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): July 26, 2012

Commission File Number 0-17071

FIRST MERCHANTS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

INDIANA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

35-1544218 (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)

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 following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On July 26, 2012 First Merchants Corporation issued a press release to report its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2012. 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 the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, otherwise subject of or to shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing or The information in this Current Report of that section. 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) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated July 26, 2012, issued by First Merchants Corporation

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: <u>Is/ Mark K. Hardwick</u>
Mark K. Hardwick
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial
Officer
(Principal Financial and Principal Accounting

Officer)

Dated: July 26, 2012

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

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July 26, 2012

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information, contact: David L. Ortega, First Vice President/Director of Investor Relations 765-378-8937 http://www.firstmerchants.com/

SOURCE: First Merchants Corporation, Muncie, Indiana

FIRST MERCHANTS CORPORATION ANNOUNCES SECOND QUARTER 2012 EARNINGS PER SHARE INCREASE OF 56 PERCENT

First Merchants Corporation (NASDAQ – FRME) has reported second quarter 2012 earnings per share of \$.28 compared to \$.18 during the same period in 2011. The increase of 56 percent reflects the Corporation's year-over-year improvements in revenue growth, credit quality and efficiency. Net income available to common shareholders totaled \$8.1 million for the quarter, a \$3.6 million or 79 percent increase over the second quarter of 2011 results.

Year-to-date core earnings per share totaled \$.53 per share, an \$.18 increase over the prior year total of \$.35. In addition to core year-to-date earnings of \$.53, the Corporation recorded a gain on its FDIC purchase and assumption agreement with SCB Bank in Shelbyville, Indiana of \$.21 per share. Actual earnings per share totaled \$.74 compared to \$.35 during the same period in 2011, an increase of 111 percent. Year-to-date net income available to common shareholders equaled \$21.3 million compared to \$9.0 million earned in the first six months of 2011.

Michael C. Rechin, President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Our second quarter 2012 results reflect the momentum that has been building within First Merchants. The Company's strong start to the year has rekindled a winner's confidence within our team of steadfast, competitive employees. The balance sheet now boasts much stronger capital and reserves with ample liquidity for growth and the income statement now produces even stronger operating income with good efficiency while producing predictable bottom line results. With the SCB data conversion behind us, we are now looking for additional strategic opportunities to capitalize on our history of successful operational and cultural integrations."

Total assets equaled \$4.2 billion, as loans and investments total \$2.8 billion and \$944 million, respectively. The Corporation's loan-to-deposit ratio is now 86 percent and the loan-to-asset ratio is 66 percent.

Net-interest income totaled \$38.1 million for the second quarter of 2012 and net-interest margin remained strong totaling 4.11 percent as yields on earning assets totaled 4.75 percent and the cost of supporting liabilities totaled .64 percent. Discount accretion resulting from the SCB transaction added \$726,000, or 7.5 basis points to net-interest income and net-interest margin for the second quarter of 2012. YTD net-interest income totaled \$74.2 million, an increase of \$2.8 million over the first six months of 2011.

Non-interest income totaled \$13.2 million for the second quarter of 2012 and \$35.8 million year-to-date. After normalizing for bond gains and losses and the first quarter 2012 FDIC gain, non-interest income improved by \$3.4 million, or 15 percent, during the first six months of the year. Non-interest expense declined slightly on both a quarterly and year-to-date basis totaling \$34.2 million and \$68.2 million, respectively.

Provision expense totaled \$4.5 million for the second quarter 2012 and \$9.4 million year-to-date, compared to \$5.6 million and \$11.2 million in 2011. Net charge-offs were \$4.8 million for the second quarter 2012 and \$10.2 million year-to-date, compared to \$9.4 and 17.1 million in 2011. The allowance for loan losses is \$70.1 million, or 2.5 percent of total loans and 111 percent of non-accrual loans. Our non-accrual coverage ratio totaled 88 percent as of June 30, 2011. Total non-performing assets, including SCB, declined by \$28 million year-over-year, and now total \$81.2 million.

As of June 30, 2012, the Corporation's total risk-based capital equaled 16.75 percent, Tier 1 common risk-based capital equaled 9.54 percent, and tangible common equity ratio totaled 7.27 percent. As of June 30, 2011 the Corporation's total risk-based capital equaled 16.05 percent, Tier 1 common risk-based capital equaled 8.06 percent, and tangible common equity ratio totaled 6.36 percent. Additionally, the Corporation increased its common dividend during the quarter from \$.01 per share to \$.03 per share.

CONFERENCE CALL

First Merchants Corporation will conduct a second quarter earnings conference call and web cast at 2:30 p.m. (ET) on Thursday, July 26, 2012.

To participate, dial (Toll Free) 877-317-6789 and reference First Merchants Corporation's second quarter earnings release. International callers please call +1 412-317-6789. A replay of the call will be available until July 26, 2013. To access a replay of the call, US participants should dial (Toll Free) 877-344-7529 or for International participants, dial +1 412-317-0088. The replay passcode is 10016084.

In order to view the web cast and presentation slides, please go to http://services.choruscall.com/links/frme120726.html during the time of the call.

During the call, Forward-Looking Statements about the relative business outlook may be made. These Forward-Looking Statements and all other statements made during the call that do not concern historical facts, are subject to risks and uncertainties that may materially affect actual results

Specific Forward-Looking Statements include, but are not limited to, any indications regarding the Financial Services industry, the economy and future growth of the balance sheet or income statement.

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 is comprised of First Merchants Bank, N.A., which also operates as Lafayette Bank & Trust, Commerce National Bank, and First Merchants Trust Company as divisions of First Merchants Bank, N.A. First Merchants Corporation also operates First Merchants Insurance Group, a full-service property casualty, personal lines, and healthcare insurance agency.

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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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Dollars in Thousands) June 30, 2012 2011

		2012		2011
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	68,493	\$	50,874
Interest-bearing time deposits		41,760		15,865
Investment securities		944,321		938,366
Mortgage loans held for sale		15,278		4,846
Loans		2,797,634		2,724,022
Less: Allowance for loan losses		(70,143)		(77,133)
Net loans		2,727,491		2,646,889
Premises and equipment		51,335		51,851
Federal Reserve and Federal Home Loan Bank stock		33,033		31,384
Interest receivable		16,506		17,001
Core deposit intangibles and goodwill		150,006		151,817
Cash surrender value of life insurance		124,018		102,880
Other real estate owned		14,183		15,437
Tax asset, deferred and receivable		32,003		36,790
Other assets		13,996		30,218
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,232,423	\$	4,094,218
LIABILITIES	÷		<u> </u>	
Deposits:				
Noninterest-bearing	\$	684.101	\$	590.199
Interest-bearing	Ψ	2,604,797	Ψ	2,552,334
Total Deposits	_	3,288,898		3,142,533
Borrowings:		3,200,090		3,142,533
Federal funds purchased		652		22,978
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		160,127		124,236
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		96,847		74,050
Subordinated debentures and term loans		115,951		226,580
	_	373,577	_	447,844
Total Borrowings Interest payable		2,168		3,601
Other liabilities		32,104		31,762
Total Liabilities		3,696,747		3,625,740
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		3,090,747		3,025,740
Preferred Stock, no-par value: Authorized 500,000 shares				
Series A, Issued and outstanding - 0 and 69,600 shares				68,118
Preferred Stock, no-par value, \$1,000 liquidation value:				00,110
Authorized 500,000 shares				
Senior Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B				
Issued and outstanding - 90,782.94 and 0 shares		90.783		
Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$1,000 par value, \$1,000 liquidation value:		90,763		
Authorized 600 shares				
Issued and outstanding - 125 shares		125		125
Common Stock, \$.125 stated value:		123		123
Authorized 50,000,000 shares				
Issued and outstanding - 28,643,264 and 25,690,649 shares		3,580		3,211
Additional paid-in capital		255,632		233,544
Retained earnings		188,863		169,313
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(3,307)		(5,833)
Total Stockholders' Equity	_	535,676		468,478
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	4,232,423	\$	4,094,218

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)		Three Months Ended June 30,					ths Ended e 30.		
		2012	30,	2011		2012	30,	2011	
INTEREST INCOME									
Loans receivable:									
Taxable	\$	36,652	\$	37,457	\$	72,500	\$	76,195	
Tax-exempt		123		247		240		349	
Investment securities:									
Taxable		4,468		5,040		9,042		9,587	
Tax-exempt		2,551		2,535		5,113		5,088	
Federal funds sold				1				3	
Deposits with financial institutions		28		100		53		183	
Federal Reserve and Federal Home Loan Bank stock		347		341		690		682	
Total Interest Income		44,169		45,721		87,638		92,087	
INTEREST EXPENSE									
Deposits		3,939		5,864		8,049		12,730	
Federal funds purchased		12		3		24		6	
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		197		386		492		764	
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		637		977		1,631		1,978	
Subordinated debentures and term loans		1,331		2,644		3,273		5,285	
Total Interest Expense		6,116		9,874		13,469		20,763	
NET INTEREST INCOME		38,053		35,847		74,169		71,324	
Provision for loan losses		4,545		5,625		9,420		11,219	
NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES		33,508		30,222		64,749		60,105	
OTHER INCOME						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Service charges on deposit accounts		2,893		2,997		5,712		5,776	
Fiduciary activities		1,938		1,929		3,921		3,965	
Other customer fees		3,150		2,634		5,736		4,869	
Commission income		1,485		1,024		3,152		2,912	
Earnings on cash surrender value of life insurance		662		571		2,040		1,149	
Net gains and fees on sales of loans		2,314		1,030		4,266		2,903	
Net realized gains on sales of available for sale securities		502		825		1,291		1,288	
Other-than-temporary impairment on available for sale securities						, -		(400)	
Gain on FDIC modified whole bank transaction						9,124		()	
Other income		221		51		581		457	
Total Other Income		13,165		11,061		35,823		22,919	
OTHER EXPENSES				,				,	
Salaries and employee benefits		19,641		18,560		38,995		35,736	
Net occupancy		2,473		2,415		5,124		5,160	
Equipment		1,656		1,677		3,461		3,460	
Marketing		564		436		1,006		818	
Outside data processing fees		1,506		1,458		2,882		2,903	
Printing and office supplies		294		313		561		601	
Core deposit amortization		480		1,101		949		2,202	
FDIC assessments		862		1,451		1,979		3,555	
Other real estate owned and credit-related expenses		2,122		2,843		4,308		6,038	
Other expenses		4,582		4,145		8,943		7,807	
Total Other Expenses	_	34,180		34,399		68,208		68,280	
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX		12,493		6,884	_	32,364		14,744	
Income tax expense		3,288		1,396		8,788		3,795	
NET INCOME		9,205		5,488	_	23,576		10,949	
Preferred stock dividends and discount accretion		(1,135)		(990)		(2,270)		(1,978)	
NET INCOME AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$	8,070	\$	4,498	\$	21,306	\$	8,971	
Per Share Data:									
Basic Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	\$	0.28	\$	0.18	\$	0.74	\$	0.35	
Diluted Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	\$	0.28	\$	0.18	\$	0.74	\$	0.35	
Cash Dividends Paid	\$	0.03	\$	0.01	\$	0.04	\$	0.02	
Average Diluted Shares Outstanding (in thousands)		28,815		25,783		28,782		25,773	

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(Dollars in Thousands)		hs E e 30,	Ended 0,					
		2012		2011	2012	2011		
NET CHARGE OFF'S	\$	4,771	\$	9,428	\$ 10,175	\$	17,063	
AVERAGE BALANCES:								
Total Assets	\$	4,249,931	\$	4,138,484	\$ 4,226,443	\$	4,130,481	
Total Loans		2,801,375		2,747,021	2,782,631		2,775,504	
Total Earning Assets		3,837,738		3,751,241	3,813,587		3,747,738	
Total Deposits		3,318,065		3,218,979	3,240,748		3,218,743	
Total Stockholders' Equity		531,578		464,739	524,676		460,488	
FINANCIAL RATIOS:								
Return on Average Assets		0.76%	Ď	0.43%	1.01%)	0.43%	
Return on Average Stockholders' Equity		6.07		3.87	8.12		3.90	
Average Earning Assets to Average Assets		90.30		90.64	90.23		90.73	
Allowance for Loan Losses as % of Total Loans		2.49		2.83	2.49		2.83	
Net Charge Off's as % of Average Loans (Annualized)		0.68		1.37	0.73		1.23	
Average Stockholders' Equity to Average Assets		12.51		11.23	12.41		11.15	
Tax Equivalent Yield on Earning Assets		4.75		5.04	4.75		5.07	
Cost of Supporting Liabilities		0.64		1.05	0.71		1.11	
Net Interest Margin (FTE) on Earning Assets		4.11		3.99	4.04		3.96	
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NON-PERFORMING ASSETS

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(Dollars in Thousands)		lune 30,	March 31,		December 31,			30,		June 30,
		2012		2012	2011		2011			2011
Non-Accrual Loans	\$	63,127	\$	74,456	\$	69,592	\$	78,933	\$	87,583
Renegotiated Loans		3,921		6,695		14,308		6,701		6,269
Non-Performing Loans (NPL)		67,048		81,151		83,900		85,634		93,852
Other Real Estate Owned		14,183		15,628		16,289		19,425		15,437
Non-Performing Assets (NPA)		81,231		96,779		100,189		105,059		109,289
90+ Days Delinquent		665		253		580		1,595		227
NPAS & 90 Day Delinquent	\$	81,896	\$	97,032	\$	100,769	\$	106,654	\$	109,516
Loan Loss Reserve	\$	70,143	\$	70,369	\$	70,898	\$	73,074	\$	77,133
Quarterly Net Charge-offs		4,771	\$	5,404		8,031		9,615		9,428
NPAs / Actual Assets %		1.92%	Ò	2.28%)	2.40%	Ò	2.55%)	2.67%
NPAs & 90 Day / Actual Assets %		1.93%)	2.29%)	2.41%)	2.59%)	2.67%
NPAs / Actual Loans and REO %		2.87%)	3.42%)	3.65%)	3.83%)	3.98%
Loan Loss Reserves / Actual Loans (%)		2.49%	Ò	2.50%)	2.60%	Ò	2.68%)	2.83%
Net Charge Off's as % of Average Loans (Annualized)		0.68%)	0.78%)	1.18%)	1.41%)	1.37%

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(Dollars in Thousands)	June 30, 2012	March 31, 2012	31,	30, 2011	June 30,
ASSETS	2012	2012	2011	2011	2011
Cash and due from banks	\$ 68,493	\$ 60,991	\$ 73,312	\$ 60,166	\$ 50,874
Interest-bearing time deposits	41,760	34,290	52,851	16,115	15,865
Investment securities	944,321	960,032	946,400	937,828	938,366
Mortgage loans held for sale	15,278	22,138	17,864	12,257	4,846
Loans	2,797,634	2,792,989	2,713,415	2,712,938	2,724,022
Less: Allowance for loan losses	(70,143)	(70,369)	(70,898)	(73,074)	(77,133)
Net loans	2,727,491	2,722,620	2,642,517	2,639,864	2,646,889
Premises and equipment	51,335	51,541	51,013	51,432	51,851
Federal Reserve and Federal Home Loan Bank stock	33,033	33,026	31,270	31,381	31,384
Interest receivable	16,506	16,730	17,723	17,770	17,001
Core deposit intangibles and goodwill	150,006	150,486	150,471	151,062	151,817
Cash surrender value of life insurance	124,018	123,355	124,329	123,524	102,880
Other real estate owned	14,183	15,628	16,289	19,425	15,437
Tax asset, deferred and receivable	32,003	32,112	36,424	35,804	36,790
Other assets	13,996	13,417	12,613	21,881	30,218
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,232,423	\$ 4,236,366	\$ 4,173,076	\$ 4,118,509	\$ 4,094,218
LIABILITIES	<u>+ 1,122,122</u>	<u>+ 1,1231,633</u>	+ 1,210,010		- 1,000,1,000
Deposits:					
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 684,101	\$ 677,643	\$ 646,508	\$ 598,139	\$ 590,199
Interest-bearing	2,604,797	2,601,935	2,488,147	2,466,111	2,552,334
Total Deposits	3,288,898	3,279,578	3,134,655	3,064,250	3,142,533
Borrowings:	3,200,090	3,219,310	3,134,033	3,004,230	3,142,333
Federal funds purchased	652	10,936		27,946	22,978
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	160,127	139,308	156,305	117,097	124,236
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	96,847	131,496	138,095	168,764	74,050
Subordinated debentures, revolving credit lines and	30,041	101,400	100,000	100,704	14,000
term loans	115,951	115,969	194,974	194,961	226,580
Total Borrowings	373,577	397,709	489,374	508,768	447,844
Interest payable	2,168	2,094	2,925	2,186	3,601
Other liabilities	32,104	29,044	31,655	30,760	31,762
Total Liabilities	3,696,747	3,708,425	3,658,609	3,605,964	3,625,740
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	3,030,747	3,700,423	3,030,003	3,003,304	3,023,740
Preferred Stock, no-par value:					
Authorized 500,000 shares					
Series A, Issued and outstanding					68,118
Preferred Stock, no-par value, \$1,000 liquidation value:					55,225
Authorized 500,000 shares					
Senior Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock,					
Series B					
Issued and outstanding	90,783	90,783	90,783	90,783	
Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$1,000 par value, \$1,000					
liquidation value:					
Authorized 600 shares					
Issued and outstanding	125	125	125	125	125
Common Stock, \$.125 stated value:					
Authorized 50,000,000 shares					
Issued and outstanding	3,580	3,578	3,570	3,567	3,211
Additional paid-in capital	255,632	255,116	254,874	254,801	233,544
Retained earnings	188,863	181,664	168,717	162,669	169,313
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(3,307)	(3,325)	(3,602)	600	(5,833)
Total Stockholders' Equity	535,676	527,941	514,467	512,545	468,478
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'					
EQUITY	\$ 4,232,423	\$ 4,236,366	\$ 4,173,076	\$ 4,118,509	\$ 4,094,218

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(Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)	_ _	lune 30, 2012	M	arch 31, 2012	_	ecember 31, 2011	_	eptember 30, 2011	Jı 	une 30, 2011
INTEREST INCOME										
Loans receivable: Taxable	\$	26 652	φ	25.040	ተ	26 407	φ	27.024	φ	37.457
Tax exempt	Ф	36,652 123	\$	35,848 117	\$	36,497 93	\$	37,024 86	\$	247
Investment securities:		123		117		93		80		241
Taxable		4,468		4,574		4,565		5,078		5,040
Tax exempt		2,551		2,562		2,550		2,529		2,535
Federal funds sold		_,00_		_,00_		_,000		_,0_0		1
Deposits with financial institutions		28		25		54		45		100
Federal Reserve and Federal Home Loan Bank stock		347		343		314		323		341
Total Interest Income		44,169		43,469		44,073		45,085		45,721
INTEREST EXPENSE							-		-	
Deposits		3,939		4,110		4,505		5,046		5,864
Federal funds purchased		12		12		3		16		3
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		197		295		363		384		386
Federal Home Loan Bank advances		637		994		1,114		1,089		977
Subordinated debentures, revolving credit lines and term										
loans		1,331		1,942		1,908		2,699		2,644
Total Interest Expense		6,116		7,353		7,893		9,234		9,874
NET INTEREST INCOME		38,053		36,116		36,180		35,851		35,847
Provision for loan losses		4,545		4,875		5,855		5,556		5,625
NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER PROVISION FOR LOAN		_		_						
LOSSES		33,508		31,241		30,325		30,295		30,222
OTHER INCOME										
Service charges on deposit accounts		2,893		2,819		3,027		3,169		2,997
Fiduciary activities		1,938		1,983		1,804		1,881		1,929
Other customer fees		3,150		2,586		2,572		2,583		2,634
Commission income		1,485		1,667		1,220		1,528		1,024
Earnings on cash surrender value of life insurance		662		1,378		803		644		571
Net gains and fees on sales of loans		2,314		1,952		2,747		1,768		1,030
Net realized gains on sales of available for sale securities		502		789		290		861		825
Gain on FDIC modified whole bank transaction		221		9,124		F00		700		Г1
Other income		221		360		508		796		51
Total Other Income		13,165		22,658		12,971		13,230		11,061
OTHER EXPENSES		10.041		10.054		10.005		10.004		10.500
Salaries and employee benefits		19,641		19,354		19,035		19,964		18,560
Net occupancy		2,473		2,651		2,428		2,530		2,415
Equipment		1,656 564		1,805 442		1,672 650		1,662 534		1,677 436
Marketing Outside data processing fees		1,506		1,376		1,377		1,391		1,458
Printing and office supplies		294		267		340		301		313
Core deposit amortization		480		469		591		755		1,101
FDIC assessments		862		1,117		775		1,201		1,451
Other real estate owned and credit-related expenses		2,122		2,186		2,569		2,007		2,843
Other expenses		4,582		4,361		3,999		3,877		4,145
Total Other Expenses		34,180		34,028		33,436		34,222		34,399
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX		12,493		19,871		9,860		9,303		6,884
Income tax expense (benefit)		3,288		5,500		2,299		2,561		1,396
NET INCOME		9,205		14,371		7,561	_	6,742		5,488
Loss on CPP unamortized discount		5,205		17,011		1,501		(1,401)		J, - UU
Loss on extinguishment of trust preferred securities								(10,857)		
Preferred stock dividends and discount accretion		(1,135)		(1,135)		(1,135)		(868)		(990)
NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON		(,)		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		()		(===)
STOCKHOLDERS	\$	8,070	\$	13,236	\$	6,426	\$	(6,384)	\$	4,498
DED CHARE										
PER SHARE:										
Basic Net Income (Loss) Available to Common	ф	0.20	ф	0.46	ф	0.24	ф	(0.25)	ф	0.10
Stockholders Pilyted Not Income (Loss) Available to Common	\$	0.28	\$	0.46	\$	0.24	\$	(0.25)	\$	0.18
Diluted Net Income (Loss) Available to Common Stockholders	Ф	0.20	Ф	0.46	Ф	0.24	ф	(0.25)	Ф	0.18
Cash Dividends Paid	\$ \$	0.28 0.03	\$ \$	0.40	\$ \$	0.24 0.01	\$ \$	(0.25) 0.01	\$ \$	0.18
Average Diluted Shares Outstanding (in thousands)	Ψ	28,815	Ψ	28,755	Ψ	28,700	Ψ	26,367	Ψ	25,783
FINANCIAL RATIOS:		20,013		20,700		20,700		20,307		25,705
Return on Average Assets		0.76%		1.26%		0.61%		-0.62%		0.43%
Return on Average Stockholders' Equity		6.07		10.23		5.01		(5.33)		3.87
Average Earning Assets to Average Assets		90.30		90.16		89.66		90.30		90.64
Allowance for Loan Losses as % of Total Loans		2.49		2.50		2.60		2.68		2.83
Net Charge Off's as % of Average Loans (Annualized)		0.68		0.78		1.18		1.41		1.37
Average Stockholders' Equity to Average Assets		12.51		12.32		12.22		11.64		11.23
Tax Equivalent Yield on Earning Assets		4.75		4.74		4.83		5.01		5.04
Cost of Supporting Liabilities		0.64		0.78		0.84		0.99		1.05
Net Interest Margin (FTE) on Earning Assets		4.11		3.96		3.99		4.02		3.99



LOANS

							S	September		
(Dollars in Thousands)		June 30,	1	March 31,	De	ecember 31,		30,		June 30,
		2012	2012		2011		2011			2011
Commercial and industrial loans	\$	552,353	\$	546,304	\$	532,523	\$	518,848	\$	529,742
Agricultural production financing and other loans to										
farmers		106,135		97,165		104,526		106,761		99,360
Real estate loans:										
Construction		99,588		92,694		81,780		70,044		96,308
Commercial and farm land		1,219,114		1,229,195		1,194,230		1,196,270		1,171,901
Residential		480,917		498,354		481,493		495,954		495,256
Home Equity		207,250		210,564		191,631		196,191		191,839
Individuals' loans for household and other personal										
expenditures		83,933		78,711		84,172		90,810		94,123
Lease financing receivables, net of unearned income		2,976		3,112		3,555		4,160		4,399
Other loans		45,368		36,890		39,505		33,900		41,094
Loans		2,797,634		2,792,989		2,713,415		2,712,938		2,724,022
Allowance for loan losses		(70,143)		(70,369)		(70,898)		(73,074)		(77,133)
NET LOANS	\$	2,727,491	\$	2,722,620	\$	2,642,517	\$	2,639,864	\$	2,646,889
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DEPOSITS

						S	September	
(Dollars in Thousands)	June 30,	- 1	March 31,	De	cember 31,		30,	June 30,
,	 2012		2012		2011		2011	 2011
Demand deposits	\$ 1,521,194	\$	1,470,938	\$	1,438,513	\$	1,360,174	\$ 1,363,621
Savings deposits	822,299		801,935		757,166		712,545	750,337
Certificates and other time deposits of \$100,000 or more	261,156		269,796		264,787		278,115	292,613
Other certificates and time deposits	546,182		566,934		551,247		570,380	597,330
Brokered deposits	138,067		169,975		122,942		143,036	138,632
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$ 3,288,898	\$	3,279,578	\$	3,134,655	\$	3,064,250	\$ 3,142,533