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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2012

OR

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

For the transition period from to Commission File Number: 00-30747

## PACWEST BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

33-0885320

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

10250 Constellation Blvd., Suite 1640 Los Angeles, California (Address of principal executive offices)

90067

(Zip Code)

(310) 286-1144

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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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 ( $\S232.405$  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  $\circ$  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. (Check one):

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

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No ý

As of May 3, 2012, there were 35,680,378 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding, excluding 1,617,638 shares of unvested restricted stock.

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#### PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

## PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

#### (Dollars in Thousands, Except Par Value Data)

#### (Unaudited)

	March 31, 2012	De	ecember 31, 2011
ASSETS			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 99,471		92,342
Interest-earning deposits in financial institutions	34,290		203,275
Total cash and cash equivalents	133,761		295,617
Securities available-for-sale, at fair value (\$45,274 and \$45,149 covered by FDIC loss sharing at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively)	1,380,878		1,326,358
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	43,902		46,106
Total investment securities	1,424,780		1,372,464
Non-covered loans and leases, net of unearned income	2,865,283		2,807,713
Allowance for loan and lease losses	(74,767		(85,313)
Non-covered loans and leases, net	2,790,516		2,722,400
Covered loans, net	660,297		703,023
Total loans and leases, net	3,450,813		3,425,423
Other real estate owned, net (\$29,888 and \$33,506 covered by FDIC loss sharing at March 31, 2012 and December 31,			
2011, respectively)	76,094		81,918
Premises and equipment, net	22,885		23,068
FDIC loss sharing asset	79,570		95,187
Cash surrender value of life insurance	67,301		67,469
Goodwill	56,144		39,141
Core deposit and customer relationship intangibles, net Other assets	17,380 119,380		17,415 110,535
	117,500		110,555
Total assets	\$ 5,448,108	\$	5,528,237
LIABILITIES			
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$ 1,785,678		1,685,799
Interest-bearing deposits	2,770,992		2,891,654
Total deposits	4,556,670		4,577,453
Borrowings	193,104		225,000
Subordinated debentures	108,250		129,271
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	40,439		50,310
Total liabilities	4,898,463		4,982,034
Commitments and contingencies (Note 9)			

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## STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

STOCKHOLDERS EQUIT		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; authorized 5,000,000 shares; none issued and outstanding		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; authorized 75,000,000 shares; 37,642,287 shares issued at March 31, 2012 and 37,542,287		
at December 31, 2011 (includes 1,617,760 and 1,675,730 shares of unvested restricted stock, respectively)	376	375
Additional paid-in capital	1,079,871	1,084,691
Accumulated deficit	(551,074)	(556,338)
Treasury stock, at cost 344,149 and 287,969 shares at March 31, 2012 and		
December 31, 2011, respectively	(6,629)	(5,328)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	27,101	22,803
Total stockholders' equity	549.645	546,203
Total stockholders equity	347,043	340,203
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 5,448,108 \$	5,528,237

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS

## (Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share Data)

(Unaudited)

		Three Months Ended				
	$\mathbf{N}$	Iarch 31,	December 31,	March 31,		
		2012	2011	2011		
Interest income:						
Loans and leases	\$	64,752	\$ 61,684	\$ 66,781		
Investment securities		9,580	9,107	7,819		
Deposits in financial institutions		68	122	57		
Total interest income		74,400	70,913	74,657		
Interest expense:						
Deposits		3,604	4,103	5,956		
Borrowings		1,925	1,782	1,744		
Subordinated debentures		1,191	1,255	1,219		
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Total interest expense		6,720	7,140	8,919		
Net interest income		67,680	63,773	65,738		
Provision for credit losses:						
Non-covered loans and leases		(10,000)		7,800		
Covered loans		3,926	4,122	2,910		
Total provision for credit losses		(6,074)	4,122	10,710		
Net interest income after provision for credit losses		73,754	59,651	55,028		
Noninterest income:						
Service charges on deposit accounts		3,353	3,326	3,558		
Other commissions and fees		1,883	1,864	1,720		
Gain on sale of leases		990				
Increase in cash surrender value of life insurance		365	337	379		
FDIC loss sharing (expense) income, net		(3,579)	2,667	(1,170)		
Other income		250	60	302		
Total noninterest income		3,262	8,254	4,789		
Noninterest expense:						
Compensation		24,187	21,597	21,929		
Occupancy		7,288	7,137	6,983		
Data processing		2,280	2,132	2,475		
Other professional services		1,770	1,946	2,296		
Business development		638	609	569		
Communications		608	640	859		
Insurance and assessments		1,293	1,590	2,337		
Non-covered other real estate owned, net		1,821	1,714	703		
Covered other real estate owned expense (income), net		822	226	(2,578)		
Intangible asset amortization		1,735	1,836	2,307		
Acquisition costs		25	600			
Debt termination		22,598				
Other expense		3,830	3,442	3,519		

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Total noninterest expense	68,895	43,469	41,399
Earnings before income taxes	8,121	24,436	18,418
Income tax expense	(2,857)	(10,553)	(7,742)
Net earnings	\$ 5,264	\$ 13,883	\$ 10,676
Earnings per share:			
Basic	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.29
Diluted	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.29
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.01

## PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(In Thousands)

(Unaudited)

	T arch 31, 2012	 hree Months Ended December 31, 2011		arch 31, 2011
Net earnings	\$ 5,264	\$ 13,883	\$	10,676
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of related income taxes:				
Unrealized holding gains (losses) on securities available-for-sale arising during the period:				
Before tax	7,409	(899)		1,180
Income tax (expense) benefit	(3,111)	378		(496)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	4,298	(521)		684
Comprehensive income	\$ 9,562	\$ 13,362	\$	11,360

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(Dollars in Thousands, Except Share Data)

(Unaudited)

**Three Months Ended March 31, 2012** 

	Cor	ock Additional	Accumulated Other				
		Par	Paid-in	Accumulated	Treasury Co	mprehensive	:
	Shares	Value	Capital	Deficit	Stock	Income	Total
Balance, December 31, 2011	37,254,318	\$ 375	\$ 1,084,691	\$ (556,338)	\$ (5,328) \$	22,803	\$ 546,203
Net earnings				5,264			5,264
Tax effect from vesting of restricted stock			92				92
Restricted stock awarded and earned stock							
compensation, net of shares forfeited	100,000	1	1,632				1,633
Restricted stock surrendered	(56,180)				(1,301)		(1,301)
Cash dividends paid (\$0.18 per share)			(6,544	)			(6,544)
Increase in net unrealized gain on securities							
available-for-sale, net of tax						4,298	4,298
Balance, March 31, 2012	37,298,138	\$ 376	\$ 1,079,871	\$ (551,074)	\$ (6,629) \$	27,101	\$ 549,645

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## (In Thousands)

## (Unaudited)

		Three M Ended M	
	2	2012	2011
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net earnings	\$	5,264	\$ 10,676
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization		3,861	4,482
Provision for credit losses		(6,074)	10,710
Gain on sale of other real estate owned		(1,434)	(3,944)
Provision for losses on other real estate owned		2,981	1,272
Gain on sale of leases		(990)	
Gain on sale of premises and equipment		(3)	(17)
Restricted stock amortization		1,633	2,000
Tax effect included in stockholders' equity of restricted stock vesting		(92)	188
Decrease in accrued and deferred income taxes, net		2,849	7,741
Decrease in FDIC loss sharing asset		15,617	271
Decrease (increase) in other assets		5,637	(117)
Decrease in accrued interest payable and other liabilities		(18,592)	(6,983)
Net cash provided by operating activities		10,657	26,279
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Net cash (used) acquired in acquisitions		(27,908)	26
Net decrease in loans and leases		96,668	111,399
Proceeds from sale of loans and leases		17,292	1,168
Securities available-for-sale:			
Proceeds from maturities and paydowns		85,683	58,172
Purchases	()	136,046)	(71,060)
Net redemptions of FHLB stock		2,204	2,183
Proceeds from sales of other real estate owned		13,980	23,663
Purchases of premises and equipment, net		(955)	(1,087)
Proceeds from sales of premises and equipment		37	20
Net cash provided by investing activities		50,955	124,484
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Net increase (decrease) in deposits:			
Noninterest-bearing		99,879	140,620
Interest-bearing	(1	120,662)	(205,579)
Restricted stock surrendered		(1,301)	(248)
Tax effect included in stockholders' equity of restricted stock vesting		92	(188)
Net decrease in borrowings		(47,697)	
Redemption of subordinated debentures		(18,558)	
Repayment of acquired debt		28,677)	
Cash dividends paid	Ì	(6,544)	(361)
Net cash used in financing activities	(2	223,468)	(65,756)
		161.056	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	()	161,856)	85,007

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Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	295,617	108,552
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 133,761	\$ 193,559
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 8,052	\$ 9,322
Cash paid for income taxes		(9)
Loans transferred to other real estate owned	9,081	29,112

#### PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements**

(Unaudited)

#### NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

PacWest Bancorp is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. Our principal business is to serve as a holding company for our banking subsidiary, Pacific Western Bank, which we refer to as Pacific Western or the Bank. When we say "we", "our" or the "Company", we mean the Company on a consolidated basis with the Bank. When we refer to "PacWest" or to the holding company, we are referring to the parent company on a stand-alone basis.

Pacific Western is a full-service commercial bank offering a broad range of banking products and services including: accepting demand, money market, and time deposits; originating loans, including commercial, real estate construction, SBA guaranteed and consumer loans; and providing other business-oriented products. Our operations are primarily located in Southern California extending from California's Central Coast to San Diego County; we also operate three banking offices in the San Francisco Bay area, all of which were added through the FDIC-assisted acquisition of Affinity Bank, or Affinity, in August 2009. The Bank focuses on conducting business with small to medium sized businesses in our marketplace and the owners and employees of those businesses. The majority of our loans are secured by the real estate collateral of such businesses. Our asset-based lending function operates in Arizona, California, Texas, and the Pacific Northwest. Our equipment leasing function, added through the acquisition of Pacific Western Equipment Finance, or PWE Finance, (formerly Marquette Equipment Finance) on January 3, 2012, is based in Utah and has lease receivables in 45 states.

We generate our revenue primarily from interest received on loans and leases and, to a lesser extent, from interest received on investment securities, and fees received in connection with deposit services, extending credit and other services offered, including foreign exchange services. Our major operating expenses are the interest paid by the Bank on deposits and borrowings, compensation and general operating expenses. The Bank relies on a foundation of locally generated and relationship-based deposits. The Bank has a relatively low cost of funds due to a high percentage of noninterest-bearing and low cost deposits.

We have completed 24 acquisitions since May 2000, including PWE Finance and the April 3, 2012 acquisition of Celtic Capital Corporation, or Celtic, an asset-based lending company based in Santa Monica, California. See Note 2, *Aquisitions*, for more information about the PWE Finance acquisition and Note 14, *Subsequent Events*, for more information regarding the Celtic acquisition.

#### Basis of Presentation

The accounting and reporting policies of the Company are in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which we may refer to as GAAP. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

Our financial statements reflect all adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary to present a fair statement of the results for the interim periods presented. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The interim operating results are not necessarily indicative of operating results for the full year.

#### PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

#### (Unaudited)

#### NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION (Continued)

#### Use of Estimates

Management of the Company has made a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period to prepare these consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Material estimates subject to change in the near term include, among other items, the allowances for credit losses, the carrying value of other real estate owned, the carrying value of intangible assets, the carrying value of the FDIC loss sharing asset and the realization of deferred tax assets.

Management made significant estimates and exercised significant judgment in estimating fair values and accounting for the acquired assets and assumed liabilities in the PWE Finance acquisition.

#### Reclassifications

Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period's presentation format. During the second quarter of 2011, we reclassified recoveries on covered loans such that recoveries now reduce the credit loss provision for covered loans rather than increase FDIC loss sharing income. Such reclassifications had no effect on reported net earnings or losses.

#### NOTE 2 ACQUISITIONS

On January 3, 2012, Pacific Western Bank completed the acquisition of Marquette Equipment Finance (later renamed Pacific Western Equipment Finance, or PWE Finance), an equipment leasing company located in Midvale, Utah. Pacific Western Bank acquired all of the capital stock of PWE Finance for \$35 million in cash. The acquisition diversified the Company's loan portfolio, expanded the Company's product lines, and deployed excess liquidity into higher yielding assets.

At January 3, 2012, PWE Finance had \$162.2 million in gross leases and leases in process outstanding, with no leases on nonaccrual status. In addition, Pacific Western Bank assumed \$154.8 million in outstanding debt and other liabilities, which included \$128.7 million payable to PWE Finance's former parent. Pacific Western Bank repaid PWE Finance's intercompany debt on the closing date from its excess liquidity on deposit at the Federal Reserve Bank.

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

(Unaudited)

## NOTE 2 ACQUISITIONS (Continued)

The following table presents the PWE Finance balance sheet presented at fair value as of the acquisition date, January 3, 2012:

Pacific Western Equipment Finance	January 3, 2012			
	(In thousand			
Assets Acquired:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	7,092		
Direct financing leases		142,989		
Leases in process		19,162		
Customer relationship intangible		1,700		
Other intangible assets		1,420		
Goodwill		17,003		
Other assets		467		
Total assets acquired	\$	189,833		
Liabilities Assumed:				
Borrowings from parent	\$	128,677		
Other borrowings		15,839		
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities		10,317		
Total liabilities assumed	\$	154,833		
Cash consideration paid	\$	35,000		

See Note 14, Subsequent Events, for information on acquisitions after March 31, 2012.

#### NOTE 3 GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill arises from business combinations and represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net assets and other identifiable intangible assets acquired. Goodwill and other intangible assets deemed to have indefinite lives generated from purchase business combinations are not subject to amortization and are instead tested for impairment no less than annually. Impairment is determined in accordance with ASC 350, "Intangibles Goodwill and Other" and is based on the reporting unit. Impairment exists when the carrying value of goodwill exceeds its implied fair value. An impairment loss would be recognized in an amount equal to that excess and would be included in noninterest expense in the consolidated statement of earnings. Our annual impairment test of goodwill resulted in no impact on our results of operations and financial condition.

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

(Unaudited)

#### NOTE 3 GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (Continued)

The following table presents the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the period indicated:

	G	oodwill
	(In the	housands)
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	39,141
Tax deductible addition from the PWE Finance acquisition		17,003
Balance, March 31, 2012	\$	56,144

Our intangible assets with definite lives are core deposit intangibles, or CDI, and customer relationship intangibles, or CRI. These intangible assets are amortized over their useful lives to their estimated residual values and reviewed for impairment at least quarterly. The amortization expense represents the estimated decline in the value of the underlying deposits or loan customers acquired.

The following table presents the changes in CDI and CRI and the related accumulated amortization for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2012		December 31, 2011		M	larch 31, 2011
			(In	thousands)		
Gross Amount of CDI and CRI:						
Balance, beginning of period	\$	67,100	\$	67,100	\$	76,319
Additions		1,700				
Fully amortized portion		(7,828)				
Balance, end of period		60,972		67,100		76,319
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Accumulated Amortization:						
Balance, beginning of period		(49,685)		(47,849)		(50,476)
Amortization		(1,735)		(1,836)		(2,307)
Fully amortized portion		7,828				
Balance, end of period		(43,592)		(49,685)		(52,783)
, <u>F</u> 3 <del>u</del>		(12,072)		(12,000)		(==,,,,,,)
Net CDI and CRI, end of period	\$	17.380	\$	17,415	\$	23,536
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The aggregate amortization expense related to the intangible assets is expected to be \$6.2 million for 2012. The estimated aggregate amortization expense related to these intangible assets for each of the subsequent four years is \$4.8 million for 2013, \$3.3 million for 2014, \$3.1 million for 2015, and \$1.4 million for 2016.

#### NOTE 4 INVESTMENT SECURITIES

## Securities Available-for-Sale

The following tables present amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses and carrying value, which is the estimated fair value, of securities available-for-sale as of the dates indicated. The private

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

#### (Unaudited)

## NOTE 4 INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Continued)

label collateralized mortgage obligations were acquired in the FDIC-assisted acquisition of Affinity in August 2009 and are covered by a FDIC loss sharing agreement. Other securities primarily consist of equity securities and an investment in overnight money market funds at a financial institution. See Note 10, *Fair Value Measurements*, for information on fair value measurements and methodology.

				March 3	31, 20	012	
Security Type	A	Amortized Cost	Un	Gross realized Gains	Uı	Gross nrealized Losses	Carrying Value
				(In tho	usan	ds)	
Residential mortgage-backed securities:							
Government and government-sponsored entity pass through securities	\$	1,000,280	\$	33,662	\$	(33)	\$ 1,033,909
Government and government-sponsored entity collateralized mortgage							
obligations		100,250		1,982		(12)	102,220
Covered private label collateralized mortgage obligations		39,910		6,929		(1,565)	45,274
Municipal securities		144,127		3,787		(273)	147,641
Corporate debt securities		43,202		133		(186)	43,149
Other securities		6,384		2,301			8,685
Total securities available-for-sale	\$	1,334,153	\$	48,794	\$	(2,069)	\$ 1,380,878

Security Type	A	Amortized Cost	Ur	December Gross arealized Gains (In tho	Ur	Gross realized Losses	Carrying Value
Residential mortgage-backed securities:				(		,	
Government and government-sponsored entity pass through securities	\$	1,011,222	\$	31,350	\$	(65)	\$ 1,042,507
Government and government-sponsored entity collateralized mortgage							
obligations		80,353		1,710		(36)	82,027
Covered private label collateralized mortgage obligations		41,426		5,878		(2,155)	45,149
Municipal securities		124,079		2,774		(56)	126,797
Corporate debt securities		25,077		77		(26)	25,128
Other securities		4,885				(135)	4,750
Total securities available-for-sale	\$	1,287,042	\$	41,789	\$	(2,473)	\$ 1,326,358

Mortgage-backed securities have contractual terms to maturity and require periodic payments to reduce principal. In addition, expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities because obligors and/or issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

#### (Unaudited)

## NOTE 4 INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Continued)

The following table presents the contractual maturity distribution of our available-for-sale securities portfolio based on amortized cost and carrying value as of the date indicated:

		March 3	31, 20	012
Maturity	A	mortized Cost	1	Carrying Value
		(In tho	usan	ds)
Due in one year or less	\$	10,826	\$	13,130
Due after one year through five years		4,590		4,808
Due after five years through ten years		33,686		35,333
Due after ten years		1,285,051		1,327,607
Total securities available-for-sale	\$	1,334,153	\$	1,380,878

At March 31, 2012, the estimated fair value of debt securities and residential mortgage-backed debt securities issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation was approximately \$1.1 billion.

As of March 31, 2012, securities available-for-sale with an estimated fair value of \$72.0 million were pledged as collateral for borrowings, public deposits and other purposes as required by various statutes and agreements.

The following tables present, for those securities that were in a gross unrealized loss position, the carrying values and the gross unrealized losses on securities by length of time the securities were in an unrealized loss position as of the dates indicated:

				March	31, 20	012			
	Less Than	12 Months Gross	12	2 months		onger ross	Te	otal	Gross
Security Type	Carrying Value	Unrealized Losses		arrying Value	Unr	ealized osses	Carrying Value	Ur	realized Losses
				(In the	ousan	ds)			
Residential mortgage-backed securities:									
Government and government-sponsored entity pass through									
securities	\$ 27,672	\$ (3)	2) \$	24	\$	(1)	\$ 27,696	\$	(33)
Government and government- sponsored entity collateralized									
mortgage obligations	5,581	(1)	2)				5,581		(12)
Covered private label collateralized mortgage obligations	3,084	(18	9)	4,879		(1,376)	7,963		(1,565)
Municipal securities	20,303	(27)	3)				20,303		(273)
Corporate debt securities	17,958	(18	6)				17,958		(186)
Total	\$ 74,598	\$ (69)	2) \$	4,903	\$	(1,377)	\$ 79,501	\$	(2,069)
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#### NOTE 4 INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Continued)

					D	ecemb	er 31	, 2011				
Security Type	Less T Carryii Value	ng	12 Mon Gro Unreal Loss	ss lized	Car	months rying alue (In the	Un I	Longer Gross realized Losses		To Carrying Value	Un	Gross realized Losses
Residential mortgage-backed securities:						(III till	Jusai	ius)				
Government and government- sponsored entity pass through securities	\$ 34,6	82	\$	(64)	\$	22	\$	(1)	\$	34,704	\$	(65)
Government and government- sponsored entity collateralized	Ψ υ .,ο	_	Ψ	(0.)	Ψ		Ψ.	(1)	Ψ.	2 .,, 7 0 .	Ť	(00)
mortgage obligations	10,7	90		(21)		1,530		(15)		12,320		(36)
Covered private label collateralized mortgage obligations	5,2	28		(595)		4,427		(1,560)		9,655		(2,155)
Municipal securities	7,7	55		(56)						7,755		(56)
Corporate debt securities	10,7	58		(26)						10,758		(26)
Other securities	2,4	45	(	(135)						2,445		(135)
Total	\$ 71,6	58	\$	(897)	\$ :	5,979	\$	(1,576)	\$	77,637	\$	(2,473)

We reviewed the securities that were in a continuous loss position less than 12 months and longer than 12 months at March 31, 2012, and concluded that their losses were a result of the level of market interest rates relative to the types of securities and not a result of the underlying issuers' abilities to repay. Accordingly, we determined that the securities were temporarily impaired. Additionally, we have no plans to sell these securities and believe that it is more likely than not we would not be required to sell these securities before recovery of their amortized cost. Therefore, we did not recognize the temporary impairment in the consolidated statements of earnings.

#### FHLB Stock

At March 31, 2012, the Company had a \$43.9 million investment in Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco ("FHLB") stock carried at cost. In January 2009, the FHLB announced that it suspended excess FHLB stock redemptions and dividend payments. Since this announcement, the FHLB has declared and paid cash dividends in 2010, 2011 and 2012, though at rates less than those paid in the past, and repurchased certain amounts of our excess stock at carrying value. We evaluated the carrying value of our FHLB stock investment at March 31, 2012, and determined that it was not impaired. Our evaluation considered the long-term nature of the investment, the current financial and liquidity position of the FHLB, the actions being taken by the FHLB to address its regulatory situation, repurchase activity of excess stock by the FHLB, and our intent and ability to hold this investment for a period of time sufficient to recover our recorded investment.

#### PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

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#### NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES

#### Non-Covered Loans and Leases

When we refer to non-covered loans and leases we are referring to loans and leases not covered by our FDIC loss sharing agreements.

The following table presents the composition of non-covered loans and leases by portfolio segment as of the dates indicated:

Loan Segment	I	March 31, 2012	D	ecember 31, 2011
		(In tho	usan	ds)
Real estate mortgage	\$	1,896,052	\$	1,982,464
Real estate construction		118,304		113,059
Commercial		665,441		671,939
Leases <sup>(1)</sup>		153,845		
Consumer		15,826		23,711
Foreign		18,752		20,932
Total gross non-covered loans and leases		2,868,220		2,812,105
Less:				, i
Unearned income		(2,937)		(4,392)
Allowance for loan and lease losses		(74,767)		(85,313)
Total net non-covered loans and leases	\$	2,790,516	\$	2,722,400

(1) Does not include leases in process of \$13.8 million.

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## PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

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## NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

The following tables present a summary of the activity in the allowance for loan and lease losses on non-covered loans by portfolio segment for the periods indicated:

		Real Estate		Real Estate	Γhr	ee Months	En	nded Marc	ch 31, 2012					
		Estate Iortgage	Co	Estate nstruction	Co	mmercial		Leases	Co	onsumer	F	Foreign		Total
						(In	th	ousands)						
Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses on														
Non-Covered Loans and Leases:														
Balance, beginning of period	\$	50,205	\$	8,697	\$	23,308	\$		\$	2,768	\$	335	\$	85,313
Charge-offs		(2,190)				(871)				(199)				(3,260)
Recoveries		329		10		824				31		20		1,214
Provision		(6,134)		(2,232)		295		458		(692)		(195)		(8,500)
Balance, end of period	\$	42,210	\$	6,475	\$	23,556	\$	458	\$	1,908	\$	160	\$	74,767
•														
The ending balance of the allowance is composed														
of amounts applicable to loans and leases:														
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$	9,369	\$	1,312	\$	6,897	\$		\$	262	\$		\$	17,840
, i		,		,		,								,
Collectively evaluated for impairment	\$	32,841	\$	5,163	\$	16,659	\$	458	\$	1.646	\$	160	\$	56,927
concentraty evaluated for impairment	Ψ	32,011	Ψ	3,103	Ψ	10,000	Ψ	150	Ψ	1,010	Ψ	100	Ψ	30,727
Non-Covered Loan and Lease Balances:														
Ending balance	<b>¢</b> 1	,896,052	Ф	118 304	Ф	665 111	Φ	152 9/15	¢	15 826	Ф	19 752	Ф	2,868,220
Ending barance	Ф	1,090,032	Φ	110,304	Ф	005,441	Φ	133,043	Ф	13,620	Ф	10,732	ф	2,000,220
The ending balance of the non-covered loan and														
lease portfolio is composed of loans and leases:	Ф	104.022	ф	20.026	ф	22.544	Φ	222	ф	400	ф		ф	150.004
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$	104,923	\$	30,026	\$	22,544	\$	233	\$	498	\$		\$	158,224
Collectively evaluated for impairment	\$ 1	1,791,129	\$	88,278	\$	642,897	\$	153,612	\$	15,328	\$	18,752	\$	2,709,996
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## NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

	Real	Three Months Ended March 31, 2011 Real Real Estate Estate										
	Estate Mortgage			Co	mmercial	Co	onsumer	I	Foreign		Total	
	0 0				(In thousa	ınd	s)					
Allowance for Loan Losses on Non-Covered Loans:												
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 51,657	\$	8,766	\$	33,229	\$	4,652	\$	349	\$	98,653	
Charge-offs	(1,212)		(4,645)		(3,121)		(160)				(9,138)	
Recoveries	97		92		617		411		32		1,249	
Provision	1,316		6,840		839		(1,448)		253		7,800	
Balance, end of period	\$ 51,858	\$	11,053	\$	31,564	\$	3,455	\$	634	\$	98,564	
The ending balance of the allowance is composed of amounts applicable to loans:												
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 4,913	\$	3,113	\$	9,524	\$	1,049	\$		\$	18,599	
Collectively evaluated for impairment	\$ 46,945	\$	7,940	\$	22,040	\$	2,406	\$	634	\$	79,965	
Non-Covered Loan Balances:												
Ending balance	\$ 2,172,923	\$	176,758	\$	667,401	\$	21,815	\$	23,296	\$	3,062,193	
The ending balance of the non-covered loan portfolio is composed of loans:												
Individually evaluated for impairment	\$ 90,394	\$	32,757	\$	23,573	\$	1,794	\$		\$	148,518	
Collectively evaluated for impairment	\$ 2,082,529	\$	144,001	\$	643,828	\$	20,021	\$	23,296	\$	2,913,675	
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#### PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

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## NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

The following table presents the credit risk rating categories for non-covered loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated. Nonclassified loans and leases are those with a credit risk rating of either pass or special mention, while classified loans and leases are those with a credit risk rating of either substandard or doubtful.

	N	<b>Aar</b>	ch 31, 201	2							
	Nonclassified	C	lassified		Total	N	onclassified	C	Classified		Total
					(In tho	usa	nds)				
Real estate mortgage:											
Hospitality	\$ 122,944	\$	20,547	\$	143,491	\$	123,071	\$	21,331	\$	144,402
SBA 504	50,611		6,949		57,560		51,522		6,855		58,377
Other	1,640,177		54,824		1,695,001		1,690,830		88,855		1,779,685
Total real estate mortgage	1,813,732		82,320		1,896,052		1,865,423		117,041		1,982,464
Real estate construction:											
Residential	22,547		2,907		25,454		14,743		2,926		17,669
Commercial	71,087		21,763		92,850		64,667		30,723		95,390
Total real estate											
construction	93,634		24,670		118,304		79,410		33,649		113,059
Commercial:											
Collateralized	402,904		19,092		421,996		395,041		18,979		414,020
Unsecured	65,072		3,471		68,543		75,017		3,920		78,937
Asset-based	145,948		1,233		147,181		149,947		40		149,987
SBA 7(a)	17,152		10,569		27,721		18,045		10,950		28,995
Total commercial	631,076		34,365		665,441		638,050		33,889		671,939
Leases	150,220		3,625		153,845						
Consumer	14,873		953		15,826		22,730		981		23,711
Foreign	18,752				18,752		20,932				20,932
Total non-covered loans											
and leases	\$ 2,722,287	\$	145,933	\$	2,868,220	\$	2,626,545	\$	185,560	\$	2,812,105

In addition to our internal risk rating process, our federal and state banking regulators, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the Company's loan risk rating classifications. Our regulators may require the Company to recognize rating downgrades based on their judgments related to information available to them at the time of their examinations. Risk rating downgrades generally result in higher provisions for credit losses.

#### PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

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#### NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

The following tables present an aging analysis of our non-covered loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated:

	30 - 59 Days Past Due	•	60 - 89 Days Past Due	9(	reater Than 0 Days ast Due	P	Total ast Due (sands)	Current		Total
Real estate mortgage:										
Hospitality	\$		\$	\$		\$		\$ 143,491	\$	143,491
SBA 504	2,21	4			448		2,662	54,898		57,560
Other	1,02	26	3,501		3,069		7,596	1,687,405		1,695,001
Total real estate mortgage	3,24	10	3,501		3,517		10,258	1,885,794		1,896,052
Real estate construction:										
Residential								25,454		25,454
Commercial								92,850		92,850
Total real estate construction								118,304		118,304
Commercial:										
Collateralized	51	6	152		1,800		2,468	419,528		421,996
Unsecured	10	)4			151		255	68,288		68,543
Asset-based								147,181		147,181
SBA 7(a)	1,46	57	1,429		171		3,067	24,654		27,721
Total commercial	2,08	37	1,581		2,122		5,790	659,651		665,441
Leases								153,845		153,845
Consumer	6	55	219				284	15,542		15,826
Foreign								18,752		18,752
Total non-covered loans and										
leases	\$ 5,39	92	\$ 5,301	\$	5,639	\$	16,332	\$ 2,851,888	\$	2,868,220

At March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the Company had no non-covered loans and leases that were greater than 90 days past due and still accruing interest. It is the Company's policy to discontinue accruing interest when principal or interest payments are past due 90 days or when, in the opinion of management, there is a reasonable doubt as to the collectibility of a loan or lease in the normal course of business. At March 31, 2012, nonaccrual loans and leases totaled \$48.2 million. Nonaccrual loans and leases include \$7.6 million of loans 30 to 89 days past due and \$34.9 million of

## PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

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## NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

current loans and leases which have been placed on nonaccrual status based on management's judgment regarding the collectibility of such loans and leases.

	30 - 59 Days Past Due	60 - 89 Days Past Due	Greater Than 90 Days Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total
B. 1			(In th	ousands)		
Real estate mortgage:						
Hospitality	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 144,402	\$ 144,402
SBA 504	718		842	1,560	56,817	58,377
Other	12,953	191	13,205	26,349	1,753,336	1,779,685
Total real estate						
mortgage	13,671	191	14,047	27,909	1,954,555	1,982,464
Real estate construction:		175		475	17.104	17.660
Residential		475		475	17,194	17,669
Commercial	2,290		2,182	4,472	90,918	95,390
Total real estate						
construction	2,290	475	2,182	4,947	108,112	113,059
Commercial:						
Collateralized	275	423	1,701	2,399	411,621	414,020
Unsecured	4		151	155	78,782	78,937
Asset-based					149,987	149,987
SBA 7(a)	996	646	274	1,916	27,079	28,995
Total commercial	1,275	1,069	2,126	4,470	667,469	671,939
Consumer	72	40	17	129	23,582	23,711
Foreign					20,932	20,932
Total non-covered loans	\$ 17,308	\$ 1,775	\$ 18,372	\$ 37,455	\$ 2,774,650	\$ 2,812,105

Nonaccrual loans totaled \$58.3 million at December 31, 2011, of which \$2.5 million were 30 to 89 days past due and \$37.4 million were current.

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## NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

The following table presents our nonaccrual and performing non-covered loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated:

			M	arch 31, 201	2			1	31, 2011			
	No	naccrual	P	erforming		Total	No	naccrual	P	erforming		Total
						(In tho	usaı	nds)				
Real estate mortgage:												
Hospitality	\$	7,165	\$	136,326	\$	143,491	\$	. ,	\$	137,151	\$	144,402
SBA 504		2,354		55,206		57,560		2,800		55,577		58,377
Other		14,171		1,680,830		1,695,001		21,286		1,758,399		1,779,685
Total real estate mortgage		23,690		1,872,362		1,896,052		31,337		1,951,127		1,982,464
Real estate construction:												
Residential		1,075		24,379		25,454		1,086		16,583		17,669
Commercial		4,524		88,326		92,850		6,194		89,196		95,390
Total real estate												
construction		5,599		112,705		118,304		7,280		105,779		113,059
Commercial:												
Collateralized		8,030		413,966		421,996		8,186		405,834		414,020
Unsecured		2,608		65,935		68,543		3,057		75,880		78,937
Asset-based		88		147,093		147,181		14		149,973		149,987
SBA 7(a)		7,416		20,305		27,721		7,801		21,194		28,995
Total commercial		18,142		647,299		665,441		19,058		652,881		671,939
Leases <sup>(1)</sup>		233		153,612		153,845						
Consumer		498		15,328		15,826		585		23,126		23,711
Foreign				18,752		18,752				20,932		20,932
Total non-covered loans												
and leases	\$	48,162	\$	2,820,058	\$	2,868,220	\$	58,260	\$	2,753,845	\$	2,812,105

Nonaccrual loans and leases and performing restructured loans are considered impaired for reporting purposes. Impaired loans and leases by portfolio segment are as follows as of the dates indicated:

		March 31, 201	2	D	ecember 31, 20	11
		Performing	Total		Performing	Total
	Nonaccrual	Restructured	Impaired	Nonaccrual	Restructured	Impaired
Loan Segment	Loans/Leases	Loans	Loans/Leases	Loans/Leases	Loans	Loans/Leases

<sup>(1)</sup> Leases relate to PWE Finance only.

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			(In tho	usan	ids)		
Real estate mortgage	\$ 23,690	\$ 81,233	\$ 104,923	\$	31,337	\$ 87,484	\$ 118,821
Real estate							
construction	5,599	24,427	30,026		7,280	24,512	31,792
Commercial	18,142	4,402	22,544		19,058	4,652	23,710
Leases	233		233				
Consumer	498		498		585	143	728
Total	\$ 48,162	\$ 110,062	\$ 158,224	\$	58,260	\$ 116,791	\$ 175,051

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## Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

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#### NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

The following tables present information regarding our non-covered impaired loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of and for the dates indicated:

	\$ 16,784 \$ 17,212 \$ 5,086 563 563 198 54,762 54,983 4,085 689 707 197 9,431 9,507 1,115 82,229 82,972 10,681 5,048 5,317 4,033 2,395 3,028 2,094 4,124 4,267 770 283 312 262							December 31, 2011 Unpaid						
			P	rincipal				lecorded vestment	P	rincipal Balance		Related lowance		
						(In tho	ısan	ıds)						
With An Allowance Recorded:														
Real estate mortgage:														
Hospitality	\$	16,784	\$	17,212	\$	5,086	\$	17,548	\$	17,890	\$	4,369		
SBA 504		563		563		198		1,147		1,245		206		
Other		54,762		54,983		4,085		78,349		81,921		6,919		
Real estate construction:														
Residential		689		707		197		2,766		2,776		409		
Commercial		9,431		9,507		1,115		12,477		12,520		1,664		
Total real estate		82,229		82,972		10,681		112,287		116,352		13,567		
Commercial:														
Collateralized		5,048		5,317		4,033		5,515		5,741		3,901		
Unsecured		2,395				2,094		2,864		3,061		2,513		
SBA 7(a)				4,267		770		3,397		3,428		379		
Leases		,		,				·		,				
Consumer		283		312		262		433		459		413		
Total other		11,850		12,924		7,159		12,209		12,689		7,206		
With No Related Allowance Recorded:														
Real estate mortgage:														
Hospitality	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$			
SBA 504	φ	2,354	φ	3,247	φ		φ	2,262	φ	3,007	φ			
Other		30,460		35,522				19,515		22,999				
Real estate construction:		50,400		33,322				19,515		22,999				
Residential		1,392		1,392				611		611				
Commercial		18,514		21,593				15,938		19,536				
Commercial		10,514		21,373				13,730		17,550				
Total real estate		52,720		61,754				38,326		46,153				
Commercial:														
Collateralized		5,284		5,507				4,759		4,927				
Unsecured		654		734				643		716				
Asset-based		88		88				14		14				
SBA 7(a)		4,951		6,603				6,518		8,181				
Leases		233		233										
Consumer		215		278				295		351				

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Total other	11,425	13,443		12,229	14,189	
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Total:						
Real estate mortgage	\$ 104,923	\$ 111,527	\$ 9,369	\$ 118,821	\$ 127,062	\$ 11,494
Real estate construction	30,026	33,199	1,312	31,792	35,443	2,073
Commercial	22,544	25,544	6,897	23,710	26,068	6,793
Leases	233	233				
Consumer	498	590	262	728	810	413
Total non-covered loans and leases	\$ 158,224	\$ 171,093	\$ 17,840	\$ 175,051	\$ 189,383	\$ 20,773

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## NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

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	March 31, 2012 Weighted					March 31, 2011 Weighted				
	A Re	verage ecorded	In	terest come	F	Average Recorded	In	terest come		
	Inve	estment <sup>(1)</sup>	Reco	ognized		vestment <sup>(1)</sup>	Reco	ognized		
				(In tho	usand	ls)				
With An Allowance Recorded:										
Real estate mortgage:	ф	1704	Ф	217	ф	17 172	¢.	100		
Hospitality	\$	16,784	\$	217	\$	17,173	\$	189		
SBA 504		142				1,888		011		
Other		51,922		566		29,078		211		
Real estate construction:		600		10		2.266		1.4		
Residential		689		10		2,366		14		
Commercial		9,431		115		9,239		39		
Total real estate		78,968		908		59,744		453		
Commonich										
Commercial: Collateralized		1725		16		2 521		11		
		4,735		46		3,521 9,249		11		
Unsecured		2,394		40		- , -		5 9		
SBA 7(a)		4,119		43		2,190		9		
Leases		202		4		1 122				
Consumer		283		4		1,123				
Total other		11,531		133		16,083		25		
With No Related Allowance Recorded:										
Real estate mortgage:										
Hospitality	\$		\$		\$		\$			
SBA 504		2,354		49		3,250				
Other		29,447		670		21,869		(9)		
Real estate construction:										
Residential		1,392		17		3,625		(35)		
Commercial		18,514		197		8,908		61		
Total real estate		51,707		933		37,652		17		
Commercial:										
Collateralized		5,132		67		2,452		6		
Unsecured		654		8		181		1		
Asset-based		63				15		•		
SBA 7(a)		4,927		116		4,814		4		
Leases		156		110		1,011		•		
Consumer		215		7		604				
Foreign		213		,						
Total other		11,147		198		8,066		11		
1 otal otilel		11,14/		170		3,000		11		

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Total:						
Real estate mortgage	\$ 100,649	\$	1,502 \$	73,258	\$	391
Real estate construction	 30,026	_	339	24,138	_	79
Commercial	22,024		320	22,422		36
Leases	156					
Consumer	498		11	1,727		
Foreign						
Total non-covered loans and leases	\$ 153,353	\$	2,172 \$	121,545	\$	506

<sup>(1)</sup> For the loans and leases reported as impaired as of March 31, 2012 and March 31, 2011, amounts were calculated based on the period of time such loans and leases were impaired during the reporting period.

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#### NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

The following tables present non-covered new troubled debt restructurings and defaulted troubled debt restructurings for the periods indicated:

	Three 1	Month	s Ended Ma	rch 3	31, 2012
	Number of Loans	Mo Ou R	Pre- pdification atstanding decorded avestment	M Or	Post- odification utstanding Recorded nvestment
Total I Dald Dadamatania		(Doll	ars in thousa	nds)	
Troubled Debt Restructurings:					
Real estate mortgage:					
Hospitality	1	\$	2,083	\$	2,083
SBA 504	1		563		563
Other	3		16,993		16,993
Real estate construction:					
Residential	1		467		467
Commercial	2		6,117		6,117
Commercial:					
Collateralized	2		606		606
Unsecured	1		14		14
SBA 7(a)	5		1,603		1,603
Total	16	\$	28,446	\$	28,446

		ch 31,	s Ended 2012 Recorded vestment <sup>(1)</sup>
	(Dollars	in the	ousands)
Troubled Debt Restructurings That Subsequently Defaulted(2):			
Real estate mortgage:			
Other	1	\$	1,725
Commercial:			
SBA 7(a)	1		34
Total	2	\$	1,759

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents the balance at March 31, 2012 and is net of charge-offs of \$324,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2012.

The population of defaulted restructured loans for the period indicated includes only those loans restructured during the preceding 12-month period. The table excludes defaulted troubled debt restructurings in those classes for which the recorded investment was zero at March 31, 2012.

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## NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

#### **Covered Loans**

We refer to the loans acquired in the Los Padres Bank, or Los Padres, acquisition and Affinity acquisition that are subject to loss sharing agreements with the FDIC as "covered loans" as we will be reimbursed for a substantial portion of any future losses on them under the terms of the agreements.

The following table reflects the carrying values of covered loans as of the dates indicated:

		March 31,	2012 % of	I	December 31	, 2011 % of
	1	Amount	% of Total	1	Amount	% of Total
		(1	Dollars in t	hou	sands)	
Real estate mortgage:						
Hospitality	\$			\$	2,944	0%
Other		699,653	92%		733,414	91%
Total real estate mortgage		699,653	92%		736,358	91%
Real estate construction:						
Residential		15,913	2%		21,521	3%
Commercial		25,278	3%		25,397	3%
Total real estate construction		41,191	5%		46,918	6%
Commercial:						
Collateralized		20,149	3%		24,808	3%
Unsecured		741	0%		802	0%
Total commercial		20,890	3%		25,610	3%
Consumer		685	0%		735	0%
Total gross covered loans		762,419	100%		809,621	100%
Discount		(66,312)			(75,323)	
Allowance for loan losses		(35,810)			(31,275)	
Covered loans, net	\$	660,297		\$	703,023	
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## NOTE 5 LOANS AND LEASES (Continued)

The following table summarizes the changes in the carrying amount of covered acquired impaired loans and accretable yield on those loans for the period indicated:

		uired oans					
		Carrying Amount	A	ccretable Yield			
	(In thousands)						
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$ 677,014 \$ (259,26						
Accretion	13,398 13,						
Payments received		(51,164)					
Decrease in expected cash flows, net				5,233			
Provision for credit losses	(3,926)						
Balance, March 31, 2012	\$	635,322	\$	(240,634)			

The table above excludes the covered loans from the Los Padres acquisition which are accounted for as non-impaired loans and totaled \$25.0 million and \$26.0 million at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

The following table presents the credit risk rating categories for covered loans by portfolio segment as of the dates indicated. Nonclassified loans are those with a credit risk rating of either pass or special mention, while classified loans are those with a credit risk rating of either substandard or doubtful. It should be noted, however, that all of these loans are covered by loss sharing agreements with the FDIC.

		N	larc	h 31, 2012			De	ceml	ber 31, 2011	
	Non	classified	C	lassified	Total	No	nclassified	C	lassified	Total
					(In tho	usand	ls)			
Real estate mortgage	\$	452,276	\$	154,441	\$ 606,717	\$	478,119	\$	163,768	\$ 641,887
Real estate construction		5,763		30,799	36,562		5,762		35,337	41,099
Commercial		8,393		7,945	16,338		11,076		8,221	19,297
Consumer		139		541	680		178		562	740
Total covered loans, net	\$	466,571	\$	193,726	\$ 660,297	\$	495,135	\$	207,888	\$ 703,023

In addition to our internal risk rating process, our federal and state banking regulators, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the Company's loan risk rating classifications. Our regulators may require the Company to recognize rating downgrades based on their judgments related to information available to them at the time of their examinations.

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#### NOTE 6 OTHER REAL ESTATE OWNED (OREO)

The following tables summarize OREO by property type at the dates indicated:

		March 31, 2012					December 31, 2011						
Property Type		-Covered OREO	_	Covered OREO		Total OREO		n-Covered OREO	_	Covered OREO	(	Total OREO	
	(In thousands)												
Commercial real estate	\$	20,885	\$	13,868	\$	34,753	\$	23,003	\$	15,053	\$	38,056	
Construction and land													
development		25,321		13,143		38,464		24,788		15,461		40,249	
Single family residence				2,877		2,877		621		2,992		3,613	
Total OREO, net	\$	46,206	\$	29,888	\$	76,094	\$	48,412	\$	33,506	\$	81,918	

The following table presents a rollforward of OREO, net of the valuation allowance, for the period indicated:

	Non-Covered OREO		Covered OREO			Total OREO	
		(In thousands)					
OREO Activity:							
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	48,412	\$	33,506	\$	81,918	
Foreclosures		1,839		7,241		9,080	
Payments to third parties <sup>(1)</sup>		622				622	
Provision for losses		(752)		(2,229)		(2,981)	
Reductions related to sales		(3,915)		(8,630)		(12,545)	
Balance, March 31, 2012	\$	46,206	\$	29,888	\$	76,094	

<sup>(1)</sup> 

#### NOTE 7 FDIC LOSS SHARING ASSET

The FDIC loss sharing asset was initially recorded at fair value, which represented the present value of the estimated cash payments from the FDIC for future losses on covered assets. The ultimate collectibility of this asset is dependent upon the performance of the underlying covered assets, the passage of time and claims paid by the FDIC. The following table presents the changes in the FDIC loss sharing asset for the period indicated:

	FDIC Loss Sharing Asset		
	(In thousands)		
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	95,187	
FDIC share of additional losses, net of recoveries		979	
Cash received from FDIC		(12,736)	
Net amortization		(3,860)	

Represents amounts due to participants and for guarantees, property taxes or other prior lien positions.

Balance, March 31, 2012	\$	79,570
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# NOTE 8 BORROWINGS, SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES AND BROKERED DEPOSITS

#### Debt Termination Expense FHLB Advances and Subordinated Debentures

In March 2012, the Company incurred \$22.6 million in debt termination expense related to the prepayment of \$225.0 million in fixed-rate term FHLB advances and the early redemption of \$18.6 million in fixed-rate subordinated debentures for Trust CI and Trust I. The Company used a combination of excess cash and collateralized overnight FHLB advances to repay these debt instruments. The FHLB advances were composed of \$200 million maturing in December 2017 with a fixed rate of 3.16% and \$25 million due in January 2018 with a fixed rate of 2.61%. The agreements for these FHLB advances had an early prepayment penalty or fee for payoffs before maturity. The Trust CI subordinated debenture was in the amount of \$10.3 million, due in March 2030 and bearing a fixed rate of 11.00%. The Trust I subordinated debenture was for \$8.3 million with a maturity date of September 2030 and fixed rate of 10.6%.

#### **Borrowings**

As of March 31, 2012, there were \$179.5 million in outstanding FHLB advances borrowed on an overnight basis and bearing an interest rate of 0.13%. Our aggregate remaining borrowing capacity under the FHLB secured lines of credit was \$1.0 billion at March 31, 2012. As of March 31, 2012, our FHLB advances were secured by all of our loans and leases under a blanket lien, in addition to securities with a carrying value of \$29.0 million. Additionally, the Bank had secured borrowing capacity from the Federal Reserve discount window of \$375.4 million at March 31, 2012. The Bank also maintains unsecured lines of credit of \$45.0 million with correspondent banks for the purchase of overnight funds; these lines are subject to availability of funds.

Included in borrowings are \$13.6 million of non-recourse notes added through the PWE Finance acquisition, in which the payment stream of certain of its leases were sold to third parties. The debt is secured by the equipment in the leases and all interest rates are fixed. As of March 31, 2012, the weighted average interest rate of the notes was 6.84% with a weighted average remaining maturity of 2.4 years.

## **Subordinated Debentures**

The following table summarizes the terms of each issuance of the subordinated debentures outstanding as of March 31, 2012:

Series	A	Iarch 31, 2012 Amount (In ousands)	Issuance Date	Maturity Date	Rate Index	Current Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	Next Reset Date
		Í			3 month		
Trust V	\$	10,310	8/15/03	9/17/33	LIBOR + 3.10	3.57%	6/15/12
					3 month		
Trust VI		10,310	9/3/03	9/15/33	LIBOR $+ 3.05$	3.52%	6/13/12
					3 month		
Trust CII		5,155	9/17/03	9/17/33	LIBOR + 2.95	3.42%	6/15/12
					3 month		
Trust VII		61,856	2/5/04	4/23/34	LIBOR + 2.75	3.22%	7/26/12
					3 month		
Trust CIII		20,619	8/15/05	9/15/35	LIBOR + 1.69	2.16%	6/13/12
Total subordinated							
debentures	\$	108,250					

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# NOTE 8 BORROWINGS, SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES AND BROKERED DEPOSITS (Continued)

The Company had an aggregate amount of \$108.3 million in subordinated debentures outstanding at March 31, 2012. These subordinated debentures were issued in five separate series. Each issuance had a maturity of thirty years from its date of issue. The subordinated debentures are variable rate instruments and are each callable at par with no prepayment penalty. The subordinated debentures were issued to trusts established by us or entities we have acquired, which in turn issued trust preferred securities, which totaled \$105.0 million at March 31, 2012. The proceeds of the subordinated debentures were used primarily to fund several of our acquisitions and to augment regulatory capital.

The Company includes in Tier 1 capital an amount of trust preferred securities equal to no more than 25% of the sum of all core capital elements, which is generally defined as shareholders' equity less goodwill, net of any related deferred income tax liability. At March 31, 2012, the amount of trust preferred securities included in Tier I capital was \$105.0 million.

Notification to the Federal Reserve Board, or FRB, is required prior to our declaring and paying a dividend to our stockholders during any period in which our quarterly and/or cumulative twelve-month net earnings are insufficient to fund the dividend amount. Interest payments made by the Company on subordinated debentures are considered dividend payments under FRB regulations. This notification requirement is included in regulatory guidance regarding safety and soundness surrounding capital and includes other non-financial measures such as asset quality and credit concentrations. Should the FRB object to our dividend payments, we would be precluded from paying interest on our subordinated debentures. Payments would not commence until approval is received or we no longer need to provide notice under applicable guidance.

## **Brokered Deposits**

Brokered deposits totaled \$37.4 million at March 31, 2012 and are included in the interest-bearing deposits balance on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. Such amount represented customer deposits that were subsequently participated with other FDIC-insured financial institutions through the CDARS program as a means to provide FDIC deposit insurance coverage for the full amount of our customers' deposits.

# NOTE 9 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

# Lending Commitments

The Bank is a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. Those instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk in excess of the amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheets. The contract or notional amounts of those instruments reflect the extent of involvement the Company has in particular classes of financial instruments.

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily

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# NOTE 9 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

represent future cash requirements. Commitments to extend credit totaled \$690.5 million and \$691.5 million at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued by the Company to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. Those guarantees are primarily issued to support private borrowing arrangements. Most guarantees expire within one year from the date of issuance. The Company generally requires collateral or other security to support financial instruments with credit risk. Standby letters of credit totaled \$28.9 million and \$32.0 million at March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

The Company has investments in low income housing project partnerships, which provide the Company income tax credits, and in a few small business investment companies. As of March 31, 2012, the Company had commitments to contribute capital to these entities totaling \$6.7 million.

#### Legal Matters

In the ordinary course of our business, we are party to various legal actions, which we believe are incidental to the operation of our business. The outcome of such legal actions and the timing of ultimate resolution are inherently difficult to predict. In the opinion of management, based upon information currently available to us, any resulting liability, in addition to amounts already accrued, would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial statements of operations.

## NOTE 10 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

ASC 820, "Fair Value Measurement," defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value including a three-level valuation hierarchy, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date reflecting assumptions that a market participant would use when pricing an asset or liability. The hierarchy uses three levels of inputs to measure the fair value of assets and liabilities as follows:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2: Observable inputs other than Level 1, including quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, quoted prices in less active markets, or other observable inputs that can be corroborated by observable market data, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument. This category generally includes U.S. government and agency securities.

Level 3: Inputs to a valuation methodology that are unobservable, supported by little or no market activity, and significant to the fair value measurement. These valuation methodologies generally include pricing models, discounted cash flow models, or a determination of fair value that requires significant management judgment or estimation. This category includes our covered private label collateralized mortgage obligations ("CMOs"), which we refer to as private label CMOs.

We use fair value to measure certain assets on a recurring basis, primarily securities available-for-sale; we have no liabilities being measured at fair value. For assets measured at the lower

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# NOTE 10 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

of cost or fair value, the fair value measurement criteria may or may not be met during a reporting period and such measurements are therefore considered "nonrecurring" for purposes of disclosing our fair value measurements. Fair value is used on a nonrecurring basis to adjust carrying values for impaired loans and other real estate owned and also to record impairment on certain assets, such as goodwill, core deposit intangibles and other long-lived assets. There were no transfers of assets between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy during the three months ended March 31, 2012. The following table presents information on the assets measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis as of the date indicated:

	Fair Value Measurement as of March 31, 2012							2
		Total Level 1				Level 2	I	Level 3
		(In thousands)						
Measured on a Recurring Basis:								
Securities available-for-sale:								
Government and government-sponsored entity residential mortgage-backed								
securities	\$	1,136,129	\$		\$	1,136,129	\$	
Covered private label CMOs		45,274						45,274
Municipal securities		147,641				147,641		
Corporate securities		43,149				43,149		
Other securities		8,685		6,911		1,774		
	\$	1,380,878	\$	6,911	\$	1,328,693	\$	45,274

The following table presents information about quantitative inputs and assumptions used to evaluate the fair values provided by our third party pricing service for our Level 3 private label CMOs measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2012:

		Weighted Average
Unobservable Inputs	Range of Inputs	Input
Voluntary prepayment speeds	0.1% - 32.2%	8.2%
Monthly default rates	0.4% - 20.5%	3.6%
Loss severity rates	9.1% - 70.6%	45.2%
Discount rates	3.6% - 11.5%	7.2%
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The following table summarizes activity for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis that are categorized as Level 3 for the period indicated:

	P Labe (L	overed rivate el CMOs evel 3)
	(In th	nousands)
Beginning as of December 31, 2011	\$	45,149
Total realized in earnings		607
Total unrealized in comprehensive income		1,641
Net settlements		(2,123)
Balance, March 31, 2012	\$	45,274

There were no transfers of assets in or out of Level 3 during the three months ended March 31, 2012.

The following table presents gains and (losses) and other information on assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis as of and for the period ended March 31, 2012:

	Gains (Losses) Three Months Ended March 31, 2012			Fair Value	e Measurem	rement as of March 31, 2012				
			Total	Level 1	]	Level 2		Level 3		
				(In thousands)						
Measured on a Nonrecurring Basis:										
Non-covered impaired loans	\$	(2,274)	\$	93,815	\$	\$	14,039	\$	79,776	
Non-covered other real estate owned		(569)		3,440			819		2,621	
Covered other real estate owned		(1,266)		10,392			7,676		2,716	
SBA loan servicing asset		1		1,182					1,182	
	\$	(4,108)	\$	108,829	\$	\$	22,534	\$	86,295	
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# NOTE 10 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The following table presents the valuation methodology and unobservable inputs for Level 3 assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis as of March 31, 2012:

Asset	 ir Value n 000's)	Valuation Methodology	Unobservable Inputs	Range	Weighted Average
		Discounted		4.00% -	
Impaired loans(1)	\$ 77,650	cash flow	Discount rate	8.75%	6.28%
			Discount, including 8% for		
OREO	\$ 5,337	Appraisals	selling costs	9% - 30%	20 %
SBA loan servicing asset	\$ 1,182	Discounted cash flow	Prepayment speeds	3.69% - 17.04% 9.68% -	(2)
			Discount rates	12.58%	(2)

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes \$2.1 million of impaired loans with balances of \$250,000 or less.

(2) Not readily available.

ASC Topic 825, "Financial Instruments," requires disclosure of the estimated fair value of certain financial instruments and the methods and significant assumptions used to estimate such fair values. Additionally, certain financial instruments and all nonfinancial instruments are excluded from the applicable disclosure requirements.

The following tables present a summary of the carrying values and estimated fair values of certain financial instruments as of the dates indicated:

# March 31, 2012

	Carrying or Contract									
		Amount		Total		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
					(In	thousands)				
Financial Assets:										
Cash and due from banks	\$	99,471	\$	99,471	\$	99,471	\$		\$	
Interest-earning deposits in										
financial institutions		34,290		34,290		34,290				
Securities available-for-sale		1,380,878		1,380,878		6,911		1,328,693		45,274
Investment in FHLB stock		43,902		43,902		43,902				
Loans and leases, net		3,450,813		3,496,003				12,959		3,483,044
SBA loan servicing asset		1,182		1,182						1,182
Financial Liabilities:										
Deposits		4,556,670		4,564,845		928,745		3,636,100		
Borrowings		193,104		193,102		179,500		13,602		
Subordinated debentures		108,250		108,190 33				108,190		

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# NOTE 10 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

#### December 31, 2011

	Carrying or Estima					Estimated	l Fa	ir Value	
	Amount			Total Level 1				Level 2	Level 3
					(In	thousands)			
Financial Assets:									
Cash and due from banks	\$	92,342	\$	92,342	\$	92,342	\$		\$
Interest-earning deposits in									
financial institutions		203,275		203,275		203,275			
Securities available-for-sale		1,326,358		1,326,358		2,976		1,278,233	45,149
Investment in FHLB stock		46,106		46,106		46,106			
Loans and leases, net		3,425,423		3,469,754				13,803	3,455,951
SBA loan servicing asset		1,613		1,613					1,613
Financial Liabilities:									
Deposits		4,577,453		4,587,148		977,589		3,609,559	
Borrowings		225,000		249,000				249,000	
Subordinated debentures		129,271		135,532				135,532	

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used to measure our assets recorded at fair value (under ASC Topic 820) and for estimating fair value for financial instruments not recorded at fair value (under ASC Topic 825).

Cash and due from banks. The carrying amount is assumed to be the fair value because of the liquidity of these instruments.

*Interest-earning deposits in financial institutions.* The carrying amount is assumed to be the fair value given the short-term nature of these deposits.

Securities available-for-sale. Securities available-for-sale are measured and carried at fair value on a recurring basis. Unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities are reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income on the condensed consolidated balance sheets. See Note 4, *Investment Securities*, for further information on unrealized gains and losses on securities available-for-sale.

Fair value for securities categorized as Level 1, which are primarily equity securities, are based on readily available quoted prices. In determining the fair value of the securities categorized as Level 2, we obtain a report from a nationally recognized broker-dealer detailing the fair value of each investment security we hold as of each reporting date. The broker-dealer uses observable market information to value our securities, with the primary source being a nationally recognized pricing service. We review the market prices provided by the broker-dealer for our securities for reasonableness based on our understanding of the marketplace and we consider any credit issues related to the securities. As we have not made any adjustments to the market quotes provided to us and they are based on observable market data, they have been categorized as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy.

Our private label CMOs are categorized as Level 3 due in part to the inactive market for such securities. There is a wide range of prices quoted for private label CMOs among independent third party pricing services and this range reflects the significant judgment being exercised over the assumptions and variables that determine the pricing of such securities. We consider this subjectivity to

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be a significant unobservable input and have concluded the private label CMOs should be categorized as a Level 3 measured asset. Our fair value estimate was based on prices provided to us by a nationally recognized pricing service which we also use to determine the fair value of the majority of our securities portfolio. We determined the reasonableness of the fair values by reviewing assumptions at the individual security level about prepayment, default expectations, estimated severity loss factors, and discount rates, all of which are not directly observable in the market. Significant increases (decreases) in default expectations, severity loss factors, or discount rates, which occur all together or in isolation, would result in lower (higher) fair value measurements.

FHLB stock. The fair value of FHLB stock is based on our recorded investment. FHLB stock is held at par value consistent with the value at which the FHLB has repurchased shares from its members during the first quarter of 2012. In January 2009, the FHLB announced that it had suspended excess FHLB stock redemptions and dividend payments. Since this announcement, the FHLB has declared and paid cash dividends in 2010, 2011 and 2012, though at rates less than those paid in the past, and repurchased certain amounts of our excess stock. As a result of these actions, we evaluated the carrying value of our FHLB stock investment. Based on the FHLB's most recent publicly available financial results, its capital position and its bond ratings, we concluded such investment was not impaired at March 31, 2012.

Non-covered loans and leases. As non-covered loans and leases are not measured at fair value, the following discussion relates to estimating the fair value disclosures under ASC Topic 825. Fair values are estimated for portfolios of loans and leases with similar financial characteristics. Loans are segregated by type and further segmented into fixed and adjustable rate interest terms and by credit risk categories. The fair value estimates do not take into consideration the value of the loan portfolio in the event the loans are sold outside the parameters of normal operating activities. The fair value of performing fixed rate loans is estimated by discounting scheduled cash flows through the estimated maturity using estimated market prepayment speeds. The fair value of equipment leases is estimated by discounting scheduled lease and expected lease residual cash flows over their remaining term. The estimated market discount rates used for performing fixed rate loans and equipment leases are the Company's current offering rates for comparable instruments with similar terms. The fair value of performing adjustable rate loans is estimated by discounting scheduled cash flows through the next repricing date. As these loans reprice frequently at market rates and the credit risk is not considered to be greater than normal, the market value is typically close to the carrying amount of these loans.

*Non-covered impaired loans.* Nonaccrual loans and performing restructured loans are considered impaired for reporting purposes and are measured and recorded at fair value on a non-recurring basis. Non-covered nonaccrual loans with an unpaid principal balance over \$250,000 and all performing restructured loans are reviewed individually for the amount of impairment, if any. Non-covered nonaccrual loans with an unpaid principal balance of \$250,000 or less are evaluated for impairment collectively.

To the extent a loan is collateral dependent, we measure such impaired loan based on the estimated fair value of the underlying collateral. The fair value of each loan's collateral is generally based on estimated market prices from an independently prepared appraisal, which is then adjusted for the cost related to liquidating such collateral; such valuation inputs result in a nonrecurring fair value measurement that is categorized as a Level 2 measurement.

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#### PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

## **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

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# NOTE 10 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

When adjustments are made to an appraised value to reflect various factors such as the age of the appraisal or known changes in the market or the collateral, such valuation inputs are considered unobservable and the fair value measurement is categorized as a Level 3 measurement. The impaired loans categorized as Level 3 also include unsecured loans and other secured loans whose fair values are based significantly on unobservable inputs such as the strength of a guarantor, including an SBA government guarantee, cash flows discounted at the effective loan rate, and management's judgment.

The non-covered impaired loan balances shown above represent those nonaccrual and restructured loans for which impairment was recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2012. The amounts shown as losses represent, for the loan balances shown, the impairment recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2012. Of the \$48.2 million of nonaccrual loans at March 31, 2012, \$5.5 million were written down to their fair values through charge-offs during the quarter.

Other real estate owned. The fair value of foreclosed real estate, both non-covered and covered, is generally based on estimated market prices from independently prepared current appraisals or negotiated sales prices with potential buyers, less estimated costs to sell; such valuation inputs result in a fair value measurement that is categorized as a Level 2 measurement on a nonrecurring basis. As a matter of policy, appraisals are required annually and may be updated more frequently as circumstances require in the opinion of management. The Level 2 measurement is based on appraisals obtained within the last 12 months and for which a write-down was recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2012

When a current appraised value is not available or management determines the fair value of the collateral is further impaired below the appraised value as a result of known changes in the market or the collateral and there is no observable market price, such valuation inputs result in a fair value measurement that is categorized as a Level 3 measurement. To the extent a negotiated sales price or reduced listing price represents a significant discount to an observable market price, such valuation input would result in a fair value measurement that is also considered a Level 3 measurement. The OREO losses disclosed are write-downs based on either a recent appraisal obtained after foreclosure or an accepted purchase offer by an independent third party received after foreclosure.

SBA servicing asset. In accordance with ASC Topic 860, "Transfers and Servicing," the SBA servicing asset, included in other assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheets, is carried at its implied fair value. The fair value of the servicing asset is estimated by discounting future cash flows using market-based discount rates and prepayment speeds. The discount rate is based on the current US Treasury yield curve, as published by the Department of the Treasury, plus a spread for the marketplace risk associated with these assets. We utilize estimated prepayment vectors using SBA prepayment information provided by Bloomberg for pools of similar assets to determine the timing of the cash flows. These nonrecurring valuation inputs are considered to be Level 3 inputs.

**Deposits.** Deposits are carried at historical cost. The fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, such as noninterest bearing demand deposits, interest checking, money market, and savings accounts, is equal to the amount payable on demand as of the balance sheet date and considered Level 1. The fair value of time deposits is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows and considered Level 2. The discount rate is estimated using the rates currently offered for deposits of similar remaining maturities. No value has been separately assigned to the Company's long-term relationships with its deposit customers, such as a core deposit intangible.

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## PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

#### (Unaudited)

# NOTE 10 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

**Borrowings.** Borrowings are carried at amortized cost. The fair value of overnight FHLB advances is equal to the carrying value and considered Level 1. The fair value of fixed rate borrowings is calculated by discounting scheduled cash flows through the estimated maturity dates or call dates, if applicable, using estimated market discount rates that reflect current rates offered for borrowings with similar remaining maturities and characteristics.

Subordinated debentures. Subordinated debentures are carried at amortized cost. The fair value of subordinated debentures with variable rates is deemed to be the carrying value.

Commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. The majority of our commitments to extend credit carry current market interest rates if converted to loans. Because these commitments are generally unassignable by either the borrower or us, they only have value to the borrower and us. The estimated fair value approximates the recorded deferred fee amounts and is not disclosed as it is not material.

#### Limitations

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time and are based on relevant market information and information about the financial instrument. These estimates do not reflect income taxes or any premium or discount that could result from offering for sale at one time the Company's entire holdings of a particular financial instrument. Because no market exists for a portion of the Company's financial instruments, fair value estimates are based on what management believes to be conservative judgments regarding expected future cash flows, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments, and other factors. These estimated fair values are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates. Since the fair values have been estimated as of March 31, 2012, the amounts that will actually be realized or paid at settlement or maturity of the instruments could be significantly different.

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# (Unaudited)

## NOTE 11 EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following is a summary of the calculation of basic and diluted net earnings per share for the periods indicated:

	, ,					Iarch 31, 2011
		(In thousa	ands	, except per sh	are o	data)
Basic Earnings Per Share:						
Net earnings	\$	5,264	\$	13,883	\$	10,676
Less: earnings allocated to unvested restricted stock <sup>(1)</sup>		(122)		(470)		(386)
Net earnings allocated to common shares	\$	5,142	\$	13,413	\$	10,290
Weighted-average basic shares and unvested restricted stock outstanding		37,284.0		37,260.8		36,801.7
Less: weighted-average unvested restricted stock outstanding		(1,654.0)		(1,712.8)		(1,347.6)
Weighted-average basic shares outstanding		35,630.0		35,548.0		35,454.1
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.14	\$	0.38	\$	0.29
Diluted Earnings Per Share:						
Net earnings allocated to common shares	\$	5,142	\$	13,413	\$	10,290
Weighted-average diluted shares outstanding		35,630.0		35,548.0		35,454.1
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.14	\$	0.38	\$	0.29

Represents cash dividends paid to holders of unvested restricted stock, net of estimated forfeitures, plus undistributed earnings amounts available to holders of unvested restricted stock, if any.

# NOTE 12 STOCK COMPENSATION PLANS

# Restricted Stock

(1)

At March 31, 2012, there were outstanding 767,760 shares of unvested time-based restricted common stock and 850,000 shares of unvested performance-based restricted common stock vest over a service period of three to five years from the date of the grant. The awarded shares of performance-based restricted common stock vest in full on the date the Compensation, Nominating and Governance, or CNG, Committee of the Board of Directors, as Administrator of the Company's 2003 Stock Incentive Plan, or the 2003 Plan, determines that the Company achieved certain financial goals established by the CNG Committee as set forth in the grant documents. Both time-based and performance-based restricted common stock vest immediately upon a change in control of the Company as defined in the 2003 Plan and upon death of the employee.

Compensation expense related to time-based restricted stock awards is based on the fair value of the underlying stock on the award date and is recognized over the vesting period using the straight-line

## PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

#### (Unaudited)

# NOTE 12 STOCK COMPENSATION PLANS (Continued)

method. Restricted stock amortization totaled \$1.6 million, \$1.4 million and \$2.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012, December 31, 2011, and March 31, 2011, respectively. Such amounts are included in compensation expense on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of earnings.

Currently no compensation expense is being recognized for any performance-based restricted stock awards as management has concluded that it is improbable that the respective financial targets for any outstanding performance-based restricted stock awards will be met. If and when the attainment of such financial targets is deemed probable in future periods, a catch-up adjustment will be recorded and amortization of such performance-based restricted stock will begin again. The total amount of unrecognized compensation expense related to all performance-based restricted stock for which amortization was suspended or has not commenced totaled \$33.8 million at March 31, 2012 as presented in the following table.

	Number of Shares Outstanding	Un Coi	ch 31, 2012 recognized mpensation Expense thousands)	Expiration Year of Award
Performance-based restricted stock awarded in:		(		
2006	275,000	\$	14,924	2013
2007	205,000		11,259	2017
2008	20,000		453	2013
2011	350,000		7,161	2016
Outstanding performance-based restricted stock awards	850,000	\$	33,797	

The Company's 2003 Plan permits stock based compensation awards to officers, directors, key employees and consultants. As of March 31, 2012, the 2003 Plan authorized grants of stock-based compensation instruments to purchase or issue up to 5,000,000 shares of authorized but unissued Company common stock, subject to adjustments provided by the 2003 Plan. As of March 31, 2012, there were 414,365 shares available for grant under the 2003 Plan.

## NOTE 13 RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In June 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2011-05, "Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Presentation of Comprehensive Income." Under ASU 2011-05, an entity will have the option to present the components of net earnings and comprehensive income in either one or two consecutive financial statements. This standard eliminates the option in U.S. GAAP to present other comprehensive income in the statement of changes in equity. ASU 2011-05 should be applied retrospectively and is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2011 and early adoption was permitted. Adoption of this standard did not have a material effect on our financial statements. In December 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-12, "Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Reclassification of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05." ASU 2011-12 defers the effective date of those changes in ASU 2011-05 that

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# NOTE 13 RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (Continued)

relate to the presentation of reclassification adjustments to provide the FASB with more time to redeliberate whether to present the effects of reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income on the face of the financial statements for all periods presented.

## NOTE 14 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

# Celtic Capital Corporation Acquisition

On April 3, 2012, Pacific Western Bank completed the acquisition of Celtic Capital Corporation, or Celtic, an asset-based lending company based in Santa Monica, CA. Celtic focuses on providing asset-based loans to borrowers in the \$5 million and under loan market in the United States. Pacific Western Bank acquired all of the capital stock of Celtic for \$18 million in cash. Celtic's tangible net assets at March 31, 2012 on a pro forma basis totaled approximately \$9 million and is subject to finalization of our fair value determination. The acquisition diversifies the Company's loan portfolio, expands the Company's product lines, and deploys excess liquidity into higher yielding assets.

At April 3, 2012, Celtic had approximately \$56 million in gross loans outstanding, with no loans on nonaccrual status. In addition, Pacific Western Bank assumed \$47 million in outstanding debt, which was repaid on the closing date. The weighted average yield on Celtic's loan portfolio as of the acquisition date was approximately 18% and its weighted average remaining maturity was seven months.

Celtic will operate under the name Celtic Capital Corporation as a subsidiary of Pacific Western Bank. Pacific Western has retained all 26 of Celtic's employees.

## American Perspective Bank Acquisition Announcement

On April 30, 2012, the Company announced that Pacific Western Bank had entered into a definitive agreement and plan of merger to acquire all of the outstanding common stock and restricted stock of American Perspective Bank ("American Perspective") for \$58.1 million in cash, or \$13.00 per share for each share of common stock of American Perspective. The purchase price represented a multiple of 1.32 times American Perspective's tangible book value at March 31, 2012.

At March 31, 2012, American Perspective had \$264 million in assets, two operating branches located in San Luis Obispo and Santa Maria, California, and a loan production office located in Paso Robles, California. American Perspective serves small-to-medium sized businesses and professionals through those locations. The addition of the two branches strengthens the Company's presence in the Central Coast region and the loan production office provides opportunity for expansion and additional growth in that region.

For the first quarter of 2012, American Perspective earned \$462,000, had a net interest margin of 4.16%, and an efficiency ratio of 60.7%. It had \$185 million in average loans which yielded 6.13% and its interest-bearing deposit cost was 0.92%, with total cost of deposits of 0.76%.

The board of directors of each company has approved this transaction. The acquisition of American Perspective by Pacific Western Bank is subject to customary conditions, including the approval of American Perspective's shareholders and bank regulatory authorities, and is expected to

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# PACWEST BANCORP AND SUBSIDIARIES

# **Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

# (Unaudited)

# NOTE 14 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS (Continued)

close in the third quarter of 2012. Immediately following the completion of the acquisition, it is anticipated that American Perspective will be merged with and into Pacific Western Bank.

# Dividend Approval

On May 10, 2012, the Company announced that the Board of Directors had declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.18 per common share payable on May 31, 2012, to stockholders of record at the close of business on May 21, 2012.

We have evaluated events that have occurred subsequent to March 31, 2012 and have concluded there are no subsequent events that would require recognition or disclosure in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements.

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

# **Forward-Looking Information**

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking information about the Company and its subsidiaries, which statements are intended to be covered by the safe harbor for "forward-looking statements" provided by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements. Such statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, many of which are difficult to predict and are generally beyond the control of the Company. We caution readers that a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in, implied or projected by, such forward-looking statements. Risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to:

lower than expected revenues;

credit quality deterioration or pronounced and sustained reduction in real estate market values could cause an increase in the allowance for credit losses and a reduction in earnings;

increased competitive pressure among depository institutions;

the Company's ability to complete future acquisitions and to successfully integrate such acquired entities or achieve expected benefits, synergies and/or operating efficiencies within expected time-frames or at all;

the possibility that personnel changes will not proceed as planned;

the cost of additional capital is more than expected;

a change in the interest rate environment reduces interest margins;

asset/liability repricing risks and liquidity risks;

pending legal matters may take longer or cost more to resolve or may be resolved adversely to the Company;

general economic conditions, either nationally or in the market areas in which the Company does or anticipates doing business, are less favorable than expected;

environmental conditions, including natural disasters, may disrupt our business, impede our operations, negatively impact the values of collateral securing the Company's loans or impair the ability of our borrowers to support their debt obligations;

the economic and regulatory effects of the continuing war on terrorism and other events of war, including the conflicts and uncertainties in the Middle East:

legislative or regulatory requirements or changes adversely affecting the Company's business;

changes in the securities markets; and

regulatory approvals for any capital activities cannot be obtained on the terms expected or on the anticipated schedule.

# Overview

We are a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. Our principal business is to serve as the holding company for our subsidiary bank, Pacific Western Bank, which we refer to as Pacific Western or the Bank.

Pacific Western is a full-service commercial bank offering a broad range of banking products and services including: accepting demand, money market, and time deposits; originating loans, including

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commercial, real estate construction, SBA guaranteed and consumer loans; and providing other business-oriented products. Our operations are primarily located in Southern California extending from California's Central Coast to San Diego County; we also operate three banking offices in the San Francisco Bay area. The Bank focuses on conducting business with small to medium sized businesses in our marketplace and the owners and employees of those businesses. The majority of our loans are secured by the real estate collateral of such businesses. Our asset-based lending functions operate in Arizona, California, Texas, and the Pacific Northwest. Our equipment leasing function, added through the acquisition of Pacific Western Equipment Finance, or PWE Finance, (formerly Marquette Equipment Finance) on January 3, 2012, is based in Utah and has lease receivables in 45 states.

Pacific Western competes actively for deposits, and emphasizes solicitation of noninterest-bearing deposits. In managing the top line of our business, we focus on loan growth, loan yield, deposit cost, and net interest margin, as net interest income, on a year-to-date basis, accounted for 95% of our net revenues (net interest income plus noninterest income).

During the three months ended March 31, 2012, total assets decreased \$80.1 million due to a lower balance in interest-earning deposits in financial institutions, offset by higher securities available-for-sale and higher loans and leases. During the first quarter, interest-earning deposits in financial institutions declined \$169.0 million due to the purchase of PWE Finance for \$35.0 million and the repayment of \$128.7 million of its debt. Securities available-for-sale increased \$54.5 million due to purchases of \$134.5 million. The non-covered gross loan and lease portfolio increased \$56.1 million due to the lease receivables gained in the PWE Finance acquisition. When the lease receivables from the PWE Finance acquisition are excluded, however, non-covered gross loans declined \$97.7 million; such decline is centered in the real estate mortgage loan portfolio. The covered loan portfolio declined \$42.7 million due to repayments and resolution activities. At March 31, 2012, non-covered gross loans and leases totaled \$2.9 billion and the covered loan portfolio was \$660.3 million.

During the three months ended March 31, 2012, total deposits declined \$20.8 million to \$4.6 billion at March 31, 2012. Core deposits grew \$26.5 million during the first quarter with increases of \$99.9 million, \$15.3 million, and \$5.6 million in noninterest-bearing demand deposits, interest checking deposits and savings deposits, respectively, offset by a decline of \$94.3 million in money market deposits. Core deposits totaled \$3.6 billion, or 80% of total deposits, at March 31, 2012. Time deposits decreased \$47.3 million during the first quarter to \$920.6 million at March 31, 2012. Noninterest-bearing demand deposits were \$1.8 billion at March 31, 2012 and represented 39% of total deposits at that date.

## **Celtic Capital Corporation Acquisition**

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At April 3, 2012, Celtic had approximately \$56 million in gross loans outstanding, with no loans on nonaccrual status. In addition, Pacific Western Bank assumed \$47 million in outstanding debt, which was repaid on the closing date. The weighted average yield on Celtic's loan portfolio as of the acquisition date was approximately 18% and its weighted average remaining maturity was seven months.

Celtic will operate under the name Celtic Capital Corporation as a subsidiary of Pacific Western Bank. Pacific Western has retained all 26 of Celtic's employees.

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# **American Perspective Bank Acquisition Announcement**

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At March 31, 2012, American Perspective had \$264 million in assets, two operating branches located in San Luis Obispo and Santa Maria, California, and a loan production office located in Paso Robles, California. American Perspective serves small-to-medium sized businesses and professionals through those locations. The addition of the two branches strengthens the Company's presence in the Central Coast region and the loan production office provides opportunity for expansion and additional growth in that region.

For the first quarter of 2012, American Perspective earned \$462,000, had a net interest margin of 4.16%, and an efficiency ratio of 60.7%. It had \$185 million in average loans which yielded 6.13% and its interest-bearing deposit cost was 0.92%, with total cost of deposits of 0.76%.

The board of directors of each company has approved this transaction. The acquisition of American Perspective by Pacific Western Bank is subject to customary conditions, including the approval of American Perspective's shareholders and bank regulatory authorities, and is expected to close in the third quarter of 2012. Immediately following the completion of the acquisition, it is anticipated that American Perspective will be merged with and into Pacific Western Bank.

## **Key Performance Indicators**

Among other factors, our operating results depend generally on the following key performance indicators:

## The Level of Our Net Interest Income

Net interest income is the excess of interest earned on our interest-earning assets over the interest paid on our interest-bearing liabilities. Net interest margin is net interest income expressed as a percentage of average interest-earning assets. A sustained low interest rate environment combined with low loan growth and high levels of marketplace liquidity may lower both our net interest income and net interest margin going forward.

Our primary interest-earning assets are loans and investments. Our primary interest-bearing liabilities are deposits. We attribute our high net interest margin to our high level of noninterest-bearing deposits and low cost of deposits. While our deposit balances will fluctuate depending on deposit holders' perceptions of alternative yields available in the market, we attempt to minimize these variances by attracting a high percentage of noninterest-bearing deposits, which have no expectation of yield. At March 31, 2012, approximately 39% of our total deposits were noninterest-bearing.

## Loan Growth

We generally seek new lending opportunities in the \$500,000 to \$15 million range, try to limit loan maturities for commercial loans to one year, for construction loans up to 18 months, and for commercial real estate loans up to ten years, and to price lending products so as to preserve our interest spread and net interest margin. We sometimes encounter strong competition in pursuing lending opportunities such that potential borrowers obtain loans elsewhere at lower rates than those we offer. Our ability to make new loans is dependent on economic factors in our market area, borrower qualifications, competition, and liquidity, among other items. Loan growth remains tepid, as new loan volume is not replacing maturities. We attribute this to the competition for new and maturing loans

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from money center banks, regional banks and community banks that operate in our market areas. Such competition centers on unreasonably low interest rates and unrestrictive loan terms. We continue to retain, however, maturing lending relationships that contribute positively to our profitability and net interest margin, and selectively add new loans that meet our credit and pricing standards.

We have expanded our commercial loan portfolio through the January 3, 2012 acquisition of equipment leasing company PWE Finance and the April 3, 2012 acquisition of asset-based lender Celtic. As of March 31, 2012, PWE Finance had \$167.7 million of leases and leases in process. As of April 3, 2012, Celtic had \$56 million in gross loans. As previously mentioned, gross loans declined \$97.7 million during the three months ended March 31, 2012, excluding the PWE Finance lease receivables, with the decline centered in real estate mortgage loans.

# The Magnitude of Credit Losses

We stress credit quality in originating and monitoring the loans we make and measure our success by the levels of our nonperforming assets, net charge-offs and allowance for credit losses. We maintain an allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans which is the sum of our allowance for loan losses and our reserve for unfunded loan commitments. Provisions for credit losses are charged to operations as and when needed for both on and off balance sheet credit exposure. Loans which are deemed uncollectible are charged off and deducted from the allowance for loan losses. Recoveries on loans previously charged off are added to the allowance for loan losses. The provision for credit losses on the non-covered loan portfolio was based on our allowance methodology and reflected net charge-offs, the levels and trends of nonaccrual and classified loans, and the migration of loans into various risk classifications. A provision for credit losses on the covered loan portfolio may be recorded to reflect decreases in expected cash flows on covered loans compared to those previously estimated.

We regularly review our loans to determine whether there has been any deterioration in credit quality stemming from economic conditions or other factors which may affect collectibility of our loans. Changes in economic conditions, such as inflation, unemployment, increases in the general level of interest rates, declines in real estate values and negative conditions in borrowers' businesses could negatively impact our customers and cause us to adversely classify loans and increase portfolio loss factors. An increase in classified loans generally results in increased provisions for credit losses. Any deterioration in the real estate market may lead to increased provisions for credit losses because of our concentration in real estate loans.

## The Level of Our Noninterest Expense

Our noninterest expense includes fixed and controllable overhead, the major components of which are compensation, occupancy, data processing, and other professional services. It also includes costs that tend to vary based on the volume of activity, such as OREO expense. We measure success in controlling both fixed and variable costs through monitoring of the efficiency ratio. We calculate the base efficiency ratio by dividing noninterest expense by net revenues (the sum of net interest income plus noninterest income). We also calculate a non-GAAP measure called the "adjusted efficiency ratio." The adjusted efficiency ratio is calculated in the same manner as the base efficiency ratio except that noninterest income is reduced by FDIC loss sharing income and noninterest expense is reduced by OREO expenses and debt termination expense. During the three months ended March 31, 2012, the Company incurred \$22.6 million of debt termination expense in connection with the prepayment of \$225.0 million of fixed-rate term FHLB advances and the early redemption of \$18.6 million in fixed-rate subordinated debentures; there was no similar debt termination expense in any other quarterly period presented. See calculations in "Results of Operations Non-GAAP Measurements" contained herein.

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The consolidated base and adjusted efficiency ratios have been as follows:

	Base Efficiency	Adjusted Efficiency
Three Months Ended	Ratio	Ratio
March 31, 2012	97.1%	58.6%
December 31, 2011	60.4%	59.9%
September 30, 2011	67.9%	58.7%
June 30, 2011	58.2%	57.7%
March 31, 2011	58.7%	60.4%

The base efficiency ratio fluctuations shown in the above table result mostly from the volatility of FDIC loss sharing income and OREO expenses and, for the first quarter of 2012, from the debt termination expense. The adjusted efficiency ratio eliminates (a) the volatility of FDIC loss sharing income and OREO expenses and (b) debt termination expense and shows the trend in overhead-related noninterest expense relative to net revenues.

# **Critical Accounting Policies**

The Company's accounting policies are fundamental to understanding management's discussion and analysis of results of operations and financial condition. The Company has identified several policies as being critical because they require management to make particularly difficult, subjective and/or complex judgments about matters that are inherently uncertain and because of the likelihood that materially different amounts would be reported under different conditions or using different assumptions. These policies relate to the allowance for credit losses and the carrying values of intangible assets and deferred income tax assets. For further information, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

## **Results of Operations**

#### Non-GAAP Measurements

Certain discussion in this Form 10-Q contains non-GAAP financial disclosures for tangible common equity, pre-credit, pre-debt termination and pre-tax earnings, and adjusted efficiency ratios. The Company uses certain non-GAAP financial measures to provide meaningful supplemental information regarding the Company's operational performance and to enhance investors' overall understanding of such financial performance. Given the use of tangible common equity amounts and ratio is prevalent among banking regulators, investors and analysts, we disclose our tangible common equity ratio in addition to the equity-to-assets ratio. Also, as analysts and investors view pre-credit, pre-debt termination and pre-tax earnings as an indicator of the Company's ability to absorb credit losses, we disclose this amount in addition to net earnings. The methodology of determining tangible common equity and pre-credit, pre-debt termination, and pre-tax earnings may differ among companies. We disclose the adjusted efficiency ratio as it eliminates (a) the volatility of FDIC loss sharing income and OREO expenses and (b) debt termination expense from the base efficiency ratio and shows the trend in overhead-related noninterest expense relative to net revenues.

These non-GAAP financial measures are presented for supplemental informational purposes only for understanding the Company's operating results and should not be considered a substitute for financial information presented in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The following table presents performance amounts and ratios in accordance with

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GAAP and a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measurements to the GAAP financial measurements.

	Three Months Ended							
Pre-Credit, Pre-Debt Termination, and Pre-Tax Earnings		arch 31, 2012		ember 31, 2011	M	arch 31, 2011		
			(In t	(In thousands)				
Net earnings	\$	5,264	\$	13,883	\$	10,676		
Plus: Total provision for credit losses		(6,074)		4,122		10,710		
Other real estate owned expense (income):								
Non-covered		1,821		1,714		703		
Covered		822		226		(2,578)		
Debt termination expense		22,598						
Income tax expense		2,857		10,553		7,742		
Less: FDIC loss sharing (expense) income, net		(3,579)		2,667		(1,170)		
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Pre-credit, pre-debt termination, and pre-tax earnings	\$	30,867	\$	27,831	\$	28,423		

	Three Months Ended								
	M	arch 31,	De	cember 31,	M	larch 31,			
Adjusted Efficiency Ratio	2012			2011		2011			
		(I	Oollar	s in thousand	s)				
Noninterest expense	\$	68,895	\$	43,469	\$	41,399			
Less: Non-covered OREO expense		1,821		1,714		703			
Covered OREO expense (income)		822		226		(2,578)			
Debt termination expense		22,598							
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Adjusted noninterest expense	\$	43,654	\$	41,529	\$	43,274			
•									
Net interest income	\$	67,680	\$	63,773	\$	65,738			
Noninterest income		3,262		8,254		4,789			
Net revenues		70,942		72,027		70,527			
Less: FDIC loss sharing (expense) income, net		(3,579)		2,667		(1,170)			
Adjusted net revenues	\$	74,521	\$	69,360	\$	71,697			
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Base efficiency ratio <sup>(1)</sup>		97.1%	,	60.4%	,	58.7%			
Adjusted efficiency ratio <sup>(2)</sup>		58.6%	ó	59.9%	,	60.4%			

<sup>(1)</sup> Noninterest expense divided by net revenues.

<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted noninterest expense divided by adjusted net revenues.

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Tangible Common Equity	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011			March 31, 2011
	(	Dolla	rs in thousands)		
PacWest Bancorp Consolidated:					
Stockholders' equity	\$ 549,645	\$	546,203	\$	491,360
Less: Intangible assets	73,524		56,556		70,287
Tangible common equity	\$ 476,121	\$	489,647	\$	421,073
Total assets	\$ 5,448,108	\$	5,528,237	\$	5,470,517
Less: Intangible assets	73,524		56,556		70,287
Tangible assets	\$ 5,374,584	\$	5,471,681	\$	5,400,230
Equity to assets ratio	10.09%	9.88%			8.98%
Tangible common equity ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	8.86%		8.95%		7.80%
Book value per share	\$ 14.74	\$	14.66	\$	13.20
Tangible book value per share	\$ 12.77	\$	13.14	\$	11.31
Shares outstanding	37,298,138		37,254,318		37,218,047
Pacific Western Bank:					
Stockholders' equity	\$ 627,792	\$	625,494	\$	584,418
Less: Intangible assets	73,524		56,556		70,287
Tangible common equity	\$ 554,268	\$	568,938	\$	514,131
Total assets	\$ 5,430,107	\$	5,512,025	\$	5,453,971
Less: Intangible assets	73,524		56,556		70,287
Tangible assets	\$ 5,356,583	\$	5,455,469	\$	5,383,684
Equity to assets ratio	11.56%		11.35%		10.72%
Tangible common equity ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	10.35%		10.43%		9.55%

(1)

Calculated as tangible common equity divided by tangible assets.

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# Earnings Performance

Summarized financial information for the periods indicated are as follows:

	Three Months Ended								
	M	larch 31,	Decei	mber 31,	M	larch 31,			
		2012	_	2011		2011			
		(Dollars		usands, except per					
			shar	re data)					
Earnings Summary:									
Interest income	\$	74,400	\$	70,913	\$	74,657			
Interest expense		(6,720)		(7,140)		(8,919)			
Net interest income		67,680		63,773		65,738			
Provision for credit losses:									
Non-covered loans and leases		10,000				(7,800)			
Covered loans		(3,926)		(4,122)		(2,910)			
Total provision		6,074		(4,122)		(10,710)			
FDIC loss sharing (expense) income, net		(3,579)		2,667		(1,170)			
Other noninterest income		6,841		5,587		5,959			
Total noninterest income		3,262		8,254		4,789			
Non-covered OREO costs, net		(1,821)		(1,714)		(703)			
Covered OREO costs, net		(822)		(226)		2,578			
Debt termination expense		(22,598)							
Other noninterest expense		(43,654)		(41,529)		(43,274)			
Total noninterest expense		(68,895)		(43,469)		(41,399)			
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Income tax expense		(2,857)		(10,553)		(7,742)			
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Net earnings	\$	5,264	\$	13,883	\$	10,676			
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Profitability Measures:									
Earnings per share:									
Basic	\$	0.14	\$	0.38	\$	0.29			
Diluted	\$	0.14	\$	0.38	\$	0.29			
Annualized return on:									
Average assets		0.38%		1.00%	)	0.79%			
Average equity		3.83%		10.22%		8.97%			
Net interest margin		5.41%		5.00%	,	5.34%			
Base efficiency ratio		97.1%		60.4%	58.7%				
Adjusted efficiency ratio <sup>(1)</sup>		58.6%		59.9%		60.4%			
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<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes FDIC loss sharing income, OREO expense, and debt termination expense.

First Quarter of 2012 Compared to Fourth Quarter of 2011

Net earnings for the first quarter of 2012 were \$5.3 million, or \$0.14 per diluted share, compared to \$13.9 million, or \$0.38 per diluted share, for the fourth quarter of 2011. The \$8.6 million decline in net earnings for the linked quarters was due mostly to \$22.6 million of debt

termination expense incurred on the prepayment of \$225.0 million in fixed-rate term FHLB advances and the early redemption of \$18.6 million in fixed-rate subordinated debentures. In addition, the provision for credit losses on non-covered loans declined \$10.0 million and FDIC loss sharing income declined \$6.2 million for the linked quarters.

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First Quarter of 2012 Compared to First Quarter of 2011

Net earnings for the first quarter of 2012 were \$5.3 million, or \$0.14 per diluted share, compared to net earnings of \$10.7 million, or \$0.29 per diluted share, for the first quarter of 2011. The \$5.4 million decline in net earnings was due mostly to the \$22.6 million debt termination expense incurred during the first quarter of 2012 and \$2.4 million decline in FDIC loss sharing income, offset partially by a \$17.8 million decrease in the provision for credit losses on non-covered loans.

## Net Interest Income

Net interest income, which is our principal source of revenue, represents the difference between interest earned on interest-earning assets and interest paid on interest-bearing liabilities. Net interest margin is net interest income expressed as a percentage of average interest-earning assets. Net interest income is affected by changes in both interest rates and the volume of average interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities.

The following tables present, for the periods indicated, the distribution of average assets, liabilities and stockholders' equity, as well as interest income and yields earned on average interest-earning assets and interest expense and rates paid on average interest-bearing liabilities:

	Three Months Ended									
	March 31, 2012 December 31, 2011						Marc	ch 31, 2011		
	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Yields and Rates	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Yields and Rates	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Yields and Rates	
				(Dollars	in thousan	ds)				
ASSETS										
Loans and leases, net of unearned										
income <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 3,562,766	\$ 64,752	7.31%	\$ 3,562,766	\$ 61,684	6.87%	\$ 3,992,204	\$ 66,781	6.78%	
Investment securities(2)	1,363,067	9,580	2.83%	1,309,931	9,107	2.76%	913,613	7,819	3.47%	
Deposits in financial institutions	103,557	68	0.26%	186,147	122	0.26%	89,248	57	0.26%	
Total interest-earning assets	5,029,390	\$ 74,400	5.95%	5,058,844	\$ 70,913	5.56%	4,995,065	\$ 74,657	6.06%	
Other assets	471,177			463,328			515,717			
Total assets	\$ 5,500,567		:	\$ 5,522,172			\$ 5,510,782			
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY										
Interest checking deposits	\$ 513,190	\$ 65	0.05%	\$ 488,783	\$ 75	0.06%	\$ 495,950	\$ 268	0.22%	
Money market deposits	1,199,226	567	0.19%	1,229,387	789	0.25%	1,240,524	1,734	0.57%	
Savings deposits	160,958	13	0.03%	157,617	19	0.05%	141,027	69	0.20%	
Time deposits	942,501	2,959	1.26%	1,003,939	3,220	1.27%	1,167,468	3,885	1.35%	
Total interest-bearing deposits	2,815,875	3,604	0.51%	2,879,726	4,103	0.57%	3,044,969	5,956	0.79%	
Borrowings	239,779	1,925	3.23%	225,011	1,782	3.14%	227,122	1,744	3.11%	
Subordinated debentures	123,393	1,191	3.88%	129,319	1,255	3.85%	129,545	1,219	3.82%	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	3,179,047	\$ 6,720	0.85%	3,234,056	\$ 7,140	0.88%	3,401,636	\$ 8,919	1.06%	
Noninterest-bearing demand deposits	1,719,003			1,702,543			1,582,720			
Other liabilities	49,731			46,777			43,501			
Total liabilities	4,947,781			4,983,376			5,027,857			
Stockholders' equity	552,786			538,796			482,925			
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 5,500,567		:	\$ 5,522,172			\$ 5,510,782			
Net interest income		\$ 67,680			\$ 63,773			\$ 65,738		

Net interest rate spread		5.10%	4.68%	5.00%
Net interest margin		5.41%	5.00%	5.34%
Total deposits	4,534,878	4,582,269	4,627,689	
All-in deposit cost <sup>(3)</sup>		0.32%	0.36%	0.52%

(1) Includes nonaccrual loans and leases and loan fees.

(2) The tax-equivalent yield on investment securities was 3.20% for March 31, 2012 and 2.88% for December 31, 2011; not applicable for March 31, 2011.

(3) All-in deposit cost is calculated as annualized interest expense on deposits divided by average total deposits.

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The net interest margin has been impacted by the accelerated accretion of purchase discounts on covered loan payoffs and loans being placed on or removed from nonaccrual status. The effects of such items on the net interest margin are shown in the following table for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended						
	March 31, 2012	December 31, 2011	March 31, 2011				
Net interest margin as reported	5.41%	5.00%	5.34%				
Less:							
Accelerated accretion of purchase discounts on covered loan payoffs	0.20%	0.02%	0.22%				
Nonaccrual loan interest	0.00%	0.01%	0.00%				
Net interest margin as adjusted	5.21%	4.97%	5.12%				

First Quarter of 2012 Compared to Fourth Quarter of 2011

Net interest income was \$67.7 million for the first quarter of 2012 compared to \$63.8 million for the fourth quarter of 2011. The \$3.9 million increase was due to a \$3.1 million increase in loan and lease interest income; such increase is attributed to a higher yield on average loans and leases and due mainly to the yield earned on PWE Finance's lease portfolio. Contributing to the increase in interest income was a reduction in interest expense of \$420,000 due to lower rates on all interest-bearing deposits and lower average time deposits.

Our net interest margin for the first quarter of 2012 was 5.41%, an increase of 41 basis points from the 5.00% reported for the fourth quarter of 2011. This increase was due mostly to an increase in loan and lease yield as the first quarter includes income on \$146.4 million of average lease receivables with a 12% yield. The addition of the lease portfolio increased the net interest margin approximately 25 basis points, assuming such excess liquidity would have otherwise been deployed in investment securities. In addition, the net interest margin is impacted by the accelerated accretion of discounts on covered loan payoffs which increased the margin 18 basis points for the linked quarters. Average outstanding loans and leases were unchanged quarter over quarter.

The yield on average loans and leases increased 44 basis points to 7.31% for the first quarter of 2012 from 6.87% for the fourth quarter of 2011. The addition of PWE Finance's lease portfolio increased the loan and lease yield 21 basis points and the accelerated accretion of discounts on covered loan payoffs increased the loan and lease yield 29 basis points.

All-in deposit cost declined 4 basis points to 0.32%. The cost of interest-bearing deposits declined 6 basis points to 0.51% due to lower rates on interest-bearing deposits and a decline in average time deposits, which shifted the mix of deposits to lower cost interest checking, money market and savings deposits. Average time deposits declined \$61.4 million during the first quarter of 2012 compared to the fourth quarter of 2011. The cost of total interest-bearing liabilities declined 3 basis points to 0.85% for the first quarter of 2012.

In March 2012, the Company prepaid \$18.6 million in fixed-rate subordinated debentures and \$225.0 million in fixed-rate term FHLB advances. The resulting debt termination expense incurred was \$22.6 million; the interest expense savings is estimated to be \$6.8 million for the remainder of 2012 and \$8.8 million annually through 2016. The Company used a combination of excess cash and collateralized overnight FHLB advances to repay these debt instruments. These repayments are expected to expand the net interest margin beginning in the second quarter by approximately 25 basis points from a combination of lower average earning assets and the reduced borrowing costs.

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First Quarter of 2012 Compared to First Quarter of 2011

Net interest income was \$67.7 million for the first quarter of 2012 compared to \$65.7 million for the first quarter of 2011. The \$2.0 million increase was due primarily to a \$2.4 million decline in interest expense on deposits; such decline was due mainly to lower rates on all interest-bearing deposits and lower average time deposits. Contributing to the increase in net interest income was a \$1.8 million increase in interest income on investment securities attributable to a higher average balance due to purchases, offset by a lower yield. Offsetting these factors which increased net interest income was a decline in interest income on loans of \$2.0 million due to a lower average balance, offset by an increase in yield.

The net interest margin grew 7 basis points to 5.41% for the first quarter of 2012 compared to 5.34% for the same period last year, due mostly to the decline in interest expense on deposits. The yield on average loans grew 53 basis points to 7.31% for the first quarter of 2012 from 6.78% from the first quarter of 2011, due to the addition of PWE Finance's higher yielding lease portfolio and the accelerated accretion of purchase discount on covered loan payoffs recorded in the first quarter of 2012.

All-in deposit cost declined 20 basis points to 0.32%. The cost of interest-bearing deposits declined 28 basis points to 0.51% due to lower rates on interest-bearing deposits and a decline in average time deposits, which shifted the mix of deposits to lower cost interest checking, money market and savings deposits. Average time deposits declined \$225.0 million during the first quarter of 2012 compared to the same period last year. Average noninterest-bearing demand deposits increased \$136.3 million and represented 38% of total average deposits for the first quarter of 2012 compared to 34% for the first quarter of 2011. The cost of total interest-bearing liabilities declined 21 basis points to 0.85% for the first quarter of 2012.

## **Provision for Credit Losses**

The following table sets forth the details of the provision for credit losses and allowance for credit losses data for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended							
	March 31, 2012		De	cember 31, 2011	N	Iarch 31, 2011		
		(I	Ollar	rs in thousand	s)			
Provision For Credit Losses:								
Addition (reduction) to allowance for loan and lease losses	\$	(8,500)	\$	(2,045)	\$	7,800		
Addition (reduction) to reserve for unfunded loan commitments		(1,500)		2,045				
Total provision for non-covered loans and leases		(10,000)				7,800		
Provision for covered loans		3,926		4,122		2,910		
Total provision for credit losses	\$	(6,074)	\$	4,122	\$	10,710		
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Allowance for Credit Losses Data:								
Net charge-offs on non-covered loans and leases	\$	2,046	\$	2,752	\$	7,889		
Annualized net charge-offs to non-covered average loans and leases		0.29%	,	0.39%	,	1.03%		
At Period End:								
Allowance for loan and lease losses	\$	74,767	\$	85,313	\$	98,564		
Allowance for credit losses	\$	81,737	\$	93,783	\$	104,239		
Allowance for credit losses to non-covered loans and leases, net of unearned income		2.85%	)	3.34%		3.41%		
Allowance for credit losses to non-covered nonaccrual loans and leases	169.7% 161.0%		,	135.6%				

Provisions for credit losses are charged to earnings as and when needed for both on and off balance sheet credit exposures. We have a provision for credit losses on our non-covered loans and

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leases and a provision for credit losses on our covered loans. The provision for credit losses on our non-covered loans and leases is based on our allowance methodology and is an expense, or contra-expense, that, in our judgment, is required to maintain the adequacy of the allowance for loan and lease losses and the reserve for unfunded loan commitments. Our allowance methodology reflects net charge-offs, the levels and trends of nonaccrual and classified loans and leases, and the migration of loans and leases into various risk classifications. The provision for credit losses on our covered loans reflects decreases in expected cash flows on covered loans compared to those previously estimated.

The Company recorded a negative provision for credit losses of \$6.1 million in the first quarter of 2012, compared to a provision for credit losses of \$4.1 million for the fourth quarter of 2011 and \$10.7 million for the first quarter of 2011. The provision related to non-covered loans was a \$10.0 million negative provision for the first quarter of 2012; this compares to a zero provision for the fourth quarter of 2011 and a \$7.8 million provision for the first quarter of 2011. Net non-covered loan charge-offs were \$2.0 million for the first quarter of 2012; this compares to \$2.8 million for the fourth quarter of 2011 and \$7.9 million for the first quarter of 2011.

The declining trend in credit loss provisions results from lower non-covered loan balances and improving credit quality, evidenced by lower nonaccrual and classified loan balances. Gross non-covered loans and leases declined \$97.7 million when the acquired PWE Finance lease receivables are excluded. During the first quarter of 2012, nonaccrual loans and leases declined by \$10.1 million, or 17%, to \$48.2 million and classified loans and leases decreased by \$39.7 million, or 21%, to \$145.9 million. Nonaccrual loans and leases totaled \$48.2 million, \$58.3 million, and \$76.8 million at March 31, 2012, December 31, 2011, and March 31, 2011, respectively. Classified loans and leases were \$145.9 million, \$185.6 million, and \$207.0 million at March 31, 2012, December 31, 2011, and March 31, 2011, respectively.

The allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans was \$81.7 million as of March 31, 2012 and represented 2.85% of the non-covered loan balances at that date. This compares to an allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans of \$93.8 million, or 3.34% of non-covered loans, as of December 31, 2011 and an allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans of \$104.2 million, or 3.41% of non-covered loans, as of March 31, 2011.

During the first quarter of 2012, we recorded a \$3.9 million provision for credit losses on the covered loan portfolio based on a current analysis of covered loans, which indicated a decrease in expected cash flows from previous estimates. The provisions for credit losses on covered loans for the fourth quarter of 2011 and first quarter of 2011 were \$4.1 million and \$2.9 million, respectively. The FDIC absorbs 80% of losses on covered loans under the terms of our loss-sharing agreement.

Increased provisions for credit losses may be required in the future based on loan and unfunded commitment growth, the effect changes in economic conditions, such as inflation, unemployment, market interest rate levels, and real estate values, may have on the ability of our borrowers to repay their loans, and other negative conditions specific to our borrowers' businesses. See further discussion in "Balance Sheet Analysis Allowance for Credit Losses on Non-Covered Loans" and "Balance Sheet Analysis Allowance for Credit Losses on Covered Loans" contained herein.

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## Noninterest Income

The following table summarizes noninterest income by category for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended							
	March 31, 2012			December 31, 2011		arch 31, 2011		
			(In th	ousands)	ls)			
Service charges on deposit accounts	\$	3,353	\$	3,326	\$	3,558		
Other commissions and fees		1,883		1,864		1,720		
Gain on sale of loans and leases		990						
Increase in cash surrender value of life insurance		365		337		379		
FDIC loss sharing (expense) income, net		(3,579)		2,667		(1,170)		
Other income		250		60		302		
Total noninterest income	\$	3,262	\$	8,254	\$	4,789		

The following table presents the details of FDIC loss sharing income (expense), net for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2012		Dec	cember 31, 2011	M	arch 31, 2011
	(In thousands)					
FDIC Loss Sharing Income, Net:						
Gain (loss) on indemnification asset <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	(3,380)	\$	2,560	\$	3,417
Loan recoveries shared with FDIC		(839)				(2,271)
Net reimbursement from FDIC for covered OREO write-downs and sales		634		102		(2,322)
Other		6		5		6
Total FDIC loss sharing (expense) income, net	\$	(3,579)	\$	2,667	\$	(1,170)

Includes (a) increases related to covered loan loss provisions and (b) decreases for FDIC loss sharing asset amortization and write-offs for covered loans resolved or expected to be resolved at amounts higher than their carrying value.

First Quarter of 2012 Compared to Fourth Quarter of 2011 and First Quarter of 2011

Noninterest income for the first quarter of 2012 totaled \$3.3 million compared to \$8.3 million for the fourth quarter of 2011 and \$4.8 million for the first quarter of 2011. The \$5.0 million decline for the first quarter of 2012 compared to the prior quarter was due to lower net FDIC loss sharing income of \$6.2 million, offset partially by a higher gain on sale of leases of \$990,000, the latter item relating to PWE Finance's operations. The first quarter of 2012 includes net FDIC loss sharing expense of \$3.6 million due to a higher level of write-downs and amortization of the FDIC loss sharing asset as the estimated amount of losses collectible from the FDIC decreased; this compares to net FDIC loss sharing income of \$2.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2011 and net FDIC loss sharing expense of \$1.2 million for the first quarter of 2011.

The \$1.5 million decline in noninterest income for the first quarter of 2012 compared to the same period last year was due primarily to a \$2.4 million increase in net FDIC loss sharing expense, offset partially by a higher gain on sale of leases of \$990,000 relating to PWE Finance's operations. The increase in net FDIC loss sharing expense reflects a higher level of write-downs and amortization of the FDIC loss sharing asset, offset partially by lower levels of recoveries of loans previously charged off and gains on sale of covered OREO.

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# Noninterest Expense

The following table summarizes noninterest expense by category for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended					
	M	arch 31, 2012	Dec	December 31, 2011		arch 31, 2011
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Compensation	\$	24,187	\$	21,597	\$	21,929
Occupancy		7,288		7,137		6,983
Data processing		2,280		2,132		2,475
Other professional services		1,770		1,946		2,296
Business development		638		609		569
Communications		608		640		859
Insurance and assessments		1,293		1,590		2,337
Non-covered other real estate owned, net		1,821		1,714		703
Covered other real estate owned expense (income), net		822		226		(2,578)
Intangible asset amortization		1,735		1,836		2,307
Acquisition costs		25		600		
Debt termination		22,598				
Other expense		3,830		3,442		3,519
Total noninterest expense	\$	68,895	\$	43,469	\$	41,399

The following tables present the components of OREO expense, net for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended								
	March 31, 2012		ember 31, 2011	M	arch 31, 2011				
		(In	thousands)	usands)					
Non-Covered OREO Expense:									
Provision for losses	\$ 752	\$	1,071	\$	382				
Maintenance costs	1,027		665		473				
Loss (gain) on sale	42		(22)		(152)				
Total non-covered OREO expense, net	\$ 1,821	\$	1,714	\$	703				
Covered OREO Expense:									
Provision for losses	\$ 2,229	\$	912	\$	890				
Maintenance costs	69		98		324				
Gain on sale	(1,476)		(784)		(3,792)				
Total covered OREO expense, net	\$ 822	\$	226	\$	(2,578)				

First Quarter of 2012 Compared to Fourth Quarter of 2011

Noninterest expense increased \$25.4 million to \$68.9 million during the first quarter of 2012 compared to \$43.5 million for the fourth quarter of 2011. The increase was due mostly to \$22.6 million in debt termination expense for the early repayment of \$225.0 million of fixed-rate term FHLB advances and \$18.6 million of fixed-rate subordinated debentures. Excluding the debt termination expense, noninterest expense increased \$2.8 million, of which \$2.3 million relates to the PWE Finance acquisition which closed on January 3, 2012. Compensation cost increased \$3.5 million quarter-over-quarter when the fourth quarter of 2011 severance cost of \$885,000 is excluded. The leasing company acquisition accounted for \$1.6 million of that increase. The remainder of the

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compensation increase was attributable to higher payroll taxes due to the start of the new year and higher incentive compensation. Covered OREO costs increased due to higher write-downs of \$1.3 million offset by higher gains on sales of \$692,000. These increases were offset by declines in other professional services, insurance and assessments, and acquisition costs of approximately \$1.0 million in total. Other professional services declined due to lower legal costs and insurance and assessments are lower as a result of the revised deposit insurance assessment formula.

Noninterest expense includes the following non-cash items: (a) amortization of time-based restricted stock, which is included in compensation, and (b) intangible asset amortization. Amortization of restricted stock totaled \$1.6 million, \$1.4 million, and \$2.0 million for the first quarter of 2012, fourth quarter of 2011, and first quarter of 2011, respectively. Intangible asset amortization totaled \$1.7 million, \$1.8 million, and \$2.3 million for the first quarter of 2012, fourth quarter of 2011, and first quarter of 2011, respectively.

First Quarter of 2012 Compared to First Quarter of 2011

Noninterest expense grew \$27.5 million for the first quarter of 2012 compared to the same period of 2011 due mostly to the \$22.6 million in debt termination expense incurred during the first quarter of 2012. Excluding the debt termination expense, noninterest expense increased \$4.9 million, of which \$2.3 million relates to the PWE Finance acquisition which closed on January 3, 2012. Covered OREO costs increased \$3.4 million due mainly to higher write-downs of \$1.3 million and lower gains on sales of \$2.3 million. Compensation cost increased \$2.3 million, of which the leasing company acquisition accounted for \$1.6 million, with the remainder due primarily to higher incentive compensation.

## **Income Taxes**

The effective tax rate for the first quarter of 2012 was 35.2% compared to 43.2% for the fourth quarter of 2011 and 42.0% in the first quarter of 2011. The lower rate in the first quarter of 2012 resulted from a higher proportion of tax credits and tax exempt income to pre-tax income. The Company operates primarily in the Federal and California jurisdictions and the blended statutory tax rate for Federal and California is 42%.

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## **Balance Sheet Analysis**

## Total Gross Loans and Leases

The following table presents the balance of our total gross loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated:

		March 31, 20		December 31,	
		Amount	% of Total	Amount	% of Total
			Dollars in thou		Total
Real estate mortgage:		(1	onars in thou	isanus)	
Hospitality	\$	143,491	4% \$	147,346	4%
SBA 504	Ψ	57,560	2%	58,377	2%
Other		2,394,654	66%	2,513,099	69%
Total real estate mortgage		2,595,705	72%	2,718,822	75%
Real estate construction:					
Residential		41,367	1%	39,190	1%
Commercial		118,128	3%	120,787	3%
Total real estate construction		159,495	4%	159,977	4%
Total real estate loans		2,755,200	76%	2,878,799	79%
Commercial:					
Collateralized		442,145	12%	438,828	12%
Unsecured		69,284	2%	79,739	2%
Asset-based		147,181	4%	149,987	4%
SBA 7(a)		27,721	1%	28,995	1%
Total commercial		686,331	19%	697,549	19%
Leases		153,845	4%		
Consumer		16,511	0%	24,446	1%
Foreign		18,752	1%	20,932	1%
Total gross loans and leases	\$	3,630,639	100% \$	3,621,726	100%
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The following table presents the composition of our total real estate mortgage loan portfolio as of the dates indicated:

		March 31, 2	012 % of	December 31,	2011 % of
Loan Category		Amount	% of Total	Amount	% of Total
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Commercial real estate mortgage:				,	
Industrial/warehouse	\$	383,975	14.8% \$	401,249	14.8%
Retail		376,065	14.5%	401,166	14.7%
Office buildings		363,645	14.0%	367,841	13.5%
Owner-occupied		234,718	9.1%	251,144	9.2%
Hotel		146,422	5.7%	147,346	5.4%
Healthcare		132,850	5.1%	148,476	5.5%
Mixed use		60,267	2.3%	61,672	2.3%
Gas station		36,517	1.4%	39,716	1.5%
Self storage		75,565	2.9%	75,941	2.8%
Restaurant		24,162	0.9%	25,081	0.9%
Land acquisition/development		13,953	0.5%	14,015	0.5%
Unimproved land		13,880	0.5%	3,121	0.1%
Other		209,502	8.1%	223,039	8.2%
Total commercial real estate mortgage		2,071,521	79.8%	2,159,807	79.4%
Residential real estate mortgage:					
Multi-family		329,128	12.7%	344,499	12.7%
Single family owner-occupied		121,094	4.7%	127,457	4.7%
Single family nonowner-occupied		34,687	1.3%	44,965	1.7%
HELOCs		39,275	1.5%	42,094	1.5%
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Total residential real estate mortgage		524,184	20.2%	559,015	20.6%
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Total gross real estate mortgage loans	\$	2,595,705	100.0% \$	2,718,822	100.0%
Total gross real estate mortgage toans	Ф	4,393,103	100.0% \$	2,/10,022	100.0%
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The following table presents the balance of our total gross loans and leases by portfolio segment and class, showing the non-covered and covered components, at the date indicated:

			March 31, 20	12		
	Total Loa	ns % of	Non-Covered l	Loans % of	Covered L	oans % of
	Amount	Total	Amount	Total	Amount	Total
		(D	ollars in thous	ands)		
Real estate mortgage:						
Hospitality	\$ 143,491	4% \$	143,491	5% \$		
SBA 504	57,560	2%	57,560	2%		
Other	2,394,654	66%	1,695,001	59%	699,653	92%
Total real estate mortgage	2,595,705	72%	1,896,052	66%	699,653	92%
Real estate construction:						
Residential	41,367	1%	25,454	1%	15,913	2%
Commercial	118,128	3%	92,850	3%	25,278	3%
Total real estate construction	159,495	4%	118,304	4%	41,191	5%
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Total real estate loans	2,755,200	76%	2,014,356	70%	740,844	97%
Total real estate found	2,733,200	7070	2,011,330	7070	7 10,011	2170
Commercial:						
Collateralized	442,145	12%	421,996	15%	20,149	3%
Unsecured	69,284	2%	68,543	2%	741	0%
Asset-based	147,181	4%	147,181	5%	/ 11	070
SBA 7(a)	27,721	1%	27,721	1%		
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Total commercial	686,331	19%	665,441	23%	20,890	3%
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Leases	153,845	4%	153,845	5%		
Consumer	16,511	0%	15,826	1%	685	0%
Foreign	18,752	1%	18,752	1%	003	070
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Total gross loans and leases	\$ 3,630,639	100% \$	2,868,220	100%	762,419	100%
Total gross loans and leases	\$ 3,030,039	100% \$	2,808,220	100%	702,419	100%
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Covered loans: Discount					(66.212)	
Allowance for loan losses					(66,312) (35,810)	
Allowance for loan losses					(33,810)	
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Covered loans, net				\$	660,297	
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## Non-Covered Loans and Leases

The following table presents the balance of our non-covered loans and leases by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated:

		March 31, 20		December 31,	
		% of			% of
		Amount	Total	Amount	Total
		(I	Dollars in tho	usands)	
Real estate mortgage:					
Hospitality	\$	143,491	5% \$	144,402	5%
SBA 504		57,560	2%	58,377	2%
Other		1,695,001	59%	1,779,685	63%
Total real estate mortgage		1,896,052	66%	1,982,464	70%
Real estate construction:					
Residential		25,454	1%	17,669	1%
Commercial		92,850	3%	95,390	3%
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Total real estate construction		118,304	4%	113,059	4%
Total Total estate construction		110,501	170	113,037	170
Total real estate loans		2,014,356	70%	2,095,523	74%
Total leaf estate loalis		2,014,330	70%	2,093,323	74 70
Commercial:		421.006	150	414.020	1507
Collateralized		421,996	15%	414,020	15%
Unsecured		68,543	2%	78,937	3%
Asset-based		147,181	5%	149,987	5%
SBA 7(a)		27,721	1%	28,995	1%
Total commercial		665,441	23%	671,939	24%
Leases		153,845	5%		
Consumer		15,826	1%	23,711	1%
Foreign		18,752	1%	20,932	1%
Total gross non-covered loans and leases	\$	2,868,220	100% \$	2,812,105	100%
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With the acquisition of PWE Finance on January 3, 2012, we added the class category of "leases." We are accounting for the leases in accordance with the accounting requirements for purchased non-impaired loans.

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The following table presents the composition of our non-covered real estate mortgage loan portfolio as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2	012	December 31,	, 2011
		% of		% of
Loan Category	Amount	Total	Amount	Total
	(	Dollars in tho	usands)	
Commercial real estate mortgage:				
Industrial/warehouse	\$ 352,033	18.6% \$	367,494	18.5%
Retail	266,411	14.1%	286,691	14.5%
Office buildings	288,105	15.2%	290,074	14.6%
Owner-occupied	210,055	11.1%	226,307	11.4%
Hotel	143,491	7.6%	144,402	7.3%
Healthcare	117,440	6.2%	131,625	6.7%
Mixed use	52,510	2.8%	53,855	2.7%
Gas station	30,545	1.6%	33,715	1.7%
Self storage	23,036	1.2%	23,148	1.2%
Restaurant	21,670	1.1%	22,549	1.1%
Land acquisition/development	13,953	0.7%	14,015	0.7%
Unimproved land	12,137	0.6%	1,369	0.1%
Other	193,920	10.2%	206,504	10.4%
Total commercial real estate mortgage	1,725,306	91.0%	1,801,748	90.9%
Residential real estate mortgage:				
Multi-family	95,263	5.0%	93,866	4.7%
Single family owner-occupied	33,749	1.8%	32,209	1.6%
Single family nonowner-occupied	8,314	0.4%	19,341	1.0%
HELOCs	33,420	1.8%	35,300	1.8%
Total residential real estate mortgage	170,746	9.0%	180,716	9.1%
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Total gross non-covered real estate mortgage loans	\$ 1,896,052	100.0% \$	1,982,464	100.0%
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The largest subset of the "Other" commercial real estate mortgage category is for fixed base operators at airports with a balance of 39.4 million, or 20.3% of the total in "Other".

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## Covered Loans

The following table presents the composition of our covered loans as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2	012 % of	December 3	1, 2011 % of
	Amount	Total	Amount	Total
	(D	ollars in the	ousands)	
Real estate mortgage:				
Hospitality	\$	\$	2,944	0%
Other	699,653	92%	733,414	91%
Total real estate mortgage	699,653	92%	736,358	91%
Real estate construction:				
Residential	15,913	2%	21,521	3%
Commercial	25,278	3%	25,397	3%
Total real estate construction	41,191	5%	46,918	6%
Commercial:				
Collateralized	20,149	3%	24,808	3%
Unsecured	741	0%	802	0%
Total commercial	20,890	3%	25,610	3%
Consumer	685	0%	735	0%
Total gross covered loans	762,419	100%	809,621	100%
Discount	(66,312)		(75,323)	
Allowance for loan losses	(35,810)		(31,275)	
Covered loans, net	\$ 660,297	\$	703,023	
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The following table presents our gross covered real estate mortgage loan portfolio as of the dates indicated:

March 31,		December 3	,
A		<b>A</b>	% of Total
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	(Dollars in tho	usands)	
\$ 	4.6% \$	,	4.6%
109,654	15.7%	114,475	15.5%
75,540	10.8%	77,767	10.6%
24,663	3.5%	24,837	3.4%
2,931	0.4%	2,944	0.4%
15,410	2.2%	16,851	2.3%
7,757	1.1%	7,817	1.1%
5,972	0.9%	6,001	0.8%
52,529	7.5%	52,793	7.2%
2,492	0.4%	2,532	0.3%
1,743	0.2%	1,752	0.2%
15,582	2.2%	16,535	2.2%
346 215	49.5%	358 059	48.6%
340,213	47.5 //	330,037	40.076
222.065	22.407	250 (22	24.107
		,	34.1%
			12.9%
			3.5%
5,855	0.8%	6,794	0.9%
353,438	50.5%	378,299	51.4%
\$ 699,653	100.0% \$	736,358	100.0%
\$	\$ 31,942 109,654 75,540 24,663 2,931 15,410 7,757 5,972 52,529 2,492 1,743 15,582 346,215 233,865 87,345 26,373 5,855	(Dollars in tho  \$ 31,942	Amount         % of Total (Dollars in thousands)           \$ 31,942         4.6% \$ 33,755           109,654         15.7% 114,475           75,540         10.8% 77,767           24,663         3.5% 24,837           2,931         0.4% 2,944           15,410         2.2% 16,851           7,757         1.1% 7,817           5,972         0.9% 6,001           52,529         7.5% 52,793           2,492         0.4% 2,532           1,743         0.2% 1,752           15,582         2.2% 16,535           346,215         49.5% 358,059           233,865         33.4% 250,633           87,345         12.5% 95,248           26,373         3.8% 25,624           5,855         0.8% 6,794           353,438         50.5% 378,299

The loans acquired in the Los Padres and Affinity acquisitions are covered by loss sharing agreements with the FDIC and we will be reimbursed for a substantial portion of any future losses. Through March 31, 2012, gross losses for Los Padres covered assets totaled \$49.1 million and gross losses for Affinity covered assets totaled \$148.5 million. Of this total of \$197.6 million in losses, we have received payment from the FDIC of \$152.7 million, which represented 80% of our losses, and we expect to receive \$5.4 million for recently submitted claims.

Under the terms of the Los Padres loss sharing agreement, the FDIC will absorb 80% of losses and receive 80% of loss recoveries on the covered assets. The Los Padres loss sharing provisions expire in the third quarters of 2015 and 2020 for non-single family and single family covered assets, respectively, while the related loss recovery provisions expire in the third quarters of 2018 and 2020, respectively.

Under the terms of the Affinity loss sharing agreement, the FDIC will (a) absorb 80% of losses and receive 80% of loss recoveries on the first \$234 million of losses on covered assets and (b) absorb 95% of losses and receive 95% of loss recoveries on covered assets exceeding \$234 million. The Affinity loss sharing provisions expire in the third quarters of 2014 and 2019 for non-single family covered assets and single family covered assets, respectively, while the related loss recovery provisions expire in the third quarters of 2017 and 2019, respectively.

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### Allowance for Credit Losses on Non-Covered Loans and Leases

The allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans and leases is the combination of the allowance for loan and lease losses and the reserve for unfunded loan commitments. The allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans and leases relates only to loans and leases which are not subject to loss sharing agreements with the FDIC. The allowance for loan and lease losses is reported as a reduction of outstanding loan and lease balances and the reserve for unfunded loan commitments is included within other liabilities. Generally, as loans are funded, the amount of the commitment reserve applicable to such funded loans is transferred from the reserve for unfunded loan commitments to the allowance for loan and lease losses based on our allowance methodology. The following discussion is for non-covered loans and leases and the allowance for credit losses thereon. Refer to "Balance Sheet Analysis Allowance for Credit Losses on Covered Loans" for the policy on covered loans.

At March 31, 2012, the allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans and leases totaled \$81.7 million, a \$12.1 million decrease from the allowance at December 31, 2011, and was comprised of the allowance for loan and lease losses of \$74.7 million and the reserve for unfunded loan commitments of \$7.0 million. During the three months ended March 31, 2012, the Company recorded \$2.0 million in net charge-offs and a negative provision for credit losses of \$10.0 million.

The allowance for loan and lease losses is maintained at a level deemed appropriate by management to adequately provide for known and inherent risks in the loan and lease portfolio and other extensions of credit at the balance sheet date. The allowance is based upon a continuing review of the portfolio, past loan loss experience, current economic conditions which may affect the borrowers' ability to pay, and the underlying collateral value of the loans. Loans and leases which are deemed to be uncollectible are charged off and deducted from the allowance. The provision for loan and lease losses and recoveries on loans and leases previously charged off are added to the allowance.

The methodology we use to estimate the amount of our allowance for credit losses is based on both objective and subjective criteria. While some criteria are formula driven, other criteria are subjective inputs included to capture environmental and general economic risk elements which may trigger losses in the loan and lease portfolios, and to account for the varying levels of credit quality in the loan and lease portfolios of the entities we have acquired that have not yet been captured in our objective loss factors.

Specifically, our allowance methodology contains three key elements: (i) amounts based on specific evaluations of impaired loans and leases; (ii) amounts of estimated losses on several pools of loans categorized by risk rating and loan type; and (iii) amounts for environmental and general economic factors that indicate probable losses were incurred but were not captured through the other elements of our allowance process.

Impaired loans and leases are identified at each reporting date based on certain criteria and the majority of which are individually reviewed for impairment. Non-covered nonaccrual loans and leases with an unpaid principal balance over \$250,000 and all performing restructured loans are reviewed individually for the amount of impairment, if any. Non-covered nonaccrual loans and leases with an unpaid principal balance of \$250,000 or less are evaluated for impairment collectively. A loan or lease is considered impaired when it is probable that a creditor will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the original contractual terms of the agreement. We measure impairment of a loan based upon the fair value of the loan's collateral if the loan is collateral-dependent or the present value of cash flows, discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, if the loan is not collateral-dependent. The impairment amount on a collateral-dependent loan is charged-off to the allowance and the impairment amount on a loan that is not collateral-dependent is set up as a specific reserve. We measure impairment of a lease based upon the present value of the scheduled lease and lease residual cash flows, discounted at the lease's effective interest rate. Increased charge-offs or additions to specific reserves generally result in increased provisions for credit losses.

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Our loan and lease portfolio, excluding impaired loans and leases which are evaluated individually, is categorized into several pools for purposes of determining allowance amounts by pool. The pools we currently evaluate are: commercial real estate construction, residential real estate construction, SBA real estate, hospitality real estate, real estate other, commercial collateralized, commercial unsecured, SBA commercial, consumer, foreign, asset-based and leasing (due to the PWE Finance acquisition in January 2012). Within these loan pools, we then evaluate loans not adversely classified, which we refer to as "pass" credits, separately from adversely classified loans. The adversely classified loans are further grouped into three credit risk rating categories: "special mention," "substandard" and "doubtful," which we define as follows:

Special Mention: Loans and leases classified as special mention have a potential weakness that requires management's attention. If not addressed, these potential weaknesses may result in further deterioration in the borrower's ability to repay the loan.

Substandard: Loans and leases classified as substandard have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the collection of the debt. They are characterized by the possibility that we will sustain some loss if the weaknesses are not corrected.

Doubtful: Loans and leases classified as doubtful have all the weaknesses as those classified as Substandard, with the additional trait that the weaknesses make collection or repayment in full highly questionable and improbable.

In addition, we may refer to the loans and leases classified as "substandard" and "doubtful" together as "criticized loans." For additional information on classified loans, see Note 5, *Loans and Lease*, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) contained in "Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)."

The allowance amounts for "pass" rated loans and leases and those loans and leases adversely classified, which are not reviewed individually, are determined using historical loss rates developed through migration analysis. The migration analysis is updated quarterly based on historic losses and movement of loans between ratings. As a result of this migration analysis and its quarterly updating, the decreases we experienced in both charge-offs and adverse classifications generally resulted in lower loss factors.

Finally, in order to ensure our allowance methodology is incorporating recent trends and economic conditions, we apply environmental and general economic factors to our allowance methodology including: credit concentrations; delinquency trends; economic and business conditions; the quality of lending management and staff; lending policies and procedures; loss and recovery trends; nature and volume of the portfolio; nonaccrual and problem loan trends; usage trends of unfunded commitments; and other adjustments for items not covered by other factors.

Management believes that the allowance for loan and lease losses is adequate and appropriate for the known and inherent risks in our non-covered loan portfolio. In making its evaluation, management considers certain quantitative and qualitative factors including the Company's historical loss experience, the volume and type of lending conducted by the Company, the results of our credit review process, the levels of classified and criticized loans, the levels of impaired loans, including nonperforming loans performing restructured loans, regulatory policies, general economic conditions, underlying collateral values, and other factors regarding collectibility and impairment. To the extent we experience, for example, increased levels of documentation deficiencies, adverse changes in collateral values, or negative changes in economic and business conditions which adversely affect our borrowers, our classified loans may increase. Higher levels of classified loans generally result in higher allowances for loan losses.

We recognize that the determination of the allowance for loan and lease losses is sensitive to the assigned credit risk ratings and inherent loss rates at any given point in time. Therefore, we perform

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sensitivity analyses to provide insight regarding the impact adverse changes in credit risk ratings may have on our allowance for loan losses. The sensitivity analyses have inherent limitations and are based on various assumptions as of a point in time and, accordingly, it is not necessarily representative of the impact loan risk rating changes may have on the allowance for loan losses.

At March 31, 2012, in the event that 1% of our non-covered loans and leases were downgraded one credit risk rating category for each category (e.g., 1% of the "pass" category moved to the "special mention" category, 1% of the "special mention" category moved to "substandard" category, and 1% of the "substandard" category moved to the "doubtful" category within our current allowance methodology), the allowance for credit losses would have increased by approximately \$1.5 million. In the event that 5% of our non-covered loans and leases were downgraded one credit risk category, the allowance for credit losses would increase by approximately \$7.6 million. Given current processes employed by the Company, management believes that the credit risk ratings and inherent loss rates currently assigned are appropriate. It is possible that others, given the same information, may at any point in time reach different conclusions that could be significant to the Company's financial statements. In addition, current credit risk ratings are subject to change as we continue to review loans within our portfolio and as our borrowers are impacted by economic trends within their market areas.

Although we have established an allowance for loan and lease losses that we consider adequate, there can be no assurance that the established allowance for loan and lease losses will be sufficient to offset losses on loans and leases in the future. Management also believes that the reserve for unfunded loan commitments is adequate. In making this determination, we use the same methodology for the reserve for unfunded loan commitments as we do for the allowance for loan and lease losses and consider the same quantitative and qualitative factors, as well as an estimate of the probability of advances of the commitments correlated to their credit risk rating.

The following table presents information regarding the allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans and leases as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2012			cember 31, 2011	M	Iarch 31, 2011
		(I	Oollar	s in thousand	s)	
Allowance for loan and lease losses	\$	74,767	\$	85,313	\$	98,564
Reserve for unfunded loan commitments		6,970		8,470		5,675
Total allowance for credit losses	\$	81,737	\$	93,783	\$	104,239
Allowance for credit losses to loans and leases, net of unearned income		2.85%	,	3.34%	,	3.41%
Allowance for credit losses to nonaccrual loans and leases		169.7%	,	161.0%	,	135.6%
Allowance for credit losses to nonperforming assets		86.6%	,	87.9%	,	83.2%

The following table presents the changes in our allowance for credit losses on non-covered loans and leases for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended							
	March 31, 2012		December 31, 2011		N	Iarch 31, 2011		
			(In	thousands)				
Allowance for credit losses, beginning of period	\$	93,783	\$	96,535	\$	104,328		
(Negative provision) provision for credit losses		(10,000)				7,800		
Net charge-offs		(2,046)		(2,752)		(7,889)		
Allowance for credit losses, end of period	\$	81,737	\$	93,783	\$	104,239		
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The following table presents the changes in our allowance for loan and lease losses on non-covered loans and leases for the periods indicated:

	Three Months March 31, December 2012 2011			ember 31,	Ma	arch 31, 2011
		(L	in thousands)	ıds)		
Allowance for loan and lease losses, beginning of period	\$	85,313	\$	90,110	\$	98,653
Loans charged off:						
Real estate mortgage		(2,190)		(321)		(1,212)
Real estate construction				(1,048)		(4,645)
Commercial		(871)		(2,105)		(3,121)
Consumer		(199)		(43)		(160)
Total loans charged off		(3,260)		(3,517)		(9,138)
Recoveries on loans charged off:						
Real estate mortgage		329		164		97
Real estate construction		10		4		92
Commercial		824		508		617
Consumer		31		19		411
Foreign		20		70		32
Total recoveries on loans charged off		1,214		765		1,249
Net charge-offs		(2,046)		(2,752)		(7,889)
(Negative provision) provision for loan and lease losses		(8,500)		(2,045)		7,800
Allowance for loan and lease losses, end of period	\$	74,767	\$	85,313	\$	98,564
Ratios <sup>(1)</sup> :						
Allowance for loan and lease losses to loans and leases, net (end of period)		2.61%	)	3.04%		3.22%
Allowance for loan and lease losses to nonaccrual loans and leases (end of period)		155.24%	,	146.43%		128.26%
Annualized net charge-offs to average loans and leases		0.29%	)	0.39%		1.03%

(1) Ratios apply only to non-covered loans.

The following table presents the changes in our reserve for unfunded loan commitments for the periods indicated:

		T arch 31, 2012	Three Months Ende December 31, 2011			arch 31, 2011
			(In th	ousands)		
Reserve for unfunded loan commitments, beginning of period	\$	8,470	\$	6,425	\$	5,675
(Negative provision) provision		(1,500)		2,045		
Reserve for unfunded loan commitments, end of period	\$	6,970	\$	8,470	\$	5,675
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### Allowance for Credit Losses on Covered Loans

The loans acquired in the Los Padres and Affinity acquisitions are covered by loss sharing agreements with the FDIC and we will be reimbursed for a substantial portion of any future losses. Under the terms of the Los Padres loss sharing agreement, the FDIC will absorb 80% of losses and receive 80% of loss recoveries on the covered assets. The loss sharing provisions are in effect for 10 years for single family covered assets and 5 years for commercial (non-single family) covered assets from the August 20, 2010 acquisition date. The loss recovery provisions are in effect for 10 years for single family assets and 8 years for commercial (non-single family) assets from the acquisition date. Under the terms of the Affinity loss sharing agreement, the FDIC will absorb 80% of losses and receive 80% of loss recoveries on the first \$234 million of losses on covered assets and absorb 95% of losses and receive 95% of loss recoveries on covered assets exceeding the \$234 million threshold. The loss sharing provisions are in effect for 10 years for residential loans and 5 years for commercial assets (non-residential loans, OREO and certain securities) from the August 28, 2009 acquisition date. The loss recovery provisions are in effect for 10 years for residential loans and 8 years for commercial assets from the acquisition date.

We evaluated the acquired covered loans and elected to account for them under Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Subtopic 310-30, "Loans and Debt Securities Acquired with Deteriorated Credit Quality" ("ASC 310-30"), which we refer to as acquired impaired loan accounting.

The covered loans are subject to our internal and external credit review. If deterioration in the expected cash flows results in a reserve requirement, a provision for credit losses is charged to earnings without regard to the FDIC loss sharing agreement. The portion of the estimated loss reimbursable from the FDIC is recorded in FDIC loss sharing income and increases the FDIC loss sharing asset. For acquired impaired loans, the allowance for loan losses is measured at the end of each financial reporting period based on expected cash flows. Decreases in the amount and changes in the timing of expected cash flows on the acquired impaired loans as of the financial reporting date compared to those previously estimated are usually recognized by recording a provision for credit losses on such covered loans.

Certain home equity lines of credit acquired in the Los Padres acquisition are not eligible for acquired impaired loan accounting and are therefore accounted for as performing acquired loans. Such acquired loans were initially recorded at a discount and are subject to our quarterly allowance for credit losses methodology. We record a provision for such loan losses only when the reserve requirement exceeds any remaining credit discount on these covered loans.

The following table presents the changes in our allowance for credit losses on covered loans for the periods indicated:

	M	T arch 31, 2012		Months Ende ember 31, 2011	 arch 31, 2011
			(In t	housands)	
Allowance for credit losses on covered loans, beginning of period	\$	31,275	\$	29,291	\$ 33,264
Provision		3,926		4,122	2,910
Recoveries (charge-offs), net		609		(2,138)	(6,736)
Allowance for credit losses on covered loans, end of period	\$	35,810	\$	31,275	\$ 29,438
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## Non-Covered Nonperforming Assets and Performing Restructured Loans

The following table presents non-covered nonperforming assets and performing restructured loans information as of the dates indicated:

	M	Iarch 31, 2012		ember 31, 2011	M	larch 31, 2011
		(I	Oollars	in thousand	s)	
Nonaccrual loans and leases <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	48,162	\$	58,260	\$	76,849
Other real estate owned <sup>(1)</sup>		46,206		48,412		48,367
Total nonperforming assets	\$	94,368	\$	106,672	\$	125,216
Performing restructured loans <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	110.062	\$	116,791	\$	71,669
Nonaccrual loans and leases to loans and leases, net of unearned income <sup>(1)</sup>		1.68%	,	2.07%	6	2.51%
Nonperforming assets ratio <sup>(1)(2)</sup>		3.24%	b	3.73%	'o	4.03%

Excludes covered loans and covered OREO from the Los Padres and Affinity acquisitions.

Nonperforming assets ratio is calculated as nonperforming assets divided by the sum of total loans and leases and OREO.

Non-covered nonperforming assets include non-covered nonaccrual loans and leases and non-covered OREO and totaled \$94.4 million at March 31, 2012 compared to \$106.7 million at December 31, 2011. The \$12.3 million decline in non-covered nonperforming assets is due to reductions of \$10.1 million and \$2.2 million in nonaccrual loans and leases and OREO, respectively. The non-covered nonperforming assets ratio decreased to 3.24% at March 31, 2012 from 3.73% at December 31, 2011.

### Nonaccrual Loans and Leases

The \$10.1 million decline in non-covered nonaccrual loans and leases during the first quarter was attributable to (a) foreclosures of \$1.8 million, (b) other reductions, payoffs and returns to accrual status of \$12.1 million, (c) charge-offs of \$2.5 million, and (d) additions of \$6.3 million.

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The following table presents our non-covered nonaccrual loans and leases and accruing loans and leases past due between 30 and 89 days by portfolio segment and class as of the dates indicated:

	Nonaccrual Loans and Leases(1)								
		March 3	% of	December	% of	30 - 89 Day March 31,	Decer	Due <sup>(1)</sup> nber 31,	
		mount	Loan Category	Amount	Loan Category	2012 Amount		011 1ount	
	А	illoulit	Category		in thousands)		All	iount	
Real estate mortgage:				(Donars i	n uiousanus)				
Hospitality	\$	7,165	5.0%	\$ 7,251	5.0%	\$	\$		
SBA 504	Ψ	2,354	4.1%	2.800	4.8%		Ψ		
Other		14,171	0.8%	21,286	1.2%	,		13,237	
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Total real estate mortgage		23,690	1.2%	31,337	1.6%	2,138		13,237	
Real estate construction:									
Residential		1,075	4.2%	1,086	6.1%				
Commercial		4,524	4.9%	6,194	6.5%			2,290	
Total real estate construction		5,599	4.7%	7,280	6.4%			2,290	
Commercial:									
Collateralized		8,030	1.9%	8,186	2.0%	478		593	
Unsecured		2,608	3.8%	3,057	3.9%			4	
Asset-based		88	0.1%	14	0.0%				
SBA 7(a)		7,416	26.8%	7,801	26.9%	252		434	
Total commercial		18,142	2.7%	19,058	2.8%	730		1,031	
Leases		233	0.2%						
Consumer		498	3.1%	585	2.5%	220		31	
Total non-covered loans and									
leases	\$	48,162	1.7%	\$ 58,260	2.1%	\$ 3,088	\$	16,589	
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(1)

Excludes covered loans acquired from the Los Padres and Affinity acquisitions.

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The following lending relationships, excluding SBA-related loans, were on nonaccrual status at March 31, 2012:

March 31, 2012 Nonaccrual Amount	Description
(In thousands	
7,1	Two loans, each secured by a hotel in San Diego County, California. The borrower is paying according to the restructured terms of each loan. <sup>(1)</sup>
3,7	Four loans, each secured by an industrial warehouse building in Riverside County, California. The borrower is paying according to the restructured terms of each loan. <sup>(1)</sup>
3,4	This loan is unsecured. The borrower is paying according to the restructured terms of the loan. <sup>(1)</sup>
2,4	This loan is secured by a strip retail center in Riverside County, California. The borrower is paying according to the restructured terms of the loan. <sup>(1)</sup>
1,9	This loan is secured by a multi-tenant industrial building in Riverside County, California. The borrower is not paying currently. (1)
1,8	This loan is unsecured and has a specific reserve for 95% of the balance. The borrower is paying according to the restructured terms of the loan. <sup>(1)</sup>
1,7	This loan is secured by a single family residence in Riverside County, California. The borrower is not paying currently.
1,7	Two unsecured loans which are fully reserved. The borrower is not paying currently. (1)
1,4	This loan is secured by a medical-related office building in Los Angeles County, California. The borrower is paying according to the restructured terms of the loan. <sup>(1)</sup>
1,4	This loan is secured by a retail/industrial building in Riverside County, California. The borrower is paying according to the restructured terms of the loan. <sup>(1)</sup>
\$ 26,9	57 Total

On nonaccrual status at December 31, 2011.

OREO

Non-covered OREO declined \$2.2 million during the first quarter of 2012 due mainly to sales of \$3.9 million, offset partially by foreclosures of \$1.8 million.

The following table presents the components of non-covered OREO by property type as of the dates indicated:

Property Type		arch 31, 2012	Dec	ember 31, 2011	M	arch 31, 2011
		(I	Oollars	in thousand	s)	
Commercial real estate	\$	20,885	\$	23,003	\$	18,674
Construction and land development		25,321		24,788		27,191
Single family residence				621		2,502
Total non-covered OREO	\$	46,206	\$	48,412	\$	48,367

Performing Restructured Loans

Non-covered performing restructured loans declined by \$6.7 million during the first quarter of 2012 to \$110.1 million at March 31, 2012. The decline was attributable primarily to \$13.4 million in loans that were paid off and \$2.2 million in loans transferred to nonaccrual status, offset partially by one loan for \$9.4 million that was transferred from nonaccrual status. At March 31, 2012, we had

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\$81.3 million in real estate mortgage loans, \$24.4 million in real estate construction loans, and \$4.4 million in commercial loans that were accruing interest under the terms of troubled debt restructurings.

The majority of the performing restructured loans was on accrual status prior to the loan modifications and has remained on accrual status after the loan modifications due to the borrowers making payments before and after the restructurings. In these circumstances, generally, a borrower may have had a fixed rate loan that they continued to repay, but may be having cash flow difficulties. In an effort to work with certain borrowers, we have agreed to interest rate reductions to reflect the lower market interest rate environment and/or interest-only payments for a period of time. In these cases, we do not forgive principal or extend the maturity date as part of the loan modification. As a result of the current economic environment in our market areas, we anticipate loan restructurings to continue.

### **Covered Nonperforming Assets**

Loans accounted for under ASC 310-30 are generally considered accruing and performing loans as the loans accrete interest income over the estimated life of the loan when cash flows are reasonably estimable. Accordingly, acquired impaired loans that are contractually past due are still considered to be accruing and performing loans. If the timing and amount of future cash flows is not reasonably estimable, the loans may be classified as nonaccrual loans and interest income is not recognized until the timing and amount of future cash flows can be reasonably estimated.

The following table presents a summary of covered loans that would be considered nonaccrual except for the accounting requirements regarding acquired impaired loans and other real estate owned covered by the loss sharing agreement ("covered nonaccrual loans" and "covered OREO"; collectively, "covered nonperforming assets") as of the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2012		De	cember 31, 2011	M	Iarch 31, 2011
			(In	thousands)		
Covered nonaccrual loans	\$	140,555	\$	152,062	\$	153,085
Covered OREO		29,888		33,506		42,117
Total covered nonperforming assets	\$	170,443	\$	185,568	\$	195,202
Covered performing restructured loans	\$	16,652	\$	16,047	\$	12,492

### Loan Portfolio Risk Elements

The negative trends throughout the Southern California economy have affected certain industries and collateral types more than others. Our real estate loan portfolio is predominantly commercial and as such does not expose us to higher risks generally associated with residential mortgage loans such as option ARM, interest-only or subprime mortgage loans. Our portfolio does include mortgage loans on commercial property. Commercial mortgage loan repayments typically do not rely on the sale of the underlying collateral and instead rely on the income producing potential of the collateral as the source of repayment. Ultimately, though, due to the loan amortization period being greater than the contractual loan term, the borrower may be required to refinance the loan, either with us or another lender, or sell the underlying collateral in order to pay off the loan.

At March 31, 2012, we had \$189.9 million of commercial real estate mortgage loans maturing over the next 12 months. In the event we refinance any of these loans because the borrowers are unable to obtain financing elsewhere due to the inability of banks in our market area to make loans, such loans may be considered troubled debt restructurings even though they were performing throughout their terms. Higher levels of troubled debt restructurings may lead to increased classified assets and credit loss provisions.

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## Deposits

The following table presents the balance of each major category of deposits at the dates indicated:

	March 31, 201				December 31, 2011		
			% of			% of	
Deposit Category		Amount	Total		Amount	Total	
		(	Dollars in t	hou	sands)		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$	1,785,678	39%	\$	1,685,799	37%	
Interest checking deposits		516,360	11		500,998	11	
Money market deposits		1,170,960	26		1,265,282	28	
Savings deposits		163,102	4		157,480	3	
Total core deposits		3,636,100	80		3,609,559	79	
Time deposits under \$100,000		310,007	7		324,521	7	
Time deposits \$100,000 and over		610,563	13		643,373	14	
Total time deposits		920,570	20		967,894	21	
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Total deposits	\$	4,556,670	100%	\$	4,577,453	100%	
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Total deposits declined \$20.8 million during the first quarter to \$4.6 billion at March 31, 2012. Core deposits grew \$26.5 million during the first quarter with increases of \$99.9 million, \$15.3 million, and \$5.6 million in noninterest-bearing demand deposits, interest checking deposits and savings deposits, respectively, offset by a decline of \$94.3 million in money market deposits. Core deposits totaled \$3.6 billion, or 80% of total deposits, at March 31, 2012. Time deposits decreased \$47.3 million during the first quarter to \$920.6 million at March 31, 2012. Noninterest-bearing demand deposits were \$1.8 billion at March 31, 2012 and represented 39% of total deposits at that date.

The following table summarizes the maturities of time deposits as of the date indicated:

Maturity	Time Deposits Under 100,000	\$ March 31, Time Deposits \$100,000 or More thousands)	Total Time Deposits	Rate
Due in three months or less	\$ 57,671	\$ 119,634	\$ 177,305	0.65%
Due in over three months through six months	37,577	64,326	101,903	0.54%
Due in over six months through twelve months	75,283	118,986	194,269	1.39%
Due in over twelve months	139,476	307,617	447,093	1.61%
Total	\$ 310,007	\$ 610,563	\$ 920,570	1.26%

### **Regulatory Matters**

## Capital

Actual capital amounts and ratios for the Company and the Bank as of March 31, 2012 are presented in the following table. Regulatory capital requirements limit the amount of deferred tax assets that may be included when determining the amount of regulatory capital. Deferred tax asset amounts in excess of the calculated limit are deducted from regulatory capital. At March 31, 2012, such

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amount was \$6.4 million for the Company and \$3.1 million for the Bank. No assurance can be given that the regulatory capital deferred tax asset limitation will not increase in the future.

	March 31, 2012								
	Well	Pacific	PacWest						
	Capitalized	Western	Bancorp						
	Requirement	Bank	Consolidated						
Tier 1 leverage capital ratio	5.00%	9.76%	10.15%						
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	6.00%	14.60%	15.16%						
Total risk-based capital ratio	10.00%	15.87%	16.43%						
Tangible common equity ratio	N/A	10.35%	8.86%						

#### Subordinated Debentures

The Company issued subordinated debentures to trusts that were established by us or entities we have acquired, which, in turn, issued trust preferred securities, which totaled \$105.0 million at March 31, 2012. The Company includes in Tier 1 capital an amount of trust preferred securities equal to no more than 25% of the sum of all core capital elements, which is generally defined as shareholders' equity less goodwill, net of any related deferred income tax liability. At March 31, 2012, the amount of trust preferred securities included in Tier I capital was \$105.0 million. While our existing trust preferred securities are grandfathered under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act that was enacted in July 2010, new issuances will not qualify as Tier 1 capital.

#### Dividends on Common Stock and Interest on Subordinated Debentures

Notification to the FRB is required prior to our declaring and paying a dividend to our stockholders during any period in which our quarterly and/or cumulative twelve-month net earnings are insufficient to fund the dividend amount. Interest payments made by the Company on subordinated debentures are considered dividend payments under FRB regulations. This notification requirement is included in regulatory guidance regarding safety and soundness surrounding capital and includes other non-financial measures such as asset quality and credit concentrations. Should the FRB object to our dividend payments, we would be precluded from paying interest on our subordinated debentures. Payments would not commence until approval is received or we no longer need to provide notice under applicable guidance.

## **Liquidity Management**

#### Liquidity

The goals of our liquidity management are to ensure the ability of the Company to meet its financial commitments when contractually due and to respond to other demands for funds such as the ability to meet the cash flow requirements of customers who may be either depositors wanting to withdraw funds or borrowers who may need assurance that sufficient funds will be available to meet their credit needs. We have an Executive Asset/Liability Management Committee, or Executive ALM Committee, which is comprised of members of senior management and is responsible for managing balance sheet and off-balance sheet commitments to meet the needs of customers while achieving our financial objectives. Our Executive ALM Committee meets regularly to review funding capacities, current and forecasted loan demand, and investment opportunities.

The Company manages its liquidity by maintaining pools of liquid assets on-balance sheet, consisting of cash and due from banks, interest-earning deposits in other financial institutions and unpledged investment securities available-for-sale, which we refer to as our primary liquidity. In addition, we also maintain available borrowing capacity under secured borrowing lines with the FHLB and the FRB, which we refer to as our secondary liquidity. In addition to its secured lines of credit, the Company also maintains unsecured lines of credit, subject to availability, of \$45.0 million with correspondent banks for purchase of overnight funds.

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The following table provides a summary of the Bank's primary and secondary liquidity levels at the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2012			ecember 31, 2011		
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Primary Liquidity On-Balance Sheet:						
Cash	\$	99,471	\$	92,342		
Interest-earning deposits at financial institutions		34,290		203,275		
Investment securities available-for-sale		1,380,878		1,326,358		
Less pledged securities		(71,960)		(69,623)		
Total primary liquidity	\$	1,442,679	\$	1,552,352		
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Ratio of primary liquidity to total deposits		31.7%		33.9%		
Secondary Liquidity Off-Balance Sheet Available						
Secured Borrowing Capacity:						
Total secured borrowing capacity with the FHLB	\$	1,224,806	\$	1,273,927		
Less secured letters of credit outstanding		(2,002)		(2,002)		
Less secured advances outstanding		(179,500)		(225,000)		
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Net secured borrowing capacity with the FHLB		1,043,304		1,046,925		
Secured credit line with the FRB		375,405		347,407		
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Total secondary liquidity	\$	1,418,709	\$	1,394,332		
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During the three months ended March 31, 2012, the Company's primary liquidity decreased \$109.7 million. Liquidity decreased during the period because of the acquisition of PWE Finance in January 2012, which utilized \$163.7 million of cash, and because of the \$45.5 million reduction in secured FHLB advances. These decreases were partially offset by a \$54.5 million increase in investment securities available-for-sale. Our total liquidity and the ratio of primary liquidity to total deposits remain at historically high levels even after the decreases during the current quarter. We expect to continue to maintain higher levels of on-balance sheet liquidity during the remainder of 2012 compared to historical levels until we are able to effectively increase loan portfolio balances. At March 31, 2012, our FHLB advances were secured by all of our loans and leases under a blanket lien. However, \$2.6 billion of loans were specifically pledged as collateral for the secured borrowing lines maintained with the FHLB and the FRB.

In addition to our primary liquidity, we generate liquidity from cash flow from our amortizing loan portfolio and from our large base of core customer deposits, defined as non-interest bearing demand, interest checking, savings and money market accounts. At March 31, 2012, such deposits totaled \$3.6 billion and represented 80% of the Company's total deposits. These core deposits are normally less volatile, often with customer relationships tied to other products offered by the Company promoting long lasting relationships and stable funding sources. During the three months ended March 31, 2012, total core deposits increased \$26.5 million, mainly in non-interest bearing demand deposits from our small to medium sized business customer base. Some of the growth in our core deposits is attributed to businesses having a tendency to maintain higher cash balances because of current economic conditions and low rate investment alternatives. Deposits from our customers may decline if interest rates increase significantly or if corporate customers move funds from the Company generally. In order to address the Company's liquidity risk as deposit balances may fluctuate, the Company maintains adequate levels of available liquidity.

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The following table provides a summary of the Bank's core deposits at the dates indicated:

	1	March 31, 2012		ecember 31, 2011
		(In tho	usan	ds)
Core Deposits:				
Non-interest bearing demand	\$	1,785,678	\$	1,685,799
Interest checking		516,360		500,998
Money market deposits		1,170,960		1,265,282
Savings deposits		163,102		157,480
Total core deposits	\$	3,636,100	\$	3,609,559

Our asset/liability policy establishes various liquidity guidelines for the Company. The policy includes guidelines for On-Balance Sheet Liquidity (a measurement of primary liquidity to total deposits), Coverage and Crisis Coverage Ratios (measurements of liquid assets to expected short-term liquidity required for the loan and deposit portfolios under normal and stressed conditions), Loan to Funding Ratio, Wholesale Funding Ratio, and other guidelines developed for measuring and maintaining liquidity. As of March 31, 2012, the Company was in compliance with all liquidity guidelines established in the ALCO policy.

We may use large denomination brokered time deposits, the availability of which is uncertain and subject to competitive market forces, for liquidity management purposes. At March 31, 2012, the Bank had none of these brokered deposits. In addition, we have \$37.4 million of customer deposits that were subsequently participated with other FDIC insured financial institutions through the CDARS program as a means to provide FDIC deposit insurance coverage for the full amount of our participating customers' deposits.

### Holding Company Liquidity

The primary sources of liquidity for the Company, on a stand-alone basis, include dividends from the Bank and our ability to raise capital, issue subordinated debt and secure outside borrowings. The ability of the Company to obtain funds for the payment of dividends to our stockholders and for other cash requirements is largely dependent upon the Bank's earnings. Pacific Western is subject to restrictions under certain federal and state laws and regulations which limit its ability to transfer funds to the Company through intercompany loans, advances or cash dividends.

Dividends paid by state banks, such as Pacific Western, are regulated by the California Department of Financial Institutions ("DFI") under its general supervisory authority as it relates to a bank's capital requirements. A state bank may declare a dividend without the approval of the DFI as long as the total dividends declared in a calendar year do not exceed either the retained earnings or the total of net profits for three previous fiscal years less any dividends paid during such period. During the three months ended March 31, 2012, PacWest received \$8.0 million in dividends from the Bank. For the foreseeable future, any dividends from the Bank to the Company require DFI approval.

At March 31, 2012, the Company had, on a stand-alone basis, approximately \$13.0 million in cash on deposit at the Bank. Management believes that this amount of cash, along with anticipated dividends from the Bank, will be sufficient to fund the Company's 2012 cash flow needs.

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### **Contractual Obligations**

The following table presents the known contractual obligations of the Company as of the date indicated:

	Due Within One Year	Tì	Due in One to aree Years	T	rch 31, 2012 Due in Three to ve Years		Due After ive Years	Total
			(D	ollar	s in thousa	nds)		
Time deposits	\$ 473,477	\$	407,989	\$	38,997	\$	107	\$ 920,570
Debt obligations	179,747		9,990		3,367		108,250	301,354
Operating lease obligations	16,040		27,674		17,363		13,021	74,098
Other contractual obligations	8,850		8,259		1,712			18,821
Total	\$ 678,114	\$	453,912	\$	61,439	\$	121,378	\$ 1,314,843

Time deposits include brokered deposits of \$37.4 million of customer deposits that were subsequently participated with other FDIC insured financial institutions through the CDARS program as a means to provide FDIC deposit insurance coverage for the full amount of our customers' deposits.

Long-term debt obligations include \$108.3 million of subordinated debentures. Debt obligations are also discussed in Note 8, *Borrowings*, *Subordinated Debentures and Brokered Deposits*, in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) contained in "Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)." Operating lease obligations are discussed in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. The other contractual obligations relate to our minimum liability associated with our data and item processing contract with a third-party provider and commitments to contribute capital to investments in low income housing project partnerships.

We believe that we will be able to meet our contractual obligations as they come due through the maintenance of adequate cash levels. We expect to maintain adequate cash levels through profitability, loan and securities repayment and maturity activity, and continued deposit gathering activities. We believe we have in place various borrowing mechanisms for both short-term and long-term liquidity needs.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

Our obligations also include off-balance sheet arrangements consisting of loan-related commitments, of which only a portion are expected to be funded. At March 31, 2012, our loan-related commitments, including standby letters of credit, totaled \$719.4 million. The commitments, which result in funded loans, increase our profitability through net interest income. We manage our overall liquidity taking into consideration funded and unfunded commitments as a percentage of our liquidity sources. Our liquidity sources have been and are expected to be sufficient to meet the cash requirements of our lending activities.

### Asset/Liability Management and Interest Rate Sensitivity

### Interest Rate Risk

Our market risk arises primarily from credit risk and interest rate risk inherent in our lending and financing activities. To manage our credit risk, we rely on adherence to our underwriting standards and loan policies, internal loan monitoring and periodic credit review as well as our allowance for credit

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losses methodology, all of which are administered by the Bank's credit administration department and overseen by the Company's Credit Risk Committee. To manage our exposure to changes in interest rates, we perform asset and liability management activities which are governed by guidelines pre-established by our Executive ALM Committee, and approved by our Asset/Liability Management Committee of the Board of Directors, which we refer to as our Board ALCO. Our Executive ALM Committee monitors our compliance with our asset/liability policies. These policies focus on providing sufficient levels of net interest income while considering capital constraints and acceptable levels of interest rate exposure and liquidity.

Market risk sensitive instruments are generally defined as derivatives and other financial instruments, which include investment securities, loans, deposits, and borrowings. At March 31, 2012, we had not used any derivatives to alter our interest rate risk profile or for any other reason. However, both the repricing characteristics of our fixed rate loans and floating rate loans and the significant percentage of noninterest-bearing deposits compared to interest-earning assets may influence our interest rate risk profile. Our financial instruments include loans receivable, Federal funds sold, interest-bearing deposits in financial institutions, Federal Home Loan Bank stock, investment securities, deposits, borrowings and subordinated debentures.

We measure our interest rate risk position on at least a quarterly basis using two methods: (i) net interest income simulation analysis, and (ii) market value of equity modeling. The results of these analyses are reviewed by the Executive ALM Committee and the Board ALCO quarterly. If hypothetical changes to interest rates cause changes to our simulated net present value of equity and/or net interest income outside our pre-established limits, we may adjust our asset and liability mix in an effort to bring our interest rate risk exposure within our established limits.

We evaluated the results of our net interest income simulation and market value of equity models prepared as of March 31, 2012, the results of which are presented below. Our net interest income simulation indicates that our balance sheet is liability sensitive as rising interest rates would result in a decline in our net interest margin. This profile is primarily a result of (a) the increased origination of fixed rate loans and variable rate loans with initial fixed rate terms over the last several years and (b) declining floating rate construction loans. Our market value of equity model indicates an asset sensitive profile in the up 100 basis points scenario, switching to liability sensitive in the up 200 and up 300 basis point scenarios. An asset sensitive profile would suggest that a sudden sustained increase in rates would result in an increase in our estimated market value of equity, while a liability sensitive profile would suggest that our estimated market value of equity would decrease when rates increase. In general, we view the net interest income model results as more relevant to the Company's current operating profile and manage our balance sheet based on this information. Given the historically low market interest rates as of March 31, 2012, the "down" scenarios at March 31, 2012 are not considered meaningful and are excluded from the following discussion.

### Net Interest Income Simulation

We used a simulation model to measure the estimated changes in net interest income that would result over the next 12 months from immediate and sustained changes in interest rates as of March 31, 2012. This model is an interest rate risk management tool and the results are not necessarily an indication of our future net interest income. This model has inherent limitations and these results are based on a given set of rate changes and assumptions at one point in time. We have assumed no growth in either our interest-sensitive assets or liabilities over the next 12 months: therefore, the results reflect an interest rate shock to a static balance sheet.

This analysis calculates the difference between net interest income forecasted using both increasing and decreasing interest rate scenarios and net interest income forecasted using a base market interest rate derived from the U.S. Treasury yield curve at March 31, 2012. In order to arrive at the base case,

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we extend our balance sheet at March 31, 2012 one year and reprice any assets and liabilities that would contractually reprice or mature during that period using the products' pricing as of March 31, 2012. Based on such repricings, we calculate an estimated net interest income and net interest margin.

The repricing relationship for each of our assets and liabilities includes many assumptions. For example, many of our assets are floating rate loans, which are assumed to reprice to the same extent as the change in market rates according to their contracted index except for floating rate loans tied to our base lending rate which are assumed to reprice upward only after the first 75 basis point increase in market rates. This assumption is due to the fact that we reduced our base lending rate 100 basis points when the Federal Reserve lowered the Federal Funds benchmark rate by 175 basis points in the fourth quarter of 2008. Some loans and investment vehicles include the opportunity of prepayment (imbedded options) and the simulation model uses a prepayment model to estimate these prepayments and reinvest these proceeds at current simulated yields. Our deposit products reprice at our discretion and are assumed to reprice more slowly in a rising or declining interest rate environment and usually reprice at a rate less than the change in market rates. The effects of certain balance sheet attributes, such as fixed rate loans, floating rate loans that have reached their floors, and the volume of noninterest-bearing deposits as a percentage of earning assets, impact our assumptions and consequently the results of our interest rate risk management model. Changes that could vary significantly from our assumptions include loan and deposit growth or contraction, changes in the mix of our earning assets or funding sources, and future asset/liability management decisions, all of which may have significant effects on our net interest income.

The simulation analysis does not account for all factors that impact this analysis, including changes by management to mitigate the impact of interest rate changes or the impact a change in interest rates may have on our credit risk profile, loan prepayment estimates and spread relationships which can change regularly. In addition, the simulation analysis does not make any assumptions regarding loan fee income, which is a component of our net interest income and tends to increase our net interest margin. Management reviews the model assumptions for reasonableness on a quarterly basis.

The following table presents as of March 31, 2012, forecasted net interest income and net interest margin for the next 12 months using a base market interest rate and the estimated change to the base scenario given immediate and sustained upward and downward movements in interest rates of 100, 200 and 300 basis points.

Ne	t Interest	Percentage Change From Base	Estimated Net Interest Margin	Estimated Net Interest Margin Change From Base
		(Dollars in	thousands)	
\$	255,782	(5.6)%	5.07%	(0.29)%
\$	257,793	(4.8)%	5.11%	(0.25)%
\$	261,373	(3.5)%	5.18%	(0.18)%
\$	270,914		5.36%	
\$	263,403	(2.8)%	5.22%	(0.14)%
\$	259,960	(4.0)%	5.15%	(0.21)%
\$	257,743	(4.9)%	5.11%	(0.25)%
	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	\$ 257,793 \$ 261,373 \$ 270,914 \$ 263,403 \$ 259,960	Net Interest Income Income  State	Net Interest Income         Change From Base         Net Interest Margin           \$ 255,782         (5.6)%         5.07%           \$ 257,793         (4.8)%         5.11%           \$ 261,373         (3.5)%         5.18%           \$ 270,914         5.36%           \$ 263,403         (2.8)%         5.22%           \$ 259,960         (4.0)%         5.15%

The net interest income simulation model prepared as of March 31, 2012 suggests our balance sheet is liability sensitive. Liability sensitivity indicates that in a rising interest rate environment, our net interest margin would decrease. Due to the historically low market interest rates as of March 31, 2012 the "down" scenarios are not considered meaningful and are excluded from the following discussion. The liability sensitive profile is due mostly to the mix of fixed rate loans to total loans in the loan portfolio relative to our amount of interest-bearing deposits that would reprice as interest rates change. Although \$1.7 billion of the \$3.5 billion of total loans in the portfolio have variable interest rate terms,

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only \$567.3 million of those variable rate loans will reprice within 12 months. The remaining variable rate loans will behave as if they have fixed rates in the short run because of the effect of interest rate floors and hybrid ARM loan pricing structures of mini-perm commercial real estate loans, which generally contain initial fixed rate terms ranging from three to five years before becoming variable rate.

In comparing the March 31, 2012 simulation results to December 31, 2011, our profile has remained relatively unchanged while our overall estimated net interest income has increased for all scenarios. The increase in the simulated net interest income is a result of higher earning assets due to the PWE Finance acquisition.

### Market Value of Equity

We measure the impact of market interest rate changes on the net present value of estimated cash flows from our assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet items, defined as the market value of equity, using a simulation model. This simulation model assesses the changes in the market value of our interest sensitive financial instruments that would occur in response to an instantaneous and sustained increase or decrease in market interest rates of 100, 200 and 300 basis points. This analysis assigns significant value to our noninterest-bearing deposit balances. The projections are by their nature forward looking and therefore inherently uncertain, and include various assumptions regarding cash flows and interest rates. This model is an interest rate risk management tool and the results are not necessarily an indication of our actual future results. Actual results may vary significantly from the results suggested by the market value of equity table. Loan prepayments and deposit attrition, changes in the mix of our earning assets or funding sources, and future asset/liability management decisions, among others, may vary significantly from our assumptions. The base case is determined by applying various current market discount rates to the estimated cash flows from the different types of assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet items existing at March 31, 2012.

The following table shows the projected change in the market value of equity for the set of rate shocks presented as of March 31, 2012:

Interest Rate Scenario		Estimated Market Value		Dollar Change rom Base	Percentage Change From Base	Percentage of Total Assets	Ratio of Estimated Market Value to Book Value		
	(Dollars in thousands)								
Up 300 basis points	\$	677,996	\$	(62,534)	(8.4)%	12.4%	123.4%		
Up 200 basis points	\$	729,803	\$	(10,727)	(1.4)%	13.4%	132.8%		
Up 100 basis points	\$	750,939	\$	10,409	1.4%	13.8%	136.6%		
BASE CASE	\$	740,530				13.6%	134.7%		
Down 100 basis points	\$	681,024	\$	(59,506)	(8.0)%	12.5%	123.9%		
Down 200 basis points	\$	681,465	\$	(59,065)	(8.0)%	12.5%	124.0%		
Down 300 basis points	\$	681,849	\$	(58,681)	(7.9)%	12.5%	124.1%		

Base case market value of equity increased \$33.3 million compared to December 31, 2011. The increase was due to a \$30.2 million change in the fair value of borrowings (due to the repayment of the fixed-rate term FHLB advances and subordinated debentures) and a \$3.4 million increase in shareholders' equity due to \$5.3 million of net earnings for the quarter and a \$4.3 million increase in the net unrealized gain on investments, partially offset by \$6.5 million of dividends paid during the quarter.

In comparing the March 31, 2012 simulation results to December 31, 2011, our base case estimated market value of equity has increased while our overall profile has changed from previously being asset sensitive in all scenarios to being asset sensitive in the up 100 basis point scenario and being liability sensitive in the up 200 and up 300 basis point scenarios. The change in the results in the current period resulted from the repayment of \$225 million of fixed-rate term FHLB advances and the \$18.6 million

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of fixed-rate subordinated debentures. By removing fixed-rate funding in the current period, market value of equity no longer benefits from the appreciation of these long-term fixed-rate liabilities in rising rate scenarios. The impact of the repayment of the fixed-rate term FHLB advances and subordinated debentures is offset by the impact of the assumed floors in the Company's base lending rate and the significant value placed on the Company's noninterest-bearing deposits for purposes of this analysis. Static balances of noninterest-bearing deposits do not impact the net interest income simulation, while at the same time the value of these deposits increases substantially in the market value of equity model when market rates are assumed to rise.

### Gap Analysis

As part of the interest rate management process, we use a gap analysis. A gap analysis provides information about the volume and repricing characteristics and relationship between the amounts of interest-sensitive assets and interest-bearing liabilities at a particular point in time. An effective interest rate strategy attempts to match the volume of interest sensitive assets and interest-bearing liabilities repricing over different time intervals.

The following table illustrates the volume and repricing characteristics of our balance sheet at March 31, 2012 over the indicated time intervals:

March 31, 2012	3 Months Or Less	3 N	nts Maturing Over Aonths to Months	or Repricing I Over 1 Year to 5 Years (Dollars in t		Over 5 Years sands)	N	Non-Interest Rate Sensitive	Total
ASSETS				(= 0		,			
Cash and deposits in financial									
institutions	\$ 34,233	\$	57	\$	\$		\$	99,471	\$ 133,761
Investment securities	18,319	Ψ	24,283	6.579	Ψ	1,375,599	Ψ	,,,,,,	1,424,780
Loans and leases, net of unearned	10,019		2 1,200	0,077		1,0,0,0,0			1,121,700
income	1,081,311		374,262	1,345,337		760,480			3,561,390
Other assets	1,001,011		o, .,202	1,0 .0,007		700,.00		328,177	328,177
								220,177	220,177
Total assets	\$ 1,133,863	\$	398,602	\$ 1,351,916	\$	2,136,079	\$	427,648	\$ 5,448,108
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY									
Noninterest-bearing demand deposits	\$	\$		\$	\$		\$	1,785,678	\$ 1,785,678
Interest-bearing demand, money market									
and savings	1,850,422								1,850,422
Time deposits	177,305		296,172	446,986		107			920,570
Borrowings	179,542		206	13,074				282	193,104
Subordinated debentures	108,250								108,250
Other liabilities								40,439	40,439
Stockholders' equity								549,645	549,645
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,315,519	\$	296,378	\$ 460,060	\$	107	\$	2,376,044	\$ 5,448,108
Period gap	\$ (1,181,656)	\$	102,224	\$ 891,856	\$	2,135,972	\$	(1,948,396)	
Cumulative interest-earning assets	\$ 1,133,863		1,532,465	\$ 2,884,381		5,020,460		( )	
Cumulative interest-bearing liabilities	\$ 2,315,519		2,611,897	\$ 3,071,957		3,072,064			
Cumulative gap	\$ (1,181,656)		1,079,432)	\$ (187,576)		1,948,396			
Cumulative interest-earning assets to cumulative interest-bearing liabilities	49.0%		58.7%	93.99		163.4%	,		
Cumulative gap as a percent of:									
Total assets	(21.7)%	%	(19.8)% 81	(3.4)	%	35.8%	)		

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All amounts are reported at their contractual maturity or repricing periods, except for \$43.9 million in FHLB stock which is shown as a longer-term repricing investment because of the FHLB's suspended/reduced stock redemptions and dividend payments. This analysis makes certain assumptions as to interest rate sensitivity of savings and NOW accounts which have no stated maturity and have had minimal rate fluctuation in the past three years. Money market accounts are repriced at management's discretion and are generally more rate sensitive.

The preceding table indicates that we had a negative one-year cumulative gap of \$1.1 billion at March 31, 2012, an increase of \$341.0 million from the \$738.4 million negative one-year gap position at December 31, 2011. The growth in the negative gap was attributable to a reduction in one-year assets of \$181.3 million and an increase in one-year liabilities of \$159.7 million. The reduction in one-year assets was due mostly to the \$169.0 million decline in interest-earning deposits in financial institutions, attributable to the purchase of PWE Finance for \$35.0 million and the repayment of \$128.7 million of its debt. The growth in one-year liabilities was due mostly to the \$179.5 million in overnight FHLB advances which partially replaced the \$225.0 million long-term FHLB advances that were prepaid in March 2012. Additionally, one-year time deposits increased by \$53.3 million, offset by a decrease of \$73.3 million in interest-bearing checking, money market and savings deposits.

This negative one-year cumulative gap of \$1.1 billion suggests that we are liability sensitive and if rates were to increase, our net interest margin would most likely decrease. Conversely, if rates were to decrease, our net interest margin would most likely increase. The ratio of interest-earning assets to interest-bearing liabilities maturing or repricing within one year at March 31, 2012, is 58.7%. This one year gap position indicates that interest expense is likely to be affected to a greater extent than interest income for any changes in interest rates within one year from March 31, 2012.

The gap table has inherent limitations and actual results may vary significantly from the results suggested by the gap table. The gap table is unable to incorporate certain balance sheet characteristics or factors. The gap table assumes a static balance sheet, and accordingly, looks at the repricing of existing assets and liabilities without consideration of new loans and deposits that reflect a more current interest rate environment. Unlike the net interest income simulation, however, the interest rate risk profile of certain deposit products and floating rate loans that have reached their floors cannot be captured effectively in a gap table. Although the table shows the amount of certain assets and liabilities scheduled to reprice in a given time frame, it does not reflect when or to what extent such repricings may actually occur. For example, interest-bearing demand, money market and savings deposits are shown to reprice in the first three months, but we may choose to reprice these deposits more slowly and incorporate only a portion of the movement in market rates based on market conditions at that time. Alternatively, a loan which has reached its floor may not reprice even though market interest rates change causing such loan to act like a fixed rate loan regardless of its scheduled repricing date. The gap table as presented cannot factor in the flexibility we believe we have in repricing either deposits or the floors on our loans.

We believe the estimated effect of a change in interest rates is better reflected in our net interest income and market value of equity simulations which incorporate many of the factors mentioned.

### ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure about Market Risk

Please see the section above titled "Asset/Liability Management and Interest Rate Sensitivity" in "Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" which provides an update to our quantitative and qualitative disclosure about market risk. This analysis should be read in conjunction with text under the caption "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, which text is incorporated herein by reference. Our analysis of market risk and market-sensitive

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financial information contains forward-looking statements and is subject to the disclosure at the beginning of Item 2 regarding such forward-looking information.

### ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, an evaluation was carried out by the Company's management, with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, these disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) during our most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

### PART II OTHER INFORMATION

### ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

In the ordinary course of our business, we are party to various legal actions, which we believe are incidental to the operation of our business. The outcome of such legal actions and the timing of ultimate resolution are inherently difficult to predict. In the opinion of management, based upon information currently available to us, any resulting liability, in addition to amounts already accrued, would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial statements of operations.

### ITEM 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes with respect to the risk factors described in Item 1A. to Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, which Item 1A. is incorporated herein by reference.

### ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

### (c) Issuer Repurchases of Common Stock

The following table presents stock purchases made during the first quarter of 2012:

Purchase Dates	Total Number of Shares Purchased <sup>(1)</sup>	Pric	erage ce Paid Share
January 1 - January 31, 2012		\$	
February 1 - February 29, 2012	56,180		23.16
March 1 - March 31, 2012			
Total	56,180	\$	23.16

Shares repurchased pursuant to net settlement by employees, in satisfaction of financial obligations incurred through the vesting of the Company's restricted stock.

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#### ITEM 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description 3.1 Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, of PacWest Bancorp, a Delaware corporation (Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K filed on May 14, 2008 and incorporated herein by this reference). 3.2 Certificate of Amendment, dated May 14, 2010, to Certificate of Incorporation of PacWest Bancorp (Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K filed on May 14, 2010 and incorporated herein by this reference). 3.3 Bylaws of PacWest Bancorp, a Delaware corporation, dated April 22, 2008 (Exhibit 3.2 to Form 8-K filed on May 14, 2008 and incorporated herein by this reference). 31.1 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer. 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer. 32.1 Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer. 32.2 Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer. Interactive data files pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T: (i) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2012

101 Interactive data files pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T: (i) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings for the three months ended March 31, 2012, December 31, 2011, and March 31, 2011, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the three months ended March 31, 2012, December 31, 2011, and March 31, 2011, (iv) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity for the three months ended March 31, 2012, (v) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, and (vi) the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. (Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, this information is deemed furnished and not filed for purposes of Sections 11 and 12 of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

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Date: May 10, 2012

## **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.

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PACWEST BANCORP

/s/ VICTOR R. SANTORO

Victor R. Santoro

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer