UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

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

DATE OF REPORT (Date of earliest event reported): January 25, 2024

FIRST MERCHANTS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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	Indi	ana
	(State or other jurisdic	ction of incorporation)
001-41342		35-1544218
	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 East Jackson Street P.O. Box 792 Muncie, IN 47305-2814

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(765) 747-1500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.125 stated value per share	FRME	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Depositary Shares, each representing a 1/100th interest in a share of Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A	FRMEP	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the ollowing provisions:
☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
ndicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of his chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).
Emerging growth company \square
f an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On January 25, 2024, First Merchants Corporation issued a press release to report its financial results for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2023. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit No. 99.1 hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to liability of that section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing or document.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(a)	Not applicable.	

- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated January 25, 2024, issued by First Merchants Corporation

Exhibit 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

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

First Merchants Corporation (Registrant)

By: /s/ Michele M. Kawiecki

Michele M. Kawiecki

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Dated: January 25, 2024

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January 25, 2024

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SOURCE: First Merchants Corporation, Muncie, Indiana

FIRST MERCHANTS CORPORATION ANNOUNCES FOURTH QUARTER 2023 EARNINGS PER SHARE

First Merchants Corporation (NASDAQ - FRME)

Fourth Quarter 2023 Highlights:

- Net income available to common stockholders was \$42.0 million and diluted earnings per common share totaled \$0.71 compared
 to \$70.3 million and \$1.19 in the fourth quarter of 2022, and \$55.9 million and \$0.94 in the third quarter of 2023. Net income and
 diluted earnings per common share, excluding one-time charges of \$12.7 million incurred during the quarter, totaled \$51.6
 million and \$0.87, respectively.
- Strong capital position with Common Equity Tier 1 Capital Ratio of 11.35 percent.
- Total loans grew \$202.6 million, or 6.6 percent annualized on a linked quarter basis, and \$608.6 million, or 5.1 percent during the
 last twelve months when excluding the impact of a non-relationship commercial loan portfolio sale of \$116.6 million that
 occurred during the second quarter.
- Total deposits increased \$174.9 million, or 4.8 percent annualized on a linked quarter basis, and \$438.7 million, or 3.1 percent during the last twelve months.
- Nonaccrual loans totaled \$53.6 million compared to \$53.1 million on a linked quarter basis.
- The efficiency ratio totaled 63.26 percent for the quarter and 55.56% excluding \$12.7 million of one-time charges incurred during the quarter.

Mark Hardwick, Chief Executive Officer, stated, "During a year where safety and soundness became the highest priority of stakeholders, we are very pleased with the positioning of our balance sheet. The Bank's liquidity position improved by \$585 million as cash increased by \$300 million and borrowings declined by \$285 million year over year. Our tangible common equity increased by \$222 million driving our tangible common equity ratio from 7.37 percent to 8.44 percent and the allowance to loans continues to be top decile totaling 1.64 percent." Hardwick added, "Our team built this resilient balance sheet while also producing core loan growth of just over 5 percent and deposit growth of 3 percent. In a year with large bank failures, our company produced solid results with net income totaling \$222 million, a strong ROA of 1.23%, and an efficiency ratio of 55%. These results are without any adjustments for one-time charges totaling \$12.7 million which were incurred in the fourth quarter. The actions taken during the quarter to reduce costs will lead to an even more efficient franchise in 2024."

Fourth Quarter Financial Results:

First Merchants Corporation (the "Corporation) has reported fourth quarter 2023 net income available to common stockholders of \$42.0 million compared to \$70.3 million during the same period in 2022. Diluted earnings per common share for the period totaled \$0.71 per share compared to the fourth quarter of 2022 result of \$1.19 per share. The corporation incurred \$12.7 million of one-time charges during the quarter including \$4.3 million from an FDIC special assessment, \$6.3 million from employee early retirement and severance costs, and \$2.1 million from a lease termination.

Total assets equaled \$18.3 billion as of quarter-end and loans totaled \$12.5 billion. During the past twelve months, total loans grew by \$608.6 million, or 5.1 percent and were offset by a non-relationship based commercial loan sale of \$116.6 million that occurred in the second quarter. On a linked quarter basis, loans grew \$202.6 million, or 6.6 percent annualized.

Investments securities, totaling \$3.8 billion, decreased \$452.4 million, or 10.6 percent, during the last twelve months and increased \$97.6 million, or 10.5 percent annualized on a linked quarter basis. The increase during the fourth quarter was due to a \$163.1 million increase in value of available for sale securities offset by bond sales of \$43.3 million and security paydowns and maturities.

Total deposits equaled \$14.8 billion as of quarter-end and increased by \$438.7 million, or 3.1 percent, over the past twelve months. Total deposits increased \$174.9 million, or 4.8 percent annualized on a linked quarter basis. During the quarter, customer deposits increased \$280.0 million which was offset by a reduction in brokered deposits of \$105.1 million. The loan to deposit ratio increased slightly to 84.4 percent at period end from 84.0 percent in the prior quarter.

The Corporation's Allowance for Credit Losses – Loans (ACL) totaled \$204.9 million as of quarter-end, or 1.64 percent of total loans, a decrease of \$0.8 million from prior quarter. Loan charge-offs, net of recoveries, for the quarter totaled \$3.1 million. Net charge-offs were offset with provision expense for loans recorded during the quarter of \$2.3 million. Reserves for unfunded commitments totaling \$19.5 million declined during the quarter due to reserve release of \$0.8 million. Net provision expense for the quarter totaled \$1.5 million. Non-performing assets to total assets were 0.32 percent for the fourth quarter of 2023, a decrease of one basis point compared to 0.33 percent in the prior quarter.

Net interest income, totaling \$130.1 million for the quarter, declined \$3.3 million, or 2.5 percent, compared to prior quarter and decreased \$18.9 million, or 12.7 percent, compared to the fourth quarter of 2022. Stated net-interest margin on a tax equivalent basis totaling 3.16 percent, declined by 13 basis points compared to the third quarter of 2023 and decreased 56 basis points compared to the fourth quarter of 2022. During the quarter, increased deposit costs and a continued change in deposit mix offset the increase in earning asset yields reducing net-interest margin.

Noninterest income, totaling \$26.4 million for the quarter, decreased \$1.4 million, or 5.0 percent, compared to the third quarter of 2023 but increased \$2.3 million from the fourth quarter of 2022. The decrease from third quarter of 2023 was driven by lower gains on the sales of loans, higher realized losses on the sales of securities, and a negative valuation adjustment related to CRA investments. These declines were somewhat offset by an increase in fiduciary and wealth management fees and gains on bank-owned life insurance.

Noninterest expense totaled \$108.1 million for the quarter, an increase of \$14.2 million from the third quarter of 2023. The increase was from higher credit-related expenses and one-time charges totaling \$12.7 million as described above.

The Corporation's total risk-based capital ratio equaled 13.67 percent, common equity tier 1 capital ratio equaled 11.35 percent, and the tangible common equity ratio totaled 8.44 percent, which was an increase of 75 basis points from prior quarter. These ratios continue to demonstrate the Corporation's strong capital and liquidity position.

CONFERENCE CALL

First Merchants Corporation will conduct a fourth quarter earnings conference call and web cast at 11:30 a.m. (ET) on Thursday, January 25, 2024

To access via phone, participants will need to register using the following link where they will be provided a phone number and access code: (https://register.vevent.com/register/Bled9b1a3a96754f9abe7b067d12fe2826)

In order to view the webcast and presentation slides, please go to (https://edge.media-server.com/mmc/p/9hsczd2t) during the time of the call. A replay of the webcast will be available until January 25, 2025.

Detailed financial results are reported on the attached pages.

About First Merchants Corporation

First Merchants Corporation is a financial holding company headquartered in Muncie, Indiana. The Corporation has one full-service bank charter, First Merchants Bank. The Bank also operates as First Merchants Private Wealth Advisors (as a division of First Merchants Bank).

First Merchants Corporation's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market System under the symbol FRME. Quotations are carried in daily newspapers and can be found on the company's Internet web page (http://www.firstmerchants.com).

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Forward-Looking Statements

This release contains forward-looking statements made pursuant to the safe-harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements can often, but not always, be identified by the use of words like "believe", "continue", "pattern", "estimate", "project", "intend", "anticipate", "expect" and similar expressions or future or conditional verbs such as "will", "would", "should", "could", "might", "can", "may", or similar expressions. These statements include statements of First Merchants' goals, intentions and expectations; statements regarding the First Merchants' business plan and growth strategies; statements regarding the asset quality of First Merchants' loan and investment portfolios; and estimates of First Merchants' risks and future costs and benefits. These forward-looking statements are subject to significant risks, assumptions and uncertainties that may cause results to differ materially from those set forth in forward-looking statements, including, among other things: possible changes in monetary and fiscal policies, and laws and regulations; the effects of easing restrictions on participants in the financial services industry; the cost and other effects of legal and administrative cases; possible changes in the credit worthiness of customers and the possible impairment of collectability of loans; fluctuations in market rates of interest; competitive factors in the banking industry; changes in the banking legislation or regulatory requirements of federal and state agencies applicable to bank holding companies and banks like First Merchants' affiliate bank; continued availability of earnings and excess capital sufficient for the lawful and prudent declaration of dividends; changes in market, economic, operational, liquidity (including the ability to grow and maintain core deposits and retain large, uninsured deposits), credit and interest rate risks associated with the First Merchants' business; and other risks and factors identified in each of First Merchants' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. First Merchants does not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, relating to the matters discussed in this press release. In addition, First Merchants' past results of operations do not necessarily indicate its anticipated future results.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars In Thousands) December 31,

	2023	iber 31,	2022
ASSETS	 2023		2022
Cash and due from banks	\$ 112,649	\$	122,594
Interest-bearing deposits	436,080		126,061
Investment securities, net of allowance for credit losses of \$245,000 and \$245,000	3,811,364		4,263,788
Loans held for sale	18,934		9,094
Loans	12,486,027		12,003,894
Less: Allowance for credit losses - loans	(204,934)		(223,277)
Net loans	12,281,093		11,780,617
Premises and equipment	133,896		117,118
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	41,769		38,525
Interest receivable	97,664		85,070
Goodwill and other intangibles	739,101		747,844
Cash surrender value of life insurance	306,301		308,311
Other real estate owned	4,831		6,431
Tax asset, deferred and receivable	99,883		111,222
Other assets	225,914		221,631
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 18,309,479	\$	17,938,306
LIABILITIES			
Deposits:			
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 2,500,062	\$	3,173,417
Interest-bearing	12,321,391		11,209,328
Total Deposits	14,821,453	-	14,382,745
Borrowings:			
Federal funds purchased	_		171,560
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	157,280		167,413
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	712,852		823,674
Subordinated debentures and other borrowings	158,644		151,298
Total Borrowings	 1,028,776		1,313,945
Interest payable	18,912		7,530
Other liabilities	192,625		199,316
Total Liabilities	 16,061,766	-	15,903,536
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	1,11		1,111,111
Preferred Stock, \$1,000 par value, \$1,000 liquidation value:			
Authorized 600 cumulative shares			
Issued and outstanding - 125 cumulative shares	125		125
Preferred Stock, Series A, no par value, \$2,500 liquidation preference:			
Authorized 10,000 non-cumulative perpetual shares			
Issued and outstanding - 10,000 non-cumulative perpetual shares	25,000		25,000
Common Stock, \$.125 stated value:			
Authorized 100,000,000 shares			
Issued and outstanding - 59,424,122 and 59,170,583 shares	7,428		7,396
Additional paid-in capital	1,236,506		1,228,626
Retained earnings	1,154,624		1,012,774
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(175,970)		(239,151)
Total Stockholders' Equity	 2,247,713		2,034,770
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 18,309,479	\$	17,938,306

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Dollars In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

Three Months Ended December 31. Twelve Months Ended December 31.

		2023	2022	2023		2022
INTEREST INCOME						
Loans receivable:						
Taxable	\$	197,523	\$ 156,102	\$ 747,837	\$	470,468
Tax-exempt		8,197	6,930	31,954		25,124
Investment securities:						
Taxable		8,644	9,417	35,207		38,354
Tax-exempt		13,821	17,033	58,117		67,381
Deposits with financial institutions		8,034	959	17,719		2,503
Federal Home Loan Bank stock		771	541	3,052		1,176
Total Interest Income		236,990	190,982	893,886		605,006
INTEREST EXPENSE	-	<u> </u>				
Deposits		96,655	33,516	306,092		62,939
Federal funds purchased		1	808	1,421		1,302
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		827	541	3,451		1,136
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		6,431	4,932	27,206		11,417
Subordinated debentures and other borrowings		3,013	2,229	10,316		8,009
Total Interest Expense		106,927	42,026	348,486	_	84.803
NET INTEREST INCOME		130,063	148,956	545,400		520,203
Provision for credit losses		1,500	140,330	3,500		16,755
NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER PROVISION FOR CREDIT LOSSES		128,563	148,956	541,900		503,448
NONINTEREST INCOME AFTER PROVISION FOR CREDIT LOSSES NONINTEREST INCOME		120,303	140,930	541,900	_	303,446
Service charges on deposit accounts		7,690	7,097	30,837		28,371
		8,187	7,501	30,840		29,688
Fiduciary and wealth management fees		·	· ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Card payment fees		4,437	4,533 2,087	18,862		20,207
Net gains and fees on sales of loans		4,111	· ·	15,659		10,055
Derivative hedge fees		1,049 237	326 362	3,385		3,388
Other customer fees				1,880		1,935
Earnings on cash surrender value of life insurance		3,202	1,515	8,347		11,174
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of available for sale securities		(2,317)	57	(6,930)		1,194
Other income (loss)		(152)	672	2,722		1,929
Total Noninterest Income		26,444	24,150	105,602		107,941
NONINTEREST EXPENSES		00.007	50.004	200 745		222 222
Salaries and employee benefits		60,967	52,331	228,745		206,893
Net occupancy		9,089	6,638	29,859		26,211
Equipment		6,108	6,148	24,113		23,945
Marketing		2,647	3,157	7,427		7,708
Outside data processing fees		5,875	5,611	25,165		21,682
Printing and office supplies		402	390	1,552		1,588
Intangible asset amortization		2,182	2,303	8,743		8,275
FDIC assessments		7,557	2,295	14,674		10,235
Other real estate owned and foreclosure expenses		1,743	197	3,318		823
Professional and other outside services		3,981	3,961	16,172		21,642
Other expenses		7,552	6,668	28,502		26,713
Total Noninterest Expenses		108,103	89,699	388,270		355,715
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX		46,904	83,407	259,232		255,674
Income tax expense		4,425	12,647	35,446		33,585
NET INCOME		42,479	70,760	223,786		222,089
Preferred stock dividends		469	468	1,875		1,406
NET INCOME AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$	42,010	\$ 70,292	\$ 221,911	\$	220,683
Per Share Data:	<u> </u>				=	.,
Basic Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	\$	0.71	\$ 1.20	\$ 3.74	\$	3.83
Diluted Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	\$	0.71	\$ 1.19	\$ 3.74	\$	3.81
Cash Dividends Paid to Common Stockholders	\$	0.71	\$ 0.32	\$ 1.34	φ \$	1.25
	φ	59,556	59,384	59,489	Ψ	57,950
Average Diluted Common Shares Outstanding (in thousands)		59,556	59,384	59,489		51,950

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(Dollars in thousands)	Three Months	Ended	Twelve Mor	nths Ended
	December	31,	Decemb	ber 31,
	2022	2022	2022	2022

		2023	3	:	2022		20)23		2022
NET CHARGE-OFFS (RECOVERIES)		\$	3,148	\$	3,42	5 \$		25,643	\$	2,674
AVERAGE BALANCES:										
Total Assets		\$ 18,	397,200	\$	17,834,46	8 \$	1	18,186,507	\$	17,220,002
Total Loans		12,	396,451		11,818,91	1	1	12,297,974		10,943,051
Total Earning Assets		17,	222,714		16,702,94	4	1	16,991,787		15,985,691
Total Deposits		15,	000,580		14,564,85	3	1	14,721,498		14,198,243
Total Stockholders' Equity		2,	130,993		1,958,04	1		2,127,262		1,972,445
FINANCIAL RATIOS:										
Return on Average Assets			0.92 %	6	1.5	9 %		1.23 %		1.29
Return on Average Stockholders' Equity			7.89	•	14.3			10.43		11.19
Return on Tangible Common Stockholders' Equity			12.75		24.2			16.76		18.12
Average Earning Assets to Average Assets			93.62		93.6			93.43		92.83
Allowance for Credit Losses - Loans as % of Total Loans			1.64		1.8			1.64		1.86
Net Charge-offs as % of Average Loans (Annualized)			0.10		0.1			0.21		0.02
Average Stockholders' Equity to Average Assets			11.58		10.9			11.70		11.45
Tax Equivalent Yield on Average Earning Assets			5.64		4.7			5.40		3.94
Interest Expense/Average Earning Assets			2.48		1.0			2.05		0.53
Net Interest Margin (FTE) on Average Earning Assets			3.16		3.7			3.35		3.41
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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS										
(Dollars In Thousands)	D	ecember 31,	S	eptember 30,		June 30,		March 31,		ecember 31,
		2023		2023		2023		2023		2022
ASSETS	•	440.040	•	405 470	•	400.075	•	405.040	•	400 504
Cash and due from banks	\$	112,649	\$	125,173	\$	108,975	\$	125,818	\$	122,594
Interest-bearing deposits		436,080		348,639		219,480		352,695		126,061
Investment securities, net of allowance for credit losses		3,811,364		3,713,724		3,891,491		4,057,389		4,263,788
Loans held for sale		18,934		30,972		27,297		9,408		9,094
Loans		12,486,027		12,271,422		12,270,233		12,241,461		12,003,894
Less: Allowance for credit losses - loans		(204,934)	_	(205,782)		(221,147)		(223,052)		(223,277
Net loans		12,281,093		12,065,640		12,049,086		12,018,409		11,780,617
Premises and equipment		133,896		132,441		114,402		115,857		117,118
Federal Home Loan Bank stock		41,769		41,797		41,842		41,878		38,525
Interest receivable		97,664		90,011		89,784		85,515		85,070
Goodwill and other intangibles		739,101		741,283		743,465		745,647		747,844
Cash surrender value of life insurance		306,301		306,106		307,020		309,090		308,311
Other real estate owned		4,831		6,480		7,685		7,777		6,431
Tax asset, deferred and receivable		99,883		135,521		113,724		103,070		111,222
Other assets		225,914		258,861		254,161		206,355		221,631
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	18,309,479	\$	17,996,648	\$	17,968,412	\$	18,178,908	\$	17,938,306
LIABILITIES										
Deposits:										
Noninterest-bearing	\$	2,500,062	\$	2,554,984	\$	2,636,017	\$	2,964,355	\$	3,173,417
Interest-bearing		12,321,391		12,091,592		11,945,138	_	11,738,932		11,209,328
Total Deposits		14,821,453		14,646,576		14,581,155		14,703,287		14,382,745
Borrowings:										
Federal funds purchased		_		_		_		20		171,560
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		157,280		152,537		152,472		179,067		167,413
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		712,852		713,384		723,480		823,577		823,674
Subordinated debentures and other borrowings		158,644		158,665		151,325		151,312		151,298
Total Borrowings		1,028,776		1,024,586		1,027,277		1,153,976		1,313,945
Interest payable		18,912		16,473		13,595		11,979		7,530
Other liabilities		192,625		216,369		200,820		187,218		199,316
Total Liabilities		16,061,766		15,904,004		15,822,847		16,056,460		15,903,536
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY										
Preferred Stock, \$1,000 par value, \$1,000 liquidation value:										
Authorized 600 cumulative shares										
Issued and outstanding - 125 cumulative shares		125		125		125		125		125
Preferred Stock, Series A, no par value, \$2,500 liquidation preference:										
Authorized 10,000 non-cumulative perpetual shares										
Issued and outstanding - 10,000 non-cumulative perpetual shares		25,000		25,000		25,000		25,000		25,000
Common Stock, \$.125 stated value:										
Authorized 100,000,000 shares										
Issued and outstanding		7,428		7,425		7,412		7,407		7,396
Additional paid-in capital		1,236,506		1,234,402		1,233,593		1,231,532		1,228,626
Retained earnings		1,154,624		1,132,962		1,097,399		1,057,298		1,012,774
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(175,970)		(307,270)		(217,964)		(198,914)		(239,151)
Total Stockholders' Equity		2,247,713		2,092,644		2,145,565		2,122,448		2,034,770
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	18,309,479	\$	17,996,648	\$	17,968,412	\$	18,178,908	\$	17,938,306

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME										
(Dollars In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)	De	ecember 31,	S	September 30,	June 30),		March 31,	D	ecember 31,
		2023		2023	2023			2023		2022
INTEREST INCOME										
Loans receivable: Taxable	\$	197,523	\$	191,705	\$ 186	5,256	\$	172,353	\$	156,102
Tax-exempt	Φ	8,197	φ	8,288		7,760	φ	7,709	φ	6,930
Investment securities:		0,137		0,200	,	,700		7,703		0,550
Taxable		8,644		8,590	8	3,886		9,087		9,417
Tax-exempt		13,821		13,947		,279		16,070		17,033
Deposits with financial institutions		8,034		5,884		3,164		637		959
Federal Home Loan Bank stock		771		719	1	,020		542		541
Total Interest Income		236,990		229,133	221	,365		206,398		190,982
INTEREST EXPENSE							-			
Deposits		96,655		85,551	73	3,201		50,685		33,516
Federal funds purchased		1		_		123		1,297		808
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		827		797		979		848		541
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		6,431		6,896		3,815		7,064		4,932
Subordinated debentures and other borrowings		3,013		2,506		2,412		2,385		2,229
Total Interest Expense		106,927		95,750		3,530		62,279		42,026
NET INTEREST INCOME		130,063		133,383	137	,835		144,119		148,956
Provision for credit losses		1,500		2,000		_		_		_
NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER PROVISION FOR CREDIT LOSSES NONINTEREST INCOME		128,563		131,383	137	,835		144,119		148,956
Service charges on deposit accounts		7,690		7,975	7	,813		7,359		7,097
Fiduciary and wealth management fees		8,187		7,394	7	,397		7,862		7,501
Card payment fees		4,437		4,716	4	,537		5,172		4,533
Net gains and fees on sales of loans		4,111		5,517	3	3,632		2,399		2,087
Derivative hedge fees		1,049		516		672		1,148		326
Other customer fees		237		384		742		517		362
Earnings on cash surrender value of life insurance		3,202		1,761		2,096		1,288		1,515
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of available for sale securities		(2,317)		(1,650)	(1	,392)		(1,571)		57
Other income (loss)		(152)		1,229		822		823		672
Total Noninterest Income		26,444		27,842	26	3,319		24,997		24,150
NONINTEREST EXPENSES		00.007		FF F00	-	750		57.450		50.004
Salaries and employee benefits		60,967 9,089		55,566		,753 5,674		57,459		52,331 6,638
Net occupancy		6,108		6,837 5,698		5,074 5,181		7,259 6,126		6,148
Equipment Marketing		2,647		2,369		,102		1,309		3,157
Outside data processing fees		5,875		6,573		5,604		6,113		5,611
Printing and office supplies		402		333	·	434		383		390
Intangible asset amortization		2,182		2,182	2	2,182		2,197		2,303
FDIC assessments		7,557		2,981	2	,740		1,396		2,295
Other real estate owned and foreclosure expenses		1,743		677		916		(18)		197
Professional and other outside services		3,981		3,833	4	,660		3,698		3,961
Other expenses		7,552		6,805	6	3,347		7,798		6,668
Total Noninterest Expenses		108,103		93,854	92	2,593		93,720		89,699
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX		46,904		65,371	71	,561		75,396		83,407
Income tax expense		4,425		9,005	10	,699		11,317		12,647
NET INCOME		42,479		56,366	60	,862		64,079		70,760
Preferred stock dividends		469		468		469		469		468
NET INCOME AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$	42,010	\$	55,898	\$ 60	,393	\$	63,610	\$	70,292
Per Share Data:					_					
Basic Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	\$	0.71	\$	0.95	\$	1.02	\$	1.07	\$	1.20
Diluted Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	\$	0.71	\$	0.94	\$	1.02	\$	1.07	\$	1.19
Cash Dividends Paid to Common Stockholders	\$	0.34	\$	0.34	\$	0.34	\$	0.32	\$	0.32
Average Diluted Common Shares Outstanding (in thousands)		59,556		59,503	59	,448		59,441		59,384
FINANCIAL RATIOS:		0.00.0/		4.04.0/		4040		4 40 0/		4.50
Return on Average Assets		0.92 %		1.24 %		1.34 %)	1.42 %		1.59
Return on Average Stockholders' Equity		7.89 12.75		10.38 16.54		11.29 8.04		12.21 19.82		14.36 24.21
Return on Tangible Common Stockholders' Equity Average Earning Assets to Average Assets		93.62		93.36		3.38		93.35		93.66
Allowance for Credit Losses - Loans as % of Total Loans		1.64		1.67		1.80		93.35		1.86
				0.66		0.06		0.01		0.12
		0.10				3.50		0.01		
Net Charge-offs as % of Average Loans (Annualized)		0.10 11.58				1.78		11.56		10.98
Net Charge-offs as % of Average Loans (Annualized) Average Stockholders' Equity to Average Assets		11.58		11.87		11.78 5.36		11.56 5.06		10.98 4.73
Net Charge-offs as % of Average Loans (Annualized) Average Stockholders' Equity to Average Assets Tax Equivalent Yield on Average Earning Assets					,	1.78 5.36 1.97		11.56 5.06 1.48		10.98 4.73 1.01
Net Charge-offs as % of Average Loans (Annualized) Average Stockholders' Equity to Average Assets		11.58 5.64		11.87 5.55		5.36		5.06		4.73
Net Charge-offs as % of Average Loans (Annualized) Average Stockholders' Equity to Average Assets Tax Equivalent Yield on Average Earning Assets Interest Expense/Average Earning Assets		11.58 5.64 2.48		11.87 5.55 2.26		5.36 1.97		5.06 1.48		4.73 1.01

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(Dollars In Thousands)	D	ecember 31, 2023	S	eptember 30, 2023	June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023	ı	December 31, 2022
Commercial and industrial loans	\$	3,670,948	\$	3,490,953	\$ 3,531,395	\$ 3,502,204	\$	3,437,126
Agricultural land, production and other loans to farmers		263,414		233,838	230,003	219,598		241,793
Real estate loans:								
Construction		957,545		1,022,261	949,918	960,979		835,582
Commercial real estate, non-owner occupied		2,400,839		2,360,596	2,379,819	2,375,410		2,407,475
Commercial real estate, owner occupied		1,162,083		1,153,707	1,179,739	1,244,117		1,246,528
Residential		2,288,921		2,257,385	2,248,473	2,185,943		2,096,655
Home equity		617,571		609,352	614,366	621,354		630,632
Individuals' loans for household and other personal expenditures		168,388		176,523	172,896	172,389		175,211
Public finance and other commercial loans		956,318		966,807	963,624	959,467		932,892
Loans		12,486,027		12,271,422	12,270,233	 12,241,461		12,003,894
Allowance for credit losses - loans		(204,934)		(205,782)	(221,147)	(223,052)		(223,277)
NET LOANS	\$	12,281,093	\$	12,065,640	\$ 12,049,086	\$ 12,018,409	\$	11,780,617

DEPOSITS

(Dollars in Thousands)	December 31, 2023	S	September 30, 2023	June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023	[December 31, 2022
Demand deposits	\$ 7,965,862	\$	7,952,040	\$ 8,045,455	\$ 8,422,387	\$	8,448,797
Savings deposits	4,516,433		4,572,162	4,530,255	4,499,487		4,657,140
Certificates and other time deposits of \$100,000 or more	1,408,985		1,280,607	1,160,303	1,040,379		742,539
Other certificates and time deposits	849,906		761,196	680,965	574,886		468,712
Brokered certificates of deposits	80,267		80,571	164,177	166,148		65,557
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$ 14,821,453	\$	14,646,576	\$ 14,581,155	\$ 14,703,287	\$	14,382,745

CONSOLIDATED AVERAGE BALANCE SHEET AND NET INTEREST MARGIN ANALYSIS

(Dollars in Thousands)

For the Three Months Ended

Interest-bearing deposits \$ 700,705				ecem	nber 31, 2023	December 31, 2022						
Interest-bearing deposits \$ 700,05			erage Balance	Income /		Average Rate	Average Balance		Income /		Average Rate	
Federal Home Loan Bank stock 41,792												
Taxable	ŭ ,	\$		\$			\$		\$		2.05 %	
Taxe			41,792		771	7.38		38,066		541	5.68	
Tax-exempt (a) 2,282,233 17,495 3.07 2,671,602 21,561 3.2												
Total Investment Securities	144.44										1.90	
Loans held for sale 16,355 246 6.02 4,732 71 6.05	·										3.23	
Commercial 8,533,233 159,190 7.46 8,39,561 126,850 6.1	Total Investment Securities				26,139	2.56				30,978	2.66	
Commercial 8,533,233 159,190 7.46 8,309,561 126,850 6.	Loans held for sale		16,355		246	6.02		4,732		71	6.00	
Real estate mortgage	Loans: (3)											
Installment	Commercial		8,533,233		159,190	7.46		8,309,561		126,850	6.11	
Tax-exempt (2) 908,075 10,376 4.57 833,307 8,772 4.26 Total Loans 12,396,451 207,899 6.71 11,818,911 164,874 5.5 Total Loans 17,222,714 242,843 5.64 16,702,944 197,352 4.7 Total Non-Earning Assets 11,744,866 11,731,524 TOTAL ASSETS \$18,397,200 \$17,834,468 LIABILITIES Interest-Bearing Deposits: Interest-Bearing deposits \$5,504,725 \$40,996 2.98 %\$5,238,422 \$16,810 1.2 Money market deposits 3,096,085 27,909 3.61 3,018,644 10,778 1.4 Savings deposits 1,587,758 3,913 0.99 1,895,551 2,125 0.4 Certificates and other time deposits 2,225,528 23,837 4.28 1,038,502 3,803 1.4 Total Interest-Bearing Deposits 12,414,096 96,655 3.11 11,191,119 33,516 1.2 Borrowings 1,013,856 10,272 4.05 1,097,586 8.510 3.1 Total Interest-Bearing Liabilities 13,427,952 106,927 3.19 12,288,705 42,026 1.5 Noninterest-bearing deposits 2,586,484 Other liabilities 2,546,427 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY 2,130,993 1,958,041 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY \$18,397,200 106,927 \$17,834,468 42,026 Net Interest Spread (FTE) (4) 2,45 % \$155,326	Real estate mortgage		2,118,060		21,829	4.12		1,827,749		16,654	3.64	
Total Loans Total Loans Total Earning Assets Total Earning Assets Total Earning Assets Total Earning Assets Total Ron-Earning Assets Total Non-Earning Assets TOTAL ASSETS TOT	Installment		820,728		16,258	7.92		843,562		12,527	5.94	
Total Earning Assets Total Non-Earning Assets Total Case of Fig. 1,174,486 Total Case of Fig. 1,17	Tax-exempt (2)		908,075		10,376	4.57		833,307		8,772	4.21	
Total Non-Earning Assets	Total Loans		12,396,451		207,899	6.71		11,818,911		164,874	5.58	
Total Non-Earning Assets	Total Earning Assets		17.222.714		242.843	5.64 %		16,702,944	_	197.352	4.73 %	
TOTAL ASSETS \$ 18,397,200 \$ 17,834,468			1.174.486	_	<u> </u>			1.131.524				
Interest-Bearing Deposits:	•	\$					\$					
Interest-Bearing Deposits		— –					ė	,,,,,,				
Interest-bearing deposits												
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Net Interest Margin (FTE):	Net Interest Spread (FTE) (4)					2.45 %					3.36 %	
	Net Interest Margin (FTE):											
Interest Income (FTE) / Average Earning Assets 5.64 % 4.7	Interest Income (FTE) / Average Earning Assets					5.64 %					4.73 %	
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⁽¹⁾ Average balance of securities is computed based on the average of the historical amortized cost balances without the effects of the fair value adjustments. Annualized amounts are computed using a 30/360 day basis.

⁽²⁾ Tax-exempt securities and loans are presented on a fully taxable equivalent basis, using a marginal tax rate of 21 percent for 2023 and 2022. These totals equal \$5,853 and \$6.370 for the three months ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

⁽³⁾ Non accruing loans have been included in the average balances.

⁽⁴⁾ Net Interest Spread (FTE) is interest income expressed as a percentage of average earning assets minus interest expense expressed as a percentage of average interest-bearing liabilities.

⁽⁵⁾ Net Interest Margin (FTE) is interest income expressed as a percentage of average earning assets minus interest expense expressed as a percentage of average earning assets.

CONSOLIDATED AVERAGE BALANCE SHEET AND NET INTEREST MARGIN ANALYSIS

(Dollars in Thousands)

For the Twelve Months Ended

	December 31, 2023 December 31, 2022									
	Ave	erage Balance		Interest Income / Expense	Average Rate	Ave	erage Balance		Interest Income / Expense	Average Rate
Assets:					_					
Interest-bearing deposits	\$	431,581	\$	17,719	4.11 %	\$	296,863	\$	2,503	0.84 %
Federal Home Loan Bank stock		41,319		3,052	7.39		35,580		1,176	3.31
Investment Securities: (1)										
Taxable		1,854,438		35,207	1.90		2,056,586		38,354	1.86
Tax-exempt (2)		2,366,475		73,566	3.11		2,653,611		85,292	3.21
Total Investment Securities		4,220,913		108,773	2.58		4,710,197		123,646	2.63
Loans held for sale		21,766		1,292	5.94		14,715		692	4.70
Loans: (3)										
Commercial		8,519,706		603,611	7.08		7,877,271		380,621	4.83
Real estate mortgage		2,035,488		82,183	4.04		1,471,802		51,853	3.52
Installment		830,006		60,751	7.32		785,520		37,302	4.75
Tax-exempt (2)		891,008		40,448	4.54		793,743		31,803	4.01
Total Loans		12,297,974		788,285	6.41		10,943,051	,	502,271	4.59
Total Earning Assets		16,991,787		917,829	5.40 %		15,985,691		629,596	3.94 %
Total Non-Earning Assets		1,194,720	_	,			1,234,311			
Total Assets	\$	18,186,507	•			\$	17,220,002			
Liabilities:										
Interest-Bearing deposits:										
Interest-bearing deposits	\$	5,435,733	\$	138,012	2.54 %	\$	5,206,131	\$	32,511	0.62 %
Money market deposits		2,884,271		83,777	2.90		2,915,397		19,170	0.66
Savings deposits		1,694,230		14,606	0.86		1,927,122		5,019	0.26
Certificates and other time deposits		1,923,268		69,697	3.62		881,176		6,239	0.71
Total Interest-Bearing Deposits		11,937,502		306,092	2.56		10,929,826		62,939	0.58
Borrowings		1,111,472		42,394	3.81		888,392		21,864	2.46
Total Interest-Bearing Liabilities		13,048,974		348,486	2.67		11,818,218		84,803	0.72
Noninterest-bearing deposits		2,783,996					3,268,417			
Other liabilities		226,275					160,922			
Total Liabilities		16,059,245					15,247,557			
Stockholders' Equity		2,127,262					1,972,445			
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	18,186,507		348,486		\$	17,220,002		84,803	
Net Interest Income (FTE)	=		\$	569,343				\$	544,793	
Net Interest Spread (FTE) (4)			÷		2.73 %			_		3.22 %
Het interest opread (i TE)					2.75 /0					3.22 /0
Net Interest Margin (FTE):										
Interest Income (FTE) / Average Earning Assets					5.40 %					3.94 %
Interest Expense / Average Earning Assets					2.05 %					0.53 %
Net Interest Margin (FTE) (5)					3.35 %					3.41 %

⁽¹⁾ Average balance of securities is computed based on the average of the historical amortized cost balances without the effects of the fair value adjustments. Annualized amounts are computed using a 30/360 day basis.

⁽a) Tax-exempt securities and loans are presented on a fully taxable equivalent basis, using a marginal tax rate of 21 percent for 2023 and 2022. These totals equal \$23,943 and \$24,590 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

(b) Non accruing loans have been included in the average balances.

⁽⁴⁾ Net Interest Spread (FTE) is interest income expressed as a percentage of average earning assets minus interest expense expressed as a percentage of average interest-bearing liabilities.
(5) Net Interest Margin (FTE) is interest income expressed as a percentage of average earning assets minus interest expense expressed as a percentage of average earning assets.

ADJUSTED NET INCOME AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE - NON-GAAP

(Dollars In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)					Thre	e Months Ended				Twelve Mor	nths I	Ended
	De	ecember 31, 2023	5	September 30, 2023		June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023	[December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023	D	ecember 31, 2022
Net Income Available to Common Stockholders - GAAP	\$	42,010	\$	55,898	\$	60,393	\$ 63,610	\$	70,292	\$ 221,911	\$	220,683
Adjustments:												
PPP loan income		(7)		(8)		(9)	(25)		(109)	(49)		(3,207)
Acquisition-related expenses		_		_		_	_		413	_		16,531
Acquisition-related provision expense		_		_		_	_		_	_		16,755
Non-core expenses ¹		12,682		_		_	_		_	12,682		_
Tax on adjustments		(3,088)		2		2	6		(75)	(3,078)		(7,376)
Adjusted Net Income Available to Common Stockholders - Non-GAAP	\$	51,597	\$	55,892	\$	60,386	\$ 63,591	\$	70,521	\$ 231,466	\$	243,386
Average Diluted Common Shares Outstanding (in thousands)		59,556		59,503		59,448	59,441		59,384	59,489		57,590
Diluted Earnings Per Common Share - GAAP	\$	0.71	\$	0.94	\$	1.02	\$ 1.07	\$	1.19	\$ 3.73	\$	3.81
Adjustments:												
PPP loan income		_		_		_	_		(0.01)	_		(0.06)
Acquisition-related expenses		_		_		_	_		0.01	_		0.28
Acquisition-related provision expense		_		_		_	_		_	_		0.30
Non-core expenses ¹		0.21		_		_	_		_	0.21		_
Tax on adjustments		(0.05)		_		_	_		_	(0.05)		(0.13)
Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Common Share - Non-GAAP	\$	0.87	\$	0.94	\$	1.02	\$ 1.07	\$	1.19	\$ 3.89	\$	4.20

^{1 -} Non-core expenses include one-time charges consisting of \$6.3 million from early retirement and severance costs, \$4.3 million from the FDIC special assessment, and \$2.1 million from a lease termination.

RETURN ON TANGIBLE COMMON EQUITY - NON-GAAP

(Dollars In Thousands)					Thre	e Months Ended	i			Twelve M	onths I	Ended
		ecember 31,	S	eptember 30,		June 30,		March 31,	December 31,	December 31,		December 31,
		2023		2023		2023		2023	2022	2023		2022
Total Average Stockholders' Equity (GAAP)	\$	2,130,993	\$	2,154,232	\$	2,139,877	\$	2,083,125	\$ 1,958,041	\$ 2,127,262	\$	1,972,445
Less: Average Preferred Stock		(25,125)		(25,125)		(25,125)		(25,125)	(25,125)	(25,125)		(18,875)
Less: Average Intangible Assets, Net of Tax		(734,007)		(735,787)		(737,489)		(739,190)	(741,632)	(736,601)		(699,803)
Average Tangible Common Equity, Net of Tax (Non-GAAP)	\$	1,371,861	\$	1,393,320	\$	1,377,263	\$	1,318,810	\$ 1,191,284	\$ 1,365,536	\$	1,253,767
Net Income Available to Common Stockholder (GAAP)	s \$	42,010	\$	55,898	\$	60,393	\$	63,610	\$ 70,292	\$ 221,911	\$	220,683
Plus: Intangible Asset Amortization, Net of Tax		1,724		1,724		1,724		1,734	1,819	6,906		6,537
Tangible Net Income (Non-GAAP)	\$	43,734	\$	57,622	\$	62,117	\$	65,344	\$ 72,111	\$ 228,817	\$	227,220
Return on Tangible Common Equity (Non-GAAP)		12.75 %		16.54 %		18.04 %		19.82 %	24.21 %	16.76 %		18.12 %