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QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016

Commission File No. 001-36408

PACWEST BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 33-0885320

(State of Incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

9701 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 700

Beverly Hills, CA 90212

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

(310) 887-8500

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) 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 April 27, 2016, there were 120,208,695 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding, excluding 1,560,386 shares of unvested restricted stock.

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PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	March 31, 2016 (Unaudited) (Dollars in thousands)	December 31, 2015
ASSETS:		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 161,977	\$ 161,020
Interest-earning deposits in financial institutions	357,541	235,466
Total cash and cash equivalents	519,518	396,486
Securities available-for-sale, at fair value	3,240,586	3,559,437
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	17,250	19,710
Total investment securities	3,257,836	3,579,147
Gross loans and leases	14,542,522	14,528,165
Deferred fees and costs	(59,005)	(49,911)
Allowance for loan and lease losses	(130,361)	(115,111)
Total loans and leases, net	14,353,156	14,363,143
Equipment leased to others under operating leases	205,163	197,452
Premises and equipment, net	39,713	39,197
Foreclosed assets, net	18,310	22,120
Goodwill	2,175,791	2,176,291
Core deposit and customer relationship intangibles, net	48,137	53,220
Deferred tax asset, net	91,126	126,389
Other assets	322,259	335,045
Total assets	\$21,031,009	\$21,288,490
LIABILITIES:		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$6,139,963	\$6,171,455
Interest-bearing deposits	9,301,412	9,494,727
Total deposits	15,441,375	15,666,182
Borrowings	551,401	621,914
Subordinated debentures	438,723	436,000
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	142,918	166,703
Total liabilities	16,574,417	16,890,799
Commitments and contingencies (Note 8)	—	—
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Preferred stock (\$0.01 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding)	—	—
Common stock (\$0.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015; 123,153,983 and 122,791,729 shares issued, respectively, including 1,562,557 and 1,211,951 shares of unvested restricted stock, respectively)	1,232	1,228
Additional paid-in capital	4,353,706	4,405,775
Retained earnings	104,363	13,907

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Treasury stock, at cost (1,382,731 and 1,378,002 shares at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015)	(51,188) (51,047)
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net	48,479	27,828	
Total stockholders' equity	4,456,592	4,397,691	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$21,031,009	\$21,288,490	

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31,	December	March 31,
	2016	31,	2015
	2015		
	(Unaudited)		
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)		
Interest income:			
Loans and leases	\$236,375	\$219,677	\$202,097
Investment securities	22,547	23,648	12,195
Deposits in financial institutions	308	172	22
Total interest income	259,230	243,497	214,314
Interest expense:			
Deposits	9,073	9,391	10,479
Borrowings	581	159	235
Subordinated debentures	4,982	4,748	4,525
Total interest expense	14,636	14,298	15,239
Net interest income	244,594	229,199	199,075
Provision for credit losses	20,140	13,772	16,434
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	224,454	215,427	182,641
Noninterest income:			
Service charges on deposit accounts	3,856	3,901	2,574
Other commissions and fees	11,489	12,691	5,396
Leased equipment income	8,244	7,791	5,382
Gain on sale of loans and leases	245	183	—
Gain on sale of securities	8,110	—	3,275
FDIC loss sharing expense, net	(2,415)	(4,291)	(4,399)
Other income	5,010	7,783	8,643
Total noninterest income	34,539	28,058	20,871
Noninterest expense:			
Compensation	61,065	58,992	47,737
Occupancy	12,632	12,194	10,600
Data processing	5,904	5,585	4,308
Other professional services	3,572	3,811	3,221
Insurance and assessments	4,965	5,450	3,025
Intangible asset amortization	4,746	4,910	1,501
Leased equipment depreciation	5,024	4,235	3,103
Foreclosed assets (income) expense, net	(561)	(3,185)	336
Acquisition, integration and reorganization costs	200	17,600	2,000
Other expense	13,141	12,672	8,529
Total noninterest expense	110,688	122,264	84,360
Earnings before income taxes	148,305	121,221	119,152
Income tax expense	(57,849)	(49,380)	(46,073)
Net earnings	\$90,456	\$71,841	\$73,079
Earnings per share:			
Basic	\$0.74	\$0.60	\$0.71

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Diluted	\$0.74	\$0.60	\$0.71
Dividends declared per share	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2016 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2015
Net earnings	\$90,456	\$71,841	\$73,079
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:			
Unrealized net holding gains on securities available-for-sale arising during the period	43,093	5,874	7,363
Income tax expense related to net unrealized holding gains arising during the period	(17,655)	(2,505)	(3,105)
Unrealized net holding gains on securities available-for-sale, net of tax	25,438	3,369	4,258
Reclassification adjustment for net gains included in net earnings ⁽¹⁾	(8,110)	—	(3,275)
Income tax expense related to reclassification adjustment	3,323	—	1,381
Reclassification adjustment for net gains included in net earnings, net of tax	(4,787)	—	(1,894)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	20,651	3,369	2,364
Comprehensive income	\$111,107	\$75,210	\$75,443

(1) Entire amounts are recognized in "Gain on sale of securities" on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings.

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2016						Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total
	Common Stock Shares (Unaudited)	Par Value	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock			
Balance, December 31, 2015	121,413,727	\$1,228	\$4,405,775	\$13,907	\$(51,047)	\$ 27,828	\$4,397,691	
Net earnings	—	—	—	90,456	—	—	90,456	
Other comprehensive income - net unrealized gain on securities available-for-sale, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	20,651	20,651	
Restricted stock awarded and earned stock compensation, net of shares forfeited	362,254	4	5,042	—	—	—	5,046	
Restricted stock surrendered	(4,729)	—	—	—	(141)	—	(141)	
Tax effect from vesting of restricted stock	—	—	3,795	—	—	—	3,795	
Cash dividends paid	—	—	(60,906)	—	—	—	(60,906)	
Balance, March 31, 2016	121,771,252	\$1,232	\$4,353,706	\$104,363	\$(51,188)	\$ 48,479	\$4,456,592	

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
	(Unaudited)	
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net earnings	\$90,456	\$73,079
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	22,488	10,648
Provision for credit losses	20,140	16,434
(Gain) loss on sale of foreclosed assets	(504)	) 106
Provision for losses on foreclosed assets	—	124
Gain on sale of loans and leases	(245)) —
Gain on sale of premises and equipment	(6)	) (3)
Gain on sale of securities	(8,110)	) (3,275)
Unrealized gain on derivatives and foreign currencies, net	(250)	) (2,715)
Earned stock compensation	5,046	3,112
Loss on sale of leasing unit	720	—
Tax effect included in stockholders' equity of restricted stock vesting	(3,795)) —
Decrease in accrued and deferred income taxes, net	24,726	38,722
Decrease in other assets	5,214	19,356
Decrease in accrued interest payable and other liabilities	(23,722)	) (29,102)
Net cash provided by operating activities	132,158	126,486
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Net increase in loan and leases	(170,465)	) (403,438)
Proceeds from sales of loans and leases	26,903	—
Securities available-for-sale:		
Proceeds from maturities and paydowns	61,626	27,547
Proceeds from sales	343,031	144,945
Purchases	(52,236)	) (196,568)
Net redemptions of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	2,460	11,704
Proceeds from sales of foreclosed assets	4,443	7,945
Purchases of premises and equipment, net	(2,896)	) (1,490)
Proceeds from sales of premises and equipment	6	29
Proceeds from sale of leasing unit	138,809	—
Proceeds from BOLI death benefit	1,853	—
Net increase of equipment leased to others under operating leases	(12,300)) —
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	341,234	(409,326)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net (decrease) increase in deposits:		
Noninterest-bearing	(31,310)	) 97,224
Interest-bearing	(193,315)	) 80,914
Net (decrease) increase in borrowings	(68,483)	) 234,754
Restricted stock surrendered	(141)) —
Tax effect included in stockholders' equity of restricted vesting stock	3,795	—

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Cash dividends paid	(60,906)	(51,424)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(350,360)	361,468
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	123,032	78,628
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	396,486	313,226
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$519,518	\$391,854

Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:

Cash paid for interest	\$15,080	\$12,334
Cash paid (received) for income taxes	15,773	(7,695)
Loans transferred to foreclosed assets	129	394

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Note 1. Organization

PacWest Bancorp is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. Our principal business is to serve as the holding company for our wholly-owned banking subsidiary, Pacific Western Bank, which we refer to as "Pacific Western" or the "Bank." When we say "we," "our," or the "Company," we mean PacWest Bancorp together with its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. When we refer to "PacWest" or to the holding company, we are referring to PacWest Bancorp, the parent company, on a stand alone basis. As of March 31, 2016, the Company had total assets of \$21.0 billion, gross loans and leases of \$14.5 billion, total deposits of \$15.4 billion and total stockholders' equity of \$4.5 billion.

We are focused on relationship-based business banking to small, middle-market and venture-backed businesses nationwide. The Bank offers a broad range of loan and lease and deposit products and services through 79 full-service branches located throughout the State of California, one branch located in Durham, North Carolina, and several loan production offices located in cities across the country. We provide commercial banking services, including real estate, construction, and commercial loans and leases, and comprehensive deposit and treasury management services to small and middle market businesses. Pacific Western offers products and services through its CapitalSource and Square 1 Bank divisions. CapitalSource focuses on providing cash flow, asset-based, equipment and real estate loans and treasury management services to established middle-market businesses on a national basis. Square 1 Bank focuses on providing a comprehensive suite of financial products tailored to service entrepreneurial businesses and their venture capital and private equity investors, with offices located in key innovation hubs across the United States. In addition, we provide investment advisory and asset management services to select clients through Square 1 Asset Management, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank and a SEC-registered investment adviser. When we refer to "CapitalSource Inc." we are referring to the company acquired on April 7, 2014 and when we refer to the "CapitalSource Division" we are referring to a division of Pacific Western Bank that specializes in middle-market lending on a nationwide basis.

We generate our revenue primarily from interest received on loans and leases and, to a lesser extent, from interest received on investment securities, and fees received in connection with deposit services, extending credit and other services offered, including foreign exchange services. Our major operating expenses are compensation, occupancy, general operating expenses, and the interest paid by the Bank on deposits and borrowings.

We have completed 28 acquisitions from May 1, 2000 through March 31, 2016, including the acquisition of Square 1 Financial, Inc. ("Square 1") on October 6, 2015. Our acquisitions have been accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting and, accordingly, the operating results of the acquired entities have been included in the consolidated financial statements from their respective acquisition dates. See Note 2. Acquisitions, for more information about the Square 1 acquisition.

On March 31, 2016, we sold our Pacific Western Equipment Finance ("PWEF") leasing unit in Midvale, Utah, including approximately \$139 million of outstanding lease balances.

Significant Accounting Policies

Except as discussed below, our accounting policies are described in Note 1, Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, of our audited consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Form 10-K").

Basis of Presentation

Our interim consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP") for interim financial information and pursuant to the requirements for reporting on Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Accordingly, certain disclosures accompanying annual consolidated financial statements are omitted. In the opinion of management, all significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated and adjustments, consisting solely of normal recurring accruals and considered necessary for the fair presentation of financial statements for the interim periods, have been

included. The current period's results of operations are not necessarily indicative of the results that ultimately may be achieved for the year. The interim consolidated financial statements and notes thereto should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Form 10-K.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Use of Estimates

We have made a number of estimates and assumptions related to the reporting of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the condensed consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period to prepare these condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP. Material estimates subject to change in the near term include, among other items, the allowance for credit losses, the carrying value and useful lives of intangible assets, the carrying value of the FDIC loss sharing asset, the realization of deferred tax assets, and the fair value estimates of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in acquisitions. These estimates may be adjusted as more current information becomes available, and any adjustment may be significant.

As described in Note 2, Acquisitions, the acquired assets and liabilities of Square 1 were measured at their estimated fair values. We made significant estimates and exercised significant judgment in estimating fair values and accounting for such acquired assets and assumed liabilities.

Reclassifications

Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period's presentation format. The operating segments previously reported have been aggregated to one segment to conform to the current period's presentation format.

Note 2. Acquisitions

Square 1 Financial, Inc. Acquisition

We acquired Square 1 Financial, Inc. ("Square 1") on October 6, 2015. As part of the acquisition, Square 1 Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Square 1, merged with and into Pacific Western. At closing, we formed the Square 1 Bank Division of the Bank which focuses on providing a comprehensive suite of financial services to entrepreneurial businesses and their venture capital and private equity investors nationwide.

We completed this acquisition to increase our core deposits, expand our nationwide lending platform, and increase our presence in the technology and life-sciences credit markets. The Square 1 acquisition has been accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting. We acquired \$4.6 billion of assets and assumed \$3.8 billion of liabilities upon closing of the acquisition. The assets and liabilities, both tangible and intangible, were recorded at their estimated fair values as of the acquisition date. We made significant estimates and exercised significant judgment in estimating fair values and accounting for such acquired assets and liabilities. Such fair values are preliminary estimates and are subject to adjustment for up to one year after the acquisition date or when additional information relative to the closing date fair values becomes available and such information is considered final, whichever is earlier. The fair value of the acquired net tax assets, once the final tax returns have been filed, may change. The application of the acquisition method of accounting resulted in goodwill of \$447.9 million. All of the recognized goodwill is expected to be non-deductible for tax purposes.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Acquisition-Related Charges

The costs shown for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 relate to the Square 1 acquisition and ongoing systems integration. The following table presents the components of acquisition, integration and reorganization costs for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended		
	March	December	March
	31,	31,	31,
	2016	2015	2015
	(In thousands)		
Acquisition, Integration and Reorganization Costs:			
Severance and employee-related	\$—	\$ 10,500	\$—
System conversion and integration	200	3,802	—
Asset write-downs, lease terminations and other facilities-related	—	125	—
Investment banking deal costs	—	—	1,050
Other (legal, accounting, insurance, consulting)	—	3,173	950
Total acquisition, integration and reorganization costs	\$200	\$ 17,600	\$ 2,000

Note 3. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill arises from the acquisition method of accounting for business combinations and represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net assets and other identifiable intangible assets acquired. Our intangible assets with definite lives are core deposit intangibles ("CDI") and customer relationship intangibles ("CRI").

Goodwill and other intangible assets deemed to have indefinite lives generated from business combinations are not subject to amortization and are instead tested for impairment no less than annually. Impairment exists when the carrying value of goodwill exceeds its implied fair value. An impairment loss would be recognized in an amount equal to that excess and would be included in "Noninterest expense" in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings. CDI and CRI are amortized over their respective estimated useful lives and reviewed for impairment at least quarterly. The amortization expense represents the estimated decline in the value of the underlying deposits or loan and lease customers acquired. The weighted average amortization period remaining for all of our CDI and CRI as of March 31, 2016 is 6.0 years. The aggregate CDI and CRI amortization expense is expected to be \$16.1 million for 2016. The estimated aggregate amortization expense related to these intangible assets for each of the next five years is \$11.5 million for 2017, \$8.8 million for 2018, \$6.7 million for 2019, \$4.7 million for 2020, and \$3.0 million for 2021.

The following table presents the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the period indicated:

	Goodwill
	(In thousands)
Balance, December 31, 2015	\$ 2,176,291
Reduction due to sale of PWEF leasing unit	(500)
Balance, March 31, 2016	\$ 2,175,791

Through the sale of the PWEF leasing unit, \$500,000 of goodwill was allocated to this business group; such goodwill reduction is included in the loss on sale of the PWEF leasing unit and included in "Other income" in the condensed consolidated statement of earnings.

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The following table presents the changes in CDI and CRI and the related accumulated amortization for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2015
	(In thousands)		
Gross Amount of CDI and CRI:			
Balance, beginning of period	\$95,524	\$53,090	\$53,090
Additions	—	45,426	—
Fully amortized portion	—	(2,992)	—
Reduction due to sale of PWEF leasing unit	(1,700)	—	—
Balance, end of period	93,824	95,524	53,090
Accumulated Amortization:			
Balance, beginning of period	(42,304)	(40,386)	(35,886)
Amortization	(4,746)	(4,910)	(1,501)
Fully amortized portion	—	2,992	—
Reduction due to sale of PWEF leasing unit	1,363	—	—
Balance, end of period	(45,687)	(42,304)	(37,387)
Net CDI and CRI, end of period	\$48,137	\$53,220	\$15,703

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Note 4. Investment Securities

Securities Available-for-Sale

The following table presents amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and carrying values of securities available-for-sale as of the dates indicated:

Security Type:	March 31, 2016				December 31, 2015			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Residential mortgage-backed securities:								
Government agency and government-sponsored enterprise pass-through securities	\$642,233	\$ 12,865	\$(1,233)	\$653,865	\$759,881	\$ 12,075	\$(4,159)	\$767,797
Government agency and government-sponsored enterprise collateralized mortgage obligations	431,456	12,515	(239)	443,732	486,065	3,584	(3,410)	486,239
Covered private label collateralized mortgage obligations	23,026	5,064	(227)	27,863	24,113	5,794	(125)	29,782
Other private label collateralized mortgage obligations	108,019	246	(883)	107,382	115,952	43	(981)	115,014
Municipal securities	1,457,795	59,886	(89)	1,517,592	1,508,968	39,435	(1,072)	1,547,331
US Treasury securities	—	—	—	—	70,196	—	(816)	69,380
Corporate debt securities	47,269	303	(2,089)	45,483	49,047	327	(950)	48,424
Collateralized loan obligations	142,637	42	(3,107)	139,572	133,192	128	(1,131)	132,189
SBA securities	201,934	947	(207)	202,674	211,946	41	(830)	211,157
Government-sponsored enterprise debt securities	—	—	—	—	36,302	611	—	36,913
Asset-backed and other securities	104,182	135	(1,894)	102,423	116,723	119	(1,631)	115,211
Total	\$3,158,551	\$92,003	\$(9,968)	\$3,240,586	\$3,512,385	\$62,157	\$(15,105)	\$3,559,437

As of March 31, 2016, securities available for sale with a carrying value of \$414.6 million were pledged as collateral for borrowings, public deposits and other purposes as required by various statutes and agreements.

During the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, we purchased \$52.2 million and \$196.6 million in securities available-for-sale.

During the three months ended March 31, 2016, we sold \$334.9 million of various securities, primarily government agency and government-sponsored enterprise ("GSE") pass-through securities and collateralized mortgage obligations, U.S. Treasury securities and GSE debt securities, for a gross realized gain of \$8.9 million and a gross realized loss of

\$0.8 million. During the three months ended March 31, 2015, we sold \$141.7 million of various securities, primarily corporate debt securities and GSE pass-through securities, for a gross realized gain of \$3.7 million and a gross realized loss of \$0.4 million.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Unrealized Losses on Securities Available-for-Sale

The following tables present the gross unrealized losses and fair values of securities available-for-sale that were in unrealized loss positions, for which other-than-temporary impairments have not been recognized in earnings, as of the dates indicated:

Security Type:	March 31, 2016					
	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total	
	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses
	(In thousands)					
Residential mortgage-backed securities:						
Government agency and government-sponsored enterprise pass-through securities	\$196,388	\$ (1,135)	\$9,422	\$ (98)	\$205,810	\$ (1,233)
Government agency and government-sponsored enterprise collateralized mortgage obligations	33,702	(239)	—	—	33,702	(239)
Covered private label collateralized mortgage obligations	1,239	(98)	849	(129)	2,088	(227)
Other private label collateralized mortgage obligations	59,407	(838)	1,029	(45)	60,436	(883)
Municipal securities	18,108	(55)	5,496	(34)	23,604	(89)
Corporate debt securities	28,180	(2,089)	—	—	28,180	(2,089)
Collateralized loan obligations	106,773	(2,121)	23,355	(986)	130,128	(3,107)
SBA securities	87,150	(207)	—	—	87,150	(207)
Asset-backed and other securities	64,013	(1,285)	15,923	(609)	79,936	(1,894)
Total	\$594,960	\$ (8,067)	\$56,074	\$ (1,901)	\$651,034	\$ (9,968)

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Security Type:	December 31, 2015					
	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total	Gross Unrealized Losses
	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	
	(In thousands)					
Residential mortgage-backed securities:						
Government agency and government-sponsored enterprise pass-through securities	\$391,642	\$(3,893)	\$9,342	\$(266)	\$400,984	\$(4,159)
Government agency and government-sponsored enterprise collateralized mortgage obligations	314,284	(2,769)	14,230	(641)	328,514	(3,410)
Covered private label collateralized mortgage obligations	1,354	(57)	568	(68)	1,922	(125)
Other private label collateralized mortgage obligations	92,179	(943)	1,070	(38)	93,249	(981)
Municipal securities	126,892	(1,061)	531	(11)	127,423	(1,072)
US Treasury securities	69,380	(816)	—	—	69,380	(816)
Corporate debt securities	29,379	(950)	—	—	29,379	(950)
Collateralized loan obligations	100,993	(1,131)	—	—	100,993	(1,131)
SBA securities	179,942	(830)	—	—	179,942	(830)
Asset-backed and other securities	71,619	(1,182)	16,091	(449)	87,710	(1,631)
Total	\$1,377,664	\$(13,632)	\$41,832	\$(1,473)	\$1,419,496	\$(15,105)

We reviewed the securities that were in a loss position at March 31, 2016, and concluded their unrealized losses were not a result of downgraded credit ratings or other indicators of deterioration of the underlying issuers' ability to repay. Such unrealized losses were a result of the level of market interest rates and pricing changes caused by shifting supply and demand dynamics relative to the types of securities. Accordingly, we determined the securities were temporarily impaired and we did not recognize such impairment in the condensed consolidated statements of earnings. Although we occasionally sell securities for portfolio management purposes, we do not foresee having to sell any temporarily impaired securities strictly for liquidity needs and believe that it is more likely than not we would not be required to sell any temporarily impaired securities before recovery of their amortized cost.

Contractual Maturities of Securities Available-for-Sale

The following table presents the contractual maturities of our available-for-sale securities portfolio based on amortized cost and carrying value as of the date indicated:

Maturity:	March 31, 2016	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)	
Due in one year or less	\$12,821	\$12,628
Due after one year through five years	216,420	219,110
Due after five years through ten years	603,523	619,214
Due after ten years	2,325,787	2,389,634
Total securities available-for-sale	\$3,158,551	\$3,240,586

Mortgage-backed securities have contractual terms to maturity, but require periodic payments to reduce principal. In addition, expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities because obligors and/or issuers may have the

right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

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Interest Income on Investment Securities

The following table presents the composition of our interest income on investment securities for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2015
	(In thousands)		
Taxable interest	\$11,396	\$ 12,730	\$7,473
Non-taxable interest	10,726	10,459	3,894
Dividend income	425	459	828
Total interest income on investment securities	\$22,547	\$ 23,648	\$12,195

Note 5. Loans and Leases

The Company's loan and lease portfolio includes originated and purchased loans and leases. Originated and purchased loans and leases for which there was no evidence of credit deterioration at their acquisition date and for which it was probable that all contractually required payments would be collected, are referred to collectively as non-purchased credit impaired loans, or "Non-PCI loans." Purchased loans for which there was, at the acquisition date, evidence of credit deterioration since their origination and for which it was deemed probable that we would be unable to collect all contractually required payments, are referred to as purchased credit impaired loans, or "PCI loans".

Non-PCI loans are carried at the principal amount outstanding, net of deferred fees and costs, and in the case of acquired loans, net of purchase discounts and premiums. Deferred fees and costs and purchase discounts and premiums are recognized as an adjustment to interest income over the contractual life of the loans using the effective interest method or taken into income on an accelerated basis when the related loans are paid off or sold.

PCI loans are accounted for in accordance with ASC Subtopic 310 30, "Loans and Debt Securities Acquired with Deteriorated Credit Quality". For PCI loans, at the time of acquisition we (i) calculate the contractual amount and timing of undiscounted principal and interest payments (the "undiscounted contractual cash flows") and (ii) estimate the amount and timing of undiscounted expected principal and interest payments (the "undiscounted expected cash flows"). The difference between the undiscounted contractual cash flows and the undiscounted expected cash flows is the nonaccretable difference. The difference between the undiscounted cash flows expected to be collected and the estimated fair value of the acquired loans is the accretable yield. The nonaccretable difference represents an estimate of the loss exposure of principal and interest related to the PCI loan portfolio; such amount is subject to change over time based on the performance of such loans. The carrying value of PCI loans is reduced by payments received, both principal and interest, and increased by the portion of the accretable yield recognized as interest income.

The following table summarizes the composition of our loan and lease portfolio as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015		
	Non-PCI Loans and Leases		PCI Loans Total	Non-PCI Loans and Leases		PCI Loans Total
	(In thousands)					
Real estate mortgage	\$5,649,282	\$ 160,122	\$5,809,404	\$5,706,903	\$ 168,725	\$5,875,628
Real estate construction and land	584,968	2,689	587,657	534,307	2,656	536,963
Commercial	8,021,092	13,513	8,034,605	7,977,067	17,415	7,994,482
Consumer	110,573	283	110,856	120,793	299	121,092
Total gross loans and leases	14,365,915	176,607	14,542,522	14,339,070	189,095	14,528,165
Deferred fees and costs	(58,954	) (51	) (59,005	) (49,861	) (50	) (49,911
Total loans and leases, net of deferred fees	14,306,961	176,556	14,483,517	14,289,209	189,045	14,478,254

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Allowance for loan and lease losses	(120,807)	(9,554)	(130,361)	(105,534)	(9,577)	(115,111)
Total net loans and leases	\$14,186,154	\$167,002	\$14,353,156	\$14,183,675	\$179,468	\$14,363,143

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Non Purchased Credit Impaired (Non PCI) Loans and Leases

The following tables present an aging analysis of our Non PCI loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2016				
	30 - 89	90 or			
	Days	Days	Total		
	Past	Past	Past	Current	Total
	Due	Due	Due		
	(In thousands)				
Real estate mortgage:					
Commercial	\$16,655	\$10,638	\$27,293	\$4,525,668	\$4,552,961
Residential	2,187	559	2,746	1,074,590	1,077,336
Total real estate mortgage	18,842	11,197	30,039	5,600,258	5,630,297
Real estate construction and land:					
Commercial	—	—	—	305,529	305,529
Residential	—	—	—	269,944	269,944
Total real estate construction and land	—	—	—	575,473	575,473
Commercial:					
Cash flow	766	2,013	2,779	3,163,035	3,165,814
Asset-based	4	—	4	2,588,912	2,588,916
Venture capital	9,554	—	9,554	1,493,057	1,502,611
Equipment finance	2,244	2,140	4,384	728,844	733,228
Total commercial	12,568	4,153	16,721	7,973,848	7,990,569
Consumer	30	708	738	109,884	110,622
Total Non-PCI loans and leases	\$31,440	\$16,058	\$47,498	\$14,259,463	\$14,306,961

	December 31, 2015				
	30 - 89	90 or			
	Days	Days	Total		
	Past	Past	Past	Current	Total
	Due	Due	Due		
	(In thousands)				
Real estate mortgage:					
Commercial	\$3,947	\$13,075	\$17,022	\$4,534,936	\$4,551,958
Residential	3,391	905	4,296	1,131,809	1,136,105
Total real estate mortgage	7,338	13,980	21,318	5,666,745	5,688,063
Real estate construction and land:					
Commercial	—	—	—	343,360	343,360
Residential	—	—	—	184,360	184,360
Total real estate construction and land	—	—	—	527,720	527,720
Commercial:					
Cash flow	2,048	1,427	3,475	3,058,793	3,062,268
Asset-based	1	—	1	2,547,532	2,547,533
Venture capital	250	700	950	1,451,477	1,452,427

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Equipment finance	359	94	453	889,896	890,349
Total commercial	2,658	2,221	4,879	7,947,698	7,952,577
Consumer	626	1,307	1,933	118,916	120,849
Total Non-PCI loans and leases	\$10,622	\$17,508	\$28,130	\$14,261,079	\$14,289,209

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It is the Company's policy to discontinue accruing interest when, in the opinion of management, there is a reasonable doubt as to the collectability of a loan or lease in the normal course of business or when principal or interest payments are past due 90 days or more unless the loan is both well secured and in the process of collection. Interest income on nonaccrual loans is recognized only to the extent cash is received and the principal balance of the loan is deemed collectable.

The following table presents our nonaccrual and performing Non-PCI loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015		
	Nonaccrual	Performing	Total	Nonaccrual	Performing	Total
	(In thousands)					
Real estate mortgage:						
Commercial	\$30,357	\$4,522,604	\$4,552,961	\$52,363	\$4,499,595	\$4,551,958
Residential	5,807	1,071,529	1,077,336	4,914	1,131,191	1,136,105
Total real estate mortgage	36,164	5,594,133	5,630,297	57,277	5,630,786	5,688,063
Real estate construction and land:						
Commercial	—	305,529	305,529	—	343,360	343,360
Residential	370	269,574	269,944	372	183,988	184,360
Total real estate construction and land	370	575,103	575,473	372	527,348	527,720
Commercial:						
Cash flow	39,665	3,126,149	3,165,814	15,800	3,046,468	3,062,268
Asset-based	2,046	2,586,870	2,588,916	2,505	2,545,028	2,547,533
Venture capital	—	1,502,611	1,502,611	124	1,452,303	1,452,427
Equipment finance	51,247	681,981	733,228	51,410	838,939	890,349
Total commercial	92,958	7,897,611	7,990,569	69,839	7,882,738	7,952,577
Consumer	926	109,696	110,622	1,531	119,318	120,849
Total Non-PCI loans and leases	\$130,418	\$14,176,543	\$14,306,961	\$129,019	\$14,160,190	\$14,289,209

At March 31, 2016, nonaccrual loans and leases totaled \$130.4 million and included \$13.5 million of loans and leases 90 or more days past due, \$13.7 million of loans and leases 30 to 89 days past due, and \$103.2 million of current loans and leases that were placed on nonaccrual status based on management's judgment regarding their collectability.

Nonaccrual loans and leases totaled \$129.0 million at December 31, 2015, including \$16.8 million of the loans and leases 90 or more days past due, \$3.6 million of loans and leases 30 to 89 days past due, and \$108.6 million of current loans and leases that were placed on nonaccrual status based on management's judgment regarding their collectability.

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The following table presents the credit risk rating categories for Non-PCI loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated. Nonclassified loans and leases are those with a credit risk rating of either pass or special mention, while classified loans and leases are those with a credit risk rating of either substandard or doubtful.

	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015		
	Classified	Nonclassified	Total	Classified	Nonclassified	Total
(In thousands)						
Real estate mortgage:						
Commercial	\$65,532	\$4,487,429	\$4,552,961	\$98,436	\$4,453,522	\$4,551,958
Residential	18,361	1,058,975	1,077,336	12,627	1,123,478	1,136,105
Total real estate mortgage	83,893	5,546,404	5,630,297	111,063	5,577,000	5,688,063
Real estate construction and land:						
Commercial	558	304,971	305,529	571	342,789	343,360
Residential	1,382	268,562	269,944	1,395	182,965	184,360
Total real estate construction and land	1,940	573,533	575,473	1,966	525,754	527,720
Commercial:						
Cash flow	209,108	2,956,706	3,165,814	183,726	2,878,542	3,062,268
Asset-based	22,236	2,566,680	2,588,916	19,340	2,528,193	2,547,533
Venture capital	14,889	1,487,722	1,502,611	19,105	1,433,322	1,452,427
Equipment finance	51,247	681,981	733,228	54,054	836,295	890,349
Total commercial	297,480	7,693,089	7,990,569	276,225	7,676,352	7,952,577
Consumer	1,385	109,237	110,622	2,500	118,349	120,849
Total Non-PCI loans and leases	\$384,698	\$13,922,263	\$14,306,961	\$391,754	\$13,897,455	\$14,289,209

In addition to our internal risk rating process, our federal and state banking regulators, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the Company's loan and lease risk rating classifications. Our regulators may require the Company to recognize rating downgrades based on their judgments related to information available to them at the time of their examinations. Risk rating downgrades generally result in higher allowances for credit losses. Non-PCI nonaccrual loans and leases and performing troubled debt restructured loans are considered impaired for reporting purposes. The following table presents the composition of our impaired loans and leases as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015		
	Nonaccrual Loans/Leases	Restructured Loans/Leases	Total Impaired Loans/Leases	Nonaccrual Loans/Leases	Restructured Loans/Leases	Total Impaired Loans/Leases
(In thousands)						
Real estate mortgage	\$36,164	\$55,124	\$91,288	\$57,277	\$27,133	\$84,410
Real estate construction and land	370	7,575	7,945	372	7,631	8,003
Commercial	92,958	3,901	96,859	69,839	5,221	75,060
Consumer	926	229	1,155	1,531	197	1,728
Total	\$130,418	\$66,829	\$197,247	\$129,019	\$40,182	\$169,201

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The following tables present information regarding our Non-PCI impaired loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of and for the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015		
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance
(In thousands)						
With An Allowance Recorded:						
Real estate mortgage:						
Commercial	\$25,440	\$26,632	\$ 1,206	\$17,967	\$19,219	\$ 777
Residential	4,198	4,352	748	2,278	2,435	681
Real estate construction and land:						
Residential	743	743	21	747	747	26
Commercial:						
Cash flow	37,894	44,786	9,965	14,072	20,312	7,079
Asset-based	3,696	4,250	1,973	3,901	4,423	2,511
Equipment finance	51,247	58,862	15,964	11,193	11,894	8,032
Consumer	359	365	163	365	372	157
With No Related Allowance Recorded:						
Real estate mortgage:						
Commercial	\$55,460	\$65,094		\$58,678	\$68,333	
Residential	6,190	12,347		5,487	11,406	
Real estate construction and land:						
Commercial	7,202	7,197		7,256	7,256	
Commercial:						
Cash flow	2,841	5,188		2,825	5,121	
Asset-based	1,181	1,176		2,729	2,726	
Venture capital	—	—		124	125	
Equipment finance	—	—		40,216	44,194	
Consumer	796	1,904		1,363	1,945	
Total Non-PCI Loans and Leases With and Without an Allowance Recorded:						
Real estate mortgage	\$91,288	\$108,425	\$ 1,954	\$84,410	\$101,393	\$ 1,458
Real estate construction and land	7,945	7,940	21	8,003	8,003	26
Commercial	96,859	114,262	27,902	75,060	88,795	17,622
Consumer	1,155	2,269	163	1,728	2,317	157
Total	\$197,247	\$232,896	\$ 30,040	\$169,201	\$200,508	\$ 19,263

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	Three Months Ended March 31, 2016		2015	
	Weighted Average Balance ⁽¹⁾ (In thousands)	Interest Income Recognized	Weighted Average Balance ⁽¹⁾	Interest Income Recognized
With An Allowance Recorded: Real estate mortgage:				
Commercial	\$ 19,471	\$ 243	\$ 11,917	\$ 148
Residential	4,198	24	2,796	7
Real estate construction and land:				
Commercial	—	—	403	5
Residential	743	4	759	4
Commercial:				
Cash flow	20,823	12	16,028	11
Asset-based	3,696	27	4,693	33
Equipment finance	49,322	—	4,581	—
Consumer	341	3	383	4
With No Related Allowance Recorded: Real estate mortgage:				
Commercial	\$ 54,132	\$ 217	\$ 36,704	\$ 74
Residential	5,405	14	5,187	6
Real estate construction and land:				
Commercial	7,202	62	7,457	271
Residential	—	—	20	—
Commercial:				
Cash flow	2,683	1	3,845	46
Asset-based	1,181	15	7,435	48
Equipment finance	—	—	7,537	—
Consumer	797	—	3,345	—
Total Non-PCI Loans and Leases With				

and Without an
Allowance
Recorded:

Real estate mortgage	\$ 83,206	\$ 498	\$ 56,604	\$ 235
Real estate construction and land	7,945	66	8,639	280
Commercial	77,705	55	44,119	138
Consumer	1,138	3	3,728	4
Total	\$ 169,994	\$ 622	\$ 113,090	\$ 657

(1) For Non-PCI loans and leases reported as impaired at March 31, 2016 and 2015, amounts were calculated based on the period of time such loans and leases were impaired during the reported period.

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Troubled debt restructurings are a result of rate reductions, term extensions, fee concessions, and debt forgiveness or a combination thereof. The following tables present new troubled debt restructurings of Non-PCI loans for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended March 31,		2016		2015	
	Pre-Modification Outstanding	Post-Modification Outstanding	Pre-Modification Outstanding	Post-Modification Outstanding	Pre-Modification Outstanding	Post-Modification Outstanding
Troubled Debt Restructurings:	Number of Loans	Recorded Investment	Number of Loans	Recorded Investment	Number of Loans	Recorded Investment
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Real estate mortgage:						
Commercial	4	\$ 3,140	9	\$ 5,161		\$ 5,113
Residential	1	165	5	913		773
Real estate construction and land:						
Commercial:						
Cash flow	4	257	4	761		582
Asset-based	2	629	6	1,399		1,399
Equipment finance	2	2,660	4	4,133		4,133
Consumer	1	60	1	91		91
Total	14	\$ 6,911	30	\$ 15,068		\$ 14,701

The following tables present troubled debt restructurings that subsequently defaulted for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended March 31,		2016		2015	
	Pre-Modification Outstanding	Post-Modification Outstanding	Pre-Modification Outstanding	Post-Modification Outstanding	Pre-Modification Outstanding	Post-Modification Outstanding
Troubled Debt Restructurings That Subsequently Defaulted:	Number of Loans	Recorded Investment ⁽¹⁾	Number of Loans	Recorded Investment ⁽¹⁾	Number of Loans	Recorded Investment ⁽¹⁾
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Real estate mortgage:						
Commercial	1	\$ 230	1	\$ 1,511		
Residential	—		1	8		
Commercial - Asset-based	—		1	385		
Total	1	\$ 230	(2)	\$ 1,904	(3)	

The population of defaulted restructured loans for the period indicated includes only those loans restructured (1) during the preceding 12-month period. The table excludes defaulted troubled restructurings in those classes for which the recorded investment was zero at the end of the period.

(2) Represents the balance at March 31, 2016, and there were no charge-offs.

(3) Represents the balance at March 31, 2015, and is net of charge-offs of \$772,000.

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Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses

The following tables present a summary of the activity in the allowance for loan and lease losses on Non-PCI loans and leases by portfolio segment and PCI loans for the periods indicated:

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016

	Real Estate				Total Non-PCI	Total PCI	Total
	Real Estate Mortgage (In thousands)	Construction and Land	Commercial	Consumer			
Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses:							
Balance, beginning of period	\$36,654	\$7,137	\$61,082	\$661	\$105,534	\$9,577	\$115,111
Charge-offs	(737)	—	(4,045)	(591)	(5,373)	(163)	(5,536)
Recoveries	999	152	314	16	1,481	—	1,481
Provision (negative provision)	(7,817)	(413)	26,606	789	19,165	140	19,305
Balance, end of period	\$29,099	\$6,876	\$83,957	\$875	\$120,807	\$9,554	\$130,361
Amount of the allowance applicable to loans and leases:							
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$1,954	\$21	\$27,902	\$163	\$30,040		
Collectively evaluated for impairment	\$27,145	\$6,855	\$56,055	\$712	\$90,767		
Acquired loans with deteriorated credit quality						\$9,554	
The ending balance of the loan and lease portfolio is composed of loans and leases:							
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$90,830	\$7,945	\$96,614	\$1,102	\$196,491		
Collectively evaluated for impairment	\$5,539,467	\$567,528	\$7,893,955	\$109,520	\$14,110,470		
Acquired loans with deteriorated credit quality						\$176,556	
Ending balance of loans and leases	\$5,630,297	\$575,473	\$7,990,569	\$110,622	\$14,306,961	\$176,556	\$14,483,517

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	Three Months Ended March 31, 2015						
	Real Estate				Total	Total	
	Real Estate	Construction	Commercial	Consumer	Non-PCI	PCI	Total
	Mortgage	and Land					
	(In thousands)						
Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses:							
Balance, beginning of period	\$25,097	\$ 4,248	\$39,858	\$ 1,253	\$70,456	\$13,999	\$84,455
Charge-offs	(1,453	) —	(8,395	) (63	) (9,911	) (579	) (10,490
Recoveries	1,295	632	410	194	2,531	11	2,542
Provision (negative provision)	5,972	(2,707	) 13,921	(582	) 16,604	(733	) 15,871
Balance, end of period	\$30,911	\$ 2,173	\$45,794	\$ 802	\$79,680	\$12,698	\$92,378
Amount of the allowance applicable to loans and leases:							
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$1,500	\$ 55	\$10,493	\$ 178	\$12,226		
Collectively evaluated for impairment	\$29,411	\$ 2,118	\$35,301	\$ 624	\$67,454		
Acquired loans with deteriorated credit quality						\$12,698	
The ending balance of the loan and lease portfolio is composed of loans and leases:							
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$59,733	\$ 8,639	\$103,208	\$ 3,729	\$175,309		
Collectively evaluated for impairment	\$5,528,697	\$ 320,070	\$5,903,859	\$ 89,946	\$11,842,572		
Acquired loans with deteriorated credit quality						\$254,285	
Ending balance of loans and leases	\$5,588,430	\$ 328,709	\$6,007,067	\$ 93,675	\$12,017,881	\$254,285	\$12,272,166

Note 6. Foreclosed Assets

The following table summarizes foreclosed assets as of the dates indicated:

	March	December
	31,	31,
	2016	2015
	(In thousands)	
Commercial real estate	\$—	\$ 487
Construction and land development	13,800	13,801
Single family residence	897	952

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Total other real estate owned, net	14,697	15,240
Other foreclosed assets	3,613	6,880
Total foreclosed assets, net	\$18,310	\$ 22,120

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The following table presents the changes in foreclosed assets, net of the valuation allowance, for the period indicated:

	Foreclosed Assets (In thousands)
Balance, December 31, 2015	\$ 22,120
Foreclosures	129
Provision for losses	—
Reductions related to sales	(3,939)
Balance, March 31, 2016	\$ 18,310

Note 7. Borrowings and Subordinated Debentures

Borrowings

The following table summarizes our borrowings as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2016		December 31, 2015	
	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Non recourse debt	\$1,401	6.20%	\$3,914	5.49%
FHLB overnight advances	550,000	0.48%	618,000	0.27%
Total borrowings	\$551,401		\$621,914	

The non recourse debt represents the payment stream of certain equipment leases sold to third parties. The debt is secured by the leased equipment and all interest rates are fixed. As of March 31, 2016, this debt had a weighted average remaining maturity of 2.3 years.

The Bank has established secured and unsecured lines of credit under which it may borrow funds from time to time on a term or overnight basis from the FHLB, the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco ("FRBSF"), and other financial institutions.

FHLB Secured Lines of Credit. The borrowing arrangement with the FHLB is based on an FHLB program collateralized by a blanket lien on certain qualifying loans that are not pledged to the FRBSF. As of March 31, 2016, the borrowing capacity under the FHLB secured borrowing lines was \$2.3 billion. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the balances outstanding were \$550.0 million and \$618.0 million.

FRBSF Secured Line of Credit. The Bank has a secured line of credit with the FRBSF. As of March 31, 2016, the Bank had secured borrowing capacity of \$2.1 billion collateralized by liens covering \$3.0 billion of certain qualifying loans. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, there were no balances outstanding.

Federal Funds Arrangements with Commercial Banks. As of March 31, 2016, the Bank had uncommitted unsecured lines of credit of \$80.0 million with correspondent banks for the purchase of overnight funds, subject to availability of funds. These lines are renewable annually and have no unused commitment fees. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, there were no balances outstanding. In March 2016, the Bank became a member of the American Financial Exchange, through which it may either borrow or lend funds on an overnight basis with a group of pre-approved commercial banks. The availability of funds changes daily. There were no balances outstanding as of March 31, 2016.

FHLB Unsecured Line of Credit. During the second quarter of 2015, the Bank obtained a \$99.0 million unsecured line of credit with the FHLB for the purchase of overnight funds. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, there were no balances outstanding.

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Subordinated Debentures

The following table summarizes the terms of each issuance of subordinated debentures outstanding as of the dates indicated:

Series:	March 31, 2016		December 31, 2015		Date	Maturity	Rate Index
	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate	Issued	Date	(Quarterly Reset)
	(Dollars in thousands)						
Trust V	\$10,310	3.74%	\$10,310	3.63%	8/15/2003	9/17/2033	3 month LIBOR + 3.10
Trust VI	10,310	3.68%	10,310	3.39%	9/3/2003	9/15/2033	3 month LIBOR + 3.05
Trust CII	5,155	3.59%	5,155	3.35%	9/17/2003	9/17/2033	3 month LIBOR + 2.95
Trust VII	61,856	3.37%	61,856	3.07%	2/5/2004	4/23/2034	3 month LIBOR + 2.75
Trust CIII	20,619	2.32%	20,619	2.20%	8/15/2005	9/15/2035	3 month LIBOR + 1.69
Trust FCCI	16,495	2.23%	16,495	2.11%	1/25/2007	3/15/2037	3 month LIBOR + 1.60
Trust FCBI	10,310	2.18%	10,310	2.06%	9/30/2005	12/15/2035	3 month LIBOR + 1.55
Trust CS 2005-1	82,475	2.58%	82,475	2.46%	11/21/2005	12/15/2035	3 month LIBOR + 1.95
Trust CS 2005-2	128,866	2.57%	128,866	2.27%	12/14/2005	1/30/2036	3 month LIBOR + 1.95
Trust CS 2006-1	51,545	2.57%	51,545	2.27%	2/22/2006	4/30/2036	3 month LIBOR + 1.95
Trust CS 2006-2	51,550	2.57%	51,550	2.27%	9/27/2006	10/30/2036	3 month LIBOR + 1.95
Trust CS 2006-3 ⁽¹⁾	29,335	1.88%	28,007	1.98%	9/29/2006	10/30/2036	3 month EURIBOR + 2.05
Trust CS 2006-4	16,470	2.57%	16,470	2.27%	12/5/2006	1/30/2037	3 month LIBOR + 1.95
Trust CS 2006-5	6,650	2.57%	6,650	2.27%	12/19/2006	1/30/2037	3 month LIBOR + 1.95
Trust CS 2007-2	39,177	2.57%	39,177	2.27%	6/13/2007	7/30/2037	3 month LIBOR + 1.95
Gross subordinated debentures	541,123		539,795				
Unamortized discount ⁽²⁾	(102,400)		(103,795)				
Net subordinated debentures	\$438,723		\$436,000				

(1) Denomination is in Euros with a value of €25.8 million.

(2) Amount represents the fair value adjustment on subordinated debentures assumed in acquisitions.

Interest payments made by the Company on subordinated debentures are considered dividend payments under the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System ("FRB") regulations. Bank holding companies, such as PacWest, are required to notify the FRB prior to declaring and paying a dividend during any period in which quarterly and/or cumulative twelve month net earnings are insufficient to fund the dividend amount, among other requirements.

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Note 8. Commitments and Contingencies

Lending Commitments

The Company is a party to financial instruments with off balance sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit, standby letters of credit, and commitments to purchase equipment being acquired for lease to others. Those instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk in excess of the amount recognized in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. The contract or notional amounts of those instruments reflect the extent of involvement the Company has in particular classes of financial instruments.

The following table presents a summary of the financial instruments described above as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
	(In thousands)	
Loan commitments to extend credit	\$3,812,544	\$3,580,655
Standby letters of credit	217,610	210,292
Commitments to purchase equipment being acquired for lease to others	—	6,663
	\$4,030,154	\$3,797,610

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued by the Company to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. We provide standby letters of credit in conjunction with several of our lending arrangements and property lease obligations. Most guarantees expire within one year from the date of issuance. If a borrower defaults on its commitments subject to any letter of credit issued under these arrangements, we would be required to meet the borrower's financial obligation but would seek repayment of that financial obligation from the borrower. In some cases, borrowers have pledged cash and investment securities as collateral with us under these arrangements. In addition, we invest in low income housing project partnerships, which provide income tax credits, and in small business investment companies that call for capital contributions up to an amount specified in the partnership agreements. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, we had commitments to contribute capital to these entities totaling \$21.5 million and \$19.2 million. We also had commitments to contribute up to an additional \$2.9 million and \$2.8 million to 19 and 11 private equity funds at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

Legal Matters

In the ordinary course of our business, the Company is party to various legal actions, which we believe are incidental to the operation of our business. The outcome of such legal actions and the timing of ultimate resolution are inherently difficult to predict. In the opinion of management, based upon currently available information, any resulting liability, in addition to amounts already accrued, and taking into consideration insurance which may be applicable, would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial statements or operations.

Kinde Durkee Investigation

The United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of California is conducting an investigation relating to the handling by First California Bank ("FCB") of its banking relationship with Kinde Durkee. Ms. Durkee, who had maintained certain of her accounts with FCB, was convicted in 2012 of embezzling funds from certain California politicians, among others. FCB was acquired by PacWest Bancorp and merged into Pacific Western Bank in May 2013. We understand that the investigation is focused on whether any civil or criminal laws were violated by FCB or its employees. Pacific Western is cooperating with the investigation.

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Note 9. Fair Value Measurements

ASC Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurement," defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value including a three level valuation hierarchy, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date reflecting assumptions that a market participant would use when pricing an asset or liability. The hierarchy uses three levels of inputs to measure the fair value of assets and liabilities as follows:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2: Observable inputs other than Level 1, including quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, quoted prices in less active markets, or other observable inputs that can be corroborated by observable market data, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument. This category generally includes municipal securities, government agency and government sponsored enterprise securities, collateralized loan obligations, registered publicly rated private label collateralized mortgage obligations ("CMOs") and asset-backed securitizations.

Level 3: Inputs to a valuation methodology that are unobservable, supported by little or no market activity, and significant to the fair value measurement. These valuation methodologies generally include pricing models, discounted cash flow models, or a determination of fair value that requires significant management judgment or estimation. This category also includes observable inputs from a pricing service not corroborated by observable market data, and includes our covered private label CMOs, non-rated private placement private label CMOs, non-rated private placement asset-backed securities, and equity warrants.

We use fair value to measure certain assets and liabilities on a recurring basis, primarily securities available for sale and derivatives. For assets measured at the lower of cost or fair value, the fair value measurement criteria may or may not be met during a reporting period and such measurements are therefore considered "nonrecurring" for purposes of disclosing our fair value measurements. Fair value is used on a nonrecurring basis to adjust carrying values for impaired loans and other real estate owned and also to record impairment on certain assets, such as goodwill, core deposit intangibles, and other long lived assets.

The following tables present information on the assets measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis as of the dates indicated:

Measured on a Recurring Basis:	Fair Value Measurements as of March 31, 2016			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	(In thousands)			
Securities available for sale:				
Government agency and government sponsored enterprise pass-through securities	\$653,865	\$—	\$653,865	\$—
Government agency and government sponsored enterprise collateralized mortgage obligations	443,732	—	443,732	—
Covered private label CMOs	27,863	—	—	27,863
Other private label CMOs	107,382	—	60,030	47,352
Municipal securities	1,517,592	—	1,517,592	—
Corporate debt securities	45,483	—	45,483	—
Collateralized loan obligations	139,572	—	139,572	—
SBA securities	202,674	—	202,674	—
Asset-backed and other securities	102,423	2,551	83,156	16,716
Total securities available-for-sale	3,240,586	2,551	3,146,104	91,931
Derivative assets	6,654	—	6,654	—

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Equity warrants	5,033	—	—	5,033
Total recurring assets	\$3,252,273	\$2,551	\$3,152,758	\$96,964
Derivative liabilities	\$2,079	\$—	\$2,079	\$—

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Measured on a Recurring Basis:	Fair Value Measurements as of December 31, 2015			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	(In thousands)			
Securities available for sale:				
Government agency and government sponsored enterprise pass-through securities	\$767,797	\$—	\$767,797	\$—
Government agency and government sponsored enterprise collateralized mortgage obligations	486,239	—	486,239	—
Covered private label CMOs	29,782	—	—	29,782
Other private label CMOs	115,014	—	63,555	51,459
Municipal securities	1,547,331	—	1,547,331	—
US Treasury securities	69,380	69,380	—	—
Corporate debt securities	48,424	—	48,424	—
Collateralized loan obligations	132,189	—	132,189	—
SBA securities	211,157	—	211,157	—
Government sponsored enterprise debt securities	36,913	—	36,913	—
Asset-backed and other securities	115,211	2,562	94,449	18,200
Total securities available-for-sale	3,559,437	71,942	3,388,054	99,441
Derivative assets	11,919	—	11,919	—
Equity warrants	4,914	—	—	4,914
Total recurring assets	\$3,576,270	\$71,942	\$3,399,973	\$104,355
Derivative liabilities	\$1,397	\$—	\$1,397	\$—

There were no transfers of assets either between Level 1 and Level 2 nor in or out of Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy for assets measured on a recurring basis during the three months ended March 31, 2016.

The following table presents information about quantitative inputs and assumptions used to determine the fair values provided by our third party pricing service for our Level 3 private label CMOs and asset-backed securities available-for-sale measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2016:

	Private Label CMOs		Asset-Backed Securities	
	Range of Inputs	Weighted Average Input	Range of Inputs	Weighted Average Input
Unobservable Inputs:				
Voluntary annual prepayment speeds	1.5% - 22.4%	10.5%	5% - 40%	14.2%
Annual default rates	0.3% - 13.7%	2.4%	1% - 8%	3.7%
Loss severity rates	0% - 96.9%	32.6%	10% - 91%	51.8%
Discount rates	0.8% - 57.3%	3.8%	1.8% - 5.2%	3.4%

The following table presents information about quantitative inputs and assumptions used in the modified Black-Scholes option pricing model to determine the fair value for our Level 3 equity warrants measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2016:

Unobservable Inputs:	Equity Warrants
	Weighted Average
	Range of Inputs

Volatility	18.7% - 161.5%
Risk-free interest rate	0.7% - 1.0%
Remaining life assumption (in years)	2.0 - 3.7

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The following table summarizes activity for our Level 3 private label CMOs and asset-backed securities available-for-sale measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the period indicated:

	Private Label CMOs	Asset-Backed Securities
	(In thousands)	
Balance, December 31, 2015	\$81,241	\$ 18,200
Total included in earnings	353	15
Total included in other comprehensive income	(1,251)	(12)
Net settlements	(5,128)	(1,487)
Balance, March 31, 2016	\$75,215	\$ 16,716

The following table summarizes activity for our Level 3 equity warrants measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the period indicated:

	Equity Warrants (In thousands)
Balance, December 31, 2015	\$ 4,914
Total included in earnings	(274)
Sales	(42)
Issuances	435
Balance, March 31, 2016	\$ 5,033

The following tables present assets measured at fair value on a non recurring basis as of the dates indicated:

	Fair Value Measurement as of March 31, 2016			
Measured on a Non Recurring Basis:	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	(In thousands)			
Impaired Non PCI loans	\$95,310	\$ —	—\$2,121	\$93,189
	Fair Value Measurement as of December 31, 2015			
Measured on a Non Recurring Basis:	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	(In thousands)			
Impaired Non PCI loans	\$40,817	\$ —	—\$9,367	\$31,450
Other real estate owned	14,101	—	14,101	—
Investments carried at cost	107	—	—	107
Total non-recurring	\$55,025	\$ —	—\$23,468	\$31,557

The following table presents losses recognized on assets measured on a nonrecurring basis for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
Losses on Assets Measured on a Non Recurring Basis:	2016	2015
	(In thousands)	
Impaired Non PCI loans	\$(12,909)	\$(9,192)
Other real estate owned	—	(124)
Total loss	\$(12,909)	\$(9,316)

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The following table presents the valuation methodology and unobservable inputs for Level 3 assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis as of March 31, 2016:

Asset:	Fair Value (In thousands)	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Inputs	Range	Weighted Average
Impaired Non-PCI loans	\$ 52,516	Discounted cash flows	Discount rates	0% - 9.04%	6.33%
Impaired Non-PCI loans	38,910	Third party appraisals	Discounts	10.00% - 28.44%	25.25%
Impaired Non-PCI loans	1,763	Third party appraisals	No discounts		
Total non-recurring Level 3	\$ 93,189				

ASC Topic 825, "Financial Instruments," requires disclosure of the estimated fair value of certain financial instruments and the methods and significant assumptions used to estimate such fair values. Additionally, certain financial instruments and all nonfinancial instruments are excluded from the applicable disclosure requirements.

The following tables present a summary of the carrying values and estimated fair values of certain financial instruments as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2016				
	Contract Amount (In thousands)	Carrying or Estimated Fair Value			
		Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Financial Assets:					
Cash and due from banks	\$161,977	\$161,977	\$161,977	\$ —	—
Interest earning deposits in financial institutions	357,541	357,541	357,541	—	—
Securities available for sale	3,240,586	3,240,586	2,551	3,146,104	91,931
Investment in FHLB stock	17,250	17,250	—	17,250	—
Investments carried at cost	1,990	4,950	—	—	4,950
Loans and leases, net	14,353,156	14,337,455	—	2,121	14,335,334
Derivative assets	6,654	6,654	—	6,654	—
Equity warrants	5,033	5,033	—	—	5,033
Financial Liabilities:					
Deposits:					
Demand, money market, interest checking, and savings deposits	11,956,102	11,956,102	—	11,956,102	—
Time deposits	3,485,273	3,484,782	—	3,484,782	—
Borrowings	551,401	551,401	550,000	1,401	—
Subordinated debentures	438,723	421,669	—	421,669	—
Derivative liabilities	2,079	2,079	—	2,079	—

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	December 31, 2015					
	Contract Amount	Estimated Fair Value				
		Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
						or Carrying
(In thousands)						
Financial Assets:						
Cash and due from banks	\$161,020	\$161,020	\$161,020	\$	—\$	—
Interest earning deposits in financial institutions	235,466	235,466	235,466	—	—	—
Securities available for sale	3,559,437	3,559,437	71,942	3,388,054	99,441	—
Investment in FHLB stock	19,710	19,710	—	19,710	—	—
Investments carried at cost	2,267	6,789	—	—	6,789	—
Loans and leases, net	14,363,143	14,393,558	—	9,367	14,384,191	—
Derivative assets	11,919	11,919	—	11,919	—	—
Equity warrants	4,914	4,914	—	—	4,914	—

Financial Liabilities:**Deposits:**

Demand, money market, interest checking, and savings deposits

11,513,826 11,513,826 — 11,513,826 —

Time deposits

4,152,356 4,152,920 — 4,152,920 —

Borrowings

621,914 622,438 618,000 4,438 —

Subordinated debentures

436,000 419,762 — 419,762 —

Derivative liabilities

1,397 1,397 — 1,397 —

For information regarding the valuation methodologies used to measure our assets recorded at fair value (under ASC Topic 820), and for estimating fair value for financial instruments not recorded at fair value (under ASC Topic 825), see Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Note 13 - Fair Value Measurements to the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company's 2015 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Limitations

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time and are based on relevant market information and information about the financial instrument. These estimates do not reflect income taxes or any premium or discount that could result from offering for sale at one time the Company's entire holdings of a particular financial instrument. Because no market exists for a portion of the Company's financial instruments, fair value estimates are based on what management believes to be reasonable judgments regarding expected future cash flows, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments, and other factors. These estimated fair values are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates. Since the fair values have been estimated as of March 31, 2016, the amounts that will actually be realized or paid at settlement or maturity of the instruments could be significantly different.

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Note 10. Earnings Per Share

The following table presents the computations of basic and diluted net earnings per share for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2015
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)		
Basic Earnings Per Share:			
Net earnings	\$90,456	\$71,841	\$73,079
Less: Earnings allocated to unvested restricted stock (1)	(1,067)	(690)	(819)
Net earnings allocated to common shares	\$89,389	\$71,151	\$72,260
Weighted-average basic shares and unvested restricted stock outstanding			
	121,598	120,385	103,035
Less: Weighted-average unvested restricted stock outstanding	(1,392)	(1,133)	(1,122)
Weighted-average basic shares outstanding	120,206	119,252	101,913
Basic earnings per share	\$0.74	\$0.60	\$0.71
Diluted Earnings Per Share:			
Net earnings allocated to common shares	\$89,389	\$71,151	\$72,260
Weighted-average basic shares outstanding	120,206	119,252	101,913
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.74	\$0.60	\$0.71

(1) Represents cash dividends paid to holders of unvested restricted stock, net of estimated forfeitures, plus undistributed earnings amounts available to holders of unvested restricted stock, if any.

Note 11. Stock-Based Compensation

The Company's 2003 Stock Incentive Plan, or the 2003 Plan, permits stock-based compensation awards to officers, directors, key employees and consultants. As of March 31, 2016, the 2003 Plan authorized grants of stock based compensation instruments to purchase or issue up to 19,686,565 shares of Company common stock, subject to adjustments provided by the 2003 Plan. As of March 31, 2016, there were 12,616,206 shares available for grant under the 2003 Plan.

Restricted stock amortization totaled \$5.0 million, \$3.8 million, and \$3.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016, December 31, 2015 and March 31, 2015. Such amounts are included in "Compensation expense" on the condensed consolidated statements of earnings. The amount of unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested time-based restricted stock awards ("TRSAs") and performance-based restricted stock units ("PRsUs") as of March 31, 2016 totaled \$51.8 million.

Time-Based Restricted Stock Awards

At March 31, 2016, there were 1,562,557 shares of unvested TRSAs outstanding. The TRSAs generally vest over a service period of three or four years from the date of the grant or immediately upon the death of an employee.

Compensation expense related to TRSAs is based on the fair value of the underlying stock on the award date and is recognized over the vesting period using the straight line method.

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Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

At March 31, 2016, there were 153,715 shares of unvested PRSUs outstanding. The PRSUs will vest only if performance goals with respect to certain financial metrics are met over a three-year performance period.

Compensation expense related to PRSUs is based on the fair value of the underlying stock on the award date and is amortized over the vesting period using the straight-line method unless it is determined that: (1) attainment of the financial metrics is less than probable, in which case a portion of the amortization is suspended, or (2) attainment of the financial metrics is improbable, in which case a portion of the previously recognized amortization is reversed and also suspended.

Note 12. Recently Issued Accounting Standards

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-09, "Revenue Recognition (Topic 606): Revenue from Contracts with Customers." ASU 2014-09 requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. ASU 2014-09 will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in GAAP when it becomes effective. The standard permits the use of either the retrospective or cumulative effect transition method. The Company is evaluating the effect that ASU 2014-09 will have on its financial statements and related disclosures. The Company has not yet selected a transition method nor has it determined the effect of the standard on its ongoing financial reporting. In August 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-14, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Deferral of the Effective Date," which deferred the effective date of ASU 2014-09 to annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Early application is not permitted.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01, "Financial Instruments - Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities," which will significantly change the income statement impact of equity investments and the recognition of changes in fair value of financial liabilities when the fair value option is elected. For equity investments with readily determinable fair values, entities must measure these investments at fair value and recognized changes in fair value in net income. For equity investments without readily determinable fair values, entities have the option to either measure these investments at fair value or at cost adjusted for changes in observable prices minus impairment. Changes in measurement under either alternative must be recognized in net income. ASU 2016-01 will be effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2017. The Company is evaluating the effect that ASU 2016-01 will have on its financial statements and related disclosures.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, "Leases (Topic 842)," which, among other things, requires lessees to recognize most leases on-balance sheet, which will result in an increase in their reported assets and liabilities. Lessor accounting remains substantially similar to current U.S. GAAP. ASU 2016-02 supersedes Topic 840, Leases. ASU 2016-02 is effective for annual and interim periods in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018. ASU 2016-02 mandates a modified retrospective transition method for all entities. The Company is evaluating the effect that ASU 2016-02 will have on its financial statements and related disclosures.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-07, Simplifying the Transition to the Equity Method of Accounting, which eliminates the requirement for an investor to retroactively apply the equity method when its increase in ownership interest (or degree of influence) in an investee triggers equity method accounting. ASU 2016-07 is effective for interim and annual periods in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016. The amendments should be applied prospectively upon their effective date to increases in the level of ownership interest or degree of influence that result in the adoption of the equity method. Earlier application is permitted. ASU 2016-07 does not require additional disclosures at transition. The Company does not expect the effect of ASU 2016-06 to have a material impact on its financial statements and related disclosures.

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In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-09, Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting, which is intended to improve the accounting for share-based payment transactions as part of the FASB's simplification initiative. ASU 2016-09 changes aspects of the accounting for share-based payment award transactions, including: (1) accounting for income taxes; (2) classification of excess tax benefits on the statement of cash flows; (3) forfeitures; (4) minimum statutory tax withholding requirements; and (5) classification of employee taxes paid on the statement of cash flows when an employer withholds shares for tax-withholding purposes. ASU 2016-09 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those years. Early adoption is permitted in any interim or annual period provided that the entire ASU is adopted. If an entity early adopts the amendments after the first interim period, the adoption date is as of the beginning of the year for the issues adopted by the cumulative-effect and prospective methods and any adjustments to previously reported interim periods of that fiscal year should be included in the year-to-date results. If those previously reported interim results appear in any future filings, they are reported on the revised basis. The Company does not expect the effect of ASU 2016-09 to have a material impact on its financial statements and related disclosures in the period of adoption. In subsequent periods, we expect the requirements of ASU 2016-09 to result in fluctuations in our effective tax rate from period to period based upon the timing of share-based award vestings.

Note 13. Subsequent Events

Common Stock Dividends

On May 2, 2016, the Company announced that the Board of Directors had declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.50 per common share. The cash dividend is payable on May 31, 2016 to stockholders of record at the close of business on May 16, 2016.

We have evaluated events that have occurred subsequent to March 31, 2016 and have concluded there are no other subsequent events that would require recognition in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Forward-Looking Information

This Form 10-Q contains certain “forward-looking statements” about the Company and its subsidiaries within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including certain plans, strategies, goals, and projections and including statements about our expectations regarding our acquisition of Square 1, intentions to expand the Bank’s lending business; net interest income, net interest margin, allowance for loan and lease losses, deposit growth, loan and lease portfolio growth and production, liquidity, profitability, goodwill, interest rate risk management, realization of deferred tax assets, and effective tax rates. All statements contained in this Form 10-Q that are not clearly historical in nature are forward-looking, and the words “anticipate,” “assume,” “intend,” “believe,” “forecast,” “expect,” “estimate,” “plan,” “continue,” “will,” “should,” “look forward” and similar expressions are generally intended to identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements (including statements regarding future financial and operating results and future transactions and their results) involve risks, uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond our control, which may cause actual results, performance, or achievements to differ materially from anticipated results, performance or achievements. Actual results could differ materially from those contained or implied by such forward-looking statements for a variety of factors, including without limitation:

- the Company’s ability to complete future acquisitions and to successfully integrate such acquired entities or achieve expected benefits, synergies and/or operating efficiencies within expected time frames;
- business disruption following the Square 1 acquisition;
- changes in the Company’s stock price;
- the reaction to the Square 1 acquisition of the companies’ customers, employees and counterparties;
- change in interest rates and lending spreads;
- unfavorable changes in asset mix;
- compression of the net interest margin due to changes in our loan products or spreads on newly originated loans and leases;
- a change in the interest rate environment reduces net interest margins;
- credit quality deterioration or pronounced and sustained reduction in market values or other economic factors which adversely affect our borrowers’ ability to repay loans and leases;
- changes in economic or competitive market conditions could negatively impact investment or lending opportunities or product pricing and services;
- reduced demand for our services due to strategic or regulatory reasons;
- our inability to grow deposits and access wholesale funding sources;
- legislative or regulatory requirements or changes could negatively impact our business, including an increase to capital requirements;
- loan repayments higher than expected;
- higher than anticipated delinquencies, charge-offs, and loan and lease losses;
- the impact of asset/liability repricing risk and liquidity risk on net interest margin and the value of investments;
- increased costs to manage and sell foreclosed assets;
- higher than anticipated increases in operating expenses;
- lower than expected dividends paid from the Bank to the holding company;
- a deterioration in the overall macroeconomic conditions or the state of the banking industry that could warrant further analysis of the carrying value of goodwill and could result in an adjustment to its carrying value resulting in a noncash charge to net income;
- the success and timing of other business strategies and asset sales;
- changes in the relationship between yields on investment securities and loans repaid and yields on assets reinvested;
- changes in the forward yield curve;
- changes in tax laws or regulations affecting our business;
- our inability to generate sufficient earnings;
- tax planning or disallowance of tax benefits by tax authorities; and

other risk factors described in our audited consolidated financial statements, and other risk factors described in this Form 10-Q and documents filed by PacWest with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”).

All forward-looking statements included in this Form 10-Q are based on information available at the time the statement is made. We are under no obligation to (and expressly disclaim any such obligation to) update or alter our forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise except as required by law.

Overview

PacWest Bancorp is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. Our principal business is to serve as the holding company for our Los Angeles based wholly-owned banking subsidiary, Pacific Western Bank, which we refer to as “Pacific Western” or the “Bank.” References to “we,” “us,” or the “Company” refer to PacWest Bancorp together with its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. When we refer to “PacWest” or to the “holding company,” we are referring to PacWest Bancorp, the parent company, on a stand-alone basis. References to “Pacific Western Bank” include the Bank’s wholly-owned subsidiaries.

We are focused on relationship-based business banking to small, middle-market and venture-backed businesses nationwide. The Bank offers a broad range of deposit products and services through 76 full-service branches located primarily in southern and central California, three branches in northern California, and one branch in Durham, North Carolina. The Bank provides commercial banking services, including real estate, construction, and commercial loans, and comprehensive deposit and treasury management services to small and middle-market businesses. Pacific Western offers additional products and services through its CapitalSource and Square 1 Bank divisions. CapitalSource provides cash flow, asset-based, equipment and real estate loans and treasury management services to established middle-market businesses on a national basis. Square 1 Bank offers a comprehensive suite of financial services focused on entrepreneurial businesses and their venture capital and private equity investors, with offices located in key innovation hubs across the United States. Square 1 Asset Management, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank and a SEC-registered investment adviser, provides investment advisory and asset management services to select clients.

In managing the top line of our business, we focus on loan growth, loan yield, deposit cost, and net interest margin. Net interest income, on a year-to-date basis in 2016, accounted for 87.6% of our net revenues (net interest income plus noninterest income).

At March 31, 2016, we had total assets of \$21.0 billion, including loans and leases, net of deferred fees, of \$14.5 billion compared to \$21.3 billion of total assets and \$14.5 billion of loans and leases, net of deferred fees, at December 31, 2015. Total assets decreased \$257.5 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016 due primarily to a decrease of \$318.9 million in securities available-for-sale resulting from sales of \$335 million due to ongoing portfolio management activities.

At March 31, 2016, we had total liabilities of \$16.6 billion, including total deposits of \$15.4 billion and borrowings of \$551.4 million compared to \$16.9 billion of total liabilities, including \$15.7 billion of total deposits and \$621.9 million of borrowings at December 31, 2015. Total liabilities decreased \$316.4 million during the three months ended March 31, 2016 due mainly to the \$224.8 million decrease in deposits and the \$70.5 million decrease in borrowings. At March 31, 2016, core deposits totaled \$11.0 billion or 71% of total deposits and time deposits totaled \$3.5 billion or 23% of total deposits.

On March 31, 2016, we sold our Pacific Western Equipment Finance leasing unit in Midvale, Utah, including approximately \$139 million of outstanding lease balances.

Square 1 Financial, Inc. Acquisition

PacWest acquired Square 1 Financial, Inc. (“Square 1”) on October 6, 2015. As part of the acquisition, Square 1 Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Square 1, merged with and into Pacific Western. At closing, we formed the Square 1 Bank Division of the Bank which focuses on providing a comprehensive suite of financial services to entrepreneurial businesses and their venture capital and private equity investors nationwide. We completed this acquisition to increase our core deposits, expand our lending products across the nation, and increase our presence in the technology and life-sciences credit markets. We recorded the assets and liabilities, both tangible and intangible, at their estimated fair values as of the acquisition date and increased total assets by approximately \$4.6 billion. The application of the acquisition method of accounting resulted in goodwill of \$447.9 million. For further information, see Note 2. Acquisitions, in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) contained in “Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited).”

Key Performance Indicators

Among other factors, our operating results depend generally on the following key performance indicators:

The Level of Net Interest Income

Net interest income is the excess of interest earned on our interest earning assets over the interest paid on our interest bearing liabilities. Net interest margin is net interest income (annualized) expressed as a percentage of average interest earning assets. Tax equivalent ("TE") net interest income is net interest income increased by an adjustment for tax-exempt income on certain municipal securities for which we have utilized a 35% federal statutory tax rate. Tax equivalent net interest margin is calculated as tax equivalent net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets. A sustained low interest rate environment combined with low loan growth and high levels of marketplace liquidity may reduce both our net interest income and net interest margin going forward.

Our primary interest earning assets are loans and investment securities, and our primary interest bearing liabilities are deposits. Contributing to our high net interest margin is our high yield on loans and leases and competitive cost of deposits. While our deposit balances will fluctuate depending on deposit holders' perceptions of alternative yields available in the market, we seek to minimize the impact of these variances by attracting a high percentage of noninterest bearing deposits. As a result of the CapitalSource Inc. merger, \$5.3 billion of time deposits were assumed. Our goal is to continue replacing these higher-costing time deposits with core deposits. The acquisition of Square 1 accelerated this shift in deposit mix as nearly all of the \$3.8 billion of acquired deposits were core deposits. The Square 1 acquisition increased our on-balance sheet liquidity and enables us to maintain adequate liquidity as we manage down the level of higher-cost time deposits.

Loan and Lease Growth

We actively seek new lending opportunities under an array of commercial real estate loans and commercial and industrial ("C&I") lending products. Our targeted collateral for our real estate loan offerings includes healthcare properties, office properties, industrial properties, multifamily properties, hospitality properties, and retail properties. Our C&I loan products include equipment-secured loans and leases, asset-secured loans, loans to finance companies, and cash flow loans (which are loans secured by borrower future cash flows and borrower enterprise value) and venture capital-backed loans to entrepreneurial companies to support early-stage operations. Our loan origination process emphasizes credit quality. We foster lender relationships with borrowers that have proven loan repayment performance. Our commitment sizes vary by loan product and can range up to \$100 million for certain asset-based lending arrangements and multi-property real estate loans. We price loans to preserve our interest spread and maintain our net interest margin. Achieving net loan growth is subject to many factors, including maintaining strict credit standards, competition from other lenders, and successful borrowers that opt to prepay loans.

The Magnitude of Credit Losses

We emphasize credit quality in originating and monitoring our loans and leases, and we measure our success by the levels of our classified and nonperforming assets and net charge offs. We maintain an allowance for credit losses on loans and leases, which is the sum of our allowance for loan and lease losses and our reserve for unfunded loan commitments. Provisions for credit losses are charged to operations as and when needed for both on and off balance sheet credit exposure. Loans and leases which are deemed uncollectable are charged off and deducted from the allowance for loan and lease losses. Recoveries on loans and leases previously charged off are added to the allowance for loan and lease losses. The provision for credit losses on the loan and lease portfolio is based on our allowance methodology which considers various credit performance measures such as historical and current net charge offs, the levels and trends of nonaccrual and classified loans and leases, the migration of loans and leases into various risk classifications, and the overall level of outstanding loans and leases. For originated and acquired non impaired loans, a provision for credit losses may be recorded to reflect credit deterioration after the origination date or after the acquisition date, respectively. For purchased credit impaired ("PCI") loans, a provision for credit losses may be recorded to reflect decreases in expected cash flows on such loans compared to those previously estimated.

We regularly review our loans and leases to determine whether there has been any deterioration in credit quality stemming from borrower operations or changes in collateral value or other factors which may affect collectability of our loans and leases. Changes in economic conditions, such as the rate of economic growth, the rate of inflation, the unemployment rate, increases in the general level of interest rates, declines in real estate values, changes in commodity prices (such as crude oil), and adverse conditions in borrowers' businesses, could negatively impact our borrowers and cause us to adversely classify loans and leases. An increase in classified loans and leases generally results in increased provisions for credit losses and an increased allowance for credit losses. Any deterioration in the commercial real estate market may lead to increased provisions for credit losses because of our concentration in commercial real estate loans.

The Level of Noninterest Expense

Our noninterest expense includes fixed and controllable overhead, the major components of which are compensation, occupancy, data processing, and other professional services. It also includes costs that tend to vary based on the volume of activity, such as loan and lease production and the number and complexity of foreclosed assets. We measure success in controlling both fixed and variable costs through monitoring of the efficiency ratio. We calculate the efficiency ratio by dividing noninterest expense (less intangible asset amortization, net foreclosed assets expense (income), and acquisition, integration and reorganization costs) by net revenues (the sum of tax equivalent net interest income plus noninterest income, less gain (loss) on sale of securities and gains on asset sales).

The following table presents the calculation of our efficiency ratio for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31,	December	March 31,
	2016	31,	2015
		2015	2015
Efficiency Ratio:			
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Noninterest expense	\$ 110,688	\$ 122,264	\$ 84,360
Less: Intangible asset amortization	4,746	4,910	1,501
Foreclosed assets expense (income), net	(561)	(3,185)	336
Acquisition, integration, and reorganization costs	200	17,600	2,000
Noninterest expense used for efficiency ratio	\$ 106,303	\$ 102,939	\$ 80,523
Net interest income (tax equivalent)	\$ 249,610	\$ 233,959	\$ 200,860
Noninterest income	34,539	28,058	20,871
Net revenues	284,149	262,017	221,731
Less: Gain on sale of securities	8,110	—	3,275
Net revenues used for efficiency ratio	\$ 276,039	\$ 262,017	\$ 218,456
Efficiency ratio	38.5	% 39.3	% 36.9
		%	%

Critical Accounting Policies

The Company's accounting policies are fundamental to understanding management's discussion and analysis of results of operations and financial condition. The Company has identified several policies as being critical because they require management to make particularly difficult, subjective and/or complex judgments about matters that are inherently uncertain and because of the likelihood that materially different amounts would be reported under different conditions or using different assumptions. These policies relate to the allowance for credit losses, the fair value estimates of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in acquisitions, the carrying values of intangible assets, and the realization of deferred income tax assets. For further information, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10 K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Non-GAAP Measurements

The Company uses certain non GAAP financial measures to provide meaningful supplemental information regarding the Company's operational performance and to enhance investors' overall understanding of such financial performance. The non-GAAP measures used in this Form 10-Q include the following:

Return on average tangible equity, tangible common equity amounts and ratios, and tangible book value per share: Given that the use of these measures is prevalent among banking regulators, investors and analysts, we disclose them in addition to return on average assets, return on average equity, equity-to-assets ratio, and book value per share, respectively.

Adjusted allowance for credit losses to loans and leases: As the allowance for credit losses takes into consideration credit deterioration on acquired loans and leases only after the purchase date and an estimate of credit losses is included in their initial fair values, we disclose two adjusted allowance for credit losses to loans and leases ratios in addition to the allowance for credit losses to loans and leases. The first adjusted allowance for credit losses to loans and leases excludes the allowance related to acquired loans and leases from the numerator and the acquired loans and leases from the denominator. The second ratio excludes the remaining unamortized purchase discount from both the numerator and the denominator.

Core NIM and core loan yield: The NIM and loan and lease yield are impacted by volatility in accelerated accretion of acquisition discounts due to the prepayment of acquired loans and leases. We disclose the core NIM and loan and lease yield to provide an indication of what these measures would be without the effects of accelerated accretion as this indicates a "normalized" measure and a more accurate indicator of future performance. See “- Results of Operations - Net Interest Income” for a reconciliation of these non-GAAP measurements to the GAAP measurements for the periods presented.

The methodology for determining return on average tangible equity, tangible common equity amounts and ratios, tangible book value per share and adjusted allowance for credit losses to loans and leases may differ among companies.

The following tables present performance amounts and ratios in accordance with GAAP and a reconciliation of the non GAAP financial measurements to the GAAP financial measurements as of and for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2015	
Return on Average Tangible Equity				
	(In thousands)			
Net earnings	\$90,456	\$71,841	\$73,079	
Average stockholders' equity	\$4,438,602	\$4,346,162	\$3,533,343	
Less: Average intangible assets	2,227,520	2,177,631	1,737,441	
Average tangible common equity	\$2,211,082	\$2,168,531	\$1,795,902	
Return on average equity ⁽³⁾	8.20	% 6.56	% 8.39	%
Return on average tangible equity ⁽⁴⁾	16.45	% 13.14	% 16.50	%

(1) Annualized net earnings divided by average stockholders' equity.

(2) Annualized net earnings divided by average tangible common equity.

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Tangible Common Equity:	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015		
	(Dollars in thousands)			
PacWest Bancorp Consolidated:				
Stockholders' equity	\$4,456,592	\$4,397,691		
Less: Intangible assets	2,223,928	2,229,511		
Tangible common equity	\$2,232,664	\$2,168,180		
Total assets	\$21,031,009	\$21,288,490		
Less: Intangible assets	2,223,928	2,229,511		
Tangible assets	\$18,807,081	\$19,058,979		
Equity to assets ratio	21.19	% 20.66	%	
Tangible common equity ratio ⁽¹⁾	11.87	% 11.38	%	
Book value per share	\$36.60	\$36.22		
Tangible book value per share	\$18.33	\$17.86		
Shares outstanding	121,771,252	121,413,727		
Pacific Western Bank:				
Stockholder's equity	\$4,331,841	\$4,276,279		
Less: Intangible assets	2,223,928	2,229,511		
Tangible common equity	\$2,107,913	\$2,046,768		
Total assets	\$20,928,105	\$21,180,689		
Less: Intangible assets	2,223,928	2,229,511		
Tangible assets	\$18,704,177	\$18,951,178		
Equity to assets ratio	20.70	% 20.19	%	
Tangible common equity ratio ⁽¹⁾	11.27	% 10.80	%	

(1) Tangible common equity divided by tangible assets.

Adjusted Allowance for Credit Losses to Loans and Leases (Excludes PCI Loans):	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015		
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Adjustment for allowance on acquired loans and leases:				
Allowance for credit losses	\$138,376	\$122,268		
Less: Allowance related to acquired Non-PCI loans and leases	(34,231)	(19,127)		
Adjusted allowance for credit losses	\$104,145	\$103,141		
Gross Non-PCI loans and leases	\$14,365,915	\$14,339,070		
Less: Carrying value of acquired Non-PCI loans and leases	(5,468,875)	(6,030,921)		
Adjusted loans and leases	\$8,897,040	\$8,308,149		
Allowance for credit losses to loans and leases	0.96	% 0.85	%	
Adjusted allowance for credit losses to adjusted loans and leases	1.17	% 1.24	%	
Adjustment for unamortized purchase discount on acquired loans and leases:				
Allowance for credit losses	\$138,376	\$122,268		
Add: Unamortized purchase discount related to acquired Non-PCI loans and leases	78,761	92,192		
Adjusted allowance for credit losses	\$217,137	\$214,460		
Gross Non-PCI loans and leases	\$14,365,915	\$14,339,070		
Add: Unamortized purchase discount related to acquired Non-PCI loans and leases	78,761	92,192		
Adjusted loans and leases	\$14,444,676	\$14,431,262		
	1.50	% 1.49	%	

Allowance for credit losses and unamortized purchase discount to adjusted loans and leases

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Results of Operations

Acquisitions Impact Earnings Performance

The comparability of financial information is affected by our acquisitions. We completed the Square 1 Financial, Inc. acquisition on October 6, 2015, adding assets of \$4.6 billion. This transaction has been accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting and, accordingly, the related operating results have been included in the consolidated financial statements from the acquisition date.

Earnings Performance

The following table presents profitability metrics for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2015
Profitability Measures:			
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.74	\$ 0.60	\$0.71
Annualized return on:			
Average assets	1.72 %	1.37 %	1.82 %
Average tangible equity ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	16.45 %	13.14 %	16.50 %
Net interest margin (tax equivalent)	5.53 %	5.22 %	5.95 %
Core net interest margin (tax equivalent) ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	5.10 %	5.10 %	5.44 %
Efficiency ratio	38.5 %	39.3 %	36.9 %

(1) Calculation reduces average equity by average intangible assets.

(2) See "Non-GAAP Measurements" for the calculation of this item.

(3) Excludes accelerated accretion of acquisition discounts resulting from early payoffs of acquired loans.

First Quarter of 2016 Compared to Fourth Quarter of 2015

Net earnings were \$90.5 million, or \$0.74 per diluted share for the first quarter of 2016, compared to \$71.8 million, or \$0.60 per diluted share, for the fourth quarter of 2015. The quarter over quarter increase of \$18.6 million in net earnings was due to higher net interest income of \$15.4 million, higher noninterest income of \$6.5 million, and lower noninterest expense of \$11.6 million, and a higher provision for credit losses of \$6.4 million. The increase in net interest income was attributable to higher accretion on acquired loans and a higher average loan and lease balance, offset by a lower average investment securities balance. The increase in noninterest income was due mainly to a higher gain on sales of securities of \$8.1 million and lower FDIC loss sharing expense of \$1.9 million, offset by lower dividends and gains on equity investments of \$4.6 million. The decrease in noninterest expense was due mainly to lower acquisition, integration and reorganization costs of \$17.4 million offset by lower foreclosed assets income of \$2.6 million and higher compensation expense of \$2.1 million.

First Quarter of 2016 Compared to First Quarter of 2015

Net earnings for the first quarter of 2016 were \$90.5 million, or \$0.74 per diluted share, compared to net earnings for the first quarter of 2015 of \$73.1 million, or \$0.71 per diluted share. The \$17.4 million increase in net earnings was due to higher net interest income of \$45.5 million and higher noninterest income of \$13.7 million, offset by higher noninterest expense of \$26.3 million. The increase in net interest income was attributable to higher average interest-earning asset balances and lower interest expense. The increase in noninterest income was due mainly to higher other commissions and fees and a higher gain on sale of securities. The increase in noninterest expense was due primarily to including the operations of Square 1 subsequent to the October 6, 2015 acquisition date and higher loan expense, offset by lower acquisition, integration and reorganization costs of \$1.8 million.

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Net Interest Income

Net interest income, which is our principal source of revenue, represents the difference between interest earned on interest earning assets and interest paid on interest bearing liabilities. Net interest margin is net interest income (annualized) expressed as a percentage of average interest earning assets. Net interest income is affected by changes in both interest rates and the volume of average interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities.

The following table presents, for the periods indicated, the distribution of average assets, liabilities and stockholders' equity, as well as interest income and yields earned on average interest earning assets and interest expense and rates paid on average interest bearing liabilities presented on a tax equivalent basis:

	Three Months Ended									
	March 31, 2016			December 31, 2015			March 31, 2015			
	Average Balance	Interest Income/Expense	Yields and Rates	Average Balance	Interest Income/Expense	Yields and Rates	Average Balance	Interest Income/Expense	Yields and Rates	
	(Dollars in thousands)									
ASSETS:										
PCI loans	\$ 167,626	\$ 20,072	48.16 %	\$ 169,772	\$ 6,345	14.83 %	\$ 260,648	\$ 10,165	15.82 %	
Non-PCI loans and leases	14,303,539	216,303	6.08 %	13,861,330	213,332	6.11 %	11,795,034	191,932	6.60 %	
Total loans and leases ⁽¹⁾	14,471,165	236,375	6.57 %	14,031,102	219,677	6.21 %	12,055,682	202,097	6.80 %	
Investment securities ⁽²⁾	3,460,293	27,563	3.20 %	3,492,124	28,408	3.23 %	1,613,422	13,980	3.51 %	
Deposits in financial institutions	230,293	308	0.54 %	254,308	172	0.27 %	32,761	22	0.27 %	
Total interest earning assets ⁽²⁾	18,161,751	264,246	5.85 %	17,777,534	248,257	5.54 %	13,701,865	216,099	6.40 %	
Other assets	3,036,843			3,047,714			2,594,775			
Total assets	\$ 21,198,594			\$ 20,825,248			\$ 16,296,640			
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:										
Interest checking deposits	\$ 926,256	383	0.17 %	\$ 889,035	345	0.15 %	\$ 726,748	194	0.11 %	
Money market deposits	3,848,753	2,415	0.25 %	3,557,364	1,543	0.17 %	1,836,094	945	0.21 %	
Savings deposits	753,371	444	0.24 %	747,054	445	0.24 %	756,578	571	0.31 %	
Time deposits	3,860,272	5,831	0.61 %	4,439,940	7,058	0.63 %	5,481,886	8,769	0.65 %	
Total interest bearing deposits	9,388,652	9,073	0.39 %	9,633,393	9,391	0.39 %	8,801,306	10,479	0.48 %	
Borrowings	494,725	581	0.47 %	206,236	159	0.31 %	424,061	235	0.22 %	
Subordinated debentures	436,535	4,982	4.59 %	435,293	4,748	4.33 %	432,603	4,525	4.24 %	
Total interest bearing liabilities	10,319,912	14,636	0.57 %	10,274,922	14,298	0.55 %	9,657,970	15,239	0.64 %	
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	6,273,249			6,043,900			2,949,719			
Other liabilities	166,831			160,264			155,608			
Total liabilities	16,759,992			16,479,086			12,763,297			
Stockholders' equity	4,438,602			4,346,162			3,533,343			
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 21,198,594			\$ 20,825,248						