Financial Earnings Results

Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2023

January 24, 2024

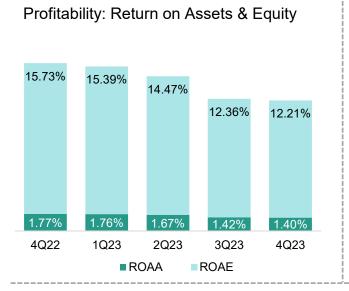


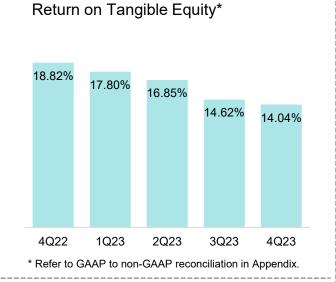
Forward Looking Statements

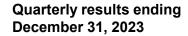
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Financial Highlights 4Q 2023







Net Income

• \$82.5 million

Diluted EPS

\$1.13

Total Revenue

• \$205.2 million

Total Loans

• \$19.5 billion

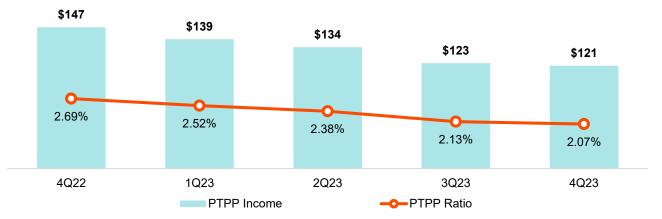
Total Deposits

• \$19.3 billion

Efficiency Ratio

53.84%

Pre-Tax Pre-Provision Income Ratio \$ in millions



Pre-Tax Pre-Provision, Pre-Tax Credit Amortization, and Pre-Acquisition Expense ("PTPP") Income Ratio calculation based on annualized PTPP Income divided by total average assets.



Summary Highlights: 4Q and Full Year 2023 Results

\$ in millions, except per share data	4Q23	Change 4Q23 v. 3Q23	Change 4Q23 v. 4Q22	 	Full Year 2023	Change YoY
Earnings						
Net Income	\$ 82.5	0%	(15)%	\$	354.1	(2)%
Basic EPS	\$ 1.14	0%	(14)%	\$	4.88	1%
Diluted EPS	\$ 1.13	0%	(15)%	\$	4.86	1%
Total Revenue	\$ 205.2	6%	(4)%	\$	810.0	2%
NII	\$ 182.1	(2)%	(10)%	\$	741.7	1%
NIM	3.27%	-11 bps	-60 bps		3.45%	-18 bps
ROAA	1.40%	-2 bps	-37 bps		1.56%	-13 bps
ROAE	12.21%	-15 bps	-352 bps	!	13.56%	-114 bps
Efficiency Ratio	53.84%	527 bps	1587 bps	i	46.97%	859 bps
Balance Sheets				-		
Total Loans*	\$ 19,548	3%	7%	\$	19,548	7%
Total Deposits	\$ 19,325	(2)%	4%	¦\$	19,325	4%

Note: Information as of 12.31.23 and 9.30.23 are unaudited.



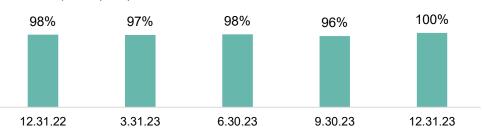
^{*} Gross Loans, net of fees

Summary Balance Sheets

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Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 2,737	\$ 2,639	 \$	98
Total Liabilities	\$ 20,345	\$ 20,206	\$	139
Other Liabilities	345	414		(69)
Debt	135	142	I I	(7)
FHLB borrowings	540	15	i I	525
Customer deposits	\$ 19,325	\$ 19,636		(310)
Total Assets	\$ 23,082	\$ 22,845	 \$	237
Other assets	1,265	1,313	i I	(48)
Net Loans	\$ 19,383	\$ 18,860	 \$	523
Allowance for credit losses	(155)	(155)		0
Gross loans, net of discounts	\$ 19,537	\$ 19,014	\$	523
AFS debt securities	1,605	1,509		96
Cash equivalents & ST investments	\$ 829	\$ 1,163	\$	(334)
millions, except per share data	12.31.23	9.30.23	QoC	Q Change

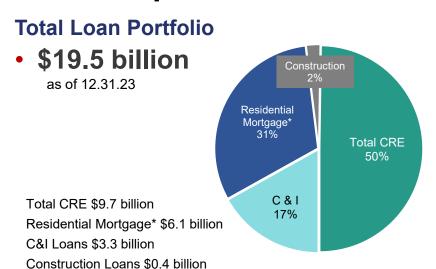
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Net Loans-to-Deposit Ratio end of period (EOP)



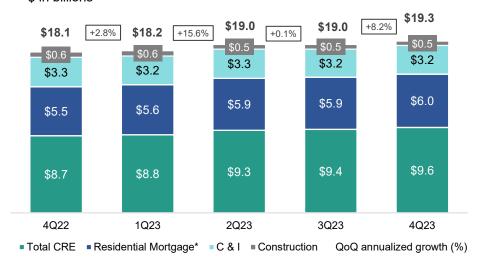


Loan Composition



^{*} Residential Mortgage includes equity lines, installment and other loans.

Average Loan Growth – QoQ Annualized \$ in billions

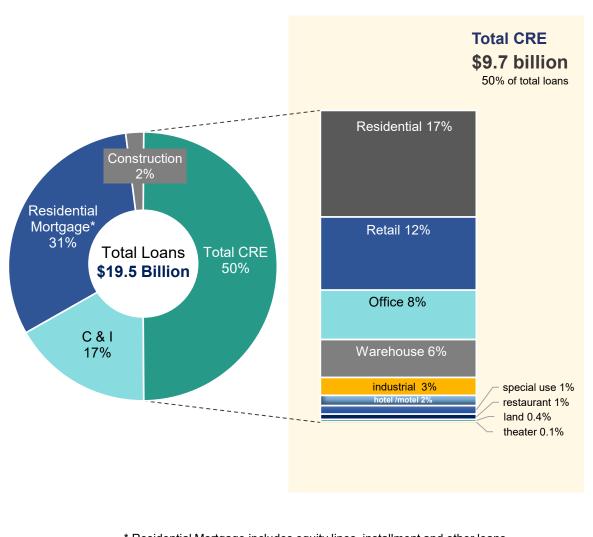


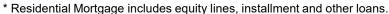
Average Loan Yield by Type

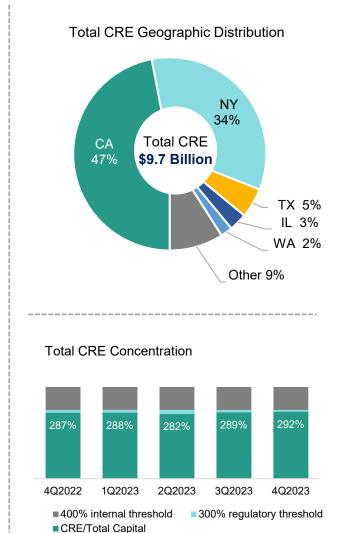




Commercial Real Estate Portfolio





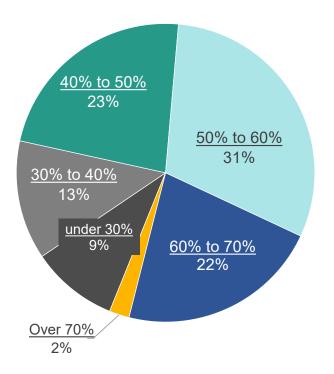




Commercial Real Estate Portfolio

LTV Distribution of Total CRE \$9.7 Billion

- \$1.80 mil avg. outstanding size
- weighted avg. LTV **50%**



LTV & Size by Property Type

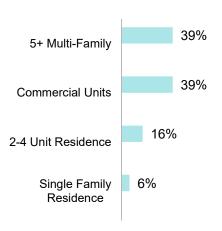
\$ in millions	otal CRE n Portfolio	Total CRE Weighted Avg. LTV
Residental	\$ 3,327	54%
Retail	\$ 2,280	49%
Office	\$ 1,539	48%
Warehouse	\$ 1,185	47%
Industrial	\$ 558	49%
Hotel / Motel	\$ 317	45%
Special Use	\$ 268	45%
Restaurant	\$ 164	44%
Land	\$ 71	37%
Theater	\$ 21	63%
Total CRE	\$ 9,730	50%

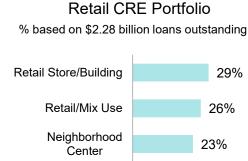


Selected CRE and Construction Loan Portfolios

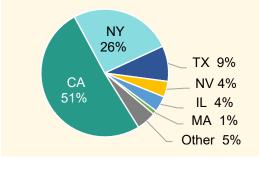
Residential CRE Portfolio

% based on \$3.33 billion loans outstanding

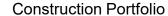




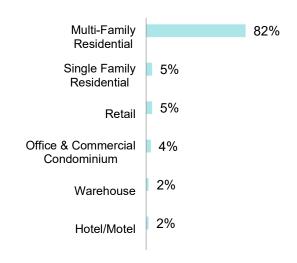


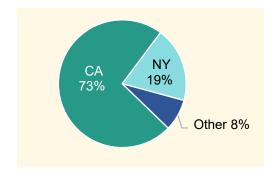


weighted avg. LTV 49%

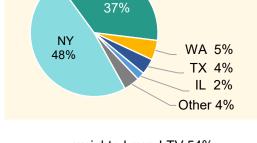


% based on \$423 million loans outstanding





weighted avg. LTV 55%



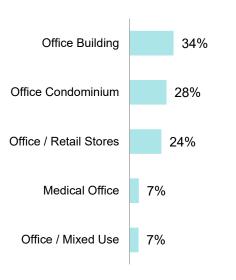
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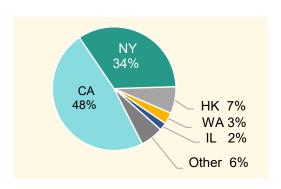
weighted avg. LTV 54%



Selected CRE and Construction Loan Portfolios (cont'd)

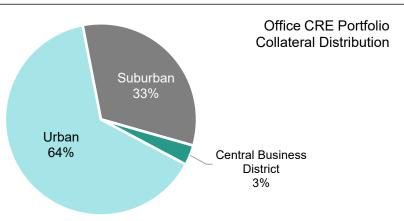
Office CRE Portfolio % based on \$1.54 billion loans outstanding





weighted avg. LTV 48%

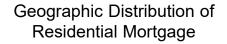
Avg. Property Size (sq ft)		13,259	
Avg. Outstanding Size	\$	2.1	
Total Office CRE	\$	1,539	
Office / Mixed Use	\$	104	43%
Medical Office	\$	109	46%
Office / Retail Stores	\$	374	33%
Office Condominium	\$	434	47%
Office Building	\$	518	46%
Office CRE Portfolio			
\$ in millions	Offi	ce CRE Loan Portfolio	Total CRE Weighted Avg. LT\
	0.55	0.751	T

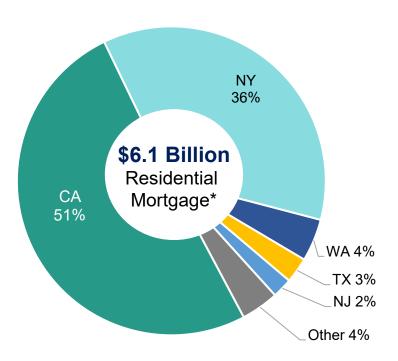


Central Business District (CBD) – Central Business/Financial Centers (mainly city downtowns) Urban – City and metropolitan areas Suburban – Outside of the city/metropolitan area



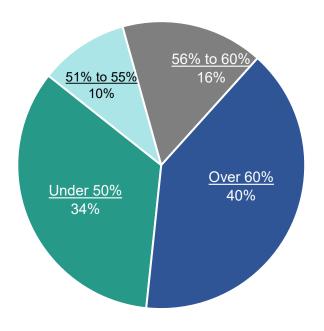
Residential Mortgage Portfolio





SFR LTV Distribution

- \$419,462 avg. outstanding size
- weighted avg. LTV 54%

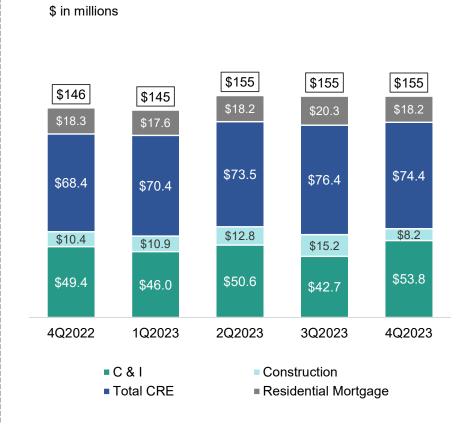




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Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses (ALLL)

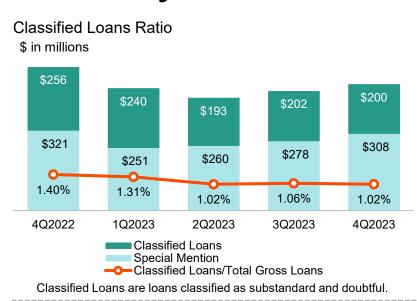




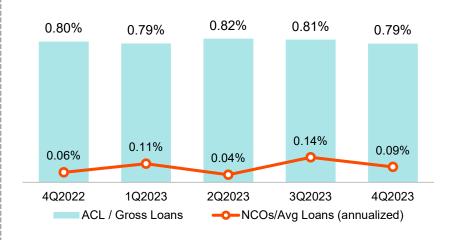
ALLL Composition



Asset Quality Metrics



Reserves and Net Charge-Offs



Non-Performing Assets Ratio

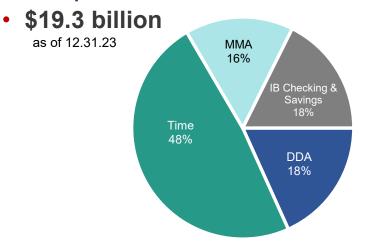


- **Allowance coverage of loans HFI:** 0.79% as of 12/31/23 vs. 0.81% as of 9/30/23.
- Nonaccrual loans/loans HFI: 0.34% as of 12/31/23
 vs. 0.40% as of 9/30/23.

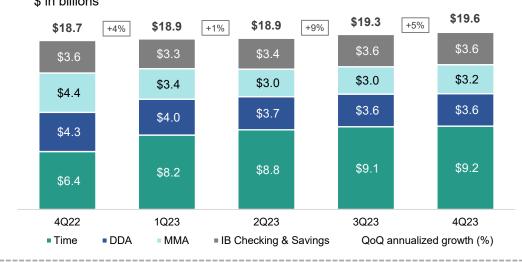


Deposit Mix

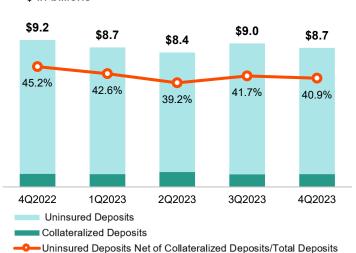
Total Deposits



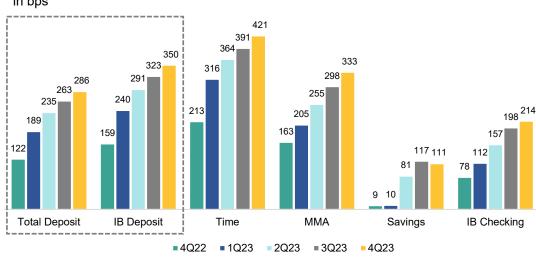
Average Deposit Growth – QoQ Annualized \$ in billions



Uninsured Deposits \$ in billions



Average Cost of Deposits by Type in bps





Summary Income Statements

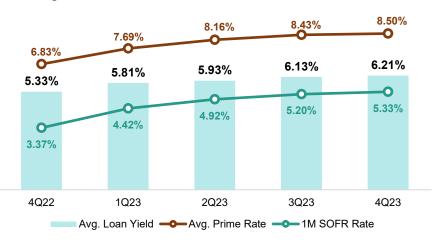
\$ in millions, except per share data	12.31.23	9.30.23	ı !\$ Change	% Change
Net Interest Income	\$ 182.1	\$ 185.6	\$ (3.5)	(1.9)%
Noninterest income	14.2	14.1	0.1	0.7%
Net (losses) / Gains from equity securities	9.0	(6.2)	15.2	243.9%
Total Noninterest Income	23.1	7.8	15.3	194.8%
Noninterest expense	72.0	70.1	1.8	2.6%
amortization of tax credit and other investment plus core deposit intangibles and FDIC special assessment	38.5	23.8	14.7	61.6%
Total Noninterest Expense	\$ 110.5	\$ 94.0	\$ 16.5	17.7%
Provision for credit losses	1.7	7.0	(5.3)	(75.4)%
Income tax expense	10.5	10.1	0.4	3.5%
Net Income	\$ 82.5	\$ 82.4	\$ 0.2	0.2%
Diluted EPS	\$ 1.13	\$ 1.13	\$ (0.00)	0.0%
Weighted avg. diluted shares (in millions)	72.9	72.6	0.3	0.4%

Note: Information for quarter ending 12.31.23 and 9.30.23 are unaudited. Totals may not foot due to rounding.

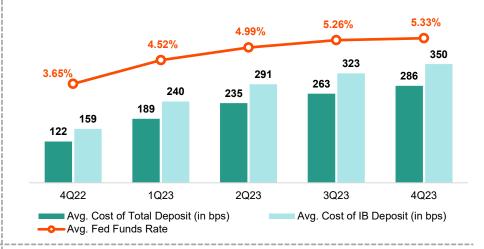


Loan Yields, Deposit Costs and Net Interest Income

Average Loan Yield vs Prime Rate and 1M SOFR



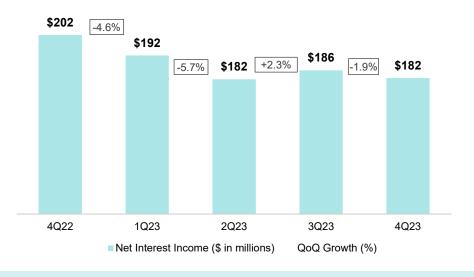
Average Cost of Deposits vs Fed Funds Rate



Net Interest Income and Net Interest Margin



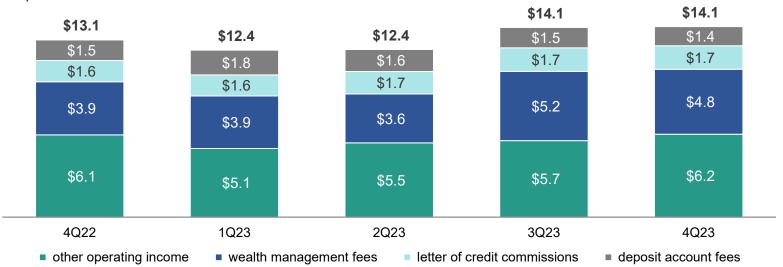
Net Interest Income Growth





Non-Interest Income

Non-Interest Income*
\$ in millions

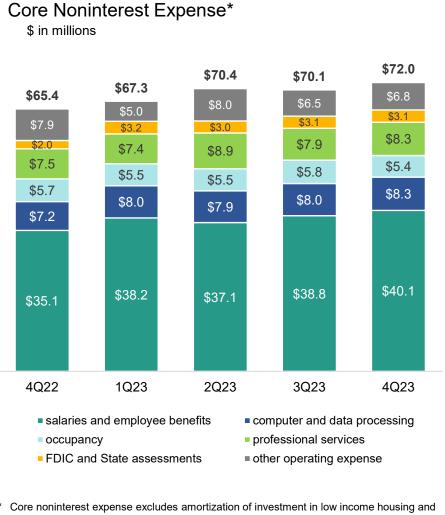


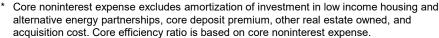
Non-interest income excludes net gains/(losses) from equity securities.

(\$ in millions)	4Q2022	1Q2023	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023
Non-interest income, before net gains/(losses) from equity securities					
Non-interest income*	\$13.1	\$12.4	\$12.4	\$14.1	\$14.1
net gains/(losses) from equity securities	(\$1.0)	\$4.8	\$10.7	(\$6.2)	\$9.0
net gains/(losses) from investment securities	-	(\$3.0)	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Total Non-interest Income	\$12.1	\$14.2	\$23.1	\$7.8	\$23.1

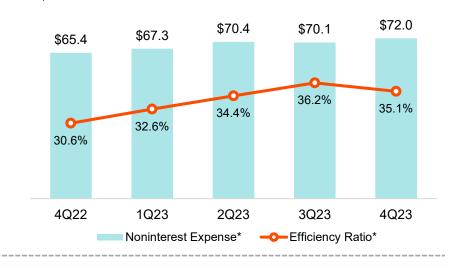


Operating Expense & Efficiency





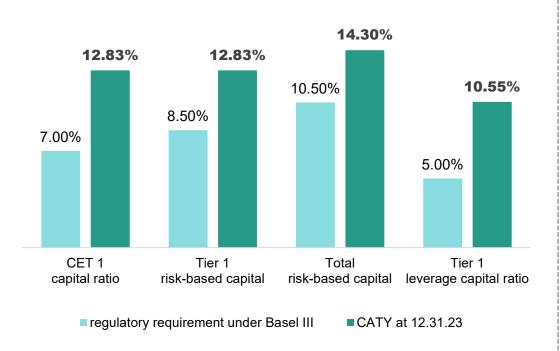
Core Noninterest Expense* & Efficiency Ratio* \$ in millions



(\$ in millions)	4Q2022	1Q2023	2Q2023	3Q2023	4Q2023						
Core noninterest expense, before amortization and other real estate owned											
Core noninterest expense*	\$65.4	\$67.3	\$70.4	\$70.1	\$72.0						
Amortization in investment in low income housing	\$11.1	\$9.1	\$11.6	\$7.9	\$10.2						
Amortization in alternative energy partnerships	\$3.5	\$6.5	\$10.2	\$15.3	\$15.9						
Other real estate owned & CDF	\$1.2	\$0.3	\$0.6	\$0.7	\$0.4						
Restructuring costs	\$0.0	-	-	-	0.7						
FDIC special assessment	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	11.3						
Total Noninterest Expense	\$81.2	\$83.2	\$92.8	\$94.0	\$110.5						



Strong Capital Ratios



 * Refer to GAAP to non-GAAP reconciliation in Appendix.

- Capital Ratio well above regulatory standards that continues to place Cathay in the "well capitalized" category, calculated under the Basel III capital rules.
- Book Value Per Common Share is \$37.66 as of 12.31.23: +3.60% compared to 9.30.23 and +10.73% YoY.
- Tangible Book Value* Per Common Share is \$32.43 as of 12.31.23: +4.20% compared to 9.30.23 and +12.72% YoY.
- Capital Return on Shareholder common stock dividend: \$0.34/share quarterly, or \$1.36/share annualized.



Management Guidance Full Year 2024

	Full Year 2024 Guidance Compared with 2023 Actual	Full Year 2023 Actual
Loans, end of period	Estimated growth rate 4% to 5%.	\$19.5 billion +7.1% YoY
Deposits	Estimated growth rate 4% to 5%.	\$19.3 billion +4.4% YoY
Core Noninterest Expense	Estimated growth rate 3.0% to 3.5%.	\$279.8 million +9.6% YoY
NIM	Estimated to range between 3.15% and 3.25%.	3.45%
Tax Rate	Effective tax rate for 2024 estimated between 20.0% and 21.0%.	 Effective tax rate for the full year was 12.25%.
	 Solar amortization estimated to be \$6.5 million for 2024; \$6.0 million in Q1 and \$0.5 in Q2. 	Solar amortization was \$47.9 million.

The guidance provided above is based on a number of assumptions that management believes to be reasonable and reflects our expectations as of the date of this presentation. Actual results may differ materially from these estimates as a result of various factors, and we refer to the cautionary language regarding "forward-looking statements" included in this presentation when considering this information.



Appendix

<u>Appendix</u>: GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation Selected Consolidation Financial Information (\$ in thousands) (unaudited)

We use certain non-GAAP financial measures to provide supplemental information regarding our performance. Tangible equity and tangible equity to tangible assets ratio are non-GAAP financial measures. Tangible equity and tangible assets represent stockholders' equity and total assets, respectively, which have been reduced by goodwill and other intangible assets. Given that the use of such measures and ratios is more prevalent in the banking industry, and such measures and ratios are used by banking regulators and analysts, we have included them below for discussion.

			December 31, 2023	S	eptember 30, 2023	December 31, 2022
				(in th	ousands) (Unaudited)	
Stockholders' equity	(a)	\$	2,736,574	\$	2,638,736	\$ 2,474,040
Less: Goodwill			(375,696)		(375,696)	(375,696)
Other intangible assets (1)			(4,461)		(4,725)	(5,757)
Tangible equity	(b)	\$	2,356,417	\$	2,258,315	\$ 2,092,587
Total assets	(c)	\$	23,081,534	\$	22,844,529	\$ 21,947,976
Less: Goodwill			(375,696)		(375,696)	(375,696)
Other intangible assets ⁽¹⁾			(4,461)		(4,725)	 (5,757)
Tangible assets	(d)	\$	22,701,377	\$	22,464,108	\$ 21,566,523
Number of common shares outstanding	(e)		72,668,927		72,586,992	72,742,151
Total stockholders' equity to total assets ratio	(a)/(c))	11.86%		11.55%	11.27%
Tangible equity to tangible assets ratio	(b)/(d)	,	10.38%		10.05%	9.70%
Tangible book value per share	(b)/(e)		32.43	\$	31.11	\$ 28.77

		Three Months Ended						Twelve Months Ended				
		Decen	nber 31, 2023	Septe	mber 30, 2023	Dece	ember 31, 2022	Dece	mber 31, 2023	December 31	, 2022	
				,		(in thousar	nds) (Unaudited)	,				
Net Income		\$	82,526	\$	82,371	\$	97,601	\$	354,124 \$	3	60,642	
Add: Amortization of other intangibles			262		270		1,191		1,294		2,007	
Tax effect of amortization adjustments (2)			(78)		(80)		(353)		(384)		(595)	
Tangible net income	(f)	\$	82,710	\$	82,561	\$	98,439	\$	355,034 \$	3	62,054	
Return on tangible common equity ⁽³⁾	(f)/(b)		14.04%		14.62%		18.82%		15.07%	1	7.30%	

⁽¹⁾ Includes core deposit intangibles and mortgage servicing



⁽²⁾ Applied the statutory rate of 29.65%.

⁽³⁾ Annualized

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