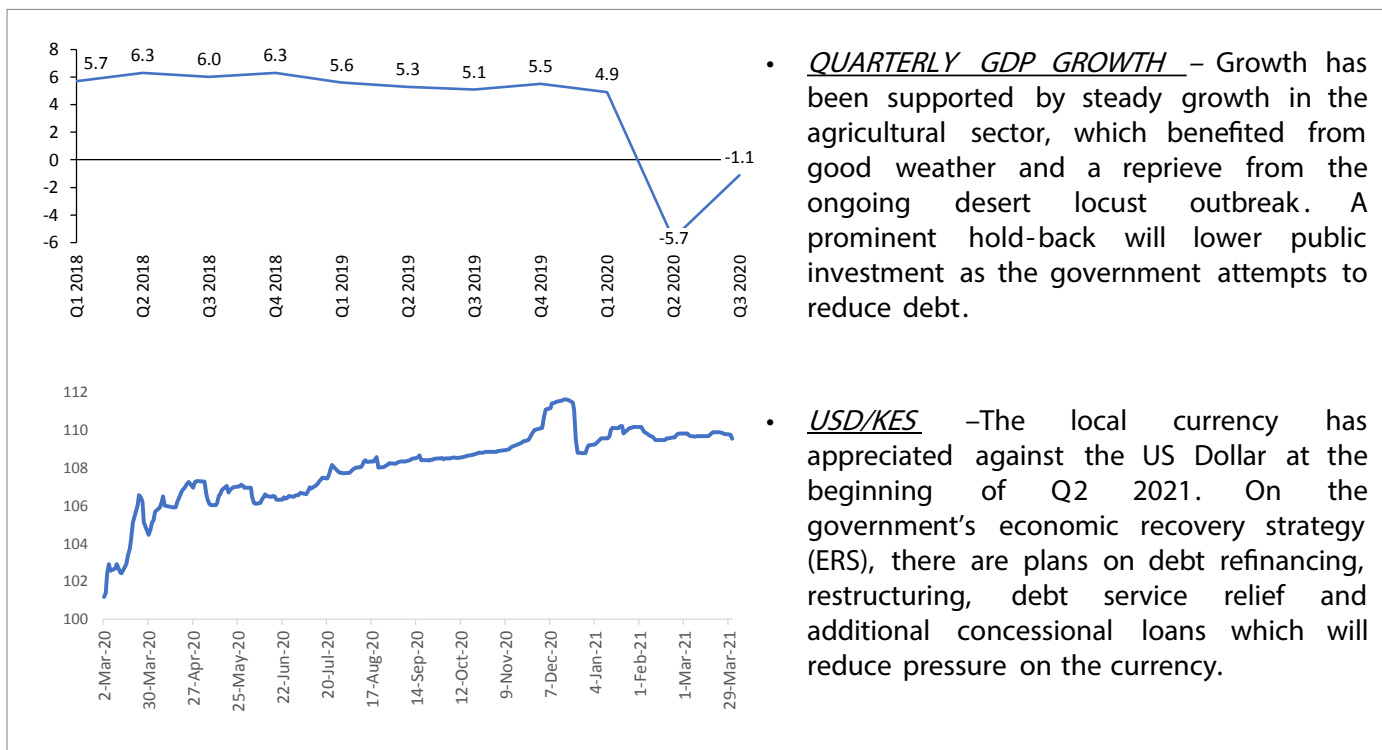
2021 Outlook - Group

	2021 Outlook	Revised 2021 Outlook	Q1 2021 Actual
Loan Growth	25% - 30%	20% - 25%	29%
Deposit Growth	20% - 25%	20% - 25%	58%
Net Interest Margin	7.0% - 8.0%	7.0% - 8.0%	6.4%
Non Funded Income Mix	38% - 43%	40% - 43%	42%
Cost to Income Ratio	40% - 45%	40% - 45%	49.8%
Return on Equity	22% - 27%	25% - 30%	25.1%
Return on Assets	3.0% - 4.0%	3.6% - 4.3%	3.3%
Cost of Risk	2.0% - 3.0%	1.5% - 2.5%	1.0%
NPL	7% - 10%	7% - 10%	11.3%
Subsidiaries Contribution (Assets)	40% - 45%	40% - 45%	40%
Subsidiaries Contribution (PBT)	25% - 30%	25% - 30%	23%



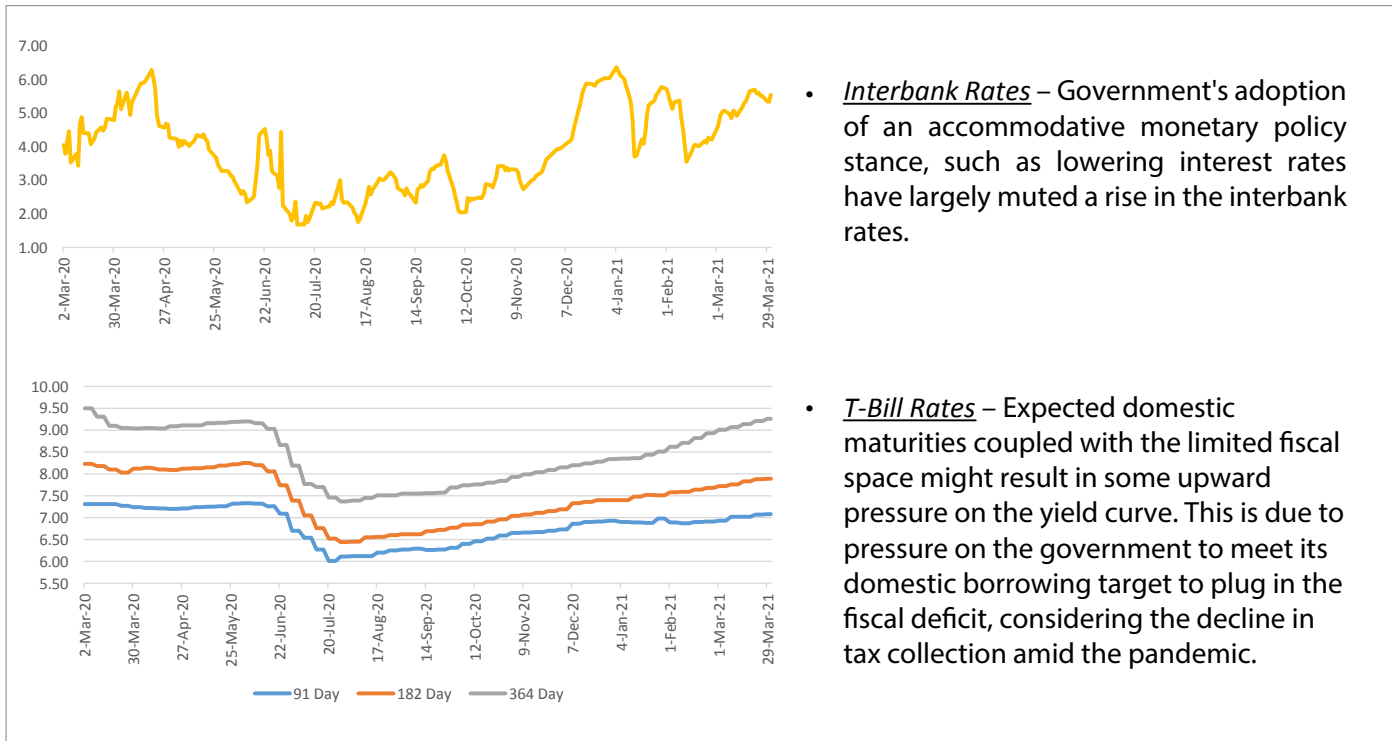
**Macroeconomic Environment
Indicators & Trends - Kenya**

Macroeconomic Environment - Kenya



Source: CBK Rates, foreign exchange rates and the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics, Quarterly GDP rates, IMF.

Macroeconomic Environment - Kenya (continued)

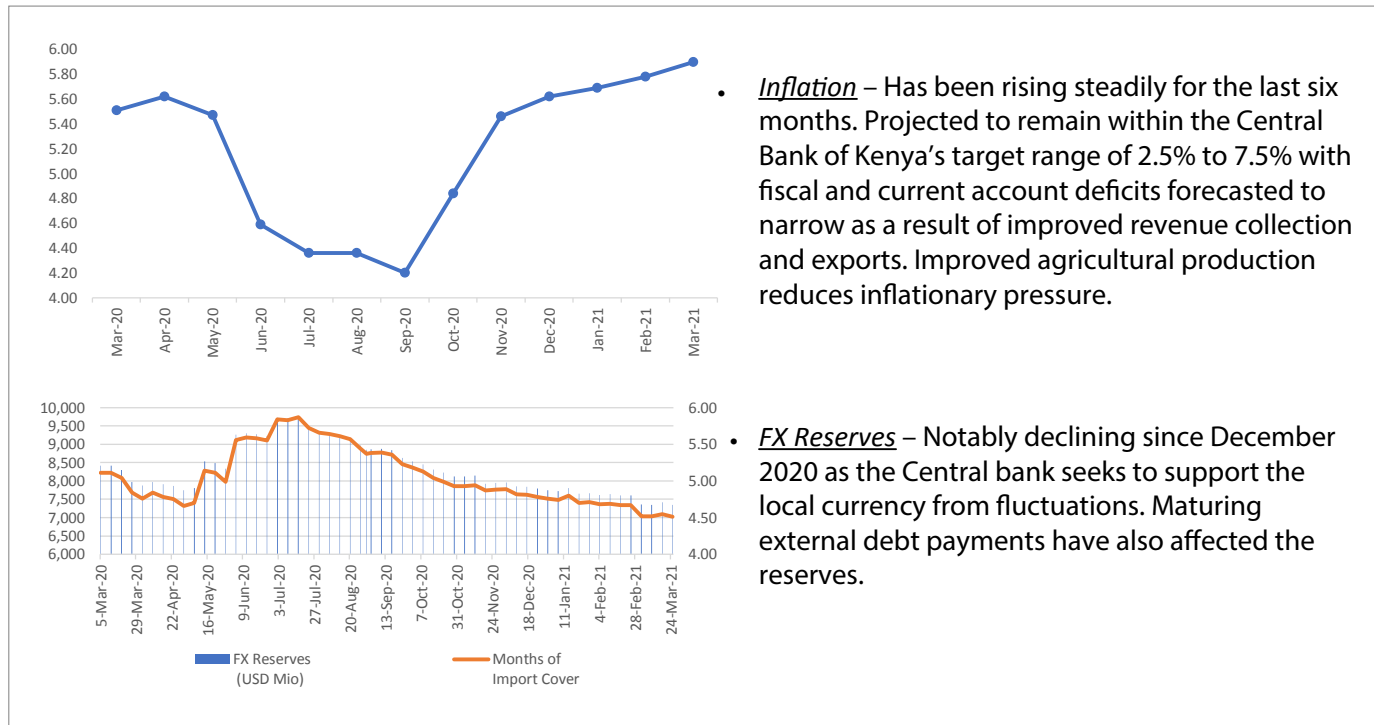


- **Interbank Rates** – Government's adoption of an accommodative monetary policy stance, such as lowering interest rates have largely muted a rise in the interbank rates.

- **T-Bill Rates** – Expected domestic maturities coupled with the limited fiscal space might result in some upward pressure on the yield curve. This is due to pressure on the government to meet its domestic borrowing target to plug in the fiscal deficit, considering the decline in tax collection amid the pandemic.

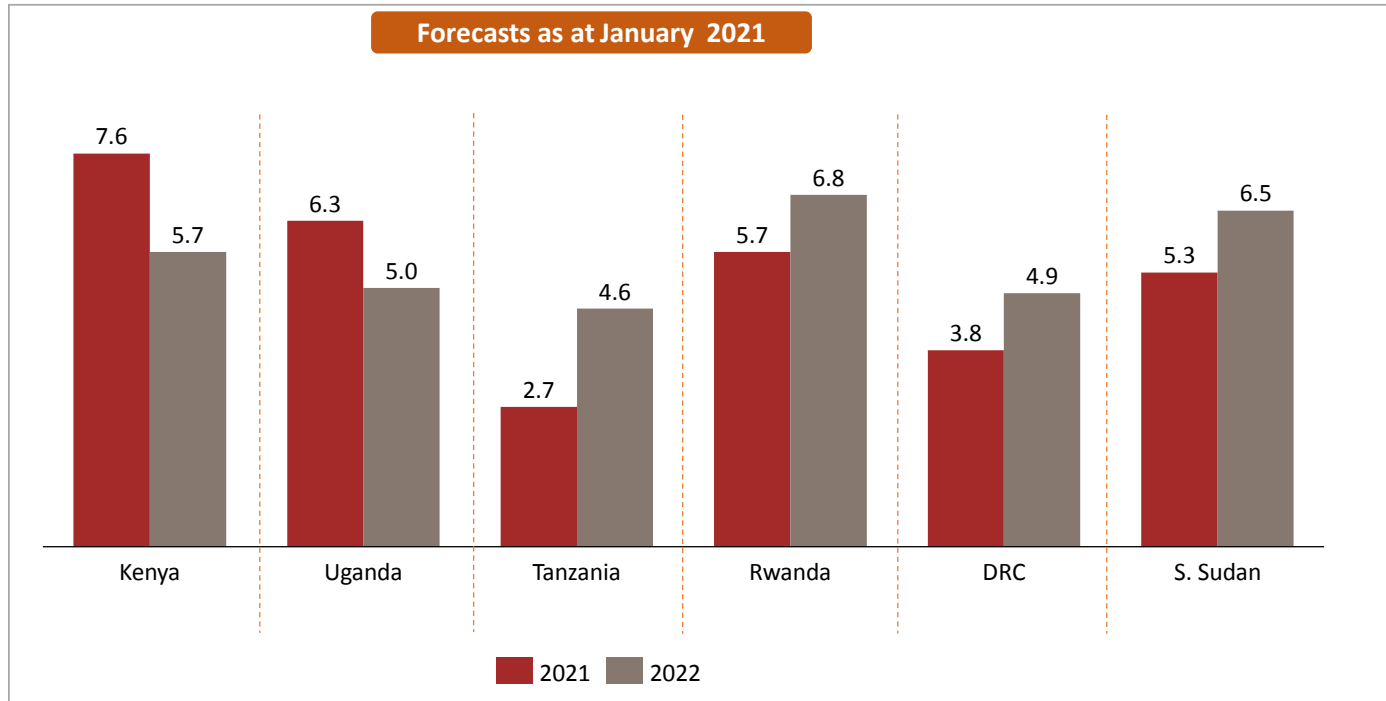
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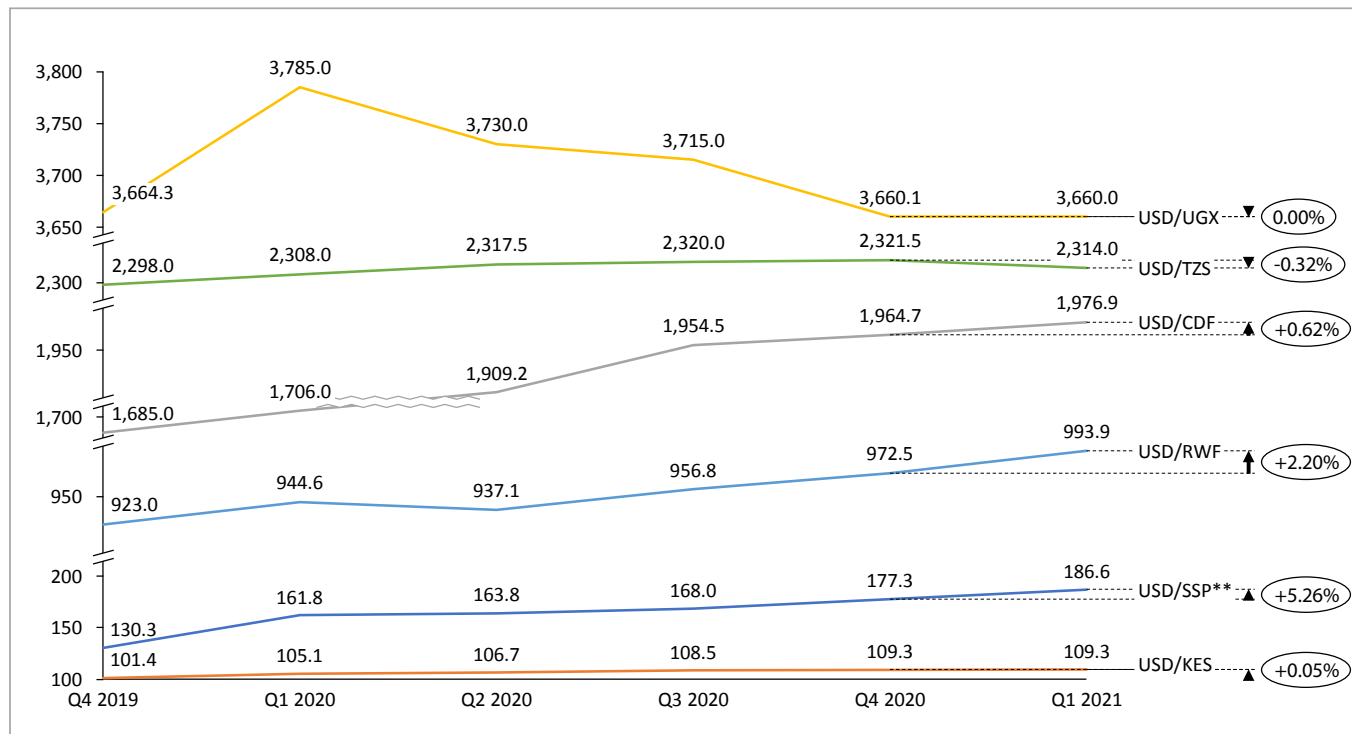
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Projected Regional GDP Growths



Source: IMF(Regional Economic Outlook).

Regional Currencies Depreciation against USD



*Regional currencies marginally affected by the US dollar exchange rate.

**USD/SSP rates are as per Bank of South Sudan(BOSS)

Regional Outlook

Uganda

- Has prudently managed its debt, currently classified as low risk of debt distress.
- The rise in demand is already improving business activity.
- The budget deficit will remain elevated at 7.3% in 2021 but is projected to decline in the medium term reaching 6.0% in 2022. The need for investment in infrastructure, including roads, power, and water, will continue to drive the deficit.
- The signing of the East Africa Oil Project agreements, a major infrastructure project in the region, with Total and Tanzanian government, to build a pipeline to transport waxy crude for export at the port of Tanga in Tanzania, is expected to unlock upwards of \$15 billion in investments.

Tanzania

- Economic growth expected to rebound due to improved performance of the tourism sector and the reopening of trade corridors.
- Spending on large infrastructure projects and depressed revenue performance are expected to widen the fiscal deficit to 3.2% of GDP in both 2021 and 2022 financed mainly by external borrowing.
- The current account deficit is projected to grow to 3.9% of GDP in 2021 due to the lingering effects of COVID-19 on merchandise exports and increased imports of capital goods for large infrastructure projects. It is expected to narrow to 3.3% of GDP in 2022.

Regional Outlook (continued)

Rwanda

- High infrastructure spending on Bugesera airport expected to enhance economic growth as the effects of the COVID-19 fade.
- Inflation is expected to decrease to within the policy target as reopened borders increase the food supply and domestic containment measures ease further.
- The fiscal deficit is projected to narrow to 7.8% of GDP in 2021 and to 7.2% in 2022 due to a planned fiscal consolidation in the 2021/22 fiscal year.

DR Congo

- Real GDP is expected to grow by 3.8% in 2021 and 4.9% in 2022 driven by higher prices for major mining products, such as copper, and recovery in both consumption and investment.
- The pursuit of public and monetary financial reforms should help bring inflation down to an average of 11.7% over 2021-22 due to the facilitation of imports and better supply to urban centers.
- The recovery in the mining sector is expected to boost export earnings.
- The recent government reorganization to resolve power struggle is expected to bring relative peace and spur economic growth.

Regional Outlook (continued)

South Sudan

- The advent of peace and the projected rebound in oil production and exports will support partial economic recovery.
- Public financial management reforms and the recovery of global oil prices will reduce the fiscal deficit to 1.2% of GDP in 2021, with external borrowing expected to bridge the public financing gap.
- Further, there is a planned IMF staff monitored program that will have a package of measures that seek to;
 - i. Foster macroeconomic stability to create conditions for strong and inclusive growth by restoring fiscal discipline, implementing a rules-based monetary policy framework, and addressing distortions in the FX market
 - ii. Increase transparency in government operations
- The current account deficit is expected to fall to 2.3% of GDP in 2021 because of improved global oil prices.
- Inflation is expected to drop due to the easing of containment measures, especially the reopening of borders with Kenya and Uganda, which will facilitate imports of food and other essentials.



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