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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2013

OR

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

For the transition period from

to

Commission file number 001-12669

FIRST FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

S	outh Caroli	ina
(State or other	iurisdiction of	of incorporation)

57-0799315

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

520 Gervais Street
Columbia, South Carolina
(Address of principal executive offices)

29201 (Zip Code)

(800) 277-2175

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data file required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (Section 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes 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 the definitions 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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of issuer s classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date:

Class
Common Stock, \$2.50 par value

Outstanding as of July 31, 2013 24.057.792

First Financial Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiary

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

First Financial Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiary

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Dollars in thousands, except par value)

ASSETS		June 30, 2013 (Unaudited)		December 31, 2012 (Note 1)		June 30, 2012 (Unaudited)
Cash and cash equivalents:						
Cash and due from banks	\$	157,362	\$	185,708	\$	140.855
Interest-bearing deposits with banks	Ψ	4,478	Ψ	16,018	Ψ	2,294
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell		274,641		179,004		166,770
Total cash and cash equivalents		436,481		380,730		309,919
Investment securities:		100,101		300,730		309,919
Securities held to maturity						
(fair value of \$13,047, \$16,553, and \$17,743, respectively)		12,427		15,440		16,567
Securities available for sale, at fair value		511,347		534,883		478,472
Other investments		7,805		9,768		16,099
Total investment securities		531,579		560,091		511,138
Loans held for sale		47,980		65,279		42,525
Loans:		, , , ,		11, 11		,-
Acquired (covered of \$239,082, \$282,728, and \$332,874, respectively;						
non-covered of \$682,758, \$792,014, and \$227,184, respectively)		921,840		1,074,742		560,058
Less allowance for acquired loan losses		(31,597)		(32,132)		(35,813)
Non-acquired		2,665,595		2,571,003		2,481,251
Less allowance for non-acquired loan losses		(38,625)		(44,378)		(47,269)
Loans, net		3,517,213		3,569,235		2,958,227
Premises and equipment, net		109,794		115,587		106,458
FDIC receivable for loss share agreements		104,048		146,171		200,569
Goodwill		100,193		100,193		66,542
Other real estate owned (covered of \$35,142, \$34,257, and \$53,146, respectively; non-covered of \$33,486, \$32,803, and \$31,263,						
respectively)		68,628		67,060		84,409
Bank owned life insurance		43,286		42,737		35,543
Core deposit and other intangibles		23,159		25,199		13,429
Other assets		60,717		64,131		44,510
Total assets	\$	5,043,078	\$	5,136,413	\$	4,373,269
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY						
Deposits:						
Noninterest-bearing	\$	1,046,537	\$	981,963	\$	806,235
Interest-bearing		3,136,432		3,316,397		2,854,737
Total deposits		4,182,969		4,298,360		3,660,972
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to						
repurchase		262,447		238,621		220,264

Other borrowings	54,372	54,897	46,105
Other liabilities	26,698	36,986	21,022
Total liabilities	4,526,486	4,628,864	3,948,363
Shareholders equity:			
Preferred stock - \$.01 par value; authorized 10,000,000 shares;			
no shares issued and outstanding			
Common stock - \$2.50 par value; authorized 40,000,000 shares;			
17,032,061, 16,937,464, and 15,085,991 shares issued and outstanding	42,580	42,344	37,715
Surplus	330,563	328,843	262,647
Retained earnings	153,040	135,986	126,304
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(9,591)	376	(1,760)
Total shareholders equity	516,592	507,549	424,906
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 5,043,078	\$ 5,136,413	\$ 4,373,269

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of the Financial Statements.

First Financial Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiary

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (unaudited)

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

		Three Moi June		ded	Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2013	. 50,	2012	2013	. 50,	2012	
Interest income:								
Loans, including fees	\$	53,816	\$	42,120 \$	106,199	\$	81,898	
Investment securities:								
Taxable		2,096		2,870	4,257		4,906	
Tax-exempt		1,174		201	2,381		395	
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under								
agreements to resell		444		279	862		491	
Total interest income		57,530		45,470	113,699		87,690	
Interest expense:								
Deposits		1,463		2,272	3,023		4,766	
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under								
agreements to repurchase		115		110	251		236	
Other borrowings		668		554	1,340		1,116	
Total interest expense		2,246		2,936	4,614		6,118	
Net interest income		55,284		42,534	109,085		81,572	
Provision for loan losses		179		4,642	1,239		7,365	
Net interest income after provision for loan losses		55,105		37,892	107,846		74,207	
Noninterest income:								
Service charges on deposit accounts		5,736		5,886	11,497		11,333	
Bankcard services income		4,245		3,618	8,138		6,938	
Mortgage banking income		1,957		3,052	5,352		4,882	
Trust and investment services income		2,438		1,642	4,752		3,039	
Securities gains				61			61	
Amortization of FDIC indemnification assets, net		(7,310)		(4,370)	(14,481)		(7,603)	
Other		1,419		1,855	2,750		2,567	
Total noninterest income		8,485		11,744	18,008		21,217	
Noninterest expense:								
Salaries and employee benefits		23,746		18,262	46,998		36,310	
Information services expense		2,992		2,902	6,184		5,370	
OREO expense and loan related		2,820		2,115	5,922		4,831	
Net occupancy expense		2,851		2,478	5,783		4,726	
Furniture and equipment expense		2,266		2,371	4,783		4,610	
Merger and conversion related expense		860		1,998	2,823		2,094	
Bankcard expense		1,236		1,118	2,400		2,020	
FDIC assessment and other regulatory charges		1,096		1,073	2,320		2,110	
Amortization of intangibles		1,022		540	2,056		1,040	
Advertising and marketing		648		553	1,490		1,310	
Professional fees		760		732	1,451		1,365	
Other		4,588		3,366	9,116		6,941	
Total noninterest expense		44,885		37,508	91,326		72,727	
Earnings:		10 505		10.100	24 520		22 (07	
Income before provision for income taxes		18,705		12,128	34,528		22,697	
Provision for income taxes	ø	6,173	¢	4,097	11,347	¢	7,638	
Net income	\$	12,532	\$	8,031 \$	23,181	\$	15,059	
Earnings per common share:								

Basic	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.55 \$	1.38	\$ 1.06
Diluted	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.55 \$	1.36	\$ 1.05
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.17 \$	0.36	\$ 0.34
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:				
Basic	16,790	14,651	16,804	14,260
Diluted	16,990	14,733	16,986	14,334

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First Financial Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiary

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) (unaudited)

(Dollars in thousands)

	Three Mon June		ded	Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2013	,	2012	2013	,	2012
Net income	\$ 12,532	\$	8,031 \$	23,181	\$	15,059
Other comprehensive income (loss):						
Unrealized gains (losses) on securities:						
Unrealized holding gains (losses) arising during period	(13,360)		2,109	(16,563)		1,783
Tax effect	5,094		(804)	6,315		(680)
Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net						
income			(61)			(61)
Tax effect			23			23
Net of tax amount	(8,266)		1,267	(10,248)		1,065
Unrealized gains (losses) on derivative financial						
instruments qualifying as cash flow hedges:						
Unrealized holding gains (losses) arising during period	276		(306)	301		(267)
Tax effect	(105)		117	(115)		99
Reclassification adjustment for losses included in						
interest expense	76		73	153		144
Tax effect	(29)		(28)	(58)		(52)
Net of tax amount	218		(144)	281		(76)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(8,048)		1,123	(9,967)		989
Comprehensive income	\$ 4,484	\$	9,154 \$	13,214	\$	16,048

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First Financial Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiary

Six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Preferred Stock Shares Amoun		on Stoci Ai	k mount	Surplus	Retained Earnings		
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	14,039,422	\$	35,099 \$	233,232 \$	116,198	\$ (2,749)\$	381,780
Comprehensive income (loss):	¥	11,002,122	Ψ	20,055	200,202 4	110,170	(=,//) +	201,700
Net income						15,059		15,059
Other comprehensive						15,057		13,037
loss, net of tax							989	989
Total comprehensive								
income								16,048
Cash dividends declared								
at \$.34 per share						(4,953))	(4,953)
Employee stock								
purchases		6,216		16	160			176
Stock options exercised		6,661		16	145			161
Restricted stock awards		41,374		103	(103)			
Common stock								
repurchased		(10,423)		(26)	(302)			(328)
Share-based								
compensation expense					877			877
Common stock issued in								
Peoples Bancorporation		1 000 741		0.507	20.720			21 145
acquisition	ф	1,002,741	Ф	2,507	28,638	106 204	ф (1.760) ф	31,145
Balance, June 30, 2012	\$	15,085,991	\$	37,715 \$	262,647 \$	126,304	\$ (1,760)\$	424,906
Balance, December 31,								
2012	\$	16,937,464	\$	42,344 \$	328,843 \$	135,986	\$ 376 \$	507,549
Comprehensive income	Ψ	10,737,404	Ψ	π2,5ππ ψ	320,0 1 3 4	133,700	φ 570 φ	301,347
(loss):								
Net income						23,181		23,181
Other comprehensive						20,101		20,101
loss, net of tax							(9,967)	(9,967)
Total comprehensive							(-))	(=)= = = ;
income								13,214
Cash dividends declared								
at \$.36 per share						(6,127))	(6,127)
Employee stock								
purchases		4,932		12	183			195
Stock options exercised		20,746		51	534			585
Restricted stock awards		76,254		191	(191)			
Common stock								
repurchased		(7,335)		(18)	(347)			(365)

Share-based						
compensation expense			1,541			1,541
Balance, June 30, 2013	\$ 17,032,061	\$ 42,580 \$	330,563 \$	153,040 \$	(9,591)\$	516,592

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First Financial Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiary

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited)

(Dollars in thousands)

		Six Months Ended			
		June	,	110	
Cash flows from operating activities:		2013	20)12	
Net income	\$	23,181	\$	15,059	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	Ψ	23,101	Ψ	13,037	
Depreciation and amortization		6,946		5,895	
Provision for loan losses		1,239		7,365	
Deferred income taxes		2,729		(21,282)	
Gain on sale of securities		2,725		(61)	
Gains on OREO sales		(4,976)		(5,359)	
Share-based compensation expense		1,541		877	
Loss on disposal of premises and equipment		15		2	
Amortization of FDIC indemnification asset		14,481		7,603	
Accretion on acquired loans		(47,862)		(20,979)	
Net amortization of investment securities		2,283		1,564	
OREO write downs		3,522		9,038	
Net change in:		0,0		>,000	
Loans held for sale		17,299		3,284	
Accrued interest receivable		(1,612)		2,776	
Prepaid assets		1,937		293	
FDIC loss share receivable		27,642		54,479	
Accrued interest payable		(795)		(1,021)	
Accrued income taxes		6,901		10,568	
Miscellaneous assets and liabilities		(9,179)		(41,663)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		45,292		28,438	
Cash flows from investing activities:		,			
Proceeds from sales of investment securities available for sale				25,359	
Proceeds from maturities and calls of investment securities held to maturity		3,014			
Proceeds from maturities and calls of investment securities available for sale		89,297		48,475	
Proceeds from sales of other investment securities		1,963		4,326	
Purchases of investment securities available for sale		(84,585)		(89,133)	
Net decrease in customer loans		76,229		81,413	
Net cash received from acquisitions				10,923	
Purchases of premises and equipment		(4,943)		(5,278)	
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment				15	
Proceeds from sale of OREO		27,393		37,761	
Net cash provided by investing activities		108,368		113,861	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Net decrease in deposits		(115,391)		(28,571)	
Net increase in federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase		23,826		30,286	
Repayment of other borrowings		(631)		(577)	
Common stock issuance		195		175	
Common stock repurchased		(366)		(328)	
Dividends paid on common stock		(6,127)		(4,953)	
Stock options exercised		585		161	
Net cash used in financing activities		(97,909)		(3,807)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		55,751		138,492	

Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	380,730	171,425
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 436,481	\$ 309,917
Supplemental Disclosures:		
Cash paid for:		
Interest	\$ 5,268	\$ 6,029
Income taxes	\$ 5,036	\$ 18,206
Noncash investing activities:		
Transfers of loans to foreclosed properties (covered of \$12,893 and \$15,075, respectively;		
and non-covered of \$15,170 and \$18,950, respectively)	\$ 28,063	\$ 34,025

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of the Financial Statements.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited)

Note 1 Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Certain prior period information has been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation, and these reclassifications had no impact on net income or equity as previously reported. Operating results for the six months ended June 30, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2013.

The condensed consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2012 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete financial statements.

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The information contained in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes included in First Financial Holdings, Inc. s (SCBT or the Company) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on March 4, 2013, should be referenced when reading these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

On July 26, 2013, SCBT acquired First Financial Holdings, Inc., and changed its name from SCBT Financial Corporation to First Financial Holdings, Inc. Unless otherwise mentioned or unless the context requires otherwise, references herein to SCBT, the Company we, us, our similar references mean First Financial Holdings, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated subsequent events for accounting and disclosure purposes through the date the financial statements are issued.

Note 3 Recent Accounting and Regulatory Pronouncements

In July 2013, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2013-10, *Inclusion of the Fed Funds Effective Swap Rate (or Overnight Index Swap Rate)* as a Benchmark Interest Rate for Hedge Accounting Purposes (ASU 2013-10 The amendments in this update permit the Fed Funds Effective Swap Rate (OIS) to be used as a benchmark interest rate for hedge accounting in addition to UST and LIBOR. The amendments also remove the restriction on using different benchmark rates for similar hedges. ASU 2013-10 is effective prospectively for qualifying new or re-designated hedging relationships entered into on or after July 17, 2013 and did not have a significant impact on the Company s financial statements.

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-02, Comprehensive Income (Topic 220) Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (ASU 2013-02). The ASU amends Topic 220 to require an entity to provide information about the amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component. In addition, an entity is required to present, either on the face of the statement where net income is presented or in the notes, significant amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by the respective line items of net income but only if the amount reclassified is required under U.S. GAAP to be reclassified to net income in its entirety in the same reporting period. ASU 2013-02 became effective for the Company on January 1, 2013 and did not have a significant impact on the Company s financial statements.

In January 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-01, *Balance Sheet (Topic 210) Clarifying the Scope of Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities* (ASU 2013-01). The ASU amends ASU 2011-11 to clarify that the scope applies to derivatives, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, and securities borrowing and lending transactions that are either offset in accordance with Section 210-20-45 or Section 815-10-45 or subject to master netting or similar arrangements. Other types of financial assets and liabilities subject to master netting or similar arrangements are not subject to the disclosure requirements in ASU 2011-11. ASU 2013-01 became effective for the Company on January 1, 2013 and did not have a significant impact on the Company s financial statements.

In October 2012, the FASB issued ASU No. 2012-06, *Business Combinations (Topic 805) Subsequent Accounting for an Indemnification Asset Recognized at the Acquisition Date as a Result of a Government-Assisted Acquisition of a Financial Institution* (ASU 2012-06). ASU 2012-06 amends Subtopic 805-20 to require subsequent measurement of an indemnification asset to be on the same basis as the indemnified asset or liability, subject to any contractual limitations on its amount and, for an indemnification asset that is not subsequently measured at its fair value, management s assessment of the collectability of the indemnification asset. ASU 2012-06 became effective for the Company on January 1, 2013 and did not have a significant impact on the Company s financial statements.

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Note 4 Mergers and Acquisitions

First Financial Holdings, Inc. Acquisition

On July 26, 2013, the Company completed the previously announced merger with First Financial Holdings, Inc. (First Financial), of Charleston, South Carolina, the bank holding company for First Federal Bank (First Federal). With the completion of the merger, the Company changed its name from SCBT Financial Corporation to First Financial Holdings, Inc. The Company s common stock will continue to trade under the symbol SCBT on the NASDAQ Global Select Market. See Note 18 Subsequent Events for additional information on the First Financial merger.

The Savannah Bancorp, Inc. Acquisition

On December 13, 2012, the Company acquired all of the outstanding common stock of The Savannah Bancorp, Inc. (Savannah), a bank holding company based in Savannah, Georgia, in a stock transaction. Savannah common shareholders received 0.2503 shares of the Company s common stock in exchange for each share of Savannah stock, resulting in the Company issuing 1,802,137 shares. In total, the purchase price was \$68.9 million including the value of in the money outstanding stock options (i.e., stock options for which the exercise price of the stock option is below the market price of the underlying stock) totaling \$63,000.

The Savannah transaction was accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting and, accordingly, assets acquired, liabilities assumed and consideration exchanged were recorded at estimated fair value on the acquisition date. Fair values are preliminary and subject to refinement for up to a year after the closing date of the acquisition.

The following table presents the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of December 13, 2012, as recorded by Savannah on the acquisition date and initial and subsequent fair value adjustments.

(Dollars in thousands)		ecorded by avannah		Fair Value Adjustments	Subsequent Fair Value Adjustments		As Recorded by SCBT
Assets Cook and each equivalents	\$	86,244	Φ	9		\$	86,244
Cash and cash equivalents	Ф	/	ф			Ф	
Investment securities		75,460		(1,288)(a)	31(a)		74,203
Loans		660,555		(59,196)(b)			601,359
Premises and equipment		12,555		(1,843)(c)	(260)(c))	10,452
Intangible assets		3,357		9,546(d)	15(d)		12,918
Other real estate owned and repossessed assets		13,934		(5,315)(e)	819(e)		9,438
Bank owned life insurance		6,705					6,705
Deferred tax asset		(790)		39,143(f)	(328)(f))	38,025
Other assets		8,497		(2,348)(g)			6,149
Total assets	\$	866,517	\$	(21,301) \$	S 277	\$	845,493

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Liabilities				
Deposits:				
Noninterest-bearing	\$ 129,902	\$ \$	\$	129,902
Interest-bearing	619,198	2,530(h)		621,728
Total deposits	749,100	2,530		751,630
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under				
agreements to repurchase	13,491			13,491
Other borrowings	30,613	(232)(i)		30,381
Other liabilities	8,026	6,657(j)	(311)(j)	14,372
Total liabilities	801,230	8,955	(311)	809,874
Net identifiable assets acquired over (under) liabilities				
assumed	65,287	(30,256)	588	35,619
Goodwill		33,886	(588)	33,298
Net assets acquired over liabilities assumed	\$ 65,287	\$ 3,630 \$	\$	68,917
Consideration:				
SCBT Financial Corporation common shares issued	1,802,137			
Purchase price per share of the Company s common stock	\$ 38.20			
Company common stock issued and cash exchanged for				
fractional shares	68,854			
Cash paid for stock options outstanding	63			
Fair value of total consideration transferred	\$ 68,917			

Explanation of fair value adjustments

⁽a) Adjustment reflects marking the available for sale portfolio to fair value as of the acquisition date.

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Note 4 Mergers and Acquisitions (Continued)

- (b) Adjustment reflects the fair value adjustments based on the Company s evaluation of the acquired loan portfolio and excludes the allowance for loan losses recorded by Savannah.
- (c) Adjustment reflects the fair value adjustments based on the Company s evaluation of the acquired premises and equipment.
- (d) Adjustment reflects the recording of the core deposit intangible on the acquired deposit accounts and other intangibles for non-compete agreements and customer lists.
- (e) Adjustment reflects the fair value adjustments to OREO based on the Company s evaluation of the acquired OREO portfolio.
- (f) Adjustment to record deferred tax asset related to fair value adjustments at 35.8% income tax rate.
- (g) Adjustment reflects uncollectible portion of accrued interest receivable.
- (h) Adjustment arises since the rates on interest-bearing deposits are higher than rates available on similar deposits as of the acquisition date.
- (i) Adjustment reflects the prepayment fee paid when FHLB advances were completely paid off in December of 2012 and the fair value adjustment based on the Company s evaluation of the junior subordinated debt.
- (j) Adjustment reflects the incremental accrual for employee related benefits, asset sale termination fee and other liabilities.

Peoples Bancorporation, Inc. Acquisition

On April 24, 2012, the Company acquired all of the outstanding common stock of Peoples Bancorporation, Inc. (Peoples), a bank holding company based in Easley, South Carolina, in a stock transaction. Peoples common shareholders received 0.1413 shares of the Company s common stock in exchange for each share of Peoples stock, resulting in the Company issuing 1,002,741 common shares at a fair value of \$31.1 million. Peoples outstanding shares of preferred stock (including accrued and unpaid dividends) issued under the U.S. Treasury s Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) were purchased by the Company for \$13.4 million and retired as part of the merger transaction. In total, the purchase price was \$44.5 million including the value of outstanding stock options totaling \$96,000.

The Peoples transaction was accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting and, accordingly, assets acquired, liabilities assumed and consideration exchanged were recorded at fair value on the acquisition date.

Note 4 Mergers and Acquisitions (Continued)

The following table presents the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of April 24, 2012, as recorded by Peoples on the acquisition date and initial and subsequent fair value adjustments.

(Dollars in thousands)	As Recorded by Peoples		Initial Fair Value Adjustments	Subsequent Fair Value Adjustments		As Recorded by SCBT
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	24,459	\$ \$	5	\$	24,459
Investment securities		176,334	(442)(a)			175,892
Loans		262,858	(28,613)(b)			234,245
Premises and equipment		10,094	3,240(c)	(38)(c)	13,296
Intangible assets			2,930(d)			2,930
Other real estate owned and repossessed assets		13,257	(5,341)(e)	188(e)	8,104
Deferred tax asset		4,702	11,669(f)	197(f))	16,568
Other assets		17,588	(883)(g)			16,705
Total assets	\$	509,292	\$ (17,440)	347	\$	492,199
Liabilities						
Deposits:						
Noninterest-bearing	\$	54,884	\$ 9	\$	\$	54,884
Interest-bearing		378,781	1,405(h)			380,186
Total deposits		433,665	1,405			435,070
Other borrowings		9,542				9,542
Other liabilities		4,291	2,054(i)	700(i))	7,045
Total liabilities		447,498	3,459	700		451,657
Net identifiable assets acquired over (under) liabilities						
assumed		61,794	(20,899)	(353)		40,542
Goodwill			3,654	353		4,007
Net assets acquired over (under) liabilities assumed	\$	61,794	\$ (17,245)	5	\$	44,549
Consideration:						
SCBT Financial Corporation common shares issued		1,002,741				
Purchase price per share of the Company s common stock	\$	31.06				
Company common stock issued and cash exchanged for						
fractional shares		31,160				
Cash paid for stock options outstanding		96				
Cash paid for TARP preferred stock		13,293				
Fair value of total consideration transferred	\$	44,549				

Explanation of fair value adjustments

- (a) Adjustment reflects marking the available for sale portfolio to fair value as of the acquisition date.
- (b) Adjustment reflects the fair value adjustments based on the Company s evaluation of the acquired loan portfolio and excludes the allowance for loan losses recorded by Peoples Bancorporation, Inc.
- (c) Adjustment reflects the fair value adjustments based on the Company s evaluation of the acquired premises and equipment.

- (d) Adjustment reflects the recording of the core deposit intangible on the acquired deposit accounts and other intangibles for non-compete agreements.
- (e) Adjustment reflects the fair value adjustments to OREO based on the Company s evaluation of the acquired OREO portfolio.
- (f) Adjustment to record deferred tax asset related to fair value adjustments at 35.8% income tax rate.
- (g) Adjustment reflects uncollectible portion of accrued interest receivable.
- (h) Adjustment arises since the rates on interest-bearing deposits are higher than rates available on similar deposits as of the acquisition date.
- (i) Adjustment reflects the incremental accrual for SERP termination, other employee related benefits, and other liabilities.

Note 5 Investment Securities

The following is the amortized cost and fair value of investment securities held to maturity:

(Dollars in thousands) June 30, 2013:	A	amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
State and municipal obligations	\$	12,427	\$ 629	\$ (9) \$	13,047
December 31, 2012:					
State and municipal obligations	\$	15,440	\$ 1,113	\$ \$	16,553
June 30, 2012:					
State and municipal obligations	\$	16,567	\$ 1,176	\$ \$	17,743

The following is the amortized cost and fair value of investment securities available for sale:

	Amortized		Gross Unrealized		Gross Unrealized		Fair	
(Dollars in thousands)	Cost		Gains		Losses		Value	
June 30, 2013:								
Government-sponsored entities debt *	\$ 100,231	\$	308	\$	(4,180)	\$	96,359	
State and municipal obligations	140,427		2,338		(3,252)		139,513	
Mortgage-backed securities **	272,932		3,668		(1,582)		275,018	
Corporate stocks	241		217		(1)		457	
	\$ 513,831	\$	6,531	\$	(9,015)	\$	511,347	
December 31, 2012:								
Government-sponsored entities debt *	\$ 87,584	\$	965	\$	(31)	\$	88,518	
State and municipal obligations	147,201		5,647		(49)		152,799	
Mortgage-backed securities **	285,800		7,489		(102)		293,187	
Corporate stocks	241		139		(1)		379	
	\$ 520,826	\$	14,240	\$	(183)	\$	534,883	
June 30, 2012:								
Government-sponsored entities debt *	\$ 64,195	\$	1,078	\$	(8)	\$	65,265	
State and municipal obligations	135,068		3,764		(369)		138,463	
Mortgage-backed securities **	267,593		6,578		(49)		274,122	
FHLMC preferred stock***	147		112				259	
Corporate stocks	240		123				363	
	\$ 467,243	\$	11,655	\$	(426)	\$	478,472	

^{*} - Government-sponsored entities holdings are comprised of debt securities offered by Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) or Freddie Mac, Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) or Fannie Mae, FHLB, and Federal Farm Credit Banks (FFCB).

^{** -} All of the mortgage-backed securities are issued by government-sponsored entities; there are no private-label holdings.

^{***} Securities issued by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC or Freddie Mac).

Note 5 Investment Securities (Continued)

The following is the amortized cost and fair value of other investment securities:

	Amortized	Gross Unrealized	Gross Unrealized	Fair
(Dollars in thousands)	Cost	Gains	Losses	Value
June 30, 2013:				
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	\$ 6,163	\$	\$	\$ 6,163
Investment in unconsolidated				
subsidiaries	1,642			1,642
	\$ 7,805	\$	\$	\$ 7,805
December 31, 2012:				
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	\$ 8,126	\$	\$	\$ 8,126
Investment in unconsolidated				
subsidiaries	1,642			1,642
	\$ 9,768	\$	\$	\$ 9,768
June 30, 2012:				
Federal Reserve Bank stock	\$ 7,028	\$	\$	\$ 7,028
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	7,739			7,739
Investment in unconsolidated				
subsidiaries	1,332			1,332
	\$ 16,099	\$	\$	\$ 16,099

The Company has determined that the investment in FHLB stock is not other than temporarily impaired as of June 30, 2013 and ultimate recoverability of the par value of these investments is probable.

Effective July 1, 2012, the Bank converted its national charter to a state charter and changed its name from SCBT, National Association to SCBT. In conjunction with the charter conversion, the Bank became a non-member bank of the Federal Reserve and liquidated its entire position in Federal Reserve Bank stock on July 2, 2012, with no gain or loss.

The amortized cost and fair value of debt securities at June 30, 2013 by contractual maturity are detailed below. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without prepayment penalties.

	Secu Held to I	ty		Securities Available for Sale			
	Amortized	Fair	Fair Amortized			Fair	
(Dollars in thousands)	Cost	Value		Cost		Value	
Due in one year or less	\$ 750	\$ 769	\$	3,683	\$	3,702	
Due after one year through five years	1,075	1,131		15,602		15,921	
Due after five years through ten years	7,843	8,225		129,597		127,463	
Due after ten years	2,759	2,922		364,949		364,261	
	\$ 12,427	\$ 13,047	\$	513,831	\$	511,347	

Note 5 Investment Securities (Continued)

Information pertaining to the Company s securities with gross unrealized losses at June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position is as follows:

		Less Than T	welve N	Ionths	Twelve Months or More Gross				
	I	nrealized		Fair		Unrealized		Fair	
(Dollars in thousands)	C	Losses		Value		Losses		Value	
June 30, 2013:									
Securities Held to Maturity									
State and municipal obligations	\$	9	\$	493	\$		\$		
Securities Available for Sale									
Government-sponsored entities									
debt	\$	4,180	\$	83,549	\$		\$		
State and municipal obligations	·	3,247	·	90,238		5		283	
Mortgage-backed securities		1,582		105,472					
Corporate Stocks		1		10					
•	\$	9,010	\$	279,269	\$	5	\$	283	
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December 31, 2012:									
Securities Held to Maturity									
State and municipal obligations	\$		\$		\$		\$		
Securities Available for Sale									
Government-sponsored entities									
debt	\$	31	\$	4,963	\$		\$		
State and municipal obligations		49		9,602					
Mortgage-backed securities		102		13,709					
Corporate stocks		1		9					
	\$	183	\$	28,283	\$		\$		
June 30, 2012:									
Securities Held to Maturity									
State and municipal obligations	\$		\$		\$		\$		
Securities Available for Sale									
Government-sponsored entities									
debt	\$	8	\$	4,986	\$		\$		
State and municipal obligations		369		45,232					
Mortgage-backed securities		49		13,561					
- 5	\$	426	\$	63,779	\$		\$		

Management evaluates securities for other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI) at least on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. Consideration is given to (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, (3) the outlook for receiving the contractual cash flows of the investments, (4) the anticipated outlook for changes in the general level of interest rates, and (5) the intent and ability of the Company to retain its investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value or for a debt security whether it is more-likely-than-not that the Company will be required to sell the debt security prior to recovering its fair value. As part of the Company s evaluation of its intent and ability to hold investments for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in the market, the

Company considers its investment strategy, cash flow needs, liquidity position, capital adequacy and interest rate risk position. The Company does not currently intend to sell the securities within the portfolio and it is not more-likely-than-not that the Company will be required to sell the debt securities; therefore, management does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at June 30, 2013. Management continues to monitor all of these securities with a high degree of scrutiny. There can be no assurance that the Company will not conclude in future periods that conditions existing at that time indicate some or all of these securities may be sold or are other than temporarily impaired, which would require a charge to earnings in such periods.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

The following is a summary of non-acquired loans:

(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2012	June 30, 2012
Non-acquired loans:			
Commercial non-owner occupied real estate:			
Construction and land development	\$ 285,370	\$ 273,420	\$ 279,519
Commercial non-owner occupied	298,768	290,071	284,147
Total commercial non-owner occupied real estate	584,138	563,491	563,666
Consumer real estate:			
Consumer owner occupied	460,434	434,503	420,298
Home equity loans	250,988	255,284	257,061
Total consumer real estate	711,422	689,787	677,359
Commercial owner occupied real estate	802,125	784,152	763,338
Commercial and industrial	294,580	279,763	228,010
Other income producing property	136,957	133,713	132,193
Consumer	104,239	86,934	87,290
Other loans	32,134	33,163	29,395
Total non-acquired loans	2,665,595	2,571,003	2,481,251
Less allowance for loan losses	(38,625)	(44,378)	(47,269)
Non-acquired loans, net	\$ 2,626,970	\$ 2,526,625	\$ 2,433,982

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

In accordance with FASB ASC Topic 310-30, the Company aggregated acquired loans that have common risk characteristics into pools of loan categories as described in the table below. The majority of the acquired loans are accounted for in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 310-30.

The Company s acquired loan portfolio is comprised of the following balances net of related discount:

	Loans Loans Impaired Not Impaired					
(Dollars in thousands)		at Acquisition		at Acquisition		Total
June 30, 2013:						
FASB ASC Topic 310-30 acquired loans:						
Covered loans:						
Commercial loans greater than or equal to \$1						
million-CBT	\$	16,979	\$	26,852	\$	43,831
Commercial real estate		16,596		33,787		50,383
Commercial real estate construction and development		8,291		15,980		24,271
Residential real estate		34,940		59,290		94,230
Consumer		608		2,747		3,355
Commercial and industrial		4,886		13,594		18,480
Single pay		4,366		166		4,532
Total covered loans	\$	86,666	\$	152,416	\$	239,082
Non-covered loans:						
Commercial real estate		46,275		227,186		273,461
Commercial real estate construction and development		24,127		49,415		73,542
Residential real estate		35,359		184,028		219,387
Consumer		1,282		6,780		8,062
Commercial and industrial		2,652		36,001		38,653
Total non-covered loans		109,695		503,410		613,105
Total FASB ASC Topic 310-30 acquired loans		196,361		655,826		852,187
Total FASB ASC Topic 310-20 acquired loans		,				, , ,
(non-covered)				69,653		69,653
Total acquired loans		196,361		725,479		921,840
Less allowance for loan losses		(23,856)		(7,741)		(31,597)
Acquired loans, net	\$	172,505	\$	717,738	\$	890,243
required found, not	Ψ	172,505	Ψ	717,730	Ψ	070,243
December 31, 2012:						
FASB ASC Topic 310-30 acquired loans:						
Covered loans:						
Commercial loans greater than or equal to \$1						
million-CBT	\$	19,483	\$	30,201	\$	49,684
Commercial real estate	Ψ	22,946	Ψ	40,016	Ψ	62,962
Commercial real estate construction and development		15,107		17,468		32,575
Residential real estate		39,050		65,761		104,811
Consumer		948		3,376		4,324
Commercial and industrial		8,281		15,319		23,600
		4,599		15,519		4,772
Single pay Total covered loans	¢		Ф		¢	
	\$	110,414	\$	172,314	\$	282,728
Non-covered loans:						

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53,259	256,703	309,962
32,975	64,901	97,876
40,585	209,731	250,316
1,672	9,689	11,361
3,064	46,220	49,284
131,555	587,244	718,799
241,969	759,558	1,001,527
	73,215	73,215
241,969	832,773	1,074,742
(24,988)	(7,144)	(32,132)
\$ 216,981	\$ 825,629	\$ 1,042,610
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Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

(Dollars in thousands)	Loans Imp		Loans Not Impaired at Acquisition	Total
June 30, 2012:				
FASB ASC Topic 310-30 acquired loans:				
Covered loans:				
Commercial loans greater than or equal to \$1				
million-CBT	\$	20,442	\$ 34,384	\$ 54,826
Commercial real estate		30,776	54,756	85,532
Commercial real estate construction and development		21,795	18,336	40,131
Residential real estate		42,493	67,356	109,849
Residential real estate junior lien		1,288	1,430	2,718
Home equity		513	854	1,367
Consumer		1,802	3,929	5,731
Commercial and industrial		9,916	17,928	27,844
Single pay		4,704	172	4,876
Total covered loans	\$	133,729	\$ 199,145	\$ 332,874
Non-covered loans:				
Commercial real estate		11,937	69,065	81,002
Commercial real estate construction and development		9,068	16,516	25,584
Residential real estate		5,874	94,775	100,649
Home equity		21	3	24
Consumer		1,783	4,653	6,436
Commercial and industrial		1,357	12,132	13,489
Total non-covered loans		30,040	197,144	227,184
Total FASB ASC Topic 310-30 acquired loans		163,769	396,289	560,058
Less allowance for loan losses		(26,722)	(9,091)	(35,813)
Acquired loans, net	\$	137,047	\$ 387,198	\$ 524,245

Contractual loan payments receivable, estimates of amounts not expected to be collected, other fair value adjustments and the resulting fair values of FASB ASC Topic 310-30 acquired loans impaired and non-impaired at the acquisition date for Savannah (December 13, 2012) are as follows:

			Dece	mber 13, 2012	
		FASB ASC Topi	ic 310-30	Loans	
				Loans	
	Loai	ns Impaired	No	ot Impaired	
(Dollars in thousands)	at A	Acquisition	at.	Acquisition	Total
Contractual principal and interest	\$	155,582	\$	483,293	\$ 638,875
Non-accretable difference		(37,492)		(9,460)	(46,952)
Cash flows expected to be collected		118,090		473,833	591,923
Accretable yield		(8,615)		(51,466)	(60,081)
Carrying value	\$	109,475	\$	422,367	\$ 531,842

The table above excludes \$69.5 million (\$74.9 million in contractual principal less a \$5.4 million fair value adjustment) in acquired loans at fair value as of the acquisition date that will be accounted for under FASB ASC Topic 310-20. These loans are primarily commercial and consumer lines of credit for which the entire discount will be accreted into interest income.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

Contractual loan payments receivable, estimates of amounts not expected to be collected, other fair value adjustments and the resulting fair values of acquired loans impaired and non-impaired at the acquisition date for Peoples (April 24, 2012) are as follows:

April 24, 2012 FASB ASC Topic 310-30 Loans

Loans Impaired		No	t Impaired		
at A	Acquisition	at .	Acquisition		Total
\$	56,940	\$	250,023	\$	306,963
	(21,237)		(16,560)		(37,797)
	35,703		233,463		269,166
	(4,968)		(29,953)		(34,921)
\$	30,735	\$	203,510	\$	234,245
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Contractual loan payments receivable, estimates of amounts not expected to be collected, other fair value adjustments and the resulting carrying values of acquired loans (impaired and non-impaired) as of June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012, and June 30, 2012 are as follows:

FASB ASC	Topic	310-30	Loans
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	Loans						
	Loans Impaired			Not Impaired			
(Dollars in thousands)	at	Acquisition		at Acquisition		Total	
June 30, 2013:							
Contractual principal and interest	\$	304,357	\$	798,006	\$	1,102,363	
Non-accretable difference		(51,405)		(35,897)		(87,302)	
Cash flows expected to be collected		252,952		762,109		1,015,061	
Accretable yield		(56,591)		(106,283)		(162,874)	
Carrying value	\$	196,361	\$	655,826	\$	852,187	
Allowance for acquired loan losses	\$	(23,856)	\$	(7,741)	\$	(31,597)	
December 31, 2012:							
Contractual principal and interest	\$	376,894	\$	926,153	\$	1,303,047	
Non-accretable difference		(86,514)		(54,157)		(140,671)	
Cash flows expected to be collected		290,380		871,996		1,162,376	
Accretable yield		(48,411)		(112,438)		(160,849)	
Carrying value	\$	241,969	\$	759,558	\$	1,001,527	
Allowance for acquired loan losses	\$	(24,988)	\$	(7,144)	\$	(32,132)	
June 30, 2012:							
Contractual principal and interest	\$	306,174	\$	540,095	\$	846,269	
Non-accretable difference		(101,973)		(68,912)		(170,885)	
Cash flows expected to be collected		204,201		471,183		675,384	
Accretable yield		(40,432)		(74,894)		(115,326)	
Carrying value	\$	163,769	\$	396,289	\$	560,058	
Allowance for acquired loan losses	\$	(26,722)	\$	(9,091)	\$	(35,813)	
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The table above excludes \$69.7 million (\$73.8 million in contractual principal less a \$4.1 million discount) in acquired loans at carrying value as of June 30, 2013 accounted for under FASB ASC Topic 310-20. The table above excludes \$73.2 million (\$78.5 million in contractual principal less a \$5.3 million discount) in acquired loans at carrying value as of December 31, 2012 accounted for under FASB ASC Topic 310-20.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

Income on acquired loans that are not impaired at the acquisition date is recognized in the same manner as loans impaired at the acquisition date. A portion of the fair value discount on acquired non-impaired loans has been ascribed as an accretable yield that is accreted into interest income over the estimated remaining life of the loans. The remaining nonaccretable difference represents cash flows not expected to be collected.

The unpaid principal balance for acquired loans was \$1.1 billion, \$1.3 billion, and \$744.4 million at June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012, respectively.

The following are changes in the carrying value of acquired loans during the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012:

	FASB ASC Topic 310-30 Loans Loans					
(Dollars in thousands)		oans Impaired t Acquisition		Not Impaired at Acquisition		Total
Balance, December 31, 2012	\$	216,981	\$	752,414	\$	969,395
Net reductions for payments, foreclosures,						
and accretion		(43,335)		(104,935)		(148,270)
Change in the allowance for loan losses on						
acquired loans		(1,132)		597		(535)
Balance, June 30, 2013, net of allowance						
for loan losses on acquired loans	\$	172,514	\$	648,076	\$	820,590
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	146,955	\$	223,626	\$	370,581
Fair value of acquired loans		30,735		203,510		234,245
Net reductions for payments, foreclosures,						
and accretion		(37,796)		(38,592)		(76,388)
Change in the allowance for loan losses on						
acquired loans		(2,847)		(1,346)		(4,193)
Balance, June 30, 2012, net of allowance		•				
for loan losses on acquired loans	\$	137,047	\$	387,198	\$	524,245

The following are changes in the carrying amount of accretable difference for acquired impaired and non-impaired loans for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012:

		ne 30,		
(Dollars in thousands)		2013		2012
Beginning at beginning of period	\$	160,849	\$	94,600
Addition from the Peoples acquisition				34,921
Interest income		(44,145)		(20,739)
Reclass of nonaccretable difference due to improvement				
in expected cash flows		51,060		16,680
Other changes, net		(4,890)		(10,136)

Balance at end of period \$ 162,874 \$ 115,326

On December 13, 2006, the FDIC, Federal Reserve, OCC, and other regulatory agencies collectively revised the banking agencies 1993 policy statement on the allowance for loan and lease losses to ensure consistency with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States and more recent supervisory guidance. Our loan loss policy adheres to the interagency guidance.

The allowance for loan losses is based upon estimates made by management. We maintain an allowance for loan losses at a level that we believe is appropriate to cover estimated credit losses on individually evaluated loans that are determined to be impaired as well as estimated credit losses inherent in the remainder of our loan portfolio. Arriving at the allowance involves a high degree of management judgment and results in a range of estimated losses. We regularly evaluate the adequacy of the allowance through our internal risk rating system, outside credit review, and regulatory agency examinations to assess the quality of the loan portfolio and identify problem loans. The evaluation process also includes our analysis of current economic conditions, composition of the loan portfolio, past due and nonaccrual loans, concentrations of credit, lending policies and procedures, and historical loan loss experience. While management uses available information to recognize losses on loans, future additions to the allowance may be necessary based on, among other factors, changes in economic conditions in our markets. In addition, regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review our allowances for losses on loans. These agencies may require management to recognize additions to the allowances based on their judgments about information available to them at the time of their examination. Because of these and other factors, it is possible that the allowances for losses on loans may change. The provision for loan losses is charged to expense in an amount necessary to maintain the allowance at an appropriate level.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The allowance for loan losses on non-acquired loans consists of general and specific reserves. The general reserves are determined by applying loss percentages to the portfolio that are based on historical loss experience for each class of loans and management s evaluation and risk grading of the loan portfolio. Additionally, the general economic and business conditions affecting key lending areas, credit quality trends, collateral values, loan volumes and concentrations, seasoning of the loan portfolio, the findings of internal and external credit reviews and results from external bank regulatory examinations are included in this evaluation. Currently, these adjustments are applied to the non-acquired loan portfolio when estimating the level of reserve required. The specific reserves are determined on a loan-by-loan basis based on management s evaluation of our exposure for each credit, given the current payment status of the loan and the value of any underlying collateral. These are loans classified by management as doubtful or substandard. For such loans that are also classified as impaired, an allowance is established when the discounted cash flows (or collateral value or observable market price) of the impaired loan is lower than the carrying value of that loan. Generally, the need for specific reserve is evaluated on impaired loans greater than \$250,000, and once a specific reserve is established for a loan, a charge off of that amount occurs in the quarter subsequent to the establishment of the specific reserve. Loans that are determined to be impaired are provided a specific reserve, if necessary, and are excluded from the calculation of the general reserves.

In determining the acquisition date fair value of purchased loans, and in subsequent accounting, SCBT generally aggregates purchased loans into pools of loans with common risk characteristics. Expected cash flows at the acquisition date in excess of the fair value of loans are recorded as interest income over the life of the loans using a level yield method if the timing and amount of the future cash flows of the pool is reasonably estimable. Subsequent to the acquisition date, increases in cash flows over those expected at the acquisition date are reclassified from the non-accretable difference to accretable yield and recognized as interest income prospectively. Decreases in expected cash flows after the acquisition date are recognized by recording an allowance for loan losses. Management analyzes the acquired loan pools using various assessments of risk to determine an expected loss. The expected loss is derived based upon a loss given default based upon the collateral type and/or detailed review by loan officers of loans greater than \$25,000 and the probability of default that is determined based upon historical data at the loan level. The Company changed the threshold of loans reviewed from \$500,000 during the second quarter in order to more accurately derive the expected loss in pools where there are few, if any, loans greater than \$500,000. Trends are reviewed in terms of accrual status, past due status, and weighted-average grade of the loans within each of the accounting pools. In addition, the relationship between the change in the unpaid principal balance and change in the mark is assessed to correlate the directional consistency of the expected loss for each pool. Offsetting the impact of the provision established for acquired loans covered under FDIC loss share agreements, the receivable from the FDIC is adjusted to reflect the indemnified portion of the post-acquisition exposure with a corresponding credit to the provision for loan losses. (For further discussion of the Company s allowance for loan losses on acquired loans, see Business Combinations and Method of Accounting for Loans Acquired in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.)

An aggregated analysis of the changes in allowance for loan losses is as follows:

	Non-acquired		
(Dollars in thousands)	Loans	Acquired Loans	Total
Three months ended June 30, 2013:			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 41,669	\$ 31,277	\$ 72,946
Loans charged-off	(3,220)		(3,220)
Recoveries of loans previously charged off	576		576
Net charge-offs	(2,644)		(2,644)
Provision for loan losses	(400)	320	(80)
Benefit attributable to FDIC loss share agreements		259	259
Total provision for loan losses charged to operations	(400)	579	179
Provision for loan losses recorded through the FDIC loss share			
receivable		(259)	(259)
Balance at end of period	\$ 38,625	\$ 31,597	\$ 70,222

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Three months ended June 30, 2012:			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 47,607 \$	34,355 \$	81,962
Loans charged-off	(5,555)		(5,555)
Recoveries of loans previously charged off	825		825
Net charge-offs	(4,730)		(4,730)
Provision for loan losses	4,392	1,458	5,850
Benefit attributable to FDIC loss share agreements		(1,208)	(1,208)
Total provision for loan losses charged to operations	4,392	250	4,642
Provision for loan losses recorded through the FDIC loss share			
receivable		1,208	1,208
Balance at end of period	\$ 47,269 \$	35,813 \$	83,082

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

	N	on-acquired			
(Dollars in thousands)		Loans	A	cquired Loans	Total
Six months ended June 30, 2013:					
Balance at beginning of period	\$	44,378	\$	32,132	\$ 76,510
Loans charged-off		(7,827)			(7,827)
Recoveries of loans previously charged off		1,621			1,621
Net charge-offs		(6,206)			(6,206)
Provision for loan losses		453		(535)	(82)
Benefit attributable to FDIC loss share agreements				1,321	1,321
Total provision for loan losses charged to operations		453		786	1,239
Provision for loan losses recorded through the FDIC loss share					
receivable				(1,321)	(1,321)
Balance at end of period	\$	38,625	\$	31,597	\$ 70,222
Six months ended June 30, 2012:					
Balance at beginning of period	\$	49,367	\$	31,620	\$ 80,987
Loans charged-off		(11,253)			(11,253)
Recoveries of loans previously charged off		2,465			2,465
Net charge-offs		(8,788)			(8,788)
Provision for loan losses		6,690		4,193	10,883
Benefit attributable to FDIC loss share agreements				(3,518)	(3,518)
Total provision for loan losses charged to operations		6,690		675	7,365
Provision for loan losses recorded through the FDIC loss share					
receivable				3,518	3,518
Balance at end of period	\$	47,269	\$	35,813	\$ 83,082

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following tables present a disaggregated analysis of activity in the allowance for loan losses and loan balances for non-acquired loans:

(Dollars in thousands)	&	struction Land elopment	Non-owr	er	Commercial Owner Occupied	(onsumer Owner Occupied			nercial	other Income Producing Property	Consume	r	Other Loans	Total
Three months ended															
June 30, 2013:															
Allowance for loan															
losses:	ф	0.226	ф г о	71 d	0.200	ф	(533	2.526	Φ	4.505 (2.450	Φ 42	1 d	21F A	41.770
Balance, March 31, 2013	Þ	9,236	. ,	71 \$,		6,523 \$	3,536	•	4,785	. /		4 \$	217 \$	41,669
Charge-offs		(1,013)		72	(708)		(238)	(465)		(303)	(134)				(3,218)
Recoveries Provision		135 73	(1	73 78)	5 479		41 112	27 (124)		37 (480)	102	15) 19		(10)	574
	\$					φ		. ,		/	(167)			. ,	(400)
Balance, June 30, 2013	Þ	8,431	4, 0	66 \$	7,984	Ф	6,438 \$	2,974	Þ	4,039	3,260	5 42	6 \$	207 \$	38,625
Loons individually															
Loans individually	Φ	735	¢ 4	36 \$	8 281	Φ	667 \$		\$		716	¢	\$	\$	2.025
evaluated for impairment Loans collectively	Ф	135	9 0	3 0 4	201	Þ	007 \$		Ф	,) /10	Þ	Ф	Þ	3,035
evaluated for impairment	¢	7,696	\$ 12	30 \$	7,703	¢	5,771 \$	2,974	¢	4,039	\$ 2,544	\$ 42	6 \$	207 \$	35,590
evaruated for impairment	Ф	7,090	Φ 4,2	3 0 4	1,703	Ф	3,771 \$	2,974	φ	4,039	2,344	φ 4 2	υφ	207 φ	33,390
Loans:															
Loans individually															
evaluated for impairment	¢	9,746	\$ 36	94 \$	17,120	•	1,322 \$		\$	1.534	3,025	¢	\$	\$	36,441
Loans collectively	Ψ	<i>7</i> ,7 40	φ 5,0	7 4	17,120	Ψ	1,322 ф		Ψ	1,554	5,025	Ψ	Ψ	Ψ	30,441
evaluated for impairment		275,624	295,0	75	785,005		459,112	250,988	20	93,046	133,932	104,23	0	32,133	2,629,154
evaruated for impairment		213,024	275,0	75	705,005		437,112	230,700		25,040	133,732	104,20		32,133	2,027,134
Total non-acquired loans	\$	285,370	\$ 298,7	69 \$	802,125	\$	460,434 \$	250,988	\$ 29	94,580	\$ 136,957	\$ 104,23	9 \$	32,133 \$	2,665,595
Three months ended															
June 30, 2012:															
Allowance for loan															
Allowance for loan losses:	¢	12 508	\$ 56	.62 \$	\$ 9.271	\$	7.567 \$	4 033	¢	3.750.9	\$ 3.517	\$ 1.07	'5 ¢	13/1 \$	47,607
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012	\$	12,598		62 \$			7,567 \$	4,033		3,750 (105)			'5 \$	134 \$	47,607 (5,555)
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs	\$	(2,622)		71)	(180)		(859)	(548)		(105)	(285)	(52	(2)	134 \$ (63)	(5,555)
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries	\$	(2,622) 246		71) 80	(180)		(859) 8	(548) 225		(105) 72	(285)) (52 17	(2)	(63)	(5,555) 825
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision		(2,622) 246 2,045	(3	71) 80 61	(180) 1 384)	(859) 8 901	(548) 225 282		(105) 72 48	(285) 22 156) (52 17 34	(2) (1) (0)	(63) 175	(5,555) 825 4,392
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Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012		(2,622) 246 2,045	(3	71) 80 61	(180) 1 384)	(859) 8 901	(548) 225 282		(105) 72 48	(285) 22 156) (52 17 34	(2) (1) (0)	(63) 175	(5,555) 825 4,392
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually	\$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267	\$ 5,4	71) 80 61 32 \$	(180) 1 384 9,476	\$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$	(548) 225 282	\$	(105) 72 48 3,765	(285) 22 156 3,410) (52 17 34 \$ 1,06	(2) (1 (0 (4 \$	(63) 175 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	(2,622) 246 2,045	\$ 5,4	71) 80 61	(180) 1 384 9,476	\$	(859) 8 901	(548) 225 282		(105) 72 48 3,765	(285) 22 156) (52 17 34 \$ 1,06	(2) (1) (0)	(63) 175	(5,555) 825 4,392
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment Loans collectively	\$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267	\$ 5,4 \$ 1	71) 80 61 32 \$	(180) 1 384 9,476	\$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$ 229 \$	(548) 225 282 3,992	\$	(105) 72 48 3,765	(285) 22 156 \$ 3,410	\$ 1,06	(2) (1 (0 (4 \$	(63) 175 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267	\$ 5,4 \$ 1	71) 80 61 32 \$	(180) 1 384 9,476	\$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$	(548) 225 282	\$	(105) 72 48 3,765	(285) 22 156 \$ 3,410	\$ 1,06	(2) (1 (0 (4 \$	(63) 175 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment Loans collectively	\$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267	\$ 5,4 \$ 1	71) 80 61 32 \$	(180) 1 384 9,476	\$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$ 229 \$	(548) 225 282 3,992	\$	(105) 72 48 3,765	(285) 22 156 \$ 3,410	\$ 1,06	(2) (1 (0 (4 \$	(63) 175 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment Loans collectively evaluated for impairment Loans:	\$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267	\$ 5,4 \$ 1	71) 80 61 32 \$	(180) 1 384 9,476	\$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$ 229 \$	(548) 225 282 3,992	\$	(105) 72 48 3,765	(285) 22 156 \$ 3,410	\$ 1,06	(2) (1 (0 (4 \$	(63) 175 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment Loans collectively evaluated for impairment Loans: Loans individually	\$ \$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267	\$ 5,4 \$ 1 \$ 5,2	71) 80 61 32 \$	(180) 1 384 9,476 5 553 8,923	\$ \$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$ 229 \$	(548) 225 282 3,992	\$	(105) 72 48 3,765	(285) 22 156 \$ 3,410 \$ 142 \$ 3,268	\$ 1,06	(2) (1 (0 (4 \$	(63) 175 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment Loans collectively evaluated for impairment Loans: Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$ \$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267 1,861 10,406	\$ 5,4 \$ 1 \$ 5,2	71) 80 61 32 \$ 77 \$	(180) 1 384 9,476 5 553 8,923	\$ \$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$ 229 \$ 7,388 \$	(548) 225 282 3,992	\$ \$	(105) 72 48 3,765 \$	(285) 22 156 \$ 3,410 \$ 142 \$ 3,268	\$ 1,06	(2) (1 (0 (4 \$ (4 \$	(63) 175 246 \$ \$ 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269 2,962 44,307
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment Loans collectively evaluated for impairment Loans: Loans individually evaluated for impairment Loans:	\$ \$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267 1,861 10,406	\$ 5,4 \$ 1 \$ 5,2	71) 80 61 32 \$ 77 \$ 55 \$	(180) 1 384 9,476 5 553 8,923	\$ \$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$ 229 \$ 7,388 \$	(548) 225 282 3,992	\$ \$ \$	(105) 72 48 3,765 \$	(285) 22 156 \$ 3,410 \$ 142 \$ 3,268	\$ 1,06	(22) (11 (00 (44 \$ (54 \$	(63) 175 246 \$ \$ 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269 2,962 44,307 45,115
Allowance for loan losses: Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs Recoveries Provision Balance, June 30, 2012 Loans individually evaluated for impairment Loans collectively evaluated for impairment Loans: Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$ \$	(2,622) 246 2,045 12,267 1,861 10,406	\$ 5,4 \$ 1 \$ 5,2 \$ 5,9	71) 80 61 32 \$ 77 \$ 55 \$	(180) 1 384 5 9,476 5 553 6 8,923	\$ \$	(859) 8 901 7,617 \$ 229 \$ 7,388 \$ 2,667 \$	(548) 225 282 3,992 3,992	\$ \$ \$	(105) 72 48 3,765 3,765 3,765	(285) 22 156 \$ 3,410 \$ 142 \$ 3,268	\$ 1,06	(22) (11 (00 (44 \$ (54 \$	(63) 175 246 \$ \$ 246 \$	(5,555) 825 4,392 47,269 2,962 44,307

The following tables present a disaggregated analysis of activity in the allowance for loan losses for non-acquired loans:

(Dollars in thousands)	& I	_and	Commercia Non-owner Occupied	o	merical wner cupied	Consu Owi Occu	ner		 (mmercial ndustrial		Cons	umer	-	Other Loans	,	Total
Six months ended June 30, 2013																
Allowance for loan losses:																
Balance, December 31, 2012	\$	10,836	\$ 4,921	\$	8,743	\$	6,568	\$ 3,626	\$ 4,939	\$ 3,747	\$	781	\$	217	\$	44,378
Charge-offs		(3,212)			(1,403)		(388)	(662)	(627)	(473)	(1,062)				(7,827)
Recoveries		393	327		15		130	99	136	111		410				1,621
Provision		414	(382)	629		128	(89)	(409)	(125)		297		(10)		453
Balance, June 30, 2013	\$	8,431	\$ 4,866	\$	7,984	\$	6,438	\$ 2,974	\$ 4,039	\$ 3,260	\$	426	\$	207	\$	38,625
Six months ended June 30, 2012																
Allowance for loan losses:																
Balance, December 31,																
2011	\$	12,373	\$ 6,109	\$	10,356	\$	7,453	\$ 4,269	\$ 3,901	\$ 3,636	\$	1,145	\$	125	\$	49,367
Charge-offs		(3,632)	(1,373)	(1,675)	(1,305)	(1,048)	(435)	(740)		(931)		(114)		(11,253)
Recoveries		1,026	96		2		20	406	182	295		427		11		2,465
Provision		2,500	600		793		1,449	365	117	219		423		224		6,690
Balance, June 30, 2012	\$	12,267	\$ 5,432	\$	9,476	\$	7,617	\$ 3,992	\$ 3,765	\$ 3,410	\$	1,064	\$	246	\$	47,269

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following tables present a disaggregated analysis of activity in the allowance for loan losses and loan balances for acquired loans:

(Dollars in thousands)	Loans Than o	•		Commercial Real Estate- Construction and Development		Consumor	Commercial		FASB ASC Topic 310-20 Loans	Total
Three months ended	to \$1 Mi	inon-CD1	icai Estate	Development	Real Estate	Consumer	and moustria	i Singic I ay	Loans	Total
June 30, 2013:										
Allowance for loan losses:										
Balance, March 31, 2013 Charge-offs	\$	14,956 \$	842	\$ 2,484	\$ 4,561	\$ 89	\$ 3,783	\$ 4,562	\$	31,277
Recoveries										
Provision for loan losses before benefit attributable										
to FDIC loss share		(1)	(24)	1 000	= 00	20.	(000)	(400)		220
agreements		(1,527)	(21)	1,908	588	385	(830)) (183)		320
Benefit attributable to FDIC loss share		1 451	(22)	(1.412)	(204)	(22)	700	174		250
agreements		1,451	(22)	(1,412)	(394)	(326	788	174		259
Total provision for loan losses charged to										
operations		(76)	(43)	496	194	59	(42)) (9)		579
Provision for loan losses recorded through the FDIC										
loss share receivable		(1,451)	22	1,412	394	326	, ,			(259)
Balance, June 30, 2013	\$	13,429 \$	821	\$ 4,392	\$ 5,149	\$ 474	\$ 2,953	\$ 4,379	\$ \$	31,597
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	\$	3	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ \$	
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	\$	13,429 \$	821	\$ 4,392	\$ 5,149	\$ 474	\$ 2,953	\$ 4,379	\$ \$	31,597
evaluated for impairment	J	13,429 4	021	φ 4,392	ъ 3,149	φ 4 /4	φ 2,933	Ф 4,319	J	31,397
Loans:*										
Loans individually										
evaluated for impairment	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ \$	
Loans collectively										
evaluated for impairment		43,831	323,844	97,813	313,617	11,417	,		69,653	921,840
Total acquired loans	\$	43,831	323,844	\$ 97,813	\$ 313,617	\$ 11,417	\$ 57,133	\$ 4,532	\$ 69,653 \$	921,840
Three months ended										
June 30, 2012: Allowance for loan										
losses:	_					+				
Balance, March 31, 2012 Charge-offs	\$	16,850 \$	3 1,392	\$ 2,057	\$ 4,335	\$ 10	\$ 4,583	\$ 5,128	\$ \$	34,355
Recoveries										
Provision for loan losses before benefit attributable										
to FDIC loss share agreements		21	420	1,181	80	63	166	(473))	1,458
Benefit attributable to				-,				(112)		3,100
FDIC loss share agreements		(20)	(399)	(948)	(74)	(58) (158)) 449		(1,208)
Total provision for loan						,				
losses charged to operations		1	21	233	6	5	8	(24))	250

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Provision for loan losses recorded through the FDIC								
loss share receivable	20	399	948	74	58	158	(449)	1,208
Balance, June 30, 2012	\$ 16,871 \$	1,812 \$	3,238 \$	4,415 \$	73 \$	4,749 \$	4,655 \$	\$ 35,813
Loans individually								
evaluated for impairment	\$ \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Loans collectively								
evaluated for impairment	\$ 16,871 \$	1,812 \$	3,238 \$	4,415 \$	73 \$	4,749 \$	4,655 \$	\$ 35,813
Loans:*								
Loans individually								
evaluated for impairment	\$ \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Loans collectively								
evaluated for impairment	54,826	166,534	65,715	214,607	12,167	41,333	4,876	560,058
Total acquired loans	\$ 54,826 \$	166,534 \$	65,715 \$	214,607 \$	12,167 \$	41,333 \$	4,876 \$	\$ 560,058

^{*} The carrying value of FASB ASC Topic 310-30 acquired loans includes a non-accretable difference which is primarily associated with the assessment of credit quality of acquired loans.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following tables present a disaggregated analysis of activity in the allowance for loan losses for acquired loans:

(Dollars in thousands)	Commercia Loans Great Than or Equ to \$1 Million-C	er ıal	Commercial Real Estate	_	Commerical Real Estate- onstruction and Development			Consum		Commercial ad Industrial Sin	gle Pay	Total
Six months ended												
June 30, 2013												
Allowance for loan losses:												
Balance, December 31, 2012 Charge-offs	\$ 15	,408	\$ 1,517	\$	1,628	\$	4,616	\$	96 \$	4,305 \$	4,562 \$	32,132
Recoveries												
Provision for loan losses before benefit attibutable to FDIC loss share	(1	070)	//0/		2764		522	2	70	(1.252)	(192)	(535)
agreements Benefit attributable to	(1	,979)	(696))	2,764		533	3	78	(1,352)	(183)	(535)
FDIC loss share		000	504		(2.000)		(104)	(2	10)	1 204	154	1 201
agreements Total provision for loan	1	,880	504		(2,098)		(104)	(3	19)	1,284	174	1,321
losses charged to operations		(99)	(192)	`	666		429		59	(68)	(9)	786
Provision for loan losses		(99)	(192)	,	000		727		39	(00)	(3)	700
recorded through the FDIC loss share												
receivable		,880)	(504)		2,098	φ.	104		19	(1,284)	(174)	(1,321)
Balance, June 30, 2013	\$ 13	,429	\$ 821	\$	4,392	\$	5,149	\$ 4	74 \$	2,953 \$	4,379 \$	31,597
Six months ended June 30, 2012												
Allowance for loan												
losses:												
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$ 16	,706	\$ 1,318	\$		\$	5,471	\$	\$	4,564 \$	3,561 \$	31,620
Charge-offs												
Recoveries Provision for loan losses before benefit attibutable												
attibutable to FDIC loss		165	494		3,238		(1,056)		73	185	1,094	4,193
share agreements Benefit attributable to FDIC loss share		103	494		3,238		(1,030)		13	103	1,034	4,173
agreements		(158)	(468))	(2,612))	1,036	(69)	(176)	(1,039)	(3,486)
Total provision for loan losses charged to		/					,		,			,,,,,
operations		7	26		626		(20)		4	9	55	707
Provision for loan losses recorded through the FDIC loss share		150	469		2.612		(1.026)		60	176	1.020	2.496
receivable	¢ 16	158	468 \$ 1.812	Ф	2,612	¢	(1,036)		69 73 \$	176	1,039	3,486
Balance, June 30, 2012	\$ 16	,871	\$ 1,812	Þ	3,238	Ф	4,415	Ф	13 \$	4,749 \$	4,655 \$	35,813

As part of the on-going monitoring of the credit quality of the Company s loan portfolio, management tracks certain credit quality indicators including trends related to (i) the level of classified loans, (ii) net charge-offs, (iii) non-performing loans (see details below) and (iv) the general economic conditions of the markets that we serve.

The Company utilizes a risk grading matrix to assign a risk grade to each of its loans. A description of the general characteristics of the risk grades is as follows:

- Pass These loans range from minimal credit risk to average however still acceptable credit risk.
- Special mention A special mention loan has potential weaknesses that deserve management s close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loan or the institution s credit position at some future date.
- Substandard A substandard loan is inadequately protected by the current sound worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Loans so classified must have a well-defined weakness, or weaknesses, that may jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. A substandard loan is characterized by the distinct possibility that the Bank will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.
- Doubtful A doubtful loan has all of the weaknesses inherent in one classified as substandard with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of the currently existing facts, conditions and values, highly questionable and improbable.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following table presents the credit risk profile by risk grade of commercial loans for non-acquired loans:

	Constr	uctio	on & Devel	opn	nent	Commerc	cial l	Non-owner	Oc	cupied		Comme	rcia	l Owner O	ccu	pied
	June 30,	Dec	ember 31,		June 30,	June 30,	Dec	ember 31,		June 30,	Jυ	ine 30,	Dec	ember 31,		June 30,
(Dollars in thousands)	2013		2012		2012	2013		2012		2012		2013		2012		2012
Pass	\$ 236,677	\$	215,793	\$	220,073	\$ 252,917	\$	232,714	\$	225,222 \$	3	749,992	\$	716,578	\$	690,749
Special mention	26,844		31,670		30,495	35,359		38,473		37,625		21,963		31,800		31,645
Substandard	21,849		25,957		28,951	10,492		18,884		21,300		30,170		35,774		40,944
Doubtful																
	\$ 285,370	\$	273,420	\$	279,519	\$ 298,768	\$	290,071	\$	284,147 \$	3	802,125	\$	784,152	\$	763,338

		Com	mer	cial & Indu	stri	al	Other	Inc	ome	Producing	Pr	operty		Com	mercial Tota	ıl	
	J	une 30,	Dec	cember 31,	J	June 30,	June 30	,	Dec	ember 31,	J	June 30,	June 30,	De	cember 31,		June 30,
		2013		2012		2012	2013			2012		2012	2013		2012		2012
Pass	\$	278,364	\$	265,148	\$	212,302 \$	118,0	81	\$	114,809	\$	113,443 \$	1,636,031	\$	1,545,042	\$	1,461,789
Special mention		7,061		8,626		9,458	9,4	02		9,324		9,583	100,629		119,893		118,806
Substandard		9,155		5,989		6,250	9,4	74		9,580		9,167	81,140		96,184		106,612
Doubtful																	
	\$	294,580	\$	279,763	\$	228,010 \$	136,9	57	\$	133,713	\$	132,193 \$	1,817,800	\$	1,761,119	\$	1,687,207

The following table presents the credit risk profile by risk grade of consumer loans for non-acquired loans:

		Consu	ımer	Owner Occ	cupi	ied			Ho	me Equity					C	onsumer		
	J	June 30,	De	cember 31,	.]	June 30,	June	e 30 ,	Dec	cember 31,	J	June 30,	Ju	ne 30,	Dec	ember 31,	J	une 30,
(Dollars in thousands)		2013		2012		2012	20	13		2012		2012	2	2013		2012		2012
Pass	\$	418,601	\$	388,822	\$	374,359 \$	23	38,037	\$	241,184	\$	242,639 \$,	103,014	\$	85,517	\$	86,023
Special mention		20,698		24,515		23,540		7,875		7,837		8,823		931		897		781
Substandard		21,135		21,166		22,399		5,051		6,239		5,564		294		519		486
Doubtful								25		24		35				1		
	\$	460,434	\$	434,503	\$	420,298 \$	25	50,988	\$	255,284	\$	257,061 \$,	104,239	\$	86,934	\$	87,290

				Other				Cons	umer Total		
	J	une 30, 2013	Dec	cember 31, 2012	J	une 30, 2012	June 30, 2013	Dec	ember 31, 2012	J	June 30, 2012
Pass	\$	32,134	\$	33,163	\$	29,395	\$ 791,786	\$	748,686	\$	732,416
Special mention							29,504		33,249		33,144
Substandard							26,480		27,924		28,449
Doubtful							25		25		35
	\$	32,134	\$	33,163	\$	29,395	\$ 847,795	\$	809,884	\$	794,044

The following table presents the credit risk profile by risk grade of total non-acquired loans:

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	June 30,	D	ecember 31,	June 30,
(Dollars in thousands)	2013		2012	2012
Pass	\$ 2,427,817	\$	2,293,728	\$ 2,194,205
Special mention	130,133		153,142	151,950
Substandard	107,620		124,108	135,061
Doubtful	25		25	35
	\$ 2,665,595	\$	2,571,003	\$ 2,481,251

At June 30, 2013, the aggregate amount of non-acquired substandard and doubtful loans totaled \$107.6 million. When these loans are combined with non-acquired OREO of \$16.0 million, our non-acquired classified assets (as defined by the state of South Carolina and the FDIC, our primary federal regulators) were \$123.6 million. At December 31, 2012, the amounts were \$124.1 million, \$19.1 million, and \$143.2 million, respectively. At June 30, 2012, the amounts were \$135.1 million, \$25.5 million, and \$160.6 million, respectively.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following table presents the credit risk profile by risk grade of covered acquired loans, net of the related discount (this table should be read in conjunction with the allowance for acquired loan losses table found on page 21):

Commercial Loans Greater Than														Com	me	rcial Real Es	stat	e
		or Eq	ual t	o \$1 million	-Cl	BT		Con	ımer	cial Real E	stat	e		Constru	ıctio	n and Devel	opr	nent
	June 30, December 31, June 30,					June 30,		June 30,	Dec	ember 31,	J	lune 30,	J	une 30,	De	cember 31,	J	une 30,
(Dollars in thousands)		2013		2012		2012		2013		2012		2012		2013		2012		2012
Pass	\$	15,469	\$	14,355	\$	17,395	\$	22,574	\$	22,687	\$	27,336 \$	5	7,297	\$	7,134	\$	7,861
Special mention		2,719		3,470		3,405		8,708		10,609		13,914		2,814		3,474		5,621
Substandard		25,644		31,859		34,026		18,942		29,501		44,049		14,160		21,154		25,075
Doubtful								159		165		233		1		813		1,574
	\$	43,832	\$	49,684	\$	54,826	\$	50,383	\$	62,962	\$	85,532 \$	5	24,272	\$	32,575	\$	40,131

		Residential Real Estate							onsumer		Commercial & Industrial							
	J	une 30, 2013	Dec	cember 31, 2012	J	une 30, 2012		ne 30, 2013	Dec	ember 31, 2012	•	une 30, 2012	•	une 30, 2013	Dec	cember 31, 2012	J	une 30, 2012
Pass	\$	39,776	\$	41,907	\$	43,200	\$	1,829	\$	2,215	\$	2,575	\$	7,546	\$	8,073	\$	9,141
Special mention		16,920		20,915		25,603		184		574		849		2,093		3,744		4,145
Substandard		37,511		41,963		43,341		1,342		1,534		2,224		8,840		11,753		14,488
Doubtful		23		26		1,790				1		83				30		70
	\$	94,230	\$	104,811	\$	113,934	\$	3,355	\$	4,324	\$	5,731	\$	18,479	\$	23,600	\$	27,844

J	une 30, 2013		Single Pay December 31, 2012		June 30, 2012
\$	56	\$	57	\$	1,714
			52		54
	4,475		4,663		3,108
\$	4,531	\$	4,772	\$	4,876
		\$ 56 4,475	June 30, D 2013 \$ 56 \$ 4,475	June 30, December 31, 2012 \$ 56 \$ 57	June 30, December 31, 2012 \$ 56 \$ 57 \$ 52 4,475 4,663

The following table presents the credit risk profile by risk grade of non-covered acquired loans, net of the related discount (this table should be read in conjunction with the allowance for acquired loan losses table found on page 21):

					Commercial Real Estate														
		Com	mer	cial Real E	stat	te		Constru	ctio	n and Deve	lop	ment		Resi	den	tial Real Es	stat	e	
	J	June 30,	Dec	ember 31,	J	une 30,	J	une 30,	Dec	cember 31,	J	une 30,	Jι	une 30,	Dec	cember 31,	.]	June 30,	
(Dollars in thousands)		2013		2012		2012		2013		2012		2012		2013		2012		2012	
Pass	\$	156,156	\$	274,721	\$	71,923	\$	26,950	\$	80,008	\$	18,131 \$	3	135,878	\$	213,069	\$	96,349	
Special mention		42,414		11,670		4,622		15,417		4,268		970		30,276		17,324		1,932	
Substandard		74,890		23,571		4,456		31,175		13,600		6,481		53,152		19,923		2,391	
Doubtful						1						2		82				1	
	\$	273,460	\$	309,962	\$	81,002	\$	73,542	\$	97,876	\$	25,584 \$	3	219,388	\$	250,316	\$	100,673	

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		Consumer						Commercial & Industrial							FASB ASC Topic 310-20 Loans					
	•	ine 30, 2013	De	cember 31, 2012	J	une 30, 2012	June 201	,	Dec	cember 31, 2012	J	une 30, 2012	June 201	,	Dec	cember 31, 2012	June 30, 2012			
Pass	\$	7,194	\$	10,712	\$	5,805	\$ 3.	3,620	\$	45,973	\$	11,695	\$ 5	9,518	\$	71,174	\$			
Special mention		294		209		358		1,476		1,549		652		4,290		574				
Substandard		574		440		273		3,557		1,762		1,141		5,845		1,467				
Doubtful												1								
	\$	8,062	\$	11,361	\$	6,436	\$ 38	8,653	\$	49,284	\$	13,489	\$ 69	9,653	\$	73,215	\$			

The risk grading of acquired loans is determined utilizing a loan s contractual balance, while the amount recorded in the financial statements and reflected above is the carrying value. In an FDIC-assisted acquisition, covered acquired loans are initially recorded at their fair value, including a credit discount due to the high concentration of substandard and doubtful loans. In addition to the credit discount and the allowance for loan losses on covered acquired loans, the Company s risk of loss is mitigated by the FDIC loss share arrangement.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following table presents an aging analysis of past due loans, segregated by class for non-acquired loans:

				Total		
	30-59 Days	60-89 Days	90+ Days	Past		Total
(Dollars in thousands)	Past Due	Past Due	Past Due	Due	Current	Loans
June 30, 2013						
Commercial real estate:						
Construction and land development	\$ 935 \$	1,134 \$	5,678 \$, ,	277,623 \$	285,370
Commercial non-owner occupied	291		3,558	3,849	294,919	298,768
Commercial owner occupied	2,607	116	7,602	10,325	791,800	802,125
Consumer real estate:						
Consumer owner occupied	3,651	922	3,307	7,880	452,554	460,434
Home equity loans	553	489	152	1,194	249,794	250,988
Commercial and industrial	1,127	129	1,555	2,811	291,769	294,580
Other income producing property	714	1,092	2,648	4,454	132,503	136,957
Consumer	178	46	29	253	103,986	104,239
Other loans	53	12	36	101	32,033	32,134
	\$ 10,109 \$	3,940 \$	24,565 \$	38,614 \$	2,626,981 \$	2,665,595
December 31, 2012						
Commercial real estate:						
Construction and land development	\$ 812 \$	701 \$	10,435 \$	<i>)</i>	261,472 \$	273,420
Commercial non-owner occupied	1,013	572	3,605	5,190	284,881	290,071
Commercial owner occupied	1,141	40	9,827	11,008	773,144	784,152
Consumer real estate:						
Consumer owner occupied	1,433	241	4,045	5,719	428,784	434,503
Home equity loans	735	170	395	1,300	253,984	255,284
Commercial and industrial	1,187	513	549	2,249	277,514	279,763
Other income producing property	322	278	3,253	3,853	129,860	133,713
Consumer	364	151	112	627	86,307	86,934
Other loans	49	41	36	126	33,037	33,163
	\$ 7,056 \$	2,707 \$	32,257 \$	42,020 \$	2,528,983 \$	2,571,003
June 30, 2012						
Commercial real estate:						
Construction and land development	\$ 1,428 \$	852 \$	14,349 \$	16,629 \$	262,890 \$	279,519
Commercial non-owner occupied	870	827	4,435	6,132	278,015	284,147
Commercial owner occupied	3,385	407	7,677	11,469	751,869	763,338
Consumer real estate:						
Consumer owner occupied	1,281	872	5,571	7,724	412,574	420,298
Home equity loans	472	273	381	1,126	255,935	257,061
Commercial and industrial	355	331	743	1,429	226,581	228,010
Other income producing property	677	981	2,997	4,655	127,538	132,193
Consumer	376	158	31	565	86,725	87,290
Other loans	64	24	31	119	29,276	29,395
	\$ 8,908 \$	4,725 \$	36,215 \$	49,848 \$	2,431,403 \$	2,481,251

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following table presents an aging analysis of past due loans, segregated by class for acquired loans:

	30-59 Days	60-89 Days	90+ Days	Total Past		Total
(Dollars in thousands)	Past Due	Past Due	Past Due	Due	Current	Loans
June 30, 2013						
Covered loans:						
Commercial loans greater than or equal to \$1						
million-CBT	\$	\$ 1,210	\$ 19,435 \$	20,645 \$	23,186 \$	43,831
Commercial real estate	3,675	404	6,920	10,999	39,384	50,383
Commercial real estate construction and						
development	775	984	7,766	9,525	14,746	24,271
Residential real estate	1,836	2,087	11,086	15,009	79,221	94,230
Consumer	56	31	522	609	2,746	3,355
Commercial and industrial	183	250	3,714	4,147	14,333	18,480
Single pay	4,366	47	62	4,475	57	4,532
	10,891	5,013	49,505	65,409	173,673	239,082
Non-covered loans:						
Commercial real estate	5,054	2,604	7,566	15,224	258,237	273,461
Commercial real estate construction and						
development	695	253	11,111	12,059	61,483	73,542
Residential real estate	5,311	1,290	7,985	14,586	204,801	219,387
Consumer	472	48	96	616	7,446	8,062
Commercial and industrial	230	131	421	782	37,870	38,652
FASB ASC Topic 310-20 loans	623	128	947	1,698	67,956	69,654
	12,385	4,454	28,126	44,965	637,793	682,758
	\$ 23,276	\$ 9,467	\$ 77,631 \$	110,374 \$	811,466 \$	921,840
December 31, 2012						
Covered loans:						
Commercial loans greater than or equal to \$1						
million-CBT	\$ 922		, , , ,		25,298 \$	49,684
Commercial real estate	3,154	1,536	12,162	16,852	46,110	62,962
Commercial real estate construction and						
development	1,381	220	11,615	13,216	19,359	32,575
Residential real estate	2,502	2,636	12,328	17,466	87,345	104,811
Consumer	67	19	687	773	3,551	4,324
Commercial and industrial	739	190	4,870	5,799	17,801	23,600
Single pay	1	3,256	62	3,319	1,453	4,772
	8,766	8,850	64,195	81,811	200,917	282,728
Non-covered loans:						
Commercial real estate	2,712	770	5,326	8,808	301,154	309,962
Commercial real estate construction and						
development	1,595	1,353	7,103	10,051	87,825	97,876
Residential real estate	5,109	2,193	5,987	13,289	237,027	250,316
Consumer	114	57	49	220	11,141	11,361
Commercial and industrial	529	97	277	903	48,381	49,284
FASB ASC Topic 310-20 loans	388	111	148	647	72,568	73,215
	10,447	4,581	18,890	33,918	758,096	792,014
	\$ 19,213	\$ 13,431	\$ 83,085 \$	115,729 \$	959,013 \$	1,074,742
June 30, 2012						

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Covered loans:

Covered loans.						
Commercial loans greater than or equal to \$1						
million-CBT	\$ \$	\$	23,580 \$	23,580 \$	31,246 \$	54,826
Commercial real estate	2,070	592	16,470	19,132	66,400	85,532
Commercial real estate construction and						
development	1,450	1,080	14,638	17,168	22,963	40,131
Residential real estate	4,654	1,147	11,392	17,193	96,741	113,934
Consumer	206	192	913	1,311	4,420	5,731
Commercial and industrial	561	169	4,600	5,330	22,514	27,844
Single pay	20	58	590	668	4,208	4,876
	8,961	3,238	72,183	84,382	248,492	332,874
Non-covered loans:						
Commercial real estate	1,092	130	1,101	2,323	78,679	81,002
Commercial real estate construction and						
development	365	4	2,762	3,131	22,453	25,584
Residential real estate	914	170	276	1,360	99,313	100,673
Consumer	187	41	48	276	6,160	6,436
Commercial and industrial	21	62	67	150	13,339	13,489
	2,579	407	4,254	7,240	219,944	227,184
	\$ 11,540 \$	3,645 \$	76,437 \$	91,622 \$	468,436 \$	560,058

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following is a summary of information pertaining to impaired non-acquired loans:

(Dollars in thousands) June 30, 2013	Co P	Unpaid ntractual rincipal Balance	In	Recorded nvestment With No .llowance	In	Gross ecorded vestment With llowance		Total Recorded nvestment		X elated lowance
Commercial real estate:										
Construction and land development	\$	19,888	\$	7,005	\$	2,741	\$	9,746	\$	735
Commercial non-owner occupied		4,879		1,523		2,171		3,694		636
Commercial owner occupied		21,055		14,610		2,510		17,120		281
Consumer real estate:										
Consumer owner occupied		1,419				1,322		1,322		667
Home equity loans										
Commercial and industrial		1,799		1,534				1,534		
Other income producing property		3,666		592		2,433		3,025		716
Consumer										
Other loans										
Total impaired loans	\$	52,706	\$	25,264	\$	11,177	\$	36,441	\$	3,035
December 31, 2012										
Commercial real estate:										
Construction and land development	\$	21,350	\$	8,659	\$	4,890	\$	13,549	\$	1,573
Commercial non-owner occupied		7,564		3,148		2,196		5,344		411
Commercial owner occupied		23,566		15,698		4,514		20,212		648
Consumer real estate:		• 0.40				4.074				
Consumer owner occupied		2,040				1,954		1,954		213
Home equity loans										
Commercial and industrial		2,595		464		1,319		1,783		1,030
Other income producing property		4,656		1,382		3,011		4,393		1,004
Consumer										
Other loans	\$	61 771	\$	20.251	¢	17 004	φ	47.025	ф	4.070
Total impaired loans	Ф	61,771	Ф	29,351	\$	17,884	\$	47,235	\$	4,879
June 30, 2012										
Commercial real estate:										
Construction and land development	\$	24,501	\$	11,262	\$	6,058	\$	17,320	\$	1,861
Commercial non-owner occupied		8,693		5,270		632		5,902		177
Commercial owner occupied		19,975		9,783		6,102		15,885		553
Consumer real estate:										
Consumer owner occupied		2,761		1,460		1,206		2,666		229
Home equity loans										
Commercial and industrial		547		479				479		

Other income producing property	3,351	1,737	1,126	2,863	142
Consumer					
Other loans					
Total impaired loans	\$ 59,828	\$ 29,991	\$ 15,124	\$ 45,115	\$ 2,962

Acquired loans are accounted for in pools as shown on page 21 rather than being individually evaluated for impairment; therefore, the table above only pertains to non-acquired loans.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following summarizes the average investment in non-acquired impaired loans and interest income recognized on non-acquired impaired loans:

		Three Mont June 30		i		ed		
(Dollars in thousands)	In	Average vestment in paired Loans		est Income cognized		Average vestment in paired Loans		rest Income ecognized
Commercial real estate:	_			, and the second				
Construction and land development	\$	11,406	\$	9	\$	21,107	\$	34
Commercial non-owner occupied		4,620				16,357		15
Commercial owner occupied	16,985					7,592		64
•								
Consumer real estate:								
Consumer owner occupied		1,322		2		2,981		21
Home equity loans		·						
• •								
Commercial and industrial		1,900				1,079		
Other income producing property		3,771				4,011		4
Consumer		·						
Other loans								
Total Impaired Loans	\$	40,004	\$	24	\$	53,127	\$	138

		Six Month June 30, Average		d	Six Months Ended June 30, 2012 Average					
(Dollars in thousands)	In	vestment in paired Loans		erest Income Recognized		nvestment in npaired Loans		erest Income Recognized		
Commercial real estate:										
Construction and land development	\$	12,457	\$	27	\$	21,657	\$	51		
Commercial non-owner occupied		4,838		1		17,316		15		
Commercial owner occupied		15,141		61		8,887		108		
Consumer real estate:										
Consumer owner occupied		1,336		7		2,488		42		
Home equity loans										
Commercial and industrial		2,024				1,351				
Other income producing property		4,117		8	8 3,774			17		
Consumer										
Other loans										
Total Impaired Loans	\$	39,913	\$	104	\$ 55,473 \$			233		

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following is a summary of information pertaining to non-acquired nonaccrual loans by class, including restructured loans:

(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2013]	December 31, 2012	June 30, 2012
Commercial non-owner occupied real estate:				
Construction and land development	\$ 8,575	\$	11,961	\$ 15,264
Commercial non-owner occupied	3,742		4,780	5,215
Total commercial non-owner occupied real estate	12,317		16,741	20,479
Consumer real estate:				
Consumer owner occupied	8,596		8,025	7,690
Home equity loans	755		1,835	1,023
Total consumer real estate	9,351		9,860	8,713
Commercial owner occupied real estate	11,801		14,146	12,946
Commercial and industrial	1,847		2,152	1,037
Other income producing property	5,450		5,405	4,542
Consumer	88		83	223
Other loans				
Restructured loans	11,689		13,151	9,530
Total loans on nonaccrual status	\$ 52,543	\$	61,538	\$ 57,470

In the course of resolving delinquent loans, the Bank may choose to restructure the contractual terms of certain loans. Any loans that are modified are reviewed by the Bank to determine if a troubled debt restructuring (TDR or restructured loan) has occurred. A TDR is a modification in which the Bank grants a concession to a borrower that it would not otherwise consider due to economic or legal reasons related to a borrower s financial difficulties. The concessions granted on TDRs generally include terms to reduce the interest rate, extend the term of the debt obligation, or modify the payment structure on the debt obligation.

The Bank designates loan modifications as TDRs when it grants a concession to the borrower that it would not otherwise consider due to the borrower experiencing financial difficulty (ASC Topic 310.40). Loans on nonaccrual status at the date of modification are initially classified as nonaccrual TDRs. Loans on accruing status at the date of concession are initially classified as accruing TDRs if the note is reasonably assured of repayment and performance is expected in accordance with its modified terms. Such loans may be designated as nonaccrual loans subsequent to the concession date if reasonable doubt exists as to the collection of interest or principal under the restructuring agreement. Nonaccrual TDRs are returned to accruing status when there is economic substance to the restructuring, there is documented credit evaluation of the borrower s financial condition, the remaining balance is reasonably assured of repayment in accordance with its modified terms, and the borrower has demonstrated sustained repayment performance in accordance with the modified terms for a reasonable period of time (generally a minimum of six months).

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following table presents non-acquired loans designated as TDRs segregated by class and type of concession that were restructured during the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012:

		Three Months Ended June 30, 2013					Three Months Ended June 30, 2012 Pre-					
(Dollars in thousands)	Number of loans	Ou R	Aodification tstanding ecorded vestment	Post-Modific Outstandi Recorded Inve	ng	Number of loans	Mod Out Re	lification standing corded estment	C	-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment		
Interest rate modification												
Construction and land												
development		\$		\$		1	\$	165	\$	162		
Commercial non-owner			2.45		245							
occupied	1		247		247			4.40				
Commercial owner occupied	1		750		750	1		443		442		
Consumer owner occupied												
Other income producing												
property												
Total interest rate												
modifications	2	\$	997	\$	997	2	\$	608	\$	604		
Term modification												
Construction and land												
development						1		230		226		
Commercial owner occupied												
Consumer owner occupied												
Commercial and industrial												
Total term modifications		\$		\$		1	\$	230	\$	226		
	2	\$	997	\$	997	3	\$	838	\$	830		

		Six Mon	ths Ended June	30, 20	013		Six Months Ended June 30, 2012				
(Dollars in thousands)	Number of loans	Ou R	Modification itstanding ecorded vestment		Post- Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Number of loans	Out Re	Pre- dification estanding ecorded vestment		Post- Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	
Interest rate modification											
Construction and land											
development		\$		\$		1	\$	165	\$	162	
Commercial non-owner											
occupied	1		247		247						
Commercial owner occupied	1		750		750	2		1,144		1,143	
Consumer owner occupied	1		124		122						
Other income producting property											
Total interest rate											
modifications	3	\$	1,121	\$	1,119	3	\$	1,309	\$	1,305	

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Term modification						
Construction and land						
development	1	696	134	1	230	226
Commercial owner occupied						
Consumer owner occupied						
Total term modifications	1	\$ 696	\$ 134	1	\$ 230	\$ 226
	4	\$ 1,817	\$ 1,253	4	\$ 1,539	\$ 1,531

At June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012, and June 30, 2012, the balance of accruing TDRs was \$4.3 million, \$6.3 million, and \$6.6 million, respectively.

Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (Continued)

The following table presents the changes in status of non-acquired loans restructured within the previous 12 months as of June 30, 2013 by type of concession:

	Payi	ng Under	•				
	Restruc	tured Te	rms	Converted	to Nonaccrual	Foreclosure	es and Defaults
	Number	R	ecorded	Number	Recorded	Number	Recorded
(Dollars in thousands)	of Loans	In	vestment	of Loans	Investment	of Loans	Investment
Interest rate modification	7	\$	6,177		\$		\$
Term modification	3		1,401				
	10	\$	7,578		\$		\$

The amount of specific reserve associated with non-acquired restructured loans was \$687,000 at June 30, 2013, none of which was related to the restructured loans that had subsequently defaulted. The Company had \$15,000 in remaining availability under commitments to lend additional funds on these restructured loans at June 30, 2013.

Note 7 FDIC Indemnification Asset

The following table provides changes in FDIC indemnification asset:

	Six Months Ended						
	June 30,			June 30,			
(Dollars in thousands)		2013		2012			
Balance at beginning of period	\$	146,171	\$	262,651			
Increase (decrease) in expected losses on loans		(1,321)		3,518			
Additional losses on OREO		574		6,058			
Reimbursable expenses		2,607		4,837			
Amortization of discounts and premiums, net		(14,481)		(7,603)			
Reimbursements from FDIC		(29,502)		(68,892)			
Balance at end of period	\$	104,048	\$	200,569			

The FDIC indemnification asset is measured separately from the related covered assets. At June 30, 2013, the projected cash flows related to the FDIC indemnification asset for losses on assets acquired were approximately \$47.7 million less than the current carrying value. This amount is being recognized as negative accretion (in non-interest income) over the shorter of the underlying asset s remaining life or remaining term of the loss share agreements. Subsequent to June 30, 2013, the Company expects to receive \$8.0 million from loss share claims filed, including reimbursable expenses.

Included in the FDIC indemnification asset is an expected true up with the FDIC related to the BankMeridian acquisition. This amount is determined each reporting period and at June 30, 2013, was estimated to be approximately \$3.7 million at the end of the loss share agreement (in

ten years). The actual payment will be determined at the end of the loss sharing agreement term for each of the three FDIC-assisted acquisitions and is based on the negative bid, expected losses, intrinsic loss estimate, and assets covered under loss share. There was no true up expected from the Community Bank & Trust (CBT) or Habersham Bank (HB) FDIC-assisted transactions as of June 30, 2013.

Note 8 Other Real Estate Owned

The following is a summary of information pertaining to OREO at June 30, 2013:

		Covered	
(Dollars in thousands)	OREO	OREO	Total
Balance, December 31, 2012	\$ 32,248	\$ 34,257	\$ 66,505
Additions	15,170	12,893	28,063
Write-downs	(2,587)	(935)	(3,522)
Sold	(11,345)	(11,073)	(22,418)
Balance, June 30, 2013	\$ 33,486	\$ 35,142	\$ 68,628

Note 8 Other Real Estate Owned (Continued)

The following is a summary of information pertaining to OREO at June 30, 2012:

		Covered	
(Dollars in thousands)	OREO	OREO	Total
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$ 18,022 \$	65,849	\$ 83,871
Acquired in Peoples acquisition	7,916		7,916
Additions	18,950	15,075	34,025
Write-downs	(2,622)	(6,416)	(9,038)
Sold	(11,003)	(21,362)	(32,365)
Balance, June 30, 2012	\$ 31,263 \$	53,146	\$ 84,409

The covered OREO above is covered pursuant to the FDIC loss share agreements and is presented net of the related fair value discount. At June 30, 2013, there were 311 properties included in OREO, with 140 uncovered and 171 covered by loss share agreement with the FDIC. At June 30, 2012, there were 692 properties in OREO, with 134 uncovered and 558 covered by loss share agreement with the FDIC.

Note 9 Deposits

The Company s total deposits are comprised of the following:

(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2012	June 30, 2012
Certificates of deposit	\$ 944,080	\$ 1,062,842	\$ 978,927
Interest-bearing demand deposits	1,839,220	1,911,673	1,570,287
Non-interest bearing demand deposits	1,046,537	981,963	806,235
Savings deposits	350,061	341,103	302,672
Other time deposits	3,071	779	2,851
Total deposits	\$ 4,182,969	\$ 4,298,360	\$ 3,660,972

The aggregate amounts of time deposits in denominations of \$100,000 or more at June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012, and June 30, 2012 were \$398.5 million, \$464.6 million and \$418.3 million, respectively. In July of 2010, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act) permanently increased the insurance limit on deposit accounts from \$100,000 to \$250,000. At June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012, and June 30, 2012, the Company had \$116.7 million, \$129.6 million, and \$128.8 million in certificates of deposits greater than \$250,000, respectively. At June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company had \$1.3 million and \$13.0 million in traditional, out-of-market brokered deposits. The Company did not have brokered certificates of deposit at June 30, 2012.

Note 10 Retirement Plans

The Company and the Bank provide certain retirement benefits to their employees in the form of a non-contributory defined benefit pension plan and an employees savings plan. The non-contributory defined benefit pension plan covers all employees hired on or before December 31, 2005, who have attained age 21, and who have completed a year of eligible service. Employees hired on or after January 1, 2006 are not eligible to participate in the non-contributory defined benefit pension plan. On this date, a new benefit formula applies only to participants who have not attained age 45 or who do not have five years of service.

Effective July 1, 2009, the Company suspended the accrual of benefits for pension plan participants under the non-contributory defined benefit plan. The pension plan remained suspended as of June 30, 2013.

Note 10 Retirement Plans (Continued)

The components of net periodic pension expense recognized during the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 are as follows:

	Three Mor June	ded	Six Months Ended June 30,			
(Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2013		2012	
Interest cost	\$ (250)	\$ (258) \$	(500)	\$	(516)	
Expected return on plan assets	430	407	860		815	
Recognized net actuarial loss	(301)	(267)	(602)		(534)	
Net periodic pension expense	\$ (121)	\$ (118) \$	(242)	\$	(235)	

The Company contributed \$300,000 and \$600,000 to the pension plan for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively, and anticipates making similar additional contributions during the remainder of the year.

Electing employees are eligible to participate in the employees—savings plan, under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k), after attaining age 21. Plan participants elect to contribute portions of their annual base compensation as a before tax contribution. Employer contributions may be made from current or accumulated net profits. Participants may elect to contribute 1% to 50% of annual base compensation as a before tax contribution. Effective September 1, 2012, employees participating in the plan receive a 100% matching of their 401(k) plan contribution, up to 5% of salary. Prior to September 1, 2012, participating employees received a 50% matching of their 401(k) plan contribution, up to 6% of salary. The Company expensed \$748,000 and \$342,000 for the 401(k) plan during the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The Company expensed \$1.2 million and \$667,000 for the 401(k) plan during the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Employees hired on January 1, 2006 or thereafter will not participate in the defined benefit pension plan, but are eligible to participate in the employees savings plan.

Employees can enter the savings plan on or after the first day of each month. The employee may enter into a salary deferral agreement at any time to select an alternative deferral amount or to elect not to defer in the plan. If the employee does not elect an investment allocation, the plan administrator will select a retirement-based portfolio according to the employee s number of years until normal retirement age. The plan s investment valuations are generally provided on a daily basis.

Note 11 Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share are calculated by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding during each period, excluding non-vested shares. The Company s diluted earnings per share are based on the weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding during each period plus the maximum dilutive effect of common stock issuable upon exercise of stock

options or vesting of restricted shares. The weighted-average number of shares and equivalents are determined after giving retroactive effect to stock dividends and stock splits.

Note 11 Earnings Per Share (Continued)

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Mon June	 nded	Six Montl June	 led
(Dollars and shares in thousands)	2013	2012	2013	2012
Basic earnings per share:				
Net income	\$ 12,532	\$ 8,031	\$ 23,181	\$ 15,059
Weighted-average basic shares	16,790	14,651	16,804	14,260
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.55	\$ 1.38	\$ 1.06
Diluted earnings per share:				
Net income	\$ 12,532	\$ 8,031	\$ 23,181	\$ 15,059
Weighted-average basic shares	16,790	14,651	16,804	14,260
Effect of dilutive securities	200	82	182	74
Weighted-average dilutive shares	16,990	14,733	16,986	14,334
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.55	\$ 1.36	\$ 1.05

The calculation of diluted earnings per share excludes outstanding stock options for which the results would have been antidilutive under the treasury stock method as follows:

	Three Months F June 30,	Ended	Six Months Ended June 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2013	2012			
Number of shares	21,361	141,329	21,361	155,440			
Range of exercise prices	\$41.45-\$41.45	\$31.10 - \$40.99	\$41.45-\$41.45	\$31.10 - \$40.99			

Note 12 Share-Based Compensation

The Company s 1999, 2004, and 2012 share-based compensation programs are long-term retention programs intended to attract, retain, and provide incentives for key employees and non-employee directors in the form of incentive and non-qualified stock options and restricted stock.

Stock Options

With the exception of non-qualified stock options granted to directors under the 1999, 2004, and 2012 plans, which in some cases may be exercised at any time prior to expiration and in some other cases may be exercised at intervals less than a year following the grant date, incentive stock options granted under the plans may not be exercised in whole or in part within a year following the date of the grant, as these incentive stock options become exercisable in 25% increments pro ratably over the four-year period following the grant date. The options are granted at an exercise price at least equal to the fair value of the common stock at the date of grant and expire ten years from the date of grant. No options were granted under the 1999 plan after January 2, 2004, and the 1999 plan is closed other than for any options still unexercised and outstanding. No options were granted under the 2004 plan after January 26, 2012, and the 2004 plan is closed other than for any options still unexercised and outstanding. The 2012 plan is the only plan from which new share-based compensation grants may be issued. It is the Company s policy to grant options out of the 1,684,000 shares registered under the 2012 plan, of which no more than 817,476 shares can be granted as restricted stock or restricted stock units (RSUs).

Note 12 Share-Based Compensation (Continued)

Activity in the Company s stock option plans is summarized in the following table. All information has been retroactively adjusted for stock dividends and stock splits.

Options	Number of Shares	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life (Yrs.)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (000 s)
Outstanding at January 1, 2013	340,140	\$ 31.79		
Granted	23,007	41.45		
Exercised	(20,746)	28.21		
Expired/Forfeited	(1,446)	22.13		
Outstanding at June 30, 2013	340,955	32.70	4.77	\$ 6,032
Exercisable at June 30, 2013	278,094	32.08	3.97	\$ 5,091
Weighted-average fair value of	ф 15 <i>(</i> (
options granted during the year	\$ 15.66			

The fair value of options is estimated at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and expensed over the options vesting periods. The following weighted-average assumptions were used in valuing options issued:

	Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2013	2012	
Dividend yield	1.70%	2.10%	
Expected life	6 years	6 years	
Expected volatility	42%	46%	
Risk-free interest rate	1.02%	1.06%	

As of June 30, 2013, there was \$661,000 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested stock option grants under the plans. The cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.46 years as of June 30, 2013. The total fair value of shares vested during the six months ended June 30, 2013 was \$397,000.

Restricted Stock

The Company from time-to-time also grants shares of restricted stock to key employees and non-employee directors. These awards help align the interests of these employees and directors with the interests of the shareholders of the Company by providing economic value directly related to increases in the value of the Company s stock. The value of the stock awarded is established as the fair market value of the stock at the time of

the grant. The Company recognizes expenses, equal to the total value of such awards, ratably over the vesting period of the stock grants. Restricted stock grants to employees typically cliff vest after four years. Grants to non-employee directors typically vest within a 12-month period.

Note 12 Share-Based Compensation (Continued)

Nonvested restricted stock for the six months ended June 30, 2013 is summarized in the following table. All information has been retroactively adjusted for stock dividends and stock splits.

Restricted Stock	Shares	Weighted- Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Nonvested at January 1, 2013	172,847	\$ 30.84
Granted	76,754	42.04
Vested	(7,575)	32.82
Forfeited	(519)	41.10
Nonvested at June 30, 2013	241,507	34.31

As of June 30, 2013, there was \$5.7 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested restricted stock granted under the plans. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.28 years as of June 30, 2013. The total fair value of shares vested during the six months ended June 30, 2013 was \$249,000.

Restricted Stock Units

The Company from time-to-time also grants performance RSUs to key employees. These awards help align the interests of these employees with the interests of the shareholders of the Company by providing economic value directly related to the performance of the Company. Performance RSU grants contain a three year performance period. The Company communicates threshold, target, and maximum performance RSU awards and performance targets to the applicable key employees at the beginning of a performance period. Dividends are not paid in respect to the awards during the performance period. The value of the RSUs awarded is established as the fair market value of the stock at the time of the grant. The Company recognizes expenses on a straight-line basis typically over three years based upon the probable performance target that will be met. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, the Company accrued at the target RSU award level, or for 70.9% of the RSUs granted, based on Management s expectations of performance.

Nonvested RSUs for the six months ended June 30, 2013 is summarized in the following table.

Restricted Stock Units	Shares	Weighted- Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Nonvested at January 1, 2013		\$
Granted	36,876	50.45
Nonvested at June 30, 2013	36,876	50.45

As of June 30, 2013, there was \$1.6 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested RSUs granted under the plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.50 years as of June 30, 2013.

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Note 13 Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

In the normal course of business, the Company makes various commitments and incurs certain contingent liabilities, which are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements. The commitments and contingent liabilities include guarantees, commitments to extend credit, and standby letters of credit. At June 30, 2013, commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit totaled \$878.4 million. The Company does not anticipate any material losses as a result of these transactions.

The Company has been named as defendant in various legal actions, arising from its normal business activities, in which damages in various amounts are claimed. The Company is also exposed to litigation risk related to the prior business activities of banks acquired through whole bank acquisitions as well as banks from which assets were acquired and liabilities assumed in FDIC-assisted transactions. Although the amount of any ultimate liability with respect to such matters cannot be determined, in the opinion of management, any such liability will not have a material effect on the Company s consolidated financial statements.

Note 14 Fair Value

FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, and enhances disclosures about fair value measurements. FASB ASC 820 clarifies that fair value should be based on the assumptions market participants would use when pricing an asset or liability and establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the information used to develop those assumptions.

The Company utilizes fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and liabilities and to determine fair value disclosures. Available for sale securities and derivative contracts are recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. Additionally, from time to time, the Company may be required to record at fair value other assets on a nonrecurring basis, such as loans held for sale, impaired loans, OREO, and certain other assets. These nonrecurring fair value adjustments typically involve application of lower of cost or market accounting or write-downs of individual assets.

FASB ASC 820 establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value as follows:

Level 1 Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets;

Level 2 Inputs, other than the quoted prices in active markets, that are observable either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3 Unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data, which require the reporting entity to develop its own

assumptions.

The following is a description of valuation methodologies used for assets recorded at fair value.

Investment Securities

Securities available for sale are valued on a recurring basis at quoted market prices where available. If quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on quoted market prices of comparable securities. Level 1 securities include those traded on an active exchange, such as the New York Stock Exchange and The NASDAQ Stock Market, or U.S. Treasury securities that are traded by dealers or brokers in active over-the-counter markets and money market funds. Level 2 securities include mortgage-backed securities and debentures issued by government sponsored entities, municipal bonds and corporate debt securities. Securities held to maturity are valued at quoted market prices or dealer quotes similar to securities available for sale. The carrying value of FHLB stock approximates fair value based on the redemption provisions. The Level 3 security is an unrated single-issue private placement bond that was acquired in the Savannah transaction. This security is considered a Level 3 because there is not an active market for the security. Management considers the credit quality of the underlying issuer in determining the fair value of the security. During the second quarter of 2013, the issuer paid off the security for \$3.8 million and the Company realized a \$31,000 gain on the payoff of the security.

Mortgage Loans Held for Sale

Mortgage loans held for sale are carried at the lower of cost or market value. The fair values of mortgage loans held for sale are based on commitments on hand from investors within the secondary market for loans with similar characteristics. As such, the fair value adjustments for mortgage loans held for sale are nonrecurring Level 2.

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Note 14 Fair Value (Continued)
Loans
The Company does not record loans at fair value on a recurring basis. However, from time to time, a loan may be considered impaired and an allowance for loan losses may be established. Loans for which it is probable that payment of interest and principal will not be made in accordance with the contractual terms of the loan agreement are considered impaired. Once a loan is identified as individually impaired, management measures impairment using estimated fair value methodologies. The fair value of impaired loans is estimated using one of several methods, including collateral value, market value of similar debt, enterprise value, liquidation value and discounted cash flows. Those impaired loans not requiring an allowance represent loans for which the fair value of the expected repayments or collateral exceed the recorded investments in such loans. At June 30, 2013, substantially all of the impaired loans were evaluated based on the fair value of the collateral because such loans were considered collateral dependent. Impaired loans, where an allowance is established based on the fair value of collateral, require classification in the fair value hierarchy. When the fair value of the collateral is based on an observable market price or a current appraised value, the Company considers the impaired loan as nonrecurring Level 2. When an appraised value is not available or management determines the fair value of the collateral is further impaired below the appraised value and there is no observable market price, the Company considers the impaired loan as nonrecurring Level 3.
Other Real Estate Owned (OREO)
Typically non-covered OREO, consisting of properties obtained through foreclosure or in satisfaction of loans, is reported at fair value, determined on the basis of current appraisals, comparable sales, and other estimates of value obtained principally from independent sources, adjusted for estimated selling costs (Level 2). However, both non-covered and covered OREO are considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy because management has qualitatively applied a discount due to the size, supply of inventory, and the incremental discounts applied to the appraisals. Management also considers other factors, including changes in absorption rates, length of time the property has been on the market and anticipated sales values, which have resulted in adjustments to the collateral value estimates indicated in certain appraisals. At the time of foreclosure, any excess of the loan balance over the fair value of the real estate held as collateral is treated as a charge against the allowance for loan losses. Gains or losses on sale and generally any subsequent adjustments to the value are recorded as a component of OREO expense, net of any FDIC indemnification proceeds in the case of covered OREO.
Derivative Financial Instruments
Fair value is estimated using pricing models of derivatives with similar characteristics; accordingly, the derivatives are classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy (see Note 16 Derivative Financial Instruments for additional information).

Note 14 Fair Value (Continued)

Assets and Liabilities Recorded at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The tables below present the recorded amount of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

(Dollars in thousands)	Fair Value	Quoted Prices In Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
June 30, 2013:				
Assets				
Derivative financial instruments	\$ 212	\$	\$ 212	\$
Securities available for sale:				
Government-sponsored entities debt	96,359		96,359	
State and municipal obligations	139,513		139,513	
Mortgage-backed securities	275,018		275,018	
Corporate stocks	457	432	25	
Total securities available for sale	511,347	432	510,915	
	\$ 511,559	\$ 432	\$ 511,127	\$
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	\$ 1,262	\$	\$ 1,262	\$
December 31, 2012:				
Assets				
Derivative financial instruments	\$ 312	\$	\$ 312	\$
Securities available for sale:				
Government-sponsored entities debt	88,518		88,518	
State and municipal obligations	152,799		148,948	3,851
Mortgage-backed securities	293,187		293,187	
Corporate stocks	379	354	25	
Total securities available for sale	534,883	354	530,678	3,851
	\$ 535,195	\$ 354	\$ 530,990	\$ 3,851
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	\$ 1,813	\$	\$ 1,813	\$
June 30, 2012:				
Assets				
Securities available for sale:				
Government-sponsored entities debt	\$ 65,265	\$	\$ 65,265	\$
State and municipal obligations	138,463		138,463	
Mortgage-backed securities	274,122		274,122	
FHLMC preferred stock	259		259	
Corporate stocks	363	338	25	
Total securities available for sale	\$ 478,472	\$ 338	\$ 478,134	\$
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	\$ 1,514	\$	\$ 1,514	\$

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Note 14 Fair Value (Continued)

Changes in Level 1, 2 and 3 Fair Value Measurements

There were no transfers between the fair value hierarchy levels during the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

When a determination is made to classify a financial instrument within Level 3 of the valuation hierarchy, the determination is based upon the significance of the unobservable factors to the overall fair value measurement. However, since Level 3 financial instruments typically include, in addition to the unobservable or Level 3 components, observable components (that is, components that are actively quoted and can be validated to external sources), the gains and losses below include changes in fair value due in part to observable factors that are part of the valuation methodology.

There were no changes in hierarchy classifications of Level 3 assets or liabilities for the six months ended June 30, 2012. A reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances of Level 3 assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on a recurring basis for the six months ended June 30, 2013 is as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	A	Assets	Liabilities			
Fair value, January 1, 2013	\$	3,851 \$				
Change in unrealized loss recognized in other comprehensive income						
Total realized losses included in income						
Other-than-temporary impairment losses recognized in income						
Purchases, issuances and settlements, net (3,851)						
Transfers in and/or out of level 3						
Fair value, June 30, 2013	\$	\$				

There were no unrealized losses included in accumulated other comprehensive income related to Level 3 financial assets and liabilities at June 30, 2013 or 2012.

Assets and Liabilities Recorded at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

The tables below present the recorded amount of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis:

Quoted Prices		
In Active	Significant	
Markets	Other	Significant

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		for Identical Assets	Observable Inputs		observable Inputs
(Dollars in thousands)	Fair Value	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	()	Level 3)
June 30, 2013:					
OREO \$	52,638	\$	\$	\$	52,638
Non-acquired impaired loans	5,564				5,564
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December 31, 2012:					
OREO \$	66,505	\$	\$	\$	66,505
Non-acquired impaired loans	42,356				42,356
June 30, 2012:					
OREO \$	63,360	\$	\$	\$	63,360
Non-acquired impaired loans	12,317				12,317

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Note 14 Fair Value (Continued)

Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Measurements

	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	General Range (Weighted Average)
Nonrecurring measurements:			
Impaired loans	Discounted appraisals	Collateral discounts	0-25% (8.33%)
OREO	Discounted appraisals	Collateral discounts and estimated costs	
		to sell	0-50% (32.83%)

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in estimating its fair value disclosures for financial instruments. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. Those models are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rates and estimates of future cash flows. In that regard, the derived fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and, in many cases, could not be realized in immediate settlement of the instrument. The use of different methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts. The fair value estimates presented herein are based on pertinent information available to management as of June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012. Such amounts have not been revalued for purposes of these consolidated financial statements since those dates and, therefore, current estimates of fair value may differ significantly from the amounts presented herein.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

Cash and Cash Equivalents The carrying amount is a reasonable estimate of fair value.

Investment Securities Securities Securities Securities approximates fair value based on the redemption provisions. The carrying value of the Company s investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries approximates fair value. See Note 5 Investment Securities for additional information, as well as page 37 regarding fair value.

Loans For variable-rate loans that reprice frequently and with no significant change in credit risk, fair values are based on carrying values. Fair values for certain mortgage loans (e.g., one-to-four family residential) and other consumer loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses based on the Company s current rates offered for new loans of the same type, structure and credit quality. Fair values for other loans (e.g., commercial real estate and investment property mortgage loans, commercial and industrial loans) are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses, using interest rates currently being offered by the Company for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality. Fair values for non-performing loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses or underlying collateral values, where applicable.

FDIC Receivable for Loss Share Agreements The fair value is estimated based on discounted future cash flows using current discount rates.

Deposit Liabilities The fair values disclosed for demand deposits (e.g., interest and non-interest bearing checking, passbook savings, and certain types of money market accounts) are, by definition, equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date (i.e., their carrying amounts). The carrying amounts of variable-rate, fixed-term money market accounts, and certificates of deposit approximate their fair values at the reporting date. Fair values for fixed-rate certificates of deposit are estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation that applies interest rates currently being offered on certificates to a schedule of aggregated expected monthly maturities on time deposits.

Federal Funds Purchased and Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase The carrying amount of federal funds purchased, borrowings under repurchase agreements, and other short-term borrowings maturing within ninety days approximate their fair values.

Other Borrowings The fair value of other borrowings is estimated using discounted cash flow analysis on the Company s current incremental borrowing rates for similar types of instruments.

Accrued Interest The carrying amounts of accrued interest approximate fair value.

Note 14 Fair Value (Continued)

Commitments to Extend Credit, Standby Letters of Credit and Financial Guarantees The fair values of commitments to extend credit are estimated using the fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreements and the present creditworthiness of the counterparties. For fixed-rate loan commitments, fair value also considers the difference between current levels of interest rates and the committed rates. The fair values of guarantees and letters of credit are based on fees currently charged for similar agreements or on the estimated costs to terminate them or otherwise settle the obligations with the counterparties at the reporting date.

The estimated fair value, and related carrying amount, of the Company s financial instruments are as follows:

	Carrying	Fair			
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
June 30, 2013					
Financial assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents \$	436,481	\$ 436,481	\$ 436,481	\$	\$
Investment securities	531,579	532,199	8,237	523,962	
Loans, net of allowance for loan					
losses, and loans held for sale	3,565,193	3,578,267		47,980	3,530,287
FDIC receivable for loss share					
agreements	104,048	64,569			64,569
Accrued interest receivable	9,801	9,801		2,846	6,955
Interest rate swap non-designated					
hedge	212	212		212	
Financial liabilities:					
Deposits	4,182,969	4,049,826		4,049,826	
Federal funds purchased and					
securities sold under agreements to					
repurchase	262,447	262,447		262,447	
Other borrowings	54,372	55,719		55,719	
Accrued interest payable	1,391	1,391		1,391	
Interest rate swap cash flow hedge	1,050	1,050		1,050	
Interest rate swap non-designated					
hedge	212	212		212	
Off balance sheet financial					
instruments:					
Commitments to extend credit		3,339		3,339	
Standby letters of credit and					
financial guarantees					
December 31, 2012					
Financial assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents \$	380,730	\$ 380,730	\$ 380,730	\$	\$
Investment securities	560,091	561,204	10,122	547,231	3,851
Loans, net of allowance for loan					
losses, and loans held for sale	3,634,514	3,665,070		65,279	3,599,791
FDIC receivable for loss share					
agreements	146,171	101,898			101,898
Accrued interest receivable	8,190	8,190		8,190	
	312	312		312	

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Interest rate swap non-designated									
hedge									
Financial liabilities:									
Deposits	4,298,360	4,216,800	4,216,800						
Federal funds purchased and									
securities sold under agreements to									
repurchase	238,621	238,621	238,621						
Other borrowings	54,897	57,903	57,903						
Accrued interest payable	2,045	2,045	2,045						
Interest rate swap cash flow hedge	1,501	1,501	1,501						
Interest rate swap non-designated									
hedge	312	312	312						
Off balance sheet financial									
instruments:									
Commitments to extend credit		7,371	7,371						
Standby letters of credit and									
financial guarantees									

Note 14 Fair Value (Continued)

	Carrying	Fair				
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Value	Level 1		Level 2	Level 3
June 30, 2012						
Financial assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	309,919	\$ 309,919	\$	309,919	\$	\$
Investment securities	511,138	512,312		16,436	495,876	
Loans, net of allowance for loan						
losses, and loans held for sale	3,000,752	3,043,546			42,525	3,001,021
FDIC receivable for loss share						
agreements	200,569	118,431				118,431
Accrued interest receivable	10,393	10,393			10,393	
Financial liabilities:						
Deposits	3,660,972	3,633,642			3,633,642	
Federal funds purchased and						
securities sold under agreements to repurchase	220,264	220,264			220,264	
Other borrowings	46,105	48,296			48,296	
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Accrued interest payable	2,344	2,344			2,344	
Interest rate swap cash flow hedge Off balance sheet financial	1,514	1,514			1,514	
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instruments:		11.000			11.000	
Commitments to extend credit		11,809			11,809	
Standby letters of credit and						
financial guarantees						

Note 15 Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

The changes in each components of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax, were as follows:

		U	nrealized Gains		
			and Losses on Securities	Gains and Losses on	
	Benefit		Available	Cash Flow	
(Dollars in thousands)	Plans		for Sale	Hedges	Total
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$ (7,458)	\$	8,764	\$ (930) \$	376
Other comprehensive income (loss)					
before reclassifications			(10,248)	186	(10,062)
Amounts reclassified from					
accumulated other comprehensive					
income				95	95
Net comprehensive income (loss)			(10,248)	281	(9,967)
Balance at June 30, 2013	\$ (7,458)	\$	(1,484)	\$ (649) \$	(9,591)

The table below presents the reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax, for the six months ended June 30, 2013:

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income Component	amount Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income		Income Statement Line Item Affected
Gains and losses on cash flow hedges:			
Interest rate contracts	\$ 1	153	Interest expense
	((58)	Provision for income taxes
		95	Net income
Total reclassifications for the period	\$	95	
	43		

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Note 16 Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company is exposed to interest rate risk in the course of its business operations and manages a portion of this risk through the use of a derivative financial instrument in the form of an interest rate swap (cash flow hedge). The Company accounts for its interest rate swap in accordance with FASB ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*, which requires that all derivatives be recognized as assets or liabilities in the balance sheet at fair value. For more information regarding the fair value of the Company s derivative financial instruments, see Note 14 to these financial statements.

The Company utilizes the interest rate swap agreement to convert a portion of its variable-rate debt to a fixed rate (cash flow hedge). For derivatives designated as hedging exposure to variable cash flows of a forecasted transaction (cash flow hedge), the effective portion of the derivative s gain or loss is initially reported as a component of other comprehensive income and subsequently reclassified into earnings when the forecasted transaction affects earnings or when the hedge is terminated. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss is reported in earnings immediately. For derivatives that are not designated as hedging instruments, changes in the fair value of the derivatives are recognized in earnings immediately.

In applying hedge accounting for derivatives, the Company establishes a method for assessing the effectiveness of the hedging derivative and a measurement approach for determining any ineffective aspect of the hedge upon the inception of the hedge.

Cash Flow Hedge of Interest Rate Risk

During 2009, the Company entered into a forward starting interest rate swap agreement with a notional amount of \$8.0 million to manage interest rate risk due to periodic rate resets on its junior subordinated debt issued by SCBT Capital Trust II, an unconsolidated subsidiary of the Company established for the purpose of issuing trust preferred securities. The Company hedges the variable rate cash flows of subordinated debt against future interest rate increases by using an interest rate swap to effectively fix the rate on the debt beginning on June 15, 2010, at which time the debt contractually converted from a fixed interest rate to a variable interest rate. This hedge expires on June 15, 2019. The notional amount on which the interest payments are based will not be exchanged. This derivative contract calls for the Company to pay a fixed rate of 4.06% on \$8.0 million notional amount and receive a variable rate of three-month LIBOR on the \$8.0 million notional amount.

The Company recognized an after-tax unrealized gain on its cash flow hedge in other comprehensive income of \$218,000 and \$281,000 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively. The Company recognized an after-tax unrealized loss on its cash flow hedge in other comprehensive income of \$144,000 and \$76,000 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012, respectively. The Company recognized a \$1.0 million and a \$1.5 million cash flow hedge liability in other liabilities on the balance sheet at June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. There was no ineffectiveness in the cash flow hedge during the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

Credit risk related to the derivative arises when amounts receivable from the counterparty (derivative dealer) exceed those payable. The Company controls the risk of loss by only transacting with derivative dealers that are national market makers whose credit ratings are strong. Each party to the interest rate swap is required to provide collateral in the form of cash or securities to the counterparty when the counterparty s exposure to a mark-to-market replacement value exceeds certain negotiated limits. These limits are typically based on current credit ratings and vary with ratings changes. As of June 30, 2013 and 2012, the Company was required to provide \$1.1 million and \$1.6 million of collateral,

respectively, which is included in cash and cash equivalents on the balance sheet as interest-bearing deposits with banks. Also, the Company has a netting agreement with the counterparty.

Non-designated Hedges of Interest Rate Risk

As of June 30, 2013, the Company has two interest rate swap contracts that were classified as non-designated hedges that were acquired through the merger transaction with Savannah. These derivatives are not designated as hedges and are not speculative in nature. One of the derivatives is an interest rate swap that was executed with a commercial borrower to facilitate a respective risk management strategy and allow the customer to pay a fixed rate of interest to the Company. This interest rate swap was simultaneously hedged by executing an offsetting interest rate swap that was entered into with a third party to minimize the net risk exposure to the Company resulting from the transactions and allow the Company to receive a variable rate of interest.

The interest rate swap contract with the commercial borrower requires the borrower to pay or receive from the Company an amount equal to and offsetting the value of the interest rate swap. If the commercial borrower fails to perform and the market value for the interest rate swap with the third party is negative (net liability position), the Company would be obligated to pay the settlement amount for the financial derivative. If the market value for the interest rate swap with the third party is positive (net asset position), the Company would receive a payment for the settlement amount for the financial derivative. The settlement amount is determined by the fluctuation of interest rates.

Note 16 Derivative Financial Instruments (Continued)

As the interest rate swaps associated with this program do not meet the strict hedge accounting requirements, changes in the fair value of both the customer swaps and the offsetting swaps are recognized directly in earnings. As of June 30, 2013, the interest rate swaps had an aggregate notional amount of approximately \$4.5 million and the fair value of these two offsetting interest rate swap derivatives are recorded in other assets and in other liabilities for \$212,000 on the balance sheet. The net effect of recording the derivatives at fair value through earnings was immaterial to the Company s financial condition and results of operations during 2013.

The Company also has an agreement with the third party in this derivative relationship that contains a provision where if the Company defaults on any of its indebtedness, including default where repayment of the indebtedness has not been accelerated by the lender, then the Company could also be declared in default on its derivative obligations. As of June 30, 2013, the fair value of the interest rate swap derivative with the third party was in a net liability position of \$212,000, which excludes any adjustment for nonperformance risk, related to these agreements. As of June 30, 2013, SCBT was required to provide \$354,000 of collateral, which is included in cash and cash equivalents on the balance sheet as interest-bearing deposits with banks. If the Company had breached any of these provisions at June 30, 2013, it would have been required to settle its obligations under the agreements at the termination value, \$218,000 at June 30, 2013.

Note 17 Capital Ratios

The Company is subject to certain risk-based capital guidelines. Certain ratios measure the relationship of capital to a combination of balance sheet and off-balance sheet risks. The values of both balance sheet and off-balance sheet items are adjusted to reflect credit risk. Under the guidelines promulgated by the Federal Reserve, which are substantially similar to those of the FDIC, Tier 1 risk-based capital must be at least 4% of risk-weighted assets, while total risk-based capital must be at least 8% of risk-weighted assets.

In conjunction with the risk-based capital ratios, the regulatory agencies have also prescribed a leverage capital ratio for assessing capital adequacy.

The Company s capital adequacy ratios are reflected below (the name has not been changed since there were bank call reports and bank holding company filings for both entities (Old SCBT Financial Corporation and Old First Financial Holding, Inc.) filed as of the respective dates below):

	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2012	June 30, 2012
SCBT Financial Corporation:			
Tier 1 risk-based capital	13.61%	12.73%	13.82%
Total risk-based capital	14.87%	13.99%	15.09%
Tier 1 leverage	9.22%	9.87%	9.24%
SCBT:			
Tier 1 risk-based capital	13.28%	12.51%	13.62%

Total risk-based capital	14.54%	13.78%	14.89%
Tier 1 leverage	9.00%	9.70%	9.12%

Note 18 Subsequent Events

First Financial Acquisition

On July 26, 2013, the Company completed the previously announced acquisition of First Financial Holdings, Inc. (First Financial), of Charleston, South Carolina, the bank holding company for First Federal Bank (First Federal). Other First Financial subsidiaries include First Southeast 401(k) Fiduciaries, Inc., a registered investment advisor, and First Southeast Investor Services, Inc., a registered broker-dealer. At June 30, 2013, First Financial reported \$3.2 billion in total assets, \$2.4 billion in loans and \$2.5 billion in deposits. First Federal has a total of 65 branches that serve individuals and businesses throughout coastal South Carolina, Florence and Greenville, South Carolina and Wilmington, North Carolina. With the completion of the merger, the Company changed its name from SCBT Financial Corporation to First Financial Holdings, Inc. The Company s common stock will continue to trade under the symbol SCBT on the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

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Note 18 Subsequent Events (Continued)

Under the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the Merger Agreement), First Financial s shareholders received aggregate consideration of 7,017,428 shares of SCBT common stock plus cash in lieu of fractional shares of \$49,000. In addition, all outstanding in the money stock options will receive cash in the amount of \$554,000. The stock consideration is based upon a fixed exchange ratio of 0.4237 shares of SCBT common stock for each of the outstanding shares of First Financial s common stock, which as of July 26, 2013 totaled 16,564,380 shares of common stock. Each outstanding share of First Financial Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A (First Financial Preferred Stock), was converted into the right to receive one share of preferred stock of SCBT, designated Series A Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock and having such rights, preferences and privileges as are not materially less favorable than the rights, preferences and privileges of the First Financial Preferred Stock. The common stock consideration was valued at closing based upon SCBT s closing stock price on the last trading date prior to the date of acquisition, or \$54.34 per share. Based on this closing stock price, the common stock consideration was valued at approximately \$381.4 million in the aggregate or \$23.02 per fully diluted First Financial share. The aggregate consideration given by SCBT for First Financial was approximately \$446.9 million, which included \$65.0 million in preferred stock.

In addition, immediately after the consummation of the merger, the Company paid off all \$233.0 million in outstanding borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Atlanta. The total paid to the FHLB was \$255.9 million, which included \$21.8 million in prepayment fee and accrued and unpaid interest of \$1.1 million. The average blended interest rate of these borrowings was approximately 3.82% at the time of repayment.

The acquisition will be accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations*. Both the purchased assets and liabilities assumed will be recorded at their respective acquisition date fair values. Determining the fair value of assets and liabilities, especially the loan portfolio and foreclosed real estate, is a complicated process involving significant judgment regarding estimates and assumptions used to calculate estimated fair values. Accordingly, the initial accounting for the First Financial merger is currently incomplete. The Company expects to record goodwill in connection with the transaction during the three months ending September 30, 2013; however, since the initial purchase accounting adjustments have not been finalized, the Company is unable to provide the amount or a range of the ultimate goodwill, or the estimated fair values of the acquired assets and liabilities of First Financial at the present time. Therefore, pro forma financial information is not considered meaningful or currently practical for purposes of these consolidated financial statements.

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

Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations relates to the financial statements contained in this Quarterly Report beginning on page 1. For further information, refer to Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Overview

We are a bank holding company headquartered in Columbia, South Carolina, and were incorporated under the laws of South Carolina in 1985. We provide a wide range of banking services and products to our customers through our wholly-owned bank subsidiary, SCBT (the Bank), a South Carolina-chartered commercial bank that opened for business in 1934. We operate as NCBT, a division of the Bank, in Mecklenburg County of North Carolina, Community Bank & Trust (CBT), a division of the Bank, in northeast Georgia, and The Savannah Bank (Savannah), a division of the Bank, in coastal Georgia. Minis & Company, Inc., is a registered investment advisory firm and a subsidiary of the Bank which provides asset and wealth management services along with our trust and investment services group. We do not engage in any significant operations other than the ownership of our banking subsidiary.

At June 30, 2013, we had approximately \$5.0 billion in assets and 1,304 full-time equivalent employees. Through the Bank, we provide our customers with checking accounts, NOW accounts, savings and time deposits of various types, brokerage services and alternative investment products such as annuities and mutual funds, trust and asset management services, business loans, agriculture loans, real estate loans, personal use loans, home improvement loans, automobile loans, credit cards, letters of credit, home equity lines of credit, safe deposit boxes, bank money orders, wire transfer services, correspondent banking services, and use of ATM facilities.

We have pursued, and continue to pursue, a growth strategy that focuses on organic growth, supplemented by acquisition of select financial institutions, branches, or failed bank assets and liabilities in certain market areas.

The following discussion describes our results of operations for the quarter ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the quarter ended June 30, 2012 and also analyzes our financial condition as of June 30, 2013 as compared to December 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012. Like most financial institutions, we derive most of our income from interest we receive on our loans and investments. Our primary source of funds for making these loans and investments is our deposits, on which we may pay interest. Consequently, one of the key measures of our success is the amount of our net interest income, or the difference between the income on our interest-earning assets, such as loans and investments, and the expense on our interest-bearing liabilities, such as deposits. Another key measure is the spread between the yield we earn on these interest-earning assets and the rate we pay on our interest-bearing liabilities.

Of course, there are risks inherent in all loans, so we maintain an allowance for loan losses (sometimes referred to as ALLL) to absorb probable losses on existing loans that may become uncollectible. We establish and maintain this allowance by charging a provision for loan losses against our operating earnings. In the following section, we have included a detailed discussion of this process.

In addition to earning interest on our loans and investments, we earn income through fees and other expenses we charge to our customers. We describe the various components of this noninterest income, as well as our noninterest expense, in the following discussion.

The following section also identifies significant factors that have affected our financial position and operating results during the periods included in the accompanying financial statements. We encourage you to read this discussion and analysis in conjunction with the financial statements and the related notes and the other statistical information also included in this report.

Recent Events

First Financial Holdings, Inc. Acquisition

On July 26, 2013, the Company completed the previously announced merger with First Financial of Charleston, South Carolina, the bank holding company for First Federal. In connection with the completion of the merger, the Company changed its name from SCBT Financial Corporation to First Financial Holdings, Inc. The Company s common stock will continue to trade under the symbol SCBT on the NASDAQ Global Select Market. See Note 18 Subsequent Events for additional information on the First Financial merger.

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Critical Accounting Policies

We have established various accounting policies that govern the application of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States in the preparation of our financial statements. Significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the audited consolidated financial statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. These policies may involve significant judgments and estimates that have a material impact on the carrying value of certain assets and liabilities. Different assumptions made in the application of these policies could result in material changes in our financial position and results of operations.

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses reflects the estimated losses that will result from the inability of our bank s borrowers to make required loan payments. In determining an appropriate level for the allowance, we identify portions applicable to specific loans as well as providing amounts that are not identified with any specific loan but are derived with reference to actual loss experience, loan types, loan volumes, economic conditions, and industry standards. Changes in these factors may cause our estimate of the allowance to increase or decrease and result in adjustments to the provision for loan losses. See Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses in this 10-Q, Provision for Loan Losses and Nonperforming Assets in this MD&A and Allowance for Loan Losses in Note 1 to the audited consolidated financial statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 for further detailed descriptions of our estimation process and methodology related to the allowance for loan losses.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the sum of the estimated fair values of the tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired less the estimated fair value of the liabilities assumed. As of June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012, the balance of goodwill was \$100.2 million, \$100.2 million, and \$66.5 million, respectively. Goodwill has an indefinite useful life and is evaluated for impairment annually or more frequently if events and circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. An impairment loss is recognized to the extent that the carrying amount exceeds the asset s fair value. The goodwill impairment analysis is a two-step test. The first step, used to identify potential impairment, involves comparing each reporting unit s estimated fair value to its carrying value, including goodwill. If the estimated fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, goodwill is considered not to be impaired. If the carrying value exceeds estimated fair value, there is an indication of potential impairment and the second step is performed to measure the amount of impairment.

If required, the second step involves calculating an implied fair value of goodwill for each reporting unit for which the first step indicated impairment. The implied fair value of goodwill is determined in a manner similar to the amount of goodwill calculated in a business combination, by measuring the excess of the estimated fair value of the reporting unit, as determined in the first step, over the aggregate estimated fair values of the individual assets, liabilities and identifiable intangibles as if the reporting unit was being acquired in a business combination. If the implied fair value of goodwill exceeds the carrying value of goodwill assigned to the reporting unit, there is no impairment. If the carrying value of goodwill assigned to a reporting unit exceeds the implied fair value of the goodwill, an impairment charge is recorded for the excess. An impairment loss cannot exceed the carrying value of goodwill assigned to a reporting unit, and the loss establishes a new basis in the goodwill. Subsequent reversal of goodwill impairment losses is not permitted. Management has determined that the Company has one reporting unit.

Our stock price has historically traded above its book value and tangible book value. The lowest trading price during the first six months of 2013, as reported by the NASDAQ Global Select Market, was \$39.56 per share, and the stock price closed on June 30, 2013 at \$50.39, which is above book value and tangible book value. In the event our stock was to consistently trade below its book value during the reporting period, we would consider performing an evaluation of the carrying value of goodwill as of the reporting date. Such a circumstance would be one factor in our evaluation that could result in an eventual goodwill impairment charge. We evaluated the carrying value of goodwill as of April 30, 2013, our annual test date, and determined that no impairment charge was necessary. Additionally, should our future earnings and cash flows decline and/or discount rates increase, an impairment charge to goodwill and other intangible assets may be required.

Core deposit intangibles consist of costs that resulted from the acquisition of deposits from other financial institutions or the estimated fair value of these assets acquired through business combinations. Core deposit intangibles represent the estimated value of long-term deposit relationships acquired in these transactions. These costs are amortized over the estimated useful lives of the deposit accounts acquired on a method that we believe reasonably approximates the anticipated benefit stream from the accounts. The estimated useful lives are periodically reviewed for reasonableness.

Noncompete intangibles are amortized over the life of the underlying noncompete agreements (generally 2 to 3 years) on the straight-line method. The estimated lives are periodically reviewed for reasonableness.

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Client list intangibles are amortized over the estimated useful lives of the client lists (generally 15 years) on the straight-line method. The estimated lives are periodically reviewed for reasonableness.

Income Taxes and Deferred Tax Assets

Income taxes are provided for the tax effects of the transactions reported in the accompanying consolidated financial statements and consist of taxes currently due plus deferred taxes related primarily to differences between the basis of available-for-sale securities, allowance for loan losses, accumulated depreciation, net operating loss carryforwards, accretion income, deferred compensation, intangible assets, and pension plan and post-retirement benefits. The deferred tax assets and liabilities represent the future tax return consequences of those differences, which will either be taxable or deductible when the assets and liabilities are recovered or settled. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are reflected at income tax rates applicable to the period in which the deferred tax assets or liabilities are expected to be realized or settled. As changes in tax laws or rates are enacted, deferred tax assets and liabilities are adjusted through the provision for income taxes. The Company files a consolidated federal income tax return with its subsidiary.

The Company recognizes interest and penalties accrued relative to unrecognized tax benefits in its respective federal or state income taxes accounts. As of December 31, 2012, there were no accruals for uncertain tax positions and no accruals for interest and penalties. The Company and its subsidiary file a consolidated United States federal income tax return, as well as income tax returns for its subsidiary in the state of South Carolina, Georgia, and North Carolina. The Company s filed income tax returns are no longer subject to examination by taxing authorities for years before 2009.

Other-Than-Temporary Impairment

We evaluate securities for other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI) at least on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. Consideration is given to (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, (3) the outlook for receiving the contractual cash flows of the investments, (4) the anticipated outlook for changes in the general level of interest rates, and (5) our intent and ability to retain our investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value or for a debt security whether it is more-likely-than-not that the Company will be required to sell the debt security prior to recovering its fair value. For further discussion of the Company is evaluation of securities for other-than-temporary impairment, see Note 5 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

Other Real Estate Owned

Other Real Estate Owned (OREO), consisting of properties obtained through foreclosure or through a deed in lieu of foreclosure in satisfaction of loans or through reclassification of former branch sites, is reported at the lower of cost or fair value, determined on the basis of current appraisals, comparable sales, and other estimates of value obtained principally from independent sources, adjusted for estimated selling costs. Management also considers other factors, including changes in absorption rates, length of time the property has been on the market and anticipated sales values, which have resulted in adjustments to the collateral value estimates indicated in certain appraisals. At the time of foreclosure or initial possession of collateral, any excess of the loan balance over the fair value of the real estate held as collateral is treated as a charge against the allowance for loan losses. For acquired OREO, the loan is transferred into OREO at its fair value less costs to sell not to

exceed the carrying value of the loan at foreclosure. Subsequent adjustments to this value are described below.

Subsequent declines in the fair value of OREO below the new cost basis are recorded through valuation adjustments. Significant judgments and complex estimates are required in estimating the fair value of OREO, and the period of time within which such estimates can be considered current is significantly shortened during periods of market volatility. In response to market conditions and other economic factors, management may utilize liquidation sales as part of its problem asset disposition strategy. As a result of the significant judgments required in estimating fair value and the variables involved in different methods of disposition, the net proceeds realized from sales transactions could differ significantly from appraisals, comparable sales, and other estimates used to determine the fair value of OREO. Management reviews the value of OREO each quarter and adjusts the values as appropriate. Revenue and expenses from OREO operations as well as gains or losses on sales and any subsequent adjustments to the value are recorded as OREO expense and loan related expense, a component of non-interest expense, and, for covered OREO, offset with an increase in the FDIC indemnification asset.

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Business Combinations, Method of Accounting for Loans Acquired, and FDIC Indemnification Asset

We account for acquisitions under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 805, *Business Combinations*, which requires the use of the acquisition method of accounting. All identifiable assets acquired, including loans, are recorded at fair value. No allowance for loan losses related to the acquired loans is recorded on the acquisition date because the fair value of the loans acquired incorporates assumptions regarding credit risk.

Acquired credit-impaired loans are accounted for under the accounting guidance for loans and debt securities acquired with deteriorated credit quality, found in FASB ASC Topic 310-30, *Receivables Loans and Debt Securities Acquired with Deteriorated Credit Quality*, formerly American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Statement of Position (SOP) 03-3, *Accounting for Certain Loans or Debt Securities Acquired in a Transfer*, and initially measured at fair value, which includes estimated future credit losses expected to be incurred over the life of the loans. Loans acquired in business combinations with evidence of credit deterioration are considered impaired. Loans acquired through business combinations that do not meet the specific criteria of FASB ASC Topic 310-30, but for which a discount is attributable, at least in part to credit quality, are also accounted for under this guidance. Certain acquired loans, such as lines of credit (consumer and commercial), are accounted for in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 310-20, where the discount is accreted through earnings based on estimated cash flows over the estimated life of the loan.

In accordance with FASB ASC Topic 805, the FDIC indemnification asset was initially recorded at its fair value and is measured separately from the loan assets and foreclosed assets because the loss sharing agreements are not contractually embedded in them or transferrable with them in the event of disposal.

For further discussion of the Company s loan accounting and acquisitions, see Business Combinations and Method of Accounting for Loans Acquired in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, Note 4 Mergers and Acquisitions to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and Note 6 Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

Results of Operations

We reported consolidated net income available to common shareholders of \$12.5 million, or diluted earnings per share (EPS) of \$0.74, for the second quarter of 2013 as compared to consolidated net income available to common shareholders of \$8.0 million, or diluted EPS of \$0.55, in the comparable period of 2012. This \$4.5 million increase was the net result of the following items:

- Improved net interest income of \$12.8 million due primarily to improved interest income on the acquired loan portfolio of \$12.6 million, the increase in earning assets from the acquisition of Savannah, and reduced interest expense on deposits and other borrowings of \$690,000; these were partially offset by reduced interest income on non-acquired loans of \$988,000.
- A decrease in the provision for loan losses by \$4.5 million over the comparable quarter;

- A decrease in noninterest income totaling \$3.3 million; \$1.1 million in mortgage banking income and \$2.9 million in negative accretion on the FDIC indemnification asset, which were offset by increases in the other categories of noninterest income.
- An increase in most categories of noninterest expense totaling \$7.4 million. The larger increases were \$5.5 million in salaries and benefits, \$705,000 in OREO and loan related expenses, and \$587,000 in business development and staff related expenses; and
- An increase in the provision for income taxes of \$2.1 million due to the higher pre-tax net income.

We believe our asset quality related to non-acquired loans continues to be at manageable levels and improved from the end of 2012 as well as from March 31, 2013. Non-acquired nonperforming assets declined from \$76.4 million at March 31, 2013 to \$68.7 million at June 30, 2013. Compared to the balance of nonperforming assets at June 30, 2012, nonperforming assets decreased \$14.4 million due to a reduction in nonperforming loans of \$4.9 million and a reduction in non-acquired OREO of \$9.6 million. Our non-acquired OREO declined by \$3.7 million since March 31, 2013 and by \$3.1 million since December 31, 2012 to \$16.0 million at June 30, 2013. During the second quarter of 2013, classified assets declined by \$17.3 million from March 31, 2013 to \$123.6 million. Since December 31, 2012 classified assets have declined by \$19.6 million. At June 30, 2012, classified assets were \$160.6 million and have declined by \$37.0 million. Annualized net charge-offs for the second quarter of 2013 was 0.40%, down from the first quarter of 2013 of 0.56% and from the second quarter of 2012 of 0.77%.

The allowance for loan losses decreased to 1.45% of total non-acquired loans at June 30, 2013, down from 1.73% at December 31, 2012 and 1.91% at June 30, 2012. The allowance provides 0.73 times coverage of nonperforming loans at June 30, 2013, higher than 0.72 times at December 31, 2012, and lower than 0.82 times at June 30, 2012.

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The Company performs ongoing assessments of the estimated cash flows of its acquired loan portfolios. Increases in cash flow expectations result in a favorable adjustment to interest income over the remaining life of the related loans, and decreases in cash flow expectations result in an immediate recognition of a provision for loans losses, in both cases, net of any adjustments to the receivable from the FDIC for loss sharing. These ongoing assessments of the acquired loan portfolio resulted in a positive impact to interest income from a reduction in expected credit losses, which was partially offset by a charge to noninterest income for the impact of reduced cash flows from the FDIC under the loss share agreement during the second quarter of 2013. Below is a summary of the second quarter of 2013 assessment of the estimated cash flows of the acquired loan portfolio and the related impact on the indemnification asset:

- The review of the performance of the loan pools during the second quarter resulted in a net increase in the overall cash flow expectations for the acquired loans, specifically in the CBT acquired loan portfolio and the Peoples acquired loan portfolio; and
- The negative accretion of the indemnification asset also increased by approximately \$140,000 from the first quarter of 2013, due to the reduced cash flow expected from the FDIC in the CBT portfolio.

As of June 30, 2013, the Company has not made any changes to the estimated cash flow assumptions or expected losses for the acquired loans from the Savannah acquisition.

Compared to the first quarter of 2013, our non-acquired loan portfolio has increased \$61.3 million, or 9.4% annualized, to \$2.7 billion, driven by increases in consumer real estate lending of \$18.9 million, or 10.9% annualized; in consumer non real estate lending of \$10.2 million, or 43.6% annualized; in commercial construction / land development lending of \$11.9 million or 17.4% annualized; in other income producing property lending of \$5.2 million, or 15.7% annualized; in commercial owner occupied loans of \$6.0 million, or 3.0% annualized; and in commercial and industrial of \$3.3 million, or 4.5% annualized. The acquired loan portfolio decreased by \$73.4 million due to continued charge-offs, transfers to OREO and payoffs. Since June 30, 2012, the non-acquired loan portfolio has grown by \$184.3 million, or 7.4%, in all categories. Commercial and industrial loans have led the way and increased by \$66.6 million, or 29.2%, in the past year. For the period ended June 30, 2013, mortgage loans originated and held for sale in the secondary market decreased by \$2.5 million as refinancing activity and home sales slowed with rising interest rates.

Non-taxable equivalent net interest income for the quarter increased \$12.8 million or 30.0% compared to the second quarter of 2012. Non-taxable equivalent net interest margin increased by 31 basis points to 4.93% from the second quarter of 2012 of 4.62% due to the increase in average earning assets and the 12 basis point decrease in the rate on interest-bearing liabilities to 26 basis points at June 30, 2013 from 38 basis points at June 30, 2012. Compared to the first quarter of 2013, net interest margin (taxable equivalent) increased by 7 basis points. Interest earning assets yield increased by 6 basis points primarily from the increase in the average balance of the acquired loan portfolios. Interest bearing liabilities yield declined by 1 basis point compared to the first quarter of 2013 from continued decline in interest bearing deposits (primarily certificates of deposit).

Our quarterly efficiency ratio decreased to 69.5% compared to 72.4% in the first quarter of 2013, and increased from 68.3% in the second quarter of 2012. The decrease in the efficiency ratio compared to the first quarter of 2013 was the result of improved net interest income and a decrease in noninterest expense, specifically merger related expense. The slight increase in the efficiency ratio over the second quarter of 2012 was the result of higher noninterest expense in the second quarter of 2013 than the second quarter of 2012, and lower noninterest income resulting primarily from negative accretion on our indemnification asset. Noninterest expense was down \$453,000 compared to the first quarter of 2013 and up \$8.5 million compared to the second quarter of 2012, excluding merger and conversion related expenses. The increase compared to the prior year includes the additions from the Savannah acquisition. Excluding OREO and merger and conversion related expenses, the efficiency ratio was 63.8% for the second quarter of 2013, compared to 64.5% for the first quarter of 2013 and 60.8% for the second quarter of 2012.

Diluted EPS increased to \$0.74 for the second quarter of 2013 from \$0.55 for the comparable period in 2012. Basic EPS increased to \$0.75 for the second quarter of 2013 from \$0.55 for the comparable period in 2012. The increase in both diluted and basic EPS reflects improved net interest income and a lower provision for loan losses partially offset by an increase in noninterest expense and a decrease in noninterest income.

Selected Figures and Ratios

	Three Months June 30		Six Month	
(Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2013	2012
Return on average assets (annualized)	0.99%	0.75%	0.92%	0.73%
Return on average equity (annualized)	9.72%	7.77%	9.09%	7.58%
Return on average tangible equity				
(annualized)*	13.48%	9.92%	12.71%	9.80%
Dividend payout ratio **	24.46%	31.93%	26.43%	32.90%
Equity to assets ratio	10.24%	9.72%	10.24%	9.72%
Average shareholders equity (in thousands)	\$ 517,141	415,952	5 514,282	\$ 399,668

^{* -} Ratio is a non-GAAP financial measure. The section titled Reconciliation of Non-GAAP to GAAP below provides a table that reconciles non-GAAP measures to GAAP measures.

- For the three months ended June 30, 2013, return on average assets (ROAA), return on average equity (ROAE) and return on average tangible equity increased compared to the same period in 2012. The increases were driven by a 56.0% increase in net income from the comparable quarter in 2012, partially offset by an increase in average assets due to the acquisitions of Savannah and Peoples.
- Dividend payout ratio decreased to 24.46% for the three months ended June 30, 2013 compared with 31.93% for the three months ended June 30, 2012. The decrease from the comparable period in 2012 reflects the higher net income in the second quarter of 2013 generated by an increase in net interest income and partially offset by higher non-interest expense. The dividend payout ratio is calculated by dividing total dividends paid during the quarter by the total net income reported for the same period.
- Equity to assets ratio increased to 10.24% at June 30, 2013 compared with 9.72% at June 30, 2012. The increase in the equity to assets ratio reflects a 15.3% increase in assets as a result of the Savannah acquisition and organic growth compared to the 21.6% increase in equity as a result of the Company s retained earnings and the issuance of \$68.8 million in common equity in the Savannah acquisition.
- Quarterly average shareholders equity increased \$101.2 million, or 24.3%, from the quarter ended June 30, 2012 driven by the issuance of \$68.8 million in common equity in the Savannah acquisition during the fourth quarter of 2012.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP to GAAP

	Three Months F June 30,	Ended	Six Months Er June 30,	nded	
(Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2013	2012	
Return on average tangible equity (non-GAAP)	13.48%	9.92%	12.71%	9.80%	
Effect to adjust for intangible assets	-3.76%	-2.15%	-3.62%	-2.22%	

^{** -} See explanation of the dividend payout ratio below.

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Return on average equity (GAAP)	9.72%	9.72%		9.09%	7.58%	
Adjusted average shareholders equity						
(non-GAAP)	\$ 393,260	\$	336,911 \$	389,717 \$	323,103	
Average intangible assets	123,881		79,041	124,565	76,565	
Average shareholders equity (GAAP)	\$ 517,141	\$	415,952 \$	514,282 \$	399,668	
Adjusted net income (non-GAAP)	\$ 13,217	\$	8,389 \$	24,561 \$	15,749	
Amortization of intangibles	(1,022)		(540)	(2,056)	(1,040)	
Tax effect	337		182	676	350	
Net income (GAAP)	\$ 12,532	\$	8,031 \$	23,181 \$	15,059	

The return on average tangible equity is a non-GAAP financial measure. It excludes the effect of the average balance of intangible assets and adds back the after-tax amortization of intangibles to GAAP basis net income. Management believes that this non-GAAP measure provides additional useful information, particularly since this measure is widely used by industry analysts following companies with prior merger and acquisition activities. Non-GAAP measures should not be considered as an alternative to any measure of performance or financial condition as promulgated under GAAP, and investors should consider the company s

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performance and financial condition as reported under GAAP and all other relevant information when assessing the performance or financial condition of the company. Non-GAAP measures have limitations as analytical tools, and investors should not consider them in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our results of financial condition as reported under GAAP.

Net Interest Income and Margin

Summary

Our taxable equivalent (TE) net interest margin increased by 32 basis points from the second quarter of 2012, due to the growth in interest earning assets from the Savannah acquisition, organic loan growth, and an increase in low cost funding in core deposits. The net interest margin increased by 7 basis points from the first quarter of 2013 to 5.01%. Yields on average earning assets increased by 6 basis points from the first quarter of 2013 while interest bearing liabilities continued to decline by 1 basis point. The yields on our acquired loan portfolios increased by 1.08% from the first quarter of 2013. This was primarily the result of better expected cash flows in both the Peoples acquired portfolio and CBT acquired portfolio. Compared to June 30, 2012, the yield on interest earning assets increased by 19 basis points and the rate on interest bearing liabilities declined by 12 basis points, resulting in a 32 basis points difference in the net interest margin.

The Company remained in an excess liquidity position during the second quarter of 2013, and the impact represented an estimated 29 basis points reduction in the net interest margin compared to 20 basis points from the first quarter of 2013.

Net interest income increased from the second quarter of 2012 and was driven by a reduced cost of funds and growth in average interest-earning assets due to the Savannah acquisition as well as organic growth. Certificates of deposit average rates declined by 21 basis points compared to the same quarter one year ago, and declined by 1 basis point from the first quarter of 2013. The year over year decline in interest expense totaled \$690,000, as the cost of certificates of deposits dropped and the mix of funding shifted to lower costing transaction accounts. Non-TE net interest income increased from the second quarter of 2012 as a result of a volume increase in interest-earning assets and the higher yield in acquired loan portfolio. The cost on interest bearing liabilities decreased by 12 basis points comparing the three month periods June 30, 2013 and 2012. Acquired loan portfolio balances from the Savannah acquisition and average investment securities were up and contributed to the increase in non-TE net interest income. The increase in interest income was \$12.1 million driven by organic loan growth and the addition of the Savannah acquired loan portfolio, and the increase in average investment securities, primarily resulting from the Savannah acquisition.

	Three Mon June	nded	Six Mon Jun	led	
(Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2013		2012
Non-TE net interest income	\$ 55,284	\$ 42,535 \$	109,085	\$	81,572
Non-TE yield on interest-earning assets	5.13%	4.94%	5.10%	,	4.98%
Non-TE rate on interest-bearing liabilities	0.26%	0.38%	0.26%	9	0.42%
Non-TE net interest margin	4.93%	4.62%	4.90%	,	4.64%
TE net interest margin	5.01%	4.69%	4.97%	D	4.70%

Non-TE net interest income increased \$12.7 million, or 30.0%, in the second quarter of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. Some key highlights are outlined below:

- Average interest-earning assets increased 21.4% to \$4.5 billion in the second quarter of 2013 compared to the same period last year due largely to the acquisition of Savannah.
- Non-TE yield on interest-earning assets for the second quarter of 2013 increased 19 basis points from the comparable period in 2012, and increased by 12 basis points during the first six months of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. The yield on a portion of our earning assets adjusts simultaneously, but to varying degrees of magnitude, with changes in the general level of interest rates.
- The average cost of interest-bearing liabilities for the second quarter of 2013 decreased 12 basis points from the same period in 2012, and decreased by 16 basis points during the first six months of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. The decrease since the second quarter of 2012 and for the first six months of 2013 is a reflection of the certificates of deposits repricing at lower interest rates as well as higher costing certificate balances accounting for a smaller portion of our total deposits.
- TE net interest margin increased by 32 basis points in the second quarter of 2013, compared to the second quarter of 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, TE net interest margin increased by 27 basis points, from the improved yield of 12 basis points on interest earning assets and 16 basis point improvement on interest bearing liabilities.

Loans

Total loans, net of deferred loan costs and fees (excluding mortgage loans held for sale) increased by \$546.1 million, or 18.0%, at June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. Acquired covered loans decreased by \$93.8 million due to principal payments, charge offs, and foreclosures. Acquired non-covered loans increased by \$455.6 million due to the Savannah acquisition during 2012 partially offset by payments, charge offs, and foreclosures. Non-acquired loans or legacy SCBT loans increased by \$184.3 million, or 7.4%, from June 30, 2012 to June 30, 2013. The increase was driven by loan growth in commercial owner occupied loans of \$38.8 million, consumer owner occupied loans of \$40.1 million, commercial and industrial loans of \$66.6 million, commercial non-owner occupied loans of \$14.6 million, consumer loans of \$16.9 million, construction and land development loans of \$5.6 million, other income producing property loans of \$4.8 million, and other loans of \$2.7 million. Partially offsetting the growth were reductions in home equity loans of \$6.1 million.

The following table presents a summary of the loan portfolio by category:

(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2013	% of Total	December 31, 2012	% of Total	June 30, 2012	% of Total
Acquired covered loans	\$ 239,082	6.7%\$	282,728	7.8% \$	332,874	10.9%
Acquired non-covered loans	682,758	19.0%	792,014	21.7%	227,184	7.5%
Non-acquired loans:						
Commercial non-owner occupied real estate:						
Construction and land development	285,370	8.0%	273,420	7.5%	279,519	9.2%
Commercial non-owner occupied	298,768	8.3%	290,071	8.0%	284,147	9.3%
Total commercial non-owner occupied real						
estate	584,138	16.3%	563,491	15.5%	563,666	18.5%
Consumer real estate:						
Consumer owner occupied	460,434	12.8%	434,503	11.9%	420,298	13.8%
Home equity loans	250,988	7.0%	255,284	7.0%	257,061	8.5%
Total consumer real estate	711,422	19.8%	689,787	18.9%	677,359	22.3%
Commercial owner occupied real estate	802,125	22.4%	784,152	21.5%	763,338	25.1%
Commercial and industrial	294,580	8.2%	279,763	7.7%	228,010	7.5%
Other income producing property	136,957	3.8%	133,713	3.7%	132,193	4.3%
Consumer non real estate	104,239	2.9%	86,934	2.4%	87,290	2.9%
Other	32,134	0.9%	33,163	0.8%	29,395	1.0%
Total non-acquired loans	2,665,595	74.3%	2,571,003	70.5%	2,481,251	81.6%
Total loans (net of unearned income)	\$ 3,587,435	100.0%\$	3,645,745	100.0% \$	3,041,309	100.0%

Note: Loan data excludes mortgage loans held for sale.

Our loan portfolio remains our largest category of interest-earning assets. Non-acquired commercial non-owner occupied real estate loans represented 16.3% of total loans as of June 30, 2013 a decrease from 18.5% of total loans at the end of the same period for 2012 and an increase from 15.5% of total loans at December 31, 2012. At June 30, 2013, non-acquired construction and land development loans represented 8.0% of our total loan portfolio, a decrease from 9.2% of our total loan portfolio at June 30, 2012. At June 30, 2013, non-acquired construction and land development loans consisted of \$153.5 million in land and lot loans and \$131.8 million in construction loans, which represented 5.8% and 4.9%, respectively, of our total non-acquired loan portfolio. At December 31, 2012, non-acquired construction and land development loans consisted of \$164.8 million in land and lot loans and \$108.6 million in construction loans, which represented 6.4% and 4.2%, respectively, of our total non-acquired loan portfolio.

		Three Mon June		nded	Six Months Ended June 30,					
(Dollars in thousands)		2013	2012	2013		2012				
Average total loans	\$	3,557,417	\$	2,940,153	\$ 3,565,441	\$	2,876,951			
Interest income on total loans		53,479		41,844	105,480		81,300			
Non-TE vield		6.03%		5.72%	5.97%		5.68%			

Interest earned on loans increased \$11.6 million, or 27.8%, in the second quarter of 2013 compared to the second quarter of 2012. Some key highlights for the quarter ended June 30, 2013 are outlined below:

• Our non-TE yield on total loans increased 31 basis points during the second quarter of 2013 while average total loans increased 21.0%, as compared to the second quarter of 2012. The increase in average total loans was a result of the growth in

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both non-acquired loans, due to organic growth, and acquired loans, due to the Savannah acquisition during 2012. The acquired loan portfolio effective yield improved primarily due to the impact of greater expected cash flows on the CBT, BankMeridian, and Peoples acquired loan portfolios. This resulted in a yield of 10.6%, compared to approximately 9.9% one year ago.

- Acquired covered loans had a balance of \$239.1 million at the end of the second quarter of 2013 compared to \$332.9 million in June of 2012.
- Acquired non-covered loans grew to a balance of \$682.8 million at the end of the second quarter of 2013 compared to \$227.2 million in the comparable period of 2012 due to the loans acquired in the Savannah acquisition.
- Construction and land development loans increased \$5.9 million, or 2.1%, to \$285.4 million from the ending balance at June 30, 2012.
- Commercial non-owner occupied loans increased \$14.6 million, or 5.2%, to \$298.8 million from the ending balance at June 30, 2012.
- Consumer real estate loans increased \$34.1 million, or 5.0%, to \$711.4 million from the ending balance at June 30, 2012. The increase resulted from a \$40.1 million, or 9.6%, increase in consumer owner occupied loans, partially offset by a \$6.1 million, or 2.4%, decrease in home equity lines of credit (HELOCs) from the balance at June 30, 2012.
- Commercial owner occupied loans increased \$38.8 million, or 5.1%, to \$802.1 million from the ending balance at June 30, 2012.
- Commercial and industrial loans increased \$66.6 million, or 29.2%, to \$294.6 million from the ending balance at June 30, 2012.
- Consumer non-real estate loans increased \$16.9 million, or 19.4%, to \$104.2 million from the ending balance at June 30, 2012.
- Commercial loans and HELOCs with interest rate floors locked in above 5.00% had a balance of \$127.8 million, which has helped keep our non-TE yield up.

The balance of mortgage loans held for sale decreased \$17.3 million from December 31, 2012 to \$48.0 million at June 30, 2013, and increased by \$5.5 million compared to the balance of mortgage loans held for sale at June 30, 2012 of \$42.5 million. The decrease from December 31, 2012 reflects the decreased customer demand for mortgage refinancing.

Investment Securities

We use investment securities, our second largest category of earning assets, to generate interest income through the deployment of excess funds, to provide liquidity, to fund loan demand or deposit liquidation, and to pledge as collateral for public funds deposits and repurchase agreements. At June 30, 2013, investment securities totaled \$531.6 million, compared to \$560.1 million at December 31, 2012 and \$511.1 million at June 30, 2012. The increase in investment securities from the comparable period of 2012 was primarily the result of the purchase of \$125.5 million of investment securities as well as the acquisition of \$71.9 million in Savannah investment securities partially offset by \$154.2 million in sold, maturing or called securities that were typically purchased in higher interest rate environments. This resulted in average and period-end balances increasing by 12.7% and 4.0%, respectively, from June 30, 2012.

	Three Moi Jun	nths Ene	ded		Six Mont June	led	
(Dollars in thousands)	2013		2012		2013		2012
Average investment securities	\$ 527,926	\$	468,334	\$	540,499	\$	396,403
Interest income on investment							
securities	3,270		3,071		6,638		5,301
Non-TE yield	2.48%		2.64%	,	2.48%		2.69%

Interest earned on investment securities increased 6.5% in the second quarter of 2013 compared to the second quarter of 2012. The increase resulted largely from the \$59.6 million increase in average investment securities for the second quarter, which was largely the result of purchases of GSEs and mortgage-backed securities as well as the addition of the securities from the Savannah acquisition, partially offset by a 16 basis point decrease in the average yield.

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Our holdings of GSE debt, state and municipal obligations, mortgage-backed securities, and equity securities at June 30, 2013 had fair market values that, on a net basis, exceeded their book values and resulted in an unrealized gain. The following table provides a summary of the credit ratings for our investment portfolio (including held-to-maturity and available-for-sale securities) at the end of the second quarter of 2013:

				τ	Inrealized						
	A	mortized	Fair		Gain			BB or			
(Dollars in thousands)		Cost	Value		(Loss)	AAA - A	BBB	Lower	N	Not Rated	
June 30, 2013											
Government-sponsored											
entities debt	\$	100,231	\$ 96,359	\$	(3,872)	\$ 86,256	\$	\$	\$	13,975	
State and municipal											
obligations		152,854	152,560		(294)	151,196	1,197			461	
Mortgage-backed securities											
*		272,932	275,018		2,086					272,932	
Corporate stocks		241	457		216					241	
	\$	526,258	\$ 524,394	\$	(1,864)	\$ 237,452	\$ 1,197	\$	\$	287,609	

^{* -} Agency mortgage-backed securities (MBS) are guaranteed by the issuing GSE as to the timely payments of principal and interest. Except for Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA) securities, which have the full faith and credit backing of the United States Government, the GSE alone is responsible for making payments on this guaranty. While the rating agencies have not rated any of the MBS issued, senior debt securities issued by GSEs are rated consistently as Triple-A. Most market participants consider agency MBS as carrying an implied AAA rating because of the guarantees of timely payments and selection criteria of mortgages backing the securities. We do not own any private label mortgage-backed securities.

At June 30, 2013, we had 217 securities available for sale in an unrealized loss position, which totaled \$9.0 million. During the latter part of the second quarter, the 10-year treasury increased between 70 and 80 basis points. This caused many securities to move into an unrealized loss position, where in the past these securities were in an unrealized gain position. At March 31, 2013, we had 69 securities available for sale in an unrealized loss position, and totaled \$704,000.

During the second quarter of 2013 as compared to the second quarter of 2012, the total number of available for sale securities with an unrealized loss position increased by 123 securities, while the total dollar amount of the unrealized loss increased by \$8.6 million.

All securities available for sale in an unrealized loss position as of June 30, 2013 continue to perform as scheduled. We have evaluated the cash flows and determined that all contractual cash flows should be received; therefore impairment is temporary because we have the ability to hold these securities within the portfolio until the maturity or until the value recovers, and we believe that it is not likely that we will be required to sell these securities prior to recovery. We continue to monitor all of these securities with a high degree of scrutiny. There can be no assurance that we will not conclude in future periods that conditions existing at that time indicate some or all of these securities are other than temporarily impaired, which would require a charge to earnings in such periods. Any charges for OTTI related to securities available-for-sale would not impact cash flow, tangible capital or liquidity.

Although securities classified as available for sale may be sold from time to time to meet liquidity or other needs, it is not our normal practice to trade this segment of the investment securities portfolio. While management generally holds these assets on a long-term basis or until maturity, any short-term investments or securities available for sale could be converted at an earlier point, depending partly on changes in interest rates

and alternative investment opportunities.

Other Investments

Other investment securities include primarily our investments in Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta (FHLB) stock with no readily determinable market value. Prior to July 2, 2012, other investments also included our investment in Federal Reserve Bank stock, which was liquidated for no gain or loss on that date. The amortized cost and fair value of all these securities are equal at June 30, 2013. As of June 30, 2013, the investment in FHLB stock represented approximately \$6.2 million, or 0.1% as a percentage of total assets. The following factors have been evaluated and considered in determining the carrying amount of the FHLB stock:

- We evaluate ultimate recoverability of the par value.
- We currently have sufficient liquidity or have access to other sources of liquidity to meet all operational needs in the foreseeable future, and would not have the need to dispose of this stock below the recorded amount.
- Historically, the FHLB does not allow for discretionary purchases or sales of this stock. Redemptions of the stock occur at the discretion of the FHLB, subsequent to the maturity or redemption of outstanding advances held by the member institutions. During the first quarter of 2013, the FHLB redeemed approximately \$2.0 million of our investment, at par value.

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- Given the expectation that the various FHLBs have a high degree of government support, we have determined that the debt ratings are likely to remain unchanged and the FHLB has the ability to absorb economic losses.
- Our holdings of FHLB stock are not intended for the receipt of dividends or stock growth, but for the purpose and right to receive advances, or funding. We deem the FHLB s process of determining after each quarter end whether it will pay a dividend and, if so, the amount, as essentially similar to standard practice by most dividend-paying companies. Based on the FHLB s performance over the past seventeen consecutive quarters, starting with the second quarter 2009, the FHLB has announced a dividend payment after each quarter s performance, with the most recent dividend payment of 2.53% on July 29, 2013 related to the second quarter 2013.

For the reasons above, we have concluded that our holdings of FHLB stock are not other than temporarily impaired as of June 30, 2013 and ultimate recovery of the par value of this investment is probable.

Interest-Bearing Liabilities

Interest-bearing liabilities include interest-bearing transaction accounts, savings deposits, CDs, other time deposits, federal funds purchased, and other borrowings. Interest-bearing transaction accounts include NOW, HSA, IOLTA, and Market Rate checking accounts.

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Mont Jun	d		
(Dollars in thousands)	2013		2012		2013		2012	
Average interest-bearing liabilities	\$ 3,502,396	\$	3,070,766	\$	3,556,361	\$	2,958,474	
Interest expense	2,246		2,936		4,614		6,118	
Average rate	0.26%		0.38%	,	0.26%		0.42%	

The average balance of interest-bearing liabilities increased in the second quarter of 2013 compared to the second quarter of 2012. The decrease in interest expense was largely driven by a decline in the average rates on CDs and transaction and money market accounts. Overall, we experienced a 12 basis point decrease in the average rate on all interest-bearing liabilities. Some key highlights are outlined below:

- Average interest-bearing deposits for the three months ended June 30, 2013 grew 12.2% from the same period in 2012.
- Interest-bearing deposits increased 9.9% to \$3.1 billion at June 30, 2013 from the period end balance at June 30, 2012 of \$2.9 billion. This was the result of the addition of \$459.1 million of interest-bearing deposits from the Savannah acquisition, which was partially offset by a decline in interest-bearing deposits of \$177.4 million from the remaining franchise. The Company continues to monitor and adjust rates paid on deposit products as part of its strategy to manage its net interest margin.
- The average rate on transaction and money market account deposits for the three months ended June 30, 2013 decreased 9 basis points from the comparable period in 2012, which contributed to a decrease of \$270,000 in interest expense for the second quarter of 2013. The impact of the decrease in rates was partially offset by an increase in volume as the average balance increased \$274.3 million to \$1.8 billion at June 30, 2013 compared to the same quarter in 2012.

- Average certificates of deposit and other time deposits increased 1.1%, up \$10.7 million from the average balance to the second quarter of 2012. Interest expense on certificates of deposit and other time deposits decreased \$491,000 mainly as a result of a 21 basis point decrease in the interest rate for the three months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012.
- A decline in interest rates contributed significantly to a \$690,000, or 23.5%, reduction in interest expense on average interest-bearing liabilities for the three months ended June 30, 2013 from the comparable period in 2012.

Noninterest-Bearing Deposits

Noninterest-bearing deposits are transaction accounts that provide our Bank with interest-free sources of funds. Average noninterest-bearing deposits increased \$227.8 million, or 28.6%, to \$1.0 billion in the second quarter of 2013 compared to \$795.9 million at June 30, 2012. From the fourth quarter of 2012, average noninterest-bearing deposits grew \$137.42 million, or 15.5%. Excluding the noninterest-bearing deposits acquired in the Savannah acquisition, period end noninterest-bearing deposits increased \$108.8 million, or 13.5%, from the balance at June 30, 2012

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Provision for Loan Losses and Nonperforming Assets

We have established an allowance for loan losses through a provision for loan losses charged to expense. The ALLL represents an amount we believe will be adequate to absorb probable losses on existing loans that may become uncollectible. We assess the adequacy of the ALLL by using an internal risk rating system, independent credit reviews, and regulatory agency examinations all of which evaluate the quality of the loan portfolio and seek to identify problem loans. Based on this analysis, management and the board of directors consider the current allowance to be adequate. Nevertheless, our evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant change. Actual losses may vary from our estimates, and there is a possibility that charge-offs in future periods could exceed the ALLL as estimated at any point in time.

In addition, regulatory agencies, as an integral part of the examination process, periodically review our Bank s ALLL. Such agencies may require additions to the ALLL based on their judgments about information available to them at the time of their examination.

Loans acquired in the CBT, Habersham, BankMeridian, Peoples and Savannah acquisitions were recorded at their acquisition date fair value, which was based on expected cash flows and included an estimation of expected future loan losses, including principal and interest. Our initial estimates of credit losses on loans acquired in the Savannah acquisition continues to be adequate, and there is no evidence of additional credit deterioration that would require additional allowance for loan loss as of June 30, 2013, nor changes in the initial valuation estimates of Savannah. Under current accounting principles, information regarding our estimate of loan fair values may be adjusted for a period of up to one year as we continue to refine our estimate of expected future cash flows in the acquired portfolio. If we determine that losses arise after the acquisition date, generally the additional losses will be reflected as a provision for loan losses, and offset with an increase in the FDIC indemnification asset for those acquired loans covered by loss sharing agreements. The Peoples and Savannah acquisitions were not part of any loss share agreements with the FDIC, therefore, there is no offset for any additional losses recorded in a provision for loan losses. See Business Combinations and Method of Accounting for Loans Acquired in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 for further discussion of the method of accounting for acquired loans.

During the second quarter of 2013, we increased the net loan loss reserve by \$320,000 on certain acquired loan pools due to evidence of reduced cash flows in these pools during the quarterly review process, which resulted in a \$579,000 net provision for loan losses on acquired loans (net of the impact of the FDIC loss sharing agreements).

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The following tables present a summary of the changes in the ALLL for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012:

	Three Months Ended June 30,										
(Dollars in thousands)		acquired Loans		2013 Acquired Loans		June Total		n-acquired Loans	A	2012 Acquired Loans	Total
Balance at beginning of period	\$	41,669	\$	31,277	\$	72,946	\$	47,607	\$	34,355	\$ 81,962
Loans charged-off		(3,220)				(3,220)		(5,555)			(5,555)
Recoveries of loans previously charged											
off		576				576		825			825
Net charge-offs		(2,644)				(2,644)		(4,730)			(4,730)
Provision for loan losses		(400)		320		(80)		4,392		1,458	5,850
Benefit attributable to FDIC loss share											
agreements				259		259				(1,208)	(1,208)
Total provision for loan losses charged											
to operations		(400)		579		179		4,392		250	4,642
Provision for loan losses recorded											
through the FDIC loss share receivable				(259)		(259)				1,208	1,208
Balance at end of period	\$	38,625	\$	31,597	\$	70,222	\$	47,269	\$	35,813	\$ 83,082
Total non-acquired loans:											
At period end		2,665,595						2,481,251			
Average		2,629,897						2,456,069			
Net charge-offs as a percentage of											
average non-acquired loans		0.40~						~			
(annualized)		0.40%						0.77%			
Allowance for loan losses as a											
percentage of period end non-acquired		1 450						1.000			
loans		1.45%						1.90%			
Allowance for loan losses as a											
percentage of period end											
non-performing non-acquired loans		72 12 M						92.059			
(NPLs)		73.23%						82.05%			

	Six Months Ended									
					June	30,				
(Dollars in thousands)		2013						20	012	
	Non-acquired	Acq	uired			Non-ac	cquired	A	cquired	
	Loans	Lo	ans		Total	Lo	ans		Loans	Total
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 44,378	\$	32,132	\$	76,510	\$	49,367	\$	31,620	\$ 80,987
Loans charged-off	(7,827))			(7,827)		(11,253)			(11,253)
Recoveries of loans previously charged										
off	1,621				1,621		2,465			2,465
Net charge-offs	(6,206))			(6,206)		(8,788)			(8,788)
Provision for loan losses on										
non-acquired loans	453		(535)		(82)		6,690		4,193	10,883
Benefit attributable to FDIC loss share										
agreements			1,322		1,322				(3,518)	(3,518)
Total provision for loan losses charged										
to operations	453		787		1,240		6,690		675	7,365
Provision for loan losses recorded										
through the FDIC loss share receivable			(1,322)		(1,322)				3,518	3,518

Balance at end of period	\$ 38,625	\$ 31,597	\$ 70,222	\$ 47,269	\$ 35,813	\$ 83,082
Total non-acquired loans:						
At period end	\$ 2,665,595			\$ 2,481,251		
Average	2,603,368			2,456,075		
As a percentage of average non-acquired loans (annualized):						
Net charge-offs	0.48%			0.72%		
Allowance for loan losses as a percentage of period end non-acquired						
loans	1.45%			1.90%		
Allowance for loan losses as a percentage of period end non-performing non-acquired loans						
(NPLs)	73.23%			82.05%		

The allowance for loan losses as a percent of non-acquired loans reflects a decrease due primarily to the decline in our three-year historical charge off rate. Additionally, our classified loans, nonaccrual loans, and non-performing loans declined during the second quarter of 2013 compared to the same quarter in 2012 and to the first quarter of 2013. Seventy-three percent of the net charge-off amount for the second quarter of 2013 was comprised of ten loans ranging from approximately \$65,000 to \$500,000. The remainder of the charge-offs were less than \$65,000 per loan for the quarter. Of the total net charge-offs during the quarter, 33.0% or \$880,000 were construction and land development loans, 10.0% or \$266,000 were other income producing property loans, 26.6% or \$703,000 were commercial owner-occupied loans, and 16.6% or \$438,000 were home equity loans. We remain aggressive in

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charging off loans resulting from the decline in the appraised value of the underlying collateral (real estate) and the overall concern that borrowers will be unable to meet the contractual payments of principal and interest. Excluding acquired assets, nonperforming loans decreased by \$4.9 million during the second quarter of 2013 compared to the second quarter of 2012 and decreased by \$4.0 million from the first quarter of 2013. The ratio of the ALLL to cover these loans decreased from 82.0% at June 30, 2012 to 73.2% at June 30, 2013.

We decreased the ALLL compared to the second quarter of 2012 and the first quarter of 2013, due primarily to the improvement in asset quality metrics during the second quarter of 2013. On a general basis, we consider three-year historical loss rates on all loan portfolios, except residential lot loans where two-year historical loss rates are applied. We also consider economic risk, model risk and operational risk when determining the ALLL. All of these factors are reviewed and adjusted each reporting period to account for management s assessment of loss within the loan portfolio. Overall, the general reserve decreased by \$8.7 million compared to the balance at June 30, 2012 and by \$1.3 million from March 31, 2013.

The historical loss rates on an overall basis were down on an annualized basis to 0.40% as of June 30, 2013 from the March 31, 2013 level of 0.56%, and from the June 30, 2012 level of 0.77%.

Economic risk decreased by 8 basis points during the second quarter of 2013 as compared to second quarter of 2012 and was level with the first quarter of 2013. The improvement from one year ago was due to improved home sales, lower unemployment rate and a decrease in bankruptcies and foreclosures.

Model risk declined 3 basis points from the second quarter of 2012 and remained flat compared to the first quarter of 2013. This risk comes from the fact that our ALLL model is not all-inclusive. Risk inherent with new products, new markets, and timeliness of information are examples of this type of exposure. Management has reduced this factor since our model has been used for over four years, and we believe more adequately addresses this inherent risk in our loan portfolio.

Operational risk consists of the underwriting, documentation, closing and servicing associated with any loan. This risk is managed through policies and procedures, portfolio management reports, best practices and the approval process. The risk factors evaluated include the following: exposure outside our deposit footprint, changes in underwriting standards, levels of past due loans, loan growth, supervisory loan to value exceptions, results of external loan reviews, our centralized loan documentation process and significant loan concentrations. At June 30, 2013, the overall operational risk remained consistent from the levels at March 31, 2013 and down by 8 basis points compared to June 30, 2012. This improvement was due primarily to significant improvement in the levels of classified loans and nonaccrual loans from the second quarter of 2012.

On a specific reserve basis, the allowance for loan losses decreased by \$1.8 million from March 31, 2013, and increased by approximately \$70,000 from June 30, 2012. The loan balances being evaluated for specific reserves decreased from \$41.7 million at March 31, 2013 to \$36.4 million at June 30, 2013. Our practice, generally, is that once a specific reserve is established for a loan, a charge off occurs in the quarter subsequent to the establishment of the specific reserve.

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During the three months ended June 30, 2013, the decline in our total nonperforming assets (NPAs) was reflective of improvement in the real estate market and economy. The table below summarizes our NPAs for the past five quarters.

(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2013		March 31, 2013	D	December 31, 2012	Se	eptember 30, 2012		June 30, 2012
`	40,854	\$	42,945	\$	48,387	\$	46,295	\$	47,940
Accruing loans past due 90 days or more	198		121		500		156		137
Restructured loans - nonaccrual	11,689		13,636		13,151		12,882		9,530
Total nonperforming loans	52,741		56,702		62,038		59,333		57,607
Other real estate owned (OREO)(2)	15,950		19,680		19,069		22,424		25,518
Other nonperforming assets (3)									
Total nonperforming assets excluding									
acquired assets	68,691		76,382		81,107		81,757		83,125
Covered OREO (2)	35,142		34,244		34,257		47,063		53,146
Acquired OREO not covered under loss									
share	17,536		16,766		13,179		5,059		5,745
Other covered nonperforming assets (3)			26		44		57		73
Total nonperforming assets including									
covered assets	121,369	\$	127,418	\$	128,587	\$	133,936	\$	142,089
Excluding Acquired Assets									
Total NPAs as a percentage of total loans									
and repossessed assets (4)	2.569	%	2.91%	6	3.13%		3.22%		3.32%
Total NPAs as a percentage of total assets									
(5)	1.369	%	1.49%	\dot{o}	1.58%		1.89%)	1.90%
Total NPLs as a percentage of total loans									
(4)	1.989	%	2.189	6	2.41%		2.36%	,	2.32%
Including Acquired Assets									
Total NPAs as a percentage of total loans									
and repossessed assets (4)	3.329	%	3.47%	6	3.46%		4.31%		4.55%
Total NPAs as a percentage of total assets	2.419	%	2.489	6	2.50%		3.10%)	3.25%
Total NPLs as a percentage of total loans									
(4)	1.479	%	1.58%	6	1.70%		1.95%		1.89%

⁽¹⁾ Excludes the acquired loans that are contractually past due 90 days or more totaling \$77.6 million, \$79.6 million, \$83.1 million, \$71.3 million, and \$76.4 million as of June 30, 2013, March 31, 2013, December 31, 2012, September 30, 2012, and June 30, 2012, respectively, including the valuation discount. Acquired loans are considered to be performing due to the application of the accretion method under FASB ASC Topic 310-30. (For further discussion of the Company s application of the accretion method, see Business Combinations and Method of Accounting for Loans Acquired in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

⁽²⁾ Includes certain real estate acquired as a result of foreclosure and property not intended for bank use.

⁽³⁾ Consists of non-real estate foreclosed assets, such as repossessed vehicles.

⁽⁴⁾ Loan data excludes mortgage loans held for sale.

⁽⁵⁾ For purposes of this calculation, total assets includes all asset (both acquired and nonacquired).

Excluding the acquired loans, total nonaccrual loans, including restructured loans, were \$52.7 million, or 1.98% of total loans, a decrease of \$4.9 million or 8.4% from June 30, 2012. The decrease in nonaccrual loans was driven by a decrease in consumer nonaccrual loans of \$2.3 million and a decrease in commercial nonaccrual loans of \$2.6 million.

Nonaccrual non-acquired loans and restructured loans decreased by approximately \$4.0 million during the second quarter of 2013 from the level March 31, 2013. This decrease was the net result of \$2.4 million in charge offs, \$1.9 million in transfers to OREO, \$2.0 million in payments, \$2.3 million returning to accruing loans, and \$4.6 million in additions.

At June 30, 2013, non-acquired OREO decreased by \$3.7 million from March 31, 2013. At June 30, 2013, non-acquired OREO consisted of 82 properties with an average value of \$195,000, a decrease of \$12,000 from March 31, 2013 when we had 95 properties. In the second quarter of 2013, we added 17 properties with an aggregate value of \$1.8 million into non-acquired OREO, and we sold 30 properties with a basis of \$4.6 million in the quarter. We recorded a net gain on sales of \$136,000 for the quarter. We wrote down OREO properties by \$960,000 during the second quarter of 2013. Our non-acquired OREO balance of \$16.0 million at June 30, 2013 is comprised of 19% in the Low Country/Orangeburg region, 40% in the Coastal (Beaufort to Myrtle Beach region), 11% in the Charlotte region, and 18% in the Upstate (Greenville) region.

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Overall, we continue to believe that the loan portfolio remains manageable in terms of charge-offs and NPAs as a percentage of total loans. We remain diligent and aware of our credit costs and the impact that these can have on our financial institution; and, we have taken proactive measures to identify problem loans, including in-house and independent review of larger transactions. Our policy for evaluating problem loans includes obtaining new certified real estate appraisals as needed. We continue to monitor and review frequently the overall asset quality within the loan portfolio.

Potential Problem Loans

Potential problem loans (excluding acquired loans), which are not included in nonperforming loans, amounted to approximately \$11.0 million, or 0.41%, of total non-acquired loans outstanding at June 30, 2013, compared to \$15.9 million, or 0.64%, of total non-acquired loans outstanding at June 30, 2012, and compared to \$7.2 million, or 0.28% of total non-acquired loans outstanding at March 31, 2013. Potential problem loans represent those loans where information about possible credit problems of the borrowers has caused management to have serious concern about the borrower s ability to comply with present repayment terms.

Noninterest Income

	Three Mor June	 ded	Six Months Ended June 30,				
(Dollars in thousands)	2013	2012	2013		2012		
Service charges on deposit accounts	\$ 5,736	\$ 5,886 \$	11,497	\$	11,333		
Bankcard services income	4,245	3,618	8,138		6,938		
Mortgage banking income	1,957	3,052	5,352		4,882		
Trust and investment services income	2,438	1,642	4,752		3,039		
Securities gains		61			61		
Accretion on FDIC indemnification asset	(7,310)	(4,370)	(14,481)		(7,603)		
Other	1,419	1,855	2,750		2,567		
Total noninterest income	\$ 8,485	\$ 11,744 \$	18,008	\$	21,217		

Excluding the negative accretion on the FDIC indemnification asset, noninterest income decreased 2.0% in the second quarter of 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. The quarterly decrease in total noninterest income primarily resulted from the following:

- Mortgage banking income decreased 35.9%, driven by a reduction in refinancing activities in the secondary market due to rising interest rates.
- Bankcard services income increased 17.3%, largely driven by an increase in debit card income. Debit card income increased 22.5%, or \$627,000, due to organic growth as well as an increased customer base from the Peoples and Savannah acquisitions.
- Trust and investment services income increased 48.5%, driven primarily by the addition of investment services income generated by Minis & Co., Inc, acquired in the Sayannah transaction.

- Other noninterest income decreased 23.5%, driven by \$729,000 decrease in recoveries on acquired loans partially offset by increases in most other categories of other noninterest income.
- Negative accretion on the FDIC indemnification asset increased \$2.9 million, resulting from decreases in expected cash flows from the FDIC. This decrease in expected cash flows from the FDIC was driven by improvement in the cash flows in certain acquired loan pools.

Excluding the negative accretion on the FDIC indemnification asset, noninterest income increased \$3.7 million or 12.7% during the six months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. The increase in total noninterest income primarily resulted from the following:

- Mortgage banking income increased 9.6%, driven by a \$470,000 increase in mortgage banking income generated from lower interest rates and increased volume of mortgage banking activity in the secondary market during the first six months of 2013.
- Bankcard services income increased \$1.2 million or 17.3%, largely driven by an increase in debit card income. Debit card income increased 20.3%, or \$1.1 million, due primarily to a larger customer base than in 2012.
- Trust and investment services income increased 56.4%, driven primarily by the addition of investment services income generated by Minis & Co., Inc, acquired in the Savannah transaction.

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• Negative accretion on the FDIC indemnification asset increased \$6.9 million, resulting from decreases in expected cash flows from the FDIC. This decrease in expected cash flows from the FDIC was driven by improvement in the cash flows in certain acquired loan pools since acquisition.

Noninterest Expense

		Three Mont June	ded		Six Montl June		led		
(Dollars in thousands)		2013		2012		2013		2012	
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	23,746	\$	18,262	\$	46,998	\$	36,310	
Information services expense	-	2,992	-	2,902	_	6,184	_	5,370	
Net occupancy expense		2,851		2,478		5,783		4,726	
OREO expense and loan related		2,820		2,115		5,922		4,831	
Furniture and equipment expense		2,266		2,371		4,783		4,610	
Business development and staff related		1,276		689		2,504		1,441	
Bankcard expense		1,236		1,118		2,400		2,020	
FDIC assessment and other regulatory									
charges		1,096		1,073		2,320		2,110	
Amortization of intangibles		1,022		540		2,056		1,040	
Merger and conversion related expense		860		1,998		2,823		2,094	
Professional fees		760		732		1,451		1,365	
Advertising and marketing		648		553		1,490		1,310	
Other		3,312		2,678		6,612		5,500	
Total noninterest expense	\$	44,885	\$	37,509	\$	91,326	\$	72,727	

Noninterest expense increased \$7.4 million or 19.7% in the second quarter of 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. The quarterly increase in total noninterest expense primarily resulted from the following:

- Salaries and employee benefits expense increased by \$5.5 million or 30.0% driven by the addition of staff from the Peoples and Savannah acquisitions during 2012 and increases in both incentive and merit pay for employees.
- OREO and loan related expense increased \$705,000 or 33.3% driven by an increase in carrying costs on OREO properties.
- Business development and staff related expense increased \$587,000 or 85.2% due to an increase in recruitment and relocation costs, travel expenses, and training expenses.
- Merger and conversion related expenses decreased by \$1.1 million due to the merger costs related to the Peoples acquisition driving merger expense higher in the second quarter of 2012.

Noninterest expense increased \$18.6 million or 25.6% for the six months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. The increase in total noninterest expense primarily resulted from the following:

- Salaries and employee benefits expense increased by \$10.7 million or 29.4% driven by the addition of staff from the Peoples and Savannah acquisitions during 2012 and increases in both incentive and merit pay for employees.
- Net occupancy expense increased \$1.1 million or 22.4% driven by an increase in depreciation expense and lease expense due largely to the Peoples and Savannah acquisitions.
- Amortization of intangibles increased by \$1.0 or 97.7% due to the additional amortization of the core deposit, noncompete, and client list intangibles from the Savannah and Peoples acquisitions.
- OREO and loan related expense increased \$1.1 million or 22.6% driven by an increase in carrying costs on OREO properties.
- Business development and staff related expense increased \$1.1 million or 73.8% due to an increase in recruitment and relocation costs, travel expenses, and training expenses.

Income Tax Expense

Our effective income tax rate decreased to 33.0% for the quarter ended June 30, 2013 compared to 33.8% for the quarter ended June 30, 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, the effective tax rate was 32.9% compared to 33.7% for the six months ended June 30, 2012. The slightly lower effective tax rate is primarily attributable to tax exempt income on municipal bonds making up a larger percentage of pre-tax net income for the quarter and for the six months ended June 30, 2013.

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Capital Resources

Our ongoing capital requirements have been met primarily through retained earnings, less the payment of cash dividends. Equity increased during the second quarter by net income, or \$12.5 million, less the dividend paid during the quarter of approximately \$3.1 million and the \$8.3 net unrealized loss on available for sale securities. As of June 30, 2013, shareholders equity was \$516.6 million, an increase of \$9.0 million, or 1.8%, from \$507.5 million at December 31, 2012, and an increase of \$91.7 million or 21.6% from \$424.9 million at June 30, 2012. The driving factor for the increase from the comparable period of 2012 was the issuance of common shares in the Savannah acquisition fair valued at \$68.8 million. Our equity-to-assets ratio increased to 10.24% at June 30, 2013 from 9.88% at the end of the fourth quarter of 2012 and increased from 9.72% at the end of the comparable period of 2012.

We are subject to certain risk-based capital guidelines. Certain ratios measure the relationship of capital to a combination of balance sheet and off-balance sheet risks. The values of both balance sheet and off-balance sheet items are adjusted to reflect credit risk. Under the guidelines promulgated by the Federal Reserve, which are substantially similar to those of the FDIC, Tier 1 risk-based capital must be at least 4% of risk-weighted assets, while total risk-based capital must be at least 8% of risk-weighted assets.

In conjunction with the risk-based capital ratios, the regulatory agencies have also prescribed a leverage capital ratio for assessing capital adequacy.

The Company s capital adequacy ratios for the following periods are reflected below (the name has not been changed since there were bank call reports and bank holding company filings for both entities (Old SCBT Financial Corporation and Old First Financial Holding, Inc.) filed as of the respective dates below):

	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2012	June 30, 2012
SCBT Financial Corporation:			
Tier 1 risk-based capital	13.61%	12.73%	13.82%
Total risk-based capital	14.87%	13.99%	15.09%
Tier 1 leverage	9.22%	9.87%	9.24%
SCBT:			
Tier 1 risk-based capital	13.28%	12.51%	13.62%
Total risk-based capital	14.54%	13.78%	14.89%
Tier 1 leverage	9.00%	9.70%	9.12%

Compared to December 31, 2012, our Tier 1 risk-based capital and total risk-based capital have increased due primarily to an increase in capital and a slight decrease in risk-weighted assets. The growth in capital was generated primarily by retained earnings less the cash dividends paid during 2013. Our Tier 1 risk-based capital and total risk-based capital have decreased from June 30, 2012 due to risk-weighted assets increasing faster than the increase in capital. The growth in risk-weighted assets, average assets, and capital were generated primarily by the Savannah acquisition. The Tier 1 leverage ratio has decreased compared to December 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012 due to the increase in average assets as a result of the Savannah acquisition. Our capital ratios are currently well in excess of the minimum standards and continue to be in the well capitalized regulatory classification.

In July 2013, the Federal Reserve announced its approval of a final rule to implement the Basel III regulatory capital reforms, among other changes required by the Dodd-Frank Act. The framework requires banking organizations to hold more and higher quality capital, which acts as a financial cushion to absorb losses, taking into account the impact of risk. The approved rule includes a new minimum ratio of common equity Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets of 4.5% as well as a common equity Tier 1 capital conservation buffer of 2.5% of risk-weighted assets. The rule also raises the minimum ratio of Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets from 4% to 6% and includes a minimum leverage ratio of 4% for all banking institutions. For the largest, most internationally active banking organizations, the rule includes a new minimum supplementary leverage ratio that takes into account off-balance sheet exposures. In terms of quality of capital, the final rule emphasizes common equity Tier 1 capital and implements strict eligibility criteria for regulatory capital instruments. It also improves the methodology for calculating risk-weighted assets to enhance risk sensitivity. The phase-in for smaller banking organizations will not begin until January 2015, while the phase-in period for larger banks starts in January 2014. The ultimate impact of the U.S. implementation of the new capital and liquidity standards on the Company and the Bank is currently being reviewed.

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Liquidity

Liquidity refers to our ability to generate sufficient cash to meet our financial obligations, which arise primarily from the withdrawal of deposits, extension of credit and payment of operating expenses. Our Asset/Liability Management Committee (ALCO) is charged with monitoring liquidity management policies, which are designed to ensure acceptable composition of asset/liability mix. Two critical areas of focus for ALCO are interest rate sensitivity and liquidity risk management. We have employed our funds in a manner to provide liquidity from both assets and liabilities sufficient to meet our cash needs.

Asset liquidity is maintained by the maturity structure of loans, investment securities and other short-term investments. Management has policies and procedures governing the length of time to maturity on loans and investments. Normally, changes in the earning asset mix are of a longer-term nature and are not utilized for day-to-day corporate liquidity needs.

Our liabilities provide liquidity on a day-to-day basis. Daily liquidity needs are met from deposit levels or from our use of federal funds purchased, securities sold under agreements to repurchase and other short-term borrowings. We engage in routine activities to retain deposits intended to enhance our liquidity position. These routine activities include various measures, such as the following:

- Emphasizing relationship banking to new and existing customers, where borrowers are encouraged and normally expected to maintain deposit accounts with our Bank,
- Pricing deposits, including certificates of deposit, at rate levels that will attract and/or retain balances of deposits that will enhance our Bank s asset/liability management and net interest margin requirements, and
- Continually working to identify and introduce new products that will attract customers or enhance our Bank s appeal as a primary provider of financial services.

Our legacy SCBT loan portfolio increased by approximately \$184.3 million, or about 7.4% compared to the balance at June 30, 2012. Our investment securities portfolio increased \$20.4 million during this same time period. Total cash and cash equivalents were \$436.5 million at June 30, 2013 as compared to \$380.7 million at December 31, 2012 and \$309.9 million at June 30, 2012.

At June 30, 2013, December 31, 2012, and June 30, 2012, the Company had \$1.3 million, \$13.0 million, and \$4.1 million respectively, in traditional, out-of-market brokered deposits. Total deposits increased \$522.0 million, or 14.3% from June 30, 2012, to \$4.2 billion resulting primarily from organic growth and the Savannah acquisition. Excluding deposits acquired in the Savannah acquisition, total deposits decreased \$68.6 million, or 1.9%. Excluding deposits acquired from Savannah, we increased our noninterest-bearing deposit balance by \$108.8 million, or 13.5%, at June 30, 2013 as compared to the balance at June 30, 2012. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase increased \$42.2 million, or 19.2%, from the balance at June 30, 2012, and increased \$23.8 million, or 10.0%, from the balance at December 31, 2012. Other borrowings grew by \$8.3 million, or 17.9%, from June 30, 2012 due to the addition of SAVB Capital Trust I and II through the Savannah acquisition. To the extent that we employ other types of non-deposit funding sources, typically to accommodate retail and correspondent customers, we continue to emphasize shorter maturities of such funds. Our approach may provide an opportunity to sustain a low funding rate or possibly lower our cost of funds but could also increase our cost of funds if interest rates rise.

Our ongoing philosophy is to remain in a liquid position taking into account our current composition of earning assets, asset quality, capital position, and operating results. Our liquid earning assets include federal funds sold, balances at the Federal Reserve Bank, reverse repurchase agreements, and/or other short-term investments. Cyclical and other economic trends and conditions can disrupt our Bank s desired liquidity position at any time. We expect that these conditions would generally be of a short-term nature. Under such circumstances, our Bank s federal funds sold position and any balances at the Federal Reserve Bank serve as the primary sources of immediate liquidity. At June 30, 2013, our Bank had total federal funds credit lines of \$376.0 million with no outstanding advances. If additional liquidity were needed, the Bank would turn to short-term borrowings as an alternative immediate funding source and would consider other appropriate actions such as promotions to increase core deposits or the sale of a portion of our investment portfolio. At June 30, 2013, our Bank had \$81.3 million of credit available at the Federal Reserve Bank s Discount Window, but had no outstanding advances as of the end of the quarter. In addition, we could draw on additional alternative immediate funding sources from lines of credit extended to us from our correspondent banks and/or the FHLB. At June 30, 2013, our Bank had a total FHLB credit facility of \$355.5 million with total outstanding letters of credit consuming \$17.8 million and no outstanding advances. We believe that our liquidity position continues to be adequate and readily available.

Our contingency funding plan incorporates several potential stages based on liquidity levels. Also, we review on at least an annual basis our liquidity position and our contingency funding plans with our principal banking regulator. The Bank maintains various wholesale sources of funding. If our deposit retention efforts were to be unsuccessful, our Bank would utilize these alternative sources of funding. Under such circumstances, depending on the external source of funds, our interest cost would vary based on the

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range of interest rates charged to our Bank. This could increase our Bank s cost of funds, impacting net interest margins and net interest spreads.

Loss Share

The following table presents the expected losses on acquired assets covered under loss share agreements as of June 30, 2013:

(Dollars in thousands)	,	FDIC Threshold or ILE	Original Estimated Gross Losses	Original Estimated vered Losses	Losses Incurred * through 6/30/2013]	Remaining Estimated Losses for Loans	OREO Mark ** 6/30/2013	Projected Total Losses
CBT	\$	233,000	\$ 340,039	\$ 334,082	\$ 293,438	\$	20,903	\$ 10,800	\$ 325,141
Habersham		94,000	124,363	119,978	84,617		8,387	5,278	98,282
BankMeridian		70,827	70,190	67,780	26,972		9,511	3,731	40,214
Total	\$	397,827	\$ 534,592	\$ 521,840	\$ 405,027	\$	38,801	\$ 19,809	\$ 463,637

^{*} Claimed or Claimable loans and OREO losses excluding expenses, net of revenues.

Under the Habersham and BankMeridian loss share agreements, all losses (whether or not they exceed the intrinsic loss estimate (ILE)) are reimbursable by the FDIC at 80% of the losses and reimbursable expenses paid. During the fourth quarter of 2011, the losses and reimbursable expenses claimed under the CBT loss share agreement exceeded the \$233.0 million threshold and became reimbursable at 95% rather than the 80% rate.

Deposit and Loan Concentrations

We have no material concentration of deposits from any single customer or group of customers. We have no significant portion of our loans concentrated within a single industry or group of related industries. Furthermore, we attempt to avoid making loans that, in an aggregate amount, exceed 10% of total loans to a multiple number of borrowers engaged in similar business activities. As of June 30, 2013, there were no aggregated loan concentrations of this type. We do not believe there are any material seasonal factors that would have a material adverse effect on us. We do not have foreign loans or deposits.

Concentration of Credit Risk

^{**} Represents the estimated losses on OREO at period end. These losses have been recognized to record OREO at net realizable value. These losses are claimable from the FDIC upon sale or receipt of a valid appraisal.

We consider concentrations of credit to exist when, pursuant to regulatory guidelines, the amounts loaned to multiple number of borrowers engaged in similar business activities which would cause them to be similarly impacted by general economic conditions represent 25% of total risk-based capital, or \$124.6 million at June 30, 2013. Based on these criteria, we had four such credit concentrations at June 30, 2013, including loans to borrowers engaged in loans to religious organizations, loans to lessors of nonresidential buildings (except mini-warehouses), and loans to lessors of residential buildings, and loans to offices of physicians (except mental health specialists).

Cautionary Note Regarding Any Forward-Looking Statements

Statements included in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations which are not historical in nature are intended to be, and are hereby identified as, forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. The words may, will, anticipate, should, would, believe, contemplate, expect, estimate, continue, may, and intend, as well as other similar words and expressions of the future, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. We caution readers that forward-looking statements are estimates reflecting our judgment based on current information, and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from anticipated results. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, the matters described in Item 1A. Risk Factors of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the following:

• Credit risk associated with an obligor s failure to meet the terms of any contract with the Bank or otherwise fail to perform as agreed;

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- Interest rate risk involving the effect of a change in interest rates on both the Bank's earnings and the market value of the portfolio equity;
- Liquidity risk affecting our Bank s ability to meet its obligations when they come due;
- Price risk focusing on changes in market factors that may affect the value of financial instruments which are marked-to-market periodically;
- Merger integration risk including potential deposit attrition, higher than expected costs, customer loss and business disruption associated with the integration of First Financial, including, without limitation, potential difficulties in maintaining relationships with key personnel and other integration related-matters;
- Transaction risk arising from problems with service or product delivery;
- Compliance risk involving risk to earnings or capital resulting from violations of or nonconformance with laws, rules, regulations, prescribed practices, or ethical standards;
- Regulatory change risk resulting from new laws, rules, regulations, proscribed practices or ethical standards, including the possibility that regulatory agencies may require higher levels of capital above the current regulatory-mandated minimums, including the impact of the capital rules under Basel III;
- Strategic risk resulting from adverse business decisions or improper implementation of business decisions;
- Reputation risk that adversely affects earnings or capital arising from negative public opinion;
- Terrorist activities risk that result in loss of consumer confidence and economic disruptions;
- Cybersecurity risk related to our dependence on internal computer systems and the technology of outside service providers, as well as the potential impacts of third-party security breaches, subjects us to potential business disruptions or financial losses resulting from deliberate attacks or unintentional events;
- Noninterest income risk resulting from the effect of final rules amending Regulation E that prohibit financial institutions from charging consumer fees for paying overdrafts on ATM and one-time debit card transactions, unless the consumer consents or opts-in to the overdraft service for those types of transactions; and
- **Economic downturn risk** resulting in changes in the credit markets, greater than expected non-interest expenses, excessive loan losses and other factors, which risks could be exacerbated by potential negative economic developments resulting from the expiration of the federal tax reductions, and the implementation of federal spending cuts currently scheduled to go into effect.

All forward-looking statements in this report are based on information available to us as of the date of this report. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or otherwise revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We have no material changes in our quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk as of June 30, 2013 from that presented in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports we file and submit under the Exchange Act is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported as and when required and (ii) accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

The design of any system of controls and procedures is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events. There can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions, regardless of how remote.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the six months ended June 30, 2013, that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

As of June 30, 2013 and the date of this form 10-Q, we believe that we are not a party to, nor is any of our property the subject of, any pending material legal proceeding other than those that may occur in the ordinary course of our business, except for those described below.

Arnette Lawsuit. On January 18, 2012, two purported shareholders of Peoples filed a class action lawsuit in the Court of Common Pleas for the Thirteenth Judicial District, State of South Carolina, County of Pickens, captioned F. Davis Arnette and Mary F. Arnette v. Peoples Bancorporation, Inc., Case No. 2012-CP-39-0064 (the Arnette Lawsuit). The Complaint names as defendants Peoples, the members of Peoples board of directors immediately prior to the completion of the merger between SCBT and Peoples (the Director Defendants) and SCBT. The Complaint is brought on behalf of a putative class of shareholders of Peoples common stock and seeks a declaration that it is properly maintainable as a class action. The Complaint alleges that Peoples directors breached their fiduciary duties by failing to maximize shareholder value in connection with the merger between SCBT and Peoples, and also alleges that SCBT aided and abetted those breaches of fiduciary duty. The Complaint seeks declaratory and injunctive relief to prevent the completion of the merger, an accounting to determine damages sustained by the putative class, and costs including plaintiffs attorneys and experts fees. SCBT believes that the claims asserted in the Complaint are without merit and that the proceeding will not have any material adverse effect on the financial condition or operations of SCBT.

On April 17, 2012, SCBT entered into a memorandum of understanding (the Peoples MOU) with plaintiffs and other named defendants regarding the settlement of the Complaint. Under the terms of the Peoples MOU, SCBT, Peoples, the Director Defendants and the plaintiffs have agreed to settle the Arnette Lawsuit and release the defendants from all claims relating to the Peoples merger, subject to approval by the Court. If the Court approves the settlement contemplated by the Peoples MOU, the Arnette Lawsuit will be dismissed with prejudice. Pursuant to the terms of the Peoples MOU, SCBT and Peoples have made available additional information to Peoples shareholders in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed April 18, 2012. In return, the plaintiffs have agreed to the dismissal of the Arnette Lawsuit with prejudice and to withdraw all motions filed in connection with the Arnette Lawsuit. If the Peoples MOU is finally approved by the Court, it is anticipated that the Peoples MOU will resolve and release all claims in all actions that were or could have been brought challenging any aspect of the Peoples merger, the Peoples merger agreement and any disclosures made in connection therewith. There can be no assurance that the parties will ultimately enter into a stipulation of settlement or that the Court will approve the settlement, even if the parties were to enter into such stipulation. In such event, the proposed settlement as contemplated by the Peoples MOU may be terminated.

Rational Lawsuit. On October 11, 2012, a purported shareholder of Savannah filed a lawsuit in the Supreme Court of the State of New York captioned Rational Strategies Fund v. Robert H. Demere, Jr. et al., No. 653566/2012 (the Rational Lawsuit), naming Savannah, members of Savannah s board of directors and SCBT as defendants. This lawsuit is purportedly brought on behalf of a putative class of Savannah s common shareholders and seeks a declaration that it is properly maintainable as a class action with the Plaintiff as the proper class representative. The Rational Lawsuit alleges that Savannah, Savannah s directors and SCBT breached duties and/or aided and abetted such breaches by failing to disclose certain material information about the proposed merger between Savannah and SCBT. Among other relief, the Complaint seeks to enjoin the merger. SCBT believes that the claims asserted in the Complaint are without merit and that the proceeding will not have any material adverse effect on the financial condition or operations of SCBT.

On November 23, 2012, SCBT, Savannah and the other named defendants entered into a memorandum of understanding (the Rational MOU) with the Plaintiff regarding a settlement of the Rational Lawsuit. Pursuant to the Rational MOU, Savannah made available additional information concerning the Savannah merger to Savannah shareholders in a Current Report on Form 8-K. The Rational MOU provides that the

parties will enter into a stipulation of settlement, which will be subject to customary conditions, including court approval following notice to Savannah s shareholders. If the settlement is finally approved by the Court, it is anticipated that the settlement will resolve and release all claims in the action that were or could have been brought challenging any aspect of the Savannah merger, the Savannah merger agreement, and any disclosure made in connection therewith, and that the action will be dismissed with prejudice. There can be no assurance that the parties will ultimately enter into a stipulation of settlement or that the court will approve the settlement even if the parties were to enter into such stipulation. In such event, the proposed settlement as contemplated by the Rational MOU may be terminated.

First Financial Litigation. On March 5, 2013, a purported shareholder of First Financial filed a lawsuit in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware captioned Arthur Walter v. R. Wayne Hall et al., No. 8386-VCN. On March 25, 2013, another purported shareholder of First Financial filed a lawsuit in the same court captioned Emmy Moore v. R. Wayne Hall et al., No. 8434-VCN. Each complaint named First Financial, members of First Financial s board of directors and SCBT as defendants. The complaints were purportedly brought on behalf of a putative class of First Financial s common shareholders and sought a declaration that the lawsuits are properly maintainable as a class action with the named plaintiffs as the proper class representatives. Each

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complaint alleged that First Financial s board of directors breached their fiduciary duties to First Financial shareholders by attempting to sell First Financial to SCBT by means of an unfair process and for an unfair price and that SCBT aided and abetted these alleged breaches of fiduciary duty. Among other relief, each complaint sought declaratory and injunctive relief to prevent the proposed merger between First Financial and SCBT. On April 18, 2013, the Court of Chancery issued an order consolidating the two lawsuits into one action captioned *In re First Financial Holdings, Inc. Shareholder Litigation*, No. 8386-VCN, and requiring the plaintiffs to file a single consolidated amended complaint as soon as practicable. On May 7, 2013, the plaintiffs filed a consolidated amended complaint, which generally alleges that First Financial s board of directors breached their fiduciary duties to First Financial shareholders by attempting to sell First Financial to SCBT by means of an unfair process and for an unfair price and by failing to disclose certain material information about the proposed merger.

On July 16, 2013, SCBT, First Financial and the director defendants entered into a memorandum of understanding (the First Financial MOU) with plaintiffs regarding the settlement of the action, subject to the approval of the court. Pursuant to the terms of the MOU, SCBT and First Financial agreed to make available additional information to First Financial shareholders regarding the First Financial merger. In return, the plaintiffs agreed to the dismissal of the lawsuit with prejudice and not to seek any interim relief in favor of the alleged class of First Financial stockholders. If the court approves the settlement contemplated by the First Financial MOU, the lawsuit will be dismissed with prejudice and the defendants will be released from any claims that plaintiffs and the alleged class of First Financial shareholders may have based upon, arising out of, or related to the First Financial merger, defendants—consideration of the First Financial merger, and any disclosures or public filings related to the First Financial merger (other than any claims of First Financial shareholders under the federal securities law entirely unrelated to the First Financial merger or any disclosures related thereto). The First Financial MOU provides that the parties will enter into a stipulation of settlement, which will be subject to customary conditions, including court approval following notice to First Financial shareholders. There can be no assurance that the parties will ultimately enter into a stipulation of settlement or that the court will approve the settlement, even if the parties were to enter into such stipulation. In such event, the proposed settlement as contemplated by the First Financial MOU may be terminated.

On May 3, 2013, a purported shareholder of SCBT filed a lawsuit in the Supreme Court of the State of New York in the County of New York captioned *Rational Strategies Fund* v. *Robert R. Hill Jr. et al.*, No. 651625/2013, naming SCBT and members of its board of directors as defendants. This lawsuit is purportedly brought on behalf of a putative class of SCBT s common shareholders and seeks a declaration that it is properly maintainable as a class action with the Plaintiff as the proper class representative. The lawsuit alleges that SCBT and members of its board of directors breached duties by failing to disclose certain material information about the proposed merger between First Financial and SCBT. Among other relief, the Complaint seeks to enjoin the merger.

On July 18, 2013, the court granted a temporary injunction enjoining SCBT from certifying the vote of its shareholders at its special meeting on July 24, 2013 to consider and vote upon the First Financial merger, pending a hearing scheduled for the same date on the defendants motion to vacate that temporary injunction. On July 19, 2013, SCBT entered into a memorandum of understanding (the Rational/First Financial MOU) with plaintiff regarding the settlement of the action. Pursuant to the Rational/First Financial MOU, SCBT agreed to make available additional information to SCBT shareholders regarding the First Financial merger, and the plaintiff agreed to jointly request with SCBT that the temporary injunction be lifted so that the results of the special meeting could be certified without any delay or impediment. Under the terms of the Rational/First Financial MOU, SCBT, the SCBT director defendants and the plaintiff have agreed to settle the lawsuit and release the defendants from all claims made by the plaintiff relating to the First Financial merger, subject to approval by the Court. If the court approves the settlement contemplated by the Rational/First Financial MOU, the lawsuit will be dismissed with prejudice. The Rational/First Financial MOU provides that the parties will enter into a stipulation of settlement, which will be subject to customary conditions, including court approval following notice to SCBT s shareholders. There can be no assurance that the parties will ultimately enter into a stipulation of settlement or that the court will approve the settlement, even if the parties were to enter into such stipulation. In such event, the proposed settlement as contemplated by the Rational/First Financial MOU may be terminated.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

Investing in shares of our common stock involves certain risks, including those identified and described in Item 1A. of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, as well as cautionary statements contained in this Form 10-Q, including those under the caption Cautionary Note Regarding Any Forward-Looking Statements set forth in Part I, Item 2 of this Form 10-Q, risks and matters described elsewhere in this Form 10-Q and in our other filings with the SEC.

Item 2. UN	NREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS
(a) No	Vot applicable
(b) N	Not applicable

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(c) Issuer Purchases of Registered Equity Securities:

In February 2004, we announced a stock repurchase program with no formal expiration date to repurchase up to 250,000 shares of our common stock. There are 147,872 shares that may yet be purchased under that program. The following table reflects share repurchase activity during the second quarter of 2013:

Period	(a) Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased	(b) Average Price Paid per Share (or Unit)	(c) Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	(d) Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
April 1- April 30	1,256*	\$ 47.77		147,872
May 1 - May 31				147,872
June 1 - June 30				147,872
Total	1,256			147,872

^{*} These shares were repurchased under arrangements, authorized by our stock-based compensation plans and Board of Directors, whereby officers or directors may sell previously owned shares to the Company in order to pay for the exercises of stock options or for income taxes owed on vesting shares of restricted stock. These shares are not purchased under the plan to repurchase 250,000 shares announced in February 2004.

Item 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

Not applicable.

Item 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

Item 5. OTHER INFORMATION

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Item 6. EXHIBITS

The exhibits required to be filed as part of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are listed in the Exhibit Index attached hereto and are incorporated by reference.

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

FIRST FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: August 9, 2013

/s/ Robert R. Hill, Jr. Robert R. Hill, Jr. President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

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Date: August 9, 2013 /s/ John C. Pollok

John C. Pollok

Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Chief Operating Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Date: August 9, 2013 /s/ Keith S. Rainwater

Keith S. Rainwater

Executive Vice President and Director of External Reporting (Principal Accounting Officer)

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Exhibit 31.1 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Principal Executive Officer

Exhibit 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Principal Financial Officer

Exhibit 32 Section 1350 Certifications of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer

Exhibit 101 The following financial statements from the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of First Financial Holdings, Inc. for the quarter ended June 30, 2013, formatted in eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders Equity, (v) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and (vi) Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.(1)

⁽¹⁾ As provided in Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, this information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 11 and 12 of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to liability under those sections.