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(Mark One)

Quarterly report pursuant to section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2011

or

Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the transition period from to

Commission File Number: 000-50245

NARA BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

95-4849715
(IRS Employer

Identification Number)

3731 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1000, Los Angeles, California
(Address of Principal executive offices)

90010
(ZIP Code)

(213) 639-1700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer Smaller Reporting Company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

As of July 29, 2011 there were 38,097,910 outstanding shares of the issuer's Common Stock, \$0.001 par value.

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Forward-Looking Information

Certain matters discussed in this report may constitute forward-looking statements under Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. There can be no assurance that the results described or implied in such forward-looking statements will, in fact, be achieved and actual results, performance, and achievements could differ materially because our business involves inherent risks and uncertainties. The risks and uncertainties include possible deterioration in economic conditions in our areas of operation; interest rate risk associated with volatile interest rates and related asset-liability matching risk; liquidity risks; risk of significant non-earning assets, and net credit losses that could occur, particularly in times of weak economic conditions or times of rising interest rates; risks of available for sale securities declining significantly in value as interest rates rise; and regulatory risks associated with current and future regulations as well as the possibility of regulatory enforcement actions to which we are subject. For additional information concerning these and other risk factors, see Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors herein and Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

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NARA BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**

ASSETS	(Unaudited)	
	June 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(Dollars in thousands, except share data)	
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 29,836	\$ 23,916
Interest-bearing deposit at Federal Reserve Bank	141,293	148,415
Total cash and cash equivalents	171,129	172,331
Securities available for sale, at fair value	472,420	528,262
Loans held for sale, at the lower of cost or fair value	27,120	26,927
Loans receivable, net of allowance for loan losses (June 30, 2011 - \$59,696; December 31, 2010 - \$62,320)	2,142,750	2,085,425
Other real estate owned, net	4,404	1,581
Federal Reserve Bank stock, at cost	6,372	6,367
Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) stock, at cost	16,285	17,717
Premises and equipment, net	9,938	10,915
Accrued interest receivable	8,069	8,648
Deferred tax assets, net	30,727	37,072
Customers' liabilities on acceptances	11,360	11,528
Bank owned life insurance	24,489	24,117
Goodwill	2,509	2,509
Other intangible assets, net	379	534
Prepaid FDIC insurance	7,583	9,639
Other assets	31,754	19,724
Total assets	\$ 2,967,288	\$ 2,963,296

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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	(Unaudited)	
	June 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(Dollars in thousands, except share data)	
LIABILITIES:		
Deposits:		
Non-interest bearing	\$ 432,616	\$ 388,731
Interest bearing:		
Money market and NOW accounts	712,028	688,593
Savings deposits	126,694	126,255
Time deposits of \$100,000 or more	343,366	321,542
Other time deposits	617,476	650,993
Total deposits	2,232,180	2,176,114
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings	300,000	350,000
Subordinated debentures	39,268	39,268
Secured borrowings	0	11,758
Accrued interest payable	3,382	4,830
Acceptances outstanding	11,360	11,528
Other liabilities	8,559	11,235
Total liabilities	2,594,749	2,604,733
STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY:		
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value - authorized 10,000,000 undesignated shares; issued and outstanding 67,000 shares of Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A with a liquidation preference of \$67,428,000 at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010	67,000	67,000
Preferred stock discount	(2,321)	(2,797)
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; authorized, 100,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding, 38,097,327 and 37,983,027 shares at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	38	38
Capital surplus	172,066	171,364
Retained earnings	131,275	120,361
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net	4,481	2,597
Total stockholders equity	372,539	358,563
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 2,967,288	\$ 2,963,296

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited)

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For the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
INTEREST INCOME:				
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 33,150	\$ 33,510	\$ 66,235	\$ 66,858
Interest on securities	3,965	2,884	7,895	7,972
Interest on federal funds sold and other investments	179	199	358	424
Total interest income	37,294	36,593	74,488	75,254
INTEREST EXPENSE:				
Interest on deposits	5,090	6,279	10,221	16,226
Interest on FHLB advances	2,412	3,012	4,984	5,997
Interest on other borrowings	461	494	1,069	980
Total interest expense	7,963	9,785	16,274	23,203
NET INTEREST INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES	29,331	26,808	58,214	52,051
PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES	10,047	42,323	15,309	67,730
NET INTEREST INCOME (LOSS) AFTER PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES	19,284	(15,515)	42,905	(15,679)
NON-INTEREST INCOME:				
Service fees on deposit accounts	1,413	1,572	2,910	3,191
International service fees	669	613	1,239	1,152
Loan servicing fees, net	418	443	881	900
Wire transfer fees	348	302	670	595
Other income and fees	557	517	1,064	870
Net gains on sales of SBA loans	4,354	329	5,514	372
Net gains on sales of other loans	0	650	0	650
Net gains on sales and calls of securities available for sale	6	96	6	6,392
Net valuation losses on interest rate swaps and caps	(106)	(495)	(117)	(726)
Net gains on sales of OREO	25	(567)	27	(552)
Total non-interest income	7,684	3,460	12,194	12,844
NON-INTEREST EXPENSE:				
Salaries and employee benefits	7,625	5,977	14,779	11,570
Occupancy	2,445	2,424	4,882	4,851
Furniture and equipment	934	884	1,869	1,662
Advertising and marketing	594	612	1,173	1,071
Data processing and communications	923	1,051	1,906	1,984
Professional fees	769	756	1,478	1,458
FDIC assessments	877	1,191	2,166	2,558
Credit related expenses	1,004	1,742	1,748	2,305
Other	1,715	1,330	3,580	2,692

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Total non-interest expense	16,886	15,967	33,581	30,151
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAX PROVISION (BENEFIT)	10,082	(28,022)	21,518	(32,986)
INCOME TAX PROVISION (BENEFIT)	3,764	(12,145)	8,454	(14,577)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 6,318	\$ (15,877)	\$ 13,064	\$ (18,409)
DIVIDENDS AND DISCOUNT ACCRETION ON PREFERRED STOCK	\$ (1,075)	\$ (1,073)	\$ (2,150)	\$ (2,144)
NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$ 5,243	\$ (16,950)	\$ 10,914	\$ (20,553)
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE				
Basic	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.45)	\$ 0.29	\$ (0.54)
Diluted	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.45)	\$ 0.29	\$ (0.54)

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited)

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	Preferred Stock	Preferred Stock Discount	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock Amount	Capital Surplus	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (loss), net	Comprehensive Income (loss)
BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2010	\$ 67,000	\$ (3,737)	37,824,007	\$ 38	\$ 169,806	\$ 131,891	\$ 2,977	
Issuance of additional shares pursuant to various stock plans			132,520		1,055			
Tax effects of stock plans					(21)			
Stock-based compensation					240			
Preferred stock cash dividends accrued (5%)						(1,676)		
Accretion on preferred stock discount		468				(468)		
Comprehensive income:								
Net loss						(18,409)		\$ (18,409)
Other comprehensive income (loss):								
Change in unrealized gain (loss) on securities available for sale, net of tax							2,477	2,477
Change in unrealized gain (loss) on interest-only strips, net of tax							1	1
Change in unrealized gain (loss) on interest rate swaps, net of tax							(13)	(13)
Total comprehensive income (loss)								\$ (15,944)
BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2010	\$ 67,000	\$ (3,269)	37,956,527	\$ 38	\$ 171,080	\$ 111,338	\$ 5,442	

	Preferred Stock	Preferred Stock Discount	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock Amount	Capital Surplus	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (loss), net	Comprehensive Income (loss)
BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2011	\$ 67,000	\$ (2,797)	37,983,027	\$ 38	\$ 171,364	\$ 120,361	\$ 2,597	
Issuance of additional shares pursuant to various stock plans			114,300		524			
Stock-based compensation					39			
Tax effects of stock plans					139			
Preferred stock cash dividends accrued (5%)						(1,674)		
Accretion of preferred stock discount		476				(476)		
Comprehensive income:								
Net income						13,064		13,064
Other comprehensive income (loss):								
Change in unrealized gain on securities available for sale, net of tax							1,892	1,892
							5	5

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Change in unrealized gain on interest-only strips, net of tax									
Change in unrealized gain (loss) on interest rate swaps, net of tax								(13)	(13)
Total comprehensive income (loss)									14,948
BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2011	\$ 67,000	\$ (2,321)	38,097,327	\$ 38	\$ 172,066	\$ 131,275	\$	4,481	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2011	2010
	(In thousands)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income (loss)	\$ 13,064	\$ (18,409)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash from operating activities:		
Depreciation, amortization, net of discount accretion	4,329	6,433
Stock-based compensation expense	39	240
Provision for loan losses	15,309	67,730
Valuation adjustment of loans held for sale	35	0
Valuation adjustment of OREO	105	942
Proceeds from sales of loans	65,602	44,884
Originations of loans held for sale	(43,007)	(8,055)
Deferred gain on transfer of assets	0	(249)
Net gains on sales of SBA and other loans	(5,514)	(1,022)
Net change in bank owned life insurance	(372)	(197)
Net gains on sales and calls of securities available for sale	(6)	(6,392)
Net (gains) losses on sales of OREO	(27)	552
Net losses on dispositions of furniture and equipment	18	0
Net valuation losses on interest rate swaps	117	726
Tax benefits from stock options exercised	139	0
Change in accrued interest receivable	579	2,989
Change in deferred income taxes	5,131	(4,702)
Change in prepaid FDIC insurance	2,056	2,293
Change in other assets	(12,165)	(7,694)
Change in accrued interest payable	(1,448)	(8,811)
Change in other liabilities	(2,676)	(4,107)
Net cash provided by operating activities	41,308	67,151
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Net change in loans receivable	(95,082)	(52,209)
Proceeds from sales of securities available for sale	0	208,141
Proceeds from sales of OREO	2,238	6,329
Purchase of premises and equipment	(586)	(1,447)
Purchase of securities available for sale	(19,808)	0
Purchase of Federal Reserve Bank stock	(5)	(1,963)
Redemption of Federal Home Loan Bank Stock	1,432	741
Proceeds from matured, called, or paid down securities available for sale	76,143	151,918
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(35,668)	311,510
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Net change in deposits	56,066	(303,801)
Net change in secured borrowings	(11,758)	3,325

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Payment of cash dividends on Preferred Stock	(1,674)	(1,676)
Proceeds from FHLB borrowings	0	10,000
Repayment of FHLB borrowings	(50,000)	(10,000)
Issuance of additional stock pursuant to various stock plans	524	1,055
Tax effects on issuance of shares from stock plan	0	(21)
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,842)	(301,118)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(1,202)	77,543
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD	172,331	125,592
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$ 171,129	\$ 203,135
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Interest paid	\$ 17,722	\$ 32,014
Income taxes paid	\$ 15,169	\$ 819
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF NON-CASH INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES		
Transfer from loans receivable to other real estate owned	\$ 5,139	\$ 10,488
Transfer from loan receivables to loans held for sale	\$ 17,309	\$ 72,274
Investment securities paydowns pending future settlement	0	\$ (2,134)
See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited)		

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Nara Bancorp, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

1. Nara Bancorp, Inc.

Nara Bancorp, Inc. (Nara Bancorp), on a parent-only basis, and Company, we or our on a consolidated basis), incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware in 2000, is a bank holding company, headquartered in Los Angeles, California, offering a full range of commercial banking and certain consumer financial services through its wholly owned subsidiary, Nara Bank (Nara Bank or the Bank). The Bank has branches in California, New York and New Jersey as well as a Loan Production Office in Texas.

On December 9, 2010, we entered into a definitive agreement to merge with Center Financial in an all stock transaction valued at \$285.7 million, or approximately \$7.16 per Center Financial share based on the closing price on December 8, 2010. As of August 5, 2011, the transaction was valued at \$232.1 million, or approximately \$5.81 per Center Financial share. The boards of directors of both companies each unanimously approved the Center Merger. While there can be no assurance as to the exact timing, or that the Center Merger will be completed at all, we are working to complete the Center Merger in the second half of 2011. The consummation of the Center Merger is subject to regulatory approval, the approval of the shareholders of both Nara Bancorp and Center Financial, and other customary closing conditions.

Upon consummation of the Center Merger, each share of common stock of Center Financial issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the Center Merger (the Effective Time) will be converted into and become exchangeable for 0.7804 of a share of common stock of Nara Bancorp, subject to the payment of cash in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares. Based on the number of shares Center Financial common stock outstanding on the date of the Merger Agreement and not including the effect of outstanding in-the-money options, this will result in approximately 31.1 million Nara Bancorp shares being exchanged for approximately 39.9 million outstanding Center Financial shares, subject to adjustment in certain limited circumstances. Nara Bancorp shareholders will own 55% of the combined company and Center Financial shareholders will own 45%, not including shares of Nara common stock to be issued in a common stock offering Nara expects to make prior to the merger for the benefit of the combined company.

We cannot assure you that the Center Merger will be consummated as scheduled, or at all. See Item 1.A. Risk Factors Risks Relating to the Center Merger included in our 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K for a description of risks relating to the Center Merger.

2. Basis of Presentation

Our condensed consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared without an audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such SEC rules and regulations.

The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Nara Bancorp and its wholly owned subsidiaries, principally Nara Bank. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

We believe that we have made all adjustments, consisting solely of normal recurring accruals, necessary to fairly present our financial position at June 30, 2011 and the results of our operations for the three- and six-month periods then ended. Certain reclassifications have been made to prior period amounts to conform to the current year presentation. The results of operations for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results to be anticipated for the full year.

These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read along with the audited consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes included in our 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Recently Issued Not Yet Effective Accounting Pronouncements:

In April 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-02, *A Creditor's Determination of Whether a Restructuring Is a Troubled Debt Restructuring*, updated to amend previous guidance with respect to troubled debt restructurings. This updated guidance is designed to assist creditors with determining whether or not a restructuring constitutes a troubled debt restructuring. In particular, additional guidance has been added to help

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creditors determine whether a concession has been granted and whether a debtor is experiencing financial difficulties. Both of these conditions are required to be met for a restructuring to constitute a troubled debt restructuring. The amendments in the update are effective for the first interim period beginning on or after June 15, 2011, and should be applied retrospectively to the beginning of the annual period of adoption. The provisions of this update are not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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The Company has a stock based incentive plan, the 2007 Nara Bancorp, Inc. Equity Incentive Plan (2007 Plan). The 2007 Plan, which was approved by our stockholders on May 31, 2007, provides for grants of stock options, stock appreciation rights (SARs), restricted stock, performance shares and performance units (sometimes referred to individually or collectively as awards) to non-employee directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company. Stock options may be either incentive stock options (ISOs), as defined in Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), or nonqualified stock options (NQSOs).

The 2007 Plan gives the Company flexibility to (i) attract and retain qualified non-employee directors, executives and other key employees and consultants with appropriate equity-based awards, (ii) motivate high levels of performance, (iii) recognize employee contributions to the Company's success, and (iv) align the interests of Plan participants with those of the Company's stockholders. The exercise price for shares under an ISO may not be less than 100% of fair market value (FMV) on the date the award is granted under Code Section 422. Similarly, under the terms of the 2007 Plan the exercise price for SARs and NQSOs may not be less than 100% of FMV on the date of grant. Performance units are awarded to a participant at the market price of the Company's common stock on the date of award (after the lapse of the restriction period and the attainment of the performance criteria). No minimum exercise price is prescribed for performance shares and restricted stock awarded under the 2007 Plan.

ISOs, SARs and NQSOs have vesting periods of three to five years and have 10-year contractual terms. Restricted stock, performance shares, and performance units will be granted with a restriction period of not less than one year from the grant date for performance-based awards and not less than three years from the grant date for time-based vesting of grants. Compensation expense for awards is recorded over the vesting period.

The 2007 Plan reserves 1,300,000 shares for issuance. 1,191,000 shares were available for future grants as of June 30, 2011.

The total shares reserved for issuance will serve as the underlying value for all equity awards under the 2007 Plan. With the exception of the shares underlying stock options and restricted stock awards, the board of directors may choose to settle the awards by paying the equivalent cash value or by delivering the appropriate number of shares.

The stock plan adopted in 2000, under which options and restricted units were previously granted to employees, officers, and directors of the Company, is no longer active and no additional equity awards may be granted under the plan. Options under the 2000 Plan were granted with an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant with vesting periods from three to five years and have 10-year contractual terms. Some restricted units were awarded under the 2000 plan to participants at the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the date of award and all units granted under this plan were fully vested on the third anniversary of the grant. Compensation expense for the awards was recorded over the vesting period.

The following is a summary of stock option activity under the Plan for the six months ended June 30, 2011:

	Number of Shares	Weighted- Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding - January 1, 2011	533,250	\$ 9.73		
Granted	0	0		
Exercised	(106,000)	5.00		
Forfeited	0	0		
Outstanding - June 30, 2011	427,250	\$ 10.90	3.21	\$ 27,000
Options exercisable - June 30, 2011	403,250	\$ 11.04	2.95	\$ 27,000
Unvested options expected to vest after June 30, 2011	24,000	\$ 8.64	7.71	0

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The following is a summary of restricted and performance unit activity under the Plan for the six months ended June 30, 2011:

	Number of Shares	Weighted- Average Grant Date Fair Value	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)
Outstanding - January 1, 2011	36,200	\$ 8.25	
Granted	5,000	8.37	
Vested	(8,200)	11.97	
Forfeited	0	0	
Outstanding - June 30, 2011	33,000	\$ 7.34	8.84

The total fair value of performance units vested for the six months ending June 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$79 thousand and \$59 thousand, respectively.

The amount charged against income, before income tax benefit of \$5 thousand and \$31 thousand, in relation to the stock-based payment arrangements was \$12 thousand and \$192 thousand for the three months ending June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The amount charged against income, before income tax benefit of \$16 thousand and \$15 thousand, in relation to the stock-based payment arrangements was \$39 thousand and \$240 thousand for the six months ending June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. At June 30, 2011, unrecognized compensation expense related to non-vested stock option grants and restricted and performance units aggregated \$197 thousand, and is expected to be recognized over a remaining weighted average vesting period of 2.45 years.

The estimated annual stock-based compensation as of June 30, 2011 for each of the succeeding years is indicated in the table below:

	Stock Based Compensation Expense (In thousands)
Remainder of 2011	\$ 25
For the year ended December 31:	
2012	52
2013	51
2014	45
2015	24
Total	\$ 197

4. Earnings Per Share (EPS)

Basic EPS does not reflect the possibility of dilution that could result from the issuance of additional shares of common stock upon exercise or conversion of outstanding securities and is computed by dividing net income available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if stock options or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted to common stock that would then share in our earnings. For the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, stock options and restricted shares awards for approximately 190,000 shares and 722,000 shares of common stock were excluded in computing diluted earnings per common share because they were antidilutive. For the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, stock options and restricted shares awards for approximately 150,000 shares and 732,000 shares of common stock were excluded in computing diluted earnings per common share because they were antidilutive. Additionally, warrants to purchase 521,266 shares of common stock were also antidilutive and excluded for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010.

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The following table shows the computation of basic and diluted EPS for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010.

	For the three months ended June 30,					
	2011			2010		
	Net income available to common stockholders (Numerator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share (Amount)	Net income available to common stockholders (Numerator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share (Amount)
	(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)					
Net income (loss) as reported	\$ 6,318			\$ (15,877)		
Less: preferred stock dividends and accretion of preferred stock discount	(1,075)			(1,073)		
Basic EPS - common stock	\$ 5,243	38,047,371	\$ 0.14	\$ (16,950)	37,921,885	\$ (0.45)
Effect of Dilutive Securities:						
Stock Options		34,652			0	
Common stock warrants		0			0	
Diluted EPS - common stock	\$ 5,243	38,082,023	\$ 0.14	\$ (16,950)	37,921,885	\$ (0.45)

	For the six months ended June 30,					
	2011			2010		
	Net income available to common stockholders (Numerator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share (Amount)	Net income available to common stockholders (Numerator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share (Amount)
	(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)					
Net income (loss) as reported	\$ 13,064			\$ (18,409)		
Less: preferred stock dividends and accretion of preferred stock discount	(2,150)			(2,144)		
Basic EPS - common stock	\$ 10,914	38,017,473	\$ 0.29	\$ (20,553)	37,875,494	\$ (0.54)
Effect of Dilutive Securities:						
Stock Options		62,177			0	
Common stock warrants		0			0	
Diluted EPS - common stock	\$ 10,914	38,079,650	\$ 0.29	\$ (20,553)	37,875,494	\$ (0.54)

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The following table summarizes the amortized cost, estimated fair value and distribution of our investment securities portfolio as of the dates indicated:

	Amortized Cost	At June 30, 2011		Estimated Fair Value
		Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	
(In thousands)				
Available for Sale				
Debt securities*:				
GSE bonds	\$ 96,283	\$ 935	\$ (66)	\$ 97,152
GSE collateralized mortgage obligations	85,710	2,615	(103)	88,222
GSE mortgage-backed securities	267,988	5,297	(1,209)	272,076
Corporate note	4,480	0	(560)	3,920
Municipal bonds	5,258	216	0	5,474
Total debt securities	459,719	9,063	(1,938)	466,844
Mutual funds - GSE mortgage related securities	5,462	114	0	5,576
	\$ 465,181	\$ 9,177	\$ (1,938)	\$ 472,420
At December 31, 2010				
	Amortized Cost	Gross	Gross	Estimated Fair Value
		Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	
(In thousands)				
Available for Sale				
Debt securities*:				
GSE bonds	\$ 125,429	\$ 1,059	\$ (770)	\$ 125,718
GSE collateralized mortgage obligations	101,312	2,146	(257)	103,201
GSE mortgage-backed securities	282,205	4,628	(1,999)	284,834
Corporate note	4,473	0	(765)	3,708
Municipal bonds	5,258	55	(31)	5,282
Total debt securities	518,677	7,888	(3,822)	522,743
Mutual funds - GSE mortgage related securities	5,462	57	0	5,519
	\$ 524,139	\$ 7,945	\$ (3,822)	\$ 528,262

* As of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, Government Sponsored Enterprises (GSE) included GNMA, FHLB, FNMA, FHLMC, and FFCB and are all residential property-based investments.

The proceeds from sales of securities and the associated gains are listed below:

	For the three months ended June 30,		For the six months ended June 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
(In thousands)				
Proceeds	\$	\$	\$	\$ 208,141
Gross gains	0	0	0	6,295

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Gross losses	0	0	0	0
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The amortized cost and estimated fair value of debt securities at June 30, 2011, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Securities not due at a single maturity date are shown separately.

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	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Available for sale:		
Due within one year	\$	\$
Due after one year through five years	340	354
Due after five years through ten years	1,652	1,743
Due after ten years	104,029	104,449
GSE collateralized mortgage obligations	85,710	88,222
GSE mortgage-backed securities	267,988	272,076
Mutual funds - GSE mortgage related securities	5,462	5,576
	\$ 465,181	\$ 472,420

Securities with carrying values of approximately \$234.1 million and \$270.3 million at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, were pledged to secure public deposits, various borrowings and for other purposes as required or permitted by law.

The following table shows our investments gross unrealized losses and estimated fair value, aggregated by investment category and the length of time that the individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position as of the dates indicated.

At June 30, 2011 Description of Securities	Less than 12 months			12 months or longer			Total		Gross Unrealized Losses
	Number of Securities	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Number of Securities	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Number of Securities	Fair Value	
(In thousands)									
GSE bonds	2	\$ 29,855	\$ (66)	0	\$	\$	2	\$ 29,855	\$ (66)
GSE collateralized mortgage obligations	1	5,853	(25)	1	14,239	(78)	2	20,092	(103)
GSE mortgage-backed securities	8	99,884	(1,209)	0	0	0	8	99,884	(1,209)
Corporate note	0	0	0	1	3,920	(560)	1	3,920	(560)
Municipal bonds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	11	\$ 135,592	\$ (1,300)	2	\$ 18,159	\$ (638)	13	\$ 153,751	\$ (1,938)

At December 31, 2010 Description of Securities	Less than 12 months			12 months or longer			Total		Gross Unrealized Losses
	Number of Securities	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Number of Securities	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Number of Securities	Fair Value	
(In thousands)									
GSE bonds	4	\$ 65,465	\$ (770)	0	\$	\$	4	\$ 65,465	\$ (770)
GSE collateralized mortgage obligations	3	9,091	(187)	2	17,337	(70)	5	26,428	(257)
GSE mortgage-backed securities	7	99,555	(1,999)	0	0	0	7	99,555	(1,999)
Corporate note	0	0	0	1	3,708	(765)	1	3,708	(765)
Municipal bonds	5	1,929	(31)	0	0	0	5	1,929	(31)
	19	\$ 176,040	\$ (2,987)	3	\$ 21,045	\$ (835)	22	\$ 197,085	\$ (3,822)

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ASC Topic 320 requires an entity to assess whether the entity has the intent to sell the debt security or more likely than not will be required to sell the debt security before its anticipated recovery. If either of these conditions is met, an entity must recognize an other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI). If an entity does not intend to sell the debt security and will not be required to sell the debt security, the entity must consider whether it will recover the amortized cost basis of the security. If the present value of expected cash flows is less than the amortized cost basis of the security, OTTI shall be considered to have occurred. OTTI is then separated into the amount of the total impairment related to credit losses and the amount of the total impairment related to all other factors. An entity determines the impairment related to credit losses by comparing the present value of cash flows expected to be collected from the security with the amortized cost basis of the security. OTTI related to the credit loss is then recognized in earnings. OTTI related to all other factors is recognized in other comprehensive income.

We evaluate securities for OTTI on at least a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. Consideration is given to the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, the length of time and the extent to which the fair value of the securities has been less than our cost for the securities, and our intention to sell, or whether it is more likely than not that we will be required to sell, a security in an unrealized loss position before recovery of its amortized cost basis. In analyzing an issuer's financial condition, we consider whether the securities are issued by the federal government or its agencies, whether downgrades by bond rating agencies have occurred, and the results of reviews of the issuer's financial condition.

The corporate note at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 consists of one bond with an amortized cost of \$4.5 million and an unrealized loss of \$560 thousand at June 30, 2011. The bond is scheduled to mature in May 2047, with a first call date option in May 2012. Management determined this unrealized loss did not represent OTTI at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 as the investment is rated investment grade and there are no credit quality concerns with the obligor. The market value decline is deemed to be due to the current market volatility and is not reflective of management's expectations of our ability to fully recover this investment, which may be at maturity. Interest on the corporate note has been paid as agreed and management believes this will continue in the future and the bond will be repaid in full as scheduled. For these reasons, no OTTI was recognized on the corporate note at June 30, 2011.

We consider the losses on our investments in an unrealized loss position at June 30, 2011 to be temporary based on: 1) the likelihood of recovery; 2) the information relative to the extent and duration of the decline in market value; and 3) the Company's intention not to sell, and our determination that it is more likely than not that we will not be required to sell, a security in an unrealized loss position before recovery of its amortized cost basis.

6. Loans Receivable and Allowance for Loan Losses

The following is a summary of loans receivable by major category:

	June 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(In thousands)	
Loan portfolio composition		
Real estate loans:		
Residential	\$ 2,748	\$ 2,263
Commercial & industrial	1,564,091	1,524,650
Construction	35,323	46,900
Total real estate loans	1,602,162	1,573,813
Commercial business	509,324	491,811
Trade finance	69,184	57,430
Consumer and other	11,755	13,268
Total loans outstanding	2,192,425	2,136,322
Less: deferred loan fees	(2,386)	(2,261)
Gross loans receivable	2,190,039	2,134,061
Less: allowance for loan losses	(59,696)	(62,320)
Loans receivable, excluding guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans	2,130,343	2,071,741

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Guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans	12,407	13,684
Loans receivable, net	\$ 2,142,750	\$ 2,085,425

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The activity in the allowance for loan losses by segment of loans for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 is as follows:

	Real estate - Residential	Real estate - Commercial	Real estate - Construction	Commercial Business	Trade Finance	Consumer and other	Unallocated	Total
For three months:								
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 15	\$ 36,519	\$ 4,376	\$ 21,771	\$ 170	\$ 489	\$	\$ 63,340
Provision for loan losses	(3)	10,750	(353)	(239)	18	(126)		10,047
Loans charged off		(10,191)	(2,561)	(2,431)		(8)		(15,191)
Recoveries of charged offs		511		957		32		1,500
Balance, end of period	\$ 12	\$ 37,589	\$ 1,462	\$ 20,058	\$ 188	\$ 387	\$	\$ 59,696

	Real estate - Residential	Real estate - Commercial	Real estate - Construction	Commercial Business	Trade Finance	Consumer and other	Unallocated	Total
For six months:								
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 14	\$ 32,884	\$ 3,396	\$ 24,930	\$ 192	\$ 635	\$ 269	\$ 62,320
Provision for loan losses	(2)	16,540	1,320	(1,944)	(4)	(332)	(269)	\$ 15,309
Loans charged off	0	(12,580)	(3,254)	(4,544)	0	(123)	0	\$ (20,501)
Recoveries of charged offs	0	745	0	1,616	0	207	0	\$ 2,568
Balance, end of period	\$ 12	\$ 37,589	\$ 1,462	\$ 20,058	\$ 188	\$ 387	\$	\$ 59,696

The activity in the allowance for loan losses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 is as follows:

	Period Ended June 30, 2010	
	Three months	Six months
	(In thousands)	
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 63,995	\$ 59,424
Provision for loan losses	42,323	67,730
Loans charged off	(44,678)	(65,735)
Recoveries of charge-offs	1,348	1,569
Balance, end of period	\$ 62,988	\$ 62,988

The allowance for loan losses is comprised of specific loss allowances for impaired loans and general loan loss allowances based on quantitative and qualitative analysis.

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Interest income on individually impaired loans was as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2011		For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2011	
	Interest income recognized during impairment (In Thousands)	Cash-basis interest income recognized	Interest income recognized during impairment (In Thousands)	Cash-basis interest income recognized
Real Estate - Commercial				
Retail	\$ 22	\$ 15	\$ 103	\$ 96
Hotel & Motel	233	206	590	594
Gas Station & Car Wash	24	24	105	107
Mixed Use	17	15	35	38
Industrial & Warehouse	83	82	160	159
Other	94	97	195	200
Real Estate - Construction	28	24	56	47
Commercial Business	148	146	396	378
	\$ 649	\$ 609	\$ 1,640	\$ 1,619

	For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2010	For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2010
	(In Thousands)	
Average of individually impaired loans during the period	\$ 118,704	\$ 119,316
Interest income recognized during impairment	1,622	3,138
Cash-basis interest income received	1,622	3,138

Interest income recognized during impairment represents interest income earned on accruing impaired loans. Cash-basis interest income recognized represents cash received for interest payments on accruing impaired loans.

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The impaired loans at the periods indicated are set forth in the following table by class of loans.

	As of June 30, 2011			As of December 31, 2010		
	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance	Average Balance	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance	Average Balance
	(In Thousands)			(In Thousands)		
With Related Allowance:						
Real Estate - Residential	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real Estate - Commercial						
Retail	2,705	(1,160)	4,569	7,441	(1,559)	7,498
Hotel & Motel	16,389	(4,700)	11,592	5,349	(987)	11,439
Gas Station & Car Wash	3,093	(1,120)	3,111	3,142	(1,411)	8,844
Mixed Use	0	0	1,425	308	(53)	2,334
Industrial & Warehouse	4,040	(601)	3,961	7,539	(1,729)	2,453
Other	491	(81)	3,276	2,603	(407)	5,711
Real Estate - Construction	0	0	4,497	5,789	(1,686)	4,027
Commercial Business	14,585	(5,535)	27,821	35,961	(13,270)	29,753
Trade Finance	0	0	0	0	0	0
Consumer and Other	0	0	0	0	0	89
	\$ 41,303	\$ (13,197)	\$ 60,252	\$ 68,132	\$ (21,102)	\$ 72,148
With No Related Allowance						
Real Estate - Residential	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real Estate - Commercial						
Retail	2,626	0	7,702	9,127	0	10,100
Hotel & Motel	1,345	0	6,130	8,619	0	7,299
Gas Station & Car Wash	3,202	0	5,713	5,197	0	8,361
Mixed Use	2,618	0	3,360	3,660	0	4,635
Industrial & Warehouse	2,706	0	2,629	367	0	2,510
Other	11,357	0	11,387	17,530	0	10,853
Real Estate - Construction	3,295	0	3,866	4,469	0	2,481
Commercial Business	7,136	0	5,629	5,029	0	4,550
Trade Finance	454	0	470	469	0	287
Consumer and Other	162	0	84	88	0	18
	\$ 34,901	\$	\$ 46,970	\$ 54,555	\$	\$ 51,094
Total	\$ 76,204	\$ (13,197)	\$ 107,222	\$ 122,687	\$ (21,102)	\$ 123,242

* Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation. Accrued interest receivable on loans is \$5.9 million and \$6.1 million and deferred loan fees on total loans are \$(2.4) million and \$(2.3) million at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010.

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The following table provides the recorded investment in nonaccrual loans and loans past due over 90 days still on accrual by class of loans:

	As of June 30, 2011		
	Non-accrual Loans*	Loans past due 90 days or more, still accruing* (In Thousands)	Total nonperforming loans*
Real estate loans:			
Commercial			
Retail	\$ 4,275	\$	\$ 4,275
Hotel & Motel	1,700	0	1,700
Gas Station & Car Wash	5,100	0	5,100
Mixed Use	1,664	0	1,664
Industrial & Warehouse	2,706	0	2,706
Other	3,631	0	3,631
Construction	1,585	0	1,585
Total	20,661	0	20,661
Commercial business	13,888	0	13,888
Trade finance	454	0	454
Consumer and other	382	0	382
	\$ 35,385	\$	\$ 35,385

* Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation.

	As of December 31, 2010		
	Non-accrual Loans*	Loans past due 90 days or more, still accruing* (In Thousands)	Total nonperforming loans*
Real estate loans:			
Commercial			
Retail	\$ 1,615	\$	\$ 1,615
Hotel & Motel	1,187	0	1,187
Gas Station & Car Wash	3,054	0	3,054
Mixed Use	3,968	0	3,968
Industrial & Warehouse	3,690	0	3,690
Other	4,834	0	4,834
Construction	8,547	0	8,547
Total	26,895	0	26,895
Commercial business	15,991	0	15,991
Trade finance	469	0	469
Consumer and other	448	0	448
	\$ 43,803	\$	\$ 43,803

* Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation.

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The following table presents the aging of the recorded investment in past due loans by class of loans:

	As of June 30, 2011			Total Past Due*
	30-59 Days Past Due*	60-89 Days Past Due*	Greater than 90 Days Past Due*	
(In Thousands)				
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real estate - Residential				
Real estate - Commercial				
Retail	0	670	4,275	4,945
Hotel & Motel	0	0	1,700	1,700
Gas Station & Car Wash	0	0	5,100	5,100
Mixed Use	37	0	1,664	1,701
Industrial & Warehouse	234	131	2,706	3,071
Other	327	301	3,631	4,259
Real estate - Construction	0	0	1,585	1,585
Commercial business	841	766	13,888	15,495
Trade finance	0	0	454	454
Consumer and other	11	0	382	393
	\$ 1,450	\$ 1,868	\$ 35,385	\$ 38,703

* Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation. Accrued interest receivable on total loans is \$5.9 million and deferred loan fees on total loans are \$(2.4) million at June 30, 2011.

	As of December 31, 2010			Total Past Due*
	30-59 Days Past Due*	60-89 Days Past Due*	Greater than 90 Days Past Due*	
(In Thousands)				
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real estate - Residential	46			46
Real estate - Commercial				
Retail	950	188	1,708	2,846
Hotel & Motel	455	0	1,187	1,642
Gas Station & Car Wash	0	0	3,054	3,054
Mixed Use	401	0	3,968	4,369
Industrial & Warehouse	133	239	3,690	4,062
Other	302	0	4,741	5,043
Real estate - Construction	0	0	8,547	8,547
Commercial business	684	855	15,991	17,530
Trade finance	0	0	469	469
Consumer and other	41	2	448	491
	\$ 3,012	\$ 1,284	\$ 43,803	\$ 48,099

* Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation. Accrued interest receivable on total loans is \$6.1 million and deferred loan fees on total loans are \$(2.3) million at December 31, 2010.

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We categorize loans into risk categories based on relevant information about the ability of borrowers to service their debt such as: current financial information, historical payment experience, credit documentation, public information, and current economic trends, among other factors. We analyze loans individually by classifying the loans as to credit risk. This analysis includes all non-homogeneous loans. This analysis is performed at least on a quarterly basis. We use the following definitions for risk ratings:

Special Mention: Loans classified as special mention have a potential weakness that deserves management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loan or of the institution's credit position at some future date.

Substandard: Loans classified as substandard are inadequately protected by the current net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Loans so classified have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the repayment of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the institution will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.

Doubtful: Loans classified as doubtful have all the weaknesses inherent in those classified as substandard, with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or repayment in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions, and values, highly questionable and improbable.

Loans not meeting the criteria above that are analyzed individually as part of the above described process are considered to be Pass-rated loans. The risk category of loans by class of loans is as follows:

	As of June 30, 2011			
	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Total
Real estate - Residential	\$	\$ 40	\$	\$ 40
Real estate - Commercial				
Retail	4,501	20,531	0	25,032
Hotel & Motel	1,944	19,856	0	21,800
Gas Station & Car Wash	2,122	6,866	0	8,988
Mixed Use	556	4,501	0	5,057
Industrial & Warehouse	923	7,782	0	8,705
Other	1,417	13,533	0	14,950
Real estate - Construction	133	3,295	0	3,428
Commercial business	3,192	36,894	5,174	45,260
Trade finance	553	2,402	0	2,955
Consumer and other	0	862	0	862
Total Watch List Loans	\$ 15,341	\$ 116,562	\$ 5,174	\$ 137,077

	As of December 31, 2010			
	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Total
Real estate - Residential	\$	\$ 46	\$	\$ 46
Real estate - Commercial				
Retail	1,948	18,898	0	20,846
Hotel & Motel	10,896	15,490	0	26,386
Gas Station & Car Wash	8,798	8,923	0	17,721
Mixed Use	364	5,887	0	6,251
Industrial & Warehouse	385	8,871	0	9,256
Other	1,865	21,431	0	23,296

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Real estate - Construction	0	10,257	0	10,257
Commercial business	4,182	45,054	260	49,496
Trade finance	305	469	0	774
Consumer and other	830	448	0	1,278
Total Watch List Loans	\$ 29,573	\$ 135,774	\$ 260	\$ 165,607

The following table presents loans sold during the three months ended June 30, 2011 by portfolio segment:

	Real estate - Residential	Real estate - Commercial	Real estate - Construction	Commercial Business	Trade Finance	Consumer and other	Total
Sales or reclassification to held for sale	\$	\$ 10,739	\$ 4,600	\$ 49	\$	\$	\$ 15,388

The adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is determined by management based upon an evaluation and review of the credit quality of the loan portfolio, consideration of historical loan loss experience, relevant internal and external factors that affect the collection of a loan, and other pertinent factors.

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The Migration Analysis is a formula methodology based on the Bank's actual historical net charge-off experience for each loan pool and loan risk grade (Pass, Special Mention, Substandard and Doubtful). The migration analysis is centered on the Bank's internal credit risk rating system. Our internal loan review and external contracted credit review examinations are used to determine and validate loan risk grades. This credit review system takes into consideration factors such as: borrower's background and experience; historical and current financial condition; credit history and payment performance; economic conditions and their impact on various industries; type, fair value and volatility of the fair value of collateral; lien position; and the financial strength of any guarantors.

A general loan loss allowance is provided on loans not specifically identified as impaired (non-impaired loans). The allowance is determined first based on a quantitative analysis using a loss migration methodology. The loans are classified by type and loan grade, and the historical loss migration is tracked for the various stratifications. Loss experience is quantified for the most recent 12 quarters and then weighted to give more weight to the most recent losses. That loss experience is then applied to the stratified portfolio at each quarter end. During 2009, the non-impaired Commercial Real Estate loan portfolio was stratified into ten different loan pools based on property types and the non-impaired Commercial and Industrial loan portfolio was stratified into five different loan pools based on loan type, to allocate historic loss experience to more granular loan pools. Effective June 30, 2010 four additional pools, primarily in the commercial real estate portfolio, were further stratified. In addition, a new software program was implemented effective June 30, 2010 and is used to track and allocate charge-offs to the various loan grades by loan pools. The stratification of the non-impaired loan portfolio resulted in a quantitative general loan loss allowance of \$25.1 million at June 30, 2011, compared to \$23.9 million at December 31, 2010.

Additionally, in order to systematically quantify the credit risk impact of other trends and changes within the loan portfolio, the Bank utilizes qualitative adjustments to the Migration Analysis within established parameters. The parameters for making adjustments are established under a Credit Risk Matrix that provides seven possible scenarios for each of the factors below. The matrix allows for up to three positive (Major, Moderate, and Minor), three negative (Major, Moderate, and Minor), and one neutral credit risk scenarios within each factor for each loan type pool. Generally, the factors are considered to have no significant impact (neutral) to our historical migration ratios. However, if information exists to warrant adjustment to the Migration Analysis, changes are made in accordance with the established parameters supported by narrative and/or statistical analysis. The Credit Risk Matrix and the seven possible scenarios enable the Bank to qualitatively adjust the Loss Migration Ratio or individual specific reserve allocations by as much as 50 basis points in either direction (positive or negative) for each loan type pool. This matrix considers the following nine factors, which are patterned after the guidelines provided under the FFIEC Interagency Policy Statement on the Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses:

Changes in lending policies and procedures, including underwriting standards and collection, charge-off, and recovery practices.

Changes in national and local economic and business conditions and developments, including the condition of various market segments.

Changes in the nature and volume of the loan portfolio.

Changes in the experience, ability, and depth of lending management and staff.

Changes in the trends of the volume and severity of past due and classified loans; and changes in trends in the volume of non-accrual loans and troubled debt restructurings, and other loan modifications.

Changes in the quality of our loan review system and the degree of oversight by the Directors.

Changes in the value of underlying collateral for collateral-dependent loans.

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The existence and effect of any concentrations of credit, and changes in the level of such concentrations.

The effect of external factors such as competition and legal and regulatory requirements on the level of estimated losses in our loan portfolio.

The qualitative loan loss allowance on the loan portfolio was \$21.4 million at June 30, 2011 compared to \$17.0 million at December 31, 2010.

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We also establish specific loss allowances for loans where we have identified potential credit risk conditions or circumstances related to a specific individual credit. The specific allowance amounts are determined by a method prescribed by FASB ASC 310-10-35-22, *Measurement of Impairment*. The loans identified as impaired will be accounted for in accordance with one of the three acceptable valuation methods: 1) the present value of future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate; 2) the loan's observable market price; or 3) the fair value of the collateral, if the loan is collateral dependent. For the collateral dependent impaired loans, we obtain an appraisal to determine the amount of impairment as of the date that the loan become impaired. The appraisals are based on an as is valuation. To ensure that appraised values remain current, we generally obtain an updated appraisal every twelve months from a qualified independent appraiser. Furthermore, if the most current appraisal is dated more than six months prior to the effective date of the impairment test, we validate the most current value with third party market data appropriate to the location and property type of the collateral. If the third party market data indicates that the value of our collateral property has declined since the most recent valuation date, we adjust the value of the property downward to reflect current market conditions. If the fair value of the collateral, less cost to sell, is less than the recorded amount of the loan, we then recognize impairment by creating or adjusting an existing valuation allowance with a corresponding charge to the provision for loan losses. If an impaired loan is expected to be collected through liquidation of the collateral, the loan is deemed to be collateral dependent and the amount of impairment is charged off against the allowance for loan losses.

The Bank considers a loan to be impaired when it is probable that not all amounts due (principal and interest) will be collectible in accordance with the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. The significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls is determined on a case-by-case basis by taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed.

For commercial business loans, real estate loans and certain consumer loans, we base the measurement of loan impairment on the present value of the expected future cash flows, discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or on the fair value of the loan's collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. We evaluate most consumer loans for impairment on a collective basis, because these loans have generally smaller balances and are homogeneous in the underwriting terms and conditions, and in the type of collateral. If a loan is deemed to be impaired, the amount of the impairment is supported by a specific allowance amount which is included in the allowance for loan losses through a charge to the provision for loan losses.

In the third quarter, 2010, based on current market conditions, we expanded the criteria for evaluating loans for potential impairment which resulted in an increase in impaired loans from the prior quarter. Prior to the third quarter of 2010, loans graded Substandard were not individually evaluated for impairment and only considered impaired if they were 60+ days past due, unless other events existed that qualified the loan for impairment review. Therefore, a Substandard credit that was current in its contractual payments, but was classified due to other risk issues would not necessarily be subject to individual review for impairment analysis. Effective September 30, 2010, we expanded the scope of the loans reviewed for individual impairment by including all loans over \$2.0 million that were risk-graded as Substandard, even though such loans were less than 60 days delinquent and were performing under their contractual terms. Effective December 31, 2010, we expanded the scope to include all loans over \$1 million. This enhancement to our impairment analysis provided more coverage in terms of current fair values on classified loans as updated market values are required as part of the impairment analysis process. Effective March 31, 2011, we implemented a higher-level, preliminary non-impairment test, that is applied to loans that are graded Substandard, but are not TDRs and are on accrual. We use a five-step test with the following criteria: (1) the loan is current with no 30-day late payments in the past six months; (2) the loan payments are the contractual, non-modified amount; (3) the financial information that supports payment capacity is not aged over one year; (4) the global cash flow supports the current payment amount at a ratio of 1:1 or better; and (5) for CRE loans secured by a first lien on real estate collateral, the original LTV is below 100%. If the loan meets all of these criteria, it is not considered impaired and is subject to the general loan loss allowance for non-impaired loans. Impaired loans at June 30, 2011, were \$76.2 million, a net decrease of \$46.5 million from \$122.7 million at December 31, 2010. This net decrease in impaired loans is due primarily to the sales of 17 impaired loans, totaling \$18.7 million, and the return of sixteen loans totaling \$26.8 million to non-impaired status year-to-date. The return to non-impaired status was based on a review of the current financial information and payment performance.

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The following table presents the recorded investment in loans by portfolio segment and impairment status at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010:

	As of June 30, 2011						
	Real estate - Residential	Real estate - Commercial	Real estate - Construction	Commercial business (In Thousands)	Trade finance	Consumer and other	Total
Impaired loans	\$	\$ 50,572	\$ 3,295	\$ 21,721	\$ 454	\$ 162	\$ 76,204
Specific allowance	\$	\$ 7,662	\$	\$ 5,535	\$	\$	\$ 13,197
Loss coverage ratio	%	15.15%	%	25.48%	%	%	17.32%
Non-impaired loans	\$ 2,748	\$ 1,513,519	\$ 32,028	\$ 487,603	\$ 68,730	\$ 11,593	\$ 2,116,221
General allowance	\$ 12	\$ 29,927	\$ 1,462	\$ 14,523	\$ 188	\$ 387	\$ 46,499
Loss coverage ratio	0.44%	1.98%	4.56%	2.98%	0.27%	3.34%	2.20%
Total loans ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2,748	\$ 1,564,091	\$ 35,323	\$ 509,324	\$ 69,184	\$ 11,755	\$ 2,192,425
Total allowance for loan loss	\$ 12	\$ 37,589	\$ 1,462	\$ 20,058	\$ 188	\$ 387	\$ 59,696
Loss coverage ratio	0.44%	2.40%	4.14%	3.94%	0.27%	3.29%	2.72%

(1) Excludes the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans.

(2) Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation. Accrued interest receivable on total loans is \$5.9 million and deferred loan fees on total loans are \$(2.4) million at June 30, 2011.

	As of December 31, 2010						
	Real estate - Residential	Real estate - Commercial	Real estate - Construction	Commercial business (In Thousands)	Trade finance	Consumer and other	Total
Impaired loans	\$	\$ 70,882	\$ 10,258	\$ 40,990	\$ 469	\$ 88	\$ 122,687
Specific allowance	\$	\$ 6,145	\$ 1,686	\$ 13,271	\$	\$	\$ 21,102
Loss coverage ratio	%	8.67%	16.44%	32.38%	%	%	17.20%
Non-impaired loans	\$ 2,263	\$ 1,453,768	\$ 36,642	\$ 450,821	\$ 56,961	\$ 13,180	\$ 2,013,635
General allowance	\$ 14	\$ 26,740	\$ 1,710	\$ 11,659	\$ 192	\$ 903	\$ 41,218
Loss coverage ratio	0.62%	1.84%	4.67%	2.59%	0.34%	6.85%	2.05%
Total loans ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2,263	\$ 1,524,650	\$ 46,900	\$ 491,811	\$ 57,430	\$ 13,268	\$ 2,136,322
Total allowance for loan loss	\$ 14	\$ 32,885	\$ 3,396	\$ 24,930	\$ 192	\$ 903	\$ 62,320
Loss coverage ratio	0.62%	2.16%	7.24%	5.07%	0.33%	6.81%	2.92%

(1) Excludes the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans.

(2) Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation. Accrued interest receivable on total loans is \$6.1 million and deferred loan fees on total loans are \$(2.3) million at December 31, 2010.

Under certain circumstances, we will provide borrowers relief through loan modifications. These modifications are either temporary in nature (temporary modifications), or are more substantive troubled debt restructurings. At June 30, 2011, total modified loans were \$31.9 million, compared to \$55.6 million at December 31, 2010. The temporary modifications generally consist of interest only payments for a three- to six-month period, whereby principal payments are deferred. At the end of the modification period, the remaining principal balance is re-amortized based on the original maturity date. Loans subject to temporary modifications are generally downgraded to Substandard or Special Mention. At the end of the modification period, the loan either 1) returns to the original contractual terms; 2) is further modified and accounted for as a troubled debt restructuring in accordance with ASC 310-10-35; or 3) is disposed of through foreclosure or liquidation.

Troubled Debt Restructured (TDR) loans are defined by ASC 310-40, Troubled Debt Restructurings by Creditors and ASC 470-60, Troubled Debt Restructurings by Debtors, and evaluated for impairment in accordance with ASC 310-10-35. The concessions may be granted in various

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forms, including reduction in the stated interest rate, reduction in the amount of principal amortization, forgiveness of a portion of a loan balance or accrued interest, or extension of the maturity date.

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A summary of TDRs on accrual by type of concession as of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 is presented below:

(In Thousands)	As of June 30, 2011			As of December 31, 2010		
	Real estate - Commercial	Commercial Business	Total	Real estate - Commercial	Commercial Business	Total
Payment concession	\$ 953	\$ 1,521	\$ 2,474	\$ 975	\$ 8,744	\$ 9,719
Maturity / Amortization concession	8,322	1,285	9,607	4,968	7,144	12,112
Rate concession	3,706	0	3,706	12,250	1,022	13,272
	\$ 12,981	\$ 2,806	\$ 15,787	\$ 18,193	\$ 16,910	\$ 35,103

TDRs on accrual status are comprised of loans that were accruing at the time of restructuring and for which the Bank anticipates full repayment of both principal and interest. TDRs that are on non-accrual can be returned to accrual status after a period of sustained performance, generally determined to be six months of timely payments as modified. Sustained performance includes the periods prior to the modification if the prior performance met or exceeded the modified terms. TDRs on accrual status at June 30, 2011 were comprised of 4 commercial real estate loans totaling \$13.0 million and 21 commercial business loans totaling \$2.8 million. TDRs on accrual status at December 31, 2010 were comprised of 17 commercial real estate loans totaling \$18.2 million and 43 commercial business loans totaling \$16.9 million. We expect that the TDRs on accrual status as of June 30, 2011, which are all performing in accordance with their restructured terms to continue to comply with the restructured terms because of the reduced principal or interest payments on these loans. TDRs with sustained performance may be reclassified as non-TDRs after each year end.

We have allocated \$8.0 million and \$15.8 million of specific reserves to TDRs as of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. As of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, we did not have any outstanding commitments to extend additional funds to these borrowers.

7. Borrowings

We maintain a secured credit facility with the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco (FHLB SF) against which the Company may take advances. The borrowing capacity is limited to the lower of 30% of the Bank's total assets or the Bank's collateral capacity, which was \$666.2 million at June 30, 2011. The terms of this credit facility require the Company to pledge eligible collateral with the FHLB-SF equal to at least 100% of outstanding advances.

At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, real estate secured loans with a carrying amount of approximately \$1.1 billion were pledged as collateral for borrowings from the FHLB-SF. At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, other than FHLB-SF stock, no securities were pledged as collateral for borrowings from the FHLB-SF.

At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, FHLB-SF borrowings were \$300 million and \$350 million, had a weighted average interest rate of 3.19% and 3.18%, respectively, and had various maturities through September 2016. At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, advances with various put dates and strike prices were \$150 million. The cost of FHLB borrowings as of June 30, 2011 ranged between 0.68% and 4.57%. At June 30, 2011, the Company had a remaining borrowing capacity of \$365.5 million.

At June 30, 2011, the contractual maturities for FHLB-SF borrowings were as follows:

	Contractual Maturities	Maturity/ Put Date
	(In thousands)	
Due within one year	\$ 36,000	\$ 186,000
Due after one year through five years	259,000	109,000
Due after five years through ten years	5,000	5,000

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\$ 300,000 \$ 300,000

In addition, as a member of the Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) system, we may borrow from the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. The maximum amount that we may borrow from the Federal Reserve Bank s discount window is 96% of the fair value of the securities that we pledge and up to 63% of the outstanding principal balance of the qualifying loans that we pledge. At June 30, 2011, the outstanding principal balance of the qualifying loans was \$386.2 million. As of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, no borrowing was outstanding against the line.

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At June 30, 2011, five wholly-owned subsidiary grantor trusts that were established by Nara Bancorp at various times had issued \$38 million of pooled Trust Preferred Securities (trust preferred securities). Trust preferred securities accrue and pay distributions periodically at specified annual rates as provided in the indentures for such securities. The trusts used the net proceeds from their respective offerings to purchase a like amount of subordinated debentures (the Debentures) of Nara Bancorp. The Debentures are the sole assets of the trusts. Nara Bancorp's obligations under the Debentures and related documents, taken together, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by Nara Bancorp of the obligations of the trusts. The trust preferred securities are mandatorily redeemable upon the maturity of the Debentures, or upon earlier redemption of the Debentures as provided in the indentures. Nara Bancorp has the right to redeem the Debentures in whole (but not in part) on or after specific dates, at redemption prices specified in the indentures plus any accrued but unpaid interest to the redemption date. Nara Bancorp also has a right to defer consecutive payments of interest on the debentures for up to five years.

The following table is a summary of trust preferred securities and the related Debentures at June 30, 2011:

Issuance Trust	(Dollars in Thousands)						
	Trust	Subordinated					
	Issuance Date	Preferred Security Amount	Debentures Amount	Rate Type	Initial Rate	Rate at 6/30/2011	Maturity Date
Nara Bancorp Capital Trust I	3/28/2001	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,400	Fixed	N/A	10.18%	6/8/2031
Nara Capital Trust III	6/5/2003	5,000	5,155	Variable	4.44%	3.40%	6/15/2033
Nara Statutory Trust IV	12/22/2003	5,000	5,155	Variable	4.02%	3.13%	1/7/2034
Nara Statutory Trust V	12/17/2003	10,000	10,310	Variable	4.12%	3.20%	12/17/2033
Nara Statutory Trust VI	3/22/2007	8,000	8,248	Variable	7.00%	1.90%	6/15/2037
TOTAL ISSUANCE		\$ 38,000	\$ 39,268				

The Company's investment in the common trust securities of the issuer trusts of \$1.5 million at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 is included in other assets. Although the securities issued by of the trusts are not included as a component of stockholders' equity in the consolidated balance sheets, the securities are treated as capital for regulatory purposes. Specifically, under applicable regulatory guidelines, the \$38 million of securities issued by the trusts qualify as Tier 1 capital, along with the \$64.7 million of our outstanding Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, net of discount. The trust preferred security debt issuances are includable in Tier I capital up to a maximum of 25% of capital on an aggregate basis. Any amount that exceeds 25% qualifies as Tier 2 capital. At June 30, 2011, all of the \$38 million of the trusts' securities qualified as Tier 1 capital along with the \$64.7 million of preferred stock. In July 2010 Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act) was signed into law which, among other things, limits to bank holding companies having total assets of more than \$15 billion the ability to treat trust preferred security debt issuances as Tier 1 capital. Since the Company had less than \$15 billion in assets at June 30, 2011, under the Dodd-Frank Act, it will be able to continue to include its existing trust preferred securities in Tier 1 capital.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, which is Nara Bancorp's federal banking regulator, has promulgated a modification of the capital regulations affecting trust preferred securities. Under this modification, beginning June 30, 2011, the Company is required to use a more restrictive formula to determine the amount of trust preferred securities that can be included in regulatory Tier I capital. The Company will be allowed to include in Tier I capital an amount of trust preferred securities equal to no more than 25% of the sum of all core capital elements, which is generally defined as stockholders' equity less certain intangibles, including core deposit intangibles, net of any related deferred income tax liability.

9. Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedging Activities

As part of our asset and liability management strategy, we may enter into derivative financial instruments, such as interest rate swaps, caps and floors, with the overall goal of minimizing the impact of interest rate fluctuations on our net interest margin. Interest rate swaps and caps involve the exchange of fixed-rate and variable-rate interest payment obligations without the exchange of the underlying notional amounts.

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During the third quarter of 2009, we entered into two two-year interest rate cap agreements with an aggregate notional amount of \$50 million. Under these cap agreements, we receive quarterly payments from the counterparty when the quarterly resetting 3 Month London-Interbank Offered Rate (3 Mo. LIBOR) exceeds the strike level of 2.00%. The upfront fee paid to the counterparty in entering into these two interest rate cap agreements was \$359 thousand. During the first quarter of 2010, we entered into another three-year interest rate cap agreement with an aggregate notional amount of \$50 million. Under this cap agreement, we also receive quarterly payments from the counterparty when the quarterly resetting 3 Mo. LIBOR exceeds the strike level of 2.00%. The upfront fee paid to the counterparty in entering into this interest rate cap agreement was \$890 thousand. These interest rate cap agreements are considered free-standing due to non-designation of a hedge relationship to any of its financial assets or liabilities. Under FASB ASC 815, valuation gains or losses on interest rate caps not designated as hedging instruments are recognized in earnings. At June 30, 2011, the aggregate fair value of the outstanding interest rate caps was \$27 thousand, and we recognized mark-to-market losses on valuation of \$118 thousand for the quarter and \$139 thousand for the six months ended June 30, 2011.

At June 30, 2011, summary information about these interest-rate caps is as follows:

Notional amounts	\$100.0 million
Weighted average pay rates	N/A
Weighted average receive rates	N/A
Weighted average maturity	0.88 years
Fair value of combined interest rate caps	\$27 thousand

The following tables summarize the fair value of derivative financial instruments utilized by the Company:

	June 30, 2011		Derivatives at December 31, 2010	
			(In thousands)	
	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:				
Interest rate caps		\$ 27	Other Assets	\$ 167
Total derivatives not designated as hedging instruments		\$ 27		\$ 167

The effect of derivative instruments on the Consolidated Statement of Income for the three six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 are as follows:

	Location of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivatives	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
		June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010
		(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments under FASB ASC 815:					
Interest rate contracts (1)	Other income	\$ (118)	\$ (506)	\$ (140)	\$ (748)
Total		\$ (118)	\$ (506)	\$ (140)	\$ (748)

- (1) Includes amounts representing the net interest payments as stated in the contractual agreements and the valuation gains or (losses) on interest rate contracts not designated as hedging instruments.

10. Business Segments

Our management utilizes an internal reporting system to measure the performance of our various operating segments. We have identified three principal operating segments for the purposes of management reporting: banking operations, trade finance services (TFS) and small business administration (SBA) lending services. Information related to our remaining centralized functions and eliminations of inter-segment amounts has been aggregated and included in banking operations. Although all three operating segments offer financial products and services, they are managed separately based on each segment's strategic focus. The banking operations segment focuses primarily on commercial and consumer lending and deposit operations throughout our branch network. The TFS segment focuses primarily on allowing our import/export customers to handle their international transactions. Trade finance products include the issuance and collection of letters of credit, international collection and import/export financing. The TFS business segment also originates loan products, such as trade finance loans, commercial business loans and other loans. The SBA segment primarily provides our customers with access to the U.S. SBA guaranteed lending program. The SBA segment also makes commercial real estate and commercial business loans, which are not under the SBA guarantee program.

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Operating segment results are based on our internal management reporting process, which reflects assignments and allocations of capital, certain operating and administrative costs and the provision for loan losses. Non-interest income and non-interest expense, including depreciation and amortization, directly attributable to a segment are assigned to that business. We allocate indirect costs, including overhead expense, to the various segments based on several factors, including, but not limited to, full-time equivalent employees, loan volume and deposit volume. We evaluate the overall performance based on profit or loss from operations before income taxes, excluding gains and losses that are not expected to reoccur. Future changes in our management structure or reporting methodologies may result in changes to the measurement of our operating segment results.

The following tables present the operating results and other key financial measures for the individual operating segments for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010.

**Three Months Ended June 30,
(Dollars in thousands)**

	Business Segment			
	Banking Operations	TFS	SBA	Company
2011				
Net interest income, before provision for loan losses	\$ 25,894	\$ 1,806	\$ 1,631	\$ 29,331
Less provision for loan losses*	4,806	(147)	5,388	10,047
Non-interest income	2,161	694	4,829**	7,684
Net revenue	23,249	2,647	1,072	26,968
Non-interest expense	15,484	515	887	16,886
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 7,765	\$ 2,132	\$ 185	\$ 10,082
Goodwill	\$ 2,509	\$	\$	\$ 2,509
Total assets	\$ 2,495,575	\$ 241,277	\$ 230,436	\$ 2,967,288
2010				
Net interest income, before provision for loan losses	\$ 21,215	\$ 2,860	\$ 2,733	\$ 26,808
Less provision for loan losses	25,955	2,570	13,798	42,323
Non-interest income	2,568	662	230	3,460
Net revenue	(2,172)	952	(10,835)	(12,055)
Non-interest expense	14,057	522	1,388	15,967
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ (16,229)	\$ 430	\$ (12,223)	\$ (28,022)
Goodwill	\$ 2,509	\$	\$	\$ 2,509
Total assets	\$ 2,390,512	\$ 244,594	\$ 265,959	\$ 2,901,065

* The decrease from the prior year period is primarily due to the higher charge-offs taken on the loans that were transferred to loans held for sale during the second quarter of 2010.

** The increase from the prior year period is due to the higher level of production and sales of SBA loans.

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(Dollars in thousands)**

	Business Segment			
	Banking Operations	TFS	SBA	Company
2011				
Net interest income, before provision for loan losses	\$ 50,938	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,576	\$ 58,214
Less provision for loan losses*	4,599	1,900	8,810	15,309
Non-interest income	4,452	1,285	6,457**	12,194
Net revenue	50,791	3,085	1,223	55,099
Non-interest expense	31,025	1,031	1,525	33,581
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 19,766	\$ 2,054	\$ (302)	\$ 21,518
Goodwill	\$ 2,509	\$	\$	\$ 2,509
Total assets	\$ 2,495,575	\$ 241,277	\$ 230,436	\$ 2,967,288
2010				
Net interest income, before provision for loan losses	\$ 41,961	\$ 4,880	\$ 5,210	\$ 52,051
Less provision for loan losses	45,797	5,564	16,369	67,730
Non-interest income	10,880	1,219	745	12,844
Net revenue	7,044	535	(10,414)	(2,835)
Non-interest expense	27,303	995	1,853	30,151
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ (20,259)	\$ (460)	\$ (12,267)	\$ (32,986)
Goodwill	\$ 2,509	\$	\$	\$ 2,509
Total assets	\$ 2,390,512	\$ 244,594	\$ 265,959	\$ 2,901,065

* The decrease is primarily due to the higher charge-offs taken on the loans that were transferred to loans held for sale during the second quarter of 2010.

** The increase from the prior year period is due to the higher level of production and sales of SBA loans.

The SBA business segment primarily originates for sale and services SBA loans. It also originates commercial real estate loans and commercial business loans, not covered by the SBA guarantee program. Total SBA business segment assets at June 30, 2011 and 2010 included SBA loans (principally, the unguaranteed portion) of \$92.1 million and \$100.0 million; commercial real estate loans of \$106.6 million and \$129.8 million; and commercial business loans of \$16.3 million and \$14.4 million, respectively.

11. Income Taxes

Our Company and its subsidiaries are subject to U.S. federal income tax as well as state income taxes. We had total unrecognized tax benefits of \$334 thousand at June 30, 2011 and \$202 thousand at December 31, 2010 that relate primarily to uncertainties related to state income tax matters in prior years. The amount of unrecognized tax benefits increased during the quarter due to state income tax positions taken in prior years. The statute of limitations related to the consolidated Federal income tax return is closed for all tax years up to and including 2006. The expiration of the statute of limitations for various state income taxes varies by state.

We recognize interest and penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense. We had accrued interest and penalties of approximately \$37 thousand and \$23 thousand at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

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Income tax expense is the total of the current year income tax due or refundable and the change in deferred tax assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carry forwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance when, in the opinion of management, it is more likely than not that some portion, or all, of the deferred tax asset will not be realized. In assessing the realization of deferred tax assets, management evaluates both positive and negative evidence, including the existence of any cumulative losses in the current year and the prior two years, the amount of taxes paid in available carry-back years, the forecasts of future income, applicable tax planning strategies, and assessments of current and future economic and business conditions. This analysis is updated quarterly and adjusted as necessary. Based on the analysis, the Company has determined that a valuation allowance for deferred tax assets was not required as of June 30, 2011.

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12. Fair Value Measurements

FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The standard describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date.

Level 2: Significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs that reflect a reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

Securities Available for Sale

The fair values of securities available for sale are determined by obtaining quoted prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges (Level 1 inputs) or matrix pricing, which is a mathematical technique widely used in the industry to value debt securities without relying exclusively on quoted prices for the specific securities but rather by relying on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted securities (Level 2 inputs).

Impaired Loans

The fair values of impaired loans are generally measured for impairment using the practical expedients permitted by FASB ASC 310-10-35 including impaired loans measured at an observable market price (if available), or at the fair value of the loan's collateral (if the loan is collateral dependent). Fair value of the loan's collateral, when the loan is dependent on collateral, is determined by appraisals or independent valuation, which is then adjusted for the cost related to liquidation of the collateral. These are considered Level 3 inputs.

Derivatives

The fair value of our derivative financial instruments, including interest rate swaps and caps, is based on derivative valuation models using market data inputs as of the valuation date that can generally be verified and do not typically involve significant management judgments. (Level 2 inputs).

Other Real Estate Owned

Other real estate owned is valued at the time the loan is foreclosed upon and the asset is transferred to other real estate owned. The value is based primarily on third party appraisals, less costs to sell and result in a Level 3 classification of the inputs for determining fair value. Other real estate owned is reviewed and evaluated on at least an annual basis for additional impairment and adjusted accordingly, based on the same factors identified above.

Loans held for sale

Loans held for sale are carried at the lower of cost or fair value, as determined by outstanding commitments from investors, or based on recent comparable sales, if available, and if not available, are based on discounted cash flows using current market rates applied to the estimated life and credit risk (Level 2 inputs) or may be assessed based upon the fair value of the collateral which is obtained from recent real estate appraisals. These appraisals may utilize a single valuation approach or a combination of approaches including comparable sales and the income approach. Adjustments are routinely made in the appraisal process by the appraisers to adjust for differences between the comparable sales and income data available. Such adjustments are typically significant and result in Level 3 classification of the inputs for determining fair value.

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Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below:

	Fair Value Measurements Using			
	June 30, 2011	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
		(In thousands)		
Assets:				
Securities available for sale:				
GSE bonds	\$ 97,152	\$	\$ 97,152	\$
GSE collateralized mortgage obligations	88,222	0	88,222	0
GSE mortgage-backed securities	272,076	0	272,076	0
Corporate note	3,920	0	3,920	0
Municipal bonds	5,474	0	5,474	0
Mutual funds	5,576	5,576	0	0
Derivatives - Interest rate caps	27	0	27	0

There were no significant transfers between Level 1, 2 and 3 during the quarter ended June 30, 2011

	Fair Value Measurements Using			
	December 31, 2010	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
		(In thousands)		
Assets:				
Securities available for sale:				
GSE bonds	\$ 125,718	\$	\$ 125,718	\$
GSE collateralized mortgage obligations	103,201	0	103,201	0
GSE mortgage-backed securities	284,834	0	284,834	0
Corporate note	3,708	0	3,708	0
Municipal bonds	5,258	0	5,258	0
Mutual funds	5,519	5,519	0	0
Derivatives - Interest rate caps	167	0	167	0

Fair value adjustments for interest rate caps resulted in a net expense of \$22 thousand and \$140 thousand for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 and \$901 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2010.

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Assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis are summarized below:

	Fair Value Measurements Using			
	June 30, 2011	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
	(In thousands)			
Assets:				
Impaired loans at fair value:				
Real estate loans	\$ 28,629	\$	\$	\$ 28,629
Commercial business	1,302	0	0	1,302
Loans held for sale, net	6,372	0	6,372	0
Other real estate owned	804	0	0	804

	Fair Value Measurements at Using			
	December 31, 2010	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
	(In thousands)			
Assets:				
Impaired loans at fair value:				
Real estate loans	\$ 35,009	\$	\$	\$ 35,009
Commercial business	6,611	0	0	6,611
Loans held for sale, net	3,225	0	3,225	0
Other real estate owned	675	0	0	675

Impaired loans, which are measured for impairment using the fair value of the loan collateral, had a carrying amount of \$54.8 million at June 30, 2011, after partial charge-offs of \$22.5 million. In addition, these loans had a specific valuation allowance of \$7.4 million at June 30, 2011. Of this \$54.8 million, \$37.3 million were carried at their fair value of \$29.9 million as a result of the aforementioned charge-offs and specific valuation allowances. The remaining \$17.5 million were carried at cost at June 30, 2011, as the fair value of the collateral on these loans exceeded the book value for each individual credit. The Company also has impaired loans totaling \$21.4 million at June 30, 2011 which are measured based on the present value of expected future cash flows and are not included in the above table as this is not a measurement of fair value. Of these, \$15.4 million were carried below cost as a result of charge-offs or assigned specific reserves of \$6.1 million at June 30, 2011. The remaining \$6.0 million of impaired loans measured based on the present value of expected cash flows are carried at cost. Charge-offs and changes in specific valuation allowances for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 on impaired loans carried at the fair value of loan collateral at June 30, 2011 resulted in additional provisions for loan losses of \$2.1 million and \$9.3 million, respectively.

Impaired loans, which are measured for impairment using the fair value of the loan collateral, had a loan principal balance of \$94.6 million at December 31, 2010, after partial charge-offs of \$20.0 million. In addition, these loans had a specific valuation allowance of \$11.2 million at December 31, 2010. Of this \$94.6 million, \$52.8 million were carried at their fair value of \$41.6 million as a result of the aforementioned charge-offs and specific valuation allowances. The remaining \$41.8 million were carried at cost at December 31, 2010, as the fair value of the collateral on these loans exceeded the book value for each individual credit. The Company also has impaired loans totaling \$28.1 million at December 31, 2010 which are measured based on the present value of expected cash flows and are not included in the above table as this is not a measurement of fair value. Of these, \$27.8 million were carried below cost as a result of charge-offs or assigned specific reserves of \$9.9 million at December 31, 2010. The remaining \$231 thousand of impaired loans measured based on the present value of expected cash flows are carried at cost. Charge-offs and changes in specific valuation allowances during 2010 on impaired loans carried at the fair value of loan collateral at December 31, 2010 resulted in additional provision for loan losses of \$43.2 million.

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Loans held for sale, which were carried at their fair value, approximated \$6.4 million, after partial charge-offs of \$2.5 million at June 30, 2011. The charges-offs on loans held for sale were \$10.4 million and \$10.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011. Charge-offs for the quarter ended June 30, 2011 includes \$7.8 million pertaining to the bulk sale of \$15 million loans during the quarter.

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Loans held for sale, which were carried at their fair value, approximated \$3.2 million, after partial charge-offs of \$1.3 million and a valuation allowance of \$100 thousand at December 31, 2010. Total charge-offs on loans held for sale were \$33.8 million during 2010.

Other real estate owned carried at its fair value had a carrying amount of \$804 thousand at June 30, 2011, which is made up of an outstanding balance of \$1.6 million, with a valuation allowance of \$794 thousand. Changes in the valuation allowance on other real estate owned outstanding at June 30, 2011 resulted in a write-down of \$78 thousand and \$105 thousand for the three and six months ended June 30, 2011.

Other real estate owned carried at its fair value had a carrying amount of \$675 thousand at December 31, 2010, which is made up of an outstanding balance of \$1.1 million, with a valuation allowance of \$439 thousand. Changes in the valuation allowance on other real estate owned outstanding at December 31, 2010 resulted in a write-down of \$2.2 million during 2010.

Table of Contents**Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

Carrying amounts and estimated fair values of financial instruments, not previously presented, at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 were as follows:

	June 30, 2011	
	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Financial Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 171,129	\$ 171,129
Loans held for sale	20,748	22,283
Loans receivable net	2,112,819	2,151,932
Federal Reserve Bank stock	6,372	N/A
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	16,285	N/A
Accrued interest receivable	8,069	8,069
Customers liabilities on acceptances	11,360	11,360
Financial Liabilities:		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$ (432,616)	\$ (432,616)
Saving and other interest bearing demand deposits	(838,722)	(838,722)
Time deposits	(960,842)	(964,917)
Borrowings from Federal Home Loan Bank	(300,000)	(313,683)
Subordinated debentures	(39,268)	(39,682)
Secured borrowing	0	0
Accrued interest payable	(3,382)	(3,382)
Bank s liabilities on acceptances outstanding	(11,360)	(11,360)
December 31, 2010		
	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Financial Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 172,331	\$ 172,331
Loans held for sale	23,702	25,364
Loans receivable net	2,043,806	2,076,384
Federal Reserve Bank stock	6,367	N/A
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	17,717	N/A
Accrued interest receivable	8,648	8,648
Customers liabilities on acceptances	11,528	11,528
Financial Liabilities:		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$ (388,731)	\$ (388,731)
Saving and other interest bearing demand deposits	(814,848)	(814,848)
Time deposits	(972,535)	(977,762)
Borrowings from Federal Home Loan Bank	(350,000)	(365,167)
Subordinated debentures	(39,268)	(39,649)
Secured borrowing	(11,758)	(11,758)
Accrued interest payable	(4,830)	(4,830)
Bank s liabilities on acceptances outstanding	(11,528)	(11,528)

The methods and assumptions used to estimate fair value are described as follows.

The carrying amount is the estimated fair value for cash and cash equivalents, savings and other interest bearing demand deposits, accrued interest receivable and payable, customer s and Bank s liabilities on acceptances, non-interest-bearing deposits, short-term debt, secured borrowings, and variable rate loans or deposits that reprice frequently and fully. For fixed rate loans or deposits and for variable rate loans or deposits with infrequent repricing or repricing limits, fair value is based on discounted cash flows using current market rates applied to the estimated life and credit risk. The allowance for loan losses is considered to be a reasonable estimate of discount for credit quality concerns. Fair

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value of loans held for sale is based on market quotes. Fair value of time deposits and debt is based on current rates for similar financing. It was not practicable to determine the fair value of Federal Reserve Bank stock or Federal Home Loan Bank stock due to restrictions placed on their transferability. The fair value of commitments to fund loans represents fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements with similar remaining maturities and is not presented herein. The fair value of these financial instruments is not material to the consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**13. Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

Comprehensive income (loss) components and related tax effects were as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(In thousands)			
Net income (loss)	\$ 6,318	\$ (15,877)	\$ 13,064	\$ (18,409)
Unrealized holding gains on securities available-for sale and interest only strips	3,384	5,532	3,127	10,429
Reclassification adjustments for gains realized in income	(6)	(96)	(6)	(6,392)
Net unrealized gain	3,378	5,436	3,121	4,037
Tax expense (benefit)	1,318	2,137	1,224	1,559
Net of tax amount	\$ 2,060	\$ 3,299	\$ 1,897	\$ 2,478
Reclassification adjustment for gains realized for the ineffective portion of swaps and caps and discontinued hedge positions	\$ (11)	\$ (11)	\$ (22)	\$ (22)
Net unrealized loss	(11)	(11)	(22)	(22)
Tax benefit	(4)	(4)	(9)	(9)
Net of tax amount	\$ (7)	\$ (7)	\$ (13)	\$ (13)
Total other comprehensive income	\$ 2,053	\$ 3,292	\$ 1,884	\$ 2,465
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 8,371	\$ (12,585)	\$ 14,948	\$ (15,944)

14. Stockholders Equity and Regulatory Matters

The Company and the Bank are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory and possibly additional discretionary actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Company's and the Bank's financial statements, such as restrictions on the growth, expansion or the payment of dividends or other capital distributions or management fees. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Company and the Bank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of their assets, liabilities and certain off-balance-sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings and other factors. Prompt corrective action provisions are not applicable to bank holding companies.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Company and the Bank to maintain minimum ratios (set forth in the table below) of total and Tier I capital (as defined in the regulations) to risk-weighted assets (as defined) and of Tier I capital (as defined) to average assets (as defined). Management believes that, as of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the Company and the Bank met all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject.

As of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the most recent regulatory notification categorized the Bank as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized, the Bank must maintain minimum total risk-based, Tier I risk-based and Tier I leverage ratios as set forth in the table below. There are no conditions or events since the notification that management believes have changed the Bank's category.

On November 21, 2008, the Company received \$67 million from the U.S. Treasury through its TARP capital purchase plan and issued 67,000 shares of cumulative preferred stock. The preferred stock will pay cumulative dividends at the rate of 5% per year for the first five years and

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9% per year thereafter. The shares are callable by the Company at par after three years if the repurchase is made with proceeds of a new offering or placement of common equity or of certain preferred stock treated as Tier 1 capital under applicable Federal banking regulations.

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Prior to the earlier of the third anniversary of the closing date and the date on which the preferred shares have been redeemed in whole or the investor has transferred all of the preferred shares to third parties which are not affiliates of the investor, neither the Company nor any Company subsidiary shall, without the consent of the investor, declare or pay any dividend or make any distribution on its common stock (other than (A) regular quarterly cash dividends of not more than \$0.0275, which was the amount of the last quarterly cash dividend per share declared or, if lower, publicly announced an intention to declare, on the common stock prior to October 14, 2008, as adjusted for any stock split, stock dividend, reverse stock split, reclassification or similar transaction, (B) dividends payable solely in shares of common stock and (C) dividends or distributions of rights or junior stock in connection with a stockholders' rights plan). The preferred stock issued qualifies as Tier 1 capital.

In conjunction with the purchase of the Company's preferred stock, the U.S. Treasury received a warrant to purchase 1,042,531 shares of the Company's common stock at \$9.64 per share. The term of the warrant is ten years. On December 3, 2009, US Treasury approved the Company's request for an adjustment to the Company's warrant share position due to a qualified equity offering in November 2009, which is discussed below. The adjusted number of warrants are 521,266, or 50% of original issuance of 1,042,531.

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The Company's and the Bank's actual capital amounts and ratios are presented in the table below:

	Actual		Required For Capital Adequacy Purposes		Required To Be Well Capitalized under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
As of June 30, 2011						
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets):						
Company	\$ 418,151	17.7%	\$ 189,104	8.0%	N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 409,201	17.3%	\$ 188,894	8.0%	\$ 236,118	10.0%
Tier I capital (to risk-weighted assets):						
Company	\$ 388,176	16.4%	\$ 94,552	4.0%	N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 379,259	16.1%	\$ 94,447	4.0%	\$ 141,671	6.0%
Tier I capital (to average assets):						
Company	\$ 388,176	13.3%	\$ 116,605	4.0%	N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 379,259	13.0%	\$ 116,587	4.0%	\$ 145,734	5.0%

	Actual		Required For Capital Adequacy Purposes		Required To Be Well Capitalized under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
As of December 31, 2010						
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets):						
Company	\$ 403,298	17.7%	\$ 182,389	8.0%	N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 393,292	17.3%	\$ 182,065	8.0%	\$ 227,581	10.0%
Tier I capital (to risk-weighted assets):						
Company	\$ 374,353	16.4%	\$ 91,194	4.0%	N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 364,397	16.0%	\$ 91,032	4.0%	\$ 136,549	6.0%
Tier I capital (to average assets):						
Company	\$ 374,353	12.6%	\$ 118,718	4.0%	N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 364,397	12.3%	\$ 118,742	4.0%	\$ 148,427	5.0%

Under federal banking law, dividends declared by the Bank in any calendar year may not, without the approval of the regulatory agency, exceed its net income for that year combined with its retained income from the preceding two years. However, the regulatory agency has previously issued a bulletin to all banks outlining guidelines limiting the circumstances under which banks may pay dividends even if the banks are otherwise statutorily authorized to pay dividends. The limitations impose a requirement or in some cases suggest that prior approval of the regulatory agency should be obtained before a dividend is paid if a bank is the subject of administrative action or if the payment could be viewed by the regulatory agency as unsafe or unusual. In 2009, the Bank agreed with its primary regulatory agencies to obtain the prior written approval to pay any dividends.

Table of Contents**Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and the unaudited consolidated financial statements and notes set forth elsewhere in this report.

GENERAL**Selected Financial Data**

The following table sets forth certain selected financial data concerning the periods indicated:

	At or for the Three Months Ended June 30,		At or for the Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2011 (Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)	2010 (Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)	2011 (Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)	2010 (Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)
Income Statement Data:				
Interest income	\$ 37,294	\$ 36,593	\$ 74,488	\$ 75,254
Interest expense	7,963	9,785	16,274	23,203
Net interest income	29,331	26,808	58,214	52,051
Provision for loan losses	10,047	42,323	15,309	67,730
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	19,284	(15,515)	42,905	(15,679)
Non-interest income	7,684	3,460	12,194	12,844
Non-interest expense	16,886	15,967	33,581	30,151
Income (loss) before income tax expense (benefit)	10,082	(28,022)	21,518	(32,986)
Income tax expense (benefit)	3,764	(12,145)	8,454	(14,577)
Net income (loss)	\$ 6,318	\$ (15,877)	\$ 13,064	\$ (18,409)
Dividends and discount accretion on preferred stock	\$ (1,075)	\$ (1,073)	\$ (2,150)	\$ (2,144)
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ 5,243	\$ (16,950)	\$ 10,914	\$ (20,553)
Per Share Data:				
Earnings (loss) per common share - basic	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.45)	\$ 0.29	\$ (0.54)
Earnings (loss) per common share - diluted	\$ 0.14	\$ (0.45)	\$ 0.29	\$ (0.54)
Book value (period end, excluding preferred stock and warrants)	\$ 8.02	\$ 7.52	\$ 8.02	\$ 7.52
Common shares outstanding	38,097,327	37,956,527	38,097,327	37,956,527
Weighted average shares - basic	38,047,371	37,921,885	38,017,473	37,875,494
Weighted average shares - diluted	38,082,023	37,921,885	38,079,650	37,875,494
Statement of Financial Condition Data - at Period End:				
Assets	\$ 2,967,288	\$ 2,901,065	\$ 2,967,288	\$ 2,901,065
Securities available for sale	472,420	426,158	472,420	426,158
Gross loans, net of deferred loan fees and costs * (excludes loans held for sale)	2,190,039	2,110,873	2,190,039	2,110,873
Deposits	2,232,180	2,130,389	2,232,180	2,130,389
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings	300,000	350,000	300,000	350,000
Subordinated debentures	39,268	39,268	39,268	39,268
Stockholders' equity	372,539	351,629	372,539	351,629

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	At or for the Three Months Ended		At or for the Six Months Ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(Dollars in thousands)		(Dollars in thousands)	
Average Balance Sheet Data:				
Assets	\$ 2,933,003	\$ 2,899,677	\$ 2,934,546	\$ 3,037,248
Securities available for sale	501,298	459,883	513,751	560,394
Gross loans, including loans held for sale *	2,190,436	2,177,523	2,179,150	2,188,942
Deposits	2,193,191	2,109,103	2,175,746	2,241,077
Stockholders equity	369,485	367,038	366,343	369,686
Selected Performance Ratios:				
Return on average assets (1) (7)	0.86%	(2.19)%	0.89%	(1.21)%
Return on average stockholders equity (1) (7)	6.84%	(17.30)%	7.13%	(9.96)%
Non-interest expense to average assets (1)	2.30%	2.20%	2.29%	1.99%
Efficiency ratio (2)	45.62%	52.75%	47.69%	46.46%
Net interest margin (3) *	4.16%	3.86%	4.15%	3.60%
Regulatory Capital Ratios (4)				
Leverage capital ratio (5)	13.32%	12.69%	13.32%	12.69%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	16.42%	16.01%	16.42%	16.01%
Total risk-based capital ratio	17.69%	17.28%	17.69%	17.28%
Tangible common equity ratio (8)	10.21%	9.74%	10.21%	9.74%
Asset Quality Ratios: *				
Allowance for loan losses to gross loans, excluding loans held for sale	2.73%	2.98%	2.73%	2.98%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans (excludes accruing restructured loans)	168.70%	131.17%	168.70%	131.17%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans (includes accruing restructured loans)	116.66%	76.84%	116.66%	76.84%
Total non-performing loans (excludes accruing restructured loans) to gross loans	1.62%	2.27%	1.62%	2.27%
Total non-performing loans (includes accruing restructured loans) to gross loans	2.34%	3.88%	2.34%	3.88%
Total non-performing assets to total assets (6)	1.87%	2.99%	1.87%	2.99%

* Excludes the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans

(1) Annualized.

(2) Efficiency ratio is defined as non-interest expense divided by the sum of net interest income and non-interest income.

(3) Net interest margin is calculated by dividing annualized net interest income by average total interest-earning assets.

(4) The required ratios for a well-capitalized institution are 5% leverage capital, 6% tier I risk-based capital and 10% total risk-based capital.

(5) Calculations are based on average quarterly asset balances.

(6) Non-performing assets include non-accrual loans, loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest, other real estate owned, and accruing restructured loans.

(7) Based on net loss before effect of dividends and discount accretion on preferred stock.

(8) Excludes TARP preferred stock, net of discount, of \$64.7 million and \$63.7 million and stock warrants of \$2.4 million and \$2.4 million at June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Table of Contents**Results of Operations****Overview**

Our total assets increased \$4.0 million, or 0.1%, to \$2.97 billion at June 30, 2011, from \$2.96 billion at December 31, 2010. Gross loans receivable increased 3% during the six months ended June 30, 2011. Our deposits also increased \$56.1 million, or 3%, to \$2.23 billion at June 30, 2011 from \$2.18 billion at December 31, 2010. The increase was driven primarily by growth in non-interest bearing demand deposits and money market accounts. Investment securities declined 11% during the first six months of 2011 as a result of paydowns and maturities.

Our net income available to common stockholders for the second quarter of 2011 was \$5.2 million, or \$0.14 per diluted common share, compared to the net loss available to common stockholders of \$(17.0) million, or \$(0.45) per diluted common share, for the same period of 2010, representing an increase in net income of \$22.2 million, or 130.9%. The improvement in results of operations is primarily due to a decrease in the provision for loan losses.

The annualized income (loss) on average assets was 0.86% for the second quarter of 2011, compared to (2.19)% for the same period of 2010. The annualized income (loss) on average equity was 6.84% for the second quarter of 2011, compared to (17.30)% for the same period of 2010. The efficiency ratio was 45.62% for the second quarter of 2011, compared to 52.75% for the same period of 2010.

Our net income available to common stockholders for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$10.9 million, or \$0.29 per diluted common share, compared to the net loss available to common stockholders of (\$20.6) million, or (\$0.54) per diluted common share, for the same period of 2010, representing an increase in net income of \$31.5 million, or 153.1%. The improvement in results of operations is primarily due to a decrease in the provision for loan losses.

The annualized income (loss) on average assets was 0.89% for the six months ended June 30, 2011, compared to (1.21)% for the same period of 2010. The annualized income (loss) on average equity was 7.13% for the six months ended June 30, 2011, compared to (9.96)% for the same period of 2010. The efficiency ratio was 47.69% for the six months ended June 30, 2011, compared to 46.46% for the same period of 2010.

Net Interest Income and Net Interest Margin*Net Interest Income and Expense*

The principal component of our earnings is net interest income, which is the difference between the interest and fees earned on loans and investments and the interest paid on deposits and borrowed funds. Net interest income expressed as a percentage of average interest-earning assets is referred to as net interest margin. The net interest spread is the yield on average interest-earning assets less the cost of average interest-bearing liabilities (interest-bearing deposits and borrowed funds). Net interest income is affected by changes in the respective volumes of interest-earning assets and funding liabilities as well as by changes in the yields earned on interest-earning assets and the rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities.

Net interest income before provision for loan losses was \$29.3 million for the second quarter of 2011, an increase of \$2.5 million, or 9%, compared to \$26.8 million for the same period of 2010. The increase is primarily due to an improvement in the net interest margin. The net interest margin improved to 4.16% for the second quarter 2011, compared to 3.86% for the same period of 2010. The improvement in the net interest margin was primarily due to lower rates paid on time deposits and interest-bearing demand deposits. The cost of time deposits decreased to 1.20% for the second quarter of 2011 from 1.49% for the same period of 2010. The cost of interest-bearing demand deposits also decreased to 0.87% for the second quarter of 2011 from 1.08% for the same period of 2010.

Interest income for the second quarter of 2011 was \$37.3 million compared to \$36.6 million for the same period of 2010. The increase of \$701 thousand was primarily the result of a \$245 thousand increase in interest income due to an increase in the average yield earnings on average interest-earning assets and a \$456 thousand increase in interest income due to an increase in the volume of average interest-earning assets.

Interest expense for the second quarter of 2011 was \$8.0 million, a decrease of \$1.8 million, or 19%, compared to interest expense of \$9.8 million for the same quarter of 2010. The decrease was the result of a \$1.3 million decrease in interest expense due to a decrease in the average rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities and a \$486 thousand decrease in interest expense due to a decrease in the volume of average interest-bearing liabilities.

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Net interest income before provision for loan losses was \$58.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011, an increase of \$6.1 million, or 12%, compared to \$52.1 million for the same period of 2010. The increase is primarily due to an improvement in the net interest margin. The net interest margin improved to 4.15% for the six months ended June 30, 2011, compared to 3.60% for the same period of 2010. The improvement in the net interest margin was primarily caused by the downward repricing of our interest bearing liabilities.

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Interest income for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$74.5 million compared to \$75.3 million for the same period of 2010. Interest income decreased \$1.1 million due to a decrease in the volume of average interest-earning assets, which was offset by an increase in the average yield on average interest-earning assets of \$321 thousand.

Interest expense for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$16.3 million, a decrease of \$6.9 million, or 30%, compared to interest expense of \$23.2 million for the same period of 2010. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$4.9 million decrease in interest expense due to a decrease in the average rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities and a \$2.0 million decrease in interest expense due to a decrease in the volume of average interest-bearing liabilities.

Net Interest Margin

During the second quarter of 2011, our net interest margin increased 30 basis points to 4.16% from 3.86% for the same period of 2010. The improvement in the net interest margin was primarily due to lower rates paid on time deposits and interest-bearing demand deposits. The cost of time deposits decreased to 1.20% for the second quarter of 2011 from 1.49% for the same period of 2010. The cost of interest-bearing demand deposits also decreased to 0.87% for the second quarter of 2011 from 1.08% for the same period of 2010.

The weighted average yield on the loan portfolio for the second quarter of 2011 decreased 10 basis points to 6.07% from 6.17% for the same period of 2010. At June 30, 2011, fixed rate loans were 45% of the loan portfolio, compared to 51% at June 30, 2010, reflecting the emphasis on variable rate commercial business loans. The weighted average yield on the variable rate and fixed rate loan portfolios (excluding loan discount accretion) at June 30, 2011 was 4.91% and 7.06%, respectively, compared to 4.76% and 7.19% at June 30, 2010.

The weighted average yield on securities available-for-sale for the second quarter of 2011 increased 65 basis points to 3.16% from 2.51% for the same period of 2010. The increase was primarily attributable to a higher level of premium amortization for FNMA and FHLMC mortgage related securities during the second quarter of 2010. The higher level of premium amortization was due to accelerated prepayments resulting from the buyouts of seriously delinquent mortgage loans from the special purpose entities of FNMA and FHLMC.

The weighted average cost of deposits for the second quarter of 2011 decreased 26 basis points to 0.93% from 1.19% for the same period of 2010, driven primarily by the decrease in the cost of time deposits and interest-bearing demand deposits and the increase in the average balance of non-interest bearing demand deposits.

The weighted average cost of FHLB advances for the second quarter of 2011 decreased 22 basis points to 3.23% for the second quarter of 2011, compared to 3.45% for the same period of 2010, as maturing advances with higher rates were paid in full or refinanced at lower rates.

Following are selected weighted average data on a spot rate basis at June 30, 2011 and 2010:

	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2010
Weighted average loan portfolio yield (excluding discounts)	5.89%	5.99%
Weighted average securities available-for-sale portfolio yield	3.29%	2.93%
Weighted average cost of deposits	0.89%	1.07%
Weighted average cost of total interest-bearing deposits	1.11%	1.28%
Weighted average cost of FHLB advances	3.19%	3.42%
Net interest margin	4.05%	3.83%

Prepayment penalty income for the second quarter of 2011 and 2010 was \$34 thousand and \$123 thousand, respectively. Non-accrual interest income reversed was \$237 thousand and \$304 thousand for the second quarter of 2011 and 2010, respectively. Excluding the effects of both non-accrual loan interest income and prepayment penalty income, the net interest margin for the second quarter 2011 and 2010 would have been as 4.19% and 3.89%, respectively.

During the six months ended June 30, 2011, our net interest margin increased 55 basis points to 4.15% from 3.60% for the same period of 2010. The weighted average yield on the loan portfolio for the six months ended June 30, 2011 slightly decreased by 3 basis points to 6.13% from 6.16% for the same period of 2010.

The weighted average yield on our investment securities for the six months ended June 30, 2011 increased 22 basis points to 3.07% from 2.85% for the same period of 2010. The increase was for the reasons mentioned previously in the second quarter discussion.

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The weighted average cost of deposits for the six months ended June 30, 2011 decreased 51 basis points to 0.95% from 1.46% for the same period of 2010. The cost of time deposits decreased 71 basis points to 1.23% from 1.94%, accounting for a substantial portion of the decrease. The decrease in the weighted average cost of deposits was for the same reasons mentioned previously in the second quarter discussion.

Prepayment penalty income for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$263 thousand and \$296 thousand, respectively. Non-accrual interest income reversed was \$337 thousand and \$1.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Excluding the effects of both non-accrual loan interest income and prepayment penalty income, the net interest margin for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 would have been 4.15% and 3.65%, respectively.

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The following table presents our condensed consolidated average balance sheet information, together with interest rates earned and paid on the various sources and uses of funds for the periods indicated:

	Three months ended June 30, 2011			Three months ended June 30, 2010		
	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Yield/ Rate * (Dollars in thousands)	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Yield/ Rate *
INTEREST EARNINGS ASSETS:						
Loans ^{(1) (2)}	\$ 2,190,436	\$ 33,150	6.07%	\$ 2,177,523	\$ 33,510	6.17%
Securities available for sale ⁽³⁾	501,298	3,965	3.16%	459,883	2,884	2.51%
FRB and FHLB stock and other investments	132,957	179	0.54%	142,210	192	0.54%
Federal funds sold			N/A	4,615	7	0.61%
Total interest earning assets	\$ 2,824,691	\$ 37,294	5.29%	\$ 2,784,231	\$ 36,593	5.27%
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES:						
Deposits:						
Demand, interest-bearing	\$ 710,948	\$ 1,545	0.87%	\$ 591,012	\$ 1,603	1.08%
Savings	126,238	729	2.32%	135,906	828	2.44%
Time deposits:						
\$100,000 or more	315,278	381	0.49%	461,708	1,349	1.17%
Other	623,361	2,435	1.57%	571,790	2,499	1.75%
Total time deposits	938,639	2,816	1.20%	1,033,498	3,848	1.49%
Total interest bearing deposits	1,775,825	5,090	1.15%	1,760,416	6,279	1.43%
FHLB advances	300,000	2,412	3.23%	350,000	3,012	3.45%
Other borrowings	42,624	461	4.27%	40,927	494	4.78%
Total interest bearing liabilities	2,118,449	\$ 7,963	1.51%	2,151,343	\$ 9,785	1.82%
Non-interest bearing demand deposits	417,366			348,687		
Total funding liabilities / cost of funds	\$ 2,535,815		1.26%	\$ 2,500,030		1.57%
Net interest income/net interest spread		\$ 29,331	3.78%		\$ 26,808	3.45%
Net interest margin			4.16%			3.86%
Net interest margin, excluding effect of non-accrual loan income(expense) ⁽⁴⁾			4.20%			3.90%
Net interest margin, excluding effect of non-accrual loan income(expense) and prepayment fee income ^{(4) (5)}			4.19%			3.89%
Cost of deposits:						
Non-interest demand deposits	\$ 417,366	\$		\$ 348,687	\$	
Interest bearing deposits	1,775,825	5,090	1.15%	1,760,416	6,279	1.43%
Total deposits	\$ 2,193,191	\$ 5,090	0.93%	\$ 2,109,103	\$ 6,279	1.19%

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* Annualized

- (1) Interest income on loans includes loan fees.
- (2) Average balances of loans are net of deferred loan fees and costs and include nonaccrual loans and loans held for sale, but excludes the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans.
- (3) Interest income and yields are not presented on a tax-equivalent basis.

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- (4) Non-accrual interest income reversed was \$237 thousand and \$304 thousand for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.
- (5) Loan prepayment fee income excluded was \$34 thousand and \$123 thousand for the three months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

	Six months ended June 30, 2011			Six months ended June 30, 2010		
	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Yield/ Rate *	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Average Yield/ Rate *
	(Dollars in thousands)					
INTEREST EARNINGS ASSETS:						
Loans ^{(1) (2)}	\$ 2,179,150	\$ 66,235	6.13%	\$ 2,188,942	\$ 66,858	6.16%
Securities available for sale ⁽³⁾	513,751	7,895	3.07%	560,395	7,972	2.85%
FRB and FHLB stock and other investments	135,016	358	0.53%	154,134	375	0.49%
Federal funds sold			N/A	12,265	49	0.79%
Total interest earning assets	\$ 2,827,917	\$ 74,488	5.31%	\$ 2,915,736	\$ 75,254	5.20%
INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES:						
Deposits:						
Demand, interest-bearing	\$ 695,686	\$ 3,009	0.87%	\$ 548,077	\$ 2,894	1.06%
Savings	126,449	1,439	2.29%	135,177	1,633	2.44%
Time deposits:						
\$100,000 or more	318,475	837	0.53%	681,367	6,308	1.87%
Other	631,907	4,936	1.58%	536,127	5,391	2.03%
Total time deposits	950,382	5,773	1.23%	1,217,494	11,699	1.94%
Total interest bearing deposits	1,772,517	10,221	1.16%	1,900,748	16,226	1.72%
FHLB advances	312,238	4,984	3.22%	350,000	5,997	3.45%
Other borrowings	48,822	1,069	4.35%	40,350	980	4.83%
Total interest bearing liabilities	2,133,577	16,274	1.54%	2,291,098	23,203	2.04%
Non-interest bearing demand deposits	403,229			340,329		
Total funding liabilities / cost of funds	\$ 2,536,806		1.29%	\$ 2,631,427		1.78%
Net interest income/net interest spread		\$ 58,214	3.77%		\$ 52,051	3.16%
Net interest margin			4.15%			3.60%
Net interest margin, excluding effect of non-accrual loan income(expense) ⁽⁴⁾			4.17%			3.67%
Net interest margin, excluding effect of non-accrual loan income(expense) and prepayment fee income ^{(4) (5)}			4.16%			3.65%
Cost of deposits:						
Non-interest demand deposits	\$ 403,229	\$		\$ 340,329	\$	
Interest bearing deposits	1,772,517	10,221	1.16%	1,900,749	16,226	1.72%
Total deposits	\$ 2,175,746	\$ 10,221	0.95%	\$ 2,241,078	\$ 16,226	1.46%

* Annualized

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- (1) Interest income on loans includes loan fees.
- (2) Average balances of loans are net of deferred loan fees and costs and include nonaccrual loans and loans held for sale, but excludes the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans.
- (3) Interest income and yields are not presented on a tax-equivalent basis.
- (4) Non-accrual interest income reversed was \$337 thousand and \$1.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.
- (5) Loan prepayment fee income excluded was \$263 thousand and \$296 thousand for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

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The following table illustrates the changes in our interest income, interest expense, and amounts attributable to variations in interest rates and volumes for the periods indicated. The variances attributable to simultaneous volume and rate changes have been allocated to the changes due to volume and the changes due to rate categories in proportion to the relationship of the absolute dollar amounts attributable solely to the change in volume and to the change in rate.

	Three months ended		
	June 30, 2011 over June 30, 2010		
	Net		
	Increase (Decrease)	Change due to	
		Rate	Volume
	(Dollars in thousands)		
INTEREST INCOME:			
Interest and fees on loans	\$ (360)	\$ (558)	\$ 198
Interest on securities	1,081	804	277
Interest on other investments	(13)	(1)	(12)
Interest on federal funds sold	(7)		(7)
Total interest income	\$ 701	\$ 245	\$ 456
INTEREST EXPENSE:			
Interest on demand deposits	\$ (58)	\$ (351)	\$ 293
Interest on savings	(99)	(42)	(57)
Interest on time deposits	(1,032)	(701)	(331)
Interest on FHLB borrowings	(600)	(189)	(411)
Interest on other borrowings	(33)	(53)	20
Total interest expense	\$ (1,822)	\$ (1,336)	\$ (486)
Net Interest Income	\$ 2,523	\$ 1,581	\$ 942

	Six months ended		
	June 30, 2011 over June 30, 2010		
	Net		
	Increase (Decrease)	Change due to	
		Rate	Volume
	(Dollars in thousands)		
INTEREST INCOME:			
Interest and fees on loans	\$ (623)	\$ (325)	\$ (298)
Interest on securities	(77)	614	(691)
Interest on other investments	(17)	32	(49)
Interest on federal funds sold	(49)		(49)
Total interest income	\$ (766)	\$ 321	\$ (1,087)
INTEREST EXPENSE:			
Interest on demand deposits	\$ 115	\$ (580)	\$ 695
Interest on savings	(194)	(92)	(102)
Interest on time deposits	(5,926)	(3,712)	(2,214)
Interest on FHLB borrowings	(1,013)	(393)	(620)
Interest on other borrowings	89	(103)	192
Total interest expense	\$ (6,929)	\$ (4,880)	\$ (2,049)

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Net Interest Income	\$ 6,163	\$ 5,201	\$ 962
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The provision for loan losses reflects our judgment of the current period cost associated with credit risk inherent in our loan portfolio. The loan loss provision for each period is dependent upon many factors, including loan growth, net charge-offs, changes in the composition of the loan portfolio, delinquencies, assessments by management, third parties and regulators examination of the loan portfolio, the value of the underlying collateral on problem loans and the general economic conditions in our market areas. Specifically, the provision for loan losses represents the amount charged against current period earnings to achieve an allowance for loan losses that, in our judgment, is adequate to absorb probable incurred losses inherent in our loan portfolio. Periodic fluctuations in the provision for loan losses result from management's assessment of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses; however, actual loan losses may vary in material respects from current estimates. If the allowance for loan losses is inadequate, it may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition.

The provision for loan losses for the second quarter of 2011 was \$10.0 million, a decrease of \$32.3 million, or 76%, from \$42.3 million for the same period last year. The decrease is primarily due to lower charge-offs for the three most recent quarters resulting in lower historical loss rates that are used to calculate general reserve requirements. Net charge-offs decreased to \$13.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2011, compared to \$43.3 million for the same period last year. The higher net charge-offs during the same period of last year were primarily due to the transfer of \$63.3 million of problem loans to loans held for sale, resulting in additional loan charge offs, other valuation adjustments of \$26.7 million to mark such assets to estimated fair market value, less selling costs. The \$10.0 million loan loss provision for the second quarter of 2011 was allocated among three operating segments as follows: banking operations \$4.8 million, trade finance services (\$0.1) million and Small Business Administration \$5.4 million.

During the second quarter of 2011, the Company completed or entered into loan sale contracts totaling \$25.6 million, compared to \$63.3 million during the same period of last year. Loans totaling \$10.5 million, against which the Company had a \$2.5 million reserve, were sold in private transactions at an average discount of 27% or \$2.9 million. The remaining \$15.1 million of loans against which the Company had a \$1.4 million reserve, were sold in a pool transaction at a discount of 52%, or \$7.9 million. The larger discount on the loan pool sale was primarily due to both the relatively small size of the total loan pool and the small size of the individual loans within the pool. The diverse geographical locations of the individual loans sold also contributed to the discount. The Company determined that the sale of problem loans was a better alternative than holding such loans, which would have required long workout period.

The provision for loan losses for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$15.3 million, a decrease of \$52.4 million, or 77%, from \$67.7 million for the same period last year. The decrease is also due to the same reasons previously discussed for the second quarter. Net charge-offs decreased to \$17.9 million, compared to \$64.2 million for the same period last year. The higher net charge-offs during the same period of last year were primarily due to the transfer of \$63.3 million of problem loans to loans held for sale, resulting in additional loan charge offs, other valuation adjustments of \$26.7 million to mark such assets to estimated fair market value, less selling costs. The \$15.3 million loan loss provision for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was allocated among three operating segments as follows: banking operations \$4.6 million, trade finance services \$1.9 million and Small Business Administration \$8.8 million.

See Footnote 6 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) and Financial Condition-Loans Receivable and Allowance for Loan Losses for further discussion.

Non-interest Income

Non-interest income is primarily comprised of service fees on deposits accounts, fees received from our trade finance letter of credit operations and net gains on sales of loans and securities available for sale.

Non-interest income for the second quarter of 2011 was \$7.7 million, compared to \$3.5 million for the same quarter of 2010, an increase of \$4.2 million, or 122%. The increase was primarily due to an increase of \$4.0 million in net gains on sales of SBA loans. Net gains on sale of SBA loans were \$4.4 million for the second quarter of 2011, an increase of \$4.0 million from \$329 thousand for the same period of 2010. The increase reflected higher levels of SBA loan production and sales. Of the net gains of \$4.4 million, \$1.5 million was due to recognition of deferred gains from sales of \$15.3 million in SBA loans during the first quarter of 2011, and \$2.9 million was from sales of \$31.7 million in SBA loans originated during the second quarter of 2011.

Non-interest income for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$12.2 million compared to \$12.8 million for the same period of 2010, a decrease of \$0.6 million, or 5%. The decrease was primarily due to a decrease in net gains on sales of securities available for sale of \$6.4 million, offset by an increase in net gains on sales of SBA loans of \$5.1 million. During the six months ended June 30, 2011, no securities were sold. During the same period in 2010, we sold \$201.8 million in securities available for sale at net gains of \$6.3 million. The increase in net gains on sales of SBA loans is also due to the same reasons previously discussed for the second quarter.

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The breakdown of changes in our non-interest income by category is shown below:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Increase (Decrease)	
	2011	2010	Amount	Percent (%)
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Service fees on deposit accounts	\$ 1,413	\$ 1,572	\$ (159)	-10.1%
International service fees	669	613	56	9.1%
Loan servicing fees, net	418	443	(25)	-5.6%
Wire transfer fees	348	302	46	15.2%
Other income and fees	557	517	40	7.7%
Net gains on sales of SBA loans	4,354	329	4,025	1,223.4%
Net gains on sales of other loans		650	(650)	-100.0%
Net gains on sales securities available for sale	6	96	(90)	-93.8%
Net valuation losses on interest rate contracts	(106)	(495)	389	-78.6%
Net gains (losses) on sale of OREO	25	(567)	592	-104.4%
Total non-interest income	\$ 7,684	\$ 3,460	\$ 4,224	122.1%

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Increase (Decrease)	
	2011	2010	Amount	Percent (%)
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Service fees on deposit accounts	\$ 2,910	\$ 3,191	\$ (281)	-8.8%
International service fees	1,239	1,152	87	7.6%
Loan servicing fees, net	881	900	(19)	-2.1%
Wire transfer fees	670	595	75	12.6%
Other income and fees	1,064	870	194	22.3%
Net gains on sales of SBA loans	5,514	372	5,142	1,382.3%
Net gains on sales of other loans		650	(650)	-100.0%
Net gains on sales securities available for sale	6	6,392	(6,386)	-99.9%
Net valuation losses on interest rate contracts	(117)	(726)	609	-83.9%
Net gains (losses) on sale of OREO	27	(552)	579	-104.9%
Total non-interest income	\$ 12,194	\$ 12,844	\$ (650)	-5.1%

Non-interest Expense

Non-interest expense for the second quarter of 2011 was \$16.9 million, an increase of \$919 thousand, or 6%, from \$16.0 million for the same period of last year. The increase was primarily due to increases in salaries and benefits expense, partially offset by a decrease in credit-related expense. Salaries and benefits expense increased \$1.6 million, or 28%, to \$7.6 million for the second quarter of 2011, compared to \$6.0 million for the same period of 2010. The increase is due to an increase in the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) employees, which increased to 369 at June 30, 2011 from 347 at June 30, 2010, an increase of \$546 thousand in vacation and bonus accrual, an increase of \$146 thousand in group insurance expense due to the increase in premium costs, and an increase of \$141 thousand in 401(k) plan contributions, as the Company reinstated the company matching program effective January 1, 2011. The year-over-year increase in FTE employees was a due to a number of factors including the opening of two new branches in our Eastern Region, the addition of business development and servicing staff, and increasing our staffing in Information Technology and Risk Management. Credit related expense decreased \$738 thousand, or 42%, to \$1.0 million for the second quarter of 2011, compared to \$1.7 million for the same period of 2010. The decrease was primarily due to higher OREO valuation allowances and higher allowance for unfunded loan commitments in the second quarter of 2010.

Non-interest expense for the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$33.6 million, an increase of \$3.4 million, or 11%, compared to \$30.2 million for the same period of 2010. The increase was primarily due to increase in salaries and benefits expense, which increased \$3.2 million, or 28%, to \$14.8 million for the second quarter of 2011. Salaries and benefits expense was higher for the reasons mentioned previously.

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The breakdown of changes in non-interest expense by category is shown below:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Increase (Decrease)	
	2011	2010	Amount	Percent (%)
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 7,625	\$ 5,977	\$ 1,648	27.6%
Occupancy	2,445	2,424	21	0.9%
Furniture and equipment	934	884	50	5.7%
Advertising and marketing	594	612	(18)	-2.9%
Data processing and communications	923	1,051	(128)	-12.2%
Professional fees	769	756	13	1.7%
FDIC assessment	877	1,191	(314)	-26.4%
Credit related expenses	1,004	1,742	(738)	-42.4%
Other	1,715	1,330	385	28.9%
 Total non-interest expense	 \$ 16,886	 \$ 15,967	 \$ 919	 5.8%

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Increase (Decrease)	
	2011	2010	Amount	Percent (%)
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 14,779	\$ 11,570	\$ 3,209	27.7%
Occupancy	4,882	4,851	31	0.6%
Furniture and equipment	1,869	1,662	207	12.5%
Advertising and marketing	1,173	1,071	102	9.5%
Data processing and communications	1,906	1,984	(78)	-3.9%
Professional fees	1,478	1,458	20	1.4%
FDIC assessment	2,166	2,558	(392)	-15.3%
Credit related expenses	1,748	2,305	(557)	-24.2%
Other	3,580	2,692	888	33.0%
 Total non-interest expense	 \$ 33,581	 \$ 30,151	 \$ 3,430	 11.4%

Provision for Income Taxes

Income tax expense (benefit) was \$3.8 million and (\$12.1) million for the second quarter ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The effective income tax rate for the quarters ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 was 37.3% and (43.3%), respectively. Income tax expense (benefit) was \$8.5 million and (\$14.6) million for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The effective income tax rate for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 was 39.3% and (44.2%), respectively. The higher effective benefit tax rate during the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the statutory tax rate was primarily due to the impact of state taxes and tax credits in a loss year. The effective tax rate will vary from quarter to quarter depending on the level of tax credits applied during the quarter. Tax credits primarily consist of Enterprise Zone tax credits related to applicable loans located within the economically depressed areas in California.

Financial Condition

At June 30, 2011, our total assets were \$2.97 billion, an increase of \$4.0 million, or 0.1%, from \$2.96 billion at December 31, 2010.

Investment Securities Portfolio

As of June 30, 2011, we had \$472.4 million in available-for-sale securities, compared to \$528.3 million of such securities at December 31, 2010. The net unrealized gain on the available-for-sale securities at June 30, 2011 was \$7.2 million, compared to a net unrealized gain on such securities of \$4.1 million at December 31, 2010. During the six months ended June 30, 2011, \$47.8 million in mortgage related securities were paid down and \$28.3 million in securities were either called or matured. No securities were sold or purchased during the six months ended June 30, 2011. During the same period of last year, we sold \$201.8 million in various available-for-sale agency debt and mortgage related

securities, and recognized gross gains of \$6.3 million.

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As of June 30, 2011, gross loans outstanding, net of deferred loan fees and costs and excluding loans held for sale and the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans, increased \$56 million, to \$2.19 billion from \$2.13 billion at December 31, 2010. New loan production during the six months ended June 30, 2011 was \$204.2 million, compared to \$151.0 million during the same period of 2010.

All of the loans that we originate are subject to our underwriting guidelines and loan origination standards. We have undertaken a number of actions to minimize risks in response to the economic downturn, the related increase in nonperforming assets, and regulatory actions. We have enhanced our loan origination quality control practices by improving our appraisal review process to continue to comply with all new regulations and standards. We have expanded our loan review and monitoring process to include the review and monitoring of pass graded loans as well as problem loans in an attempt to improve early detection of potential problem loans. In addition, the loan review and monitoring process includes steps to verify compliance with internal lending policies and procedures. Finally, we have added additional qualified personnel to our credit administration function.

These tightened underwriting standards and credit practices may adversely impact loan origination volumes. However, we believe that there will likely be beneficial long term impact on credit performance and loan quality.

The following table summarizes our loan portfolio by amount and percentage of gross loans in each major loan category at the dates indicated:

	June 30, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
(In thousands)				
Loan portfolio composition				
Real estate loans:				
Residential	\$ 2,748	%	\$ 2,263	%
Commercial & industrial	1,564,091	71%	1,524,650	71%
Construction	35,323	2%	46,900	2%
Total real estate loans	1,602,162	73%	1,573,813	74%
Commercial business	509,324	23%	491,811	23%
Trade finance	69,184	3%	57,430	3%
Consumer and other	11,755	1%	13,268	1%
Total loans outstanding	2,192,425	100%	2,136,322	100%
Less: deferred loan fees	(2,386)		(2,261)	
Gross loans receivable	2,190,039		2,134,061	
Less: allowance for loan losses	(59,696)		(62,320)	
Loans receivable, excluding guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans	2,130,343		2,071,741	
Guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans	12,407		13,684	
Loans receivable, net	\$ 2,142,750		\$ 2,085,425	

SBA loans, consisting principally of the unguaranteed portion, are included in commercial business loans and commercial and industrial real estate loans. SBA loans included in commercial business loans were \$34.6 million at June 30, 2011 and \$48.1 million at December 31, 2010 and SBA loans included in commercial and industrial real estate loans were \$57.5 million at June 30, 2011 and \$57.5 million at December 31, 2010.

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We normally do not extend lines of credit or make loan commitments to business customers for periods in excess of one year. We use the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as we do for providing loan facilities to our customers. We perform annual reviews of such commitments prior to renewal.

The following table shows our loan commitments and letters of credit outstanding at the dates indicated:

	June 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Loan commitments	\$ 243,474	\$ 205,752
Standby letters of credit	15,243	9,777
Other commercial letters of credit	40,913	30,180
	\$ 299,630	\$ 245,709

Non-performing Assets

Nonperforming assets, which include non-accrual loans, loans past due 90 days or more and accruing restructured loans, and other real estate owned, were \$55.6 million at June 30, 2011, compared to \$80.5 million at December 31, 2010. Restructured loans that are accruing as defined by FASB ASC 310-40 Troubled Debt Restructurings by Creditors, decreased to \$15.8 million at June 30, 2011, compared to \$35.1 million at December 31, 2010, resulting from the removal of \$19.7 million or 32 restructured loans from the TDR disclosures in the year after restructuring as these loans had sustained performance as agreed to under the modified loan terms. The ratio of nonperforming assets to gross loans plus OREO was 2.53% and 3.77% at June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

The following table summarizes the composition of our nonperforming assets as of the dates indicated.

	June 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Nonaccrual loans	\$ 35,385	\$ 43,803
Loans past due 90 days or more, still accruing		
Total Nonperforming Loans	35,385	43,803
Other real estate owned	4,404	1,581
Restructured loans	15,787	35,103
Total Nonperforming Assets	\$ 55,576	\$ 80,487
Nonperforming loans (excludes accruing restructured loans) to total gross loans*, excluding loans held for sale	1.62%	2.05%
Nonperforming loans (includes accruing restructured loans) to total gross loans*, excluding loans held for sale	2.34%	3.70%
Nonperforming assets to gross loans* plus OREO	2.53%	3.77%
Nonperforming assets to total assets	1.87%	2.72%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans (excludes accruing restructured loans)*	168.70%	142.27%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans (includes accruing restructured loans)*	116.66%	78.98%

* Excludes the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans as these are 100% guaranteed by the SBA.

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses was \$59.7 million at June 30, 2011, compared to \$62.3 million at December 31, 2010. We recorded a provision for loan losses of \$15.3 million during the six months ended June 30, 2011, compared to \$67.7 million for the same period of 2010. The allowance

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for loan losses was 2.73% of gross loans at June 30, 2011 and 2.92% of gross loans at December 31, 2010. Impaired loans as defined by FASB ASC 310-10-35, Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan, totaled \$76.2 million and \$122.7 million as of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, with specific allowances of \$13.2 million and \$21.1 million, respectively. The decrease in the impaired loans by \$46.5 million from December 31, 2010 to June 30, 2011 was primarily due to the sale of problem loans of \$18.7 million during the six months ended June 30, 2011 and the return of \$26.8 million to non-impaired status. The return to non-impaired status was based on the review of current financial information and payment performance.

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Activity in the allowance for loan losses for the individual operating segments is as follows for the six months ended June 30, 2011 and the year ended December 31, 2010:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2011			TOTAL
	Banking Operations	Trade Finance Services	Small Business Administration	
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 44,645	\$ 3,515	\$ 14,160	\$ 62,320
Provision for loan losses	4,599	1,900	8,810	15,309
Loans charged off	(11,855)	(414)	(8,232)	(20,501)
Recoveries of charge-offs	1,691	219	658	2,568
Balance, end of period	\$ 39,080	\$ 5,220	\$ 15,396	\$ 59,696

	Year Ended December 31, 2010			TOTAL
	Banking Operations	Trade Finance Services	Small Business Administration	
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 38,285	\$ 3,392	\$ 17,747	\$ 59,424
Provision for loan losses	51,607	5,146	27,877	84,630
Loans charged off	(47,418)	(5,088)	(32,146)	(84,652)
Recoveries of charge-offs	2,171	65	682	2,918
Balance, end of period	\$ 44,645	\$ 3,515	\$ 14,160	\$ 62,320

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The impaired loans for the individual operating segments at the period indicated are set forth in the following table by class of loans:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2011							
	Banking Operations		Trade Finance Services		Small Business Administration		TOTAL	
	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance
	(Dollars in thousands)							
Real Estate - Residential	\$	\$	\$	\$			\$	\$
Real Estate - Commercial								
Retail	3,113	449	136		2,082	711	5,331	1,160
Hotel & Motel	3,706	14			14,028	4,686	17,734	4,700
Gas Station & Car Wash	2,581				3,714	1,120	6,295	1,120
Mixed Use	2,618						2,618	
Industrial & Warehouse	2,231				4,515	601	6,746	601
Other	10,594		763		491	81	11,848	81
Real Estate - Construction	1,710				1,585		3,295	
Commercial Business	10,559	2,132	6,903	1,426	4,259	1,977	21,721	5,535
Trade Finance			454				454	
Consumer and Other	162						162	
	\$ 37,274	\$ 2,595	\$ 8,256	\$ 1,426	\$ 30,674	\$ 9,176	\$ 76,204	\$ 13,197

* Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation.

	Year Ended December 31, 2010							
	Banking Operations		Trade Finance Services		Small Business Administration		TOTAL	
	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance	Unpaid Principal Balance*	Related Allowance
	(Dollars in thousands)							
Real Estate - Residential	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real Estate - Commercial								
Retail	14,388	1,254	184		1,996	305	16,568	1,559
Hotel & Motel	6,193	180			7,775	807	13,968	987
Gas Station & Car Wash	4,569				3,770	1,411	8,339	1,411
Mixed Use	3,968	53					3,968	53
Industrial & Warehouse	2,978	1,020			4,928	709	7,906	1,729
Other	18,883	358	763		487	49	20,133	407
Real Estate - Construction	7,641	1,686			2,617		10,258	1,686
Commercial Business	24,467	10,079	11,545	518	4,978	2,673	40,990	13,270
Trade Finance			469				469	
Consumer and Other	88						88	
	\$ 83,175	\$ 14,630	\$ 12,961	\$ 518	\$ 26,551	\$ 5,954	\$ 122,687	\$ 21,102

* Adjustment to recorded investment is not deemed material to this presentation.

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The following tables provide the nonperforming loans (excludes accruing restructured loans) by class of loans for the individual operating segments:

	As of June 30, 2011			
	Banking Operations*	Trade Finance Services*	Small Business Administration*	TOTAL
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Real estate loans:				
Commercial				
Retail	\$ 2,118	\$ 136	\$ 2,021	\$ 4,275
Hotel & Motel			1,700	1,700
Gas Station & Car Wash	2,582		2,518	5,100
Mixed Use	1,664			1,664
Industrial & Warehouse	2,231		475	2,706
Other	2,678	762	191	3,631
Construction			1,585	1,585
Total	11,273	898	8,490	20,661
Commercial business	6,506	5,000	2,382	13,888
Trade finance		454		454
Consumer and other	382			382
	\$ 18,161	\$ 6,352	\$ 10,872	\$ 35,385

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	As of December 31, 2010			
	Banking Operations*	Trade Finance Services*	Small Business Administration*	TOTAL
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Real estate loans:				
Commercial				
Retail	\$ 371		1,244	1,615
Hotel & Motel			1,187	1,187
Gas Station & Car Wash	1,060		1,994	3,054
Mixed Use	3,968			3,968
Industrial & Warehouse	2,978		712	3,690
Other	3,490	763	581	4,834
Construction	5,931		2,616	8,547
Total	17,798	763	8,334	26,895
Commercial business	7,988	5,355	2,648	15,991
Trade finance		469		469
Consumer and other	448			448
	\$ 26,234	\$ 6,587	10,982	43,803

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The following tables present the past due loans greater than 30 days (includes non-accrual loans), by class of loans for the individual operating segments:

	As of June 30, 2011			
	Banking Operations*	Trade Finance Services*	Small Business Administration*	TOTAL
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Real estate loans:				
Commercial				
Retail	\$ 2,788	\$ 136	\$ 2,021	\$ 4,945
Hotel & Motel			1,700	1,700
Gas Station & Car Wash	2,582		2,518	5,100
Mixed Use	1,664		37	1,701
Industrial & Warehouse	2,231		840	3,071
Other	2,679	762	818	4,259
Construction			1,585	1,585
Total	11,944	898	9,519	22,361
Commercial business	7,468	5,000	3,027	15,495
Trade finance		454		454
Consumer and other	393			393
	\$ 19,805	\$ 6,352	\$ 12,546	\$ 38,703

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	As of December 31, 2010			
	Banking Operations*	Trade Finance Services*	Small Business Administration*	TOTAL
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Real estate loans:				
Residential	\$ 46	\$	\$	\$ 46
Commercial				
Retail	632		2,214	2,846
Hotel & Motel			1,642	1,642
Gas Station & Car Wash	1,060		1,994	3,054
Mixed Use	4,331		38	4,369
Industrial & Warehouse	2,978		1,084	4,062
Other	3,490	763	790	5,043
Construction	5,931		2,616	8,547
Total	18,468	763	10,378	29,609
Commercial business	8,732	5,355	3,443	17,530
Trade finance		469		469
Consumer and other	491			491
	\$ 27,691	\$ 6,587	\$ 13,821	\$ 48,099

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For further discussion of changes to the allowance for loan losses, see Note 6, Loans Receivable and Allowance for Loan Losses in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited), included in Item 1. Financial Statements.

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The following table reflects our allocation of the allowance for loan losses by loan category and the ratio of each loan category to total loans as of the dates indicated:

Loan Type	Allocation of Allowance for Loan Losses			
	June 30, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Real estate - Residential	\$ 12	%	\$ 14	%
Real estate - Commercial	37,589	71%	32,884	71%
Real estate - Construction	1,462	2%	3,396	2%
Commercial business	20,058	23%	24,930	23%
Trade finance	188	3%	192	3%
Consumer and other	387	1%	635	1%
Unallocated		N/A	269	N/A
Total	\$ 59,696	100%	\$ 62,320	100%

The reduction in the commercial business class of loans was primarily due to a decrease in impaired loans and the corresponding impaired reserve amounts. The following table shows the provisions made for loan losses, the amount of loans charged off and the recoveries on loans previously charged off, together with the balance in the allowance for loan losses at the beginning and end of each period, the amount of average and gross loans outstanding, and other pertinent ratios as of the dates and for the periods indicated:

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2011	2010
	(Dollars in thousands)	
LOANS ⁽¹⁾		
Average gross loans, including loans held for sale	\$ 2,179,150	\$ 2,188,942
Gross loans, excluding loans held for sale, the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans and net of deferred loan fees and costs, at end of period	\$ 2,190,039	\$ 2,110,873
ALLOWANCE:		
Balance-beginning of period	\$ 62,320	\$ 59,424
Less: Loan charge-offs:		
Residential real estate		119
Commercial & industrial real estate	12,580	46,513
Construction	3,252	1,274
Commercial business loans	4,544	16,747
Trade finance		
Consumer and other loans	123	1,082
	20,501	65,735
Plus: Loan recoveries		
Commercial & industrial real estate	745	208
Commercial business loans	1,616	1,302
Consumer and other loans	207	59
	2,568	1,569
Net loan charge-offs	17,933	64,166

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Provision for loan losses	15,309	67,730
Balance-end of period	\$ 59,696	\$ 62,988
Net loan charge-offs to average gross loans *	1.65%	5.86%
Allowance for loan losses to total loans at end of period	2.73%	2.98%
Net loan charge-offs to beginning allowance *	57.55%	215.96%
Net loan charge-offs to provision for loan losses	117.14%	94.74%

* Annualized

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(1) Total loans are net of deferred loan fees and costs of \$2.4 million and \$2.5 million at June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. They also exclude the guaranteed portion of delinquent SBA loans of \$12.4 million and \$15.8 million at June 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We believe the allowance for loan losses as of June 30, 2011 is adequate to absorb probable incurred losses in the loan portfolio. However, no assurance can be given that actual losses will not exceed the estimated amounts.

Deposits and Other Borrowings

Deposits. Deposits are our primary source of funds used in our lending and investment activities. At June 30, 2011, our deposits had increased by \$56 million, or 3%, to \$2.23 billion from \$2.18 billion at December 31, 2010. The increase was driven by growth in non-interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts and jumbo CDs. Retail deposits totaled \$2.12 billion at June 30, 2011, an increase of \$12 million from \$2.11 billion at December 31, 2010. Interest-bearing demand deposits, including money market and Super Now accounts, totaled \$838.7 million at June 30, 2011, an increase of \$23.9 million from \$814.8 million at December 31, 2010.

At June 30, 2011, 19.4% of total deposits were non-interest bearing demand deposits, 43.0% were time deposits and 37.6% were interest bearing demand and savings deposits. By comparison, at December 31, 2010, 17.9% of total deposits were non-interest bearing demand deposits, 44.7% were time deposits, and 37.4% were interest bearing demand and saving deposits. Time deposits continue to dominate our deposit composition; however, our recent focus on increasing transaction accounts has helped to reduce our dependency on time deposits.

At June 30, 2011, we had \$107.3 million in brokered deposits and \$200.0 million in California State Treasurer deposits, compared to \$63.1 million and \$200.0 million at December 31, 2010, respectively. The California State Treasurer deposits have three-month maturities with a weighted average interest rate of 0.11% at June 30, 2011 and were collateralized with securities with a carrying value of \$228.6 million. The weighted average interest rate for brokered deposits was 0.51% at June 30, 2011.

The following is a schedule of CD maturities as of June 30, 2011:

Maturity Schedule of Time Deposits

(in thousands)

Quarter Ending	Balance*	Weighted Average Interest Rate
September 30, 2011	\$ 152,424	1.46%
December 31, 2011	223,180	1.50%
March 31, 2012	135,598	1.42%
June 30, 2012	78,289	1.42%
Total one year or less	589,491	1.46%
Over one year	104,045	1.67%
Total time deposits	\$ 693,536	1.49%

* Excludes wholesale time deposits

Other Borrowings. Advances may be obtained from the FHLB as an alternative source of funds. Advances from the FHLB are typically secured by a pledge of commercial real estate loans and/or securities with a market value at least equal to the outstanding advances plus our investment in FHLB stock.

At June 30, 2011, we had \$300.0 million of FHLB advances with average remaining maturities of 2.0 years, compared to \$350.0 million with average remaining maturities of 2.2 years at December 31, 2010. The weighted average rate was 3.19% and 3.18% at June 30, 2011 and at December 31, 2010, respectively.

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At June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, five wholly-owned subsidiary grantor trusts established at various times by Nara Bancorp had \$38 million of outstanding pooled trust preferred securities (trust preferred securities). The trust preferred securities accrue and pay distributions periodically at specified annual rates as provided in the related indentures. The trusts used the net proceeds from their respective offerings to purchase a like amount of subordinated debentures (the Debentures) of Nara Bancorp. The Debentures are the sole assets of the trusts. Nara Bancorp's obligations under the Debentures and related documents, taken together, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by Nara Bancorp of the obligations of the trusts. The trust preferred securities are mandatorily redeemable upon the maturity of the Debentures, or upon earlier redemption as provided in the indentures. Nara Bancorp has the right to redeem the Debentures in whole (but not in part) on or after specific dates, at redemption prices specified in the indentures plus any accrued but unpaid interest to the redemption date.

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Off-Balance-Sheet Activities and Contractual Obligations

We routinely engage in activities that involve, to varying degrees, elements of risk that are not reflected, in whole or in part, in the consolidated financial statements. These activities are part of our normal course of business and include traditional off-balance-sheet credit-related financial instruments, interest rate swap contracts, operating leases and long-term debt.

Traditional off-balance-sheet credit-related financial instruments are primarily commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. These activities could require us to make cash payments to third parties in the event certain specified future events occur. The contractual amounts represent the extent of our exposure in these off-balance-sheet activities. However, since certain off-balance-sheet commitments, particularly standby letters of credit, are expected to expire or be only partially used, the total amount of commitments does not necessarily represent future cash requirements. These activities are necessary to meet the financing needs of our customers.

We enter into interest rate swap contracts under which we are required to either receive cash from or pay cash to counterparties depending on changes in interest rates. We also purchase interest rate caps to protect against increases in market interest rates. We utilize interest rate swap contracts and interest rate caps to help manage the risk of changing interest rates.

We do not anticipate that our current off-balance-sheet activities will have a material impact on our future results of operations or our financial condition. Further information regarding our financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk can be found in Item 3 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk .

We lease our banking facilities and equipment under non-cancelable operating leases under which we must make monthly payments over periods up to 30 years.

Stockholders Equity and Regulatory Capital

Historically, our primary source of capital has been the retention of earnings, net of dividend payments to shareholders. We seek to maintain capital at a level sufficient to assure our stockholders, our customers, and our regulators that our company and our bank subsidiary are financially sound. For this purpose, we perform ongoing assessments of our components of capital as well as projected sources and uses of capital in conjunction with projected increases in assets and levels of risks. We have considered, and we will continue to consider, additional sources of capital as needs arise, through the issuance of additional stock or debt. Based on our analysis of our capital needs (including any needs arising out of our financial condition and results of operations) and the input of our regulators, we may decide, or our regulators may require us, to raise additional capital. For example, we anticipate that we will raise additional capital through an offering of our common stock in connection with the pending Center Merger, although the amount of such an offering has not yet been finally decided upon.

Total stockholders equity was \$372.5 million at June 30, 2011 compared to \$358.6 million at December 31, 2010. The increase was primarily due to net income to common stockholders of \$10.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011. Our ratio of tangible common equity to tangible assets was 10.21% at June 30, 2011, compared to 9.76% at December 31, 2010. The increase was attributable to the decrease in tangible assets.

The federal banking agencies require a minimum ratio of qualifying total capital to risk-weighted assets of 8% and a minimum ratio of Tier I capital to risk-weighted assets of 4%. In addition to the risk-based guidelines, federal banking regulators require banking organizations to maintain a minimum amount of Tier I capital to average total assets, referred to as the leverage ratio. Capital requirements apply to the Company and the Bank separately. In addition to these uniform risk-based capital guidelines and leverage ratios that apply across the industry, the regulators have the discretion to set individual minimum capital requirements for specific institutions at rates significantly above the minimum guidelines and ratios.

At June 30, 2011, our Tier I capital, defined as stockholders equity less intangible assets, plus proceeds from the trust preferred securities (subject to limitations), was \$388.1 million, compared to \$374.4 million at December 31, 2010, representing an increase of \$13.8 million, or 4%. This increase was primarily due to the net income to common stockholders of \$10.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2011. At June 30, 2011, the total capital to risk-weighted assets ratio was 17.7% and the Tier I capital to risk-weighted assets ratio was 16.4%. The Tier I leverage capital ratio was 13.3%.

As of June 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the most recent regulatory notification categorized the Bank as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized, the Bank must maintain minimum total risk-based, Tier I risk-based and Tier I leverage capital ratios as set forth in the table below.

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	As of June 30, 2011 (Dollars in thousands)					
	Actual		To Be Well-Capitalized		Excess	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Nara Bancorp, Inc						
Tier 1 capital to total assets	\$ 388,176	13.3%	\$ 145,756	5.0%	\$ 242,420	8.3%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	\$ 388,176	16.4%	\$ 141,828	6.0%	\$ 246,348	10.4%
Total risk-based capital ratio	\$ 418,151	17.7%	\$ 236,380	10.0%	\$ 181,771	7.7%
Nara Bank						
Tier I capital to total assets	\$ 379,259	13.0%	\$ 145,734	5.0%	\$ 233,525	8.0%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	\$ 379,259	16.1%	\$ 141,671	6.0%	\$ 237,588	10.1%
Total risk-based capital ratio	\$ 409,201	17.3%	\$ 236,118	10.0%	\$ 173,083	7.3%

	As of December 31, 2010 (Dollars in thousands)					
	Actual		To Be Well-Capitalized		Excess	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Nara Bancorp, Inc						
Tier 1 capital to total assets	\$ 374,353	12.6%	\$ 148,398	5.0%	\$ 225,955	7.6%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	\$ 374,353	16.4%	\$ 136,791	6.0%	\$ 237,562	10.4%
Total risk-based capital ratio	\$ 403,298	17.7%	\$ 227,986	10.0%	\$ 175,312	7.7%
Nara Bank						
Tier I capital to total assets	\$ 364,397	12.3%	\$ 148,427	5.0%	\$ 215,970	7.3%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	\$ 364,397	16.0%	\$ 136,549	6.0%	\$ 227,848	10.0%
Total risk-based capital ratio	\$ 393,292	17.3%	\$ 227,581	10.0%	\$ 165,711	7.3%

Under federal banking law and regulations, dividends declared by the Bank in any calendar year may not, without the approval of the regulatory agency, exceed its net income for that year combined with its retained income from the preceding two years. However, the regulatory agency has previously issued a bulletin to all banks outlining guidelines limiting the circumstances under which banks may pay dividends even if the banks are otherwise statutorily authorized to pay dividends. The limitations impose a requirement or in some cases suggest, that prior approval of the regulatory agency should be obtained before a dividend is paid if a bank is the subject of administrative action or if the payment could be viewed by the regulatory agency as unsafe or unusual. In 2009, the Bank agreed with its primary regulatory agencies to obtain their prior written approval before paying any dividends.

Liquidity Management

Liquidity risk is the risk to earnings or capital that would arise if we were to become unable to meet our obligations when they come due without incurring unacceptable losses. Liquidity risk includes the possibility of having to manage unplanned decreases or changes in funding sources and to recognize or address changes in market conditions that affect our ability to liquidate assets quickly and with a minimum loss of value or to access other sources of cash. Factors considered in liquidity risk management are stability of the deposit base, marketability, maturity, and our ability to pledge investments, the availability of alternative sources of funds, and the demand for credit. We manage liquidity risk by managing interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, and by maintaining alternative sources of funds as described below.

Our primary sources of liquidity are derived from financing activities, which include customer and broker deposits, federal funds facilities, and borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco and the Federal Reserve Bank Discount Window. These funding sources are augmented by payments of principal and interest on loans, proceeds from sales of loans and the liquidation or sale of securities from our available for sale portfolio. Primary uses of funds include withdrawal of and interest payments on deposits, originations of loans, purchases of investment securities, and payment of operating expenses.

At June 30, 2011, our total borrowing capacity from the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco and the Federal Reserve Bank was \$909 million, of which \$609 million was available to borrow. In addition to these lines, our liquid assets, consisting of cash and cash equivalent, interest-bearing cash deposits with other banks, overnight federal funds sold to other banks, liquid investment securities available for sale, and loan repayments within 30 days, were \$444.3 million at June 30, 2011 compared to \$510.5 million at December 31, 2010. Cash and cash equivalents, including federal funds sold were \$171.1 million at June 30, 2011 compared to \$172.3 million at December 31, 2010. We believe our liquidity sources to be stable and adequate to meet our day-to-day cash flow requirements.

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The objective of our asset and liability management activities is to improve our earnings by adjusting the type and mix of assets and liabilities to effectively address changing conditions and risks. Through overall management of our balance sheet and by controlling various risks, we seek to optimize our financial returns within safe and sound parameters. Our operating strategies for attaining this objective include managing net interest margin through appropriate risk/return pricing of assets and liabilities and emphasizing growth in retail deposits, as a percentage of interest-bearing liabilities, to reduce our cost of funds. We also seek to improve earnings by controlling non-interest expense, and enhancing non-interest income. We also use risk management instruments to modify interest rate characteristics of certain assets and liabilities to hedge against our exposure to interest rate fluctuations with the objective of, reducing the effects these fluctuations might have on associated cash flows or values. Finally, we perform internal analysis to measure, evaluate and monitor risk.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the most significant market risk impacting us. Interest rate risk occurs when interest rate sensitive assets and liabilities do not reprice simultaneously and in equal volume. A key objective of asset and liability management is to manage interest rate risk associated with changing asset and liability cash flows and values of our assets and liabilities and market interest rate movements. The management of interest rate risk is governed by policies reviewed and approved annually by the Board of Directors. Our Board delegates responsibility for interest rate risk management to the Asset Liability Committee of the Board and to the Asset and Liability Management Committee (ALCO), which is composed of Nara Bank's senior executives and other designated officers.

Market risk is the risk of adverse impacts on our future earnings, the fair values of our assets and liabilities, or our future cash flows that may result from changes in the price of a financial instrument. The fundamental objective of our ALCO is to manage our exposure to interest rate fluctuations while maintaining adequate levels of liquidity and capital. Our ALCO meets regularly to monitor interest rate risk, the sensitivity of our assets and liabilities to interest rate changes, the book and market values of our assets and liabilities, and our investment activities. It also directs changes in the composition of our assets and liabilities. Our strategy has been to reduce the sensitivity of our earnings to interest rate fluctuations by more closely matching the effective maturities or repricing characteristics of our assets and liabilities. Certain assets and liabilities, however, may react in different degrees to changes in market interest rates. Furthermore, interest rates on certain types of assets and liabilities may fluctuate prior to changes in market interest rates, while interest rates on other types may lag behind. We consider the anticipated effects of these factors when implementing our interest rate risk management objectives.

Interest Rate Sensitivity

We monitor interest rate risk through the use of a simulation model that provides us with the ability to simulate our net interest income. In order to measure, at June 30, 2011, the sensitivity of our forecasted net interest income to changing interest rates, both rising and falling interest rate scenarios were projected and compared to base market interest rate forecasts. One application of our simulation model measures the impact of market interest rate changes on the net present value of estimated cash flows from our assets and liabilities, defined as our market value of equity. This analysis assesses the changes in market values of interest rate sensitive financial instruments that would occur in response to immediate and parallel changes in market interest rates.

The impacts on our net interest income and market value of equity exposed to immediate and parallel hypothetical changes in market interest rates as projected by the model we use for this purpose are illustrated in the following table.

Simulated Rate Changes	June 30, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Estimated Net	Market Value Of Equity	Estimated Net	Market Value Of Equity
	Interest Income Sensitivity	Volatility	Interest Income Sensitivity	Volatility
+ 200 basis points	3.48%	(3.44)%	(3.12)%	(4.62)%
+ 100 basis points	3.65%	(1.20)%	(2.92)%	(2.27)%
- 100 basis points	0.64%	0.14%	0.56%	0.24%
- 200 basis points	(4.04)%	(0.50)%	(4.33)%	(0.57)%

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The results obtained from using the simulation model are somewhat uncertain as the model does not take into account other impacts or changes and the effect they could have on Company's business or changes in business strategy the Company might make in reaction to changes in the interest rate environment.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We conducted an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) for the period ended June 30, 2011. Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer determined that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended June 30, 2011 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II

OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

The court granted the Company's motion for summary judgment in September 2010, in the Chung Lawsuit described in the Company's Form 10K for the period ended December 31, 2010, and the case was dismissed. Chung filed an opening Appellate Brief on June 16, 2011 and our response is due on August 8, 2011.

On May 2, 2011, a purported shareholder class action was filed in Los Angeles Superior Court against 1) the directors of Center Financial Corporation (Center), 2) Center, and 3) Nara Bancorp, Inc. (Rational Strategies Fund vs. Jin Chul Jung, et, al, Center Financial Corporation, and Nara Bancorp, Inc., Case #BC460783). The Complaint alleges the directors of Center breached their fiduciary duties of care, good faith and loyalty, in approving the proposed merger of Center and Nara Bancorp, and that all defendants failed to properly disclose material information in the registration statement relating to the merger that has been filed with the SEC. In addition, it alleges that Nara Bancorp, Inc. aided and abetted the Center directors' alleged breaches of fiduciary duty. The complaint seeks damages in an unspecified amount, attorneys fees, interest and costs. The parties to the class action have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to settle this lawsuit, subject to court approval, by making certain additional disclosures, all of which appear in the amended Registration Statement filed by the Company on Form S-4 on July 15, 2011. Center has further agreed to pay, following consummation of the merger, up to \$400,000 in plaintiff's attorneys' fees, if and to the extent awarded by the court. Any such payment would not become due until the merger is consummated and would be payable by the combined company.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There were no material changes from risk factors previously disclosed in our 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

None

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities
None

Item 4. Reserved
None

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Item 5. Other Information
None

Item 6. Exhibits
See Index to Exhibits .

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

NARA BANCORP, INC.

Date: August 8, 2011

/s/ Alvin D. Kang
Alvin D. Kang
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: August 8, 2011

/s/ Philip E. Guldeman
Philip E. Guldeman
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on June 5, 2000 (incorporated herein by reference to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on November 16, 2000)
3.2	Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on May 31, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 Exhibit 3.3 filed with the SEC on February 5, 2003)
3.3	Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on June 1, 2004 (incorporated herein by reference to the Registration Statement on Form 10-Q Exhibit 3.1.1 filed with the SEC on November 8, 2004)
3.4	Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on November 2, 2005 (incorporated herein by reference to the Registration Statement on DEF14 A, Appendix B filed with the SEC on September 6, 2005)
3.5	Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on July 20, 2007 (incorporated herein by reference to the Registration Statement on DEF14 A, Appendix C filed with the SEC on April 19, 2007)
3.6	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Nara Bancorp, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Current Report on Form 8-K Exhibit 3.1 filed with the SEC on December 28, 2007)
10.1	Amendment No. 1 to Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 13, 2011, between Nara Bancorp, Inc. and Center Financial Corporation (incorporated herein by reference to the Current Report on Form 8-K, Exhibit 1.1, filed with the SEC on April 15, 2011)
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002*
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002*
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Public Company Accounting Reform and Investor Protection Act of 2002*
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to section 906 of the Public Company Accounting Reform and Investor Protection Act of 2002*
101.INS**	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE**	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

* **Filed herewith**

** **Furnished herewith.**