WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended December 31, 2014

or

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 001-34654 WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington 91-1661606 (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

425 Pike Street Seattle, Washington 98101

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(206) 624-7930

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.)

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 Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files) Yes 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 definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x 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

APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS

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

Title of class: at January 31, 2015

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	December 31,	September 30,
	2014	2014
	(In thousands, e	xcept share data)
ASSETS	Φ. 5.40. 5. 60	Φ 7 01 0 42
Cash and cash equivalents	\$542,769	\$781,843
Available-for-sale securities, at fair value	2,895,056	3,049,442
Held-to-maturity securities, at amortized cost	1,516,219	1,548,265
Loans receivable, net	8,253,917	8,148,322
Covered loans, net	161,478	176,476
Interest receivable	40,757	52,037
Premises and equipment, net	254,284	257,543
Real estate held for sale	61,970	55,072
Real estate held for investment	3,994	4,808
Covered real estate held for sale	19,405	24,082
FDIC indemnification asset	30,356	36,860
FHLB and FRB stock	154,870	158,839
Bank owned life insurance	100,216	_
Intangible assets, net	301,885	302,909
Federal and state income tax assets, net	_	16,515
Other assets	157,580	143,028
	\$14,494,756	\$14,756,041
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Customer accounts		
Transaction deposit accounts	\$5,464,198	\$5,490,687
Time deposit accounts	5,114,655	5,226,241
•	10,578,853	10,716,928
FHLB advances	1,830,000	1,930,000
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	19,301	29,004
Federal and state income taxes, net	4,278	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	80,985	106,826
	12,513,417	12,782,758
Stockholders' equity	12,515,117	12,702,730
Common stock, \$1.00 par value, 300,000,000 shares authorized;		
133,590,428 and 133,322,909 shares issued; 97,556,077 and 98,404,705 shares	133,591	133,323
outstanding	133,371	133,323
Paid-in capital	1,639,350	1,638,211
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes	23,435	20,708
Treasury stock, at cost; 36,034,351 and 34,918,204 shares		
Retained earnings	734,397	706,149
	1,981,339	1,973,283
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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	
	(In thousands,	except per share data)	
INTEREST INCOME			
Loans	\$108,293	\$107,227	
Mortgage-backed securities	19,175	19,368	
Investment securities and cash equivalents	5,816	4,663	
	133,284	131,258	
INTEREST EXPENSE			
Customer accounts	13,445	15,499	
FHLB advances and other borrowings	17,656	17,447	
	31,101	32,946	
Net interest income	102,183	98,312	
Reversal of provision for loan losses	(5,500) (4,600	
Net interest income after reversal of provision for loan losses	107,683	102,912	
OTHER INCOME			
Loan fee income	2,065	2,046	
Deposit fee income	5,977	1,704	
Other income (loss)	(2,662) 2,038	
	5,380	5,788	
OTHER EXPENSE			
Compensation and benefits	29,160	25,126	
Occupancy	8,135	7,050	
FDIC insurance premiums	674	2,934	
Information technology	4,030	1,318	
Product delivery	5,627	2,929	
Other expense	5,974	4,763	
•	53,600	44,120	
Gain (loss) on real estate acquired through foreclosure, net	315	(1,951)	
Income before income taxes	59,778	62,629	
Income tax provision	21,371	22,393	
NET INCOME	\$38,407	\$40,236	
PER SHARE DATA			
Basic earnings	\$0.39	\$0.39	
Diluted earnings	0.39	0.39	
Dividends paid on common stock per share	0.15	0.10	
Basic weighted average number of shares outstanding	98,147,939	102,329,578	
Diluted weighted average number of shares outstanding, including dilutive	00 524 020	102 912 154	
stock options	98,524,839	102,813,154	
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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	Quarter Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	
	(In thousands)	
Net income	\$38,407	\$40,236	
Other comprehensive income (loss) net of tax:			
Net unrealized gain (loss) on available-for-sale securities	8,560	(9,661)
Net unrealized (loss) on long-term borrowing hedge	(4,249) —	
Related tax benefit (expense)	(1,584) 3,478	
Other comprehensive income (loss)	2,727	(6,183)
Comprehensive income	\$41,134	\$34,053	
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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (UNAUDITED)

	Common Stock	Paid-in Capita	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensiv Income	e Treasury Sto	ck Total	
Balance at October 1, 2014	\$133,323	\$1,638,211	\$706,149	\$ 20,708	\$(525,108)\$1,973,283	
Net income			38,407			38,407	
Other comprehensive income				2,727		2,727	
Dividends on common stock			(10,159)		(10,159)
Compensation expense related to common stock options	ζ.	300				300	
Proceeds from exercise of common stock option	18 as	248				266	
Restricted stock Treasury stock acquired	250	591			(24,326	841)(24,326)
Balance at December 31 2014	`\$133,591	\$1,639,350	\$734,397	\$ 23,435	\$(549,434) 1,981,339	
	G.			Accumulated			
	Common Stock	Paid-in Capita	l Retained Earnings	Other Comprehensiv Income	e Treasury Sto	ck Total	
Balance at October 1, 2013		Paid-in Capita \$1,625,051		Comprehensiv	Treasury Stor \$(420,817)\$1,937,635	
2013 Net income	Stock		¹ Earnings	Comprehensiv Income	e		
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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

(UNAUDITED)	Overtor Ended	Dagambar 21	
	Quarter Ended 2014	2013	
	(In thousands)	2013	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(III tilousalius)		
Net income	\$38,407	\$40,236	
		\$40,230	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities	5,299	3,757	
Depreciation and Amortization Cash received from (paid to) FDIC under loss share	(431	•	
	300) 1,295 300	
Stock option compensation expense Reversal of provision for loan losses) (4,600	`
Gain on real estate held for sale	(5,500	, , ,)
	(9,606) (597)
Decrease (increase) in accrued interest receivable Decrease in federal and state income tax	11,280	(411 22,629	,
	19,208		
Decrease (increase) in cash surrender value in bank owned life insurance	(216) —	
Decrease (increase) in other assets	(14,552) 1,649	`
Decrease in accrued expenses and other liabilities	(25,890) (12,768)
Net cash provided by operating activities	18,299	51,490	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(26,002	\ (60.070	,
Net (loan originations) principal collections	(36,993) (68,870)
Loans purchased	(46,831) —	
FHLB & FRB stock redemption	3,969	1,376	,
Available-for-sale securities purchased	(41,225) (565,080)
Principal payments and maturities of available-for-sale securities	202,760	76,805	
Principal payments and maturities of held-to-maturity securities	31,178	23,117	
Net cash received from acquisition		1,280,077	
Proceeds from sales of real estate held for sale and investment	13,496	14,295	
Proceeds from sales of covered REO	4,413	6,098	
Purchase of bank owned life insurance	(100,000) —	
Premises and equipment purchased and REO improvements	(2,019) (9,232)
Net cash provided by investing activities	28,748	758,586	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	/1 2= 000		
Net decrease in customer accounts	(137,999) (1,795)
Proceeds from borrowings		625,000	
Repayments of borrowings	(100,000) (625,000)
Proceeds from exercise of common stock options and related tax benefit	266	9,280	
Dividends paid on common stock	(14,359) (10,179)
Treasury stock purchased	(24,326) (18,945)
Decrease in advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	(9,703) (24,652)
Net cash used by financing activities	(286,121) (46,291)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(239,074) 763,785	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	781,843	203,563	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$542,769	\$967,348	
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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)
(UNAUDITED)

(UNAUDITED)			
(01.110.211.22.)	Quarter Ended D 2014 (In thousands)	December 31, 2013	
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION	,		
Non-cash investing activities			
Non-covered real estate acquired through foreclosure	\$8,852	\$9,956	
Covered real estate acquired through foreclosure	51	179	
Cash paid during the period for			
Interest	34,653	33,644	
Income taxes	23	(236)
The following summarizes the non-cash activities related to acquisitions			
Fair value of assets and intangibles acquired, including goodwill	\$ —	\$65,531	
Fair value of liabilities assumed	_	(1,345,608)
Net fair value of assets (liabilities)	\$ —	\$(1,280,077)

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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (UNAUDITED)

NOTE A – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Operations - Washington Federal, Inc. is a Washington corporation headquartered in Seattle, Washington. The Company is a bank holding company that conducts its operations through a federally-insured national bank subsidiary. The Bank is principally engaged in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and investing these funds, together with borrowings and other funds, in one-to-four family residential real estate loans, multi-family real estate loans and commercial loans. As used throughout this document, the terms "Washington Federal" or the "Company" refer to Washington Federal, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries and the term "Bank" refers to the operating subsidiary Washington Federal, National Association.

Basis of Presentation - The unaudited interim financial statements included in this report have been prepared by Washington Federal. All intercompany transactions and accounts have been eliminated in consolidation. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals) necessary for a fair presentation are reflected in the interim financial statements. The September 30, 2014 Consolidated Statement of Financial Condition was derived from audited financial statements.

The information included in this Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and related notes in the Company's 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K ("2014 Form 10-K") as filed with the SEC. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of results for a full year.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - The significant accounting policies used in preparation of our consolidated financial statements are disclosed in our 2014 Form 10-K. Other than as discussed below, there have not been any material changes in our significant accounting policies compared to those contained in our 2014 Form 10-K disclosure for the year ended September 30, 2014.

Correction of Immaterial Errors Related to Prior Periods - During the three months ended December 31, 2014, the Company made an \$8,200,000 adjustment which increased the value of real estate owned and other income to correct an error in prior years. The adjustment reflects a one-time correction necessary to change the accounting for real estate owned to be in conformity with GAAP. The Company also made an \$8,900,000 adjustment which decreased accrued interest receivable and other income as a result of the Company identifying a reconciliation error which had overstated interest income and accrued interest receivable. Based upon an evaluation of all relevant factors, management believes these correcting adjustments did not have a material impact on the Company's current quarter financial statement or on any previously reported quarterly or yearly results.

Off-Balance-Sheet Credit Exposures – The only material off-balance-sheet credit exposures are loans in process and unused lines of credit, which had a combined balance at December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014, excluding covered loans, of \$584,227,000 and \$583,838,000, respectively. The Company estimates losses on off-balance-sheet credit exposures by allocating a loss percentage derived from historical loss factors for each asset class.

Reclassifications - Reclassification of Other Expenses into Product delivery and Information technology line items have been made to the financial statements for years prior to September 30, 2014 to conform to current year classifications.

NOTE B - Acquisitions

There were no acquisitions completed during the quarter ended December 31, 2014. During the fiscal year 2014, the Bank acquired seventy-four branches from Bank of America, National Association. Effective as of the close of

business on October 31, 2013, the Bank completed the acquisition of eleven branches that are located in New Mexico. Effective as of the close of business on December 6, 2013, the Bank completed the acquisition of another forty branches that are located in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. Effective as of the close of business on May 2, 2014, the Bank completed the acquisition of another twenty-three branches that are located in Arizona and Nevada. Management believes that these transactions represent a significant enhancement of our branch network. This transaction will bring new customers to the Company and improve the deposit mix and reduce overall funding costs. The combined acquisitions provided \$1,853,798,000 in deposit accounts, \$12,881,000 of loans, and \$25,097,000 in branch properties. The Bank paid a 1.99% premium on the total deposits and received \$1,776,660,000 in cash from the transactions. The acquisition method of accounting was used to account for the acquisitions. The purchased assets and assumed liabilities are recorded at their respective acquisition date estimated fair values. The Bank recorded \$11,040,000 in core deposit intangible and \$31,225,000 in goodwill related to these transactions.

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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (UNAUDITED)

The operating results of the Company include the operating results produced by the first eleven branches for the period from November 1, 2013 to December 31, 2014, for the additional forty branches from December 7, 2013 to December 31, 2014, and for the most recent twenty-three branches from May 3, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

The table below displays the adjusted fair value as of the acquisition date for each major class of assets acquired and liabilities assumed:

	Adjusted Fair Value Recorded by
	Washington Federal
	(In thousands)
Assets:	
Cash	\$1,776,660
Available for sale securities	_
FHLB stock	_
Loans receivable, net	12,881
Covered loans receivable, net	_
FDIC indemnification asset	_
Property and equipment, net	25,097
Core deposit intangible	11,040
Real estate held for sale	_
Covered real estate held for sale	_
Goodwill	31,225
Other assets	70
Total Assets	1,856,973
Liabilities:	
Customer accounts	1,853,798
FHLB advances	_
Other liabilities	3,175
Total Liabilities	1,856,973
Net assets acquired	\$

NOTE C - Dividends

On October 17, 2014, the Company paid its 127th consecutive quarterly cash dividend on common stock. Dividends paid per share were \$.15 and \$.10 for the quarters ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Due to a one-time change in the schedule of quarterly dividends, the Company increased the normal \$.11 per share payout for pro-ration over four months for the most recent dividend payment.

On January 21, 2015, the Company announced its 128th consecutive quarterly cash dividend on common stock of \$.13 per share. This payout represents an increase of \$.02, or 18%, over the prior quarterly dividend rate of \$.11 per share. The current dividend will be paid on February 16, 2015 to common stockholders of record on February 2, 2015.

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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (UNAUDITED)

NOTE D – Loans Receivable (excluding Covered Loans)

	December 31, 201 (In thousands)	14	September 30, 20	14
Non-acquired loans				
Single-family residential	\$5,608,208	63.9	\$5,560,203	64.1
Construction - speculative	152,450	1.7	140,060	1.6
Construction - custom	377,561	4.3	385,824	4.5
Land - acquisition & development	84,000	1.0	77,832	0.9
Land - consumer lot loans	104,492	1.2	108,623	1.3
Multi-family	977,752	11.2	917,286	10.6
Commercial real estate	597,436	6.8	591,336	6.9
Commercial & industrial	391,327	4.5	379,226	4.4
HELOC	118,047	1.3	116,042	1.4
Consumer	126,929	1.4	132,590	1.5
Total non-acquired loans	8,538,202	97.3	8,409,022	97.2
Acquired loans	,		, ,	
Single-family residential	11,163	0.1	11,716	0.1
Land - acquisition & development	872	_	905	
Land - consumer lot loans	2,496	_	2,507	
Multi-family	2,954	_	2,999	
Commercial real estate	92,133	1.0	97,898	1.1
Commercial & industrial	58,836	0.7	51,386	0.6
HELOC	7,749	0.1	8,274	0.1
Consumer	4,369	_	5,670	0.1
Total acquired loans	180,572	1.9	181,355	2.0
Credit-impaired acquired loans	•		,	
Single-family residential	323	_	325	
Land - acquisition & development	1,533	_	1,622	
Commercial real estate	60,287	0.7	63,723	0.7
Commercial & industrial	3,255	_	3,476	
HELOC	9,202	0.1	10,139	0.1
Consumer	54	_	55	
Total credit-impaired acquired loans	74,654	0.8	79,340	0.8
Total loans			·	
Single-family residential	5,619,694	64.0	5,572,244	64.2
Construction - speculative	152,450	1.7	140,060	1.6
Construction - custom	377,561	4.3	385,824	4.5
Land - acquisition & development	86,405	1.0	80,359	0.9
Land - consumer lot loans	106,988	1.2	111,130	1.3
Multi-family	980,706	11.2	920,285	10.6
Commercial real estate	749,856	8.5	752,957	8.7
Commercial & industrial	453,418	5.2	434,088	5.0
HELOC	134,998	1.5	134,455	1.6

%

Consumer	131,352	1.4	138,315	1.6	
Total loans	8,793,428	100	% 8,669,717	100	%
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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (UNAUDITED)

Less:

Allowance for probable losses	108,700	112,347
Loans in process	370,655	346,172
Discount on acquired loans	22,535	25,391
Deferred net origination fees	37,621	37,485
<u> </u>	539,511	521,395
	\$8.253.917	\$8.148.322

Changes in the carrying amount and accretable yield for acquired credit impaired and non-impaired loans for the three months ended December 31, 2014 and the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014 were as follows:

December 31, 2014	Acquired Impaire	ed	Acquired Non-im	paired
	Accretable Yield	Carrying Amount of Loans	Accretable Yield	Carrying Amount of Loans
	(In thousands)			
Balance as of beginning of period	\$32,591	\$57,771	\$4,254	\$177,440
Accretion	(2,970)	2,970	(1,424)	1,424
Payments received, net	_	(6,455)	_	(1,193)
Balance as of end of period	\$29,621	\$54,286	\$2,830	\$177,671
September 30, 2014	Acquired Impair	red	Acquired Non-im	paired
	Accretable Yield	Carrying Amount of Loans	Accretable Yield	Carrying Amount of Loans
	(In thousands)			
Balance as of beginning of period	\$37,236	\$69,718	\$4,977	\$245,373
Reclassification from nonaccretable balance, net (1)	7,300	_	_	_
Accretion	(11,945)	11,945	(723)	723
Transfers to REO		(1,188)	<u> </u>	(4,710)
Payments received, net	_	(22,704)	_	(63,946)
Balance as of end of period	\$32,591	\$57,771	\$4,254	\$177,440

⁽¹⁾ reclassification due to improvements in expected cash flows of the underlying loans.

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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013 (UNAUDITED)

The following table sets forth information regarding non-accrual loans held by the Company as of the dates indicated:

	December 31 (In thousands			September 30), 2014	
Non-accrual loans:						
Single-family residential	\$74,416	75.6	%	\$74,067	84.8	%
Construction - speculative	1,329	1.4		1,477	1.7	
Land - acquisition & development		_		811	0.9	
Land - consumer lot loans	2,260	2.3		2,637	3.0	
Multi-family	1,019	1.0		1,742	2.0	
Commercial real estate	15,970	16.2		5,106	5.8	
Commercial & industrial	672	0.7		7	_	
HELOC	1,454	1.5		795	0.9	
Consumer	1,233	1.3		789	0.9	
Total non-accrual loans	\$98,353	100.0	%	\$87,431	100	%

The following tables provide an analysis of the age of loans in past due status as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014, respectively.

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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013
(UNAUDITED)

December 31, 2014 Type of Loan	Amount of Loans Net of LIP & ChgC (In thousands)	Days Delinq DfCsurrent	uent Based	l on \$ Amou 60	ant of Loans 90	Total	% bases on \$	d
Non-acquired loans Single-Family	\$5,605,917	\$5,518,834	\$17,503	\$7,804	\$61,776	\$87,083	1.55	%
Residential Construction -	05 267	95,199	168			168	0.18	
Speculative	95,367			_	_			
Construction - Custom	191,787	191,670	114	3		117	0.06	
Land - Acquisition & Development	70,347	68,008	2,339	_	_	2,339	3.32	
Land - Consumer Lot Loans	104,444	100,639	596	368	2,841	3,805	3.64	
Multi-Family	906,295	905,532			763	763	0.08	
Commercial Real Estate	559,808	541,939	2,607	_	15,262	17,869	3.19	
Commercial & Industria	al388,588	387,149	339	_	1,100	1,439	0.37	
HELOC	118,143	117,362	162	58	561	781	0.66	
Consumer	126,929	125,745	756	230	198	1,184	0.93	
Total non-acquired loan	s8,167,625	8,052,077	24,584	8,463	82,501	115,548	1.41	%
A								
Acquired loans								
Single-Family Residential	11,164	10,907	232	_	25	257	2.30	%
Land - Acquisition & Development	872	872	_			_		
Land - Consumer Lot Loans	2,495	1,686	560	_	249	809	_	
Multi-Family	2,954	2,954	_	_	_	_		
Commercial Real Estate	· ·	91,211	_	97	758	855	0.93	
Commercial & Industria		58,733	_	_	99	99	0.17	
HELOC	7,749	7,290	241		218	459	5.92	
Consumer	4,369	3,301	412		656	1,068	24.44	
Total acquired loans	180,501	176,954	1,445	97	2,005	3,547	1.97	%
Credit-impaired acquired loans Single-Family								
Residential	323	323	_	_	_	_		%
Land - Acquisition & Development	1,533	1,533	_	_	_	_	_	
Commercial Real Estate		56,301	2,064	430	1,485	3,979	6.60	
Commercial & Industria		3,255						
HELOC	9,201	8,799			402	402	4.37	

Consumer	54	54						
Total credit-impaired acquired loans	74,646	70,265	2,064	430	1,887	4,381	5.87	%
Total loans	\$8,422,772	\$8,299,296	\$28,093	\$8,990	\$86,393	\$123,476	1.47	%

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Single-Family Residential	\$5,557,753	\$5,467,239	\$15,926	\$9,139	\$65,449	\$90,514	1.63	%
Construction - Speculative	87,035	87,035	_	_	_	_	_	
Construction - Custom	192,098	191,262	836	_	_	836	0.44	
Land - Acquisition & Development	68,066	67,911	155	_	_	155	0.23	
Land - Consumer Lot Loans	108,589	104,571	1,246	304	2,468	4,018	3.70	
Multi-Family Commercial Real Estate	892,196 e 529,453	891,372 513,409	205 67	16 15,118	603 859	824 16,044	0.09 3.03	
Commercial & Industrial	379,226	377,848	53	1,318	7	1,378	0.36	
HELOC Consumer Total non-acquired loan	116,262 132,686 as8,063,364	115,262 131,642 7,947,551	335 654 19,477	292 262 26,449	373 128 69,887	1,000 1,044 115,813	0.86 0.79 1.44	%
Acquired loans Single-Family Residential Land - Acquisition &	11,716	11,693	_	_	23	23	0.20	
Development Development	905	905	_	_	_	_		
Land - Consumer Lot Loans	2,502	2,132	_	370	_	370	14.79	
Multi-Family Commercial Real Estate	2,999 e 97,715	2,999 96,948	— 104	_	— 663	— 767	— 0.78	
Commercial & Industrial	51,329	51,229	_	100		100	0.19	
HELOC Consumer Total acquired loans	8,056 5,670 180,892	8,056 4,983 178,945		— 4 474	— 661 1,347	— 687 1,947		%
Credit-impaired acquired loans Single-Family	325	325	_	_	_	_	_	%
Residential Land - Acquisition & Development	1,581	1,581	_	_	_	_	_	

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Commercial Real Estate	e 63,713	61,713	152	909	939	2,000	3.14	
Commercial & Industrial	3,477	3,470	7	_	_	7	0.20	
HELOC	10,138	9,641	_	75	422	497	4.90	
Consumer	54	54	_		_			
Total credit-impaired acquired loans	79,288	76,784	159	984	1,361	2,504	3.16	%
Total loans	\$8,323,544	\$8,203,280	\$19,762	\$27,907	\$72,595	\$120,264	1.44	%

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Most loans restructured in troubled debt restructurings ("TDRs") are accruing and performing loans where the borrower has proactively approached the Company about modification due to temporary financial difficulties. Each request is individually evaluated for merit and likelihood of success. The concession for these loans is typically a payment reduction through a rate reduction of between 100 to 200 basis points for a specific term, usually six to twelve months. Interest-only payments may also be approved during the modification period. Principal forgiveness is not an available option for restructured loans. As of December 31, 2014, single-family residential loans comprised 86.6% of TDRs.

The Company reserves for restructured loans within its allowance for loan loss methodology by taking into account the following performance indicators: 1) time since modification, 2) current payment status and 3) geographic area.

The following tables provide information related to loans that were restructured during the periods indicated:

	Quarter E	nded December	31,			
	2014			2013		
		Pre-Modification	on Post-Modification		Pre-Modification	on Post-Modification
		Outstanding	Outstanding		Outstanding	Outstanding
	Number of	Recorded	Recorded	Number of	Recorded	Recorded
	Contracts	Investment (In thousands)	Investment	Contracts	Investment (In thousands)	Investment
Troubled Debt						
Restructurings:						
Single-Family Residentia	135	\$9,600	\$ 9,600	113	\$23,607	\$ 23,607
Construction - Speculative	2	718	718	_	_	_
Land - Consumer Lot Loans	2	532	532	5	1,098	1,098
Multi-Family			_	2	1,213	1,213
Commercial Real Estate	_		_	1	810	810
HELOC	_		_	1	261	261
Consumer	1	85	85	2	39	39
	40	\$10,935	\$ 10,935	124	\$27,028	\$ 27,028

The following tables provide information on restructured loans for which a payment default occurred during the periods indicated and that had been modified as a TDR within 12 months or less of the payment default:

Quarter End	led December 31,		
2014		2013	
Number of	Recorded	Number of	Recorded
Contracts	Investment	Contracts	Investment
(In thousand	ds)	(In thousand	ds)

Troubled Debt Restructurings That Subsequently

Defaulted:

Single-Family Residential	8	\$1,431	24	\$3,624
Land - Consumer Lot Loans	3	389	2	166
	11	\$1,820	26	\$3,790

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NOTE E – Allowance for Losses on Loans

The following table summarizes the activity in the allowance for loan losses for the quarter ended December 31, 2014 and fiscal year ended September 30, 2014:

Quarter Ended December 31, 2014	Beginning Allowance	Charge-offs		Recoveries	Provision & Transfers		Ending Allowance
	(In thousands)						
Single-family residential	\$62,763	\$(1,694)	\$2,553	\$(8,127)	\$55,495
Construction - speculative	6,742	(388)		(903)	5,451
Construction - custom	1,695				(730)	965
Land - acquisition & development	5,592	(38)	1	1,116		6,671
Land - consumer lot loans	3,077	(35)		71		3,113
Multi-family	4,248			220	32		4,500
Commercial real estate	7,548	(27)	28	(1,677)	5,872
Commercial & industrial	16,527			34	6,767		23,328
HELOC	928				(36)	892
Consumer	3,227	(427)	615	(1,002)	2,413
	\$112,347	\$(2,609)	\$3,451	\$(4,489)	\$108,700
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Fiscal Year Ended September 30,	Beginning	Charge offe		Dagovarios	Provision &		Ending
Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014	Beginning Allowance	Charge-offs		Recoveries	Provision & Transfers		Ending Allowance
_		Charge-offs		Recoveries			•
_	Allowance	Charge-offs \$(8,529)	Recoveries \$17,684)	•
2014	Allowance (In thousands)	-)		Transfers)	Allowance
2014 Single-family residential	Allowance (In thousands) \$64,184	\$(8,529)	\$17,684	Transfers \$(10,576)	Allowance \$62,763
2014 Single-family residential Construction - speculative	Allowance (In thousands) \$64,184 8,407	\$(8,529)	\$17,684	Transfers \$(10,576 (813)	Allowance \$62,763 6,742
2014 Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom	Allowance (In thousands) \$64,184 8,407 882	\$(8,529 (949 —)	\$17,684 97	Transfers \$(10,576 (813 813)	Allowance \$62,763 6,742 1,695
2014 Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development	Allowance (In thousands) \$64,184 8,407 882 9,165	\$(8,529 (949 — (541)	\$17,684 97 — 3,071	Transfers \$(10,576) (813) 813 (6,103))	\$62,763 6,742 1,695 5,592
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans	Allowance (In thousands) \$64,184 8,407 882 9,165 3,552	\$(8,529 (949 — (541)	\$17,684 97 — 3,071	Transfers \$(10,576) (813) 813 (6,103) 161)	Allowance \$62,763 6,742 1,695 5,592 3,077
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family	Allowance (In thousands) \$64,184 8,407 882 9,165 3,552 3,816	\$(8,529 (949 — (541 (658 —)	\$17,684 97 — 3,071 22	\$\((10,576\) (813\) 813\((6,103\) 161\) 432))	Allowance \$62,763 6,742 1,695 5,592 3,077 4,248
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family Commercial real estate	Allowance (In thousands) \$64,184 8,407 882 9,165 3,552 3,816 5,595	\$(8,529 (949 — (541 (658 — (105)	\$17,684 97 — 3,071 22 — 33	\$(10,576) (813) 813 (6,103) 161 432 2,025)))	\$62,763 6,742 1,695 5,592 3,077 4,248 7,548
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family Commercial real estate Commercial & industrial	Allowance (In thousands) \$64,184 8,407 882 9,165 3,552 3,816 5,595 16,614	\$(8,529 (949 — (541 (658 — (105 (826)	\$17,684 97 — 3,071 22 — 33	\$\(10,576\) (813 813 (6,103 161 432 2,025 (4,304))))))))	\$62,763 6,742 1,695 5,592 3,077 4,248 7,548 16,527

The Company recorded a \$5,500,000 reversal for loan losses during the quarter ended December 31, 2014, while a \$4,600,000 reversal was recorded for the same quarter one year ago. The credit quality of the portfolio has been improving significantly and economic conditions are more favorable. The primary reason for the reversal in the quarter ended December 31, 2013, was the favorable settlement of a lawsuit related to previously purchased loans. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, there was a transfer of \$2,910,000 to establish a reserve for unfunded commitments. This reserve was \$1,898,000 as of December 31, 2014.

Non-performing assets ("NPAs") amounted to \$164,317,000, or 1.13%, of total assets at December 31, 2014, compared to \$197,910,000, or 1.37%, of total assets one year ago. Acquired loans, including covered loans, are not classified as non-performing loans because at acquisition the carrying value of these loans was adjusted to reflect fair value. As of December 31, 2014, \$37,136,000 in acquired loans were subject to the general allowance as the discount related to these balances is not sufficient to absorb potential losses. There was no additional provision for loan losses recorded

on acquired or covered loans during the quarter ended December 31, 2014. Non-accrual loans decreased from \$114,717,000 at December 31, 2013, to \$98,352,555 at December 31, 2014, a 14.3% decrease.

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The Company had net recoveries of \$841,000 for the quarter ended December 31, 2014, compared with \$6,017,000 of net recoveries for the same quarter one year ago largely attributed to the lawsuit settlement discussed above. A loan is charged-off when the loss is estimable and it is confirmed that the borrower will not be able to meet its contractual obligations.

At December 31, 2014, \$108,700,000 of the allowance was calculated under the formulas contained in our general allowance methodology. At September 30, 2014, \$112,287,000 of the allowance was calculated under the formulas contained in our general allowance methodology and the remaining \$60,000 was made up of specific reserves on loans that were deemed to be impaired.

The following tables shows a summary of loans collectively and individually evaluated for impairment and the related allocation of general and specific reserves as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014:

December 31, 2014	Loans Collectively Evaluated for Impairment				Loans Individually Evaluated for Impairment			
	General Gross Loans Subject				Specific	Gross Loans Subject		
	Reserve Allocation	to	Datio		Reserve	to	Ratio	
		General Reserve	Ratio		Allocation	Specific Reserve	Katio	
	Anocation	(1)			Anocation	(1)		
	(In thousand	(In thousands)			(In thousands)			
Single-family residential	\$55,495	\$ 5,542,825	1.0	%	\$—	\$ 63,091		%
Construction - speculative	5,451	87,711	6.2			7,656		
Construction - custom	965	191,787	0.5					
Land - acquisition &	6,671	66,953	10.0		_	3,394	_	
development	2 112	01 500	2.4			12 056		
Land - consumer lot loans	*	91,588	3.4			12,856		
Multi-family	4,500	901,277	0.5			5,019		
Commercial real estate	5,872	533,593	1.1			26,217		
Commercial & industrial	23,328	425,724	5.4			_		
HELOC	892	116,544	0.8			1,598		
Consumer	2,413	126,920	1.9			9		
	\$108,700	\$ 8,084,922	1.4	%	\$	\$ 119,840		%

(1) Excludes acquired loans with sufficient discounts and covered loans

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September 30, 2014	Loans Colle	ctively Evaluated for	Loans Individually Evaluated for Impairment						
	General Reserve Allocation	General Reserve Ratio		Specific Reserve Allocation	Gross Loans Subjecto Specific Reserve (1)	Ratio			
	(In thousands)			(In thousar	nds)				
Single-family residential	\$62,067	\$ 5,487,331	1.1 %	\$	\$ 72,869		%		
Construction - speculative	6,682	130,901	5.5	60	9,159	0.7			
Construction - custom	1,695	385,464	0.5		360				
Land - acquisition & development	5,592	73,999	7.6	_	3,833	_			
Land - consumer lot loans	3,077	95,684	3.2		12,939	_			
Multi-family	4,248	911,162	0.5		6,124	_			
Commercial real estate	7,548	563,534	1.4		27,802				

Commercial & industrial	17,223	421,816	4.6				
HELOC	928	114,393	0.9		1,650		
Consumer	3,227	132,590	2.4		_	_	
	\$112,287	\$ 8,316,874	1.4	% \$60	\$ 134,736	_	%

(1) Excludes acquired loans with sufficient discounts and covered loans

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The Company has an asset quality review function that analyzes its loan portfolios and reports the results of the review to the Board of Directors on a quarterly basis. The single-family residential, HELOC and consumer portfolios are evaluated based on their performance as a pool of loans, since no single loan is individually significant or judged by its risk rating, size or potential risk of loss. The construction, land, multi-family, commercial real estate and commercial and industrial loans are risk rated on a loan by loan basis to determine the relative risk inherent in specific borrowers or loans. Based on that risk rating, the loans are assigned a grade and classified as follows:

Pass – the credit does not meet one of the definitions below.

Special mention – A special mention credit is considered to be currently protected from loss but is potentially weak. No loss of principal or interest is foreseen; however, proper supervision and Management attention is required to deter further deterioration in the credit. Assets in this category constitute some undue and unwarranted credit risk but not to the point of justifying a risk rating of substandard. The credit risk may be relatively minor yet constitutes an unwarranted risk in light of the circumstances surrounding a specific asset.

Substandard – A substandard credit is an unacceptable credit. Additionally, repayment in the normal course is in jeopardy due to the existence of one or more well defined weaknesses. In these situations, loss of principal is likely if the weakness is not corrected. A substandard asset is inadequately protected by the current sound worth and paying capacity of the borrower or of the collateral pledged, if any. Assets so classified will have a well defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. Loss potential, while existing in the aggregate amount of substandard assets, does not have to exist in individual assets risk rated substandard.

Doubtful – A credit classified doubtful has all the weaknesses inherent in one classified substandard with the added characteristic that the weakness makes collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values, highly questionable and improbable. The probability of loss is high, but because of certain important and reasonably specific pending factors that may work to the advantage and strengthening of the asset, its classification as an estimated loss is deferred until its more exact status may be determined. Pending factors include proposed merger, acquisition, or liquidation procedures, capital injection, perfecting liens on additional collateral, and refinancing plans.

Loss – Credits classified loss are considered uncollectible and of such little value that their continuance as a bankable asset is not warranted. This classification does not mean that the asset has absolutely no recovery or salvage value, but rather it is not practical or desirable to defer writing off this asset even though partial recovery may be affected in the future. Losses should be taken in the period in which they are identified as uncollectible. Partial charge-off versus full charge-off may be taken if the collateral offers some identifiable protection.

The following tables provide information on loans based on credit quality indicators (defined above) as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014.

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Credit Risk Profile by Internally Assigned Grade (excludes covered loans): December 31, 2014 Internally Assigned Grade Total							
	Pass	Special mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Gross Loans	
Non-acquired loans	(In thousands)						
Single-family residential	\$5,484,864	\$2,357	\$120,987	\$ —	\$ —	\$5,608,208	
Construction - speculative	147,979	Ψ <i>2</i> ,337	4,471	Ψ——	Ψ——	152,450	
Construction - custom	377,561	_		_		377,561	
Land - acquisition &							
development	78,428	_	5,572			84,000	
Land - consumer lot loans	103,890	_	602			104,492	
Multi-family	971,647	_	6,105			977,752	
Commercial real estate	566,553	1,955	28,928			597,436	
Commercial & industrial	333,082	13,653	44,592			391,327	
HELOC	117,799		248		_	118,047	
Consumer	126,929				_	126,929	
	8,308,732	17,965	211,505	_	_	8,538,202	
Acquired loans							
Single-family residential	11,163					11,163	
Land - acquisition &	479		393			872	
development							
Land - consumer lot loans	2,496		—		_	2,496	
Multi-family	2,954		_	_	_	2,954	
Commercial real estate	83,991	742	7,400		_	92,133	
Commercial & industrial	45,643	13,001	171	21	_	58,836	
HELOC	7,749				_	7,749	
Consumer	4,369				_	4,369	
	158,844	13,743	7,964	21		180,572	
Conditation and a series discourse							
Credit impaired acquired loans							
Pool 1 - Construction and land A&D	1,244		289			1,533	
Pool 2 - Single-family							
residential	323				_	323	
Pool 3 - Multi-family				_		_	
Pool 4 - HELOC & other							
consumer	9,256					9,256	
Pool 5 - Commercial real estate	e 48 716		11,571			60,287	
Pool 6 - Commercial &			11,5 / 1				
industrial	452	2,803	_	_	_	3,255	
Total credit impaired acquired	5 0.001	2.002	11.066			71.65	
loans	59,991	2,803	11,860	_	_	74,654	
Total gross loans	\$8,527,567	\$34,511	\$231,329	\$21	\$—	\$8,793,428	
C		*	,	•	•		

Total grade as a % of total gross 97.0 % 0.4 % 2.6 % — % — %

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September 30, 2014	Internally Assig Pass (In thousands)	gned Grade Special mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Total Gross Loans
Non-acquired loans Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom	\$5,426,895 134,950 385,824	\$2,793 — —	\$130,515 5,110	\$— —	\$— — —	\$5,560,203 140,060 385,824
Land - acquisition & development	71,692		6,140	_	_	77,832
Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family Commercial real estate Commercial & industrial HELOC Consumer	108,013 912,728 557,914 359,221 115,794 132,349 8,205,380		610 4,558 31,451 5,265 248 241 184,138			108,623 917,286 591,336 379,226 116,042 132,590 8,409,022
Acquired loans	11.716					11.716
Single-family residential Land - acquisition &	11,716		_	_	_	11,716
development	503	_	402	_		905
Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family Commercial real estate Commercial & industrial HELOC Consumer	2,507 2,999 88,974 36,311 8,274 5,670 156,954		 6,353 1,375 8,130	 58 58		2,507 2,999 97,898 51,386 8,274 5,670 181,355
Credit impaired acquired loans						
Pool 1 - Construction and land A&D	¹ 1,292	_	330	_	_	1,622
Pool 2 - Single-family residential	325	_	_	_	_	325
Pool 3 - Multi-family	_	_	_	_	_	_
Pool 4 - HELOC & other consumer	10,194	_	_	_	_	10,194
Pool 5 - Commercial real estate	48,878	2,143	12,702	_	_	63,723
Pool 6 - Commercial & industrial	643	_	2,833	_		3,476
Total credit impaired acquired loans	61,332	2,143	15,865	_	_	79,340
Total gross loans	\$8,423,666	\$37,860	\$208,133	\$58	\$—	\$8,669,717

Total grade as a % of total gross 97.2 % 0.4 % 2.4 % — % — %

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Credit Risk Profile Based on Payment Activity (excludes acquired and covered loans):

December 31, 2014	Performing Loans	s		Non-Performing	Loans	
	Amount	% of Total Gross Loans		Amount	% of Total Gross Loans	
	(In thousands)					
Single-family residential	\$5,533,792	98.7	%	\$74,416	1.3	%
Construction - speculative	151,121	99.1		1,329	0.9	
Construction - custom	377,561	100.0		_	_	
Land - acquisition & development	84,000	100.0		_	_	
Land - consumer lot loans	102,232	97.8		2,260	2.2	
Multi-family	976,733	99.9		1,019	0.1	
Commercial real estate	581,466	97.3		15,970	2.7	
Commercial & industrial	390,655	99.8		672	0.2	
HELOC	116,593	98.8		1,454	1.2	
Consumer	125,696	99.0		1,233	1.0	
	\$8,439,849	98.8	%	\$98,353	1.2	%
September 30, 2014	Performing Loans	e		Non-Performing	Loans	
September 50, 2014	I CHOITING LOans	3				
September 30, 2014		% of Total		C	% of Total	
September 30, 2014	Amount			Amount		
September 50, 2014		% of Total		C	% of Total	
•	Amount	% of Total	%	C	% of Total	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative	Amount (In thousands)	% of Total Gross Loans	%	Amount	% of Total Gross Loans	%
Single-family residential	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7	%	Amount \$74,067	% of Total Gross Loans	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136 138,583 385,824	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7 98.9	%	Amount \$74,067	% of Total Gross Loans	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136 138,583	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7 98.9 100.0	%	Amount \$74,067 1,477 —	% of Total Gross Loans 1.3 1.1	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136 138,583 385,824 77,021	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7 98.9 100.0 99.0	%	Amount \$74,067 1,477 — 811	% of Total Gross Loans 1.3 1.1 — 1.0	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136 138,583 385,824 77,021 105,986	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7 98.9 100.0 99.0 97.6	%	Amount \$74,067 1,477 — 811 2,637	% of Total Gross Loans 1.3 1.1 — 1.0 2.4	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136 138,583 385,824 77,021 105,986 915,544 586,230	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7 98.9 100.0 99.0 97.6 99.8	%	Amount \$74,067 1,477 — 811 2,637 1,742	% of Total Gross Loans 1.3 1.1 — 1.0 2.4 0.2	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family Commercial real estate	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136 138,583 385,824 77,021 105,986 915,544	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7 98.9 100.0 99.0 97.6 99.8 99.1	%	Amount \$74,067 1,477 — 811 2,637 1,742 5,106	% of Total Gross Loans 1.3 1.1 — 1.0 2.4 0.2	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family Commercial real estate Commercial & industrial HELOC	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136 138,583 385,824 77,021 105,986 915,544 586,230 379,219 115,247	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7 98.9 100.0 99.0 97.6 99.8 99.1 100.0	%	Amount \$74,067 1,477 — 811 2,637 1,742 5,106 7	% of Total Gross Loans 1.3 1.1 — 1.0 2.4 0.2 0.9 —	%
Single-family residential Construction - speculative Construction - custom Land - acquisition & development Land - consumer lot loans Multi-family Commercial real estate Commercial & industrial	Amount (In thousands) \$5,486,136 138,583 385,824 77,021 105,986 915,544 586,230 379,219	% of Total Gross Loans 98.7 98.9 100.0 99.0 97.6 99.8 99.1 100.0 99.3		Amount \$74,067 1,477 811 2,637 1,742 5,106 7 795	% of Total Gross Loans 1.3 1.1 — 1.0 2.4 0.2 0.9 — 0.7	%

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The following table provides information on impaired loan balances and the related allowances by loan types as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014:

December 31, 2014	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Investment
	(In thousands)			
With no related allowance recorded:				
Single-family residential	\$24,441	\$26,661	\$ —	\$21,251
Construction - speculative	1,006	1,201	_	1,040
Land - acquisition & development	790	2,163	_	813
Land - consumer lot loans	1,689	1,787		1,268
Multi-family	1,255	1,255	_	1,068
Commercial real estate	27,233	33,352	_	26,902
Commercial & industrial	4,429	16,320	_	3,812
HELOC	1,163	1,948	_	1,075
Consumer	651	836	_	647
	62,657	85,523	_	57,876
With an allowance recorded:				
Single-family residential	304,029	309,207	9,964	304,359
Construction - speculative	6,317	7,182	_	6,506
Land - acquisition & development	4,238	5,178	_	4,467
Land - consumer lot loans	12,231	12,614	_	12,446
Multi-family	3,492	3,492		3,828
Commercial real estate	18,028	18,896		18,072
HELOC	1,486	1,486	_	1,486
Consumer	126	297	_	85
	349,947	358,352	9,964	(1) 351,249
Total:	,	,	,	
Single-family residential	328,470	335,868	9,964	325,610
Construction - speculative	7,323	8,383	_	7,546
Land - acquisition & development	5,028	7,341	_	5,280
Land - consumer lot loans	13,920	14,401	_	13,714
Multi-family	4,747	4,747	_	4,896
Commercial real estate	45,261	52,248	_	44,974
Commercial & industrial	4,429	16,320	_	3,812
HELOC	2,649	3,434	_	2,561
Consumer	777	1,133	_	732
	\$412,604	\$443,875	\$9,964	(1) \$409,125

⁽¹⁾Included in the general reserves.

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September 30, 2014	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Investment
	(In thousands)			
With no related allowance recorded:				
Single-family residential	\$24,044	\$26,628	\$ —	\$16,843
Construction - speculative	1,603	2,173	_	1,804
Land - acquisition & development	837	2,325	_	1,038
Land - consumer lot loans	974	1,072		713
Multi-family	1,111	1,111	_	327
Commercial real estate	13,234	20,085	_	11,720
Commercial & industrial	3,195	17,166		3,900
HELOC	1,019	1,730		612
Consumer	663	833		517
	46,680	73,123		37,474
With an allowance recorded:				
Single-family residential	322,320	327,869	10,527	316,348
Construction - speculative	7,556	7,986	60	7,532
Land - acquisition & development	4,696	5,636		4,114
Land - consumer lot loans	13,002	13,385		12,858
Multi-family	5,243	5,463		4,957
Commercial real estate	34,159	35,028		18,572
HELOC	1,486	1,486		1,204
Consumer	43	214		79
	388,505	397,067	10,587	(1) 365,664
Total:				
Single-family residential	346,364	354,497	10,527	333,191
Construction - speculative	9,159	10,159	60	9,336
Land - acquisition & development	5,533	7,961	_	5,152
Land - consumer lot loans	13,976	14,457	_	13,571
Multi-family	6,354	6,574	_	5,284
Commercial real estate	47,393	55,113		30,292
Commercial & industrial	3,195	17,166		3,900
HELOC	2,505	3,216	_	1,816
Consumer	706	1,047		596
	\$435,185	\$470,190	\$10,587	(1) \$403,138

⁽¹⁾ Includes 60,000 of specific reserves and 10,527,000 included in the general reserves.

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NOTE F – New Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-11, Transfers and Servicing (Topic 860) - Repurchase to Maturity Transactions, Repurchase Financings, and Disclosures. Under this new accounting guidance, repurchase-to-maturity transactions will be accounted for as secured borrowings rather than sales of an asset, and transfers of financial assets with contemporaneous repurchase financings will no longer be evaluated to determine whether they should be accounted for on a combined basis as forward contracts. The new guidance also prescribes additional disclosures particularly on the nature of collateral pledged in repurchase financings accounted for as secured borrowings. The amendments in this update will be effective for the first interim or annual period beginning after December 31, 2014, with the exception of the collateral disclosures which will be effective for interim periods beginning after March 15, 2015. Early application is not permitted. The Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606). This new accounting guidance clarifies the principles for recognizing revenue from contracts with customers. The new accounting guidance does not apply to financial instruments. For public companies, this update will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016. The Company does not expect the new guidance to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In January 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-04, Receivables - Troubled Debt Restructurings by Creditors (Subtopic 310-40) - Reclassification of Residential Real Estate Collateralized Consumer Mortgage Loans upon Foreclosure. This new guidance clarifies that if an in substance repossession or foreclosure occurs, a creditor is considered to have received physical possession of residential real estate property collateralizing a consumer mortgage loan, upon either: (a) the creditor obtaining legal title to the residential real estate property upon completion of a foreclosure; or (b) the borrower conveying all interest in the residential real estate property to the creditor to satisfy that loan through completion of a deed in lieu of foreclosure or through a similar legal agreement. ASU 2014-04 is effective for annual and interim reporting periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2014. Adoption of the new guidance is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

NOTE G – Fair Value Measurements

U.S. GAAP defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. U.S. GAAP also establishes a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The standard describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active exchange markets that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date.

Level 2: Significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in markets that are not active and other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by

observable market data.

Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs that reflect a company's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

We have established and documented the Company's process for determining the fair values of our assets and liabilities, where applicable. Fair value is based on quoted market prices, when available, for identical or similar assets or liabilities. In the absence of quoted market prices, fair value is determined using valuation models or third-party appraisals. The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used to measure and report the fair value of financial assets and liabilities on a recurring or nonrecurring basis:

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Measured on a Recurring Basis

Securities

Securities available for sale are recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. Most securities at fair value are priced using model pricing based on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted prices as provided by an independent third party, and under the provisions of the Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification are considered a Level 2 input method. Securities that are traded on active exchanges are considered a Level 1 input method.

The following tables present the balance of assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014:

	Fair Value at December 31, 2014						
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total			
	(In thousands)						
Available-for-sale securities							
Equity securities	\$101,636	\$ —	\$ —	\$101,636			
Obligations of U.S. government		620,018	_	620,018			
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		24,068		24,068			
Corporate debt securities	_	527,938		527,938			
Mortgage-backed securities							
Agency pass-through certificates		1,527,810		1,527,810			
Other commercial MBS	_	93,586	_	93,586			
Balance at end of period	\$101,636	\$2,793,420	\$	\$2,895,056			

There were no transfers between, into and/or out of Levels 1, 2 or 3 during the quarter ended December 31, 2014.

	Fair Value at September 30, 2014						
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total			
	(In thousands)						
Available-for-sale securities							
Equity securities	\$101,387	\$ —	\$ —	\$101,387			
Obligations of U.S. government		731,943		731,943			
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		23,681		23,681			
Corporate debt securities		509,007		509,007			
Mortgage-backed securities							
Agency pass-through certificates		1,584,508		1,584,508			
Other commercial MBS		98,916		98,916			
Balance at end of period	\$101,387	\$2,948,055	\$ —	\$3,049,442			

There were no transfers between, into and/or out of Levels 1, 2 or 3 during the quarter ended September 30, 2014. Measured on a Nonrecurring Basis

Impaired Loans & Real Estate Held for Sale

From time to time, and on a nonrecurring basis, fair value adjustments to collateral-dependent loans are recorded to reflect write-downs of principal balances based on the current appraised or estimated value of the collateral. Real estate held for sale consists principally of properties acquired through foreclosure. From time to time, and on a nonrecurring basis, fair value adjustments are recorded to reflect write-downs or write-ups, but only up to the fair value of the real estate owned as of the initial transfer date, of principal balances based on the current appraised or

estimated value of the collateral.

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When management determines that the fair value of the loan collateral or the real estate held for sale requires additional adjustments, either as a result of a non-current appraisal value or when there is no observable market price, the Company classifies the impaired loan or real estate held for sale as Level 3. Level 3 assets recorded at fair value on a nonrecurring basis at December 31, 2014 included loans for which a partial charge-off was recorded based on the fair value of collateral, as well as covered REO and real estate held for sale for which fair value of the properties was less than the cost basis.

The following tables present the aggregated balance of assets measured at estimated fair value on a nonrecurring basis through the three months ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, and the total losses (gains) resulting from those fair value adjustments for the quarters ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013. These estimated fair values are shown gross of estimated selling costs.

	Through I	December 31		Quarter Ended December 31, 2014		
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Total Losses (Gains)	
	(In thousa	nds)				
Impaired loans (1)	\$	\$	\$146	\$146	\$64	
Covered REO (1)	_		1,041	1,041	75	
Real estate held for sale (2)	_		36,901	36,901	(8,312)
Balance at end of period	\$	\$	\$38,088	\$38,088	\$(8,173)

- (1) The losses represent remeasurements of collateral-dependent loans.
- (2) The gains in this period include a one-time correction of \$8.2 million (see Note A for description).

	Through December 31, 2013				Quarter Ended December 31, 2013	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Total Losses (Gains)	
	(In thousand	ds)				
Impaired loans (1)	\$—	\$	\$5,580	\$5,580	\$(805))
Covered REO (2)	_	_	1,286	1,286	65	
Real estate held for sale (2)	_	_	10,342	10,342	3,725	
Balance at end of period	\$ —	\$ —	\$17,208	\$17,208	\$2,985	

⁽¹⁾ The gains represent remeasurements of collateral-dependent loans.

There were no liabilities carried at fair value, measured on a recurring or nonrecurring basis, at December 31, 2014 or December 31, 2013.

Impaired loans - The Company adjusts the carrying amount of impaired loans when there is evidence of probable loss and the expected fair value of the loan is less than its contractual amount. The amount of the impairment may be determined based on the estimated present value of future cash flows or the fair value of the underlying collateral. Impaired loans with a specific reserve allowance based on cash flow analysis or the value of the underlying collateral are classified as Level 3 assets.

⁽²⁾ The losses represent aggregate writedowns and charge-offs on real estate held for sale.

The evaluations for impairment are prepared by the Problem Loan Review Committee, which is chaired by the Chief Credit Officer and includes the Loan Review manager and Special Credits manager, as well as senior credit officers, division managers and group executives, as applicable. These evaluations are performed in conjunction with the quarterly allowance for probable loan & lease losses process. Applicable loans that were included in the previous quarter's review are reevaluated and if their values are materially different from the prior quarter evaluation, the underlying information (loan balance and collateral value) are compared. Material differences are evaluated for reasonableness and discussions are held between the relationship manager and their division manager to understand the difference and determine if any adjustment is necessary.

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The inputs are developed and substantiated on a quarterly basis, based on current borrower developments, market conditions and collateral values. The following method is used to value impaired loans:

The fair value of the collateral, which may take the form of real estate or personal property, is based on internal estimates, field observations, assessments provided by third-party appraisers and other valuation models. The Company performs or reaffirms valuations of collateral-dependent impaired loans at least annually. Adjustments are made if management believes that more recent information is available and relevant with respect to the fair value of the collateral.

Real estate held for sale ("REO") - When a loan is reclassified from loan status to real estate held for sale due to the Company taking possession of the collateral, a Special Credits officer, along with the Special Credits manager, obtains a valuation, which may include appraisals or third-party price opinions, which is used to establish the fair value of the underlying collateral. The determined fair value, less selling costs, becomes the carrying value of the REO asset. The following method is used to value real estate held for sale:

The fair value of REO assets is re-evaluated quarterly and the REO asset is adjusted to reflect the lower of cost or fair value as necessary. After foreclosure, valuations are updated periodically and current market conditions may require the assets to be written down further or up to the cost basis established on the date of transfer. The carrying balance of REO assets are also written down or up once a bona fide offer is contractually accepted, through execution of a Purchase and Sale Agreement, where the accepted price is lower than the cost basis established on the transfer date.

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Fair Values of Financial Instruments

U. S. GAAP requires disclosure of fair value information about financial instruments, whether or not recognized on the statement of financial condition, for which it is practicable to estimate those values. Certain financial instruments and all non-financial instruments are excluded from the disclosure requirements. Accordingly, the aggregate fair value estimates presented do not reflect the underlying fair value of the Company. Although management is not aware of any factors that would materially affect the estimated fair value amounts presented below, such amounts have not been comprehensively revalued for purposes of these financial statements since the dates shown, and therefore, estimates of fair value subsequent to those dates may differ significantly from the amounts presented below.

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	Level in Fair Value Hierarchy	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
	Ž	(In thousand	s)		
Financial assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	1	\$542,769	\$542,769	\$781,843	\$781,843
Available-for-sale securities					
Equity securities	1	101,636	101,636	101,387	101,387
Obligations of U.S. government	2	620,018	620,018	731,943	731,943
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	2	24,068	24,068	23,681	23,681
Corporate debt securities	2	527,938	527,938	509,007	509,007
Mortgage-backed securities					
Agency pass-through certificates	2	1,527,810	1,527,810	1,584,508	1,584,508
Other commercial MBS	2	93,586	93,586	98,916	98,916
Total available-for-sale securities		2,895,056	2,895,056	3,049,442	3,049,442
Held-to-maturity securities					
Mortgage-backed securities					
Agency pass-through certificates	2	1,516,219	1,503,781	1,548,265	1,499,218
Total held-to-maturity securities		1,516,219	1,503,781	1,548,265	1,499,218
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Loans receivable, net Covered loans, net	3	8,253,917 161,478	8,816,245 167,129	8,148,322 176,476	8,667,771 176,761
FDIC indemnification asset		•	29,559	*	,
	3 2	30,356	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	36,860	35,976
FHLB and FRB stock	2	154,870	154,870	158,839	158,839
Financial liabilities					
Customer accounts	2	10,578,853	9,936,221	10,716,928	9,946,586
FHLB advances	2	1,830,000	1,953,751	1,930,000	2,054,437
Off balance sheet - interest rate swaps	2	_	(4,517)	_	(170)

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments: Cash and cash equivalents – The carrying amount of these items is a reasonable estimate of their fair value. Available-for-sale securities and held-to-maturity securities – Securities at fair value are primarily priced using model pricing based on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted prices as provided by an independent third

party, and under the provisions of the Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification are considered a Level 2 input method. Equity securities which are exchange traded are considered a Level 1 input method.

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Loans receivable and covered loans – For certain homogeneous categories of loans, such as fixed- and variable-rate residential mortgages, fair value is estimated for securities backed by similar loans, adjusted for differences in loan characteristics, using the same methodology described above for AFS and HTM securities. The fair value of other loan types is estimated by discounting the future cash flows and estimated prepayments using the current rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings and for the same remaining term. Some loan types were valued at carrying value because of their floating rate or expected maturity characteristics. Net deferred loan fees are not included in the fair value calculation but are included in the carrying amount. FDIC indemnification asset – The fair value of the indemnification asset is estimated by discounting the expected future cash flows using the current rates.

FHLB and FRB stock – The fair value is based upon the par value of the stock which equates to its carrying value. Customer accounts – The fair value of demand deposits, savings accounts, and money market accounts is the amount payable on demand at the reporting date. The fair value of fixed-maturity certificates of deposit is estimated by discounting the estimated future cash flows using the rates currently offered for deposits with similar remaining maturities.

FHLB advances and other borrowings – The fair value of FHLB advances and other borrowings is estimated by discounting the estimated future cash flows using rates currently available to the Company for debt with similar remaining maturities.

The following tables provide a reconciliation of amortized cost to fair value of available-for-sale and held-to-maturity securities as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014:

	December 31, 2014				
	Amortized	Gross Unreali	zed	Fair	Yield
	Cost	Gains	Losses	Value	rieiu
	(In thousands)				
Available-for-sale securities					
U.S. government and agency securities					
due					
1 to 5 years	\$120,467	\$2,396	\$(426) \$122,437	1.47
5 to 10 years	153,525	64	(5) 153,584	1.12
Over 10 years	344,088	336	(427) 343,997	1.26
Equity Securities					
Within 1 year	500	16		516	1.80
1 to 5 years	100,000	1,120		101,120	1.90
5 to 10 years		_			_
Corporate bonds due					
Within 1 year	15,000	67		15,067	1.00
1 to 5 years	302,627	1,524	(6) 304,145	0.71
5 to 10 years	158,236	1,787	(1,297) 158,726	1.42
Over 10 years	50,000	_		50,000	3.00
Municipal bonds due					
Over 10 years	20,397	3,671		24,068	6.45
Mortgage-backed securities					
Agency pass-through certificates	1,495,114	34,386	(1,690) 1,527,810	2.57
Other commercial MBS	93,533	53		93,586	1.51
	2,853,487	45,420	(3,851) 2,895,056	1.99

Held-to-maturity securities Mortgage-backed securities Agency pass-through certificates

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	September 30, 2014					
	Amortized Gross Unrealized				Fair	Yield
	Cost	Gains	Losses		Value	rieid
	(In thousands))				
Available-for-sale securities						
U.S. government and agency securities						
due						
1 to 5 years	\$171,154	\$2,585	\$(748)	\$172,991	1.26
5 to 10 years	203,317	300	(102)	203,515	1.45
Over 10 years	354,828	1,028	(419)	355,437	1.25
Equity Securities						
1 to 5 years	100,500	887	_		101,387	1.90
5 to 10 years	_	_	_		_	_
Corporate bonds due						
Within 1 year	15,000	75			15,075	1.00
1 to 5 years	302,540	2,372			304,912	0.71
5 to 10 years	138,201	1,789	(970)	139,020	1.43
Over 10 years	50,000	_			50,000	3.00
Municipal bonds due						
Over 10 years	20,402	3,279	_		23,681	6.45
Mortgage-backed securities						
Agency pass-through certificates	1,561,639	24,893	(2,024)	1,584,508	2.57
Other commercial MBS	98,851	65	_		98,916	1.49
	3,016,432	37,273	(4,263)	3,049,442	1.99
Mortgage-backed securities						
Agency pass-through certificates	1,548,265	4,855	(53,902)	1,499,218	3.13
	\$4,564,697	\$42,128	\$(58,165)	\$4,548,660	2.38
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During the quarter ended December 31, 2014, there were no available-for-sale securities sold. There were no available-for-sale securities sold during the quarter ended December 31, 2013. Substantially all agency mortgage-backed securities have contractual due dates that exceed 10 years.

The following tables show the unrealized gross losses and fair value of securities at December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014, by length of time that individual securities in each category have been in a continuous loss position. The decline in fair value is attributable to changes in interest rates. Because the Company does not intend to sell these securities and does not consider it more likely than not that it will be required to sell these securities before the recovery of amortized cost basis, which may be upon maturity, the Company does not consider these investments to be other than temporarily impaired.

December 31, 2014	Less than 12	months	12 months o	r more	Total	
	Unrealized Gross Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Gross Losse	Fair s Value	Unrealized Gross Losses	Fair Value
	(In thousand	s)				
Corporate bonds due	\$(406	\$72,688	\$(897	\$24,104	\$(1,303)	\$96,792
_	(422	246,045	(436	99,564	(858)	345,609

%

U.S. government and agency

securities due

Agency pass-through certificates (421) 62,689 (22,791) 1,332,778 (23,212) 1,395,467 \$(1,249) \$381,422 \$(24,124) \$1,456,446 \$(25,373) \$1,837,868

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September 30, 2014	Less than	Less than 12 months		12 months or more		
	Unrealize Gross Losses	d Fair Value	Unrealize Gross Lo	ed Fair ssesValue	Unrealized Gross Losses	Fair Value
	(In thousa	nds)				
Corporate bonds due	\$(125) \$24,875	\$(845) \$24,155	\$(970) \$49,030
U.S. government and agency securities due	(472) 316,578	(797) 109,354	(1,269) 425,932
Agency pass-through certificates	(215 \$(812) 19,212) \$360,665	(55,711 \$(57,353) 1,509,209) \$1,642,718	(55,926 \$(58,165) 1,528,421) \$2,003,383

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NOTE H - Covered Assets

Covered assets represent loans and real estate held for sale acquired from the FDIC that are subject to loss sharing agreements and were \$180,883,000 as of December 31, 2014, versus \$200,558,000 as of September 30, 2014. Changes in the carrying amount and accretable yield for acquired impaired and non-impaired loans for the quarter ended December 31, 2014 and the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014 were as follows:

December 31, 2014	Acquired Impaire Accretable Yield	d Carrying Amount of Loans	Acquired Non-im Accretable Yield	paired Carrying Amount of Loans	
Balance at beginning of period Accretion Transfers to REO Payments received, net Balance at end of period	(In thousands) \$64,534 (4,509) — — \$60,025	\$78,055 4,509 (51) (4,025) \$78,488	\$10,259 (1,909) — — \$8,350	\$98,422 1,909 — (16,942 \$83,389)
September 30, 2014	Acquired Impaire Accretable Yield	d Carrying Amount of Loans	Acquired Non-im Accretable Yield	paired Carrying Amount of Loans	
Balance at beginning of period Reclassification from nonaccretable balance, net	(In thousands) \$78,277 10,186	\$138,091 (2,069)	\$17,263 —	\$157,856 —	
Accretion Transfers to REO Payments received, net Balance at end of period	(23,929) — — \$64,534	23,929 (8,943) (72,953) \$78,055	(7,004) — — \$10,259	7,004 — (66,438 \$98,422)

At December 31, 2014, none of the acquired impaired or non-impaired loans were classified as non-performing assets. Therefore, interest income, through accretion of the difference between the carrying amount of the loans and the expected cash flows, was recognized on all acquired loans. The allowance for credit losses related to the acquired loans results from decreased expectations of future cash flows due to increased credit losses for certain acquired loan pools.

The outstanding principal balance of acquired loans was \$192,637,000 and \$213,203,000 as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014, respectively. The discount balance related to the acquired loans was \$28,916,000 and \$34,483,000 as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014, respectively.

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The following table shows the year to date activity for the FDIC indemnification asset:

	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	
	(In thousands)		
Balance at beginning of fiscal year 2014 and 2013	\$36,860	\$64,615	
Additions	_	1,795	
Payments made (received)	430	(2,502)
Amortization	(7,074)	(27,850)
Accretion	140	802	
Balance at end of period	\$30,356	\$36,860	

The following tables provide information on covered loans based on credit quality indicators (defined in Note E) as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014:

December 31, 2014 Purchased non credit-impaired	Internally A Pass (In thousand	Loss			Total Net Loans				
loans:									
Single-family residential	\$20,664	\$ <i>-</i>		\$1,212	\$ —		\$ —		\$21,876
Land - acquisition & development	353	_		36	_		_		389
Land - consumer lot loans	73	_			_		_		73
Multi-family	4,250	_			_		_		4,250
Commercial real estate	25,317	_		14,810	_		_		40,127
Commercial & industrial	2,476	_		2,635	_				5,111
HELOC	11,226								11,226
Consumer	393								393
	64,752	_		18,693	_		_		83,445
Total grade as a % of total net loans	77.6	ю́ —	%	22.4	% —	%	_	%	
Purchased credit-impaired loan	ıs:								
Pool 1 - Construction and land A&D	7,128			12,142					19,270
Pool 2 - Single-family residential	15,061	_		324	_		_		15,385
Pool 3 - Multi-family	51	_		440					491
Pool 4 - HELOC & other consumer	2,772	_		1,167	_		_		3,939
Pool 5 - Commercial real estat	e33,543	692		28,437					62,672
Pool 6 - Commercial & industrial	3,125	_		3,793	517		_		7,435

\$61,680	\$ 692	\$46,303	\$517	\$ —	109,192	
			Total cov	ered loans	192,637	
				Discount	(28,916)
				Allowance	(2,243)
				Covered	\$161,478	
				loans, net	\$101,476	

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September 30, 2014	Internally A Pass (In thousand	Assigned Grade Special mention ds)	onSubstandard	Doubtful	Loss	Total Net Loans
Purchased non credit-impaired loans:						
Single-family residential	\$21,311	\$ —	\$1,756	\$ —	\$ —	\$23,067
Land - acquisition & development	972	_	392	_	_	1,364
Land - consumer lot loans	73	_	_	_		73
Multi-family	6,598					6,598
Commercial real estate	26,940	115	24,281		_	51,336
Commercial & industrial	2,801		2,691			5,492
HELOC	11,777					11,777
Consumer	454	_		_	_	454
	70,926	115	29,120	_	_	100,161
Total grade as a % of total net loans	70.8 %	0.1 %	29.1 %	_ %	_ %	
Purchased credit-impaired loans	•					
Pool 1 - Construction and land A&D	8,349	_	11,912	_	_	20,261
Pool 2 - Single-family residentia	115,585	_	379		_	15,964
Pool 3 - Multi-family	52		471	_	_	523
Pool 4 - HELOC & other consumer	2,804	_	1,173	_	_	3,977
Pool 5 - Commercial real estate	33,909	700	29,782	_	_	64,391
Pool 6 - Commercial & industria	13,509	_	3,892	525	_	7,926
	\$64,208	\$700	\$47,609	\$525 Total covered	\$— loans Discount Allowance Covered loans, net	113,042 213,203 (34,483) (2,244) \$176,476

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The following tables provide an analysis of the age of purchased non credit-impaired loans in past due status as of December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014:

December 31, 2014	Amount of Loans	% based						
Type of Loans	Net of LIP & Chg(In thousands)	Offisrrent	30	60	90	Total	on \$	
Single-Family Residentia		\$21,306	\$27	\$201	\$342	\$570	2.61	%
Land - Acquisition & Development	389	353	_	_	36	36	9.25	
Land - Consumer Lot Loans	73	73	_	_	_	_	_	
Multi-Family	4,250	4,250						
Commercial Real Estate	40,127	40,127						
Commercial & Industrial	5,111	5,111					_	
HELOC	11,226	11,197	29			29	0.26	
Consumer	393	390		3		3	0.76	
	\$83,445	\$82,807	\$56	\$204	\$378	\$638	0.76	%
September 30, 2014		Days Delin	•		3	% based		
Type of Loans	Net of LIP & Chg(In thousands)	Offisrrent	30	60	90	Total	on \$	
Single-Family Residentia	,	\$22,391	\$230	\$40	\$406	\$676	2.93	%
Land - Acquisition & Development	1,364	1,328	_	_	36	36	2.64	
Land - Consumer Lot Loans	73	73	_	_	_	_	_	
Multi-Family	6,598	5,502			1,096	1,096	16.61	
Commercial Real Estate	51,336	51,336						
Commercial & Industrial	5,492	5,492					_	
HELOC	11,777	11,777					_	
Consumer	454	443	11	_		11	2.42	
	\$100,161	\$98,342	\$241	\$40	\$1,538	\$1,819	1.82	%

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The Bank periodically enters into certain commercial loan interest rate swap agreements in order to provide commercial loan customers the ability to convert from variable to fixed interest rate payments, while the bank retains a variable rate loan. Under these agreements, the Bank enters into a variable-rate loan agreement with a customer in addition to a swap agreement. This swap agreement effectively converts the customer's variable rate loan into a fixed rate. The Bank then enters into a corresponding swap agreement with a third party in order to offset its exposure on the variable and fixed components of the customer agreement. As the interest rate swap agreements with the customers and third parties are not designated as hedges under ASC 815, the Derivatives and Hedging topic, the instruments are marked to market in earnings.

The notional amount of open interest rate swap agreements at December 31, 2014 was \$291,896,000 compared to \$264,169,000 as of September 30, 2014. There was no impact to the statement of operations for the three months ended December 31, 2014 as the asset and liability side of the swaps offset each other. The fee income related to swaps was \$196,000 for the Quarter Ended December 31, 2014.

Additionally, the Bank had \$200,000,000 in forward starting interest rate swaps to hedge future borrowing rates. Their impact on accumulated other comprehensive income as of December 31, 2014 was an after-tax loss of \$2,857,000. The following table presents the fair value and balance sheet classification of derivatives at December 31, 2014 and September 30, 2014:

	Asset Derivatives				Liability Derivatives				
	December 31, 2014		September 30, 2014		December 3	31, 2014	September 30, 2014		
	Location	Fair Value	Location	Fair Value	Location	Fair Value	Location	Fair Value	
	(In thousan	ds)							
Interest rate	Other	\$5,626	Other	\$2,879	Other	\$5,626	Other	\$2,879	
contracts	assets	Ψ3,020	assets	\$2,679	liabilities	Ψ3,020	liabilities	Ψ2,077	
Long term borrowing	Other assets	_	Other assets	_	Other liabilities	4,517	Other liabilities	_	
hedge	assets		assets		naomnics		Hadilities		

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FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

In addition to historical information, this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes certain "forward-looking statements," as defined in the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, based on current management expectations. Actual results could differ materially from those management expectations. Such forward-looking statements include statements regarding the Company's intentions, beliefs or current expectations as well as the assumptions on which such statements are based. Stockholders and potential stockholders are cautioned that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks and uncertainties, and that actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause future results to vary from current management expectations include, but are not limited to: general economic conditions; legislative and regulatory changes, including without limitation the potential effect of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and regulations being promulgated thereunder; monetary fiscal policies of the federal government; changes in tax policies; rates and regulations of federal, state and local tax authorities; changes in interest rates; deposit flows; cost of funds; demand for loan products; demand for financial services; competition; changes in the quality or composition of the Company's loan and investment portfolios; changes in accounting principles; policies or guidelines and other economic, competitive, governmental and technological factors affecting the Company's operations, markets, products, services and fees. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect changed assumptions, the occurrence of unanticipated events or changes to future operating results over time.

GENERAL

Washington Federal, Inc., formed in 1994, is a Washington corporation headquartered in Seattle, Washington. The Company is a bank holding company that conducts its operations through a federally-insured national bank subsidiary, Washington Federal, National Association. The Bank converted from a federal savings association to a national bank charter with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency on July 17, 2013. At the same time, the Company which had previously been a savings and loan holding company, became a bank holding company under the Bank Holding Company Act.

The Company's fiscal year end is September 30th. All references to 2014 and 2013 represent balances as of September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013, respectively, or activity for the fiscal years then ended. INTEREST RATE RISK

Based on Management's assessment of the current interest rate environment, the Bank has taken steps to reduce its interest rate risk profile compared to its historical norms, including growing shorter-term business loans, transaction deposit accounts and extending the maturity on borrowings. Last year's branch acquisitions accelerated these efforts. The mix of transaction accounts is now 52% of total deposits. The Bank has also been purchasing more variable rate investments. The composition of the investment portfolio is now 46% variable and 54% fixed rate. In addition, \$1,516,219,000 of its purchased 30-year fixed rate mortgage-backed securities have been designated as held-to-maturity. With rising interest rates, these securities may be subject to unrealized losses. As of December 31, 2014, the net unrealized losses on these securities was \$12,438,000. The net unrealized gain on the Available for sale securities of \$2,853,487,000 was \$41,569,000 as of December 31, 2014. The Bank has executed \$200,000,000 in forward starting interest rate swaps to hedge future borrowing rates. The net unrealized loss on the interest rate swaps as of December 31, 2014 was \$4,517,000. These are pre-tax net unrealized gains/(losses).

The Company relies on various measures of interest rate risk, including an asset/liability maturity gap analysis, the sensitivity of net interest income under various rate change scenarios, and the impact of interest rate changes on the net portfolio value ("NPV") the Company.

Maturity Gap (Term to Reprice) Analysis. At December 31, 2014, the Company had approximately \$1,593,442,000 more in liabilities subject to repricing in the next year than assets, which amounted to a negative one-year maturity gap of 11.0% of total assets. This was an decrease from the 11.3% negative gap as of September 30, 2014. A negative maturity gap implies that funding costs will change more rapidly than interest income on earning assets with movement in interest rates. A negative maturity gap typically results in lower margins when interest rates rise and higher margins when interest rates decline. Gap analysis provides management with a high-level indication of interest rate risk, but is considered less reliable than more detailed modeling.

Net Interest Income Sensitivity. The potential impact of rising interest rates on net interest income in the future under various rate change scenarios is estimated using a model that is based on account level detail for loans and deposits. In the event of an immediate and parallel increase of 200 basis points in both short and long-term interest rates, the model estimates that net interest income will decrease by 1.4% in the next year. This compares to an estimated decrease of 1.5% in the prior quarter's analysis. In the event

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of a gradual increase from current rates by 200 basis points over a twelve-month period, the model forecasts a decrease in net interest income of 2.2% in the first year. This analysis assumes zero balance sheet growth and a constant percentage composition of assets and liabilities. It also assumes that loan and deposit prices respond in full to the increase in market rates. Actual results will differ from the assumptions used in this model, as Management monitors and adjusts loan and deposit pricing and the size and composition of the balance sheet to respond to changing interest rates.

NPV Sensitivity. The NPV is an estimate of the market of value of shareholder's equity. It is derived by calculating the difference between the present value of expected cash flows from interest-earning assets and the present value of expected cash flows from interest-paying liabilities and off-balance-sheet contracts. The sensitivity of the NPV to changes in interest rates provides a longer term view of interest rate risk as it incorporates all future expected cash flows. In the event of an immediate and parallel increase of 200 basis points in interest rates, the NPV is estimated to decline by \$531,000,000 or 18.9% and the NPV to total assets ratio to decline to 16.56% from a base of 18.99%. As of September 30, 2014, the NPV in the event of a 200 basis point increase in rates was estimated to decline by \$598,000,000 or 21.7% and the NPV to total assets ratio to decline to 15.68% from a base of 18.53%. The decreased NPV sensitivity and higher base NPV ratio is due to lower interest rates and higher prices as of December 31, 2014. Interest Rate Spread. The interest rate spread increased to 2.74% at December 31, 2014 from 2.66% at September 30, 2014. The spread increased due to an increase in the average rate on investment securities and decline in the average rate of borrowings. As of December 31, 2014, the weighted average rate on customer deposit accounts and borrowings decreased by 3 basis points compared to September 30, 2014, while the weighted average rates on earning assets increased by 5 basis points over the same period.

Net Interest Margin. The net interest margin decreased to 3.01% for the quarter ended December 31, 2014 from 3.12% for the quarter ended December 31, 2013. The yield on earning assets declined 24 basis points to 3.89% and the cost of interest bearing liabilities declined 15 basis points to 0.98%. The greater decline in the yield on earning assets was due to lower loan yields on new originations compared to prepaying and maturing loans. In addition, there is a greater portion of floating rate loans and securities than in the prior year.

The following table sets forth the information explaining the changes in the net interest margin for the periods indicated compared to the same periods one year ago.

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A	December 31, 20 Average Balance (In thousands)	014 Interest	Average Rate		December 31, 20 Average Balance (In thousands)	O13 Interest	Average Rate	
Assets Loans and covered loans	\$8,367,285	\$108,293	5.13	%	\$7,826,159	\$107,227	5.44	%
Mortgaged-backed securities	3,191,365	19,175	2.38		3,129,915	19,368	2.46	
Cash & Investments FHLB & FRB stock	1,876,824 158,194	5,415 401	1.14 1.01		1,474,296 172,607	4,261 402	1.15 0.92	
Total interest-earning assets	13,593,668	133,284	3.89	%	12,602,977	131,258	4.13	%
Other assets Total assets	1,062,770 \$14,656,438				946,963 \$13,549,940			
Liabilities and Equity								
Customer accounts	\$10,680,974	\$13,445	0.50	%	\$9,538,339	\$15,499	0.64	%
FHLB advances	1,920,217	17,656	3.65		2,030,000	17,447	3.41	
Other borrowings	_		_		_	_	_	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	12,601,191	31,101	0.98	%	11,568,339	32,946	1.13	%
Other liabilities	95,026				28,618			
Total liabilities	12,696,217				11,596,957			
Stockholder's equity	1,960,221				1,952,983			
Total liabilities and equity	\$14,656,438				\$13,549,940			
Net interest income		\$102,183				\$98,312		
Net interest margin			3.01	%			3.12	%

As of December 31, 2014, total assets decreased by \$261,285,000 to \$14,494,756,000 compared to \$14,756,041,000 at September 30, 2014. For the quarter ended December 31, 2014, compared to September 30, 2014, loans (both non-covered and covered) increased \$90,597,000, or 1.1%. Investment securities decreased \$186,432,000, or 4.1%. Cash and cash equivalents of \$542,769,000 and stockholders' equity of \$1,981,339,000 as of December 31, 2014 provides management with flexibility in managing interest rate risk going forward.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Company's net worth at December 31, 2014 was \$1,981,339,000, or 13.67% of total assets. This was an increase of \$8,056,000 from September 30, 2014 when net worth was \$1,973,283,000, or 13.37% of total assets. The

Company's net worth was impacted in the three months ended December 31, 2014 by net income of \$38,407,000, cash dividends of \$10,159,000, treasury stock purchases that totaled \$24,326,000, as well as an increase in other comprehensive income of \$2,727,000.

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Management believes this strong net worth position will help the Company manage its inherent risks and resultant profitability and provide the capital support needed for controlled growth in a regulated environment. To be categorized as well capitalized, Washington Federal must maintain minimum total risk-based, Tier 1 risk-based and Tier 1 leverage ratios as set forth in the following table.

							Categorized as			
	A			Capital			Well Capi	talized U	nder	
	Actual			Adequacy	Guideline	S	Prompt Co	orrective		
				1 0			Action Provisions			
	Capital	Ratio		Capital	Ratio		Capital	Ratio		
	(In thousand	ds)		•			•			
December 31, 2014		ŕ								
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets)										
The Company	\$1,741,484	23.51	%	\$592,659	8.00	%	NA	NA		
The Bank	1,715,440	23.16	%	592,596	8.00	%	\$740,745	10.00	%	
Tier I capital (to risk-weighted assets)										
The Company	1,648,120	22.25	%	296,330	4.00	%	NA	NA		
The Bank	1,622,086	21.90	%	296,298	4.00	%	444,447	6.00	%	
Tier I Capital (to average assets)										
The Company	1,648,120	11.51	%	572,941	4.00	%	NA	NA		
The Bank	1,622,086	11.33	%	572,648	4.00	%	715,810	5.00	%	
September 30, 2014										
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets)										
The Company	1,739,658	23.97	0/0	580,671	8.00	0/0	NA	NA		
The Bank	1,750,179	24.11		580,772	8.00		725,965	10.00	%	
Tier I capital (to risk-weighted assets)	1,750,177	27.11	70	300,772	0.00	70	123,703	10.00	70	
The Company	1,648,199	22.71	%	290,335	4.00	%	NA	NA		
The Bank	1,658,704	22.85	%	290,386	4.00		435,579	6.00	%	
Tier I Capital (to average assets)	1,000,701		, .	- > 0,000		, 0	.00,07	0.00	, 0	
The Company	1,648,199	11.39	%	578,804	4.00	%	NA	N/A		
The Bank	1,658,704	11.46		578,816	4.00		723,520	5.00	%	

In July 2013, federal banking agencies released new regulatory capital rules which became effective January 1, 2015. These new rules raise the minimum capital ratios and establish new criteria for regulatory capital. The Company has estimated its capital ratios using the new rules and does not expect this change to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

The Company's cash and cash equivalents amounted to \$542,769,000 at December 31, 2014, a decrease from \$781,843,000 at September 30, 2014. The Company is holding higher than normal amounts of liquidity due to concern about potentially rising interest rates in the future. Additionally, see "Interest Rate Risk" above and the "Statement of Cash Flows" included in the financial statements.

CHANGES IN FINANCIAL CONDITION

Available-for-sale and held-to-maturity securities: Available-for-sale securities decreased \$154,386,000, or 5.1%, during the three months ended December 31, 2014, which included the purchase of \$41,225,000 of available-for-sale securities. There were no available-for-sale securities sold during the three months ended December 31, 2014. During the same period, there were no held-to-maturity securities purchased or sold. As of December 31, 2014, the Company

Categorized as

had net unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities of \$26,292,000, net of tax, which were recorded as part of stockholders' equity.

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Loans receivable: During the three months ended December 31, 2014, the balance of loans receivable increased to \$8,253,917,000 compared to \$8,148,322,000 at September 30, 2014. This increase includes net loan activity (originations and purchases less principal payments and maturities) for non covered loans of \$105,595,000. During the three month period, \$8,852,000 of loans were transferred to REO.

Covered loans: As of December 31, 2014, covered loans decreased 8.5%, or \$14,998,000 to \$161,478,000, compared to September 30, 2014 due primarily to principal payments and maturities. The FDIC loss share coverage for the majority of these loans will expire during fiscal year 2015. If all FDIC loss share coverage had expired as of December 31, 2014, the NPA ratio would increase from 1.13% to 1.33% and the delinquency rate would rise from 1.47% to 1.61%.

The following table shows the loan portfolio by category for the last three quarters.

Loan Portfolio by Category *	December 31	, 2014	September 30	0, 2014	June 30, 2014	
Non-Acquired loans	(In thousands	s)	-			
Single-family residential	\$5,608,208	63.9 %	\$5,560,203	64.1 %	\$5,466,771	64.7
Construction - speculative	152,450	1.7	140,060	1.6	126,926	1.5
Construction - custom	377,561	4.3	385,824	4.5	372,789	4.4
Land - acquisition &	84,000	1.0	77 922	0.9	88,319	1.1
development	64,000	1.0	77,832	0.9	00,319	1.1
Land - consumer lot loans	104,492	1.2	108,623	1.3	111,919	1.4
Multi-family	977,752	11.2	917,286	10.6	893,742	10.6
Commercial real estate	597,436	6.8	591,336	6.9	523,850	6.2
Commercial & industrial	391,327	4.5	379,226	4.4	333,552	3.9
HELOC	118,047	1.3	116,042	1.4	117,177	1.4
Consumer	126,929	1.4	132,590	1.5	132,062	1.5
Total non-acquired loans	8,538,202	97.3	8,409,022	97.2	8,167,107	96.7
Acquired loans						
Single-family residential	11,163	0.1	11,716	0.1	12,014	0.2
Land - acquisition &	872		905		1,069	
development	012		903		1,009	_
Land - consumer lot loans	2,496	_	2,507	_	2,654	_
Multi-family	2,954	_	2,999	_	3,057	_
Commercial real estate	92,133	1.0	97,898	1.1	103,215	1.1
Commercial & industrial	58,836	0.7	51,386	0.6	60,349	0.7
HELOC	7,749	0.1	8,274	0.1	8,469	0.1
Consumer	4,369	_	5,670	0.1	6,427	0.1
Total acquired loans	180,572	1.9	181,355	2.0	197,254	2.2
Credit-impaired acquired loans						
Single-family residential	323		325		326	_
Land - acquisition &	1,533		1,622		1,670	
development	1,333		1,022		1,070	_
Commercial real estate	60,287	0.7	63,723	0.7	66,356	0.9
Commercial & industrial	3,255	_	3,476	_	4,280	0.1
HELOC	9,202	0.1	10,139	0.1	10,658	0.1
Consumer	54	_	55	_	58	_
	74,654	0.8	79,340	0.8	83,348	1.1

%

Total credit-impaired acquired

loans

Total loans

Single-family residential	5,619,694	64.0	5,572,244	64.2	5,479,111	64.9
Construction - speculative	152,450	1.7	140,060	1.6	126,926	1.5
Construction - custom	377,561	4.3	385,824	4.5	372,789	4.4

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Land - acquisition &	86,405	1.0	80,359	0.9	91,058	1.1	
development	60,403	1.0	00,339	0.9	91,036	1.1	
Land - consumer lot loans	106,988	1.2	111,130	1.3	114,573	1.4	
Multi-family	980,706	11.2	920,285	10.6	896,799	10.6	
Commercial real estate	749,856	8.5	752,957	8.7	693,421	8.2	
Commercial & industrial	453,418	5.2	434,088	5.0	398,181	4.7	
HELOC	134,998	1.5	134,455	1.6	136,304	1.6	
Consumer	131,352	1.4	138,315	1.6	138,547	1.6	
Total loans	8,793,428	100	% 8,669,717	100	% 8,447,709	100	%
Less:							
Allowance for probable losses	108,700		112,347		114,150		
Loans in process	370,655		346,172		303,084		
Discount on acquired loans	22,535		25,391		28,480		
Deferred net origination fees	37,621		37,485		36,041		
	539,511		521,395		481,755		
	\$8,253,917		\$8,148,322		\$7,965,954		

^{*} Excludes covered loans

Non-performing assets: Non-performing assets ("NPA's"), which excludes discounted acquired assets, increased during the quarter ended December 31, 2014 to \$164,317,173 from \$147,310,850 at September 30, 2014, an 11.5% increase. The increase was largely attributable to a single commercial loan, at a balance of \$15,127,000, which subsequently paid off in full during the current quarter. Non-performing assets as a percentage of total assets was 1.13% at December 31, 2014 compared to 1.00% at September 30, 2014.

The continued elevated level of NPAs is a result of the significant decline in housing values in the western United States and the national recession which began in 2007. This level of NPAs remains higher than the 0.96% average in the Company's 29+ year history as a public company.

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The following table sets forth information regarding restructured and non-accrual loans and REO held by the Company at the dates indicated.

	December 31, 2014 (In thousands)			September 30 2014	0,	
Restructured loans:	,					
Single-family residential	\$304,784	86.6	%	\$323,732	86.3	%
Construction - speculative	6,651	1.9		7,360	2.0	
Land - acquisition & development	4,238	1.2		4,737	1.3	
Land - consumer lot loans	12,528	3.6		13,002	3.5	
Multi - family	4,141	1.2		5,243	1.4	
Commercial real estate	18,028	5.1		19,140	5.1	
HELOC	1,486	0.4		1,486	0.4	
Consumer	126			43	_	
Total restructured loans (1)	351,982	100	%	374,743	100	%
Non-accrual loans:						
Single-family residential	74,415	75.7	%	74,067	84.8	%
Construction - speculative	1,329	1.4		1,477	1.7	
Land - consumer lot loans	2,260	2.3		2,637	3.0	
Multi-family	1,019	1.0		1,742	2.0	
Commercial real estate	15,970	16.2		5,106	5.8	
Commercial & industrial	673	0.7		7	_	
HELOC	1,454	1.5		795	0.9	
Consumer	1,233	1.3		789	0.9	
Total non-accrual loans (2)	98,353	100	%	87,431	100	%
Total REO (3)	61,970			55,072		
Total REHI (3)	3,994			4,808		
Total non-performing assets	\$164,317			\$147,311		
Total non-performing assets and						
performing restructured loans as a	3.44	%		3.37	%	
percentage of total assets						
(1) Restructured loans were as follows	•					
Performing	\$333,854	94.8	%	\$350,653	93.6	%
Non-accrual *	18,128	5.2		24,090	6.4	
	\$351,982	100	%	\$374,743	100	%

^{*}Included in "Total non-accrual loans" above

⁽²⁾ The Company received interest income on nonaccrual loans of approximately \$2,001,000 in the three months ended December 31, 2014. Had these loans performed according to their original contract terms, the Company would have recognized interest income of approximately \$1,089,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2014. The received interest income may include more than three months of interest for some of the loans that were brought current. In addition to the nonaccrual loans reflected in the above table, at December 31, 2014 the Company had \$87,842,000 of loans that were less than 90 days delinquent but which it had classified as

substandard for one or more reasons. If these loans were deemed non-performing, the Company's ratio of total NPAs and performing restructured loans as a percent of total assets would have increased to 4.04% at December 31, 2014.

(3) Total REO and REHI includes real estate held for sale acquired in settlement of loans or acquired from purchased institutions in settlement of loans. Excludes covered REO.

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Restructured single-family residential loans are reserved for under the Company's general reserve methodology. If any individual loan is significant in balance, the Company may establish a specific reserve as warranted. Most restructured loans are accruing and performing loans where the borrower has proactively approached the Company about modifications due to temporary financial difficulties. Each request is individually evaluated for merit and likelihood of success. Single-family residential loans comprised 86.6% of restructured loans as of December 31, 2014. The concession for these loans is typically a payment reduction through a rate reduction of from 100 to 200 bps for a specific term, usually six to twelve months. Interest-only payments may also be approved during the modification period.

For commercial loans, six consecutive payments on newly restructured loan terms are required prior to returning the loan to accrual status. In some instances after the required six consecutive payments are made, a management assessment will conclude that collection of the entire principal balance is still in doubt. In those instances, the loan will remain on non-accrual. Homogeneous loans may or may not be on accrual status at the time of restructuring, but all are placed on accrual status upon the restructuring of the loan. Homogeneous loans are restructured only if the borrower can demonstrate the ability to meet the restructured payment terms; otherwise, collection is pursued and the loan remains on non-accrual status until liquidated. If the homogeneous restructured loan does not perform it will be placed in non-accrual status when it is 90 days delinquent.

A loan that defaults and is subsequently modified would impact the Company's delinquency trend, which is part of the qualitative risk factors component of the general reserve calculation. Any modified loan that re-defaults and is charged-off would impact the historical loss factors component of our general reserve calculation.

Allocation of the allowance for loan losses: The following table shows the allocation of the Company's allowance for loan losses at the dates indicated.

	December 31, 2014			September 30, 2014						
	Amount	Loans to Coverage		Amount	Amount	Loans to		Coverage		
	Amount	Total Loans	(1)	Ratio (2)		Amount	Total Loans	(1)	Ratio (2)	
	(In					(In				
	thousands)					thousands)				
Single-family residential	\$55,495	69.4	%	1.0	%	\$62,763	65.6	%	1.1	%
Construction - speculative	e5,451	1.2		5.7		6,742	1.7		5.2	
Construction - custom	965	2.4		0.5		1,695	4.6		0.5	
Land - acquisition &	6,671	0.9		9.5		5,592	0.9		7.2	
development	0,071	0.7		7.5		3,372	0.7		1.2	
Land - consumer lot loans	s3,113	1.3		3.0		3,077	1.3		2.8	
Multi-family	4,500	11.2		0.5		4,248	10.9		0.5	
Commercial real estate	5,872	6.9		1.0		7,548	7.0		1.3	
Commercial & industrial	23,328	3.6		5.4		16,527	5.0		4.6	
HELOC	892	1.5		0.8		928	1.4		0.9	
Consumer	2,413	1.6		1.9		3,227	1.6		2.4	
	\$108,700	100	%			\$112,347	100	%		

⁽¹⁾ Represents the total amount of the loan category as a % of total gross non-acquired and non-covered loans outstanding.

Represents the allocated allowance as a % of total gross non-acquired or covered loans outstanding for the same loan category.

Real Estate Held for Sale: Real estate held for sale increased during the quarter by \$6,898,000 to \$61,970,000, including upward net market value adjustments from prior period corrections of \$8,164,000 which are partially offset by a net decline in balances due to current period activities.

Interest Receivable: Interest receivable decreased by \$11,280,000, primarily as a result of the correction for the over-accrual of interest income of \$8,872,000 that had accumulated since fiscal 2011 and was recently detected. Management believes this error and correction had no material impact to any prior reporting period.

Bank Owned Life Insurance: The Company purchased \$100,000,000 in bank-owned life insurance, with a pro forma 2015 pre-tax equivalent yield of 5.14%, to assist in funding the growth of employee benefit costs.

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Customer accounts: Customer accounts decreased \$138,075,000, or 1.29%, to \$10,578,853,000 at December 31, 2014 compared with \$10,716,928,000 at September 30, 2014.

The following table shows the composition of the Company's customer accounts by deposit type as of the dates shown:

-	December 31, 2014 (In thousands)			September 30, 2014						
				Wtd. A	vg.				Wtd. A	vg.
				Rate					Rate	
Non-interest checking	\$870,981	8.2	%		%	\$883,601	8.2	%		%
Interest checking	1,436,922	13.6		0.06	%	1,447,569	13.5		0.09	%
Savings (passbook/stmt)	640,731	6.1		0.10	%	622,546	5.8		0.10	%
Money Market	2,515,564	23.8		0.18	%	2,536,971	23.7		0.18	%
CD's	5,114,655	48.3		0.91	%	5,226,241	48.8		0.92	%
Total	\$10,578,853	100	%	0.50	%	\$10,716,928	100	%	0.51	%

FHLB advances and other borrowings: Total borrowings were \$1,830,000,000 as of December 31, 2014 which is a decrease of \$100,000,000 compared to the balance of \$1,930,000,000 as of September 30, 2014, due to a repayment of a FHLB advance with a maturity date of September 2015, resulting in a prepayment penalty of \$2,600,000. The Company has a credit line with the FHLB Seattle equal to 50% of total assets, providing a substantial source of liquidity if needed. FHLB advances are collateralized as provided for in the Advances, Pledge and Security Agreement by all FHLB stock owned by the Company, deposits with the FHLB and certain mortgages or deeds of trust securing such properties as provided in the agreements with the FHLB.

The Federal Housing Finance Agency has approved the merger application submitted by the Federal Home Loan Banks of Seattle and Des Moines to merge, and the next step in the process is ratification of the merger agreement by the members of both banks. The Company does not expect this change to have a material impact on its borrowing or liquidity position.

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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net Income: The quarter ended December 31, 2014 produced net income of \$38,407,000 compared to \$40,236,000 for the same quarter one year ago. Net income for the quarter ended December 31, 2014 was lower by \$1,829,000 due to higher expenses that were partially offset by higher net interest margin, a slight gain instead of losses on sales of real estate acquired through foreclosure and additional recovery of loan loss provisions. Please see the related discussions below about these changes.

Net Interest Income: Net interest income increased to \$102,183,000 for the quarter ended December 31, 2014, compared to \$98,312,000 for the same quarter one year ago. This main reason is that average earning assets are higher by \$990,691,000 as a result of the loans and investments that were made with the lower costing liabilities from last year's branch acquisitions. The net interest margin declined to 3.01% from 3.12% in the same quarter of the prior year as the decline in the yield on interest earning assets of 24 bps has been more than the decline in the cost of funds of 15 bps.

The following table sets forth certain information explaining changes in interest income and interest expense for the periods indicated compared to the same periods one year ago. For each category of interest-earning asset and interest-bearing liability, information is provided on changes attributable to (1) changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by old rate) and (2) changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by old volume). The change in interest income and interest expense attributable to changes in both volume and rate has been allocated proportionately to the change due to volume and the change due to rate.

Interest Rate and Volume Analysis of Net Interest Income:

Comparison of Quarters Ended				
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⁽¹⁾ Includes interest on cash equivalents and dividends on FHLB stock

Provision (Reversal) for Loan Losses: The Company recorded a \$5,500,000 reversal for loan losses during the quarter ended December 31, 2014, while a \$4,600,000 reversal was recorded for the same quarter one year ago. The reversal of the provision for loan losses in the recent quarter is the result of the continued improvement of the Company's loan portfolio. The Company had net recoveries of \$841,000 for the quarter ended December 31, 2014, compared with \$6,017,000 of net recoveries for the same quarter one year ago. The recoveries in the prior year included the favorable settlement of a lawsuit related to previously purchased loans. The improvement in the provision for loan losses is in response to three primary factors: first, the amount of NPA's improved year-over-year; second, non-accrual loans as a percentage of net loans decreased from 1.50% at December 31, 2013, to 1.20% at December 31, 2014; and third, the percentage of loans 30 days or more delinquent decreased from 1.81% at December 31, 2013, to 1.47% at

December 31, 2014.

Non-performing assets amounted to \$164,317,000, or 1.13%, of total assets at December 31, 2014, compared to \$197,910,000, or 1.37%, of total assets one year ago. Non-accrual loans decreased from \$114,717,000 at December 31, 2013, to \$98,352,555 at December 31, 2014, a 14.3% decrease. Management believes the allowance for loan losses plus the reserve for unfunded commitments, totaling \$110,598,000, or 1.26% of gross loans, is sufficient to absorb estimated losses inherent in the portfolio. Please see Note E for further discussion and analysis of the allowance for loan losses for the quarter ended December 31, 2014.

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Other Income: The quarter ended December 31, 2014 produced total other income of \$5,380,000 compared to \$5,788,000 for the same quarter one year ago. Deposit fee income of \$5,977,000 was \$4,273,000 higher than the same quarter of the prior year due to the increased number of clients and branches. Loan fee income of \$2,065,000 was similar to the same quarter of the prior year.

The remaining other income was a loss of \$2,662,000 in the current quarter compared to \$2,038,000 in the same quarter of the prior year due primarily to four unusual items. First, Management corrected an over-accrual of interest income on loans of \$8,872,000 that had accumulated since fiscal 2011 and was recently detected. Second, there was also an upward net market value adjustment of REO of \$8,164,000 which is a correction from prior periods. Management believes that these errors and their corrections were not material to any reporting period. Third, there was a prepayment charge of \$2,600,000 on a \$100,000,000 Federal Home Loan Bank advance that was accruing interest at 4% and scheduled to mature in September 2015. The prepayment charge will be offset by a corresponding reduction in interest expense over the remaining nine months of the fiscal year. Fourth, Management recorded a \$2,000,000 FDIC indemnification asset write-down related to the commercial loans acquired from Horizon Bank in 2010. The portion of that agreement related to commercial loans expires on March 31, 2015.

Other Expense: The quarter ended December 31, 2014, produced total other expense of \$53,600,000 compared to \$44,120,000 for the same quarter one year ago, a 21.5% increase. This increase was driven primarily by an increase in employees as well as occupancy, product delivery and technology expenses related to the branch acquisitions from Bank of America during the 2014 fiscal year. Technology expenses are also higher in preparation for an upgrade of core systems in 2015. FDIC insurance premiums are lower by \$1,700,000 this quarter due to recoveries from prior periods that reflect improvements in credit quality. FDIC insurance premiums were \$2,300,000 in the quarter, prior to this recovery.

Total other expense for the quarters ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 equaled 1.46% and 1.30%, respectively, of average assets. The number of staff, including part-time employees on a full-time equivalent basis, was 1,862 and 1,848 at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The number of branches increased from 235 as of December 31, 2013 to 247 as of December 31, 2014.

Loss on Real Estate Acquired Through Foreclosure: The quarter ended December 31, 2014, produced a net gain on the sale of real estate acquired through foreclosure of \$315,000 compared to a net loss of \$1,951,000 for the same quarter one year ago, a 116.20% increase. The table below indicates some of the activity in the gain (loss) on real estate acquired through foreclosure.

	Quarter Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	
	(In thousands)		
Net Gain on Sale	\$2,588	\$2,333	
REO Adjustments	(817) (2,219)
REO Operating Expenses	(1,456) (2,065)
Gain (Loss) on real estate acquired through foreclosure, net	\$315	\$(1,951)

Taxes: Income taxes decreased to \$21,371,000 for the quarter ended December 31, 2014, as compared to \$22,393,000 for the same period one year ago. The effective tax rate for both the quarters ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013 was 35.75%. The Company expects an effective tax rate of 35.75% going forward.

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Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Management believes that there have been no material changes in the Company's quantitative and qualitative information about market risk since September 30, 2014. For a complete discussion of the Company's quantitative and qualitative market risk, see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the Company's 2014 Form 10-K.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. The Company maintains a set of disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer along with the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Management has evaluated, with the participation of the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, along with the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report (the "Evaluation Date"). Based on the evaluation, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer along with the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the Evaluation Date, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

(b) Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting. During the period to which this report relates, there have not been any changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that have materially affected, or that are reasonably likely to materially affect, such controls.

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PART II - Other Information

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time the Company or its subsidiaries are engaged in legal proceedings in the ordinary course of business, none of which are considered to have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed under "Part I--Item 1A--Risk Factors" in our Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2014. These factors could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and capital position, and could cause our actual results to differ materially from our historical results or the results contemplated by the forward-looking statements contained in this report.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds
The following table provides information with respect to purchases made by or on behalf of the Company of the
Company's common stock during the three months ended December 31, 2014.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plan (1)	Number of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plan at the End of the Period
October 1, 2014 to October 31, 2014	64,295	\$20.49	64,295	4,978,139
November 1, 2014 to November 30, 2014	340,052	21.87	340,052	4,638,087
December 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014	711,800	21.88	711,800	3,926,287
Total	1,116,147	\$21.79	1,116,147	3,926,287

The Company's only stock repurchase program was publicly announced by the Board of Directors on February 3, (1) 1995 and has no expiration date. Under this ongoing program, a total of 41,956,264 shares have been authorized for repurchase.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities Not applicable

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures Not applicable

Item 5. Other Information

The Company is refiling its Bylaws dated December 17, 2007, which were attached to the report on Form 8-K dated December 21, 2007, to correct a reference error in our exhibit table to the 10K. The Bylaws have not been amended since December 17, 2007.

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Item 6. Exhibits

- (a) Exhibits
 - 3.2 Bylaws of the Company dated December 17, 2007
 - 31.1 Section 302 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer
 - 31.2 Section 302 Certification by the Chief Financial Officer
 - 32 Section 906 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer
 - Financial Statements from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2014 formatted in XBRL

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WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES SIGNATURES

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

February 10, 2015 /S/ ROY M. WHITEHEAD

ROY M. WHITEHEAD

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

February 10, 2015 /S/ Diane L. Kelleher

Diane L. Kelleher

Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer