

# Banco Santander Argentina SA B XBR SB ★★★ Q 1 May 2024, 22:37 UTC

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Narrow	Very High	0.9	—	2.89	1.0906 Bil	Small Core	Financial Services	Banks - Regional

Fair Value <sup>Q</sup>	0.29
Last Close	0.25

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD	Performance
Price/Fair Value <sup>Q</sup>	0.94	0.93	0.91	1.17	0.78	0.73	0.85	0.83	0.79	0.89	0.87	Price/Fair Value <sup>Q</sup>
Total Return %	63.21	40.05	31.93	-17.05	-37.44	-53.22	18.18	9.23	-7.85	0.00	0.00	Total Return %
+/- Index	75.84	70.43	2.05	-42.03	-31.16	-73.99	32.30	18.81	-15.85	-34.35	4.70	+/- Index

As of 30 Apr 2024 | Index: Morningstar Emerging Markets Americas GR USD. Fair Value data as of 1 May 2024, 22:37 UTC.

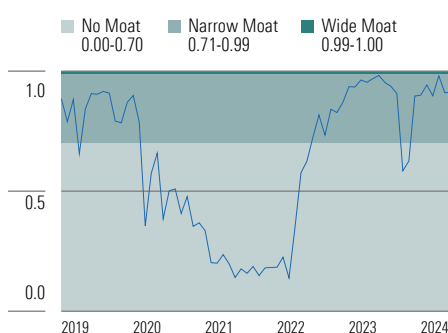
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## Key Metrics as of 30 Apr 2024

Metrics		Percentile in Sector
Earnings Yield (%)	8.7	62.0
Sales Yield (%)	158.2	92.0
Book Value Yield (%)	141.7	78.0
Return on Assets (%)*	5.4	87.0
Revenue(Bil)*	2.8	75.0
Market Value (Bil)	1.7	63.0
Enterprise Value (Mil)	28.9	36.0
EVMV Ratio	0.0	22.0
Volatility TTM (%)	0.0	4.0
Drawdown TTM (%)	0.0	5.0
Volume	0.0	4.0

\*31 Dec 2023

## Economic Moat<sup>Q</sup> History as of 1 May 2024



## Business Description

Banco Santander Argentina SA Formerly Banco Santander Rio SA is a commercial bank and financial services company. It provides various banking products and services to individual and business customers, and small and medium-sized enterprises. The company offers savings and various accounts; and cards, insurance, and private banking services. It also provides collection and payment, foreign trade, investment, cash management and mutual fund, and transactional services. In addition, the company offers financing, treasury, investment banking, custody, and international and on-line banking services.

## Valuation<sup>Q</sup> as of 1 May 2024

Morningstar affirms a 3-star quantitative rating for Banco Santander Argentina. We calculate this outcome using the company's underlying model-driven valuation and uncertainty scores.

The stock's last closing price was 0.25, a discount of 10.18% to its Quantitative Fair Value estimate of 0.28. The stock has been trading between a 36.03% discount and 2.2% premium to its quantitative fair value over the past year. The stock's price to fair value ratio is at the 77th percentile in our global equity coverage universe for this methodology and at the 71st percentile relative to its peers in the financial services sector.

Banco Santander Argentina furthermore holds a Very High quantitative uncertainty rating. The company's quantitative star rating dates to after 08/11/2023, before which it was 4-star. Similarly, the firm's uncertainty rating changed from Extreme to Very High after 02/14/2024.

We examine the financials and market statistics for Banco Santander Argentina to determine these ratings. Its earnings yield is 8.72% and its trailing 12-month maximum drawdown is 0.00%. These fall at

the 82nd and 5th percentiles in the equity universe and at the 62nd and 5th in the financial services sector, respectively.

## Economic Moat<sup>Q</sup> as of 1 May 2024

Morningstar maintains a Narrow quantitative moat rating on the company. The firm's quantitative moat score of 0.98 sits at the 95th percentile in the financial services sector. This is a decrease from 0.99, the maximum of its moat scores over the past year.

The quantitative financial health rating for Banco Santander Argentina is Strong. Its financial health score, termed Distance to Default, sits at the 95th percentile in both the universe and sector.

The significant drivers of these ratings are the company's revenue and annualized trailing 12-month volatility. The revenue for Banco Santander Argentina is 2.84 billion, and its annualized trailing 12-month volatility is 0.00%. They sit at the 79th and 5th percentile in the global equity universe, respectively.

## Fundamentals as of 1 May 2024

Banco Santander Argentina maintains earnings per share of 70.11. We do not have enough information to report on the company's return-on-invested-capital and dividend yield.

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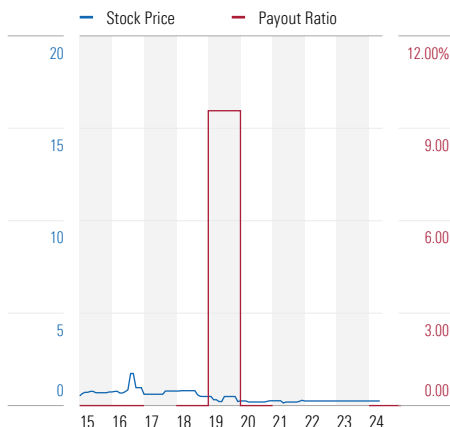
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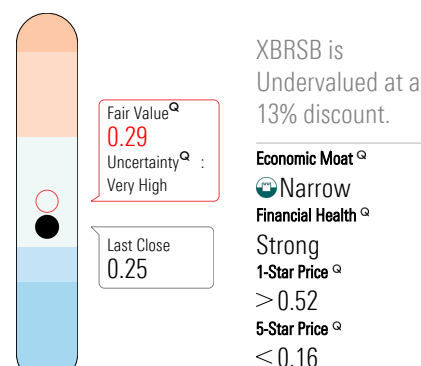
## Earnings as of 30 Apr 2024

Earnings	%	■ Percentile in Sector
Dividend Yield*	—	—
Payout Ratio*	—	—
Price to Earnings	—	—
Price to Cash Flow	—	—
ROIC**	—	—
*—	0%	25
**31 Dec 2023	50	75
	100	

## Dividends as of 1 May 2024



## Valuation<sup>Q</sup> as of 1 May 2024



## Financials as of 1 May 2024 (Fiscal Year End 31 Dec 2019)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD	Fiscal
14	18	24	39	55	164	213	411	1,623	2,489	2,489	Revenue (Bil)
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Operating Income
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Operating Margin (%)
3.23	4.21	5.19	6.38	10.22	12.67	16.46	22.63	240.97	306.74	306.74	Net Income (Bil)
0.75	0.98	1.20	2.96	2.37	2.94	3.76	5.15	54.99	70.11	70.11	Diluted Earnings/Share
2.65	14.13	34.87	12.29	120.75	-147.43	-18.54	-0.08	381.84	1,391.21	1,391.21	Operating Cash Flow (Bil)
-0.54	-0.70	-1.73	-4.09	-6.52	-11.94	-16.74	-30.39	-101.32	-139.73	-139.73	Capital Spending (Bil)
2.12	13.42	33.14	8.20	114.23	-159.37	-35.29	-30.47	280.51	1,251.48	1,251.48	Free Cash Flow (Bil)
4,316	4,316	4,316	2,158	4,316	4,316	4,380	4,398	4,382	4,375	4,375	Avg Shares Outstand(Mil)

## Valuation as of 1 May 2024

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Current	Calendar
0.94	0.93	0.91	1.17	0.78	0.73	0.85	0.83	0.79	0.89	0.87	Price/Fair Value <sup>Q</sup>
1.83	2.73	4.45	—	2.60	0.69	1.64	1.07	—	—	0.64	Price/Sales
7.56	12.54	32.01	—	17.16	3.00	6.30	25.08	—	—	11.56	Price/Earnings
—	6.77	4.98	—	1.25	—	0.73	—	—	—	71.83	Price/Cash Flow
2.09	3.05	3.58	—	2.30	1.12	1.10	0.87	—	—	0.71	Price/Book

## Operating Performance as of 1 May 2024 (Fiscal Year End 31 Dec 2019)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Q3	Fiscal (%)
3.89	3.38	2.84	2.06	2.43	4.01	1.56	0.95	3.71	5.42	2.37	Return on Assets
30.88	29.93	27.65	23.97	30.08	42.39	13.49	7.47	25.14	32.17	13.81	Return on Equity
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Rtn on Invested Capital

## Dividends as of 1 May 2024

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Current	Calendar (%)
0.06	—	—	—	—	0.47	—	—	—	—	0.01	Dividend Per Share
1.03	—	—	—	—	4.6	—	—	—	—	2.89	Trailing Dividend Yield
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.04	Buyback Yield

# Appendix

Economic Moat <sup>®</sup> History as of 1 May 2024 (No Moat: 0.00-0.70, Narrow Moat: 0.70-0.99, Wide Moat: 0.99-1.00)												
Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
2024	0.90	0.94	0.90	0.98	0.91	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2023	0.94	0.93	0.96	0.95	0.97	0.98	0.95	0.94	0.91	0.59	0.63	0.90
2022	0.18	0.23	0.14	0.35	0.58	0.63	0.73	0.82	0.73	0.84	0.83	0.87
2021	0.34	0.20	0.20	0.24	0.20	0.14	0.18	0.16	0.19	0.15	0.18	0.18
2020	0.90	0.79	0.36	0.57	0.66	0.39	0.50	0.51	0.41	0.48	0.35	0.37
2019	0.89	0.79	0.88	0.66	0.84	0.91	0.90	0.92	0.91	0.79	0.78	0.87

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★ – the stock is overvalued with a reasonable margin of safety.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) < -1\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

*Micro-Caps: Log (Quant FVE/Price) < -1.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

★★ – the stock is somewhat overvalued.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-1\*Quantitative Uncertainty, -0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

*Micro-Caps: Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-1.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty, -0.75\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

★★★ – the stock is approximately fairly valued.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

*Micro-Caps: Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-0.75\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 0.75\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

★★★★ – the stock is somewhat undervalued.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 1\*Quantitative*

*Uncertainty)*

*Micro-Caps: Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (0.75\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 1.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

★★★★★ – the stock is undervalued with a reasonable margin of safety.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) > 1\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

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**Extreme** – the interquartile range for possible fair values is greater than 80%

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**Fairly Valued – Last Price** is in line with Morningstar's quantitative fair value estimate.

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