

## Boyle Bancorp (BYLB)

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#### **Key Metrics**

<b>Current Price:</b>	\$86	5 Year CAGR Estimate:	12.8%	Market Cap:	\$73.8 M
Fair Value Price:	\$105	5 Year Growth Estimate:	5.0%	Ex-Dividend Date:	06/13/2025 <sup>1</sup>
% Fair Value:	82%	5 Year Valuation Multiple Estimate:	4.1%	Dividend Payment Date:	06/27/2025
Dividend Yield:	4.7%	5 Year Price Target	\$134	Years Of Dividend Growth:	12
<b>Dividend Risk Score:</b>	С	Sector: Fig	nancials	Rating:	Hold

#### **Overview & Current Events**

Boyle Bancorp is a one-bank holding company headquartered in Danville, Kentucky, operates through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Farmers National Bank of Danville. Established in 1879, Farmers National Bank is one of the oldest banks in the State of Kentucky, with a long-standing history of serving its local communities. Over the years, the bank has grown to offer a full range of commercial and personal banking services, including deposit products, loans, fiduciary activities, brokerage, and insurance services. Today, Boyle Bancorp has a strong presence across central Kentucky, with multiple branches serving Danville, Harrodsburg, Stanford, and surrounding areas. Boyle reports only once a year. It has a market cap of just \$73.8 million, and its shares trade Over the Counter (OTC).

By the end of 2024, Boyle's total assets had reached \$967.1 million, reflecting a modest increase of 0.9% compared to last year. The loan portfolio, in particular, continued its robust expansion, increasing by 11.5% to \$709.8 million. Boyle's stockholders' equity also rose 8.3% to \$78.5 million, underscoring the company's ongoing efforts to strengthen its capital base. Its book value per share stood at \$91.47 at the end of the year.

A key contributor to Boyle's success during the year was once again WealthSouth, the bank's wealth management division, which now manages over \$1.1 billion in assets and advises on more than \$4.2 billion. WealthSouth played a meaningful role in loan origination, contributing \$240 million in loans outstanding by year's end.

On February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Boyle hiked its dividend by 11.1% on a QoQ basis or 33.3% on a YoY bass to quarterly rate of \$1.00

On April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Boyle Bancorp reported its full-year earnings for the year ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. The company posted a net interest income of \$32.6 million, an increase of 4% from the previous year. Rising interest expenses—up to \$18.2 million from \$11.8 million in 2023—were offset by stronger interest income, particularly from loans.

The provision for credit losses was \$1.2 million, down slightly from \$1.3 million in 2023. Non-interest income rose to \$15.6 million, supported by fiduciary activities, customer service fees, and brokerage services. Non-interest expense climbed to \$32.4 million, largely due to increased staffing costs, benefits, and technology investments. Net income for the year was \$11.5 million, up 4.3% year-over-year, with EPS rising to \$13.40 from \$12.74 in 2023. For 2025, we expect EPS to come in close to \$14.00.

#### Growth on a Per-Share Basis

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2030
EPS					\$6.30	\$6.35	\$9.24	\$11.36	\$12.74	\$13.40	\$14.00	\$17.87
DPS	\$2.40	\$2.60	\$2.64	\$2.68	\$2.72	\$2.76	\$2.80	\$2.84	\$2.91	\$3.15	\$4.00	\$5.11
Shares <sup>2</sup>								868.1	865.6	858.2	858.2	850.0

While historical EPS data before 2019 is unavailable, Boyle Bancorp has demonstrated impressive growth over the past five years, with EPS rising from \$6.30 in 2019 to \$12.74 in 2023—a 102% increase. Early growth in 2019 and 2020 was steady, as the bank focused on core operations and weathered the challenges of the pandemic. In 2021, EPS surged to

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Estimated dated based on past dividend dates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Share count is in millions.



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\$9.24, driven by strong loan growth and the expansion of its WealthSouth division. Continued loan expansion and rising interest income pushed EPS to \$11.36 in 2022, \$12.74 in 2023, and \$13.40 in 2024. Moving forward, we expect Boyle's EPS growth to moderate, as interest cuts could prove a headwind to its net interest margins. Given that the company is coming off a high estimate in FY2025, we expect EPS growth of only 5% through 2030. We also expect a similar growth rate for the dividend over the same period. The company has increased its dividend for 12 consecutive years.

#### **Valuation Analysis**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2030
Avg. P/E					12.2	9.9	9.2	7.5	6.2	5.8	6.1	7.5
Avg. Yld.					3.5%	4.4%	3.3%	3.3%	3.7%	4.0%	4.7%	3.8%

Boyle's P/E ratio has contracted in recent years, despite the company's EPS showing significant growth. Yet, shares have not appreciated at the same rate. While we believe that Boyle's shares deserve to trade at a discount due to its small size, low liquidity, and OTC status, we find the stock undervalued at its current levels. As a result, we have set a fair P/E multiple of 7.5, which we believe is more appropriate. The stock trades at an almost 6% discount to book value as well. The 4.7% dividend yield should contribute to the stock's total return prospects.

#### Safety, Quality, Competitive Advantage, & Recession Resiliency

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2030
Payout					43%	43%	30%	25%	23%	24%	29%	29%

Boyle competitive advantage stems from its strong regional presence, diversified revenue streams, and prudent financial management. The bank's WealthSouth division, offering wealth management services, provides a notable source of non-interest income. Its focused operations in central Kentucky enable strong community ties and customer loyalty. When it comes to its recession resilience, we lack data from the Great Financial Crisis. However, During the COVID-19 pandemic, Boyle showed resilience, maintaining earnings growth. However, note that its competitive moat is somewhat limited by its regional focus compared to larger competitors. Also, note that shares are highly illiquid, with only about 100 shares, on average, changing hands on a daily basis. Regardless, we consider Boyle's dividend rather safe today.

#### Final Thoughts & Recommendation

Boyle has delivered noteworthy returns over the years, despite share appreciation failing to match its underlying EPS growth. Moving forward, we believe the stock can deliver annualized returns of 12.8% through 2030, driven by our 5% EPS growth estimate, the starting dividend yield of 4.7%, and the possibility of a 4.1% annual valuation tailwind. Boyle earns a hold rating. However, we do note that the lack of sufficient liquidity is a serious factor to keep in mind.

### Total Return Breakdown by Year



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#### **Income Statement Metrics**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Revenue					31	35	37	42	
SG&A Exp.					1	1	1	1	
D&A Exp.					1	1	1	1	
Net Profit					5	6	8	10	
Net Margin					17.7%	16.0%	21.6%	23.7%	
Income Tax					1	1	2	2	

### **Balance Sheet Metrics**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total Assets					585	791	907	946	
Cash & Equivalents					49	156	204	142	
Goodwill & Int. Ass.					-	3	3	3	
Total Liabilities					519	720	833	883	
Shareholder's Equity					65	71	74	63	

### **Profitability & Per Share Metrics**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Return on Assets									
Return on Equity									
ROIC									
Shares Out.									
Revenue/Share									
FCF/Share									

Note: All figures in millions of U.S. Dollars unless per share or indicated otherwise.

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