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		PORATION, INC. egistrant as Specified i	in its Charter)	
IOW A	A of Incorpora	tion)	42-12306 (I.R.S. E	503 mployer Identification No.)
			West Des Moines, Iowa pal executive offices)	50266 (Zip Code)
Regis	trant's telepho	one number, including	g area code: (515) 222-2300	
Secur	ities Exchang	ge Act of 1934 during	the preceding 12 months (or	s required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the for such shorter period that the registrant was requirements for the past 90 days.
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Yes x		No o		

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 definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer o Accelerated filer x Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes o No x

As of July 23, 2015, there were 16,058,769 shares of common stock, no par value, outstanding.

WEST BANCORPORATION, INC.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Consolidated Balance Sheets

(unaudited)

(in thousands, except share data) ASSETS	June 30, 2015		December 31, 201	4
Cash and due from banks	\$61,682		\$27,936	
Federal funds sold	20,386		11,845	
Cash and cash equivalents	82,068		39,781	
Investment securities available for sale, at fair value	245,201		272,790	
Investment securities held to maturity, at amortized cost (fair value of	243,201		212,190	
\$50,448				
and \$51,501 at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively)	51,302		51,343	
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	12,168		15,075	
Loans	1,217,378		1,184,045	
Allowance for loan losses	(14,364)	(13,607)
Loans, net	1,203,014	,	1,170,438	,
Premises and equipment, net	10,921		9,988	
Accrued interest receivable	4,386		4,425	
Bank-owned life insurance	32,474		32,107	
Deferred tax assets, net	6,697		6,333	
Other assets	6,230		13,553	
Total assets	\$1,654,461		\$1,615,833	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	φ1,034,401		ψ1,015,055	
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Deposits:				
Noninterest-bearing demand	\$424,558		\$362,827	
Interest-bearing demand	225,442		241,722	
Savings	593,369		527,277	
Time of \$250,000 or more	14,179		18,985	
Other time	109,062		119,651	
Total deposits	1,366,610		1,270,462	
Federal funds purchased	6,910		2,975	
Short-term borrowings			66,000	
Subordinated notes	20,619		20,619	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances, net of discount	97,631		96,888	
Long-term debt	11,046		12,676	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	6,254		6,038	
Total liabilities	1,509,070		1,475,658	
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (NOTE 8)	1,505,070		1,175,050	
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; authorized 50,000,000 shares; no shares	1			
issued	,			
and outstanding at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014				
Common stock, no par value; authorized 50,000,000 shares; 16,058,769				
and				

16	018 734	shares issued and	outstanding	at June 30	2015 and
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December 31, 2014, respectively	3,000	3,000
Additional paid-in capital	19,412	18,971
Retained earnings	123,513	117,950
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(534) 254
Total stockholders' equity	145,391	140,175
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$1,654,461	\$1,615,833
See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.		

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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Consolidated Statements of Income (unaudited)

(unaudited)				
		Ended June 30,	Six Months En	•
(in thousands, except per share data)	2015	2014	2015	2014
Interest income:				
Loans, including fees	\$12,999	\$11,672	\$25,621	\$23,002
Investment securities:				
Taxable	1,042	1,272	2,167	2,602
Tax-exempt	756	698	1,520	1,374
Federal funds sold	22	19	32	29
Total interest income	14,819	13,661	29,340	27,007
Interest expense:				
Deposits	551	637	1,122	1,259
Federal funds purchased	2	2	4	6
Short-term borrowings	1	3	27	12
Subordinated notes	176	173	347	346
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	673	652	1,397	1,299
Long-term debt	62	78	126	161
Total interest expense	1,465	1,545	3,023	3,083
Net interest income	13,354	12,116	26,317	23,924
Provision for loan losses	200	150	200	150
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	13,154	11,966	26,117	23,774
Noninterest income:				
Service charges on deposit accounts	651	714	1,271	1,393
Debit card usage fees	469	453	904	863
Trust services	317	332	642	650
Revenue from residential mortgage banking	52	376	87	602
Increase in cash value of bank-owned life	178	182	367	336
insurance	170	102	307	330
Realized investment securities gains, net	36		47	506
Other income	219	261	464	521
Total noninterest income	1,922	2,318	3,782	4,871
Noninterest expense:				
Salaries and employee benefits	4,005	3,987	7,995	8,098
Occupancy	1,010	1,024	2,059	2,035
Data processing	569	558	1,143	1,080
FDIC insurance	209	190	411	371
Other real estate owned	_	109	_	395
Professional fees	177	221	381	485
Director fees	228	189	416	342
Other expenses	1,245	1,086	2,484	2,560
Total noninterest expense	7,443	7,364	14,889	15,366
Income before income taxes	7,633	6,920	15,010	13,279
Income taxes	2,361	2,181	4,635	4,140
Net income	\$5,272	\$4,739	\$10,375	\$9,139
Basic earnings per common share	\$0.33	\$0.30	\$0.65	\$0.57

Diluted earnings per common share	\$0.33	\$0.30	\$0.65	\$0.57
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$0.16	\$0.12	\$0.30	\$0.23
See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.				

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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (unaudited)

(unaudited)					
	Three Months E	Ended June 30,	Six Months Ended June 30,		
(in thousands)	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Net income	\$5,272	\$4,739	\$10,375	\$9,139	
Other comprehensive income:	,		•	,	
Unrealized gains on securities for which a					
portion					
of an other than temporary impairment has					
been recorded in earnings:					
Unrealized holding gains arising during the					
period		40		358	
Less: reclassification adjustment for					
impairment					
losses realized in net income					
Income tax (expense)	_	(15) —	(136)
Other comprehensive income on available		(,	(,
for sale securities with other than temporary					
impairment		25		222	
Unrealized gains (losses) on securities without					
other than temporary impairment:					
Unrealized holding gains (losses) arising					
during the period	(2,589	4,043	(560	7,385	
Less: reclassification adjustment for net	(-,,-	, 1,5 15	(5.00	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
(gains)					
realized in net income	(36) —	(47) (506)
Less: reclassification adjustment for		,		, (
amortization					
of net unrealized gains on securities					
transferred					
from available for sale to held to maturity,					
realized in interest income	(9) —	(19) —	
Income tax benefit (expense)	1,001	(1,537) 238	(2,614)
Other comprehensive income (loss) on	,		,	,	
available for sale securities without other					
than temporary impairment	(1,633	2,506	(388) 4,265	
Unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives		,		,	
arising					
during the period	378	(1,594) (735) (2,773)
Less: reclassification adjustment for net loss		,		, ()	
on					
derivatives realized in net income	_		74	_	
Less: reclassification adjustment for					
amortization					
of derivative termination costs	14		16		
Income tax benefit (expense)	(149) 607	245	1,054	
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Other comprehensive income (loss) on

other comprehensive meetine (1688) on					
derivatives	243	(987) (400) (1,719)
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	(1,390) 1,544	(788) 2,768	
Comprehensive income	\$3,882	\$6,283	\$9,587	\$11,907	

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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (unaudited)

	Preferred	Common Sto	ock	Additional Paid-In	Retained	Accumulated Other Comprehensiv	e
(in thousands, except share and per share data)	Stock	Shares	Amount	Capital	Earnings	Income (Loss)	Total
Balance, December 31, 2013 Net income	\$— —	15,976,204	\$3,000 —	\$18,411 —	\$105,752 9,139	\$ (3,538)	\$123,625 9,139
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		_	_	_	_	2,768	2,768
Cash dividends declared, \$0.23 per common share	_	_	_	_	(3,678)	_	(3,678)
Stock-based compensation costs		_	_	279	_	—	279
Issuance of common stock upon vesting of restricted							
stock units, net of shares withheld for payroll taxes	_	37,081	_	(154)	_	_	(154)
Excess tax benefits from vesting of restricted stock units	_	_	_	98	_	_	98
Balance, June 30, 2014	\$—	16,013,285	\$3,000	\$18,634	\$111,213	\$ (770)	\$132,077
Balance, December 31, 2014 Net income	\$— —	16,018,734 —	\$3,000 —	\$18,971 —	\$117,950 10,375	\$ 254 —	\$140,175 10,375
Other comprehensive (loss), net of tax	_	_	_	_	_	(788)	(788)
Cash dividends declared, \$0.30 per common share	_	_	_	_	(4,812)	_	(4,812)
Stock-based compensation costs	_	_	_	496	_	_	496
Issuance of common stock upon vesting of restricted							
stock units, net of shares withheld for payroll taxes	_	40,035	_	(179)	_	_	(179)
Excess tax benefits from vesting of restricted stock units	_	_	_	124	_	_	124
Balance, June 30, 2015	\$ —	16,058,769	\$3,000	\$19,412	\$123,513	\$ (534)	\$145,391

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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited)

(unaudited)			
		Ended June 30,	
(in thousands)	2015	2014	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Net income	\$10,375	\$9,139	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating			
activities:			
Provision for loan losses	200	150	
Net amortization and accretion	1,808	1,869	
(Gain) loss on disposition of premises and equipment	4	(10)
Investment securities gains, net	(47) (506)
Stock-based compensation	496	279	
Gain on sale of loans	(14) (555)
Proceeds from sales of loans held for sale	840	28,519	
Originations of loans held for sale	_	(27,713)
Gain on sales of other real estate owned		(10)
Write-down of other real estate owned		346	
Increase in cash value of bank-owned life insurance	(367) (336)
Depreciation	460	412	
Deferred income taxes	119	886	
Excess tax benefits from vesting of restricted stock units	(124) (98)
Change in assets and liabilities:			
Decrease (increase) in accrued interest receivable	39	(340)
Decrease in other assets	3,018	1,640	
(Decrease) in accrued expenses and other liabilities	(382) (86)
Net cash provided by operating activities	16,425	13,586	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:			
Proceeds from sales of securities available for sale	16,946	29,238	
Proceeds from maturities and calls of securities available for sale	24,724	32,185	
Purchases of securities available for sale	(15,180) (47,138)
Purchases of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	(10,586) (9,211)
Proceeds from redemption of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	13,493	8,930	
Net increase in loans	(32,776) (85,356)
Proceeds from sales of other real estate owned	_	765	
Proceeds from sales of premises and equipment	_	13	
Purchases of premises and equipment	(1,397) (2,406)
Purchase of bank-owned life insurance	_	(5,000)
Proceeds from settlement of other assets	3,593	_	
Net (used in) investing activities	(1,183) (77,980)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:			
Net increase in deposits	96,148	98,590	
Net increase (decrease) in federal funds purchased	3,935	(12,682)
Net decrease in short-term borrowings	(66,000) —	
Principal payments on long-term debt	(1,630) (1,630)
Interest rate swap termination costs paid	(541) —	
Common stock dividends paid	(4,812) (3,678)

Restricted stock units withheld for payroll taxes	(179) (154)
Excess tax benefits from vesting of restricted stock units	124	98	
Net cash provided by financing activities	27,045	80,544	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	42,287	16,150	
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			
Beginning	39,781	42,425	
Ending	\$82,068	\$58,575	
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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (continued) (unaudited)

	Six Months Ended June 30,		
(in thousands)	2015	2014	
Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information:			
Cash payments for:			
Interest	\$3,023	\$3,026	
Income taxes	1,340	1,350	
Supplemental Disclosure of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities:			
Purchase of security available for sale, pending settlement	\$475	\$ —	
Transfer of loans to other real estate owned	_	313	
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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared by West Bancorporation, Inc. (the Company) pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. Although management believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented understandable, it is suggested that these interim consolidated financial statements be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014. In the opinion of management, the accompanying consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary to fairly present the financial position as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and net income and comprehensive income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, and cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014. The results for these interim periods may not be indicative of results for the entire year or for any other period.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB). References to GAAP issued by the FASB in these footnotes are to the FASB Accounting Standards CodificationTM, sometimes referred to as the Codification or ASC. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses for the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term are the fair value and other than temporary impairment (OTTI) of financial instruments, and the allowance for loan losses.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company, West Bank and West Bank's wholly-owned subsidiary WB Funding Corporation (which owns an interest in a limited liability company). West Bank's 99.99 percent owned subsidiary ICD IV, LLC (a community development entity) was liquidated during the third quarter of 2014 because the underlying loan matured. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. In accordance with GAAP, West Bancorporation Capital Trust I is recorded on the books of the Company using the equity method of accounting and is not consolidated.

Current accounting developments: In January 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2014-04, Receivables—Troubled Debt Restructuring by Creditors (Subtopic 310-40): Reclassification of Residential Real Estate Collateralized Consumer Mortgage Loans Upon Foreclosure. The update clarifies when an in substance foreclosure occurs, that is, when a creditor is considered to have received physical possession of residential real estate property collateralizing a consumer mortgage loan. This is the point when the consumer mortgage loan should be derecognized and the real property recognized. For public companies, this update was effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 31, 2014. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 660): Summary and Amendments that Create Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606) and Other Assets and Deferred Costs—Contracts with Customers (Subtopic 340-40). The guidance in this update supersedes the revenue recognition

requirements in ASC Topic 605, Revenue Recognition, and most industry-specific guidance throughout the industry topics of the codification. For public companies, this update was originally effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016. In July 2015, the FASB voted to delay the effective date of this ASU by one year. The Company is currently assessing the impact that this guidance will have on its consolidated financial statements, but does not expect the guidance to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, Interest—Imputation of Interest (Subtopic 835-30): Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs. The update simplifies the presentation of debt issuance costs by requiring that debt issuance costs be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of debt liability, consistent with debt discounts or premiums. The recognition and measurement guidance for debt issuance costs are not affected by the amendments in this update. For public companies, this update will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015, and is to be applied retrospectively. Early adoption is permitted. The Company has determined that this guidance will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)

2. Earnings per Common Share

Basic earnings per common share are computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per common share reflect the potential dilution that could occur if the Company's outstanding restricted stock units were vested. The dilutive effect was computed using the treasury stock method, which assumes all stock-based awards were exercised and the hypothetical proceeds from exercise were used by the Company to purchase common stock at the average market price during the period. The incremental shares, to the extent they would have been dilutive, were included in the denominator of the diluted earnings per common share calculation. The calculations of earnings per common share and diluted earnings per common share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 are presented in the following table.

	Three Months En	nded June 30,	Six Months Ended June		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Net income	\$5,272	\$4,739	\$10,375	\$9,139	
Weighted average common shares outstanding	16,054	16,002	16,037	15,990	
Weighted average effect of restricted stock					
units					
outstanding	39	37	52	46	
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	16,093	16,039	16,089	16,036	
Basic earnings per common share	\$0.33	\$0.30	\$0.65	\$0.57	
Diluted earnings per common share	\$0.33	\$0.30	\$0.65	\$0.57	

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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)

3. Investment Securities

The following tables show the amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses and fair value of investment securities, by investment security type as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 2013	5		
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized (Losses)	Fair Value
Securities available for sale:				
U.S. government agencies and corporations	\$2,565	\$185	\$	\$2,750
State and political subdivisions	54,710	924	(591) 55,043
Collateralized mortgage obligations (1)	116,901	815	(1,215) 116,501
Mortgage-backed securities (1)	59,507	635	(405) 59,737
Trust preferred security	1,768	_	(728) 1,040
Corporate notes and equity securities	10,162	48	(80) 10,130
	\$245,613	\$2,607	\$(3,019) \$245,201
Securities held to maturity:				
State and political subdivisions	\$51,302	\$15	\$(869	\$50,448
	December 31	, 2014		
	December 31 Amortized Cost	, 2014 Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized (Losses)	Fair Value
Securities available for sale:	Amortized	Gross Unrealized	Unrealized	
Securities available for sale: U.S. government agencies and corporations	Amortized	Gross Unrealized	Unrealized	
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Unrealized (Losses)	Value
U.S. government agencies and corporations	Amortized Cost \$12,626	Gross Unrealized Gains	Unrealized (Losses) \$(10	Value) \$12,820
U.S. government agencies and corporations State and political subdivisions	Amortized Cost \$12,626 51,234	Gross Unrealized Gains \$204 1,286	Unrealized (Losses) \$(10)(161)	Value) \$12,820) 52,359
U.S. government agencies and corporations State and political subdivisions Collateralized mortgage obligations ⁽¹⁾	Amortized Cost \$12,626 51,234 126,430	Gross Unrealized Gains \$204 1,286 856	Unrealized (Losses) \$(10) (161) (1,416)	Value) \$12,820) 52,359) 125,870
U.S. government agencies and corporations State and political subdivisions Collateralized mortgage obligations (1) Mortgage-backed securities (1)	Amortized Cost \$12,626 51,234 126,430 65,813	Gross Unrealized Gains \$204 1,286 856	Unrealized (Losses) \$(10) (161) (1,416) (284)	Value) \$12,820) 52,359) 125,870) 66,153
U.S. government agencies and corporations State and political subdivisions Collateralized mortgage obligations (1) Mortgage-backed securities (1) Trust preferred security	Amortized Cost \$12,626 51,234 126,430 65,813 1,763	Gross Unrealized Gains \$204 1,286 856 624	Unrealized (Losses) \$(10) (161) (1,416) (284) (845)	Value) \$12,820) 52,359) 125,870) 66,153) 918
U.S. government agencies and corporations State and political subdivisions Collateralized mortgage obligations (1) Mortgage-backed securities (1) Trust preferred security	Amortized Cost \$12,626 51,234 126,430 65,813 1,763 14,729	Gross Unrealized Gains \$204 1,286 856 624 — 66	Unrealized (Losses) \$(10) (161) (1,416) (284) (845) (125)	Value) \$12,820) 52,359) 125,870) 66,153) 918) 14,670

All collateralized mortgage obligations and mortgage-backed securities consist of residential mortgage (1) pass-through securities guaranteed by GNMA or issued by FNMA and real estate mortgage investment conduits guaranteed by FHLMC or GNMA.

Investment securities with an amortized cost of approximately \$80,658 and \$4,805 as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, were pledged to secure access to the Federal Reserve discount window, for public fund deposits, and for other purposes as required or permitted by law or regulation. The increase in the amount of pledged investment securities at June 30, 2015 compared to December 31, 2014 was primarily due to an increase in

public fund deposits.

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West Bancorporation, Inc. and Subsidiary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities available for sale as of June 30, 2015, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Certain securities have call features that allow the issuer to call the securities prior to maturity. Expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities for collateralized mortgage obligations and mortgage-backed securities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Therefore, collateralized mortgage obligations and mortgage-backed securities are not included in the maturity categories within the following maturity summary. Equity securities have no maturity date.

	June 30, 2015	•
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$1,337	\$1,359
Due after one year through five years	18,914	19,363
Due after five years through ten years	16,378	16,592
Due after ten years	31,092	30,239
	67,721	67,553
Collateralized mortgage obligations and mortgage-backed securities	176,408	176,238
Equity securities	1,484	1,410
	\$245,613	\$245,201

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities held to maturity as of June 30, 2015, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Certain securities have call features that allow the issuer to call the securities prior to maturity.

	June 30, 2015		
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	
Due after one year through five years	\$278	\$274	
Due after five years through ten years	14,398	14,276	
Due after ten years	36,626	35,898	
	\$51.302	\$50,448	

The details of the sales of investment securities for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 are summarized in the following table.

-	Three Months En	nded June 30,	Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Proceeds from sales	\$6,889	\$ —	\$16,946	\$29,238	
Gross gains on sales	43	_	54	716	
Gross losses on sales	7		7	210	

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The following tables show the fair value and gross unrealized losses, aggregated by investment type and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous loss position, as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

June 30, 2015								
		_			Γotal	~		
Fair Value	Unrealize	d	Fair Value	Unrealized			Unrealize	ed
	,			,			,	
\$	\$		\$—	\$ —	\$	S—	\$ —	
27,759	(591)		_	2	27,759	(591)
19,117	(151)	45,771	(1,064) 6	54,888	(1,215)
21,967	(239)	7,842	(166) 2	29,809	(405)
	_		1,040	(728) 1	,040	(728)
3,039	(26)	938	(54) 3	3,977	(80)
\$71,882	\$(1,007)	\$55,591	\$(2,012) \$	5127,473	\$(3,019)
\$46.975	\$(869)	\$ —	\$ —	\$	646.975	\$(869)
+ 10,270	+ (00)		•	*	_	,	+ (00)	,
D	21 2014							
	•		12 months o	r langar	т	Cotol		
Less man 1.			12 monuis C	-	1	otai	Gross	
Fair		d	Fair					Ы
Value		u	Value		V	<i>V</i> alue		ď
	(=====)			(=====)			(=====)	
\$10,039	\$(10)	\$—	\$—	\$	510,039	\$(10)
							(1.61)
6,614	(90)	5,887	(71) 1	2,501	(161	,
6,614 17,283	(90 (87	-	5,887 53,318	(71 (1,329	•	2,501 70,601	(161 (1,416)
*	•)	-		7	-	`	
17,283	(87)	53,318	(1,329	7 3	70,601	(1,416	
17,283	(87)	53,318 17,126	(1,329 (183) 7) 3) 9	70,601 32,310	(1,416 (284	
17,283 15,184	(87 (101 —)	53,318 17,126 918	(1,329 (183 (845 (102) 7) 3) 9) 7	70,601 32,310 018	(1,416 (284 (845)
17,283 15,184 — 4,581	(87 (101 — (23)	53,318 17,126 918 2,881	(1,329 (183 (845 (102) 7) 3) 9) 7	70,601 32,310 918 7,462	(1,416 (284 (845 (125)
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As of June 30, 2015, the available for sale securities with unrealized losses that have existed for longer than one year included 12 collateralized mortgage obligation securities, two mortgage-backed securities, one trust preferred security and two equity securities.

The Company believes the unrealized losses on investments available for sale and held to maturity as of June 30, 2015, were due to market conditions, rather than reduced estimated cash flows. The Company does not intend to sell these securities, does not anticipate that these securities will be required to be sold before anticipated recovery, and expects full principal and interest to be collected. Therefore, the Company does not consider these investments to have OTTI as of June 30, 2015.

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4. Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

Loans consisted of the following segments as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 201	4
Commercial	\$334,933	\$316,908	
Real estate:			
Construction, land and land development	148,786	154,490	
1-4 family residential first mortgages	51,938	53,497	
Home equity	21,091	24,500	
Commercial	652,487	625,938	
Consumer and other loans	8,905	9,318	
	1,218,140	1,184,651	
Net unamortized fees and costs	(762) (606)
	\$1,217,378	\$1,184,045	

Real estate loans of approximately \$610,000 and \$590,000 were pledged as security for Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) advances as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively.

Loans are stated at the principal amounts outstanding, net of unamortized loan fees and costs, with interest income recognized on the interest method based upon those outstanding loan balances. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized as an adjustment of the related loan yield using the interest method. Loans are reported by the portfolio segments identified above and are analyzed by management on this basis. All loan policies identified below apply to all segments of the loan portfolio.

Delinquencies are determined based on the payment terms of the individual loan agreements. The accrual of interest on past due and other impaired loans is generally discontinued at 90 days past due or when, in the opinion of management, the borrower may be unable to make all payments pursuant to contractual terms. Unless considered collectible, all interest accrued but not collected for loans that are placed on nonaccrual or charged off is reversed against interest income, if accrued in the current year, or charged to the allowance for loan losses, if accrued in the prior year. Generally, all payments received while a loan is on nonaccrual status are applied to the principal balance of the loan. Loans are returned to accrual status when all principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

Based upon its ongoing assessment of credit quality within the loan portfolio, the Company maintains a Watch List, which includes loans classified as Doubtful, Substandard and Watch according to the Company's classification criteria. These loans involve the potential for payment defaults or collateral inadequacies. A loan on the Watch List is considered impaired when management believes it is probable the Company will be unable to collect all contractual principal and interest payments due in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement. Impaired loans are measured based on the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or, as a practical expedient, at the loan's observable market price or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. The amount of impairment, if any, and any subsequent changes are included in the allowance for loan losses.

A loan is classified as a troubled debt restructured (TDR) loan when the Company concludes that a borrower is experiencing financial difficulties and a concession was granted that would not otherwise be considered. Concessions may include a restructuring of the loan terms to alleviate the burden on the borrower's cash requirements, such as an extension of the payment terms beyond the original maturity date or a change in the interest rate charged. TDR loans with extended payment terms are accounted for as impaired until performance is established. A change to the interest rate would change the classification of a loan to a TDR loan if the restructured loan yields a rate that is below a market rate for that of a new loan with comparable risk. TDR loans with below-market rates are considered impaired until fully collected. TDR loans may also be reported as nonaccrual or past due 90 days if they are not performing per the restructured terms.

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The table below presents the TDR loans by segment as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Troubled debt restructured loans ⁽¹⁾ :		
Commercial	\$109	\$ —
Real estate:		
Construction, land and land development	351	376
1-4 family residential first mortgages	98	86
Home equity		_
Commercial	501	557
Consumer and other loans	_	_
Total troubled debt restructured loans	\$1,059	\$1,019

⁽¹⁾ There were three TDR loans as of June 30, 2015 and two TDR loans as of December 31, 2014, with balances of \$688 and \$643, respectively, categorized as nonaccrual.

There was one loan modification considered to be TDR that occurred during the three months ended June 30, 2015, and two loan modifications considered to be TDR that occurred during the six months ended June 30, 2015 with preand post-modification recorded investments of \$20 and \$130, respectively. There were no loan modifications considered to be TDR during the three and six months ended June 30, 2014.

One TDR loan that was modified within the twelve months preceding June 30, 2015, with a recorded investment of \$110, has subsequently had a payment default. No TDR loans that were modified within the twelve months preceding June 30, 2014 have subsequently had a payment default. A TDR loan is considered to have a payment default when it is past due 30 days or more.

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The following table summarizes the recorded investment in impaired loans by segment, broken down by loans with no related allowance and loans with a related allowance and the amount of that allowance as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

,	June 30, 2015			December 31, 2014		
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance
With no related allowance recorded:						
Commercial	\$163	\$309	\$ —	\$164	\$310	\$ —
Real Estate:						
Construction, land and land	351	954		376	978	
development	331	754		370	776	_
1-4 family residential first mortgages	300	300		257	257	
Home equity	_					
Commercial	1,938	1,938		557	557	
Consumer and other loans	4	4	_	_	_	_
	2,756	3,505	_	1,354	2,102	_
With an allowance recorded:						
Commercial	109	109	109	292	292	150
Real Estate:						
Construction, land and land				925	925	200
development	_	_		825	825	200
1-4 family residential first mortgages	_	_		_	_	_
Home equity	220	220	220	229	229	229
Commercial	164	164	164	172	172	172
Consumer and other loans						
	493	493	493	1,518	1,518	751
Total:						
Commercial	272	418	109	456	602	150
Real Estate:						
Construction, land and land	251	054		1.001	1.002	200
development	351	954		1,201	1,803	200
1-4 family residential first mortgages	300	300		257	257	
Home equity	220	220	220	229	229	229
Commercial	2,102	2,102	164	729	729	172
Consumer and other loans	4	4				
	\$3,249	\$3,998	\$493	\$2,872	\$3,620	\$751

The balance of impaired loans at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 was composed of 13 and 11 different borrowers, respectively. The Company has no commitments to advance additional funds on any of the impaired loans.

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The following table summarizes the average recorded investment and interest income recognized on impaired loans by segment for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

segment for the three C		nths Ended J	-	2011	Six Month 2015	s Ended June	e 30, 2014	
	Average	Interest	Average	Interest	Average	Interest	Average	Interest
	Recorded		Recorded		Recorded		Recorded	
	Investmen	t Recognized	d Investmen	t Recognized	Investment	Recognized	Investment	Recognized
With no related								
allowance								
recorded:								
Commercial	\$164	\$ —	\$483	\$ —	\$164	\$ —	\$362	\$ —
Real estate:								
Construction, land and			100		2.60	_	400	
land development	354	4	402	4	360	7	408	8
1-4 family residential								
first	205		266	-	20.4		44.4	-
mortgages	307		366	7	284		414	7
Home equity								_
Commercial	1,229		688	1	937		732	3
Consumer and other	4		_		2		_	
loans	2.050	4	1.020	10	1 747	7	1.016	10
With an allamana	2,058	4	1,939	12	1,747	7	1,916	18
With an allowance recorded:								
Commercial	245		387	3	265	2	565	5
Real estate:	243		301	3	203	2	303	3
Construction, land and	1							
land development	l		1,631	19	353	6	1,786	41
1-4 family residential			1,031	19	333	U	1,700	41
first								
mortgages			231	_			267	
Home equity	222		59		224		34	
Commercial	165		_		168		_	
Consumer and other	100				100			
loans	_		_		_		_	
104116	632		2,308	22	1,010	8	2,652	46
Total:			_,		-,		_,	
Commercial	409		870	3	429	2	927	5
Real estate:								
Construction, land and	l							
land development	354	4	2,033	23	713	13	2,194	49
1-4 family residential			•				•	
first								

mortgages	307		597	7	284		681	7
Home equity	222		59		224		34	
Commercial	1,394		688	1	1,105		732	3
Consumer and other loans	4	_	_	_	2	_	_	
	\$2,690	\$ 4	\$4,247	\$ 34	\$2,757	\$ 15	\$4,568	\$ 64

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The following tables provide an analysis of the payment status of the recorded investment in loans as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 20	15					
	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Nonaccrual Loans	Total Loans
Commercial	\$176	\$	\$ —	\$176	\$334,485	\$272	\$334,933
Real estate:					•		•
Construction, land and							
land development					148,786	_	148,786
1-4 family residential							
first mortgages	205		_	205	51,453	280	51,938
Home equity					20,871	220	21,091
Commercial	_		_	_	650,385	2,102	652,487
Consumer and other	17	1		18	8,883	4	8,905
Total	\$398	\$1	\$ —	\$399	\$1,214,863	\$2,878	\$1,218,140
	December 3	31, 2014					
	30-59	60-89	90 Days	Total		Nonaccrual	Total
	30-59 Days Past	60-89 Days Past	or More	Total Past Due	Current	Nonaccrual Loans	Total Loans
	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due		Loans	Loans
Commercial	30-59 Days Past	60-89 Days Past	or More		Current \$316,528		
Real estate:	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due		Loans	Loans
Real estate: Construction, land and	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due	\$316,528	Loans	Loans \$316,908
Real estate: Construction, land and land development	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due		Loans	Loans
Real estate: Construction, land and land development 1-4 family residential	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due	\$316,528 154,490	Loans \$346	Loans \$316,908 154,490
Real estate: Construction, land and land development 1-4 family residential first mortgages	30-59 Days Past Due \$34	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due \$34 —	\$316,528 154,490 53,240	Loans \$346 — 257	Loans \$316,908 154,490 53,497
Real estate: Construction, land and land development 1-4 family residential first mortgages Home equity	30-59 Days Past Due \$34 — — 14	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due \$34 — — 14	\$316,528 154,490 53,240 24,257	Loans \$346 — 257 229	Loans \$316,908 154,490 53,497 24,500
Real estate: Construction, land and land development 1-4 family residential first mortgages Home equity Commercial	30-59 Days Past Due \$34	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due \$34 —	\$316,528 154,490 53,240 24,257 623,709	Loans \$346 — 257	Loans \$316,908 154,490 53,497 24,500 625,938
Real estate: Construction, land and land development 1-4 family residential first mortgages Home equity	30-59 Days Past Due \$34 — — 14	60-89 Days Past Due	or More Past Due	Past Due \$34 — — 14	\$316,528 154,490 53,240 24,257	Loans \$346 — 257 229	Loans \$316,908 154,490 53,497 24,500

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The following tables present the recorded investment in loans by credit quality indicator and loan segment as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 2015							
	Pass	Watch	Substandard	Doubtful	Total			
Commercial	\$329,389	\$4,906	\$638	\$—	\$334,933			
Real estate:								
Construction, land and land development	145,802	900	2,084	_	148,786			
1-4 family residential first mortgages	50,981	529	428		51,938			
Home equity	20,756	23	312		21,091			
Commercial	645,297	4,020	3,170		652,487			
Consumer and other	8,883	_	22	_	8,905			
Total	\$1,201,108	\$10,378	\$6,654	\$	\$1,218,140			
	December 31	, 2014						
	Pass	Watch	Substandard	Doubtful	Total			
Commercial	\$309,704	\$6,268	\$936	\$	\$316,908			
Real estate:								
Construction, land and land development	151,258	993	2,239	_	154,490			
1-4 family residential first mortgages	52,574	536	387		53,497			
Home equity	23,958	218	324		24,500			
Commercial	614,974	7,467	3,497		625,938			
Consumer and other	9,318		_		9,318			
Total	\$1,161,786	\$15,482	\$7,383	\$ —	\$1,184,651			

All loans are subject to the assessment of a credit quality indicator. Risk ratings are assigned for each loan at the time of approval, and they change as circumstances dictate during the term of the loan. The Company utilizes a 9-point risk rating scale as shown below, with ratings 1 - 5 included in the Pass column, rating 6 included in the Watch column, ratings 7 - 8 included in the Substandard column and rating 9 included in the Doubtful column. All loans classified as impaired that are included in the specific evaluation of the allowance for loan losses are included in the Substandard column along with all other loans with ratings of 7 - 8.

Risk rating 1: The loan is secured by cash equivalent collateral.

Risk rating 2: The loan is secured by properly margined marketable securities, bonds or cash surrender value of life insurance.

Risk rating 3: The borrower is in strong financial condition and has strong debt service capacity. The loan is performing as agreed, and the financial characteristics and trends of the borrower exceed industry statistics.

Risk rating 4: The borrower is in satisfactory financial condition and has satisfactory debt service capacity. The loan is performing as agreed, and the financial characteristics and trends of the borrower fall in line with industry statistics.

Risk rating 5: The borrower's financial condition is less than satisfactory. The loan is still generally paying as agreed, but strained cash flows may cause some slowness in payments. The collateral values adequately preclude loss on the loan. Financial characteristics and trends lag industry statistics. There may be noncompliance with loan covenants.

Risk rating 6: The borrower's financial condition is deficient. Payment delinquencies may be more common. Collateral values still protect from loss, but margins are narrow. The loan may be reliant on secondary sources of repayment, including liquidation of collateral and guarantor support.

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Risk rating 7: The loan is inadequately protected by the current sound worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Well-defined weaknesses exist that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. The Company is inadequately protected by the valuation or paying capacity of the collateral pledged. If deficiencies are not corrected, there is a distinct possibility that a loss will be sustained.

Risk rating 8: All the characteristics of rating 7 exist with the added condition that the loan is past due more than 90 days or there is reason to believe the Company will not receive its principal and interest according to the terms of the loan agreement.

Risk rating 9: All the weaknesses inherent in risk ratings 7 and 8 exist with the added condition that collection or liquidation, on the basis of currently known facts, conditions and values, is highly questionable and improbable. A loan reaching this category would most likely be charged off.

Credit quality indicators for all loans and the Company's risk rating process are dynamic and updated on a continuous basis. Risk ratings are updated as circumstances that could affect the repayment of an individual loan are brought to management's attention through an established monitoring process. Individual lenders initiate changes as appropriate for ratings 1 through 5, and changes for ratings 6 through 9 are initiated via communications with management. The likelihood of loss increases as the risk rating increases and is generally preceded by a loan appearing on the Watch List, which consists of all loans with a risk rating of 6 or worse. Written action plans with firm target dates for resolution of identified problems are maintained and reviewed on a quarterly basis for all segments of criticized loans.

In addition to the Company's internal credit monitoring practices and procedures, an outsourced independent credit review function is in place to further assess assigned internal risk classifications and monitor compliance with internal lending policies and procedures.

In all portfolio segments, the primary risks are that a borrower's income stream diminishes to the point that the borrower is not able to make scheduled principal and interest payments and any collateral securing the loan declines in value. The risk of declining collateral values is present for most types of loans.

Commercial loans consist primarily of loans to businesses for various purposes, including revolving lines to finance current operations, inventory and accounts receivable, and capital expenditure loans to finance equipment and other fixed assets. These loans generally have short maturities, have either adjustable or fixed interest rates, and are either unsecured or secured by inventory, accounts receivable and/or fixed assets. For commercial loans, the primary source of repayment is from the operation of the business.

Real estate loans include various types of loans for which the Company holds real property as collateral, and consist of loans on commercial properties and single and multifamily residences. Real estate loans are typically structured to mature or reprice every five years with payments based on amortization periods up to 30 years. The majority of construction loans are to contractors and developers for construction of commercial buildings or residential real estate. These loans typically have maturities of up to 24 months. The Company's loan policy includes minimum appraisal and other credit guidelines.

Consumer loans include loans extended to individuals for household, family and other personal expenditures not secured by real estate. The majority of the Company's consumer lending is for vehicles, consolidation of personal debts and household improvements. The repayment source for consumer loans, including 1-4 family residential and home equity loans, is typically wages.

The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses charged to expense. Loans are charged-off against the allowance for loan losses when management believes that collectability of the principal is unlikely. The allowance is an amount that management believes will be adequate to absorb probable losses on existing loans, based on an evaluation of the collectability of loans and prior loss experience. This evaluation also takes into consideration such factors as changes in the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, overall portfolio quality, the review of specific problem loans, and the current economic conditions that may affect the borrower's ability to pay. While management uses the best information available to make its evaluations, future adjustments to the allowance may be necessary if there are significant changes in economic conditions or the other factors relied upon.

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The allowance for loan losses consists of specific and general components. The specific component relates to loans that meet the definition of impaired. The general component covers the remaining loans and is based on historical loss experience adjusted for qualitative factors such as delinquency trends, loan growth, economic elements and local market conditions. These same policies are applied to all segments of loans. In addition, regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination processes, periodically review the Company's allowance for loan losses, and may require the Company to make additions to the allowance based on their judgment about information available to them at the time of their examinations.

The following tables detail the changes in the allowance for loan losses by segment for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

Beginning balance Charge-offs Recoveries Provision (1) Ending balance	Commerce \$4,498 (18 303	cial)	Real Estat	e	ne 30, 2015 n1-4 Family Residential \$ 433 (15) 1 26 \$ 445	H E \$		Commercial \$ 6,669 3 310 \$ 6,982	Consumer and Other \$29 2 (4) \$27	Total \$13,878 (33 319 200 \$14,364)
Ending bulance	Three Mo	ont	hs Ended . Real Estat	e	ne 30, 2014 n1-4 Family				Consumer		
Beginning balance Charge-offs Recoveries Provision ⁽¹⁾ Ending balance	\$4,006 (167 23 36 \$3,898)	and Land \$2,892 — — (352 \$2,540		Residential \$ 590 (23) 1 (15) \$ 553	1 E \$ (6 9 2:	Equity 3365 63)	\$ 5,378 — — — 231 \$ 5,609	and Other \$52 —	Total \$13,283 (253 33 150 \$13,213)
Beginning balance Charge-offs Recoveries Provision ⁽¹⁾ Ending balance	Six Month Commerce \$4,415 (56 327 50 \$4,736 Six Month)	Real Estat Constructi and Land \$2,151 — 250 (701 \$1,700 Ended Jur Real Estat	e ior)	11-4 Family Residential \$ 466 (15) 2 (8) \$ 445	\$ - 3:	Equity 534 — 5	Commercial \$ 6,013 6 963 \$ 6,982	and Other \$28 — 8 (9) \$27	\$13,607 (71 628 200 \$14,364)
	Commerc	cial	l					Commercial		Total	

		Construction and Land	1-4 Family Residential			Consumer and Other	
Beginning balance	\$4,199	\$3,032	\$ 613	\$403	\$ 5,485	\$59	\$13,791
Charge-offs	(577)	_	(63)	(63)	(112)	_	(815)
Recoveries	52	8	2	24		1	87
Provision (1)	224	(500)	1	199	236	(10)	150
Ending balance	\$3,898	\$2,540	\$ 553	\$563	\$ 5,609	\$50	\$13,213

The negative provisions for the various segments are related to either the decline in each of those portfolio (1)segments during the time periods disclosed and/or improvement in the credit quality factors related to those portfolio segments.

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Ending balance:

impairment

Individually evaluated for

\$456

316,452

\$1,201

153,289

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The following tables present a breakdown of the allowance for loan losses disaggregated on the basis of impairment analysis method by segment as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 2015						
	Commercia	Real Estate Construction and Land	n1-4 Family Residential		Commercial	Consumer and Other	Total
Ending balance: Individually evaluated for impairment	\$109	\$—	\$—	\$220	\$ 164	\$—	\$493
Collectively evaluated for impairment	4,627	1,700	445	254	6,818	27	13,871
Total	\$4,736	\$1,700	\$ 445	\$474	\$ 6,982	\$27	\$14,364
	December 2	Real Estate					
	Commercia	Construction and Land	1-4 Family Residential	Home Equity	Commercial	Consumer and Other	Total
Ending balance:							
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$150	\$200	\$ <i>—</i>	\$229	\$ 172	\$—	\$751
Collectively evaluated for impairment	4,265	1,951	466	305	5,841	28	12,856
Total	\$4,415	\$2,151	\$ 466	\$534	\$ 6,013	\$28	\$13,607

The following tables present the recorded investment in loans, exclusive of unamortized fees and costs, disaggregated on the basis of impairment analysis method by segment as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014. June 30, 2015

	C	Real Estate Construction	11-4 Family	Home	C	Consumer	Total
	Commercia	Construction and Land	Residential	Equity	Commercial	and Other	Total
Ending balance:							
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$272	\$351	\$ 300	\$220	\$ 2,102	\$4	\$3,249
Collectively evaluated for impairment	334,661	148,435	51,638	20,871	650,385	8,901	1,214,891
Total	\$334,933	\$148,786	\$ 51,938	\$21,091	\$ 652,487	\$8,905	\$1,218,140
	December 3	31, 2014					
		Real Estate					
	Commercia	Construction and Land	11-4 Family Residential	Home Equity	Commercial	Consumer and Other	Total

\$ 257

53,240

\$229

24,271

\$ 729

625,209

\$—

9,318

37

\$2,872

1,181,779

Collectively evaluated for

impairment

Total \$316,908 \$154,490 \$53,497 \$24,500 \$625,938 \$9,318 \$1,184,651

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5. Derivatives

The Company uses interest rate swap agreements to assist in its interest rate risk management. The notional amounts of the interest rate swaps do not represent amounts exchanged by the counterparties, but rather, the notional amount is used to determine, along with other terms of the derivative, the amounts to be exchanged between the counterparties.

The Company has variable rate FHLB advances, which create exposure to variability in interest payments due to changes in interest rates. In December 2012, to manage the interest rate risk related to the variability of interest payments, the Company entered into three forward-starting interest rate swap transactions, with a total notional amount of \$80,000. The interest rate swaps effectively convert \$80,000 of variable rate FHLB advances to fixed rate debt as of the forward-starting dates. The three swap transactions were designated as cash flow hedges of the changes in cash flows attributable to changes in LIBOR, the benchmark interest rate being hedged, associated with the interest payments made on the underlying FHLB advances with quarterly interest rate reset dates. One interest rate swap, with a notional amount of \$25,000, became effective in December 2014 and was subsequently terminated in March 2015, subject to a termination fee of \$158. A second interest rate swap, with a notional amount of \$25,000, was terminated in June 2015, prior to its effective date and subject to a termination fee of \$383. The third interest rate swap, with a notional amount of \$30,000, will become effective in December 2015. The termination fees will be reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income to interest expense over the remaining life of the underlying cash flows, through December 2019 and June 2020.

In June 2013, the Company entered into a forward-starting interest rate swap transaction with a total notional amount of \$20,000, to effectively convert its \$20,000 variable rate junior subordinated notes to fixed rate debt as of the forward-starting date of the swap transaction. The effective date of this swap was June 30, 2014, and it was terminated in September 2014, when the fair value was \$0.

At the inception of each hedge transaction, the Company represented that the underlying principal balance would remain outstanding throughout the hedge transaction, making it probable that sufficient LIBOR-based interest payments would exist through the maturity date of the swaps. The cash flow hedges were determined to be fully effective during the remaining terms of the swaps. Therefore, the aggregate fair value of the remaining swap is recorded in other assets or other liabilities with changes in market value recorded in other comprehensive income, net of deferred taxes. See Note 9 for additional fair value information and disclosures. The amount included in accumulated other comprehensive income for the remaining hedge will be reclassified to interest expense should the hedge no longer be considered effective. No amount of ineffectiveness was included in net income for the six months ended June 30, 2015 or 2014, and the Company estimates there will be approximately \$304 of cash payments and reclassification from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) to interest expense through June 30, 2016. The Company will continue to assess the effectiveness of the remaining hedge on a quarterly basis.

The Company is exposed to credit risk in the event of nonperformance by the interest rate swap counterparty. The Company minimizes this risk by entering into derivative contracts with only large, stable financial institutions, and the Company has not experienced, and does not expect, any losses from counterparty nonperformance on the interest rate swaps. The Company monitors counterparty risk in accordance with the provisions of FASB ASC 815. In addition, the interest rate swap agreements contain language outlining collateral-pledging requirements for each counterparty. Collateral must be posted when the market value exceeds certain threshold limits. As of June 30, 2015, the Company

pledged to the counterparty \$200 of required collateral in the form of cash on deposit with a third party.

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The tables below identify the balance sheet category and fair values of the Company's derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

June 30, 2015	Swap Number	Notional Amount	Fair Value		Balance Sheet Category	Receive Rate		Pay Rate		Maturity
Interest rate swap	(3)	\$30,000	\$(381)	Other Liabilities	0.59	%	2.52	%	9/21/2020
December 31, 2014	Swap Number	Notional Amount	Fair Value	;	Balance Sheet Category	Receive Rate	;	Pay Rate		Maturity
Interest rate swap	(1)	\$25,000	\$(97)	Other Liabilities	0.54	%	2.10	%	12/23/2019
Interest rate swap	(2)	25,000	(87)	Other Liabilities	0.56	%	2.34	%	6/22/2020
Interest rate swap	(3)	30,000	(77)	Other Liabilities	0.56	%	2.52	%	9/21/2020

The following tables identify the pre-tax losses recognized on the Company's derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

cash flow fled	ges for the			ulie 30, 2013 aliu 2	.014.			
		Six Months End		June 30, 2015				
		Effective Portio	n				Ineffective Portic	
		Amount of		Reclassified from	AOCI into		Recognized in In-	come on
		Pre-tax (Loss)		Income			Derivatives	
	Swap	Recognized in			Amount of			Amount of
	Number	OCI		Category	Gain (Loss)		Category	Gain (Loss)
Interest rate swap	(1)	\$(134)	Interest Expense	\$(72)	Other Income	\$ —
Interest rate swap	(2)	(297)	Interest Expense	_		Other Income	_
Interest rate swap	(3)	(304)	Interest Expense	_		Other Income	_
		Six Months E	nc	led June 30, 2014				
		Effective Port	tio	n			Ineffective Porti	on
		Amount of		Reclassified fro	om AOCI into		Recognized in I	ncome on
		Pre-tax (Loss))	Income			Derivatives	
	Swap	Recognized in	n		Amount of			Amount of
	Numb	er OCI		Category	Gain (Loss)		Category	Gain (Loss)
Interest rate sv	wap (1)	\$(660) Interest Expense	\$ —		Other Income	\$ —
Interest rate sv	wap (2)	(736) Interest Expense	_		Other Income	_
Interest rate sv	wap (3)	(937) Interest Expense	_		Other Income	_
Interest rate sv	wap (4)	(440) Interest Expense	_		Other Income	_

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6. Deferred Income Taxes

Net deferred tax assets consisted of the following as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Deferred tax assets:		
Allowance for loan losses	\$5,458	\$5,171
Intangibles	925	1,079
Other real estate owned	367	367
Accrued expenses	758	891
Restricted stock compensation	130	184
Net unrealized losses on interest rate swaps	344	99
State net operating loss carryforward	1,148	1,100
Capital loss carryforward	797	797
Other	44	46
	9,971	9,734
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Net deferred loan fees and costs	327	334
Premises and equipment	472	565
Net unrealized gains on securities available for sale	17	255
Other	513	350
	1,329	1,504
Net deferred tax assets before valuation allowance	8,642	8,230
Valuation allowance	(1,945) (1,897)
Net deferred tax assets	\$6,697	\$6,333

The Company has recorded a valuation allowance against the tax effect of the state net operating loss carryforwards and federal and state capital loss carryforwards, as management believes it is more likely than not that such carryforwards will expire without being utilized.

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7. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The following table summarizes the changes in the balances of each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Noncredit-relate	ed						
	Unrealized		Unrealized		Unrealized		Accumulated	
	Gains (Losses)		Gains (Losse	s)	Gains		Other	
	on Securities		on Securities		(Losses) on		Comprehensiv	
	with OTTI		without OTT	I	Derivatives		Income (Loss)	
Balance, December 31, 2013	\$(1,439)	\$(4,217)	\$2,118		\$(3,538)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before								
reclassifications	222		4,579		(1,719)	3,082	
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other								
comprehensive income			(314)	_		(314)
Net current period other comprehensive income	222		4,265		(1,719	`	2,768	
(loss)			4,203		(1,/19	,	2,700	
Balance, June 30, 2014	\$(1,217)	\$48		\$399		\$(770)
Balance, December 31, 2014	\$ —		\$416		\$(162)	\$254	
Other comprehensive (loss) before								
reclassifications			(347)	(456)	(803)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other								
comprehensive income	_		(41)	56		15	
Net current period other comprehensive (loss)	_		(388)	(400)	(788)
Balance, June 30, 2015	\$ —		\$28		\$(562)	\$(534)
& Commitments and Contingencies								

8. Commitments and Contingencies

Financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk: The Company is 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 and standby letters of credit. These instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheets. The Company's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments. The Company uses the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations that it uses for on-balance-sheet instruments. The Company's commitments consisted of the following approximate amounts as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Commitments to extend credit	\$463,723	\$441,124
Standby letters of credit	5,876	14,595
	\$469 599	\$455 719

West Bank previously had executed Mortgage Partnership Finance (MPF) Master Commitments (Commitments) with the FHLB of Des Moines to deliver mortgage loans and to guarantee the payment of any realized losses that exceed the FHLB's first loss account for mortgages delivered under the Commitments. West Bank receives credit

enhancement fees from the FHLB for providing this guarantee and continuing to assist with managing the credit risk of the MPF Program mortgage loans. The term of the most recent Commitment was through January 16, 2015 and was not renewed. At June 30, 2015, the liability represented by the present value of the credit enhancement fees less any expected losses in the mortgages delivered under the Commitments was approximately \$412.

Contractual commitments: The Company has remaining commitments to invest in four qualified affordable housing projects totaling \$4,444 as of June 30, 2015.

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Contingencies: On September 29, 2010, West Bank was sued in a class action lawsuit that, as amended, asserts nonsufficient funds fees charged by West Bank to Iowa resident customers on debit card transactions are usurious under the Iowa Consumer Credit Code, rather than allowable fees, and that the sequence in which West Bank formerly posted debit card transactions for payment violated various alleged duties of good faith and ordinary care. Plaintiffs are seeking alternative remedies that include injunctive relief, damages (including treble damages), punitive damages, refund of fees and attorney fees. The case is currently being brought by Darla and Jason T. Legg, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated, in the Iowa District Court for Polk County, Iowa. West Bank believes it has substantial defenses and is vigorously defending the action. The trial court entered orders on preliminary motions on March 4, 2014. It dismissed one of the plaintiffs' claims and found that factual disputes precluded summary judgment in West Bank's favor on the remaining claims. In addition, the court certified two classes for further proceedings. West Bank appealed the adverse rulings to the Iowa Supreme Court. The Iowa Supreme Court has indicated that the appeal will be heard during the 2015-2016 court term. The appeals have not yet been assigned a date for oral argument. The amount of potential loss, if any, cannot be reasonably estimated now because of the unresolved legal issues and because, among other things, the multiple alternative claims involve different time periods, burdens of proof, defenses and potential remedies.

Except as described above, neither the Company nor West Bank is a party, and no property of these entities is subject, to any other material pending legal proceedings, other than ordinary routine litigation incidental to West Bank's business. The Company does not know of any proceeding contemplated by a governmental authority against the Company or West Bank.

9. Fair Value Measurements

Accounting guidance on fair value measurements and disclosures defines fair value and establishes a framework for measuring the fair value of assets and liabilities using a hierarchy system. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the market in which the reporting entity transacts business.

The Company's balance sheet contains securities available for sale and derivative instruments that are recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. The three-level valuation hierarchy for disclosure of fair value is as follows:

Level 1 uses quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 uses observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.

Level 3 uses unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

The Company's policy is to recognize transfers between Levels at the end of each reporting period, if applicable. There were no transfers between Levels of the fair value hierarchy during the six months ended June 30, 2015.

The following is a description of valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on a recurring basis.

Investment securities available for sale: When available, quoted market prices are used to determine the fair value of investment securities. If quoted market prices are not available, the Company determines fair value based on various sources and may apply matrix pricing with observable prices for similar bonds where a price for the identical bond is not observable. The fair values of these securities are determined by pricing models that consider observable market data such as interest rate volatilities, LIBOR yield curve, credit spreads, prices from market makers and live trading systems. Level 1 securities include certain corporate bonds and preferred stocks, and would include U.S. Treasuries, if any were held. Level 2 securities include U.S. government and agency securities, collateralized mortgage obligations, mortgage-backed securities, state and political subdivision securities, and a trust preferred security. The Company currently holds no investment securities classified as Level 3.

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Generally, management obtains the fair value of investment securities at the end of each reporting period via a third party pricing service. Management, with the assistance of an independent investment advisory firm, reviewed the valuation process used by the third party and believes that process was valid. On a quarterly basis, management corroborates the fair values of investment securities by obtaining pricing from an independent investment advisory firm and compares the two sets of fair values. Any significant variances are reviewed and investigated. In addition, the Company has instituted a practice of further testing the fair values of a sample of securities. For that sample, the prices are further validated by management, with assistance from an independent investment advisory firm, by obtaining details of the inputs used by the pricing service. Those inputs were independently tested, and management concluded the fair values were consistent with GAAP requirements and securities were properly classified in the fair value hierarchy.

Derivative instruments: The Company's derivative instruments consist of interest rate swaps, which are accounted for as cash flow hedges. The Company's derivative position is classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy and is valued using models generally accepted in the financial services industry and that use actively quoted or observable market input values from external market data providers and/or non-binding broker-dealer quotations. The fair value of the derivatives are determined using discounted cash flow models. These models' key assumptions include the contractual terms of the respective contract along with significant observable inputs, including interest rates, yield curves, nonperformance risk and volatility. Derivative contracts are executed with a Credit Support Annex, which is a bilateral ratings-sensitive agreement that requires collateral postings at established credit threshold levels. These agreements protect the interests of the Company and its counterparties should either party suffer a credit rating deterioration.

The following tables present the balances of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis by level as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

,,	June 30, 2015			
Description	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Financial assets:				
Investment securities available for sale:				
U.S. government agencies and corporations	\$2,750	\$	\$2,750	\$ —
State and political subdivisions	55,043		55,043	_
Collateralized mortgage obligations	116,501	_	116,501	_
Mortgage-backed securities	59,737	_	59,737	
Trust preferred security	1,040	_	1,040	
Corporate notes and equity securities	10,130	9,830	300	_
Financial liabilities:				
Derivative instruments, interest rate swaps	\$(381)	\$	\$(381)	\$ —
	December 31,	2014		
Description	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Financial assets:				
Investment securities available for sale:				
U.S. government agencies and corporations	\$12,820	\$	\$12,820	\$ —
State and political subdivisions	52,359	_	52,359	

Collateralized mortgage obligations	125,870	_	125,870	
Mortgage-backed securities	66,153	_	66,153	
Trust preferred security	918		918	_
Corporate notes and equity securities	14,670	14,370	300	
Financial liabilities: Derivative instruments, interest rate swaps	\$(261) \$—	\$(261) \$—

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The following table presents changes in investment securities available for sale with significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014. The activity in the table consists of one pooled trust preferred security, which was considered to have OTTI and was sold in December 2014.

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months	s Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Beginning balance	\$ —	\$2,168	\$ —	\$1,850	
Transfer into level 3		_			
Total gains:					
Included in earnings		_			
Included in other comprehensive income		39		357	
Sale of security	_	_	_	_	
Principal payments	_	_	_	_	
Ending balance	\$ —	\$2,207	\$ —	\$2,207	

Certain assets are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. That is, they are subject to fair value adjustments in certain circumstances (for example, when there is evidence of impairment). The following tables present those assets carried on the balance sheet by caption and by level within the valuation hierarchy as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 20)15		
Description	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Impaired loans	\$474	\$ —	\$ —	\$474
Other real estate owned	2,235	_	_	2,235
	December	31, 2014		
Description	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Impaired loans	\$1,266	\$ —	\$ —	\$1,266
Other real estate owned	2,235	_	_	2,235

Loans in the previous tables consist of impaired loans for which a fair value adjustment was recorded. Impaired loans are evaluated and valued at the lower of cost or fair value when the loan is identified as impaired. Fair value is measured based on the value of the collateral securing these loans. Collateral may be real estate or business assets such as equipment, inventory or accounts receivable. Fair value is determined by management evaluations or independent appraisals. Appraised or reported values may be discounted based on management's opinions concerning market developments or the client's business. Other real estate owned in the tables above consists of property acquired through foreclosures and loan settlements. Property acquired is carried at fair value of the property less estimated disposal costs. Fair value of other real estate owned is determined by management by obtaining appraisals or other market value information at the time of acquisition, is updated at least annually, and may be discounted.

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The following tables present additional quantitative information about assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis for which the Company has utilized Level 3 inputs to determine fair value as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	June 30, 2015			
	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range (Average)
Impaired loans	\$474	Evaluation of collateral	Estimation of value	NM*
Other real estate owned	2,235	Appraisal	Appraisal adjustment	0.0% - 25.0% (25.0%)
	December 31, 201	4		
	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Range (Average)
Impaired loans	\$1,266	Evaluation of collateral	Estimation of value	NM*
Other real estate owned	2,235	Appraisal	Appraisal adjustment	0.0% - 25.0% (25.0%)

^{*} Not Meaningful. Evaluations of the underlying assets are completed for each impaired loan with a specific reserve. The types of collateral vary widely and could include accounts receivables, inventory, a variety of equipment and real estate. Collateral evaluations are reviewed and discounted as appropriate based on knowledge of the specific type of collateral. In the case of real estate, an independent appraisal may be obtained. Types of discounts considered included aging of receivables, condition of the collateral, potential market for the collateral and estimated disposal costs. These discounts will vary from loan to loan, thus providing a range would not be meaningful.

GAAP requires disclosure of the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities, including those that are not measured and reported at fair value on a recurring or nonrecurring basis. The methodologies for estimating the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring or nonrecurring basis are discussed above. The methodologies for other financial assets and financial liabilities are discussed below.

Cash and due from banks: The carrying amount approximates fair value.

Federal funds sold: The carrying amount approximates fair value.

Investment securities held to maturity: The fair values of these securities, which are all state and political subdivisions, are determined by the same method described previously for investment securities available for sale.

FHLB stock: The fair value of this restricted stock is estimated at its carrying value and redemption price of \$100 per share.

Loans: The fair values of fixed rate loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis based on observable market interest rates currently being offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers with similar credit quality. The carrying values of variable rate loans approximate their fair values.

Deposits: The carrying amounts for demand and savings deposits, which represent the amounts payable on demand, approximate their fair values. The fair values for certificates of deposit are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis, based on observable market interest rates currently being offered on certificates with similar terms.

Accrued interest receivable and payable: The fair values of both accrued interest receivable and payable approximate their carrying amounts.

Borrowings: The carrying amounts of federal funds purchased, short-term borrowings and variable rate long-term borrowings approximate their fair values. Fair values of fixed rate FHLB advances, subordinated notes and other long-term borrowings are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis, based on observable market interest rates currently being offered with similar terms.

Commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit: The approximate fair values of commitments and standby letters of credit are based on the fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreements and creditworthiness of the counterparties.

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The following table presents the carrying amounts and approximate fair values of financial assets and liabilities as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

		June 30, 2015	5	December 31, 2014		
	Fair Value	Carrying	Approximate	Carrying	Approximate	
	Hierarchy Level	Amount	Fair Value	Amount	Fair Value	
Financial assets:						
Cash and due from banks	Level 1	\$61,682	\$61,682	\$27,936	\$27,936	
Federal funds sold	Level 1	20,386	20,386	11,845	11,845	
Investment securities available for sale	See previous table	245,201	245,201	272,790	272,790	
Investment securities held to maturity	Level 2	51,302	50,448	51,343	51,501	
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	Level 1	12,168	12,168	15,075	15,075	
Loans, net ⁽¹⁾	Level 2	1,203,014	1,210,590	1,170,438	1,199,832	
Accrued interest receivable	Level 1	4,386	4,386	4,425	4,425	
Financial liabilities:						
Deposits	Level 2	1,366,610	1,368,348	1,270,462	1,270,987	
Federal funds purchased	Level 1	6,910	6,910	2,975	2,975	
Short-term borrowings	Level 1	_	_	66,000	66,000	
Subordinated notes	Level 2	20,619	13,044	20,619	13,330	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances, net	Level 2	97,631	98,262	96,888	96,312	
Long-term debt	Level 2	11,046	10,952	12,676	12,571	
Accrued interest payable	Level 1	419	419	419	419	
Interest rate swaps	See previous table	381	381	261	261	
Off-balance-sheet financial instruments:						
Commitments to extend credit	Level 3	_		_		
Standby letters of credit	Level 3	_	_		_	

⁽¹⁾ All loans are Level 2 except impaired loans of \$474 and \$1,266 as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, which are Level 3.

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

"SAFE HARBOR" CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements in this report, other than purely historical information, including estimates, projections, statements relating to our business plans, objectives and expected operating results, and the assumptions upon which those statements are based, are "forward-looking statements" within the meanings of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements may appear throughout this report. These forward-looking statements are generally identified by the words "believes," "expects," "intends," "anticipates," "projects," "future," "may," "should," "will," "strategy, "opportunity," "will be," "will likely result," "will continue" or similar references, or references to estimates, predictions or future events. Such forward-looking statements are based upon certain underlying assumptions, risks and uncertainties. Because of the possibility that the underlying assumptions are incorrect or do not materialize as expected in the future, actual results could differ materially from these forward-looking statements. Risks and uncertainties that may affect future results include: interest rate risk; competitive pressures; pricing pressures on loans and deposits; changes in credit and other risks posed by the Company's loan and investment portfolios, including declines in commercial or residential real estate values or changes in the allowance for loan losses dictated by new market conditions or regulatory requirements; actions of bank and nonbank competitors; changes in local and national economic conditions; changes in regulatory requirements, limitations and costs; changes in customers' acceptance of the Company's products and services; cyber-attacks; and any other risks described in the "Risk Factors" sections of this and other reports filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company undertakes no obligation to revise or update such forward-looking statements to reflect current or future events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with GAAP. The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. These estimates are based upon historical experience and on various other assumptions that management believes are reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. The estimates and judgments that management believes have the most effect on the Company's reported financial position and results of operations are described as critical accounting policies in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 5, 2015. There have been no significant changes in the critical accounting policies or the assumptions and judgments utilized in applying these policies since the year ended December 31, 2014.

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THREE AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

OVERVIEW

The following discussion describes the consolidated operations and financial condition of the Company, which includes West Bank and West Bank's wholly owned subsidiary WB Funding Corporation (which owns an interest in SmartyPig, LLC). West Bank's 99.99 percent owned subsidiary ICD IV, LLC, a community development entity, was liquidated during the third quarter of 2014 when the underlying loan matured. Results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 are compared to the results for the same periods in 2014, and the consolidated financial condition of the Company as of June 30, 2015 is compared to balances as of December 31, 2014. The Company operates in three markets: central Iowa, which is generally the greater Des Moines metropolitan area; eastern Iowa, which is the area including and surrounding Iowa City and Coralville, Iowa; and the Rochester, Minnesota area.

Net income for the three months ended June 30, 2015 was \$5,272, or \$0.33 per diluted common share, compared to \$4,739, or \$0.30 per diluted common share, for the three months ended June 30, 2014. The Company's annualized return on average assets and return on average equity for the three months ended June 30, 2015 were 1.28 and 14.64 percent, respectively, compared to 1.26 and 14.62 percent, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

The increase in net income for the three months ended June 30, 2015 compared to the same period in 2014 was primarily due to a \$1,238 increase in net interest income. The 10.2 percent increase over the same three months of 2014 was primarily the result of loan growth and lower rates paid on time deposits. The increase in net interest income was partially offset by an increase of \$50 in the provision for loan losses and a \$324 reduction in revenue from residential mortgage banking. As previously disclosed, at the end of 2014, the Company changed its process for providing first mortgage loans to its customers. Starting in January 2015, residential mortgage underwriting and processing are outsourced, and funding for residential mortgages is provided by a third party. The Company now receives a fee from a third party for each residential mortgage loan initiated and closed by our retail staff. The reduction in this source of revenue was offset by lower associated operating costs.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2015 was \$10,375, or \$0.65 per diluted common share, compared to \$9,139, or \$0.57 per diluted common share, for the six months ended June 30, 2014. The Company's annualized return on average assets and return on average equity for the six months ended June 30, 2015 were 1.28 and 14.61 percent, respectively, compared to 1.24 and 14.40 percent, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 2014.

The improvement in net income for first half of 2015 compared to the same period of 2014 was primarily due to a \$2,393, or 10.0 percent, increase in net interest income for the same reasons mentioned above. Meanwhile, noninterest income for the first half of 2015 declined \$1,089 compared to the first half of 2014 mainly due to the previously mentioned reduction in residential mortgage banking revenue as well as lower net gains on sales of investment securities. The Company recognized gains on sales of investment securities of \$47 in the first half of 2015 compared to \$506 in the first half of 2014. Noninterest expense declined \$477 for the first half of 2015 compared to the first half of 2014 primarily due to the combination of lower costs associated with other real estate owned and the change in residential mortgage banking operations.

Total loans outstanding increased \$33,333 during the first half of the year compared to December 31, 2014. Management believes the loan portfolio will continue to grow during the remainder of 2015 as the demand for commercial, construction and development, and commercial real estate loans remains strong in all three of the

Company's markets. Credit quality remains strong as evidenced by the Company's Texas ratio, which was 3.43 percent as of June 30, 2015. As of June 30, 2015, the allowance for loan losses was 1.18 percent of loans outstanding, and management believes it was adequate to absorb any losses inherent in the loan portfolio.

As previously disclosed, the Company purchased land in Rochester, Minnesota during 2014, and the Company is finalizing the design of a permanent office in Rochester. The Company expects to break ground for the office during the third quarter of 2015.

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.16 per common share at its meeting on July 22, 2015. The dividend is payable on August 19, 2015, to stockholders of record as of August 5, 2015.

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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table shows selected financial results and measures for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 compared with the same periods in 2014.

	Three Months Ended June 30,							Six Months Ended June 30,								
	2015		2014		Change		Change %		2015		2014		Change		Change %	e
Net income Average assets Average	\$5,272 1,654,45	6	\$4,739 1,509,55	58	\$533 144,898	}			\$10,375 1,639,132	2	\$9,139 1,480,76	53	\$1,236 158,369		13.5 10.7	% %
stockholders' equity	144,384		129,998		14,386		11.1	%	143,228		127,956		15,272		11.9	%
Return on average assets	1.28	%	1.26	%	0.02	%			1.28	%	1.24	%	0.04	%		
Return on average equity	14.64	%	14.62	%	0.02	%			14.61	%	14.40	%	0.21	%		
Net interest margin	3.59	%	3.55	%	0.04	%			3.59	%	3.60	%	(0.01)%		
Efficiency ratio*	46.88	%	48.52	%	(1.64)%			47.55	%	51.09	%	(3.54)%		
Dividend payout ratio	48.74	%	40.51	%	8.23	%			46.38	%	40.25	%	6.13	%		
Average equity to average																
assets ratio	8.73	%	8.61	%	0.12	%			8.74	%	8.64	%	0.1	%		
									As of June 30,							
									2015		2014		Change			
Texas ratio*									3.43	%	6.54	%	(3.11)%		
Equity to assets ratio									8.79	%	8.60	%	0.19	%		
Tangible common equity ratio									8.79	%	8.60	%	0.19	%		

^{*} A lower ratio is more desirable.

Definitions of ratios:

Return on average assets - annualized net income divided by average assets.

Return on average equity - annualized net income divided by average stockholders' equity.

Net interest margin - annualized tax-equivalent net interest income divided by average interest-earning assets.

Efficiency ratio - noninterest expense (excluding other real estate owned expense) divided by noninterest income (excluding net securities gains and gains/losses on disposition of premises and equipment) plus tax-equivalent net interest income.

Dividend payout ratio - dividends paid to common stockholders divided by net income.

Texas ratio - total nonperforming assets divided by tangible common equity plus the allowance for loan losses.

Equity to assets ratio - average equity divided by average assets.

Tangible common equity ratio - common equity less intangible assets divided by tangible assets.

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Net Interest Income

The following tables present average balances and related interest income or interest expense, with the resulting average yield or rate by category of interest-earning assets or interest-bearing liabilities. Interest income and the resulting net interest income are shown on a fully taxable basis.

Data for the three months ended June 30:

	Average Ba	lance	Interest	Income	/Expen	Yield/Rate					
	2015	2014	Change	Change- %	2015	2014	Chang	echange-	2015	2014	Change
Interest-earning assets: Loans:	5										
Commercial Real estate	\$329,414 870,593	\$262,338 771,799	\$67,076 98,794		\$3,469 9,697	\$2,764 8,977	\$705 720				(0.01)% (0.20)%
Consumer and other	8,413	9,217	(804)	(8.72)%	80	93	(13)	(13.98)%	3.81%	4.05%	(0.24)%
Total loans	1,208,420	1,043,354	165,066	15.82 %	13,246	11,834	1,412	11.93 %	4.40%	4.55%	(0.15)%
Investment securities: Taxable Tax-exempt Total investment securities	216,954 102,256 319,210	261,957 91,809 353,766	10,447	(17.18)% 11.38 % (9.77)%	1,145	1,272 1,054 2,326	91	(18.08)% 8.63 % (5.98)%	4.48%	4.59%	(0.11)%
Federal funds sold Total	34,300	30,768	3,532	11.48 %	22	20	2	10.00 %	0.26%	0.26%	— %
interest-earning assets	\$1,561,930	\$1,427,888	\$134,042	9.39 %	15,455	14,180	1,275	8.99 %	3.97%	3.98%	(0.01)%

Interest-bearing

liabilities: