

Analyst's Keeping an Eye on: Bank of America Corporation (BAC)

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The shares of Bank of America Corporation (NYSE:BAC) currently has mean rating of 1.72 while 12 analysts have recommended the shares as “BUY”, 13 recommended as “OUTPERFORM” and 4 recommended as “HOLD”. The rating score is on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 stands for strong buy and 5 stands for sell.

The company's mean estimate for sales for the current quarter ending Jun 16 is 20.94B by 15 analysts. The means estimate of sales for the year ending Dec-16 is 83.48B by 15 analysts.

The mean price target for the shares of Bank of America Corporation (BAC) is at 17.47 while the highest price target suggested by the analysts is 20.00 and low price target is 15.00. The mean price target is calculated keeping in view the consensus of 29 brokerage firms.

The average estimate of EPS for the current fiscal quarter for Bank of America Corporation (BAC) stands at 0.37 while the EPS for the current year is fixed at 1.32 by 29 analysts.

The next one year's EPS estimate is set at 1.58 by 27 analysts while a year ago the analysts suggested the company's EPS at 1.32. The analysts also projected the company's long-term growth at 7.41% for the upcoming five years.

In its latest quarter ended on 31st March 2016, Bank of America Corporation (BAC) reported earnings of \$0.21. In the matter of earnings surprises, the term “Cockroach Effect” is often implied. Cockroach Effect is a market theory that suggests that when a company reveals bad news to the public, there may be many more related negative events that have yet to be revealed. In the case of earnings surprises, if a company is suggesting a negative earnings surprise it means there are more to come.

May 12, 2016 — Bank of America Corporation (BAC) A new Merrill Lynch study finds that as the baby boomer generation retires en masse to enjoy newfound freedom of time and activities, an estimated 2.5 trillion hours of leisure time will be created among the 65+ population over the next two decades. For the first time in the U.S., more people are in the “time affluent” stage (age 65+) of their life than the “time constrained” stage (ages 35–44). This “leisure boom” will have an unprecedented impact on individual lifestyles, families, and leisure marketplaces.

Key findings include:

- The vast majority (92 percent) of retirees say retirement provides them greater freedom and flexibility to do what they want, regardless of how much money they have.
- Eighty-eight percent of retirees say retirement is a time for new beginnings.

- Ninety-five percent of retirees say they would prefer to have more enjoyable experiences rather than buy more things.
- Eighty-five percent say that retirement has allowed them more time to connect with family and friends.
- The retirement leisure travel economy is about to diversify and multiply, culminating into an estimated \$4.6 trillion over the next 20 years.
- Few retirees have thought through how they will spend their time in retirement, with 53 percent having hardly planned at all.

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