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#### RATINGS

SBAB Bank AB (publ)

Domicile	Sweden
Long Term CRR	Aa3
Туре	LT Counterparty Risk Rating - Fgn Curr
Outlook	Not Assigned
Long Term Debt	A1
Туре	Senior Unsecured - Fgn Curr
Outlook	Stable
Long Term Deposit	A1
Туре	LT Bank Deposits - Fgn Curr
Outlook	Stable

Please see the ratings section at the end of this report for more information. The ratings and outlook shown reflect information as of the publication date.

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# SBAB Bank AB (publ)

Update to credit analysis

#### Summary

SBAB Bank AB (publ)'s (SBAB) baa1 Baseline Credit Assessment (BCA) reflects the bank's retail focus, its very strong asset quality focusing on Swedish mortgages, its robust capital along with its moderate profitability which is related to its focus on low risk mortgages. The bank's high reliance on market funding is mitigated by its large use of covered bonds and adequate liquidity.

SBAB's A1/P-1 long- and short-term deposit and senior unsecured debt ratings reflect the baa1 BCA, the results from our Advanced Loss Given Failure (LGF) analysis, leading to two notches of uplift for SBAB's deposit and senior unsecured debt ratings, along with our assumption of moderate support from the Government of Sweden (Aaa stable), resulting in an additional notch of uplift.

#### Exhibit 1

#### **Rating Scorecard - Key financial ratios**



These represent our Banks Methodology scorecard ratios. Asset risk and profitability ratios reflect the weaker of either the latest reported or three-year average ratios. The capital ratio is the latest reported figure. Funding structure and liquid resources ratios reflect latest fiscal year-end figures. Source: Moody's Financial Metrics

# **Credit strengths**

- » An efficient mortgage lender
- » Very strong asset quality
- » Robust risk-based capital

# **Credit challenges**

- » Moderate profitability, related to being a low risk mortgage lender
- » High reliance on market funding, in similarity with most domestic peers
- » Moderate liquidity

# Outlook

The stable outlook on SBAB's long-term ratings primarily reflects our expectation that SBAB will be able to maintain its current financial performance, including its good level of capital, very strong asset quality and moderate but stable profitability over the next 12-18 months, with the continued robust growth in the Swedish economy.

# Factors that could lead to an upgrade

Factors that could lead to a rating upgrade include a significant improvement in profitability, without a corresponding increase in the bank's risk profile and a materially higher volume of deposits and liquid resources.

# Factors that could lead to a downgrade

SBAB's senior unsecured ratings could be downgraded if its buffer of loss-absorbing liabilities were to decline considerably or if Moody's government support assumptions were lowered. Other factors that could lead to a downgrade of the bank's ratings include a deterioration in the bank's capital or recurring profitability, or if its risk profile were to increase because of increased exposure to more volatile sectors.

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# **Key indicators**

#### Exhibit 2

#### SBAB Bank AB (publ) (Consolidated Financials) [1]

	09-21 <sup>2</sup>	12-20 <sup>2</sup>	12-19 <sup>2</sup>	12-18 <sup>2</sup>	12-17 <sup>2</sup>	CAGR/Avg. <sup>3</sup>
Total Assets (SEK Million)	554,134.0	501,264.0	463,732.0	447,341.0	415,871.0	8.04
Total Assets (USD Million)	63,340.1	61,036.3	49,538.5	50,456.6	50,793.4	6.1 <sup>4</sup>
Tangible Common Equity (SEK Million)	18,804.0	17,351.0	19,202.0	17,819.0	16,897.0	2.94
Tangible Common Equity (USD Million)	2,149.4	2,112.7	2,051.3	2,009.8	2,063.8	1.1 <sup>4</sup>
Problem Loans / Gross Loans (%)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.15
Tangible Common Equity / Risk Weighted Assets (%)	13.7	13.3	15.9	15.6	40.4	19.8 <sup>6</sup>
Problem Loans / (Tangible Common Equity + Loan Loss Reserve) (%)	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4 <sup>5</sup>
Net Interest Margin (%)	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.85
PPI / Average RWA (%)	1.9	1.8	2.0	4.0	5.6	3.0 <sup>6</sup>
Net Income / Tangible Assets (%)	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.45
Cost / Income Ratio (%)	35.4	35.1	33.3	31.1	29.3	32.8 <sup>5</sup>
Market Funds / Tangible Banking Assets (%)	41.7	40.9	41.2	40.3	43.0	41.4 <sup>5</sup>
Liquid Banking Assets / Tangible Banking Assets (%)	12.8	9.9	12.6	16.7	17.9	14.0 <sup>5</sup>
Gross Loans / Due to Customers (%)	321.0	311.8	294.1	291.6	299.7	303.6 <sup>5</sup>

[-] Further to the publication of our revised methodology in July 2021, only ratios from annual 2020 onwards included in this report reflect the change in analytical treatment of the "hightrigger" Additional Tier 1 instruments. [1] All figures and ratios are adjusted using Moody's standard adjustments. [2] Basel III - fully loaded or transitional phase-in; IFRS. [3] May include rounding differences because of the scale of reported amounts. [4] Compound annual growth rate (%) based on the periods for the latest accounting regime. [5] Simple average of periods for the latest accounting regime. [6] Simple average of Basel III periods.

Sources: Moody's Investors Service and company filings

Further to the publication of our revised methodology in July 2021, for issuers that have "high trigger" Additional Tier 1 instruments outstanding, not all ratios included in this report reflect the change in treatment of these instruments.

## Profile

SBAB Bank AB (publ) (SBAB) was established in 1985 as The Swedish National Housing Finance Corporation by the Kingdom of Sweden (Government of Sweden) to finance government housing loans. In November 2010, it was awarded a full banking licence and began developing banking products and services. Subsequently, it was renamed SBAB Bank AB (publ). Since 2014, the bank has refocused its operations towards its core business areas of mortgages and residential financing, limiting its offerings of traditional banking products and services. The bank remains wholly owned by the Government of Sweden.

SBAB is a digital bank that provides residential mortgages, loans and savings accounts to individuals, corporates and tenant-owner associations throughout Sweden. Through partners, it also provides its mortgage customers with third-party insurance services. As of end September 2021, SBAB's reported market share in terms of Swedish retail mortgage lending was 8.5%. It reported total consolidated assets of SEK558 billion (\$63.2 billion) as of end September 2021. The bank is increasingly focusing on growing its mortgage portfolio under its own brand and declared in December 2017 its intention to end its remaining bank partnerships.

SBAB does not have any retail branch network. The bank distributes its products and services to individuals primarily through an internet platform and a call centre. It distributes its products and services to corporate customers and tenant-owner associations through personal contacts with representative offices in Stockholm, Gothenburg and Malmö.

# **Recent developments**

Weaker-than-<u>expected</u> growth momentum and an upside surprise to inflation have dented some of the optimism surrounding the global economic recovery. Over the course of 2022, however, we expect uncertainties with regard to the COVID-19 pandemic, supply chain imbalances and labour shortages to diminish, allowing the economy to enter a stable growth phase through 2023.

However, our <u>outlook</u> for the Swedish banking system remains stable. The emergence and rapid spread of omicron will likely have a temporary and muted effect, although it adds to additional uncertainty to the economic outlook. The surge in virus cases will no doubt dampen economic activity in pandemic-sensitive services industries in the beginning of 2022 but, as prior virus surges have shown, activity will rebound once the Omicron wave begins to subside. Although support measures by authorities designed to counterbalance the slowdown have mitigated the immediate economic and financial restrictions, we expect a rise in business closures and unemployment, as some measures come to an end and the pandemic lingers on. In Sweden, asset quality may decline slightly in 2022, although from a strong starting point and despite continued economic growth. The most affected sectors are leisure and accommodation, while mortgage impairments are likely to rise only marginally, if at all.

In November 2021 the previous CEO Klas Danielsson, was replaced by Mikael Inglander as acting CEO while SBAB initiates the process of finding a successor.

# **Detailed credit considerations**

## A low risk mortgage portfolio based on strong (industry-wide) underwriting standards

The Swedish economy recovered relatively quickly from the recession in 2020, and the large government support packages to households and businesses have so far mitigated the risk of a sharp deterioration in asset quality. We expect SBAB's asset quality to remain broadly unaffected because of its focus on very low risk mortgage lending in Sweden. The bank's problem loans have remained very low for decades, and its problem loan (stage 3, IFRS9) ratio was 0.05% as of end September 2021.

SBAB's loan book comprise almost only mortgages: single-family dwellings (73%), and tenant-owner associations and private multifamily dwellings (27%), with the remainder being marginal and including exposure to unsecured lending as of end September 2021. In line with legislation, loans are capped at 85% loan to value (LTV) and require amortisation down to 50%. As of end September 2021, the average LTV in SBAB's mortgage portfolio was 56%. SBAB's exposure to commercial properties was low at less than 1% of total lending at the end of March 2021.

The loan book continued to increase during the period January-September 2021, growing its retail mortgage portfolio by 5.4%, relatively faster than the market at 4.9%. We expect the bank to continue its credit expansion at a slightly faster pace than the market average. SBAB has higher-than-average loan growth, but a large part of the new lending is to borrowers that are moving their existing mortgages to SBAB from other banks. Therefore, the loan portfolio has a low share of unseasoned borrowers and relatively lower LTVs compared to those purchasing a new property.

Household debt (200% of disposable income at year-end 2020) has increased in Sweden over a longer period of time, primarily driven by a sustained rise in house prices until autumn 2017. Following a price fall of 9% during autumn 2017, prices have gradually recovered and the housing market has demonstrated unexpected resilience to the coronavirus-induced economic recession. Nevertheless, if there were to be a significant correction in housing prices, <u>we do not believe that there would be an important impact on the banks'</u> <u>mortgage books</u>, but rather on economic growth in terms of reduced private consumption and second round impacts for banks' corporate portfolios.

Like most other banks in Sweden, SBAB's share of lending at variable (i.e. three-month) rates is high and stood at 62% as of end September 2021 (down from 70% at year-end 2020). These borrowers are more exposed to interest rate changes. However, SBAB conducts a 6% interest rate stress test on borrowers during the application process, as is common practice in Sweden. In recent years, the bank has gradually imposed stricter underwriting standards that have reduced both debt-to-income ratio and LTV in new lending. Furthermore, SBAB has adjusted its pricing model, allowing a higher discount to customers with low to moderate LTVs, which supports the collateral values on new mortgages.

Furthermore, SBAB conducts stress tests on its outstanding loans with severe scenarios of higher interest rates, high unemployment and a dramatic drops in property prices. In these stressed scenarios, the bank performs well with loan losses not exceeding annual profit. In Sweden there is also full recourse on mortgages and the values of collateral to limit losses in the loan portfolio, even in an economic downturn.

The assigned Asset Risk score of aa2 reflects the initial score of aa1 and a one-notch negative adjustment as borrowers' repayment capacity has benefited from a long period of above average economic growth combined with ultralow interest rates in Sweden.

#### Robust risk-adjusted capitalisation, but low leverage ratio

We view SBAB's capital position as strong, given its low risk profile. As of end September 2021, SBAB reported a Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital ratio of 13.3%, down from 31.5% as of the end of September 2018 as the 25% risk-weight floor for mortgages were moved into Pillar I from Pillar II.

<u>The Swedish FSA decided to raise the countercyclical buffer to 1% in the third quarter of 2021</u> with effect from the third quarter of 2022, as it was lowered to 0% from 2.5% in March 2020 as a response to the coronavirus outbreak. As part of the European Banking Package and following the completion of the supervisory review and evaluation process (SREP), the Swedish FSA introduced a leverage ratio of 3.3% and a Pillar 2 Guidance of 0% on the risk-weighted capital requirement, as of 24 September 2021. SBAB's total regulatory capital requirement as of the end of September 2021 was 13.9% including an updated Pillar 2 requirement of 3.35%. <sup>1</sup>,

The bank specific Pillar 2 requirement relates to credit related concentration risk, interest rate risk in other operations, commercial real estate and previously identified faults with SBAB's internal models. SBAB has applied an article 3 surcharge in the capital adequacy, updated its internal ratings-based models and has submitted an application to the Swedish FSA for an approval of its updated models. This leaves the bank with a buffer of 4.0 percentage points above the requirements. The bank's target is to have at least 0.6% buffer above the total capital requirement.

#### Exhibit 3 SBAB's capital ratios over time



The exhibit shows Moody's-adjusted figures. TCE/RWA for 2012-14 refers to Basel II and TCE/RWA for 2015-21 refers to transitional phase-in of Basel III Source: Moody's Investors Service

Whereas SBAB's leverage of 3.4% (excluding high-trigger AT1s) would warrant a downward adjustment in the Capital score based on our methodology, we have not done so as the 25% risk-weight that SBAB needs to hold for Swedish mortgages is importantly higher than what Moody's assesses to be the true credit risk for those loans<sup>2</sup>. Risk-weights in other Nordic countries where regulators have not imposed a risk-weight floor tend to be importantly lower (around 15%). Also, SBAB's own IRB risk-weights stood at 3.2% at YE 2020. It should be noted that <u>SBAB's CET1 ratio fell by around 20 percentage points at the time when the risk-weight floor was moved from PII to PI. Hence, the initial starting point (TCE/RWAs) is significantly lower than if the risk-weight floor had not been in PI. Moody's has therefore assigned Capital score of a2 for SBAB.</u>

# Profitability will remain weaker than peers because of the focus on low-risk mortgages

In the first three quarters of 2021, SBAB's pretax income was SEK1,900 million, a year-on-year growth of 9.1% as the higher loan loss provisions that were taken in relation to COVID-19 last year were not repeated. Net interest income increased by 7.7% year-on-year during the first three quarter of 2021 due to higher lending volumes and lower cost of funding. SBAB's reported return on equity of 11.0% as of end September 2021, which is above the bank's internal of 10% target.

Moody's-adjusted figures showed net income/tangible assets of 0.35% during the first three quarters of 2021, in line with the same period in the previous year. This is lower than many of its Swedish peers, but should be viewed in the context of the very low risk of SBAB's loan portfolio.

SBAB's net interest margin (NIM) increased to 0.75% in the first three quarter of 2021 from 0.72% during the same period in 2020. We expect NIM to be under pressure as competition in the mortgage market is intense. SBAB has benefited from ultralow, even negative, yields on covered bonds and spreads have now returned to around pre-corona levels. As the Swedish Riksbank will start to phase out its covered bond purchases at some point, we would expect higher long-term interest rates and hence higher funding costs for SBAB and other Swedish banks.

To enhance customer offerings, in January 2016, SBAB acquired a majority stake in Booli — one of Sweden's largest housing websites and search engines for homes — which is included in SBAB's retail operations. As of year-end 2020, SBAB held 100% of Booli after acquiring the remaining shares in November 2018. In May 2021, SBAB acquired 58% of the shares in Boappa AB, which is Sweden's largest communication platform for tenant-owners' associations, with a call option for SBAB to acquire the remaining shares of Boappa. Whereas we do not expect these sites to contribute to SBAB's earnings in the next couple of years, but it does give the bank an additional sales channel.

SBAB is an efficient lender operating without a retail branch network. Although the bank's adjusted cost-to-income ratio has deteriorated in the last two years because of higher operating costs, it remains low at 35% for the first three quarters of 2021 (see Exhibit 4).



#### Exhibit 4 SBAB's cost-to-income ratio and return on equity

Moody's-adjusted figures. Source: Moody's Investors Service

Our assigned Profitability score of baa3 includes an upward adjustment by one notch which reflects the fact that the bank's moderate earnings are due to a low risk loan portfolio.

# High reliance on market funding, but deposit base is increasing

We view SBAB's significant reliance on market funding as a weakness, which is shared by many of its Nordic peers. The high reliance on market funding is mitigated by the fact that a large portion of the funding includes local currency denominated covered bonds, along with SBAB's recent efforts to increase funding duration and a sustained increase in its deposit funding.

SBAB's market funding/tangible assets stood at 41.7% at end September 2021. Covered bonds (rated Aaa) account for more than half of the bank's long-term funding, and around 74% of these were SEK denominated as of the same date. This debt class benefits from a deep local market with stable domestic investors, and we reflect these strengths by viewing covered bonds denominated in local currency as a particularly stable source of funding for all Swedish banks.

SBAB's funding profile has improved over the last few years following its strategy to extend maturities, with a number of successful benchmark issues and a reduction in foreign currency exposures. These have been of longer maturities, taking advantage of the low interest rate environment reducing the asset-liability mismatch.

In addition, SBAB has actively reduced its reliance on market funding through further diversification into deposits, thereby reducing its gross loans/deposits to 321% as of end September 2021 (from 565% at end December 2013). We view the increase in deposits as a sustainable improvement which provides the bank with relatively sticky funding, given the gradual and granular increase in the flow of new depositors. However, the growth in deposits slowed to 3.7% during the first three quarters of 2021, while market funds increased by 12.7%. We expect SBAB to focus on deposit growth in 2022.

Exhibit 5

350 1000% 900% 300 800% 250 231 700% 600% 200 500% 141 150 400% 321% 300% 100 200% 50 100% 0% 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 Sep-21

Gross loans / due to customers (RHS)

#### SBAB's gradual increase in deposits is sustainable

Deposits (LHS)

Market Funds (LHS)

Source: Moody's Investors Service

SBAB needs to fulfill the recapitalisation amount of the minimum requirement of own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL) with subordination requirements by 1 January 2024. The new MREL decisions based on the updated EU Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive (BRRD2), were announced in December 2021<sup>3</sup>, the subordination requirement resulted in lower senior non-preferred (SNP) needs compared to the previous Swedish requirements.

The upward adjustment in the Funding score of baa2 reflects the comparatively stronger Swedish covered bond market, i.e. the bank's SEK-denominated covered bonds.

#### SBAB has adequate liquidity

SBAB's liquidity position is adequate, as captured by the ba1 assigned Liquid Resources score. Moody's calculated liquid banking assets consist mainly of highly rated securities, which totalled around SEK70.9 billion at the end of September 2021, equivalent to 12.8% of its tangible banking assets. The bank's reported liquidity reserve was SEK96 billion as of the end of September 2021, equivalent to 17.3% of tangible banking assets, which compares well with that of its peers. SBAB's reported liquidity coverage ratio (all currencies combined) was a high 227%.

We make an upward adjustment in the Liquid Resources score to better reflect SBAB's High Quality Liquid Assets (HQLA).

## Monoline adjustment

Similar to that for other rated entities focused on one activity, we apply a one-notch negative adjustment for lack of business diversification to SBAB's financial profile. This is to reflect the fact that the bank's revenue is mostly exclusively derived from its mortgage lending activities and SBAB's business model is less diversified than that of a full-service bank, an adjustment shared with other mortgage lenders, including Skandiabanken in Sweden.

# Source of facts and figures cited in this report

The financial data in this report are sourced from SBAB's financial statements or Moody's Financial Metrics, unless otherwise stated.

## Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations

In line with our general view of the banking sector, SBAB has low exposure to environmental risks and moderate exposure to social risks. See our <u>Environmental</u> and <u>Social</u> risk heat maps for further information.

SBAB has policies in place that promote energy-efficient new housing construction, but also help customers with older houses to modernise them to be more energy-efficient. This also enables the bank to build mortgage asset pools to issue green bonds. SBAB offers up to 0.1% rebate on mortgages for the most energy-efficient properties. Because of the increasing demand for sustainable investments, it is likely that green bonds will benefit from discounted rates when interest rates increase, offsetting the rebate given to the customer. However, the current low yields do not allow for any significant differentiation.

The most relevant social risks for banks arise when they interact with their customers. Social risks are particularly high in the area of data security and customer privacy, which is mitigated by sizeable technology investments. Fines and reputational damage because of product mis-selling or other types of misconduct are further social risks. Societal trends are also relevant in a number of areas, such as shifting customer preferences towards digital banking services, increasing information technology costs, ageing population concerns in several countries affecting demand for financial services or socially driven policy agendas that may translate into regulations that affect banks' revenue base. Overall, we consider banks, including SBAB, face moderate social risks.

The widening spread of the coronavirus pandemic, the deteriorating global economic outlook, falling oil prices, and asset price declines are creating a severe and extensive credit shock across many sectors, regions and markets. The combined credit effects of these developments are unprecedented. We further regard the coronavirus pandemic as a social risk under our ESG framework, given the substantial implications for public health and safety.

Governance is highly relevant for SBAB, as it is to all participants in the banking industry. Corporate governance weaknesses can lead to a deterioration in a company's credit quality, while governance strengths can benefit its credit profile. SBAB is governed by the Swedish state and the board is committed to sustainability developments. Corporate governance remains a key credit consideration and requires ongoing monitoring. However, we currently do not have any governance-related concerns over SBAB.

# Support and structural considerations

#### Loss Given Failure (LGF) analysis

We apply our Advanced LGF analysis to SBAB as the bank is incorporated in Sweden, which we consider an operational resolution regime because it is subject to the EU Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive (BRRD). For this analysis, we assume that equity and losses are at 3% and 8%, respectively, of tangible banking assets in a failure scenario. We also assume a 25% runoff of junior wholesale deposits and a 5% runoff of preferred deposits. Moreover, we assign a 25% probability to junior deposits being preferred to senior unsecured debt. These are in line with our standard assumptions. Particular to SBAB and other Swedish pure mortgage lenders, we assume the proportion of deposits considered junior at 10%, relative to our standard assumption of 26%, because of their largely retail-oriented depositor base.

Our Advanced LGF analysis indicates a very low loss given failure for junior depositors and senior unsecured creditors, resulting in a two-notch uplift of the relevant ratings, from the bank's baa1 Adjusted BCA.

SBAB's junior deposit and senior debt ratings reflect our expectations that the bank's issuance of SNP debt to fulfill the recapitalisation amount of MREL by year-end 2023 based on current requirements.

The Swedish resolution authority's - the Swedish National Debt Office's (SNDO) - implementation of the updated EU Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive (BRRD2) in Sweden reduces the portion of MREL which needs to be met with instruments subordinated to senior liabilities compared to BRRD1. As a result Swedish banks, including SBAB, will issue a lower volume of additional loss absorbing junior senior instruments, (i.e. senior non-preferred debt, SNP) than under the previous requirements that were in force until December 2021.

For junior senior debt (called senior non-preferred by the market), which is positioned in line with the bank's Adjusted BCA, our Advanced LGF analysis indicates a moderate loss given failure, given the small volume of debt and limited protection from more subordinated instruments and residual equity.

#### **Government support considerations**

SBAB is fully owned by the Swedish government and has an important market share in the Swedish residential mortgage market. This guides our expectation of a moderate probability of government support for SBAB's deposit and senior unsecured debt, which results in a one notch rating uplift for these debt classes.

#### Counterparty Risk (CR) Assessment

#### SBAB's CR Assessment is Aa3(cr)/P-1(cr)

The CR Assessment, before government support, is three notches above the Adjusted BCA based on our view that senior obligations represented by the CR Assessment will be more likely preserved than senior unsecured debt to minimise losses, avoid disruption of

critical functions and limit contagion. In addition, moderate probability of government support results in an additional uplift of one notch uplift.

# Counterparty Risk Ratings (CRRs)

### SBAB's CRRs are Aa3/P-1

The CRRs, before government support, are three notches above SBAB's Adjusted BCA of baa1, reflecting extremely low loss given failure from the high volume of instruments that are subordinated to CRR liabilities, along with one notch of government support.

## Methodology and scorecard

## About Moody's Bank Scorecard

Our scorecard is designed to capture, express and explain in summary form our Rating Committee's judgement. When read in conjunction with our research, a fulsome presentation of our judgement is expressed. As a result, the output of our scorecard may materially differ from that suggested by raw data alone (though it has been calibrated to avoid the frequent need for strong divergence). The scorecard output and the individual scores are discussed in rating committees and may be adjusted up or down to reflect conditions specific to each rated entity.

# Rating methodology and scorecard factors

# Exhibit 6

SBAB Bank AB (publ)

Macro Factors						
Weighted Macro Profile Strong +	100%					
Factor	Historic Ratio	Initial Score	Expected Trend	Assigned Score	Key driver #1	Key driver #2
Solvency						
Asset Risk						
Problem Loans / Gross Loans	0.1%	aa1	$\leftrightarrow$	aa2	Sector concentration	
Capital						
Tangible Common Equity / Risk Weighted Assets (Basel III - transitional phase-in)	13.7%	a2	$\leftrightarrow$	a2	Risk-weighted capitalisation	Nominal leverage
Profitability						
Net Income / Tangible Assets	0.4%	ba2	$\leftrightarrow$	baa3	Earnings quality	
Combined Solvency Score		a2		a2		
Liquidity						
Funding Structure						
Market Funds / Tangible Banking Assets	40.9%	b1	$\uparrow\uparrow$	baa2	Market funding quality	
Liquid Resources						
Liquid Banking Assets / Tangible Banking Assets	9.9%	ba2	$\uparrow$	ba1	Stock of liquid assets	
Combined Liquidity Score		ba3		baa3		
Financial Profile				a3		
Qualitative Adjustments				Adjustment		
Business Diversification				-1		
Opacity and Complexity				0		
Corporate Behavior				0		
Total Qualitative Adjustments				-1		
Sovereign or Affiliate constraint				Aaa		
BCA Scorecard-indicated Outcome - Range				a3 - baa2		
Assigned BCA				baa1		
Affiliate Support notching				0		
Adjusted BCA				baa1		
Balance Sheet			scope Million)	% in-scope	at-failure (SEK Million)	% at-failure
Other liabilities			3,390	60.2%	343,235	62.0%
Deposits			),645	25.4%	130,800	23.6%
Preferred deposits			5,581	22.9%	120,251	21.7%
Junior deposits			,065	2.5%	10,548	1.9%
Senior unsecured bank debt		49	,200	8.9%	49,200	8.9%

7,500

2,000

4,300

16,609

553,644

1.4%

0.4%

0.8%

3.0%

100.0%

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Junior senior unsecured bank debt

Dated subordinated bank debt

Total Tangible Banking Assets

Preference shares (bank)

Equity

1.4%

0.4%

0.8%

3.0%

100.0%

Debt Class	De Jure w	/aterfal	l De Facto v	waterfall	Not	ching	LGF	Assigned	Additiona	l Preliminary
	Instrument volume + o		Instrument on volume + o		De Jure	De Facto	Notching Guidance		Notching	Rating Assessment
	subordinatio	n	subordinatio	n			vs. Adjusted BCA	-		
Counterparty Risk Rating	16.3%	16.3%	16.3%	16.3%	3	3	3	3	0	a1
Counterparty Risk Assessment	16.3%	16.3%	16.3%	16.3%	3	3	3	3	0	a1 (cr)
Deposits	16.3%	5.5%	16.3%	14.4%	2	3	2	2	0	a2
Senior unsecured bank debt	16.3%	5.5%	14.4%	5.5%	2	2	2	2	0	a2
Junior senior unsecured bank debt	5.5%	4.1%	5.5%	4.1%	0	0	0	0	0	baa1
Dated subordinated bank debt	4.1%	3.8%	4.1%	3.8%	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	baa2
Non-cumulative bank preference shares	s 3.8%	3.0%	3.8%	3.0%	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	ba1

Instrument Class	Loss Given Failure notching	Additional notching	Preliminary Rating Assessment	Government Support notching	Local Currency Rating	Foreign Currency Rating
Counterparty Risk Rating	3	0	al	1	Aa3	Aa3
Counterparty Risk Assessment	3	0	a1 (cr)	1	Aa3(cr)	
Deposits	2	0	a2	1	A1	A1
Senior unsecured bank debt	2	0	a2	1	A1	A1
Junior senior unsecured bank debt	0	0	baa1	0	Baa1	Baa1
Dated subordinated bank debt	-1	0	baa2	0	Baa2	(P)Baa2
Non-cumulative bank preference shares	-1	-2	ba1	0	Ba1 (hyb)	

[1] Where dashes are shown for a particular factor (or sub-factor), the score is based on non-public information. Source: Moody's Investors Service

# Ratings

Exhibit 7

Category	Moody's Rating
SBAB BANK AB (PUBL)	
Outlook	Stable
Counterparty Risk Rating	Aa3/P-1
Bank Deposits	A1/P-1
Baseline Credit Assessment	baa1
Adjusted Baseline Credit Assessment	baa1
Counterparty Risk Assessment	Aa3(cr)/P-1(cr)
Issuer Rating	A1
Senior Unsecured	A1
Junior Senior Unsecured	Baa1
Junior Senior Unsecured MTN	(P)Baa1
Subordinate -Dom Curr	Baa2
Pref. Stock Non-cumulative -Dom Curr	Ba1 (hyb)
Commercial Paper	P-1
Other Short Term	(P)P-1
Source: Moody's Investors Service	

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# Endnotes

## 1 Swedish banks capital requirements, third quarter 2021

2 It should be noted that the 25% risk-weight floor does not represent the SFSA's perceived credit risk for mortgages but was initiated for systemic risk reasons due to high household leverage.

3 Decisions on resolution plans and MREL, Swedish National Debt Office

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