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All the data used in this report has been obtained from publicly available sources. The methodology for the calculations is discussed in the glossary. Calculation of several metrics has been changed from the previous version to accommodate available information.

We hope that you will find the Pulse useful and informative.

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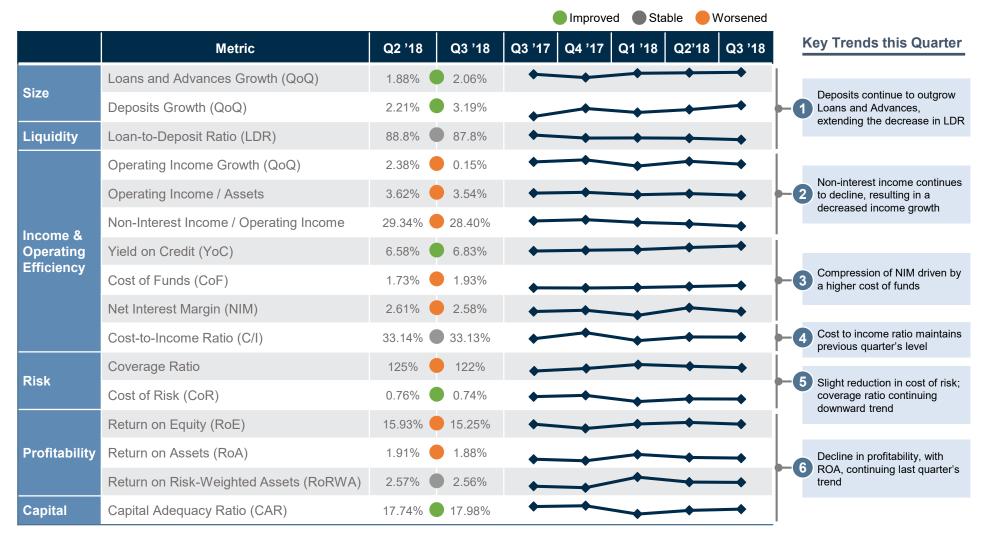
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Pulse: Reduced profitability driven by an increase in cost of funds



Note 1: QoQ stand for guarter over guarter

Note 2: Growth in loans & advances and deposits was presented QoQ instead of YoY

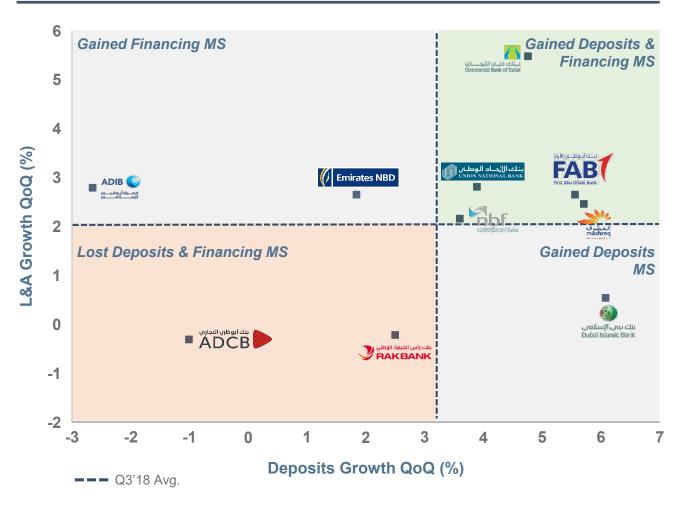
Note 3: Quarterly income was used in the calculation of operating income growth

Note 4: Difference with previous reported numbers due to revision in methodology and use of audited numbers

Source: Financial statements. Investor presentations. A&M analysis

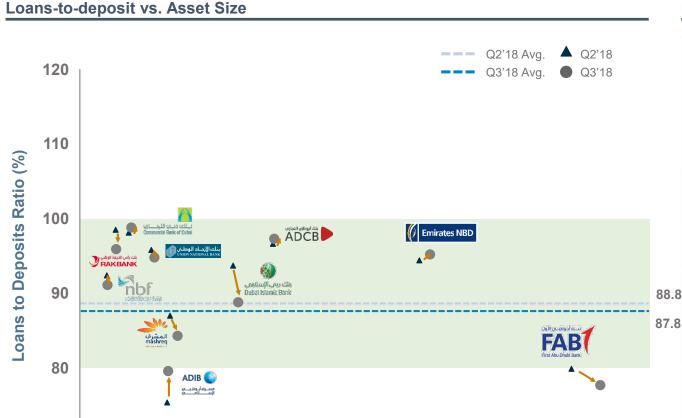
Of the Top 10 banks, 5 increased both their L&A and Deposit market share, while only 2 lost L&A and deposit market share

L&A and Deposit Market Share Growth (%, QoQ)



- CBD, UNB, FAB, Mashreq and NBF all managed to increase their L&A market share as well as their deposit market share
- DIB increased their Deposit market share while losing L&A share
- ADIB and ENBD lost Deposit market share but gained L&A share
- ADCB and RAK lost both L&A and Deposit market shares

Of the Top 10 banks, 8 are in the green zone, with FAB moving further out



Key Remarks

- Slight decrease in LDR ratio from 88.8% in Q2 to 87.8% in Q3
- 8 out of 10 banks are in the green zone
- FAB has the lowest LDR ratio of 77.7%, leaving room for it to issue more loans and increase profitability
- CBD has the highest LDR ratio of 98.8%

100

200

300

400

Asset Size (AED Bn)

70

600

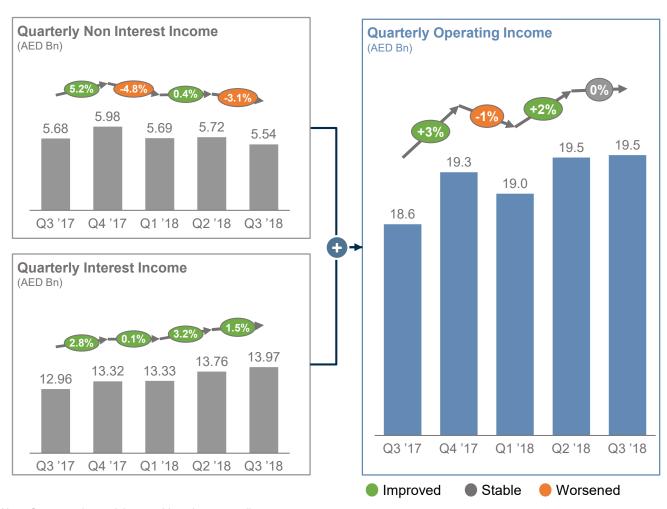
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Steady operating income was driven by mixed results in interest and non-interest income

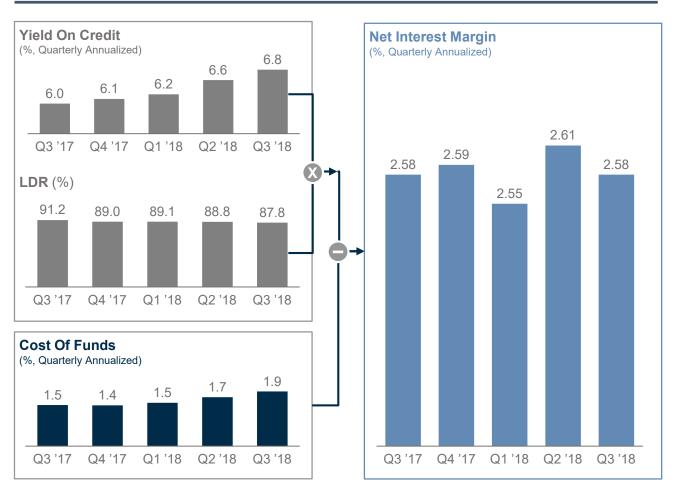
Top 10 Operating Income (AED Bn)



- Q3 operating income unchanged from Q2
- Non-interest income declined by 3.1% compared to Q2
- Interest income continues to increase, registering a 1.5% increase against Q2

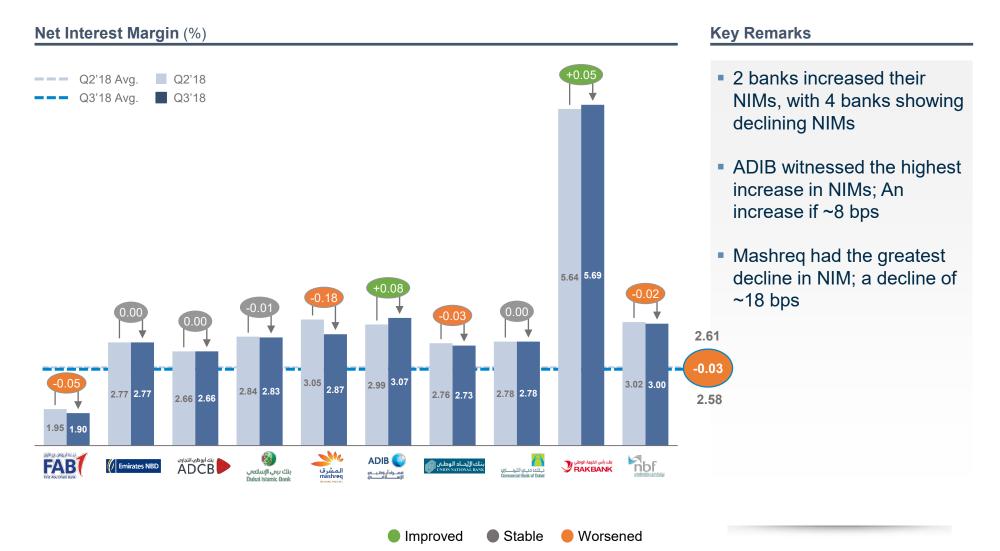
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Top 10 Operating Income (AED Bn)



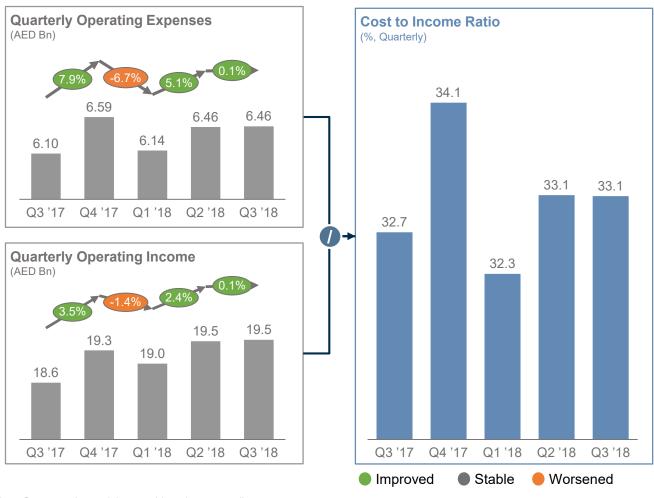
- Compression of NIMS by 3 bps, reversing last quarter's increase
- Yield on Credit increased by ~25 bps when compared to last quarter
- Cost of funds increased by ~20 bps when compared to last quarter

Slight compression in NIMs was driven mostly by Mashreq and FAB



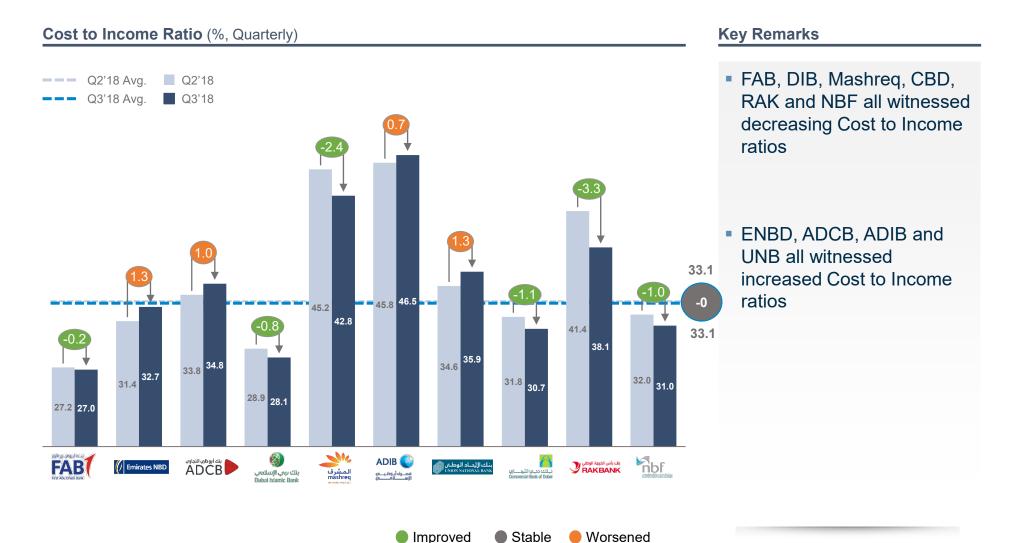
Cost to income ratio retains previous quarter levels, with income and expenses steady

Cost to Income Ratio



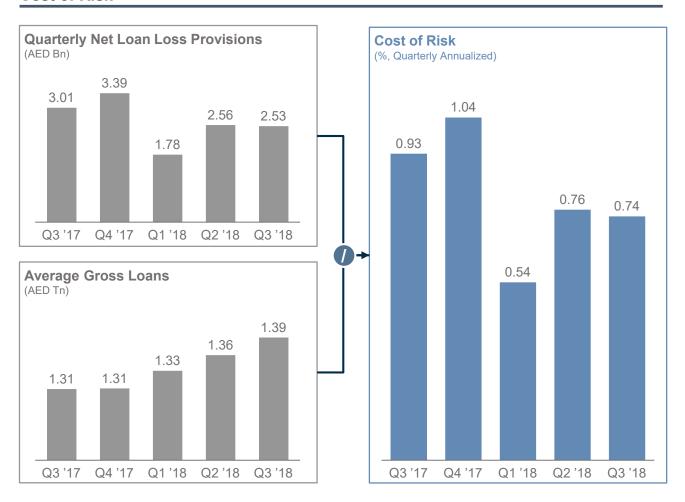
- Cost to income ratio retains last quarter levels of 33.1%
- This is due to minimal growth in both operating expenses and operating income

Of the Top 10 bank, 6 banks reduced their Cost to Income ratio, led by RAK bank's decrease of ~330 bps



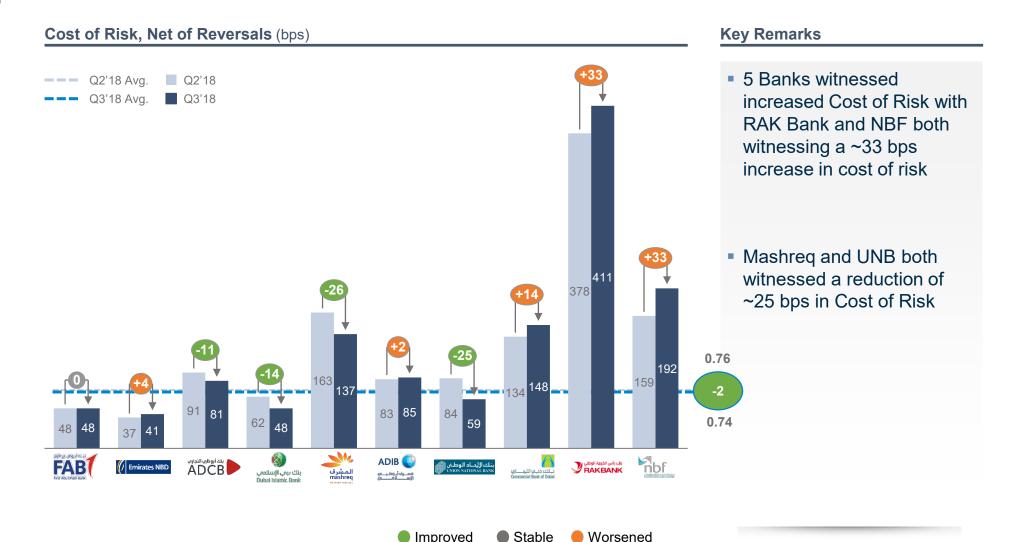
Cost of Risk declined as a result of lower provisions and higher loans

Cost of Risk

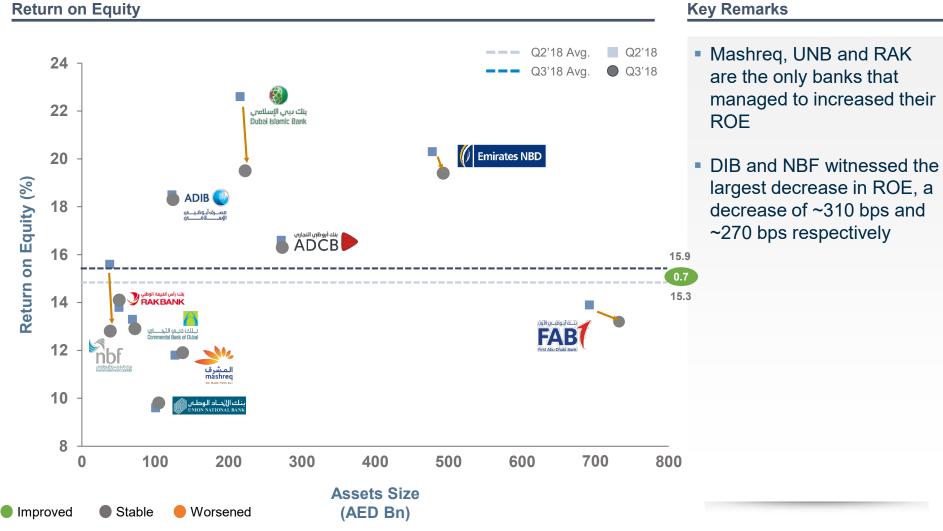


- Slight reduction in Cost of Risk of ~2 bps, compared to previous quarter
- Reduction driven by slight decrease in Loss Provisions and increasing gross loans

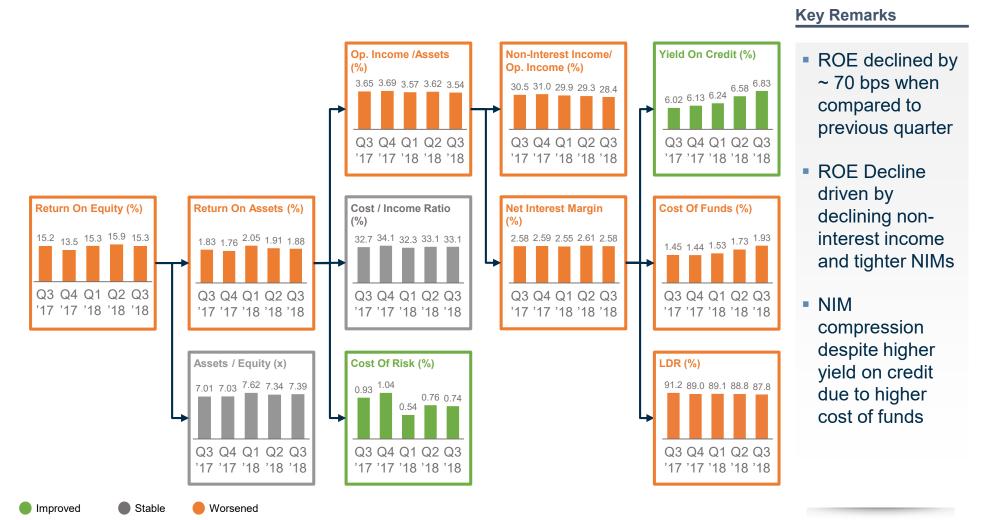
RAK bank and NBF increased their CoR by ~33 bps; Mashreq and UNB decreased by ~ 25 bps



Of the Top 10 banks, 3 banks managed to increase their ROE with DIB and NBF witnessing the largest decline



Slight ROE decline is driven by higher cost of funds and lower non-interest income



Note: Relation between elements above represents a functionality and not necessarily an exact mathematical formula

Source: Financial statements, Investor presentations, A&M analysis



Glossary

	Metric	Abbreviation	Definition	
Size	Loans and Advances Growth		QoQ growth in EOP net loans and advances for the Top 10	
	Deposits Growth		QoQ growth in EOP customer deposits for the Top 10	
Liquidity	Loan-to-Deposit Ratio	LDR	(Net EOP loans and advances / EOP customer deposits) for the Top 10	
Income & Operating Efficiency	Operating Income Growth		QoQ growth in aggregate quarterly operating income generated by the Top 10	
	Operating Income / Assets		(Annualized quarterly operating income / quarterly average assets) for the Top 10	
	Non-Interest Income / Operating Income		(Quarterly non-interest income / quarterly operating income) for the Top 10	
	Yield on Credit	NIM	(Aggregate annualized quarterly net interest income) / (quarterly average earning assets) for the Top 10; Earnings assets are defined as total assets (excl. goodwill, intangible assets, property & equipment)	
	Cost of Funds	YoC	(Annualized quarterly gross interest income / quarterly average loans & advances) for the Top 10	
	Net Interest Margin	CoF	(Annualized quarterly interest expense + annualized quarterly capital notes & tier 1 sukuk interest) / (quarterly average interest bearing liabilities + zquarterly average capital notes & tier 1 sukuk interest) for the Top 10	
	Cost-to-Income Ratio	C/I	(Quarterly operating expenses / quarterly operating income) for the Top 10	
Risk	Coverage Ratio		(Loan loss reserves / non-performing loans) for the Top 10	
	Cost of Risk	CoR	(Annualized quarterly provision expenses net of recoveries / quarterly average gross loans) for the Top 10	
Profitability	Return on Equity	RoE	(Annualized quarterly net profit attributable to the equity holders of the banks – annualized quarterly capital notes & tier I sukuk interest) / (quarterly average equity excluding capital notes) for the Top 10	
	Return on Assets	RoA	(Annualized quarterly net profit / quarterly average assets) for the Top 10	
	Return on Risk-Weighted Assets	RoRWA	(Annualized quarterly net profit generated / quarterly average risk-weighted assets) for the Top 10	
Capital	Capital Adequacy Ratio	CAR	(EOP tier I capital + tier II capital) / (EOP risk-weighted assets) for the Top 10	

Glossary (Cont'd)

Bank	Assets (AED Bn)	Abbreviation	Logo
First Abu Dhabi Bank	732.2	FAB	رنام الول المجاهدة ا
Emirates NBD	492.6	ENBD	() Emirates NBD
Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank	273.4	ADCB	بنك أبوظي التجارب
Dubai Islamic Bank	222.8	DIB	بنك ىبى الإسلامي Dubai Islamic Bank
Mashreq Bank	137.4	Mashreq	mashreq المشرق سي المشرق ا
Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank	124.3	ADIB	مصرف أبوظ بي و ADIB مصرف أبوظ بي الأسلام
Union National Bank	104.9	UNB	بنك الانحاد الوطنى الله union national bank
Commercial Bank of Dubai	72.4	CBD	بنك دبي النجاري Commercial Bank of Dubai
National Bank of Ras Al-Khaimah	51.2	RAK	بنك رأس الخيمة الوطني RAKBANK
National Bank of Fujairah	38.9	NBF	nbf