

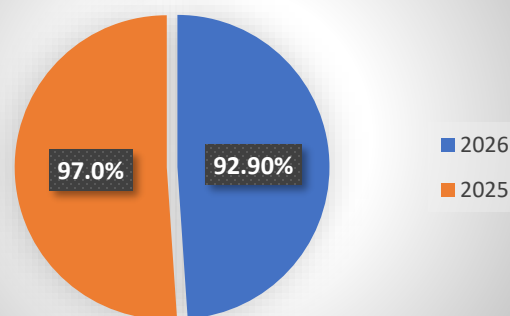
FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Guaranty Trust Holding Company Plc (GTCO) recorded a moderate improvement in its financial performance for the half-year ended 30 June 2026, with growth across its key income and profitability indicators compared with the corresponding period of 2025. Total operating income increased by 11.39% from ₦35.86 billion in YTD JUNE 2025 to ₦39.94 billion in YTD JUNE 2026. The improvement was supported primarily by higher fee and commission income, which more than doubled from ₦1.66 billion to ₦3.43 billion, representing a 107.20% increase. This was complemented by a marginal rise in interest income to ₦65.09 million from nil in the corresponding period. The largest contributor to the Company's earnings, however, remained other income, which increased by 6.56% from ₦34.20 billion to ₦36.45 billion. The financial statements indicate that other income was principally driven by dividend income received from Guaranty Trust Bank Limited, which increased from ₦34.14 billion in YTD JUNE 2025 to ₦36.43 billion in YTD JUNE 2026. Consequently, the Company's operating income remained heavily dependent on dividend receipts from its banking subsidiary.

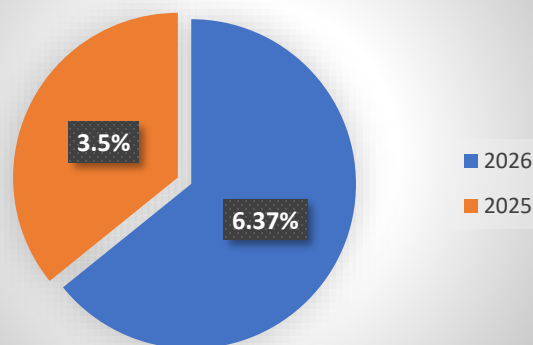
At the profitability level, GTCO profit before income tax increased by 6.68%, rising from ₦34.78 billion in YTD JUNE 2025 to ₦37.11 billion in YTD JUNE 2026. The increase in earnings was achieved despite a substantial rise in operating expenses, which grew from ₦1.08 billion to ₦2.84 billion, representing an increase of approximately 163.49%. Personnel expenses increased by 11.16% to ₦872.94 million, while other operating expenses expanded sharply from ₦208.57 million to ₦1.88 billion. Depreciation and amortisation remained broadly stable at ₦82.80 million compared with ₦82.89 million in the prior period. Despite the significant increase in expenses, the stronger income base allowed the Company to deliver higher pre-tax earnings. After income tax expense of ₦238.30 million, compared with ₦271.44 million in YTD JUNE 2025, profit for the period rose by 6.83% from ₦34.51 billion to ₦36.87 billion. Basic and diluted EPS remained unchanged at ₦1.01, indicating that the increase in absolute earnings did not translate into a corresponding increase in earnings per share during the period.

On the balance sheet, the Company recorded a significant contraction in its asset base during 2026. Total assets declined by 40.41% from ₦972.50 billion as at December 2025 to ₦579.49 billion as at 30 June 2026. The decline was largely associated with a sharp reduction in restricted deposits and other assets, which fell from ₦428.70 billion at year-end 2025 to ₦37.64 billion at the end of June 2026. Cash and bank balances also declined by 13.31% from ₦14.03 billion to ₦12.16 billion. Investment in subsidiaries remained unchanged at ₦528.81 billion, reflecting the Company's continued position as a holding company with its major asset concentrated in its subsidiaries. Property and equipment also remained relatively stable at ₦886.24 million compared with ₦969.04 million at December 2025. On the liabilities

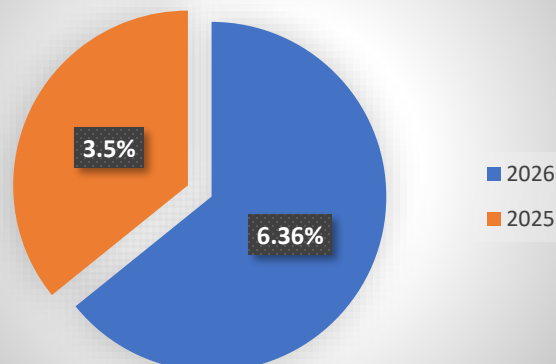
Operating Margin



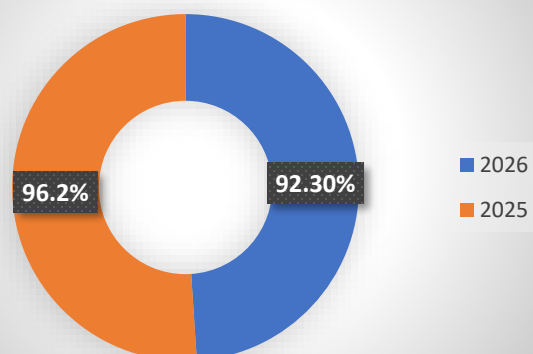
Return on Equity



Return on Assets



Net Income Margin



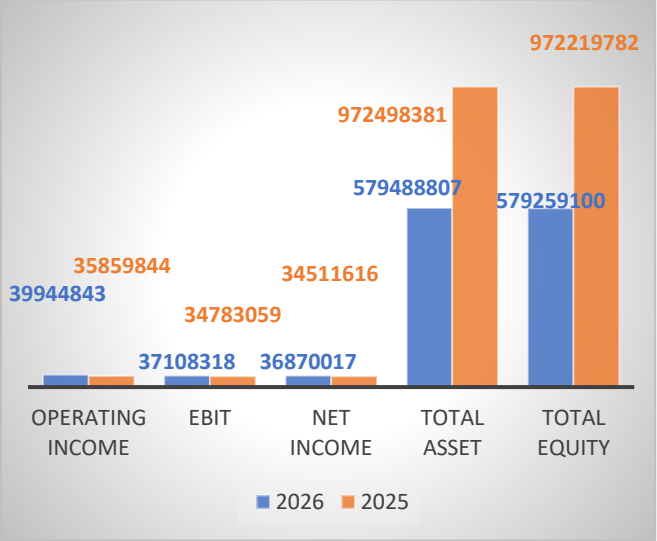
side, total liabilities declined from ₦278.60 million to ₦229.71 million, while total equity fell by 40.42% from ₦972.22 billion to ₦579.26 billion. The decline in equity was primarily attributable to a substantial reduction in retained earnings, which fell from ₦453.34 billion to ₦60.38 billion during the period.

Cash flow performance showed a major improvement in the Company's underlying operating cash generation. Net cash generated from operating activities increased substantially to ₦391.59 billion in YTD JUNE 2026 from only ₦7.13 billion in YTD JUNE 2025. Investing activities generated ₦36.43 billion during the period, slightly higher than the ₦34.14 billion recorded in the corresponding period, with dividend receipts accounting for the Company's investing cash inflow. However, financing activities absorbed ₦429.83 billion, entirely reflecting dividends paid to equity holders, compared with ₦239.98 billion in YTD JUNE 2025. Consequently, the Company recorded a marginal net decrease in cash and cash equivalents of ₦1.82 billion, ending the period with ₦12.16 billion compared with ₦14.03 billion at the beginning of the year. The strong operating cash generation alongside the large dividend distribution highlights the Company's role as a holding company, where cash inflows are significantly influenced by dividends received from subsidiaries and cash outflows are heavily driven by shareholder distributions.

Overall, GTCO's Company-only YTD JUNE 2026 performance reflects moderate earnings growth supported predominantly by higher dividend income from its banking subsidiary and improved fee and commission income. Profit before tax and profit after tax increased by 6.68% and 6.83%, respectively, while operating income expanded by 11.39%. However, the sharp increase in operating expenses and the substantial contraction in total assets and retained earnings remain important developments in assessing the Company's standalone financial position.

Looking ahead, GTCO's performance provides a relatively resilient earnings base, supported by sustained profitability, growing fee and commission income, and continued dividend inflows from its banking subsidiary. The 6.8% growth in profit after tax to ₦36.9 billion, alongside the more than doubling of fee and commission income to ₦3.43 billion, demonstrates improving earnings capacity at the holding-company level. The company's strong cash generation during the period and continued ability to receive substantial dividend income from its subsidiaries further support its capacity to sustain shareholder returns.

Management will, however, need to closely monitor the sharp increase in operating expenses, particularly other operating costs, as well as the substantial reduction in retained earnings and total equity following dividend distributions. Given that the Company's earnings are significantly influenced by dividends received from its subsidiaries, the sustainability of these distributions and the underlying performance of the Group remain important considerations for future earnings



STATEMENT OF PROFIT ANDLOSS			
Item	Jun-26(₦'000)	Jun-25(₦'000)	% Change
Interest income calculated using the effective interest method	65,093	-	
Interest income on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	-
Interest expense	-	-	-
Net interest income	65,093	-	
Loan impairment charges	-	-	-
Net interest income after loan impairment charges	65,093	-	
Fee and commission income	3,431,904	1,656,429	107.19%
Fee and commission expense	-	-	-
Net fee and commission income	3,431,904	1,656,429	107.19%
Net trading gains on financial instruments held at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	-
Other income	36,447,846	34,203,415	6.56%
Net impairment loss / (reversal) on financial assets	-	-	-
Personnel expenses	(872,940)	(785,325)	11.16%
Depreciation and amortisation	(82,799)	(82,887)	-0.11%
Other operating expenses	(1,880,786)	(208,573)	801.74%
Profit before income tax	37,108,318	34,783,059	6.69%
Income tax expense	(238,301)	(271,443)	-12.21%
Profit for the period	36,870,017	34,511,616	6.83%
Basic EPS (₦)	1	1	0.00%
Diluted EPS (₦)	1	1	0.00%

Key Ratio	2026	2025
Operating Margin	92.90%	97.0%
Net Profit Margin	92.30%	96.24%
Asset Turnover	0.07x	0.04x

Financial Statistics

Share price	₦132
Target Price	₦152
52 Wk H	₦156.95
52 Wk L	₦77.5
Shares Outs. (mil)	36,550
Market Cap (bn)	4,824
Return on Assets	6.36%
Return on Equity	6.37%

Corporate Actions

Dividend	₦1
Bonus	NIL
Qualification Date	12 TH OCTOBER
Closure Date	13 TH OCTOBER
Payment Date	20 TH OCTOBER

Giving the above performance analysis of GTCO, We would maintained a **BUY** position on the stock

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Item	Jun-2026 (₦'000)	Dec-2025 (₦'000)	% Change
Cash and bank balances	12,159,812	14,026,179	-13.31%
Restricted deposits and other assets	37,635,788	428,696,196	-91.22%
Investment in subsidiaries	528,806,964	528,806,964	0.00%
Property and equipment, and Right of use assets	886,243	969,042	-8.54%
Total assets	579,488,807	972,498,381	-40.41%
Deposits from banks	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	-	-	-
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	-	-	-
Other liabilities	69,088	-	-
Current income tax liabilities	30,635	142,112	-78.44%
Other borrowed funds	-	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	129,984	136,487	-4.76%
Total liabilities	229,707	278,599	-17.55%
Share capital	18,275,115	18,275,115	0.00%
Share premium	500,604,865	500,604,865	0.00%
Retained earnings	60,379,120	453,339,802	-86.68%
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent entity	579,259,100	972,219,782	-40.42%
Non-controlling interests in equity	-	-	-
Total equity	579,259,100	972,219,782	-40.42%
Total liabilities and equity	579,488,807	972,498,381	-40.41%