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#### **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **FORM 10-Q**

## QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2019

Commission file number 0-7674

FIRST FINANCIAL BANKSHARES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction of

75-0944023 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

**Identification No.)** 

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400 Pine Street, Abilene, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

79601 (Zip Code)

(325) 627-7155

(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 No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, smaller reporting company and emerging growth company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Accelerated filer Smaller reporting company Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

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

Class
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

Outstanding at April 30, 2019 135,702,134 (see note 2)

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#### **PART I**

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### Item 1. Financial Statements.

The consolidated balance sheets of First Financial Bankshares, Inc. (the Company or we) at March 31, 2019 and 2018 and December 31, 2018, and the consolidated statements of earnings, comprehensive earnings, shareholders equity and cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, follow on pages 4 through 8.

#### FIRST FINANCIAL BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Marc 2019 (Unau	2018	De	ecember 31, 2018
<u>ASSETS</u>				
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS	\$ 176,278	\$ 130,979	\$	207,835
FEDERAL FUNDS SOLD	12,825			
INTEREST-BEARING DEPOSITS IN BANKS	197,758	67,060		40,812
Total cash and cash equivalents	386,861	198,039		248,647
INTEREST-BEARING TIME DEPOSITS IN BANKS	1,458	1,458		1,458
SECURITIES AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE, at fair value LOANS:	3,212,812	3,276,193		3,158,777
Held for investment	3,989,160	3,730,051		3,953,636
Less allowance for loan losses	(51,585)	(49,499)		(51,202)
Net loans held for investment	3,937,575	3,680,552		3,902,434
Held for sale (\$12,007 at fair value at March 31, 2019; none at March 31, 2018; and \$19,185 at December 31, 2018)	14,446	17,030		21,672
Net loans	3,952,021	3,697,582		3,924,106
BANK PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT, net	135,321	126,446		133,421
INTANGIBLE ASSETS	174,415	175,569		174,683
OTHER ASSETS	83,007	92,162		90,762
Total assets	\$7,945,895	\$7,567,449	\$	7,731,854
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY				
NONINTEREST-BEARING DEPOSITS	\$ 2,165,745	\$ 2,111,116	\$	2,116,107
INTEREST-BEARING DEPOSITS	4,184,996	4,079,647		4,064,282
Total deposits	6,350,741	6,190,763		6,180,389
DIVIDENDS PAYABLE	14,244	12,589		14,227
BORROWINGS	382,711	372,155		468,706
OTHER LIABILITIES	90,677	22,128		15,237
Total liabilities	6,838,373	6,597,635		6,678,559

## COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

## SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY:

Common stock (\$0.01 par value, authorized 200,000,000 shares;

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135,680,420, 67,612,760 and 67,753,133 shares issued at March 31,			
2019 and 2018 and December 31, 2018, respectively)	1,356	676	678
Capital surplus	445,672	437,868	443,114
Retained earnings	629,988	533,427	606,658
Treasury stock (shares at cost: 928,678, 493,994 and 467,811 at			
March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively)	(7,660)	(7,291)	(7,507)
Deferred compensation	7,660	7,291	7,507
Accumulated other comprehensive earnings (loss)	30,506	(2,157)	2,845
Total shareholders equity	1,107,522	969,814	1,053,295
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$7,945,895	\$7,567,449	\$ 7,731,854

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

#### FIRST FINANCIAL BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	End	Months ded th 31,
	2019	2018
INTEREST INCOME:		
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 53,232	\$ 46,746
Interest on investment securities:		
Taxable	13,289	11,354
Exempt from federal income tax	9,763	10,341
Interest on federal funds sold and interest-bearing deposits in banks	617	641
Total interest income	76,901	69,082
INTEREST EXPENSE:		
Interest on deposits	6,661	3,519
Other	726	114
Total interest expense	7,387	3,633
Net interest income	69,514	65,449
PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES	965	1,310
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	68,549	64,139
NONINTEREST INCOME:		
Trust fees	6,979	6,904
Service charges on deposit accounts	5,176	4,884
ATM, interchange and credit card fees	6,840	6,996
Real estate mortgage operations	3,474	2,933
Net gain on sale of available-for-sale securities (includes \$0 and \$1,221 for the three months		
ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, related to accumulated other comprehensive		
earnings reclassifications)		1,221
Net gain on sale of foreclosed assets	69	99
Net (loss) gain on sale of assets		(91)
Interest on loan recoveries	338	119
Other	1,561	1,358
Total noninterest income	24,437	24,423

#### **NONINTEREST EXPENSE:**

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Salaries and employee benefits	27,424	26,203
Net occupancy expense	2,763	2,883
Equipment expense	3,127	3,516
FDIC insurance premiums	538	566
ATM, interchange and credit card expenses	2,383	2,143
Professional and service fees	1,832	2,413
Printing, stationery and supplies	366	486
Operational and other losses	266	566
Software amortization and expense	923	524
Amortization of intangible assets	269	387
Other	7,476	8,111
Total noninterest expense	47,367	47,798
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	45,619	40,764
<b>INCOME TAX EXPENSE</b> (includes \$0 and \$256 for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, related to income tax expense reclassification)	7,367	6,245
NET EARNINGS	\$ 38,252	\$ 34,519
EARNINGS PER SHARE, BASIC	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.26
EARNINGS PER SHARE, ASSUMING DILUTION	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.25
DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.10

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

#### FIRST FINANCIAL BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in thousands)

		Months ded
		ch 31,
	2019	2018
NET EARNINGS	\$ 38,252	\$ 34,519
OTHER ITEMS OF COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS (LOSS):		
Change in unrealized gain on investment securities		
available-for-sale, before income taxes	35,014	(42,706)
Reclassification adjustment for realized gains on investment		
securities included in net earnings, before income taxes		(1,221)
Total other items of comprehensive earnings (loss)	35,014	(43,927)
Income tax benefit (expense) related to other items of		
comprehensive earnings	(7,353)	9,225
Reclassification of certain income tax effects related to the change		
in the U.S. statutory federal income tax rate under the Tax Cuts and		
Jobs Act to retained earnings		5,759
COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS	\$65,913	\$ 5,576

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# FIRST FINANCIAL BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Common		Capital	Retained	Treasury		Deferr <b>€</b> d	Accumulated Other Omprehensi	v <b>§</b> hai	
	Shares	Amount	Surplus	Earnings	Shares	Amounts	ompensati	olinarnings	F	Equity
Balances at										
December 31,	66.260.444	Φ ((2)	<b>4.25</b> 0.062	<b>4.517.057</b>	(405.064)	ф <b>(5.1.10</b> )	Φ <b>.7.</b> 1.40	A 26 506	Φ.	000 500
2017	66,260,444	\$ 663	\$ 378,062	\$517,257	(495,964)	\$ (7,148)	\$7,148	\$ 26,786	\$	922,768
Net earnings										
(unaudited)				34,519						34,519
Stock option										
exercises	<b>60.04</b>									4 2 7 7
(unaudited)	62,945		1,355							1,355
Cash dividends										
declared, \$0.10										
per share				(12.500)						(10.500)
(unaudited)				(12,590)						(12,590)
Stock issued in										
acquisition of										
Commercial	1 200 271	10	50.074							50.007
Bancshares, Inc.	1,289,371	13	58,074							58,087
Change in										
unrealized gain in investment										
securities										
available-for-sale,										
net of related										
income taxes										
(unaudited)								(34,702)		(34,702)
Shares purchased								(34,702)		(34,702)
(redeemed) in										
connection with										
directors deferred										
compensation										
plan, net										
(unaudited)					1,970	(143)	143			
Stock option					1,770	(113)	113			
expense										
(unaudited)			377							377
Reclassification of				(5,759)				5,759		
certain income tax				( ) )				,,,,,		

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Statistic related to the change in the C.S. statutory federal income tax Cuts and Jobs Act to retained carmings		J	J							
March 31, 2018 (unaudited) 67,612,760 \$ 676 \$437,868 \$533,427 (493,994) \$(7,291) \$7,291 \$ (2,157) \$ 969,814 \$ Balances at December 31, 2018	the change in the U.S. statutory federal income tax rate under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act to retained									
December 31,   2018	March 31, 2018	67,612,760	\$ 676	\$437,868	\$ 533,427	(493,994)	\$ (7,291)	\$7,291	\$ (2,157)	\$ 969,814
Cunaudited   Stock option   Stock	December 31, 2018	67,753,133	\$ 678	\$443,114	\$ 606,658	(467,811)	\$ (7,507)	\$7,507	\$ 2,845	\$ 1,053,295
Stock option exercises	_				38 252					38 252
Cash dividends declared, \$0.11 per share (unaudited) (14,244) (14,244) (14,244) (14,244)  Change in unrealized gain in investment securities available-for-sale, net of related income taxes (unaudited) (27,661 27,661)  Shares purchased (redeemed) in connection with directors deferred compensation plan, net (unaudited) (150 150 150 150 150 150 150 150 150 150	Stock option exercises	0- 0		2.216	36,232					
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Change in unrealized gain in investment securities available-for-sale, net of related income taxes (unaudited)  Shares purchased (redeemed) in connection with directors deferred compensation plan, net (unaudited)  Stock option expense (unaudited)  Stock option expense (unaudited)  Two-for-one stock spllit in the form of a 100% stock dividend (unaudited)  Balances at 135,680,420 \$1,356 \$445,672 \$629,988 (928,678) \$(7,660) \$7,660 \$30,506 \$1,107,522	-				(14,244)					(14,244)
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	Two-for-one stock spllit in the form of a 100% stock dividend	67,840,210	678	312	(678)	(464,339)				312
		135,680,420	\$ 1,356	\$ 445,672	\$ 629,988	(928,678)	\$ (7,660)	\$7,660	\$ 30,506	\$ 1,107,522

## (unaudited)

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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### FIRST FINANCIAL BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in thousands)

	Three Mor Marc 2019	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net earnings	\$ 38,252	\$ 34,519
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,982	3,178
Provision for loan losses	965	1,310
Securities premium amortization (discount accretion), net	6,132	7,185
Gain (loss) on sale of assets, net	83	(1,229)
Deferred federal income tax benefit		261
Change in loans held-for-sale	6,953	(1,901)
Change in other assets	7,927	(4,462)
Change in other liabilities	8,972	6,269
Total adjustments	34,014	10,611
Net cash provided by operating activities	72,266	45,130
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Cash received in acquisition of Commercial Bancshares, Inc. Activity in available-for-sale securities: Sales	231	18,653 91,445
Maturities	106,188	107,980
Purchases	(72,142)	(373,547)
Net decrease (increase) in loans	(36,070)	21,753
Purchases of bank premises and equipment and other assets	(4,700)	(1,808)
Proceeds from sale of bank premises and equipment and other assets	65	266
Net cash used in investing activities	(6,428)	(135,258)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	(3,123)	(555,255)
Net increase (decrease) in noninterest-bearing deposits	49,638	(92,574)
Net increase (decrease) in interest-bearing deposits	120,714	(21,526)
Net increase (decrease) in borrowings	(85,995)	41,155
Common stock transactions:		
Proceeds from stock issuances	2,246	1,355
Dividends paid	(14,227)	(12,590)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	72,376	(84,180)

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NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	1.	38,214	(	174,308)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	2	48,647	3	372,347
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$ 38	86,861	\$ 1	198,039
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND NONCASH TRANSACTIONS:				
Interest paid	\$	7,220	\$	3,635
Transfer of loans and bank premises to other real estate		237		126
Investment securities purchased but not settled		59,397		
See notes to consolidated financial statements.				

#### FIRST FINANCIAL BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

#### **Note 1** Basis of Presentation

The unaudited interim consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company, a Texas corporation and a financial holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, or BHCA, and its wholly-owned subsidiaries: First Financial Bank, National Association, Abilene, Texas; First Technology Services, Inc.; First Financial Trust & Asset Management Company, National Association; First Financial Investments, Inc.; and First Financial Insurance Agency, Inc.

Through our subsidiary bank, we conduct a full-service commercial banking business. Our banking centers are located primarily in Central, North Central, Southeast and West Texas. As of March 31, 2019, we had 73 financial centers across Texas, with eleven locations in Abilene, three locations in Weatherford, two locations in Cleburne, Conroe, San Angelo, Stephenville and Granbury, and one location each in Acton, Albany, Aledo, Alvarado, Beaumont, Boyd, Bridgeport, Brock, Burleson, Cisco, Clyde, Cut and Shoot, Decatur, Eastland, El Campo, Fort Worth, Fulshear, Glen Rose, Grapevine, Hereford, Huntsville, Keller, Kingwood, Magnolia, Mauriceville, Merkel, Midlothian, Mineral Wells, Montgomery, Moran, New Waverly, Newton, Odessa, Orange, Palacios, Port Arthur, Ranger, Rising Star, Roby, Southlake, Spring, Sweetwater, Tomball, Trent, Trophy Club, Vidor, Waxahachie, Willis and Willow Park, all in Texas. Our trust subsidiary has eight locations which are located in Abilene, Fort Worth, Houston, Odessa, Beaumont, San Angelo, Stephenville and Sweetwater.

In the opinion of management, the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the Company s financial position and unaudited results of operations and should be read in conjunction with the Company s audited consolidated financial statements, and notes thereto in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K, for the year ended December 31, 2018. All adjustments were of a normal recurring nature. However, the results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2019, are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year ending December 31, 2019, due to seasonality, changes in economic conditions and loan credit quality, interest rate fluctuations, regulatory and legislative changes and other factors. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles ( GAAP ) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the financial statement date. Actual results could vary. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted under U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) rules and regulations. The Company evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition and/or disclosure through the date the consolidated financial statements were issued.

Goodwill and other intangible assets are evaluated annually for impairment as of the end of the second quarter. No such impairment has been noted in connection with the current or any prior evaluations.

#### Note 2 Stock Split and Stock Repurchase

On April 23, 2019, the Company s Board of Directors declared a two-for-one stock split in the form of a 100% stock dividend effective for shareholders of record on May 15, 2019 to be distributed on June 3, 2019. All per share amounts in this report have been restated to reflect this stock split. An amount equal to the par value of the additional common shares to be issued pursuant to the stock split was reflected as a transfer from retained earnings to common stock on the consolidated financial statements as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2019.

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On July 25, 2017, the Company s Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 2,000,000 common shares through September 30, 2020. The shares buyback plan authorizes management to repurchase the shares at such time as repurchases are considered beneficial to shareholders. Any

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repurchase of shares will be made through the open market, block trades or in privately negotiated transactions in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Under the repurchase plan, there is no minimum number of shares that the Company is required to repurchase. Through March 31, 2019, no shares were repurchased under this authorization.

#### Note 3 Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per common share is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the periods presented. In computing diluted earnings per common share for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, the Company assumes that all dilutive outstanding options to purchase common shares have been exercised at the beginning of the period (or the time of issuance, if later). The dilutive effect of these outstanding options and the restricted shares is reflected by application of the treasury stock method, whereby the proceeds from exercised options and restricted shares are assumed to be used to purchase common shares at the average market price during the respective periods. The weighted average common shares outstanding used in computing basic earnings per common share for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018 were 135,494,254 and 135,054,020 shares, respectively. The weighted average common shares outstanding used in computing fully diluted earnings per common share for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018 were 136,286,862 and 135,599,090 shares, respectively. For the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, there were no stock options that were anti-dilutive that have been excluded from the EPS calculation.

#### Note 4 Interest-bearing Time Deposits in Banks and Securities

Interest-bearing time deposits in banks totaled \$1,458,000 at March 31, 2019 and 2018 and December 31, 2018, respectively, and at March 31, 2019 have original maturities within twelve months.

Management classifies debt and equity securities as held-to-maturity, available-for-sale, or trading based on its intent. Debt securities that management has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity are classified as held-to-maturity and recorded at cost, adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts, which are recognized as adjustments to interest income using the interest method. Debt securities not classified as held-to-maturity or trading are classified as available-for-sale and recorded at fair value, with all unrealized gains and unrealized losses judged to be temporary, net of deferred income taxes, excluded from earnings and reported in the consolidated statements of comprehensive earnings. Available-for-sale debt securities that have unrealized gains and losses are excluded from earnings and reported net of tax in accumulated other comprehensive income until realized. Declines in the fair value of available-for-sale debt securities below their cost that are deemed to be other-than-temporary are reflected in earnings as a realized loss if there is no ability or intent to hold to recovery. If the Company does not intend to sell and will not be required to sell prior to recovery of its amortized cost basis, only the credit component of the impairment is reflected in earnings as a realized loss with the noncredit portion recognized in other comprehensive income. In estimating other-than-temporary impairment losses, we consider (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and (3) our intent and ability to retain our investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value.

Effective January 1, 2018, in accordance with ASU 2016-01 (see note 13), increases or decreases in the fair value of equity securities are recorded in earnings. Prior to January 1, 2018, such increases or decreases were recorded similar to increases or decreases in debt securities.

The Company records its available-for-sale and equity securities portfolio at fair value. Fair values of these securities are determined based on methodologies in accordance with current authoritative accounting guidance. Fair values are

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volatile and may be influenced by a number of factors, including market interest rates, prepayment speeds, discount rates, credit ratings and yield curves. Fair values for investment securities are based on quoted market prices, where available. If quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on the quoted prices of similar instruments or an estimate of fair value by using a range of fair value estimates in the market place as a result of the illiquid market specific to the type of security.

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When the fair value of a debt security is below its amortized cost, and depending on the length of time the condition exists and the extent the fair value is below amortized cost, additional analysis is performed to determine whether an other-than-temporary impairment condition exists. Available-for-sale and held-to-maturity debt securities are analyzed quarterly for possible other-than-temporary impairment. The analysis considers (i) whether we have the intent to sell our debt securities prior to recovery and/or maturity, (ii) whether it is more likely than not that we will have to sell our debt securities prior to recovery and/or maturity, (iii) the length of time and extent to which the fair value has been less than amortized cost, and (iv) the financial condition of the issuer. Often, the information available to conduct these assessments is limited and rapidly changing, making estimates of fair value subject to judgment. If actual information or conditions are different than estimated, the extent of the impairment of the debt security may be different than previously estimated, which could have a material effect on the Company s results of operations and financial condition.

The Company s investment portfolio consists of U.S. Treasury securities, obligations of U.S. government sponsored enterprises and agencies, obligations of state and political subdivisions, mortgage pass-through securities, corporate bonds and general obligation or revenue based municipal bonds. Pricing for such securities is generally readily available and transparent in the market. The Company utilizes independent third-party pricing services to value its investment securities, which the Company reviews as well as the underlying pricing methodologies for reasonableness and to ensure such prices are aligned with pricing matrices. The Company validates prices supplied by the independent pricing services by comparison to prices obtained from other third-party sources on a quarterly basis.

A summary of the Company s available-for-sale securities follows (in thousands):

		March	31, 2019	
		Gross	Gross	
	Amortized	Unrealized	Unrealized	Estimated
	Cost Basis	<b>Holding Gains</b>	<b>Holding Losses</b>	Fair Value
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ 9,977	\$ 14	\$	\$ 9,991
Obligations of states and political				
subdivisions	1,196,111	44,155	(536)	1,239,730
Corporate bonds and other	4,874		(15)	4,859
Residential mortgage-backed securities	1,519,004	8,506	(11,222)	1,516,288
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	442,569	1,771	(2,396)	441,944
Total securities available-for-sale	\$3,172,535	\$ 54,446	\$ (14,169)	\$3,212,812

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		March	31, 2018	
		Gross	Gross	<b></b>
	Amortized	Unrealized	Unrealized	Estimated
Obligations of H.C. severement are assert	Cost Basis	Holding Gains	Holding Losses	Fair Value
Obligations of U.S. government sponsored	\$ 50,467	\$	\$ (252)	\$ 50,215
enterprises and agencies Obligations of states and political	\$ 30,407	Ф	\$ (252)	\$ 50,215
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	1,289,886	33,014	(2,767)	1,320,133
Corporate bonds and other	9,382	33,014	(2,707) $(55)$	9,327
Residential mortgage-backed securities	1,449,482	2,912	(24,622)	1,427,772
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	476,060	235	(7,549)	468,746
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	470,000	233	(7,349)	400,740
Total securities available-for-sale	\$3,275,277	\$ 36,161	\$ (35,245)	\$3,276,193
		Decembe	er 31, 2018	
		Gross	Gross	
	Amortized	Gross Unrealized	Gross Unrealized	Estimated
	Cost Basis	Gross Unrealized Holding Gains	Gross Unrealized Holding Losses	Fair Value
U.S. Treasury securities		Gross Unrealized	Gross Unrealized	
Obligations of U.S. government sponsored	Cost Basis \$ 9,970	Gross Unrealized Holding Gains	Gross Unrealized Holding Losses	Fair Value \$ 9,962
Obligations of U.S. government sponsored enterprises and agencies	Cost Basis	Gross Unrealized Holding Gains	Gross Unrealized Holding Losses	Fair Value
Obligations of U.S. government sponsored enterprises and agencies Obligations of states and political	Cost Basis \$ 9,970	Gross Unrealized Holding Gains \$	Gross Unrealized Holding Losses \$ (8)	Fair Value \$ 9,962 301
Obligations of U.S. government sponsored enterprises and agencies Obligations of states and political subdivisions	Cost Basis \$ 9,970 301 1,229,828	Gross Unrealized Holding Gains	Gross Unrealized Holding Losses \$ (8)	Fair Value \$ 9,962 301 1,257,871
Obligations of U.S. government sponsored enterprises and agencies Obligations of states and political subdivisions Corporate bonds and other	Cost Basis \$ 9,970 301 1,229,828 4,875	Gross Unrealized Holding Gains \$	Gross Unrealized Holding Losses \$ (8)  (1,970) (77)	Fair Value \$ 9,962 301 1,257,871 4,798
Obligations of U.S. government sponsored enterprises and agencies Obligations of states and political subdivisions Corporate bonds and other Residential mortgage-backed securities	Cost Basis \$ 9,970 301 1,229,828 4,875 1,472,228	Gross Unrealized Holding Gains \$ 30,013	Gross Unrealized Holding Losses \$ (8)  (1,970) (77) (21,611)	Fair Value \$ 9,962 301 1,257,871 4,798 1,454,545
Obligations of U.S. government sponsored enterprises and agencies Obligations of states and political subdivisions Corporate bonds and other	Cost Basis \$ 9,970 301 1,229,828 4,875	Gross Unrealized Holding Gains \$	Gross Unrealized Holding Losses \$ (8)  (1,970) (77)	Fair Value \$ 9,962 301 1,257,871 4,798

The Company invests in mortgage-backed securities that have expected maturities that differ from their contractual maturities. These differences arise because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without a prepayment penalty. These securities include collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs) and other asset backed securities. The expected maturities of these securities at March 31, 2019 were computed by using scheduled amortization of balances and historical prepayment rates. At March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, the Company did not hold CMOs that entail higher risks than standard mortgage-backed securities.

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of available-for-sale securities at March 31, 2019, by contractual and expected maturity, are shown below (in thousands):

	Amortized	Estimated
	Cost Basis	Fair Value
Due within one year	\$ 176,257	\$ 177,722
Due after one year through five years	554,136	575,051
Due after five years through ten years	478,849	499,689

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Due after ten years	1,720	2,118
Mortgage-backed securities	1,961,573	1,958,232
Total	\$ 3,172,535	\$3,212,812

The following tables disclose the Company s investment securities that have been in a continuous unrealized-loss position for less than 12 months and for 12 or more months (in thousands):

	Less than 12											
	Months			]	12 Months or Longer				Total			
	Unrealized					Ur	realized			Unrealized		
March 31, 2019	Fair Value Loss Fa		air Value		Loss	Fa	ir Value		Loss			
Obligations of states and political												
subdivisions	\$ 2,807	\$	13	\$	48,068	\$	523	\$	50,875	\$	536	
Corporate bonds and other					4,873		15		4,873		15	
Residential mortgage-backed securities	2,473		17		854,482		11,205		856,955		11,222	
Commercial mortgage-backed securities					303,637		2,396		303,637		2,396	
Total	\$5,280	\$	30	\$ 1	1,211,060	\$	14,139	\$ 1	,216,340	\$	14,169	

	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or Longer			Total					
			Ur	realized	Fair	Ur	realized			Ur	realized
March 31, 2018	Fai	r Value		Loss	Value		Loss	Fa	ir Value		Loss
Obligations of U.S. government											
sponsored enterprises and agencies	\$	50,215	\$	252	\$	\$		\$	50,215	\$	252
Obligations of states and political											
subdivisions		156,791		1,103	43,335		1,664		200,126		2,767
Corporate bonds and other		9,135		51	235		4		9,370		55
Residential mortgage-backed securities	(	963,962		16,825	224,777		7,797	1	,188,739		24,622
Commercial mortgage-backed											
securities	,	319,062		6,056	89,801		1,493		408,863		7,549
Total	\$ 1,4	499,165	\$	24,287	\$ 358,148	\$	10,958	\$1	,857,313	\$	35,245

Less than 12											
	Months			12 Months or Longer			Total				
	Fa	ir	Un	realized			Unrealized			Un	realized
December 31, 2018	Val	ue		Loss	Fair Va	lue	Loss	Fair	Value		Loss
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ 9	,962	\$	8	\$		\$	\$	9,962	\$	8
Obligations of U.S. government											
sponsored enterprises and agencies						301			301		
Obligations of state and political											
subdivisions	27	,489		107	114,	461	1,863	1	141,950		1,970
Corporate bonds and other	4	,348		68		450	9		4,798		77
Residential mortgage-backed securities	119	,584		483	922,	289	21,128	1,0	041,873		21,611
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	1	,994		5	343,	015	5,731	3	345,009		5,736

Total \$163,377 \$ 671 \$1,380,516 \$ 28,731 \$1,543,893 \$ 29,402

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The number of investments in an unrealized loss position totaled 245 at March 31, 2019. We do not believe these unrealized losses are—other-than-temporary—as (i) we do not have the intent to sell our securities prior to recovery and/or maturity and (ii) it is more likely than not that we will not have to sell our securities prior to recovery and/or maturity. In making this determination, we also consider the length of time and extent to which fair value has been less than cost and the financial condition of the issuer. The unrealized losses noted are interest rate related due to the level of interest rates at March 31, 2019 compared to the time of purchase. We have reviewed the ratings of the issuers and have not identified any issues related to the ultimate repayment of principal as a result of credit concerns on these securities. Our mortgage related securities are backed by GNMA, FNMA and FHLMC or are collateralized by securities backed by these agencies. At March 31, 2019, 84.98% of our available-for-sale securities that are obligations of states and political subdivisions were issued within the State of Texas, of which 33.90% are guaranteed by the Texas Permanent School Fund.

At March 31, 2019, \$2,119,995,000 of the Company s securities were pledged as collateral for public or trust fund deposits, repurchase agreements and for other purposes required or permitted by law.

During the quarters ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, sales of investment securities that were classified as available-for-sale totaled \$231,000 and \$91,445,000, respectively. Gross realized gains from security sales during the first quarter of 2019 and 2018 totaled \$4,000 and \$1,242,000, respectively. Gross realized losses from security sales during the first quarter of 2019 and 2018 totaled \$4,000 and \$21,000, respectively.

The specific identification method was used to determine cost in order to compute the realized gains and losses.

#### Note 5 Loans Held for Investment and Allowance for Loan Losses

Loans held for investment are stated at the amount of unpaid principal, reduced by unearned income and an allowance for loan losses. Interest on loans is calculated by using the simple interest method on daily balances of the principal amounts outstanding. The Company defers and amortizes net loan origination fees and costs as an adjustment to yield. The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses charged to expense. Loans are charged against the allowance for loan losses when management believes the collectability of the principal is unlikely.

The Company has certain lending policies and procedures in place that are designed to maximize loan income with an acceptable level of risk. Management reviews and approves these policies and procedures on an annual basis and makes changes as appropriate. Management receives and reviews monthly reports related to loan originations, quality, concentrations, delinquencies, nonperforming and potential problem loans. Diversification in the loan portfolio is a means of managing risk associated with fluctuations in economic conditions, both by type of loan and geographic location.

Commercial loans are underwritten after evaluating and understanding the borrower s ability to operate profitably and effectively. Underwriting standards are designed to determine whether the borrower possesses sound business ethics and practices and to evaluate current and projected cash flows to determine the ability of the borrower to repay their obligations as agreed. Commercial loans are primarily made based on the identified cash flows of the borrower and, secondarily, on the underlying collateral provided by the borrower. Most commercial loans are secured by the assets being financed or other business assets, such as accounts receivable or inventory, and include personal guarantees.

Agricultural loans are subject to underwriting standards and processes similar to commercial loans. These agricultural loans are based primarily on the identified cash flows of the borrower and secondarily on the underlying collateral provided by the borrower. Most agricultural loans are secured by the agriculture related assets being financed, such as farm land, cattle or equipment, and include personal guarantees.

Real estate loans are also subject to underwriting standards and processes similar to commercial and agricultural loans. These loans are underwritten primarily based on projected cash flows and, secondarily, as loans secured by real estate. The repayment of real estate loans is generally largely dependent on the successful operation of the property securing the loans or the business conducted on the property securing the loan. Real estate loans may be more adversely affected by conditions in the real estate markets or in the general economy. The properties securing the Company s real estate portfolio are generally diverse in terms of type and geographic location within Texas. This diversity helps reduce the exposure to adverse economic events that affect any single market or industry. Generally, real estate loans are owner occupied which further reduces the Company s risk.

Consumer loan underwriting utilizes methodical credit standards and analysis to supplement the Company s underwriting policies and procedures. The Company s loan policy addresses types of consumer loans that may be originated and the collateral, if secured, which must be perfected. The relatively smaller individual dollar amounts of consumer loans that are spread over numerous individual borrowers also minimize the Company s risk.

The allowance for loan losses is an amount which represents management s best estimate of probable losses that are inherent in the Company s loan portfolio as of the balance sheet date. The allowance for loan losses is comprised of three elements; (i) specific reserves determined based on probable losses on specific classified loans; (ii) a historical valuation reserve component that considers historical loss rates and estimated loss emergence periods; and (iii) qualitative reserves based upon general economic conditions and other qualitative risk factors both internal and external to the Company. The allowance for loan losses is increased by charges to income and decreased by charge-offs (net of recoveries). Management s periodic evaluation of the appropriateness of the allowance is based on general economic conditions, the financial condition of borrowers, the value and liquidity of collateral, delinquency, prior loan loss experience, and the results of periodic reviews of the portfolio. For purposes of determining our historical valuation reserve, the loan portfolio, less cash secured loans, government guaranteed loans and classified loans, is multiplied by the Company s historical loss rate adjusted for the estimated loss emergence period. Specific allocations are increased or decreased in accordance with deterioration or improvement in credit quality and a corresponding increase or decrease in risk of loss on a particular loan. In addition, we adjust our allowance for qualitative factors such as current local economic conditions and trends, including, without limitations, unemployment, oil and gas prices, drought conditions, changes in lending staff, policies and procedures, changes in credit concentrations, changes in the trends and severity of problem loans and changes in trends in volume and terms of loans. This qualitative reserve serves to estimate for additional areas of losses inherent in our portfolio that are not reflected in our historic loss factors.

Although we believe we use the best information available to make loan loss allowance determinations, future adjustments could be necessary if circumstances or economic conditions differ substantially from the assumptions used in making our initial determinations. A decline in the economy could result in increased levels of non-performing assets and charge-offs, increased loan provisions and reductions in income. Additionally, bank regulatory agencies periodically review our allowance for loan losses and methodology and could require, in accordance with U.S. GAAP, additional provisions to the allowance for loan losses based on their judgment of information available to them at the time of their examination as well as changes to our methodology.

Accrual of interest is discontinued on a loan and payments are applied to principal when management believes, after considering economic and business conditions and collection efforts, the borrower's financial condition is such that collection of interest is doubtful. Except consumer loans, generally all loans past due greater than 90 days, based on contractual terms, are placed on non-accrual. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured. Consumer loans are generally charged-off when a loan becomes past due 90 days. For other loans in the portfolio, facts and circumstances are evaluated in making charge-off decisions.

Loans are considered impaired when, based on current information and events, management determines that it is probable we will be unable to collect all amounts due in accordance with the loan agreement, including scheduled principal and interest payments. If a loan is impaired, a specific valuation allowance is allocated, if necessary. Interest payments on impaired loans are typically applied to principal unless collectability of the principal amount is reasonably assured, in which case interest is recognized on a cash basis. Impaired loans, or portions thereof, are charged off when deemed uncollectable.

The Company s policy requires measurement of the allowance for an impaired, collateral dependent loan based on the fair value of the collateral less cost to sell. Other loan impairments for non-collateral dependent loans are measured based on the present value of expected future cash flows or the loan s observable market price. At March 31, 2019 and 2018 and December 31, 2018, all significant impaired loans have been determined to be collateral dependent and the allowance for loss has been measured utilizing the estimated fair value of the collateral less cost to sell.

From time to time, the Company modifies its loan agreement with a borrower. A modified loan is considered a troubled debt restructuring when two conditions are met: (i) the borrower is experiencing financial difficulty and (ii) concessions are made by the Company that would not otherwise be considered for a borrower with similar credit risk characteristics. Modifications to loan terms may include a lower interest rate, a reduction of principal, or a longer term to maturity. For all impaired loans, including the Company s troubled debt restructurings, the Company performs a periodic, well-documented credit evaluation of the borrower s financial condition and prospects for repayment to assess the likelihood that all principal and interest payments required under the terms of the agreement will be collected in full. When doubt exists about the ultimate collectability of principal and interest, the troubled debt restructuring remains on non-accrual status and payments received are applied to reduce principal to the extent necessary to eliminate such doubt. This determination of accrual status is judgmental and is based on facts and circumstances related to each troubled debt restructuring. Each of these loans is individually evaluated for impairment and a specific reserve is recorded based on probable losses, taking into consideration the related collateral, modified loan terms and cash flow. As of March 31, 2019 and 2018 and December 31, 2018, substantially all of the Company s troubled debt restructured loans are included in the non-accrual totals.

Loans acquired, including loans acquired in a business combination, are initially recorded at fair value with no valuation allowance. Acquired loans are segregated between those considered to be credit impaired and those deemed performing. To make this determination, management considers such factors as past due status, non-accrual status and credit risk ratings. The fair value of acquired performing loans is determined by discounting expected cash flows, both principal and interest, at prevailing market interest rates. The difference between the fair value and principal balances at acquisition date, the fair value discount, is accreted into interest income over the estimated life of the acquired portfolio.

Purchased credit impaired loans are those loans that showed evidence of deterioration of credit quality since origination and for which it is probable, at acquisition, that the Company will be unable to collect all amounts contractually owed. Their acquisition fair value, which includes a credit component at the acquisition date, was based on the estimate of cash flows, both principal and interest, expected to be collected or estimated collateral values if cash flows are not estimable, discounted at prevailing market rates of interest. The difference between the discounted cash flows expected at acquisition and the investment in the loan is recognized as interest income on a level-yield method over the life of the loan, unless management was unable to reasonably forecast cash flows in which case the loans were placed on nonaccrual. Subsequent to the acquisition date, increases in expected cash flows will generally result in a recovery of any previously recorded allowance for loan loss, to the extent applicable, and/or a reclassification from the nonaccretable difference to accretable yield, which will be recognized prospectively. Decreases in expected cash flows subsequent to acquisition are recognized as impairment. Valuation allowances on these impaired loans reflect only losses incurred after the acquisition. The carrying amount of purchased credit

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impaired loans at March 31, 2019 and 2018 and December 31, 2018 were \$859,000, \$3,201,000 and \$827,000, respectively, compared to a contractual balance of \$1,196,000, \$4,129,000 and \$1,157,000, respectively. Other purchased credit impaired loan disclosures were omitted due to immateriality.

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Loans held-for-investment by class of financing receivables are as follows (in thousands):

	Mar	ch 31,	December 31,			
	2019	2018	2018			
Commercial	\$ 826,886	\$ 734,156	\$ 844,953			
Agricultural	91,336	95,958	96,677			
Real estate	2,684,207	2,502,904	2,639,346			
Consumer	386,731	397,033	372,660			
Total loans held-for-investment	\$3,989,160	\$3,730,051	\$ 3,953,636			

The Company s non-accrual loans, loans still accruing and past due 90 days or more and restructured loans are as follows (in thousands):

	Marc	h 31,	December 3		
	2019	2018		2018	
Non-accrual loans*	\$ 28,508	\$ 22,752	\$	27,534	
Loans still accruing and past due 90 days or more	97	327		1,008	
Troubled debt restructured loans**	472	514		513	
Total	\$ 29,077	\$ 23,593	\$	29,055	

The Company s recorded investment in impaired loans and the related valuation allowance are as follows (in thousands):

March	31, 2019	March	December 31, 2018				
Recorded	Valuation	Recorded	Valuation	Recorded	Valuation		
Investment	Allowance	Investment	Allowance	Investment	Allowance		
\$ 28,508	\$ 4,472	\$ 22,752	\$ 4,365	\$ 27,534	\$ 4,069		

The Company had \$29,724,000, \$24,869,000 and \$29,632,000 in non-accrual, past due 90 days or more and still accruing, restructured loans and foreclosed assets at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively. Non-accrual loans at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, consisted of the following by class of financing receivables (in thousands):

<sup>\*</sup> Includes \$859,000, \$3,201,000 and \$827,000 of purchased credit impaired loans as of March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Troubled debt restructured loans of \$4,566,000, \$4,608,000 and \$3,840,000, whose interest collection, after considering economic and business conditions and collection efforts, is doubtful are included in non-accrual loans at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively.

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	Mai	rch 31,	December 3		
	2019	2018		2018	
Commercial	\$ 8,897	\$ 5,351	\$	9,334	
Agricultural	831	143		759	
Real estate	18,254	16,161		16,714	
Consumer	526	1,097		727	
Total	\$ 28,508	\$ 22,752	\$	27,534	

No significant additional funds are committed to be advanced in connection with impaired loans as of March 31, 2019.

The Company s impaired loans and related allowance are summarized in the following tables by class of financing receivables (in thousands). No interest income was recognized on impaired loans subsequent to their classification as impaired.

						Three-
	Unpaid	Recorded	Recorded			Month
	Contractual	Investment	Investment	Total		Average
	Principal	With No	With	Recorded	Related	Recorded
March 31, 2019	Balance	Allowance*	Allowance	Investment	Allowance	Investment
Commercial	\$ 10,227	\$ 6,129	\$ 2,768	\$ 8,897	\$ 1,184	\$ 9,292
Agricultural	892	179	652	831	130	859
Real Estate	26,528	6,444	11,810	18,254	2,901	19,268
Consumer	689	27	499	526	257	577
Total	\$ 38,336	\$ 12,779	\$ 15,729	\$ 28,508	\$ 4,472	\$ 29,996

<sup>\*</sup> Includes \$859,000 of purchased credit impaired loans.

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	U	npaid	Recorded Recorded Investment						Month				
	Con	tractual			Investment		Total				Average		
	Pri	incipal	W	ith No	With		R	ecorded	Related		Recorded		
March 31, 2018	Ва	alance	Allo	wance*	Al	lowance	Inv	vestment	All	owance	Inv	estment	
Commercial	\$	7,360	\$	1,754	\$	3,597	\$	5,351	\$	1,306	\$	5,725	
Agricultural		159		12		131		143		30		146	
Real Estate		20,168		3,799		12,362		16,161		2,580		16,751	
Consumer		1,292		117		980		1,097		449		1,149	
Total	\$	28,979	\$	5,682	\$	17,070	\$	22,752	\$	4,365	\$	23,771	

<sup>\*</sup> Includes \$3,201,000 of purchased credit impaired loans.

	Unpaid	Recorded	Recorded			12 Month
	Contractual	Investment	Investment	Total		Average
	Principal	With No	With	Recorded	Related	Recorded
December 31, 2018	Balance	Allowance*	Allowance	Investment	Allowance	Investment
Commercial	\$ 10,808	\$ 6,728	\$ 2,606	\$ 9,334	\$ 1,133	\$ 7,986

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Agricultural	799	213	546	759	170	842
Real Estate	24,072	6,699	10,015	16,714	2,409	16,042
Consumer	935	101	626	727	357	914
Total	\$ 36,614	\$ 13,741	\$ 13,793	\$ 27,534	\$ 4,069	\$ 25,784

The Company recognized interest income on impaired loans prior to being recognized as impaired of approximately \$948,000 during the year ended December 31, 2018. Such amounts for the three-month period ended March 31, 2019 and 2018 were not significant.

From a credit risk standpoint, the Company rates its loans in one of four categories: (i) pass, (ii) special mention, (iii) substandard or (iv) doubtful. Loans rated as loss are charged-off.

The ratings of loans reflect a judgment about the risks of default and loss associated with the loan. The Company reviews the ratings on our credits as part of our on-going monitoring of the credit quality of our loan portfolio. Ratings are adjusted to reflect the degree of risk and loss that are felt to be inherent in each

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<sup>\*</sup> Includes \$827,000 of purchased credit impaired loans.

credit as of each reporting period. Our methodology is structured so that specific allocations are increased in accordance with deterioration in credit quality (and a corresponding increase in risk and loss) or decreased in accordance with improvement in credit quality (and a corresponding decrease in risk and loss).

Credits rated special mention show clear signs of financial weaknesses or deterioration in credit worthiness, however, such concerns are not so pronounced that the Company generally expects to experience significant loss within the short-term. Such credits typically maintain the ability to perform within standard credit terms and credit exposure is not as prominent as credits rated more harshly.

Credits rated substandard are those in which the normal repayment of principal and interest may be, or has been, jeopardized by reason of adverse trends or developments of a financial, managerial, economic or political nature, or important weaknesses exist in collateral. A protracted workout on these credits is a distinct possibility. Prompt corrective action is therefore required to strengthen the Company s position, and/or to reduce exposure and to assure that adequate remedial measures are taken by the borrower. Credit exposure becomes more likely in such credits and a serious evaluation of the secondary support to the credit is performed.

Credits rated doubtful are those in which full collection of principal appears highly questionable, and which some degree of loss is anticipated, even though the ultimate amount of loss may not yet be certain and/or other factors exist which could affect collection of debt. Based upon available information, positive action by the Company is required to avert or minimize loss. Credits rated doubtful are generally also placed on non-accrual.

The following summarizes the Company s internal ratings of its loans held-for-investment by class of financing receivables and portfolio segments, which are the same (in thousands):

		Special			
March 31, 2019	Pass	Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Total
Commercial	\$ 787,651	\$ 23,182	\$ 16,053	\$	\$ 826,886
Agricultural	87,151	20	4,165		91,336
Real Estate	2,611,139	21,827	51,241		2,684,207
Consumer	384,786	246	1,699		386,731
Total	\$3,870,727	\$ 45,275	\$ 73,158	\$	\$3,989,160

		Special			
March 31, 2018	Pass	Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Total
Commercial	\$ 705,251	\$ 9,401	\$ 19,504	\$	\$ 734,156
Agricultural	90,975	1,755	3,228		95,958
Real Estate	2,415,458	28,638	58,808		2,502,904
Consumer	394,312	285	2,436		397,033
Total	\$3,605,996	\$ 40,079	\$ 83,976	\$	\$3,730,051

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		Special			
December 31, 2018	Pass	Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Total
Commercial	\$ 804,584	\$ 23,392	\$ 16,977	\$	\$ 844,953
Agricultural	92,864	46	3,767		96,677
Real Estate	2,559,379	26,626	53,341		2,639,346
Consumer	370,510	315	1,835		372,660
Total	\$3,827,337	\$ 50,379	\$ 75,920	\$	\$3,953,636

The Company s past due loans are as follows (in thousands):

										(	90
										D	ays
										P	Past
	15-	59 Days			Grea	ater				Ι	Due
		Past	60-8	39 Days	Th	an	Total		Total	S	Still
March 31, 2019	]	Due*	Pa	st Due	90 D	ays	Past Due	Current	Loans	Acc	cruing
Commercial	\$	4,123	\$	239	\$	885	\$ 5,247	\$ 821,639	\$ 826,886	\$	63
Agricultural		323		17			340	90,996	91,336		
Real Estate		15,649		671	1,:	541	17,861	2,666,346	2,684,207		8
Consumer		1,003		96		26	1,125	385,606	386,731		26
Total	\$	21,098	\$	1,023	\$ 2,	452	\$ 24,573	\$3,964,587	\$3,989,160	\$	97
											90 Pays

							90				
							Days				
							Past				
	15-59 Days	3	Greater	Greater							
	Past	60-89 Day	s Than	Total		Total	Still				
March 31, 2018	Due*	Past Due	90 Days	Past Due	Current	Loans	Accruing				
Commercial	\$ 4,639	\$ 760	\$ 1,066	\$ 6,465	\$ 727,691	\$ 734,156	\$ 204				
Agricultural	332			332	95,626	95,958					
Real Estate	16,037	544	748	17,329	2,485,575	2,502,904	76				
Consumer	824	221	161	1,206	395,827	397,033	47				
Total	\$ 21,832	\$ 1,525	\$ 1,975	\$ 25,332	\$3,704,719	\$3,730,051	\$ 327				

													T	otal	
													90 Days		
												P	Past		
	15-59 Days 60-89 Days Greater												Due		
	P	ast		Past	Than		Total		Total		Total		Still		
December 31, 2018	D	ue*		Due	90 D	Days	Pas	t Due	(	Current		Loans	Acc	cruing	
Commercial	\$	3,546	\$	682	\$	677	\$ 4	4,905	\$	840,048	\$	844,953	\$		
Agricultural		791		19		26		836		95,841		96,677			
Real Estate	1	3,185		881	2,	020	10	6,086	2	,623,260	2	2,639,346		960	
Consumer		782		263		54	1,099		371,561		372,660			48	
Total	\$ 1	8,304	\$	1,845	\$ 2,	777	\$ 22	2,926	\$3	,930,710	\$3	,953,636	\$ 1	1,008	

The following table details the allowance for loan losses by portfolio segment (in thousands). There were no allowances for purchased credit impaired loans at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018. Allocation of a portion of the allowance to one category of loans does not preclude its availability to absorb losses in other categories.

March 31, 2019	Cor	nmercial	Agr	icultural	Re	al Estate	Co	nsumer	Total
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	1,184	\$	130	\$	2,901	\$	257	\$ 4,472
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment		11,291		1,300		28,986		5,536	47,113
Total	\$	12,475	\$	1,430	\$	31,887	\$	5,793	\$51,585
March 31, 2018	Co	mmercial	Agr	icultural	Re	al Estate	Co	nsumer	Total
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	1,306	\$	30	\$	2,580	\$	449	\$ 4,365
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment		7,971		1,482		29,959		5,722	45,134
Total	\$	9,277	\$	1,512	\$	32,539	\$	6,171	\$49,499

<sup>\*</sup> The Company monitors commercial, agricultural and real estate loans after such loans are 15 days past due. Consumer loans are monitored after such loans are 30 days past due.

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December 31, 2018	Cor	nmercial	Agri	icultural	Re	al Estate	Co	nsumer	Total
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	1,133	\$	170	\$	2,409	\$	357	\$ 4,069
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment		10,815		1,276		29,933		5,109	47,133
Total	\$	11,948	\$	1,446	\$	32,342	\$	5,466	\$51,202

Changes in the allowance for loan losses are summarized as follows by portfolio segment (in thousands):

Three months ended March 31, 2019	Coı	mmercial	Agr	icultural	Real	Estate	Co	nsumer	Total
Beginning balance	\$	11,948	\$	1,446	\$ 3	32,342	\$	5,466	\$51,202
Provision for loan losses		196		(19)		397		391	965
Recoveries		649		3		89		141	882
Charge-offs		(318)				(941)		(205)	(1,464)
Ending balance	\$	12,475	\$	1,430	\$ 3	31,887	\$	5,793	\$51,585
Three months ended March 31, 2018	Co	mmercial	Agr	icultural	Real	Estate	Co	nsumer	Total
Beginning balance	\$	10,865	\$	1,305	\$ 2	29,896	\$	6,090	\$48,156
Provision for loan losses		(1,627)		203		2,434		300	1,310
Recoveries		158		4		242		100	504
Charge-offs		(119)				(33)		(319)	(471)
Ending balance	\$	9,277	\$	1,512	\$ 3	32,539	\$	6,171	\$49,499

The Company s recorded investment in loans related to the balance in the allowance for loan losses on the basis of the Company s impairment methodology is as follows (in thousands). Purchased credit impaired loans of \$859,000, \$3,201,000 and \$827,000 at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively, are included in loans individually evaluated for impairment.

March 31, 2019	Con	nmercial	Agı	ricultural	Rea	al Estate	Co	nsumer		Total
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	8,897	\$	831	\$	18,254	\$	526	\$	28,508
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment	8	817,989		90,505	2,	665,953	3	386,205	3.	,960,652
Total	\$ 8	826,886	\$	91,336	\$2,	684,207	\$ 3	386,731	\$3.	,989,160
March 31, 2018	Con	nmercial	Agı	ricultural	Rea	al Estate	Co	nsumer		Total
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	5,351	\$	143	\$	16,161	\$	1,097	\$	22,752
Loans collectively evaluated for impairment		728,805		95,815		486,743	3	395,936	3.	,707,299
Total	\$ '	734,156	\$	95,958	\$2,	502,904	\$ 3	397,033	\$3.	,730,051

December 31, 2018	Co	mmercial	Ag	ricultural	Real E	state	Cor	sumer		Total
Loans individually evaluated for impairment	\$	9,334	\$	759	\$ 16	,714	\$	727	\$	27,534
Loan collectively evaluated for impairment		835,619		95,918	2,622	,632	3'	71,933	3	,926,102
Total	\$	844,953	\$	96,677	\$ 2,639	,346	\$ 3'	72,660	\$3	,953,636

The Company s loans that were modified and considered troubled debt restructurings are as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2019					1	Three Months Ended March 31, 2018			
		Pre-			Post-		Pre-	Post-		
		Modification		Modification			Modification	Modification		
		Re	corded	Re	ecorded		Recorded	Recorded		
	Number	Inv	estment	Inv	estment	Number	Investment	Investment		
Commercial	1	\$	157	\$	157		\$	\$		
Agricultural	8		367		367	1	4	4		
Real Estate	4		649		649	2	363	363		
Consumer						3	74	74		
Total	13	\$	1,173	\$	1,173	6	\$ 441	\$ 441		

The balances below provide information as to how the loans were modified as troubled debt restructured loans (in thousands):

Three Months F	Ended March 3	31, 201 <b>E</b> hree	Months Er	nded March 31, 2	2018
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				Combined				
	Adjusted			Rate	Adjusted		Com	bined
	Interest	Ext	ended	and	Interest	Extended	Rate	e and
	Rate	Ma	iturity	Maturity	Rate	Maturity	Mat	turity
Commercial	\$	\$	157	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Agricultural			102	265				4
Real Estate			201	448				363
Consumer								74
Total	\$	\$	460	\$ 713	\$	\$	\$	441
Real Estate Consumer	\$	\$	201	448	\$	\$	\$	74

During the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, no loans were modified as a troubled debt restructured loan within the previous 12 months and for which there was a payment default. A default for purposes of this disclosure is a troubled debt restructured loan in which the borrower is 90 days past due or more or results in the foreclosure and repossession of the applicable collateral.

As of March 31, 2019, the Company has no commitments to lend additional funds to loan customers whose terms have been modified in troubled debt restructurings.

Our subsidiary bank has established a line of credit with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas (FHLB) to provide liquidity and meet pledging requirements for those customers eligible to have securities pledged to secure certain uninsured deposits. At March 31, 2019, \$2,519,715,000 in loans held by our bank subsidiary were subject to blanket liens as security for this line of credit. At March 31, 2019, there were no advances or letters of credit outstanding under this line of credit.

# Note 6 Loans Held for Sale

The Company originates certain mortgage loans for sale in the secondary market. The mortgage loan sales contracts contain indemnification clauses should the loans default, generally in the first three to nine months, or if documentation is determined not to be in compliance with regulations. The Company s historic losses as a result of these indemnities have been insignificant.

Loans held for sale totaled \$14,446,000, \$17,030,000 and \$21,672,000 at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively. At March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, \$2,439,000 and \$2,487,000 are valued at the lower of cost or fair value, and the remaining amounts are valued under the fair value option. All of the amounts for March 31, 2018 were valued at the lower of cost or fair value. The change to the fair value option for loans held for sale was effective at June 30, 2018 and was done in conjunction with the Company s move to mandatory delivery in the secondary market and the purchase of forward mortgage-backed securities to manage the changes in fair value (see note 7 for additional information).

These loans, which are sold on a servicing released basis, are valued using a market approach by utilizing either: (i) the fair value of the securities backed by similar mortgage loans, adjusted for certain factors to approximate the fair value of a whole mortgage loan, including the value attributable to mortgage servicing and credit risk, (ii) current commitments to purchase loans or (iii) recent observable market trades for similar loans, adjusted for credit risk and other individual loan characteristics. As these prices are derived from market observable inputs, the Company classifies these valuations as Level 2 in the fair value disclosures (see note 12). Interest income on mortgage loans held for sale is recognized based on the contractual rates and reflected in interest income on loans in the consolidated statements of earnings. The Company has no continuing ownership in any residential mortgage loans sold.

#### **Note 7** Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company enters into interest rate lock commitments ( IRLCs ) with customers to originate residential mortgage loans at a specific interest rate that are ultimately sold in the secondary market. These commitments, which contain fixed expiration dates, offer the borrower an interest rate guarantee provided the loan meets underwriting guidelines and closes within the timeframe established by the Company.

Beginning in the second quarter of 2018, the Company purchased forward mortgage-backed securities contracts to manage the changes in fair value associated with changes in interest rates related to a portion of the IRLCs. These instruments are typically entered into at the time the IRLC is made.

These financial instruments are not designated as hedging instruments and are used for asset and liability management needs. All derivatives are carried at fair value in either other assets or other liabilities.

The fair values of IRLCs are based on current secondary market prices for underlying loans and estimated servicing value with similar coupons, maturity and credit quality, subject to the anticipated loan funding probability (pull-through rate). The fair value of IRLCs is subject to change primarily due to changes in interest rates and the estimated pull-through rate. These commitments are classified as Level 2 in the fair value disclosures (see note 12), as the valuations are based on observable market inputs.

Forward mortgage-backed securities contracts are exchange-traded or traded within highly active dealer markets. In order to determine the fair value of these instruments, the Company utilizes the exchange price or dealer market price for the particular derivative contract and these instruments are therefore classified as Level 2 in the fair value disclosures (see note 12). The estimated fair values are subject to change primarily due to changes in interest rates.

The following table provides the outstanding notional balances and fair values of outstanding derivative positions (dollars in thousands):

	Outstanding Notional	Asset Derivative	Liability Derivative
March 31, 2019:	Balance	Fair Value	Fair Value
IRLCs	\$ 60,679	\$ 1,299	\$
Forward mortgage-backed securities trades	64,500		301
March 31, 2018:	Outstanding Notional	Asset Derivative	Liability Derivative

	Balance	Fair Value	Fair Value
IRLCs	\$ 63,090	\$ 500	\$

	Outstanding	Asset	Liability
	Notional	Derivative	Derivative
December 31, 2018:	Balance	Fair Value	Fair Value
IRLCs	\$ 37,088	\$ 765	\$
Forward mortgage-backed securities trades	45,500		403

# **Note 8 Borrowings**

Borrowings consisted of the following (dollars in thousands):

	Marc	ch 31,	December 3		
	2019		2018		
Securities sold under agreements with customers to					
repurchase	\$ 378,161	\$358,210	\$	409,631	
Federal funds purchased	4,550	13,945		4,075	
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas				55,000	
Total	\$ 382,711	\$ 372,155	\$	468,706	

Securities sold under repurchase agreements are generally with significant customers of the Company that require short-term liquidity for their funds for which the Company pledges certain securities that have a fair value equal to at least the amount of the borrowings. The agreements mature daily and therefore the risk arising from a decline in the fair value of the collateral pledged is minimal. The securities pledged are mortgage-backed securities. These agreements do not include right of set-off provisions and therefore the Company does not offset such agreements for financial reporting purposes.

## **Note 9** Income Taxes

Income tax expense was \$7,367,000 for the first quarter of 2019 as compared to \$6,245,000 for the same period in 2018. The Company s effective tax rates on pretax income were 16.15% and 15.32% for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The effective tax rates differ from the statutory federal tax rate of 21% primarily due to tax exempt interest income earned on certain investment securities and loans, the deductibility of dividends paid to our employee stock ownership plan and excess tax benefits related to our directors deferred compensation plan.

# Note 10 Stock Option Plan and Restricted Stock Plan

The Company grants incentive stock options for a fixed number of shares with an exercise price equal to the fair value of the shares at the date of grant to employees. No options were granted in 2018 or through March 31, 2019.

The Company recorded stock option expense totaling \$312,000 and \$377,000 for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The additional disclosure requirements under authoritative accounting guidance have been omitted due to the amounts being insignificant.

On April 25, 2017, upon re-election of existing directors, 14,650 restricted shares with a total value of \$600,000 were granted to the ten non-employee directors and were expensed over the period from the grant date to April 24, 2018, the date of the next annual shareholders meeting at which these directors term expired. On April 24, 2018, upon re-election of nine of the existing directors, 10,710 restricted shares with a total value of \$540,000 were granted to these non-employee directors and were expensed over the period from grant date to April 23, 2019, the date of the next annual shareholders meeting at which each director s term expired. The Company recorded director expense related to these restricted share grants of \$135,000 and \$150,000 for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

On April 23, 2019, upon re-election of nine of the existing directors and two new directors, 10,857 restricted shares with a total value of \$660,000 were granted to these non-employee directors and will be expensed over the period from the grant date to April 28, 2020, the Company s next annual shareholders meeting at which each director s term expires.

On October 27, 2015, the Company granted 31,273 restricted shares with a total value of \$1,060,000 to certain officers was being expensed over the vesting period of three years. On October 25, 2016, the Company granted 15,405 restricted stock shares with a total value of \$560,000 to certain officers that is being expensed over the vesting period of three years. On October 24, 2017, the Company granted 14,191 restricted shares with a total value of \$655,000 to certain officers that is being expensed over the vesting period of one to three years. On October 23, 2018, the Company granted 26,021 restricted shares with a total value of \$1,440,000 to certain officers that will be expensed over a three-year vesting period. The Company recorded restricted stock expense for officers of \$205,000 and \$167,000, for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

#### Note 11 Pension Plan

The Company s defined benefit pension plan was frozen effective January 1, 2004, whereby no new participants were added to the plan and no additional years of service were accrued to participants. The pension plan covered substantially all of the Company s employees at the time. The benefits for each employee were based on years of service and a percentage of the employee s qualifying compensation during the final years of employment. The Company s funding policy was and is to contribute annually the amount necessary to satisfy the Internal Revenue Service s funding standards. As a result of its evaluation of its funding status, the Company made no contribution in 2018, and has not made a contribution through March 31, 2019.

In December 2018, due to the rising interest rate environment, the Company determined it was in the best interest of its shareholders to settle its pension obligation to its retiree group in payout, approximately 53% of the pension benefit obligation on that date, and recorded a loss on settlement totaling \$1,546,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018. In 2019, the Company began steps to terminate and settle the remaining obligation in its pension plan. The projected plan termination date is June 30, 2019, following which date the Company is obligated to settle the Company s remaining obligations of the plan upon receipt of regulatory approval. Final settlement of the Company s remaining

obligation under the plan is expected to be made in the first or second quarter of 2020, but is subject to regulatory approval and changes in interest rates so there is some uncertainty as to timing and the amount of funding required to complete final settlement.

In addition, the Company had a multiple employer pension plan related to its acquisition of Orange Savings Bank in 2013. This plan is also frozen. During the first quarter of 2019, the Company made a decision to remove this plan from the multiple employer plan and merge it into the Company s existing pension plan. The Company recorded \$900,000 in pension merger expense for the three months ended March 31, 2019 in connection with this merger of the Orange pension plan.

Net periodic benefit costs totaling \$923,000 and \$56,000 were recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, which includes the Orange merger costs discussed above.

#### **Note 12 Fair Value Disclosures**

The authoritative accounting guidance for fair value measurements defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. A fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability occurs in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The price in the principal (or most advantageous) market used to measure the fair value of the asset or liability shall not be adjusted for transaction costs. An orderly transaction is a transaction that assumes exposure to the market for a period prior to the measurement date to allow for marketing activities that are usual and customary for transactions involving such assets and liabilities; it is not a forced transaction. Market participants are buyers and sellers in the principal market that are (i) independent, (ii) knowledgeable, (iii) able to transact, and (iv) willing to transact.

The authoritative accounting guidance requires the use of valuation techniques that are consistent with the market approach, the income approach and/or the cost approach. The market approach uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets and liabilities. The income approach uses valuation techniques to convert future amounts, such as cash flows or earnings, to a single present amount on a discounted basis. The cost approach is based on the amount that currently would be required to replace the service capacity of an asset (replacement costs). Valuation techniques should be consistently applied. Inputs to valuation techniques refer to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from independent sources, or unobservable, meaning those that reflect the reporting entity s own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. In that regard, the authoritative guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy for valuation inputs that gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs. The fair value hierarchy is as follows:

Level 1 Inputs Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2 Inputs Inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (for example, interest rates, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks and default rates) or inputs that are derived principally from

or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

Level 3 Inputs Significant unobservable inputs that reflect an entity s own assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the assets or liabilities.

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A description of the valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities measured at fair value, as well as the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy, is set forth below.

In general, fair value is based upon quoted market prices, where available. If such quoted market prices are not available, fair value is based upon internally developed models that primarily use, as inputs, observable market-based parameters. Valuation adjustments may be made to ensure that financial instruments are recorded at fair value. While management believes the Company s valuation methodologies are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different estimate of fair value at the reporting date.

Securities classified as available-for-sale and trading are reported at fair value utilizing Level 1 and Level 2 inputs. For these securities, the Company obtains fair value measurements from an independent pricing service. The fair value measurements consider observable data that may include market spreads, cash flows, the United States Treasury yield curve, live trading levels, trade execution data, dealer quotes, market consensus prepayments speeds, credit information and the security s terms and conditions, among other items.

See notes 6 and 7 related to the determination of fair value for loans held-for-sale, IRLCs and forward mortgage-backed securities trades.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 or Level 2 and Level 3 during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, and the year ended December 31, 2018.

The following table summarizes the Company s available-for-sale securities which are measured at fair value on a recurring basis, segregated by the level of the valuation inputs within the fair value hierarchy utilized to measure fair value (dollars in thousands):

March 31, 2019	Level 1 Inputs	Level 2 Inputs	Level 3 Inputs	Total Fair Value
Available-for-sale investment securities:	•	•	•	
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ 9,991	\$	\$	\$ 9,991
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		1,239,730		1,239,730
Corporate bonds		456		456
Residential mortgage-backed securities		1,516,288		1,516,288
Commercial mortgage-backed securities		441,944		441,944
Other securities	4,403			4,403
Total	\$ 14,394	\$3,198,418	\$	\$3,212,812
Loans held-for-sale	\$	\$ 12,007	\$	\$ 12,007
IRLCs	\$	\$ 1,299	\$	\$ 1,299
Forward mortgage-backed securities trades	\$	\$ 301	\$	\$ 301

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair
March 31, 2018	Inputs	Inputs	Inputs	Value
Available-for-sale investment securities:				
Obligations of U. S. government sponsored enterprises				
and agencies	\$	\$ 50,215	\$	\$ 50,215
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		1,320,133		1,320,133
Corporate bonds		4,971		4,971
Residential mortgage-backed securities		1,427,772		1,427,772
Commercial mortgage-backed securities		468,746		468,746
Other securities	4,356			4,356
Total	\$ 4,356	\$3,271,837	\$	\$3,276,193
IRLCs	\$	\$ 500	\$	\$ 500

D 1 21 2010	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair
<u>December 31, 2018</u>	Inputs	Inputs	Inputs	Value
Available-for-sale investment securities:				
U.S. Treasury securities	\$ 9,962	\$	\$	\$ 9,962
Obligations of U. S. government sponsored enterprises				
and agencies		301		301
Obligations of states and political subdivisions		1,257,871		1,257,871
Corporate bonds		450		450
Residential mortgage-backed securities		1,454,545		1,454,545
Commercial mortgage-backed securities		431,300		431,300
Other securities	4,348			4,348
Total	\$ 14,310	\$3,144,467	\$	\$3,158,777
Loans held-for-sale	\$	\$ 19,185	\$	\$ 19,185
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IRLCs	\$	\$ 765	\$	\$ 765
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Forward mortgage-backed securities trades	\$	\$ 403	\$	\$ 403

Certain financial assets and financial liabilities are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis, that is, the instruments are not measured at fair value on an ongoing basis but are subject to fair value adjustments in certain circumstances (for example, when there is evidence of impairment). Financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis include the following at March 31, 2019:

Impaired Loans Impaired loans are reported at the fair value of the underlying collateral less selling costs if repayment is expected solely from the collateral. Collateral values are estimated using Level 2 inputs based on observable market data. At March 31, 2019, impaired loans with a carrying value of \$15,729,000 were reduced by specific valuation reserves totaling \$4,472,000 resulting in a net fair value of \$11,257,000. The Company also had impaired loans of \$12,779,000 with no specific valuation reserve at March 31, 2019, due to the loans carrying value generally being lower than the value of the collateral associated with the loan.

Loans Held-for-Sale Loans held-for-sale are reported at the lower of cost or fair value. The Company originates conforming loans that are sold in the secondary market in which loan pricing is available. These loans are considered Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. See note 6 related to the determination of fair value. At March 31, 2019, these loans were reported at \$2,439,000 and had a fair value of \$2,505,000.

IRLC s and Forward Mortgage-Backed Securities Trades IRLCs and forward mortgage-backed securities trades are reported at fair value (see note 7).

Certain non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis include other real estate owned, goodwill and other intangible assets and other non-financial long-lived assets. Non-financial assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018 include other real estate owned which, subsequent to their initial transfer to other real estate owned from loans, were re-measured at fair value through a write-down included in gain (loss) on sale of foreclosed assets. During the reported periods, all fair value measurements for foreclosed assets utilized Level 2 inputs based on observable market data, generally third-party appraisals, or Level 3 inputs based on customized discounting criteria. These appraisals are evaluated individually and discounted as necessary due to the age of the appraisal, lack of comparable sales, expected holding periods of property or special use type of the property. Such discounts vary by appraisal based on the above factors but generally range from 5% to 25% of the appraised value. Re-evaluation of other real estate owned is performed at least annually as required by regulatory guidelines or more often if particular circumstances arise. There were no other real estate owned properties that were re-measured subsequent to their initial transfer to other real estate owned during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018.

At March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, other real estate owned totaled \$612,000, \$1,179,000 and \$448,000, respectively.

The Company is required under current authoritative accounting guidance to disclose the estimated fair value of their financial instrument assets and liabilities including those subject to the requirements discussed above. For the Company, as for most financial institutions, substantially all of its assets and liabilities are considered financial instruments. Many of the Company s financial instruments, however, lack an available trading market as characterized by a willing buyer and willing seller engaging in an exchange transaction.

The estimated fair value amounts of financial instruments have been determined by the Company using available market information and appropriate valuation methodologies. However, considerable judgment is required to interpret data to develop the estimates of fair value. Accordingly, the estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts the Company could realize in a current market exchange. The use of different market assumptions and/or estimation methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts.

In addition, reasonable comparability between financial institutions may not be likely due to the wide range of permitted valuation techniques and numerous estimates that must be made given the absence of active secondary markets for many of the financial instruments. This lack of uniform valuation methodologies also introduces a greater degree of subjectivity to these estimated fair values.

Cash and due from banks, federal funds sold, interest-bearing deposits and time deposits in banks and accrued interest receivable and payable are liquid in nature and considered Levels 1 or 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Financial instruments with stated maturities have been valued using a present value discounted cash flow with a discount rate approximating current market for similar assets and liabilities and are considered Levels 2 and 3 of the fair value hierarchy. Financial instrument liabilities with no stated maturities have an estimated fair value equal to

both the amount payable on demand and the carrying value and are considered Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

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The carrying value and the estimated fair value of the Company s contractual off-balance-sheet unfunded lines of credit, loan commitments and letters of credit, which are generally priced at market at the time of funding, are not material.

The estimated fair values and carrying values of all financial instruments under current authoritative guidance, were as follows (in thousands).

	March 31,			Decem			
	20	19	2018		20		
	Carrying	Estimated	Carrying	Estimated	Carrying	Estimated	Fair Value
	Value	Fair Value	Value	Fair Value	Value	Fair Value	Hierarchy
Cash and due from							
banks	\$ 176,278	\$ 176,278	\$ 130,979	\$ 130,979	\$ 207,835	\$ 207,835	Level 1
Federal funds sold	12,825	12,825					Level 1
Interest-bearing							
deposits in banks	197,758	197,758	67,060	67,060	40,812	40,812	Level 1
Interest-bearing time							
deposits in banks	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	1,458	Level 2
Available-for-sale	3,212,812	3,212,812	3,276,193	3,276,193	3,158,777	3,158,777	Levels 1
securities							and 2
Loans Held for							
investment	3,937,575	3,973,329	3,680,552	3,701,919	3,902,434	3,947,391	Level 3
Loans held for sale	14,446	14,512	17,030	17,068	21,672	21,779	Level 3
Accrued interest							
receivable	29,372	29,372	28,631	28,631	36,765	36,765	Level 2
Deposits with stated							
maturities	441,393	441,433	468,078	469,000	442,161	441,727	Level 2
Deposits with no							
stated maturities	5,909,348	5,909,348	5,722,685	5,722,685	5,738,228	5,738,228	Level 1
Borrowings	382,711	382,711	372,155	372,155	468,706	468,706	Level 2
Accrued interest							
payable	575	575	195	195	408	408	Level 2
IRLC s	1,299	1,299	500	500	765	765	Level 2
Forward mortgage							
backed securities							
trades	301	301			403	403	Level 2

# Note 13 Recently Issued Authoritative Accounting Guidance

Accounting Standards Update ( ASU ) 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers. ASU 2014-09 implemented a comprehensive new revenue recognition standard that supersedes substantially all existing revenue recognition guidance. The new standard s core principle is that a company will recognize revenue when it transfers promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the company expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. To achieve that core principle, an entity applies the following steps: (i) identify the contract(s) with a customer, (ii) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (iii) determine the transaction price, (iv) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract and (v) recognize revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation. ASU 2015-4 Revenue from Contracts with Customers Deferral of the Effective Date deferred the effective date of ASU 2014-09 by one year and as a result, the new standard became effective in the first quarter of 2018. The Company s revenue is comprised of net interest income on financial assets and financial liabilities, which is explicitly excluded from the scope of ASU 2014-09, and non-interest income. The adoption of the new standard in the first quarter of 2018 did not have a significant impact on the Company s financial statements and no adjustment to opening retained earnings was recorded.

ASU 2016-01, ASU 2016-01 Financial Instruments Overall: Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities. ASU 2016-01, among other things, (i) requires equity investments, with certain exceptions, to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income, (ii) simplified the impairment assessment of equity investments without readily determinable fair values by requiring a qualitative assessment to identify impairment, (iii) eliminated the requirement for public business entities to disclose the methods and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value that is required to be disclosed for financial instruments measured at amortized cost on the balance sheet, (iv) required public business entities to use the exit price notion when measuring the fair value of financial instruments for disclosure purposes, (v) required an entity to present separately in other comprehensive income the portion of the total change in the fair value of a liability resulting from a change in the instrument-specific credit risk when the entity has elected to measure the liability at fair value in accordance with the fair value option for financial instruments, (vi) required separate presentation of financial assets and financial liabilities by measurement category and form of financial asset on the balance sheet or the accompanying notes to the financial statements and (vii) clarified that an entity should evaluate the need for a valuation allowance on a deferred tax asset related to available-for-sale securities. ASU 2016-1 became effective for the Company on January 1, 2018 and did not have a significant impact on the Company s financial statements.

ASU 2016-02, Leases. ASU 2016-02 amended current lease accounting to require lessees to recognize (i) a lease liability, which is a lessee s obligation to make lease payments arising from a lease, measured on a discounted basis, and (ii) a right-of-use asset, which is an asset that represents the lessee s right to use, or control the use of, a specified asset for the lease term. ASU 2016-02 does not significantly change lease accounting requirements applicable to lessors; however, certain changes were made to align, where necessary, lessor accounting with the lessee accounting model. The amended guidance became effective in the first quarter of 2019 and required transition using a modified retrospective approach for leases existing at, or entered into after, the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements. The Company evaluated the provisions of the new lease standard and, due to the small dollar amounts and number of lease agreements, the effect for the Company on January 1, 2019 was not significant.

ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments Credit Losses. ASU 2016-13 implements a comprehensive change in estimating the allowances for loan losses from the current model of losses inherent in the loan portfolio to a current expected credit loss model that generally is expected to result in earlier recognition of allowances for losses. ASU 2016-13 requires a financial asset (or group of financial assets) measured at amortized cost basis to be presented at the

net amount expected to be collected. The measurement of expected credit losses is based on relevant information about past events, including historical experience,

current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the collectability of the reported amount. An entity must use judgment in determining the relevant information and estimation methods that are appropriate in its circumstances. Additionally, available for sale debt securities may realize value either through collection of contractual cash flows or through sale of the security at fair value. ASU 2016-13 will be effective for the Company as of January 1, 2020. The Company has formed a working group comprised of individuals from various functional areas including credit, risk management, finance and information technology, among others to assist in the implementation of ASU 2016-13. The Company is currently working through an implementation plan that includes assessment of processes, portfolio segmentation and model development. Additionally, the Company is working with a third-party vendor to assist with implementation and model development. The Company continues to evaluate the potential impact of ASU 2016-13 on the Company s financial statements.

ASU 2017-04, Intangibles Goodwill and Other. ASU 2017-04 will amend and simplify current goodwill impairment testing to eliminate Step 2 from the current provisions. Under the new guidance, an entity should perform the goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying value and recognize an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit s fair value. An entity still has the option to perform the qualitative assessment for a reporting unit to determine if a quantitative impairment test is necessary. ASU 2017-04 will be effective for the Company on January 1, 2020 and is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company s financial statements.

ASU 2017-07, Compensation Retirement Benefits, Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Post-Retirement Benefit Cost. ASU 2017-17 will require employers that sponsor defined benefit pension plans to present the service cost component of net periodic benefit cost in the same income statement line item as other employee compensation costs arising from services rendered during the period. Other components of the net periodic benefit cost will be presented separately from the service cost component. ASU 2017-17 became effective in 2018 and, as the Company froze its defined benefit pension plan in 2004, there is no service cost component of its net periodic benefit cost and therefore did not have an impact on the Company s financial statements.

ASU 2018-02, Income Statement Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income. ASU 2018-02 was issued to address the income tax accounting treatment of the stranded tax effects within other comprehensive income due to the prohibition of backward tracing due to an income tax rate change that was initially recorded in other comprehensive income. This issue came about from the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act on December 22, 2017 that changed the Company s income tax rate from 35% to 21%. The ASU changed current accounting whereby an entity may elect to reclassify the stranded tax effect from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings. The ASU was effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2018 although early adoption was permitted. The Company early adopted ASU 2018-02 in the first quarter of 2018 and reclassified its stranded tax debit of \$5,759,000 within accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings.

ASU 2018-13, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820) Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement eliminates the requirements to disclose the amount and reason for transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value methodology, the policy for the timing of transfers between levels and the valuation process for Level 3 fair value measurements. ASU 2018-13 requires the entity to disclose relevant quantitative information used to develop Level 3 fair value measurements. ASU 2018-13 will become effective for the Company on January 1, 2020 and is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company s financial statements.

ASU 2018-14, Compensation Retirement Benefit Plans General (Subtopic 715-20). ASU 2018-14 changes the disclosure requirement for employers that sponsor defined benefit pension and/or other post- retirement benefit plans, eliminating certain disclosures no longer considered cost beneficial and requiring new disclosures now considered

more pertinent. ASU 2018-14 will be effective for the year ending December 31, 2020.

# Note 14 Acquisition

On October 12, 2017, we entered into an agreement and plan of reorganization to acquire Commercial Bancshares, Inc. and its wholly owned bank subsidiary, Commercial State Bank, Kingwood, Texas. On January 1, 2018, the transaction was completed. Pursuant to the agreement, we issued 1,289,371 shares of the Company s common stock in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of Commercial Bancshares, Inc. In addition, Commercial Bancshares, Inc. made a \$22,075,000 special dividend to its shareholders prior to closing of the transaction, which was increased for the amount by which Commercial Bancshares, Inc. s consolidated shareholders equity as of January 1, 2018 exceeded \$42,402,000, after certain adjustments per the merger agreement.

At closing, Commercial Bancshares, Inc. was merged into the Company and Commercial State Bank, Kingwood, Texas, was merged into First Financial Bank, National Association, Abilene, Texas, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The primary purpose of the acquisition was to expand the Company s market share around Houston. Factors that contributed to a purchase price resulting in goodwill include Commercial State Bank s record of earnings, strong management and board of directors, strong local economic environment and opportunity for growth. The results of operations from this acquisition are included in the consolidated earnings of the Company commencing January 1, 2018.

The following table presents the amounts recorded on the consolidated balance sheet on the acquisition date (dollars in thousands):

Fair value of consideration paid:	
Common stock issued (1,289,371 shares)	\$ 58,087
Fair value of identifiable assets acquired:	
Cash and cash equivalents	18,653
Securities available-for-sale	64,501
Loans	266,327
Identifiable intangible assets	3,167
Other assets	15,375
Total identifiable assets acquired	368,023
Fair value of liabilities assumed:	
Deposits	341,902
Other liabilities	(373)
Total liabilities assumed	341,529
Fair value of net identifiable assets acquired	26,494
Goodwill resulting from acquisition	\$ 31,593

Goodwill recorded in the acquisition was accounted for in accordance with the authoritative business combination guidance. Accordingly, goodwill will not be amortized but will be tested for impairment annually. The goodwill recorded is not deductible for federal income tax purposes.

The fair value of total loans acquired was \$266,327,000 at acquisition compared to contractual amounts of \$271,714,000. The fair value of purchased credit impaired loans at acquisition was \$3,013,000 compared to contractual amounts of \$3,806,000. Additional purchased credit impaired loan disclosures were omitted due to immateriality. All other acquired loans were considered performing loans.

# Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Forward-Looking Statements

This Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. When used in this Form 10-Q, words such as anticipate, believe, estimate, expect, intend, predict, project, and similar expressions, as they relate to us o management, identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on information currently available to our management. Actual results could differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors, including, but not limited, to those listed in Item 1A- Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and the following:

general economic conditions, including our local, state and national real estate markets and employment trends;

effect of severe weather conditions, including hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding and droughts;

volatility and disruption in national and international financial and commodity markets;

government intervention in the U.S. financial system including the effects of recent legislative, tax, accounting and regulatory actions and reforms, including the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act ), the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the capital ratios of Basel III as adopted by the federal banking authorities and the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act:

political instability;

the ability of the Federal government to address the national economy;

changes in our competitive environment from other financial institutions and financial service providers;

the effects of and changes in trade, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, including interest rate policies of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the Federal Reserve Board );

the effect of changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the regulatory agencies, as well as the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, the Financial Accounting Standards Board and other accounting standard setters;

the effect of changes in laws and regulations (including laws and regulations concerning taxes, banking, securities and insurance) with which we and our subsidiaries must comply;

changes in the demand for loans;

fluctuations in the value of collateral securing our loan portfolio and in the level of the allowance for loan losses;

the accuracy of our estimates of future loan losses;

the accuracy of our estimates and assumptions regarding the performance of our securities portfolio;

soundness of other financial institutions with which we have transactions;

inflation, interest rate, market and monetary fluctuations;

changes in consumer spending, borrowing and savings habits;

changes in commodity prices (e.g., oil and gas, cattle and wind energy);

our ability to attract deposits and increase market share;

changes in our liquidity position;

changes in the reliability of our vendors, internal control system or information systems;

cyber attacks on our technology information systems, including fraud from our customers and external third party vendors;

our ability to attract and retain qualified employees;

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acquisitions and integration of acquired businesses;

the possible impairment of goodwill associated with our acquisitions;

consequences of continued bank mergers and acquisitions in our market area, resulting in fewer but much larger and stronger competitors;

expansion of operations, including branch openings, new product offerings and expansion into new markets;

changes in our compensation and benefit plans; and

acts of God or of war or terrorism.

Such forward-looking statements reflect the current views of our management with respect to future events and are subject to these and other risks, uncertainties and assumptions relating to our operations, results of operations, growth strategy and liquidity. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by this paragraph. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or otherwise revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise (except as required by law).

#### Introduction

As a financial holding company, we generate most of our revenue from interest on loans and investments, trust fees, and service charges. Our primary source of funding for our loans and investments are deposits held by our subsidiary, First Financial Bank, National Association, Abilene, Texas. Our largest expense is salaries and related employee benefits. We usually measure our performance by calculating our return on average assets, return on average equity, our regulatory leverage and risk based capital ratios and our efficiency ratio, which is calculated by dividing noninterest expense by the sum of net interest income on a tax equivalent basis and noninterest income.

The following discussion and analysis of operations and financial condition should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and accompanying footnotes included in Item 1 of this Form 10-Q as well as those included in the Company s 2018 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# **Critical Accounting Policies**

We prepare consolidated financial statements based on GAAP and customary practices in the banking industry. These policies, in certain areas, require us to make significant estimates and assumptions.

We deem a policy critical if (1) the accounting estimate required us to make assumptions about matters that are highly uncertain at the time we make the accounting estimate; and (2) different estimates that reasonably could have been used in the current period, or changes in the accounting estimate that are reasonably likely to occur from period to period, would have a material impact on the financial statements.

We deem our most critical accounting policies to be (1) our allowance for loan losses and our provision for loan losses and (2) our valuation of securities. We have other significant accounting policies and continue to evaluate the materiality of their impact on our consolidated financial statements, but we believe these other policies either do not generally require us to make estimates and judgments that are difficult or subjective, or it is less likely they would have a material impact on our reported results for a given period. A discussion of (1) our allowance for loan losses and our provision for loan losses and (2) our valuation of securities is included in note 5 and note 4, respectively, to our notes to consolidated financial statements (unaudited) which begins on page 9.

# **Stock Split**

On April 23, 2019, the Company s Board of Directors declared a two-for-one stock split in the form of a 100% stock dividend effective for shareholders of record on May 15, 2019 to be distributed on June 3, 2019. All per share amounts in this report have been restated to reflect this stock split. An amount equal to the par value of the additional common shares to be issued pursuant to the stock split was reflected as a transfer from retained earnings to common stock on the consolidated financial statements as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2019.

## **Developments**

# Acquisition

On October 12, 2017, we entered into an agreement and plan of reorganization to acquire Commercial Bancshares, Inc. and its wholly-owned bank subsidiary, Commercial State Bank, Kingwood, Texas. On January 1, 2018, the transaction closed. Pursuant to the agreement, we issued 1,289,371 shares of the Company s common stock in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of Commercial Bancshares, Inc. In addition, in accordance with the plan of reorganization, Commercial Bancshares, Inc. paid a special dividend totaling \$22.08 million to its shareholders prior to the closing of this transaction. At the closing, Kingwood Merger Sub., Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, merged into Commercial Bancshares Inc., with Commercial Bancshares, Inc. surviving as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Immediately following such merger, Commercial Bancshares, Inc. was merged into the Company and Commercial State Bank, Kingwood, Texas was merged into First Financial Bank, National Association, Abilene, Texas, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The total purchase price exceeded the estimated fair value net of assets acquired by approximately \$31.59 million and the Company recorded such excess as goodwill. The balance sheet and results of operations of Commercial Bancshares, Inc. have been included in the financial statements of the Company effective January 1, 2018. See note 14 to the consolidated financial statements on page 33 for additional information and disclosure.

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# **Results of Operations**

*Performance Summary*. Net earnings for the first quarter of 2019 were \$38.25 million, up \$3.73 million when compared with earnings of \$34.52 million in the same quarter last year. Basic earnings per share were \$0.28 for the first quarter of 2019 compared with \$0.26 in the same quarter a year ago.

The return on average assets was 2.00% for the first quarter of 2019, as compared to 1.84% for the first quarter of 2018. The return on average equity was 14.51% for the first quarter of 2019 as compared to 14.74% for the first quarter of 2018.

*Net Interest Income*. Net interest income is the difference between interest income on earning assets and interest expense on liabilities incurred to fund those assets. Our earning assets consist primarily of loans and investment securities. Our liabilities to fund those assets consist primarily of noninterest-bearing and interest-bearing deposits.

Tax-equivalent net interest income was \$71.33 million for the first quarter of 2019, as compared to \$67.92 million for the same period last year. The increase in 2019 compared to 2018 was largely attributable to the increase in interest earning assets. Average earning assets increased \$135.78 million for the first quarter of 2019 over the same period in 2018. Average loans and taxable securities increased \$224.55 million and \$98.47 million, respectively, for the first quarter of 2019 over the same quarter of 2018. Average tax-exempt securities decreased \$125.78 million for the first quarter of 2019 compared to the same period in 2018, primarily due to the Company s gradual shift away from tax-exempt securities due to the change in corporate tax rate to 21% from 35%. Average interest-bearing liabilities increased \$55.99 million for the first quarter of 2019, as compared to the same period in 2018. The yield on earning assets increased 33 basis points while the rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities increased 33 basis points for the first quarter of 2019 compared to the first quarter of 2018.

Table 1 allocates the change in tax-equivalent net interest income between the amount of change attributable to volume and to rate.

**Table 1** Changes in Interest Income and Interest Expense (in thousands):

	Compared to Three Months Ended March 31, 2018					,	
	Cha	nge Attr				Γotal	
	Volume Rate				Change		
Short-term investments	\$	(236)	\$	215	\$	(21)	
Taxable investment securities		612		1,323		1,935	
Tax-exempt investment securities (1)		(1,168)		(112)		(1,280)	
Loans (1) (2)		2,814		3,725		6,539	
Interest income		2,022		5,151		7,173	
Interest-bearing deposits		5		3,138		3,143	
Short-term borrowings		16		597		613	
Interest expense		21		3,735		3,756	

Three Months Ended March 31, 2019

Net interest income \$ 2,001 \$ 1,416 \$ 3,417

- (1) Computed on a tax-equivalent basis assuming a marginal tax rate of 21%.
- (2) Non-accrual loans are included in loans.

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The net interest margin for the first quarter of 2019 was 4.00%, an increase of twelve basis points from the same period in 2018. We continue to experience downward pressures on our net interest margin in 2019 and 2018 primarily due to (i) the change in the income tax rate from 35% to 21% from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and its effect on our tax free municipal bonds and tax free loans and (ii) the result of the extended period of historically low levels of short-term interest rates, although rates did increase somewhat in the past 24 months. We have been able to somewhat mitigate the impact of lower short-term interest rates by establishing minimum interest rates on certain of our loans, improving the pricing for loan risk, and minimizing rates paid on interest bearing liabilities. As rates have begun to increase, we are adjusting loan rates upon maturities and converting to variable rates when we are able. We have also begun increasing rates paid on our interest-bearing deposits. The Federal Reserve increased rates 100 basis points in 2018, 75 basis points in 2017 and 25 basis points in 2016 and 2015, however recent forward guidance from the Federal Reserve indicated no increases in 2019.

The net interest margin, which measures tax-equivalent net interest income as a percentage of average earning assets, is illustrated in Table 2.

Table 2 Average Balances and Average Yields and Rates (in thousands, except percentages):

	Three Months Ended March 31,						
		2019					
	Average	Income/	Yield/	Average	Income/	Yield/	
A	Balance	Expense	Rate	Balance	Expense	Rate	
Assets	Φ 105 150	Φ 610	2 200	Φ 166.614	Φ 640	1.560	
Short-term investments (1)	\$ 105,152	\$ 619	2.39%	\$ 166,614	\$ 640	1.56%	
Taxable investment securities (2)	1,924,863	13,289	2.76	1,826,391	11,354	2.49	
Tax-exempt investment securities (2)(3)	1,226,457	11,279	3.68	1,352,235	12,559	3.72	
Loans (3)(4)	3,973,108	53,534	5.46	3,748,561	46,995	5.08	
Total earning assets	7,229,580	\$ 78,721	4.42%	7,093,801	\$ 71,548	4.09%	
Cash and due from banks	187,546			191,759			
Bank premises and equipment, net	134,198			127,282			
Other assets	64,381			63,327			
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net	174,530			164,306			
Allowance for loan losses	(52,287)			(49,625)			
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Total assets	\$7,737,948			\$7,590,850			
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Liabilities and Shareholders Equity							
Interest-bearing deposits	\$4,144,091	\$ 6,662	0.65%	\$4,139,324	\$ 3,519	0.34%	
Short-term borrowings	408,641	726	0.72%	357,414	113	0.13	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	4,552,732	\$ 7,388	0.66%	4,496,738	\$ 3,632	0.33%	
Noninterest-bearing deposits	2,082,719			2,111,983			
Other liabilities	33,361			32,082			
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Total liabilities	6,668,812			6,640,803			
Shareholders equity	1,069,136			950,047			

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Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$7,737,948		\$7,590,850	
Net interest income		\$ 71,333	\$ 67,916	
Rate Analysis:				
Interest income/earning assets		4.42%		4.09%
Interest expense/earning assets		(0.42)		(0.21)
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Net interest margin		4.00%		3.88%

- (1) Short-term investments are comprised of Fed Funds sold, interest-bearing deposits in banks and interest-bearing time deposits in banks.
- (2) Average balances include unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities.
- (3) Computed on a tax-equivalent basis assuming a marginal tax rate of 21%.
- (4) Non-accrual loans are included in loans.

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Noninterest Income. Noninterest income for the first quarter of 2019 increased to \$24.44 million compared to \$24.42 million in same period in 2018. Trust fees increased to \$6.98 million in the first quarter of 2019 compared with \$6.90 million in the same quarter last year, due to continued growth in the fair value of trust assets managed to \$6.06 billion from \$5.23 billion a year ago. Service charges on deposit accounts increased 5.98% to \$5.18 million compared with \$4.88 million in the same quarter last year primarily due to continued growth in net new accounts. Real estate mortgage fees increased in the first quarter of 2019 to \$3.47 million compared with \$2.93 million in the same quarter a year ago due to increased value of loans originated and additional income from the change to mandatory delivery related to sales in the secondary mortgage market (see notes 6 and 7 to the consolidated financial statements (unaudited) on pages 22 to 24). Offsetting these increases were decreases in gains on the sale of securities of \$1.22 million compared to the same quarter in 2018.

ATM and interchange fees are charges that merchants pay to us and other card-issuing banks for processing electronic payment transactions. ATM and interchange fees consist of income from debit card usage, point of sale income for debit card transactions and ATM service fees. Federal Reserve rules applicable to financial institutions that have assets of \$10 billion or more provide that the maximum permissible interchange fee for an electronic debit transaction is the sum of 21 cents per transaction and 5 basis points multiplied by the value of the transaction. While we currently have assets under \$10 billion, we are monitoring the effect of this reduction in per transaction fee income as we approach the \$10 billion asset level.

**Table 3** Noninterest Income (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended				
	March 31, Increase				
	2019	(De	crease)	2018	
Trust fees	\$ 6,979	\$	75	\$ 6,904	
Service charges on deposit accounts	5,176		292	4,884	
ATM, interchange and credit card fees	6,840		(156)	6,996	
Real estate mortgage operations	3,474		541	2,933	
Net gain on sale of available-for-sale securities			(1,221)	1,221	
Net gain (loss) on sale of foreclosed assets	69		(30)	99	
Net gain (loss) on sale of assets			91	(91)	
Interest on loan recoveries	338		219	119	
Other:					
Check printing fees	40		(2)	42	
Safe deposit rental fees	194		(9)	203	
Credit life fees	194		97	97	
Brokerage commissions	346		(74)	420	
Miscellaneous income	787		191	596	
Total other	1,561		203	1,358	
Total Noninterest Income	\$ 24,437	\$	14	\$ 24,423	

*Noninterest Expense*. Total noninterest expense for the first quarter of 2019 was \$47.37 million, a decrease of \$431 thousand compared to \$47.80 million in the same period of 2018. An important measure in determining whether

a financial institution effectively manages noninterest expense is the efficiency ratio, which is calculated by dividing noninterest expense by the sum of net interest income on a tax-equivalent basis and noninterest income. Lower ratios indicate better efficiency since more income is generated with a lower noninterest expense total. Our efficiency ratio for the first quarter of 2019 was 49.46% compared to 51.76% for the same period in 2018.

Salaries and employee benefits for the first quarter of 2019 totaled \$27.42 million, an increase of \$1.22 million compared to the same period in 2018. The increase was primarily driven by (i) annual merit-based pay increases that were effective March 1, 2019, (ii) an increase in our profit sharing expenses of \$282 thousand over the same quarter in 2018 and (iii) the recognition of \$900 thousand resulting from the Company s continued efforts to terminate its frozen defined benefit pension plan. All other categories of noninterest expense for the first quarter of 2019 totaled \$19.94 million, down from \$21.59 million when compared to the same quarter in 2018, primarily related to the Company recording \$1.55 million in the first quarter of 2018 related to contract termination and conversion costs associated with the Kingwood acquisition.

**Table 4** Noninterest Expense (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31, Increase				
	2019	(Decrease)	2018		
Salaries	\$ 19,676	\$ (48)	\$ 19,724		
Medical	2,495	74	2,421		
Profit sharing	1,491	282	1,209		
Loss from pension plan termination activities	900	900			
Pension	23	(33)	56		
401(k) match expense	725	49	676		
Payroll taxes	1,597	24	1,573		
Stock option and stock grant expense	517	(27)	544		
Total salaries and employee benefits	27,424	1,221	26,203		
Net occupancy expense	2,763	(120)	2,883		
Equipment expense	3,127	(389)	3,516		
FDIC assessment fees	538	(28)	566		
ATM, interchange and credit card expense	2,383	240	2,143		
Professional and service fees	1,832	(581)	2,413		
Printing, stationery and supplies	366	(120)	486		
Operational and other losses	266	(300)	566		
Software amortization and expense	923	399	524		
Amortization of intangible assets	269	(118)	387		
Other:					
Data processing fees	415	284	131		
Postage	435	3	432		
Advertising	884	18	866		
Correspondent bank service charges	171	(19)	190		
Telephone	959	18	941		
Public relations and business development	764	55	709		
Directors fees	457		457		
Audit and accounting fees	417	6	411		
Legal fees	297	(65)	362		
Regulatory exam fees	291	(34)	325		
Travel	339	(52)	391		
Courier expense	200	(20)	220		

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Other real estate	10	(30)	40
Other miscellaneous expense	1,837	(799)	2,636
Total other	7,476	(635)	8,111
Total Noninterest Expense	\$47,367	\$ (431)	\$47,798

### **Balance Sheet Review**

Loans. Our portfolio is comprised of loans made to businesses, professionals, individuals, and farm and ranch operations located in the primary trade areas served by our subsidiary bank. Real estate loans represent loans primarily for 1-4 family residences and commercial real estate. The structure of loans in the real estate mortgage area generally provides re-pricing intervals to minimize the interest rate risk inherent in long-term fixed rate loans. As of March 31, 2019, total loans held for investment were \$3.99 billion, an increase of \$35.52 million, as compared to December 31, 2018 balances. As compared to December 31, 2018, commercial loans decreased \$18.07 million, agricultural loans decreased \$5.34 million, real estate loans increased \$44.86 million and consumer loans increased \$14.07 million. Loans averaged \$3.97 billion during the first quarter of 2019, an increase of \$224.55 million from the prior year first quarter average balances.

**Table 5** Composition of Loans (in thousands):

	Mar	March 31,		
	2019	2018	2018	
Commercial	\$ 826,886	\$ 734,156	\$ 844,953	
Agricultural	91,336	95,958	96,677	
Real estate	2,684,207	2,502,904	2,639,346	
Consumer	386,731	397,033	372,660	
Total loans held-for-investment	\$3,989,160	\$3,730,051	\$ 3,953,636	

At March 31, 2019, our real estate loans represent approximately 67.29% of our loan portfolio and are comprised of (i) 1-4 family residence loans of 41.73%, (ii) commercial real estate loans of 29.77%, generally owner occupied, (iii) other loans, which includes ranches, hospitals and universities, of 13.34%, (iv) residential development and construction loans of 10.06%, which includes our custom and speculative home construction loans and (v) commercial development and construction loans of 5.10%.

Loans held for sale, consisting of secondary market mortgage loans, totaled \$14.45 million, \$17.03 million, and \$21.67 million at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively. At March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, \$2.44 million and \$2.49 million, respectively, are valued using the lower of cost or fair value method and the remaining amount is valued under the fair value option method. All of the loans held for sale at March 31, 2018 were valued at the lower of cost or fair value. See notes 6 and 7 to the consolidated financial statements (unaudited) related to the change to mandatory delivery for sales in the secondary mortgage market on pages 22 through 24.

Asset Quality. Our loan portfolio is subject to periodic reviews by our centralized independent loan review group as well as periodic examinations by bank regulatory agencies. Loans are placed on nonaccrual status when, in the judgment of management, the collectability of principal or interest under the original terms becomes doubtful. Nonaccrual, past due 90 days or more and still accruing, and restructured loans plus foreclosed assets were \$29.72 million at March 31, 2019, as compared to \$24.87 million at March 31, 2018 and \$29.63 million at December 31, 2018. As a percent of loans and foreclosed assets, these assets were 0.74% at March 31, 2019, as compared to 0.75% at December 31, 2018 and 0.66% at March 31, 2018. As a percent of total assets, these assets were 0.37% at March 31, 2019, as compared to 0.38% at December 31, 2018 and 0.33% at March 31, 2018. We believe the level of these assets to be manageable and are not aware of any material classified credits not properly disclosed as

nonperforming at March 31, 2019.

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Supplemental Oil and Gas Information. As of March 31, 2019, the Company s exposure to the oil and gas industry totaled 2.68% of gross loans, or \$107.34 million, down \$6.20 million from December 31, 2018 year-end levels, and consisted (based on collateral supporting the loan) of (i) development and production loans of 0.31%, (ii) oil and gas field servicing loans of 10.19%, (iii) real estate loans of 43.25%, (iv) accounts receivable and inventory of 2.25%, (v) automobile of 38.17% and (vi) other of 5.83%. The following oil and gas information is as of and for the quarters ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018:

	March 31,				December 31,	
	2	2019	2018	3		2018
Oil and gas related loans	\$1	07,335	\$86,2	18	\$	113,536
Oil and gas related loans as a % of total loans		2.68%	2.	30%		2.86%
Classified oil and gas related loans	\$	4,255	\$ 10,4	85	\$	3,894
Non-accrual oil and gas related loans	\$	669	\$ 1,4	60	\$	1,048
Net charge-offs for oil and gas related loans for						
quarter/year then ended	\$		\$		\$	
Allowance for oil and gas related loans as a %						
of oil and gas loans		3.22%	3.	64%		3.23%

Table 6 Non-accrual, Past Due 90 Days or More and Still Accruing, Restructured Loans and Foreclosed Assets (in thousands, except percentages):

	March 31,		December 31,	
	2019	2018		2018
Non-accrual loans*	\$ 28,508	\$ 22,752	\$	27,534
Loans still accruing and past due 90 days or more	97	327		1,008
Troubled debt restructured loans**	472	514		513
Nonperforming Loans	29,077	23,593		29,055
Foreclosed assets	647	1,276		577
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 29,724	\$ 24,869	\$	29,632
As a % of loans and foreclosed assets	0.74%	0.66%		0.75%
As a % of total assets	0.37%	0.33%		0.38

<sup>\*</sup> Includes \$859 thousand, \$3.20 million and \$827 thousand of purchased credit impaired loans as of March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively.

We record interest payments received on non-accrual loans as reductions of principal. Prior to the loans being placed on non-accrual, we recognized interest income on impaired loans of approximately \$395 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2018. If interest on these impaired loans had been recognized on a full accrual basis during the year ended December 31, 2018, such income would have approximated \$2.57 million. Such amounts for the 2019 and 2018

<sup>\*\*</sup> Other troubled debt restructured loans of \$4.57 million, \$4.61 million and \$3.84 million, whose interest collection, after considering economic and business conditions and collection efforts, is doubtful are included in non-accrual loans at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, respectively.

interim periods were not significant.

Provision and Allowance for Loan Losses. The allowance for loan losses is the amount we determine as of a specific date to be appropriate to absorb probable losses on existing loans in which full collectability is unlikely based on our review and evaluation of the loan portfolio. For a discussion of our methodology, see note 5 to our notes to the consolidated financial statements (unaudited). The provision for loan losses was \$965 thousand for the first quarter of 2019, as compared to \$1.31 million for the first quarter of 2018. The continued provision for loan losses in 2019 and 2018 reflects primarily the growth in the loan portfolio. As a percent of average loans, net loan charge-offs were 0.06% for the first quarter of 2019, as compared to 0.00% for the first quarter of 2018. The allowance for loan losses as a percent of loans was 1.29% as of March 31, 2019, as compared to 1.32% as of March 31, 2018 and 1.29% as of December 31, 2018. Included in Table 7 is further analysis of our allowance for loan losses.

Table 7 Loan Loss Experience and Allowance for Loan Losses (in thousands, except percentages):

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2019	2018		
Allowance for loan losses at period-end	\$ 51,585	\$ 49,499		
Loans held for investment at period-end	3,989,160	3,730,051		
Average loans for period	3,973,108	3,748,561		
Net charge-offs/average loans (annualized)	0.06%	%		
Allowance for loan losses/period-end loans	1.29%	1.32%		
Allowance for loan losses/non-accrual loans, past due 90				
days still accruing and restructured loans	177.41%	209.80%		

Interest-Bearing Deposits in Banks. At March 31, 2019, our interest-bearing deposits in banks were \$199.22 million compared to \$68.52 million at March 31, 2018 and \$42.27 million at December 31, 2018, respectively. At March 31, 2019, interest-bearing deposits in banks included \$1.46 million invested in FDIC-insured certificates of deposit, \$196.93 million maintained at the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas and \$827 thousand on deposit with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas (FHLB).

Available-for-Sale and Held-to-Maturity Securities. At March 31, 2019, securities with a fair value of \$3.21 billion were classified as securities available-for-sale. As compared to December 31, 2018, the available-for-sale portfolio at March 31, 2019 reflected (i) an increase in U.S. Treasury securities of \$29 thousand, (ii) a decrease of \$301 thousand in obligations of U.S. government sponsored enterprises and agencies, (iii) a decrease of \$18.14 million in obligations of states and political subdivisions, (iv) an increase of \$61 thousand in corporate bonds and other, and (v) an increase of \$72.39 million in mortgage-backed securities. The shift to mortgage-backed securities from obligations of state and political subdivisions was due to the change in the federal income tax rate of 21% from 35% effective January 1, 2018. Our mortgage related securities are backed by GNMA, FNMA or FHLMC or are collateralized by securities backed by these agencies.

See note 4 to the consolidated financial statements (unaudited) for additional disclosures relating to the investment portfolio at March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018.

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Table 8 Maturities and Yields of Available-for-Sale Securities Held at March 31, 2019 (in thousands, except percentages):

	One Yo		After One Throug Five Yea	gh	Maturin After Five Throug Ten Yea	Years gh	Afte Ten Yo		Total	
<b>Available-for-Sale:</b>	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
U.S. Treasury										
securities	\$ 4,984	2.50%	\$ 5,007	2.54%	\$	(	<b>%</b> \$		<b>%</b> \$ 9,991	2.52%
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	160 105	4.88	540.010	<i>1</i> 10	400 600	3.98	2 110	5 65	1,239,730	4.20
	168,105	4.00	569,818	4.18	499,689	3.98	2,118	5.65	1,239,730	4.20
Corporate bonds and other securities Mortgage-backed	4,633	2.35	226	2.65					4,859	2.37
securities	33,474	2.09	1,093,674	2.59	764,586	3.03	66,498	3.64	1,958,232	2.79
Total	\$211,196	4.32%	\$ 1,668,725	3.13%	\$ 1,264,275	3.40%	\$68,616	3.70%	\$ 3,212,812	3.33%

All yields are computed on a tax-equivalent basis assuming a marginal tax rate of 21%. Yields on available-for-sale securities are based on amortized cost. Maturities of mortgage-backed securities are based on contractual maturities and could differ due to prepayments of underlying mortgages. Maturities of other securities are reported at the earlier of maturity date or call date.

As of March 31, 2019, the investment portfolio had an overall tax equivalent yield of 3.33%, a weighted average life of 4.49 years and modified duration of 3.97 years.

*Deposits*. Deposits held by our subsidiary bank represent our primary source of funding. Total deposits were \$6.35 billion as of March 31, 2019, as compared to \$6.19 billion as of March 31, 2018 and \$6.18 billion as of December 31, 2018. Table 9 provides a breakdown of average deposits and rates paid for the three month period ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Table 9 Composition of Average Deposits (in thousands, except percentages):

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
	201	9	2018			
	Average Balance	Average Rate	Average Balance	Average Rate		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	\$ 2,082,719		\$2,111,983	%		
Interest-bearing deposits:						
Interest-bearing checking	2,057,381	0.72	2,128,285	0.47		
Savings and money market accounts	1,646,340	0.55	1,531,120	0.19		
Time deposits under \$100,000	191,673	0.55	215,160	0.20		

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Time deposits of \$100,000 or more	248,697	0.84	264,759	0.36
Total interest-bearing deposits	4,144,091	0.65%	4,139,324	0.34%
Total average deposits	\$6,226,810		\$6,251,307	

*Borrowings*. Included in borrowings were federal funds purchased, securities sold under repurchase agreements and advances from the FHLB of \$382.71 million, \$372.16 million and \$468.71 million at March 31, 2019 and 2018 and December 31, 2018, respectively. Securities sold under repurchase agreements are generally with significant customers of the Company that require short-term liquidity for their funds for which we pledge certain securities that have a fair value equal to at least the amount of the borrowings. The average balance of federal funds purchased, securities sold under repurchase agreements and advances from the FHLB were \$408.64 million and \$357.41 million in the first quarter of 2019 and 2018, respectively. The weighted average interest rates paid on these borrowings were 0.72% and 0.13% for the first quarters of 2019 and 2018, respectively.

## **Capital Resources**

We evaluate capital resources by our ability to maintain adequate regulatory capital ratios to do business in the banking industry. Issues related to capital resources arise primarily when we are growing at an accelerated rate but not retaining a significant amount of our profits or when we experience significant asset quality deterioration.

Total shareholders equity was \$1.11 billion, or 13.94% of total assets at March 31, 2019, as compared to \$969.81 million, or 12.82% of total assets at March 31, 2018 and \$1.05 billion, or 13.62% of total assets at December 31, 2018. Included in shareholders equity at March 31, 2019 and 2018 and December 31, 2018, were \$31.83 million, \$724 thousand and \$4.17 million, respectively, in unrealized gains (losses) on investment securities available-for-sale, net of related income taxes. For the first quarter of 2019, total shareholders equity averaged \$1.07 billion or 13.82% of average assets, as compared to \$950.05 million, or 12.52% of average assets, during the same period in 2018.

Banking regulators measure capital adequacy by means of the risk-based capital ratios and the leverage ratio under the Basel III regulatory capital framework and prompt corrective action regulations. The risk-based capital rules provide for the weighting of assets and off-balance-sheet commitments and contingencies according to prescribed risk categories. Regulatory capital is then divided by risk-weighted assets to determine the risk-adjusted capital ratios. The leverage ratio is computed by dividing shareholders—equity less intangible assets by quarter-to-date average assets less intangible assets.

Beginning in January 2016, under the Basel III regulatory capital framework, the implementation of the capital conservation buffer was effective for the Company starting at the 0.625% level and increasing 0.625% each year thereafter, until it reached 2.5% on January 1, 2019. The capital conservation buffer is designed to absorb losses during periods of economic stress and requires increased capital levels for the purpose of capital distributions and other payments. Failure to meet the amount of the buffer will result in restrictions on the Company s ability to make capital distributions, including dividend payments and stock repurchases, and to pay discretionary bonuses to executive officers.

As of March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018, we had a total capital to risk-weighted assets ratio of 21.00%, 19.58% and 20.61%, a Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets ratio of 19.86%, 18.43% and 19.47%; a common equity Tier 1 to risk-weighted assets ratio of 19.86%, 18.43% and 19.47% and a leverage ratio of 12.08%, 10.90% and 11.85%, respectively. The regulatory capital ratios as of March 31, 2019 and 2018, and December 31, 2018 were calculated under Basel III rules. There is no threshold for well-capitalized status for bank holding companies.

The regulatory capital ratios of the Company and Bank under the Basel III regulatory capital framework are as follows:

	Actu	al	Minimum Capital Required-Basel III Fully Phased-In*		Required Considere Capital	d Well-
As of March 31, 2019:	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets:						
Consolidated	\$966,100	21.00%	\$482,971	10.50%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$ 860,244	18.75%	\$481,796	10.50%	\$458,854	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets:						
Consolidated	\$913,706	19.86%	\$ 390,976	8.50%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$807,850	17.61%	\$ 390,026	8.50%	\$ 367,083	8.00%
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital to						
Risk-Weighted Assets:						
Consolidated	\$913,706	19.86%	\$ 321,981	7.00%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$807,850	17.61%	\$ 321,198	7.00%	\$ 298,255	6.50%
Leverage Ratio:						
Consolidated	\$913,706	12.08%	\$ 302,502	4.00%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$807,850	10.72%	\$ 301,375	4.00%	\$ 376,719	5.00%

<sup>\*</sup> At March 31, 2019, the capital conservation buffer under Basel III was fully phased-in.

			Minim Capit		Minim Capit			
			Required Basel		Required	-Basel	Required Considere	
	Actua	al	Phase		III Fully Phased-In		Considere	
As of March 31, 2018:	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Total Capital to								
Risk-Weighted Assets:								
Consolidated	\$858,195	19.58%	\$432,892	9.875%	\$460,290	10.50%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$776,039	17.75%	\$431,800	9.875%	\$459,129	10.50%	\$437,266	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital to								
Risk-Weighted Assets:								
Consolidated	\$808,112	18.43%	\$ 345,218	7.875%	\$ 372,616	8.50%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$725,956	16.60%	\$ 344,347	7.875%	\$371,676	8.50%	\$349,812	8.00%
Common Equity Tier 1								
Capital to Risk-Weighted								
Assets:								
Consolidated	\$808,112	18.43%	\$ 279,462	6.375%	\$ 306,860	7.00%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$725,956	16.60%	\$278,757	6.375%	\$306,086	7.00%	\$ 284,223	6.50%
Leverage Ratio:								

Consolidated	\$808,112	10.90% \$296,504	4.00% \$296,504	4.00%	N/A
First Financial Bank N A	\$ 725 956	9 82% \$ 295 761	4 00% \$ 295 761	4 00% \$ 369 701	5 00%

	Actual		Minimum Capital Required Under Basel III Phase-In		Minimum Capital Required-Basel III Fully Phased-In		Required to be Considered Well- Capitalized	
As of December 31, 2018:	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Total Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets:								
Consolidated	\$940,026	20.61%	\$ 450,459	9.875%	\$478,969	10.50%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$824,428	18.12%	\$ 449,350	9.875%	\$477,790	10.50%	\$455,038	10.00%
Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets:								
Consolidated	\$888,015	19.47%	\$ 359,226	7.875%	\$ 387,737	8.50%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$772,417	16.97%	\$ 358,342	7.875%	\$ 386,782	8.50%	\$ 364,030	8.00%
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets:								
Consolidated	\$888,015	19.47%	\$ 290,802	6.375%	\$319,312	7.00%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$772,417	16.97%	\$ 290,087	6.375%	\$318,526	7.00%	\$ 295,775	6.50%
Leverage Ratio:								
Consolidated	\$888,015	11.85%	\$ 299,682	4.00%	\$ 299,682	4.00%		N/A
First Financial Bank, N.A	\$772,417	10.35%	\$298,576	4.00%	\$298,576	4.00%	\$373,220	5.00%
In connection with the adoption of the Basel III regulatory capital framework, our subsidiary bank made the election to continue to exclude most accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCL) from capital in connection with its								

In connection with the adoption of the Basel III regulatory capital framework, our subsidiary bank made the election to continue to exclude most accumulated other comprehensive income ( AOCI ) from capital in connection with its quarterly financial filing and, in effect, to retain the AOCI treatment under the prior capital rules.

## **Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk results when the maturity or repricing intervals of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities are different. Our exposure to interest rate risk is managed primarily through our strategy of selecting the types and terms of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities that generate favorable earnings while limiting the potential negative effects of changes in market interest rates. We use no off-balance sheet financial instruments to manage interest rate risk.

Our subsidiary bank has an asset liability management committee that monitors interest rate risk and compliance with investment policies. The subsidiary bank utilizes an earnings simulation model as the primary quantitative tool in measuring the amount of interest rate risk associated with changing market rates. The model quantifies the effects of various interest rate scenarios on projected net interest income and net income over the next twelve months. The model measures the impact on net interest income relative to a base case scenario of hypothetical fluctuations in interest rates over the next twelve months. These simulations incorporate assumptions regarding balance sheet growth and mix, pricing and the re-pricing and maturity characteristics of the existing and projected balance sheet.

As of March 31, 2019, the model simulations projected that 100 and 200 basis point increases in interest rates would result in positive variances in net interest income of 2.77% and 4.97%, respectively, relative to the current financial statement structure over the next twelve months, while a decrease in interest rates of 100 and 200 basis points would result in a negative variance in net interest income of 2.88% and 7.33%, respectively, relative to the current financial statement structure over the next twelve months. Our model simulation as of March 31, 2019 indicates that our balance sheet is relatively asset/liability neutral. These are good faith estimates and assume that the composition of

our interest sensitive assets and liabilities existing at each period-end will remain constant over the relevant twelve-month measurement period and that changes in market interest rates are instantaneous and sustained across the yield curve regardless of duration of pricing characteristics on specific assets or liabilities. Also, this analysis does not contemplate any actions that we might undertake

in response to changes in market interest rates. We believe these estimates are not necessarily indicative of what actually could occur in the event of immediate interest rate increases or decreases of this magnitude. As interest-bearing assets and liabilities re-price in different time frames and proportions to market interest rate movements, various assumptions must be made based on historical relationships of these variables in reaching any conclusion. Since these correlations are based on competitive and market conditions, we anticipate that our future results will likely be different from the foregoing estimates, and such differences could be material.

Should we be unable to maintain a reasonable balance of maturities and repricing of our interest-earning assets and our interest-bearing liabilities, we could be required to dispose of our assets in an unfavorable manner or pay a higher than market rate to fund our activities. Our asset liability committee oversees and monitors this risk.

## Liquidity

Liquidity is our ability to meet cash demands as they arise. Such needs can develop from loan demand, deposit withdrawals or acquisition opportunities. Potential obligations resulting from the issuance of standby letters of credit and commitments to fund future borrowings to our loan customers are other factors affecting our liquidity needs. Many of these obligations and commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon; therefore the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements affecting our liquidity position. The potential need for liquidity arising from these types of financial instruments is represented by the contractual notional amount of the instrument. Asset liquidity is provided by cash and assets which are readily marketable or which will mature in the near future. Liquid assets include cash, federal funds sold, and short-term investments in time deposits in banks. Liquidity is also provided by access to funding sources, which include core depositors and correspondent banks that maintain accounts with and sell federal funds to our subsidiary bank. Other sources of funds include our ability to borrow from short-term sources, such as purchasing federal funds from correspondent banks, sales of securities under agreements to repurchase and advances from the FHLB (see below) and an unfunded \$25.00 million revolving line of credit established with Frost Bank, a nonaffiliated bank, which matures in June 2019 (see next paragraph). Our subsidiary bank also has federal funds purchased lines of credit with two non-affiliated banks totaling \$130.00 million. At March 31, 2019, no amounts were drawn on these lines of credit. Our subsidiary bank also has available a line of credit with the FHLB totaling \$1.25 billion, at March 31, 2019, secured by portions of our loan portfolio and certain investment securities. At March 31, 2019, the Company had no advances or letters of credit outstanding under this line of credit.

The Company renewed its loan agreement, effective June 30, 2017, with Frost Bank. Under the loan agreement, as renewed and amended, we are permitted to draw up to \$25.00 million on a revolving line of credit. Prior to June 30, 2019, interest is paid quarterly at *The Wall Street Journal* Prime Rate and the line of credit matures June 30, 2019. If a balance exists at June 30, 2019, the principal balance converts to a term facility payable quarterly over five years and interest is paid quarterly at our election at *The Wall Street Journal* Prime Rate plus 50 basis points or LIBOR plus 250 basis points. The line of credit is unsecured. Among other provisions in the credit agreement, we must satisfy certain financial covenants during the term of the loan agreement, including, without limitation, covenants that require us to maintain certain capital, tangible net worth, loan loss reserve, non-performing asset and cash flow coverage ratios. In addition, the credit agreement contains certain operational covenants, which among others, restricts the payment of dividends above 55% of consolidated net income, limits the incurrence of debt (excluding any amounts acquired in an acquisition) and prohibits the disposal of assets except in the ordinary course of business. Since 1995, we have historically declared dividends as a percentage of our consolidated net income in a range of 37% (low) in 1995 to 53% (high) in 2003 and 2006. The Company was in compliance with the financial and operational covenants at March 31, 2019. There was no outstanding balance under the line of credit as of March 31, 2019 or December 31, 2018.

In addition, we anticipate that future acquisitions of financial institutions, expansion of branch locations or offerings of new products could also place a demand on our cash resources. Available cash and cash equivalents at our parent company which totaled \$89.23 million at March 31, 2019, investment securities which totaled \$6.33 million at March 31, 2019 and mature over 9 to 12 years, available dividends from our subsidiaries which totaled \$212.15 million at March 31, 2019, utilization of available lines of credit, and future debt or equity offerings are expected to be the source of funding for these potential acquisitions or expansions.

Our liquidity position is continuously monitored and adjustments are made to the balance between sources and uses of funds as deemed appropriate. Liquidity risk management is an important element in our asset/liability management process. We regularly model liquidity stress scenarios to assess potential liquidity outflows or funding problems resulting from economic disruptions, volatility in the financial markets, unexpected credit events or other significant occurrences deemed potentially problematic by management. These scenarios are incorporated into our contingency funding plan, which provides the basis for the identification of our liquidity needs. As of March 31, 2019, management is not aware of any events that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on our liquidity, capital resources or operations. Given the strong core deposit base and relatively low loan to deposit ratios maintained at our subsidiary bank, we consider our current liquidity position to be adequate to meet our short-term and long-term liquidity needs. In addition, management is not aware of any regulatory recommendations regarding liquidity that would have a material adverse effect on us.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements. We are a party to financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of our customers. These financial instruments include unfunded lines of credit, commitments to extend credit and federal funds sold to correspondent banks and standby letters of credit. Those instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in our consolidated balance sheets.

Our exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the counterparty to the financial instrument for unfunded lines of credit, commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit is represented by the contractual notional amount of these instruments. We generally use the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as we do for on-balance-sheet instruments.

Unfunded lines of credit and 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. These 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 represent future cash requirements. We evaluate each customer s creditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, as we deem necessary upon extension of credit, is based on our credit evaluation of the counterparty. Collateral held varies but may include accounts receivable, inventory, property, plant, and equipment and income-producing commercial properties.

Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments we issue to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loan facilities to customers. The average collateral value held on letters of credit usually exceeds the contract amount.

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Table 10 Commitments as of March 31, 2019 (in thousands):

	Total Notional Amounts Committed		
Unfunded lines of credit	\$ 620,368		
Unfunded commitments to extend credit	339,441		
Standby letters of credit	30,151		
Total commercial commitments	\$ 989,960		

We believe we have no other off-balance sheet arrangements or transactions with unconsolidated, special purpose entities that would expose us to liability that is not reflected on the face of the financial statements.

Parent Company Funding. Our ability to fund various operating expenses, dividends, and cash acquisitions is generally dependent on our own earnings (without giving effect to our subsidiaries), cash reserves and funds derived from our subsidiaries. These funds historically have been produced by intercompany dividends and management fees that are limited to reimbursement of actual expenses. We anticipate that our recurring cash sources will continue to include dividends and management fees from our subsidiaries. At March 31, 2019, approximately \$212.15 million was available for the payment of intercompany dividends by our subsidiaries without the prior approval of regulatory agencies. Our subsidiaries paid aggregate dividends of \$2.0 million and \$1.80 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

*Dividends*. Our long-term dividend policy is to pay cash dividends to our shareholders of approximately 40% of annual net earnings while maintaining adequate capital to support growth. We are also restricted by a loan covenant within our line of credit agreement with Frost Bank to dividend no greater than 55% of net income, as defined in such loan agreement. The cash dividend payout ratios have amounted to 37.24% and 36.47% of net earnings for the first three months of 2019 and 2018, respectively. Given our current capital position and projected earnings and asset growth rates, we do not anticipate any significant change in our current dividend policy.

Our bank subsidiary, which is a national banking association and a member of the Federal Reserve System, is required by federal law to obtain the prior approval of the OCC to declare and pay dividends if the total of all dividends declared in any calendar year would exceed the total of (1) such bank s net profits (as defined and interpreted by regulation) for that year plus (2) its retained net profits (as defined and interpreted by regulation) for the preceding two calendar years, less any required transfers to surplus.

To pay dividends, we and our subsidiary bank must maintain adequate capital above regulatory guidelines. In addition, if the applicable regulatory authority believes that a bank under its jurisdiction is engaged in or is about to engage in an unsafe or unsound practice (which, depending on the financial condition of the bank, could include the payment of dividends), the authority may require, after notice and hearing, that such bank cease and desist from the unsafe practice. The Federal Reserve, the FDIC and the OCC have each indicated that paying dividends that deplete a bank s capital base to an inadequate level would be an unsafe and unsound banking practice. The Federal Reserve, the OCC and the FDIC have issued policy statements that recommend that bank holding companies and insured banks should generally only pay dividends out of current operating earnings.

## Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Management considers interest rate risk to be a significant market risk for the Company. See Item 2 Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Capital Resources Interest Rate Risk for disclosure regarding this market risk.

### **Item 4.** Controls and Procedures

As of March 31, 2019, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Our management, which includes our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures will prevent all errors and all fraud.

A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the control. The design of any system of controls also is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions; over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded, based on our evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures, that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level as of March 31, 2019.

Subsequent to our evaluation, there were no significant changes in internal controls over financial reporting or other factors that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, these internal controls.

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## **PART II**

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time we and our subsidiaries are parties to lawsuits arising in the ordinary course of our banking business. However, there are no material pending legal proceedings to which we, our subsidiaries, or any of their properties, are currently subject. Other than regular, routine examinations by state and federal banking authorities, there are no proceedings pending or known to be contemplated by any governmental authorities.

## Item 1A. Risk Factors

There has been no material change in the risk factors previously disclosed under Item 1A. of the Company s 2018 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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

None

## **Item 3.** Defaults Upon Senior Securities

Not Applicable

## Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not Applicable

## **Item 5.** Other Information

None

# Item 6. Exhibits

2.1	Agreement and Plan of Reorganization, dated October 12, 2017, by and among First Financial Bankshares, Inc., Kingwood Merger Sub, Inc., and Commercial Bancshares, Inc. (schedules have been omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(2) of Regulation S-K) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 2.1 to Registrant s Form 8-K filed October 12, 2017).
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Formation (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant s Form 8-K filed April 28, 2015).
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 99.1 of the Registrant s Form 8-K filed January 24, 2012).
4.1	Specimen certificate of First Financial Common Stock (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3 of the Registrant s Amendment No. 1 to Form 8-A filed on Form 8-A/A No. 1 on January 7, 1994).
10.1	2002 Incentive Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of the Registrant s Form 10-Q filed May 4, 2010).++
10.2	2012 Incentive Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference from Appendix A of the Registrant s Definitive Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 filed March 1, 2012).++
10.3	Loan agreement dated June 30, 2013, between First Financial Bankshares, Inc. and Frost Bank (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Registrant s Form 8-K filed July 1, 2013).
10.4	First Amendment to Loan Agreement, dated June 30, 2015, between First Financial Bankshares, Inc. and Frost Bank (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Registrant s Form 8-K filed June 30, 2015).
10.5	Second Amendment to Loan Agreement, dated June 30, 2017, between First Financial Bankshares, Inc. and Frost Bank (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Registrant s Form 8-K filed June 30, 2017).
10.6	2015 Restricted Stock Plan (incorporated by reference from Appendix A of the Registrant s Definitive Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 filed March 2, 2015).++
10.7	Form of Executive Recognition Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Registrant s Form 8-K filed June 29, 2018).++
31.1	Rule 13a-14(a) / 15(d)-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer of First Financial Bankshares, Inc.*
31.2	Rule 13a-14(a) / 15(d)-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer of First Financial Bankshares, Inc.*
32.1	Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer of First Financial Bankshares, Inc.+
32.2	Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer of First Financial Bankshares, Inc.+
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document.*
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.*
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.*

101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.*
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.*
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.*

## \* Filed herewith

- + Furnished herewith. This Exhibit shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- ++ Management contract or compensatory plan on arrangement.

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## **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.

# FIRST FINANCIAL BANKSHARES, INC.

Date: April 30, 2019 By: /s/ F. Scott Dueser

F. Scott Dueser

**President and Chief Executive Officer** 

Date: April 30, 2019 By: /s/ J. Bruce Hildebrand

J. Bruce Hildebrand

**Executive Vice President and Chief Financial** 

Officer

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