Q4 2020 Earnings Key Metrics

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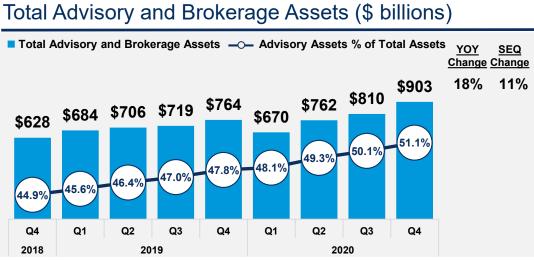
Gross profit is calculated as net revenues, which were \$1,581 million for the three months ended December 31, 2020, less advisory and commission expenses and brokerage, clearing and exchange fees ("BC&E"), which were \$1,030 million and \$18 million, respectively, for the three months ended December 31, 2020. All other expense categories, including depreciation and amortization of fixed assets and amortization of intangible assets, are considered general and administrative in nature. Because the Company's gross profit amounts do not include any depreciation and amortization expense, the Company considers its gross profit amounts to be non-GAAP measures that may not be comparable to those of others in its industry. Management believes that gross profit amounts can provide investors with useful insight into the Company's core operating performance before indirect costs that are general and administrative in nature. For a calculation of gross profit, please see page 22 of this presentation.

EBITDA is defined as net income plus interest and other expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization, and amortization of intangible assets. The Company presents EBITDA because management believes that it can be a useful financial metric in understanding the Company's earnings from operations. EBITDA is not a measure of the Company's financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income or any other performance measure derived in accordance with GAAP, or as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities as a measure of profitability or liquidity. For a reconciliation of net income to EBITDA, please see page 23 of this presentation. In addition, the Company's EBITDA can differ significantly from EBITDA calculated by other companies, depending on long-term strategic decisions regarding capital structure, the tax jurisdictions in which companies operate and capital investments.

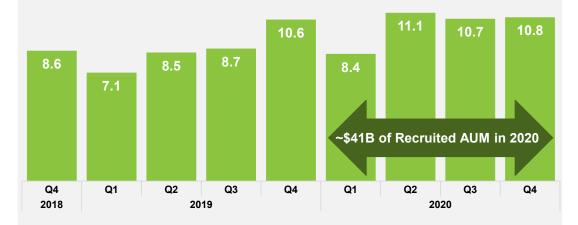
EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets is defined as GAAP earnings per share ("EPS") plus the per share impact of amortization of intangible assets. The per share impact is calculated as amortization of intangible assets expense, net of applicable tax benefit, divided by the number of shares outstanding for the applicable period. The Company presents EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets because management believes the metric can provide investors with useful insight into the Company's core operating performance by excluding non-cash items that management does not believe impact the Company's ongoing operations. EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets is not a measure of the Company's financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to GAAP EPS or any other performance measure derived in accordance with GAAP. For a reconciliation of GAAP EPS to EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets, please see page 24 of this presentation.

Core G&A consists of total operating expenses, which were \$1,410 million for the three months ended December 31, 2020, excluding the following expenses: advisory and commission, regulatory charges, promotional, employee share-based compensation, depreciation and amortization, amortization of intangible assets, and brokerage, clearing and exchange. Management presents Core G&A because it believes Core G&A reflects the corporate operating expense categories over which management can generally exercise a measure of control, compared with expense items over which management either cannot exercise control, such as advisory and commission expenses, or which management views as promotional expense necessary to support advisor growth and retention including conferences and transition assistance. Core G&A is not a measure of the Company's total operating expenses as calculated in accordance with GAAP. For a reconciliation of Core G&A to the Company's total operating expenses, please see page 25 of this presentation. The Company does not provide an outlook for its total operating expenses because it contains expense components, such as advisory and commission expenses, that are market-driven and over which the Company cannot exercise control. Accordingly, a reconciliation of the Company's outlook for Core G&A to an outlook for total operating expenses cannot be made available without unreasonable effort.

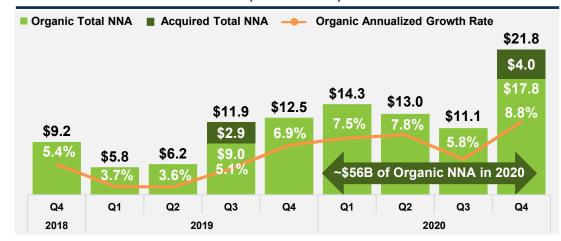
We continue to drive long-term business growth...



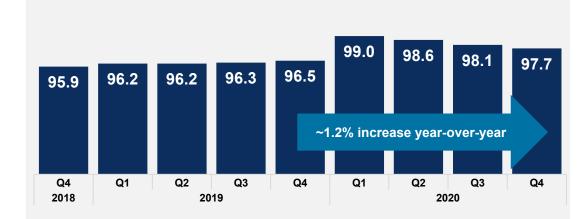
Recruited Assets⁽²⁾ (\$ billions)



Total Net New Assets⁽¹⁾ (\$ billions)



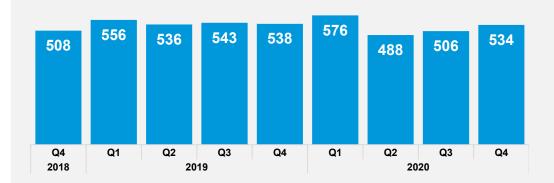
Production Retention Rate⁽³⁾ (YTD Annualized %)



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...And solid financial results

Gross Profit* (\$ millions)



EBITDA* as a % of Gross Profit*



EBITDA* (\$ millions)

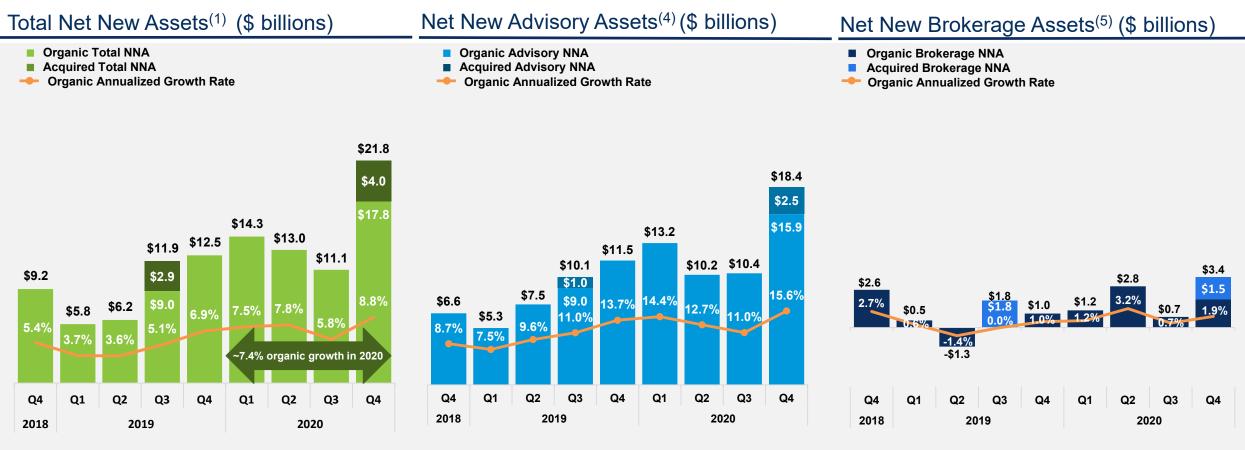


EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets*



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We continued to drive solid organic growth with a Net New Asset growth rate of ~9% in Q4 and 7%+ for the past year



Net Brokerage to Advisory Conversions⁽⁶⁾ (billions): \$1.4 \$1.4 \$1.8 \$1.7 \$1.9 \$2.4 \$1.6 \$2.0 \$2.6

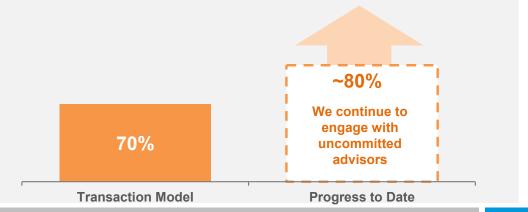
Update on our agreement to acquire Waddell & Reed's wealth management business

Transaction Details at Signing

- On December 2nd, we signed an agreement to acquire Waddell & Reed's wealth management business
- Transaction structured primarily as an equity purchase with a price of **\$300M**
- Estimated onboarding and integration costs of ~\$85M
- Estimated Run-Rate EBITDA* accretion of ~\$50M+ by twelve months following close
- Transaction multiple of ~6.5x[†] or lower
- Waddell & Reed's wealth management client assets were ~\$63B with asset mix of ~45% advisory and ~55% brokerage (as of September 30, 2020)
- Waddell & Reed's wealth management business has over 900 advisors, serving ~\$70M of client assets per advisor

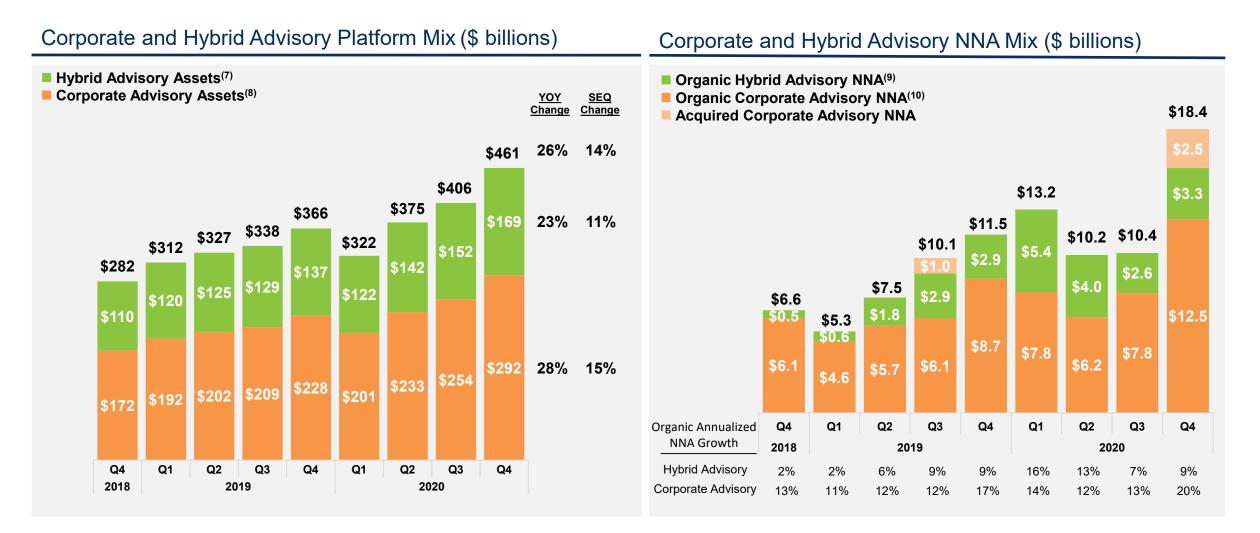


Waddell & Reed advisors serving ~80% of client assets have already committed to join our platform following the close of the transaction

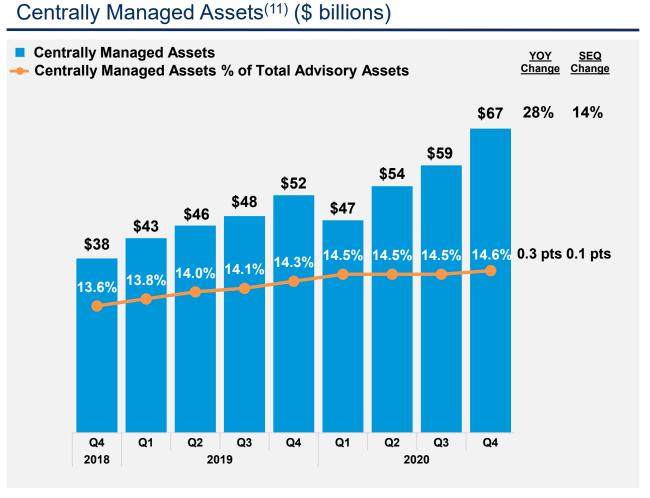


†Estimated transaction multiple of ~6.5x or lower based on \$50M+ of run-rate EBITDA* relative to ~\$335M total consideration; total consideration includes purchase price plus onboarding and integration costs, net of capital related to Waddell & Reed's wealth management business

Our Corporate and Hybrid Advisory platforms continue to grow



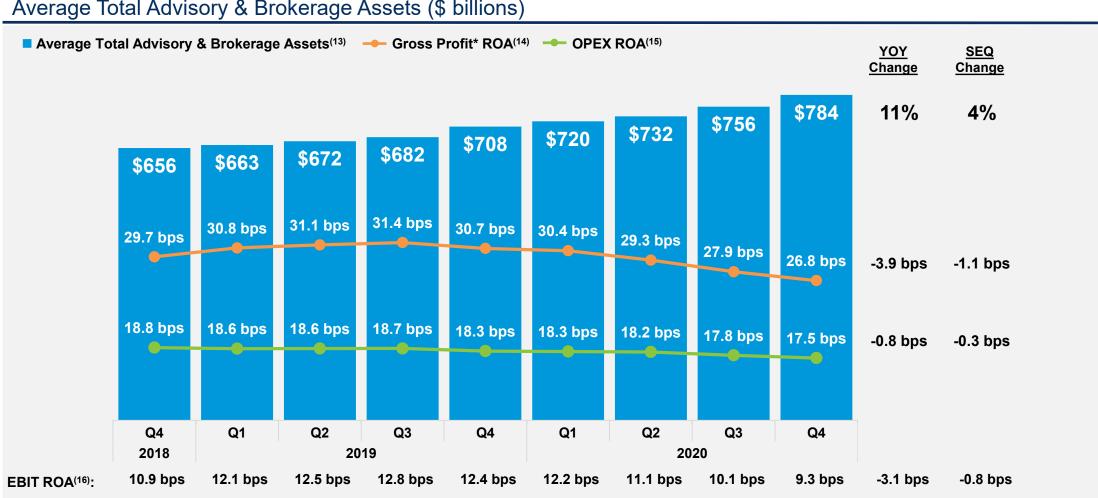
We grew Centrally Managed Assets at a 17% organic growth rate in Q4



Centrally Managed NNA⁽¹²⁾ (\$ billions)



We continued to drive solid EBIT ROA in Q4



Average Total Advisory & Brokerage Assets (\$ billions)

Note: All periods were based on the trailing twelve months.

Gross Profit* ROA decreased year-over-year, primarily driven by lower interest rates

Interest Income and Other, net

Gross Profit* ROA⁽¹⁴⁾ (bps)

Net Advisory & Commission Fees
 Transaction & Fee, Net of BC&E

Other Asset-Based⁽¹⁷⁾
 Client Cash



Our Gross Profit ROA is primarily impacted by 3 key drivers

Client Cash and Interest Income and Other ROAs have declined year-over-year as lower interest rates reduce returns on client and corporate cash

Transaction & Fee ROA is driven by Advisor count and trading levels; market driven asset growth causes a ROA decline even as advisor driven fees continue to grow, as they don't move with assets

Asset levels drive Advisory & Commission Fees and Other Asset Based ROAs, which have remained consistent as advisors continue to shift to advisory and we leverage our distribution capabilities

Note: All periods were based on the trailing twelve months.

OPEX % of Assets continued to decrease, primarily driven by Core G&A*

Total OPEX % of Assets⁽¹⁵⁾ (bps)

E	core G&A* mployee Share mortization of		ensation	 Promotional D&A Expense (e Regulatory 	Assets)			YOY <u>Change</u>	<u>SEQ</u> Change		
	18.8 0.9 1.3 0.5 3.2	18.6 1.0 1.4 0.5 2.9	18.6 0.9 1.4 0.4 0.5 2.8	18.7 0.9 1.3 0.4 0.5 2.9	18.3 0.9 1.4 0.4 0.5 2.9	18.3 0.9 1.4 8:4 0.4 2.9	18.2 0.9 1.4 8:4 2.9	17.8 0.9 1.4 0.4 0.4 2.8	17.5 0.9 1.4 8.4 2.7	-0.8 0.0 0.0 -0.1 -0.2	-0.3 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 -0.1
	12.5 Q4 ⁽¹⁸⁾	12.5 Q1	12.6 Q2	12.5 Q3	12.3 Q4	12.2 Q1	12.2 Q2	11.9 Q3	11.8 Q4	-0.5	-0.1
2018 2019)20			

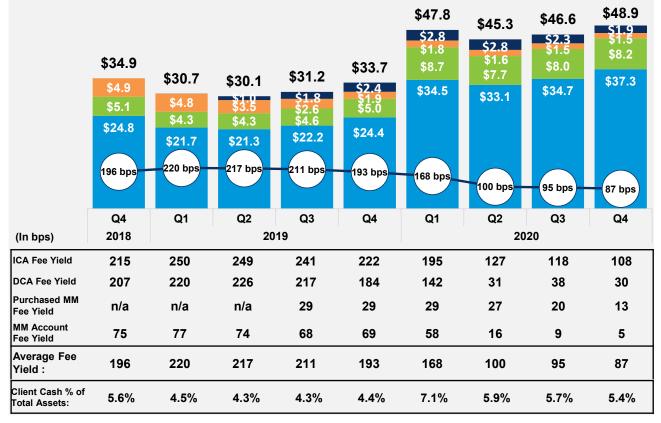
Note: All periods were based on the trailing twelve months.

Q4 Client Cash balances increased 5% sequentially

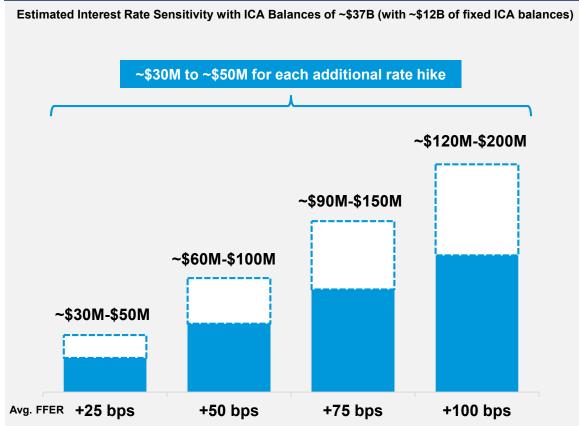
Client Cash balances (\$ billions)

ICA Balances (EOP) DCA Balances (EOP) Money Market Account Balances (EOP)

- Purchased Money Market Funds (EOP)
- EOP) Money Market Account Balances (EC —— Average Fee Yield⁽¹⁹⁾

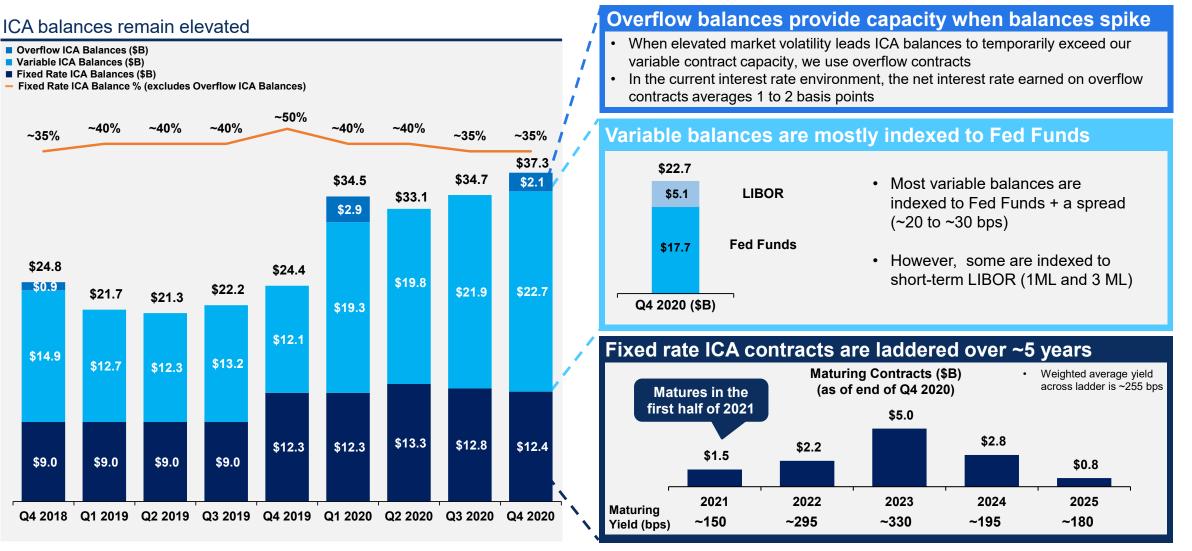


Annual potential Gross Profit* benefit from rising interest rates



Note: assumes change based on Q4 2020 end of period ICA balances of ~\$37B (with ~\$12B of fixed ICA balances), deposit betas of 25-50%, ~\$15M change in DCA revenue per 25 bps rate hike, and ~\$3M change in interest expense on floating rate debt per 25 bps rate hike

In Q4, ICA balances remained well above 2019 levels



Note: Yields shown on this page are prior to client deposit rates (~1 bps) and administrator fees (~4 bps), other than overflow yields which are shown as net of these fees.

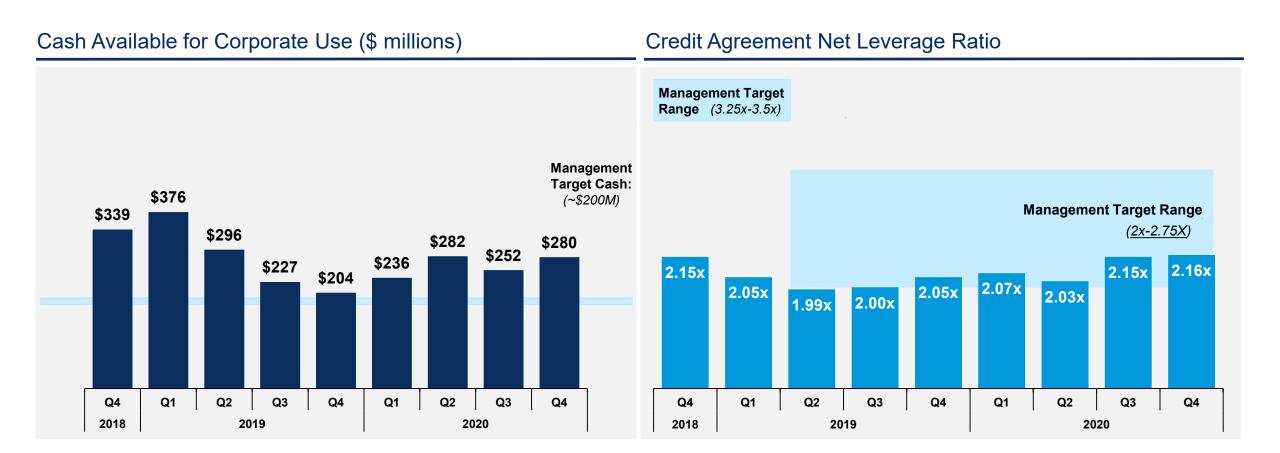
We remain focused on investing to drive organic growth while delivering long-term operating leverage in our core business

2021 Core G&A* context Long-term cost strategy Our 2020 Core G&A* was \$925M, translating to a 6.5% year-over-year growth rate, Deliver operating leverage in core business which was in the lower half of our \$915M to \$940M outlook range Prioritize investments that drive additional growth We are seeing positive results as we continue to prioritize investments that drive organic growth and deliver operating leverage in our core business Drive productivity and efficiency Given this, in 2021 we plan to continue investing for growth at a similar rate to 2020 Adapt cost trajectory as environment evolves Our 2021 Core G&A* outlook range is ~5.5% to ~8% year-over-year growth prior to Waddell & Reed, or \$975M to \$1,000M Recent expense trajectory, prior to acquisitions Core G&A* outlook Annual Core G&A^{*} Growth ~5.5% - ~8% 6.5% 2020 Actual \$925M 6% 5% 2% <1% 2021 Outlook **\$975M - \$1,000M** 2017 2018+ 2019 ± 2020 2021 2016 **Prior to NPH** Prior to Waddell & Reed Prior to Outlook acquisitions prior to Waddell & Reed

+ Based on the Company's 2018 Core G&A* prior to NPH and AdvisoryWorld related expenses compared to the Company's 2017 Core G&A* prior to NPH-related expenses. + Based on the Company's total 2018 Core G&A*.

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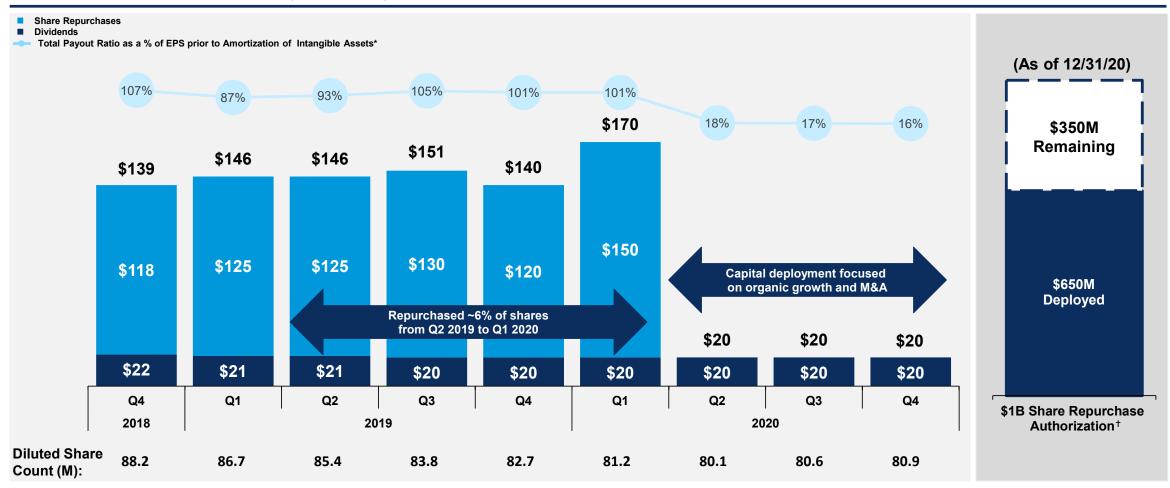
Our balance sheet remained strong in Q4...



Note: Term Loan B and Senior Notes do not have financial covenants.

...And we are currently prioritizing capital deployment to organic growth and M&A

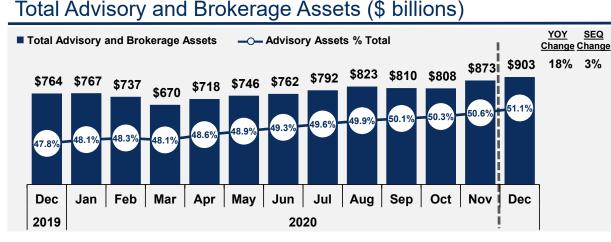
Shareholder Capital Returns (\$ millions)



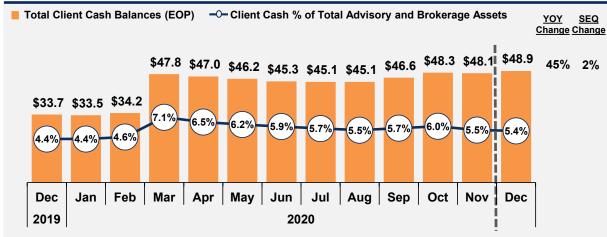
† Increased share repurchase authorization to \$1B as of December 31, 2018.

Appendix

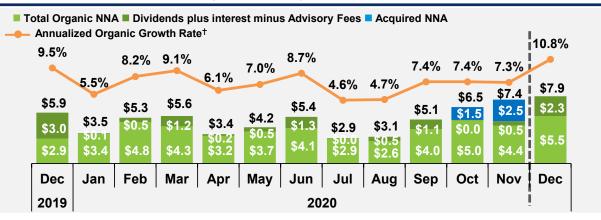
Monthly metrics dashboard through December 2020



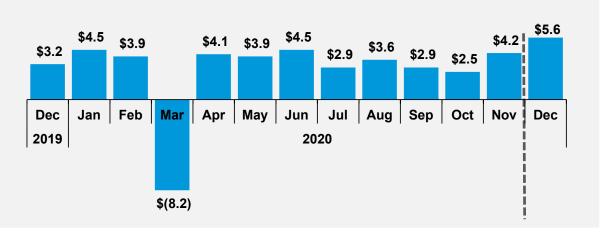
Client Cash Balances (\$ billions)



Total Net New Assets (\$ billions)



Net Buy (Sell) Activity (\$ billions)

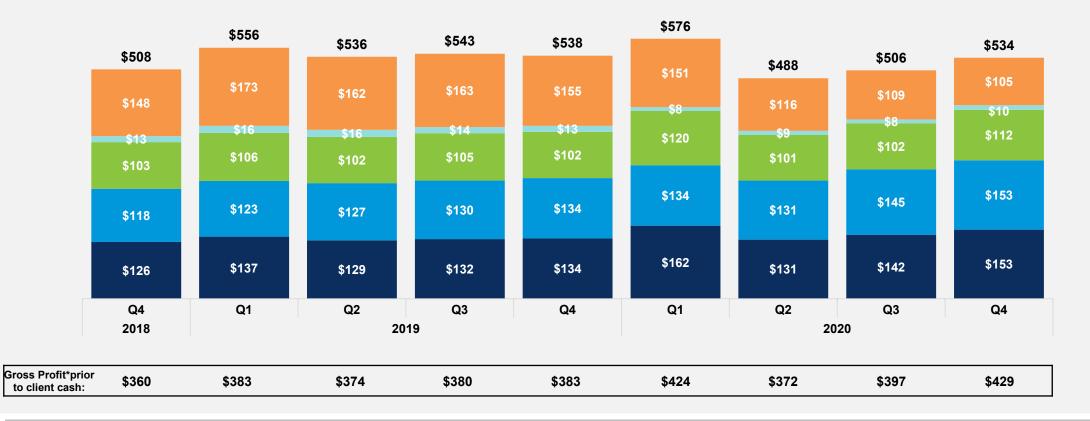


+ Calculated as current period total organic net new assets multiplied by twelve, divided by preceding period Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets.

Q4 Gross Profit* increased 6% sequentially

Gross Profit* (\$ millions)

Net Advisory & Commission Fees
 Other Asset-Based⁽¹⁷⁾
 Interest Income and Other, net
 Client Cash



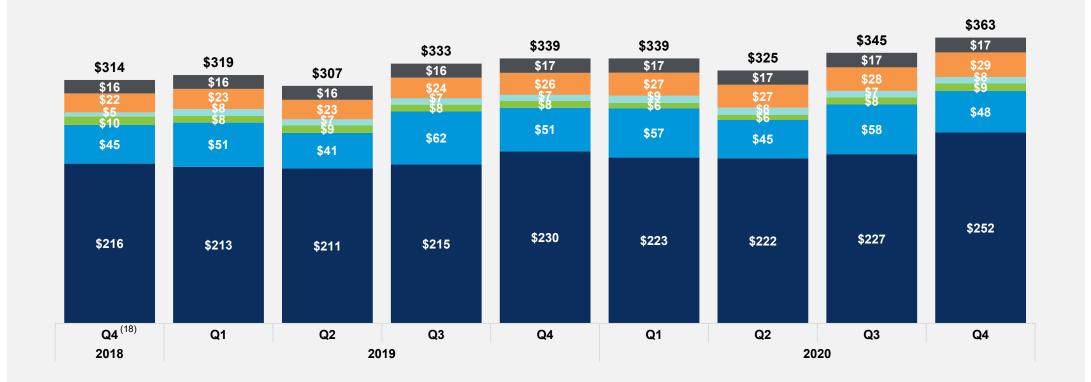
Q4 Total OPEX increased 5% sequentially, and increased 7% year-over-year

Total OPEX⁽²⁰⁾ (\$ millions)

Core G&A*

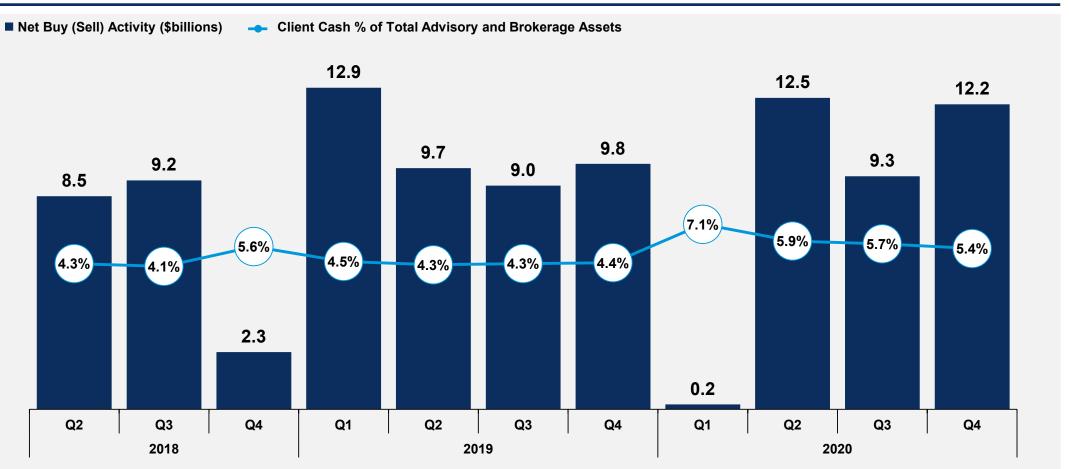
- Promotional
- Employee Share-based Compensation
- Amortization of Intangible Assets
- D&A Expense (ex Amortization of Intangible Assets)

Regulatory



Net Buy (Sell) Activity was \$12.2 billion in Q4

Net Buy (Sell) Activity⁽²¹⁾



Calculation of Gross Profit

Gross Profit is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of gross profit under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" on page 3 of this presentation for additional information.

Set forth below is a calculation of Gross Profit for the periods presented on pages 5, 9, 10 and 19.

\$ in millions	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019	Q1 2019	Q4 2018
Total net revenues	\$1,581	\$1,460	\$1,367	\$1,463	\$1,448	\$1,416	\$1,390	\$1,372	\$1,317
Advisory and commission expense	1,030	937	860	871	894	857	838	800	793
Brokerage, clearing and exchange fees	18	18	19	17	16	16	16	16	16
Gross Profit	\$534	\$506	\$488	\$576	\$538	\$543	\$536	\$556	\$508

Reconciliation of Net Income to EBITDA

EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of EBITDA under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" on page 3 of this presentation for additional information.

Below are reconciliations of the Company's net income to EBITDA for the periods presented on page 5:

\$ in millions	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019	Q1 2019	Q4 2018
NET INCOME	\$112	\$104	\$102	\$156	\$127	\$132	\$146	\$155	\$120
Non-operating interest expense and other	25	25	26	29	31	32	34	33	32
Provision for income taxes	34	32	36	52	38	46	49	48	42
Depreciation and amortization	29	28	27	27	26	24	23	23	22
Amortization of intangible assets	17	17	17	17	17	16	16	16	16
Loss on extinguishment of debt	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
EBITDA	\$217	\$205	\$207	\$280	\$242	\$250	\$268	\$276	\$232

Reconciliation of GAAP EPS to EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets

EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" on page 3 of this presentation for additional information.

Below are the following reconciliations of EPS Prior to Amortization of Intangible Assets to GAAP EPS for the periods presented on page 5:

in millions, except per share data	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019	Q1 2019	Q4 2018
GAAP EPS	\$1.38	\$1.29	\$1.27	\$1.92	\$1.53	\$1.57	\$1.71	\$1.79	\$1.36
Amortization of intangible assets	\$17	\$17	\$17	\$17	\$17	\$16	\$16	\$16	\$16
Tax benefit	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$4)	(\$5)	(\$5)	(\$4)
Amortization of intangible assets net of tax	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$11
Diluted share count	80.9	80.6	80.1	81.2	82.7	83.8	85.4	86.7	88.2
EPS impact	\$0.15	\$0.15	\$0.15	\$0.15	\$0.15	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.13	\$0.13
EPS prior to amortization of intangible assets	\$1.53	\$1.44	\$1.42	\$2.06	\$1.68	\$1.71	\$1.85	\$1.93	\$1.49

Reconciliation of Core G&A to Total Operating Expenses

Core G&A is a non-GAAP financial measure. Please see a description of Core G&A under "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" on page 3 of this presentation for additional information.

Below are reconciliations of Core G&A to the Company's total operating expenses for the periods presented on pages 11, 14 and 20:

\$ in millions	Q4 2020	Q3 2020	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019	Q1 2019	Q4 2018
Core G&A	\$252	\$227	\$222	\$223	\$230	\$215	\$211	\$213	\$216
Regulatory charges	9	8	6	6	8	8	9	8	10
Promotional	48	58	45	57	51	62	41	51	45
Employee share-based compensation	8	7	8	9	7	7	7	8	5
Total G&A	\$317	\$301	\$281	\$295	\$296	\$292	\$268	\$280	\$276
Advisory and commissions	1,030	937	860	871	894	857	838	800	793
Depreciation and amortization	29	28	27	27	26	24	23	23	22
Amortization of intangible assets	17	17	17	17	17	16	16	16	16
Brokerage, clearing and exchange fees	18	18	19	17	16	16	16	16	16
Total operating expenses	\$1,410	\$1,300	\$1,203	\$1,226	\$1,248	\$1,205	\$1,161	\$1,135	\$1,123

\$ in millions	Q4 2018
Core G&A	\$216
NPH related Core G&A ⁺	15
AdvisoryWorld related Core G&A	2
Total Core G&A prior to NPH and AdvisoryWorld	\$199

Footnotes

(1) In April 2020, the Company updated its definition of net new assets to include dividends plus interest, minus advisory fees (see FNs 4 and 5). Net new assets figures for periods prior to Q2 2020 appearing in this presentation have been recast using the updated definition.

(2) Represents the estimated Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets expected to transition to the Company's broker-dealer subsidiary, LPL Financial LLC ("LPL Financial"), associated with advisors who transferred their licenses to LPL Financial during the period. The estimate is based on prior business reported by the advisors, which has not been independently and fully verified by LPL Financial. The actual transition of assets to LPL Financial generally occurs over several guarters including the initial guarter of the transition, and the actual amount transitioned may vary from the estimate.

(3) Reflects retention of advisory and commission revenues, calculated by deducting the prior year production of the annualized year-to-date attrition rate, over the prior year total production.

(4) Consists of total client deposits into advisory accounts (including advisory assets serviced by Allen & Company advisors) less total client withdrawals from advisory accounts, plus dividends, plus interest, minus advisory fees (see FN 1). The Company considers conversions to and from advisory accounts as deposits and withdrawals respectively. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period organic Net New Advisory Assets divided by preceding period total Advisory Assets, multiplied by four.

(5) Consists of total client deposits into brokerage accounts (including brokerage accounts serviced by Allen & Company advisors) less total client withdrawals from brokerage accounts, plus dividends, plus interest (see FN 1). The Company considers conversions to and from brokerage accounts as deposits and withdrawals respectively. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period organic Net New Brokerage Assets divided by preceding period total Brokerage Assets. multiplied by four.

(6) Consists of existing custodied assets that converted from brokerage to advisory, less existing custodied assets that converted from advisory to brokerage.

(7) Consists of total assets on LPL Financial's independent advisory platform serviced by investment advisor representatives of separate investment advisor firms ("Hybrid RIAs"), rather than of LPL Financial.

(8) Consists of total assets on LPL Financial's corporate advisory platform serviced by investment advisor representatives of LPL Financial or Allen & Company of Florida LLC ("Allen & Company").

(9) Consists of total client deposits into advisory accounts on LPL Financial's independent advisory platform less total client withdrawals from advisory accounts on its independent advisory platform. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period Net New Hybrid Advisory Assets divided by preceding period total Hybrid Advisory Assets, multiplied by four.

(10) Consists of total client deposits into advisory accounts on LPL Financial's corporate advisory platform less total client withdrawals from advisory accounts on its corporate advisory platform. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period Net New Corporate Advisory Assets divided by preceding period total Corporate Advisory Assets, multiplied by four.

(11) Represents those advisory assets in LPL Financial's Model Wealth Portfolios, Optimum Market Portfolios, Personal Wealth Portfolios and Guided Wealth Portfolios platforms.

(12) Consists of total client deposits into Centrally Managed Assets (see FN 11) accounts less total client withdrawals from Centrally Managed Assets accounts. Annualized growth is calculated as the current period Net New Centrally Managed Assets divided by preceding period total Centrally Managed Assets, multiplied by four.

(13) Represents the average month-end Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets for the period.

(14) Represents total trailing twelve-month Gross Profit* for the period, divided by average month-end Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets for the period (see FN 13).

(15) Represents total trailing twelve-month operating expenses for the period, excluding production-related expense ("OPEX"), divided by average month-end Total Advisory and Brokerage Assets for the period (see FN 13), Production-related expense includes advisory and commissions expense and brokerage, clearing and exchange expense. For purposes of this metric, operating expenses includes Core G&A*, Regulatory, Promotional, Employee Share-Based Compensation, Depreciation & Amortization and Amortization of Intangible Assets.

(16) EBIT ROA is calculated as Gross Profit ROA (see FN 14) less OPEX ROA (see FN 15).

(17) Consists of revenues from the Company's sponsorship programs with financial product manufacturers and omnibus processing and networking services, but not including fees from client cash programs. Other asset-based revenues are a component of asset-based revenues and are derived from the Company's Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

(18) These results include \$2M in Core G&A* related to our acquisition of AdvisorvWorld.

(19) Calculated by dividing revenue for the period by the average balance during the guarter.

(20) Represents operating expenses for the period, excluding production-related expense. Production-related expense includes advisory and commissions expense and brokerage, clearing and exchange expense. For purposes of this metric, operating expenses includes Core G&A*, Regulatory, Promotional, Employee Share-Based Compensation, Depreciation & Amortization and Amortization of Intangible Assets.

(21) Represents the amount of securities purchased less the amount of securities sold in client accounts custodied with LPL Financial. Reported activity does not include any other cash activity, such as deposits, withdrawals, dividends received or fees paid.