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FIRST FINANCIAL FUND, INC.
2344 SPRUCE STREET
SUITE A
BOULDER, CO 80302

_____, 2006

Dear Fellow Stockholder,

You are cordially invited to attend the 2006 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of First Financial Fund, Inc., which will be held on Monday, July 24, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time (local time), at The Resort at the Mountain, 68010 East Fairway Avenue, Welches, Oregon. Details of the business to be presented at the meeting can be found in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement.

Once again, I would like to use this opportunity to recognize Wellington Management Company, LLP and its Portfolio Manager, Nicholas C. Adams, for an exceptional performance in managing the Fund. Recently, the Fund received a Lipper 2005 Performance Achievement Certificate. The Fund ranked number one in Lipper's Closed-End Equity Fund Performance for Sector Equity Funds for the 10 years ending December 31, 2005. Congratulations, Nick, on this achievement.

There is one non-routine proposal in this year's Proxy Statement, Proposal 2, which asks stockholders to approve an increase in the investment advisory fee under the investment advisory agreement between the Fund and Wellington Management Company, LLP (the "Adviser"). The proposed fee increase would provide that the Adviser receive 1.125% on average net assets up to \$150 million, 1.00% on average net assets between \$150 million and \$300 million and 0.875% on average net assets in excess of \$300 million. Based on the Fund's current net assets, the new advisory fee would result in an increase of approximately 0.36% in the Fund's annual operating expenses. At the Board's April 2006 meeting, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the proposed fee increase and is recommending that stockholders approve the fee at the upcoming Annual Meeting.

We hope you plan to attend the meeting. Your vote is important. Whether or not you are able to attend, it is important that your shares be represented at the Meeting. Accordingly, we ask that you please sign, date and return the enclosed Proxy Card or vote via telephone or the Internet at your earliest convenience.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the management of First Financial Fund, Inc., I extend our appreciation for your continued support.

Sincerely,

/s/ Joel W. Looney

Joel W. Looney
Chairman of the Board

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BOULDER, CO 80302

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
To Be Held on July 24, 2006

To the Stockholders:

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of First Financial Fund, Inc. (the "Fund"), a Maryland corporation, will be held at The Resort at the Mountain, 68010 East Fairway Avenue, Welches, Oregon, 97067 at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time (local time), on July 24, 2006, for the following purposes:

1. The election of Directors of the Fund (Proposal 1).
2. To approve or disapprove the continuance of, and a proposed amendment to, the investment advisory agreement with Wellington Management Company, LLP (Proposal 2)
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournments thereof.

The Board of Directors of the Fund has fixed the close of business on May 22, 2006 as the record date for the determination of stockholders of the Fund entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

/s/ Stephanie Kelley

STEPHANIE KELLEY
Secretary

_____, 2006

STOCKHOLDERS WHO DO NOT EXPECT TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING ARE REQUESTED TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND DATE THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD. THE PROXY CARD SHOULD BE RETURNED IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE, WHICH NEEDS NO POSTAGE IF MAILED IN THE UNITED STATES. INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER EXECUTION OF PROXIES ARE SET FORTH ON THE INSIDE COVER.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SIGNING PROXY CARDS

The following general rules for signing proxy cards may be of assistance to you and may avoid the time and expense to the Fund involved in validating your

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vote if you fail to sign your proxy card properly.

1. Individual Accounts: Sign your name exactly as it appears in the registration on the proxy card.

2. Joint Accounts: Either party may sign, but the name of the party signing should conform exactly to a name shown in the registration.

3. All Other Accounts: The capacity of the individual signing the proxy card should be indicated unless it is reflected in the form of registration. For example:

Registration	Valid Signature
Corporate Accounts	
(1) ABC Corp.	ABC Corp.
(2) ABC Corp.	John Doe, Treasurer
(3) ABC Corp., c/o John Doe Treasurer	John Doe
(4) ABC Corp. Profit Sharing Plan	John Doe, Trustee
Trust Accounts	
(1) ABC Trust	Jane B. Doe, Trustee
(2) Jane B. Doe, Trustee, u/t/d 12/28/78	Jane B. Doe
Custodian or Estate Accounts	
(1) John B. Smith, Cust., f/b/o John B. Smith, Jr. UGMA	John B. Smith
(2) John B. Smith	John B. Smith, Jr., Execut

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ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

July 24, 2006

PROXY STATEMENT

This proxy statement ("Proxy Statement") for First Financial Fund, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Fund"), is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Fund's Board of Directors (collectively, the "Board" and individually, the "Directors") for use at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Fund to be held on July 24, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time (local time) at The Resort at the Mountain, 68010 East Fairway Drive, Welches, Oregon, 97067 and at any adjournments and postponements thereof (the "Meeting"). A Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and proxy card for the Fund accompany this Proxy Statement. Proxy solicitations will be made, beginning on or about _____, primarily by mail, but proxy solicitations may also be made by telephone, by Internet on the Fund's web site,

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telegraph or personal interviews conducted by officers of the Fund and EquiServe Trust Company, N.A., the transfer agent of the Fund. Depending on stockholder response to this Proxy Statement, the Fund may also engage a professional proxy solicitor the cost of which would be approximately \$7500. The costs of proxy solicitation and expenses incurred in connection with the preparation of this Proxy Statement and its enclosures will be paid by the Fund. The Fund also will reimburse brokerage firms and others for their expenses in forwarding solicitation material to the beneficial owners of its shares. The Board has fixed the close of business on May 22, 2006 as the record date (the "Record Date") for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Meeting.

The Annual Report of the Fund, including audited financial statements for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2006, has been mailed to stockholders. Additional copies are available upon request, without charge, by calling EquiServe Trust Company, N.A. toll-free at (800) 451-6788. The report is also viewable online at the Fund's website at www.firstfinancialfund.com. The report is not to be regarded as proxy solicitation material.

Wellington Management Company, LLP ("Wellington Management" or the "Adviser"), 75 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, currently serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. Fund Administrative Services, L.L.C., serves as co-administrator to the Fund and is located at 2344 Spruce Street, Suite A, Boulder, Colorado 80302. Investors Bank & Trust Company ("IBT") acts as custodian and co-administrator to the Fund and is located at 200 Clarendon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02116. EquiServe Trust Company, N.A. acts as the transfer agent to the Fund and is located at 250 Royall Street, Canton, Massachusetts 02021.

If the enclosed proxy is properly executed and returned by July 24, 2006 in time to be voted at the Meeting, the Shares (as defined below) represented thereby will be voted in accordance with the instructions marked thereon. Unless instructions to the contrary are marked thereon, a proxy will be voted FOR the election of the nominees for Directors and, in the discretion of the proxy holders, on any other matters that may properly come before the Meeting. Any stockholder who has given a proxy has the right to revoke it at any time prior to its exercise either by attending the Meeting and casting his or her votes in person or by submitting a letter of revocation or a later-dated proxy to the Fund's Secretary at the above address prior to the date of the Meeting.

A quorum of the Fund's stockholders is required for the conduct of business at the Meeting. Under the bylaws of the Fund (the "Bylaws"), a quorum is constituted by the presence in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Fund as of the Record Date. In the event that a quorum is not present at the Meeting, the persons named as proxies may propose and vote for one or more adjournments of the Meeting. An adjournment for lack of a quorum requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares entitled to vote at the Meeting and present in person or by proxy. In the event that a quorum is present but sufficient votes to approve one or more proposals are not received, the persons named as proxies may propose and vote for one or more adjournments of the Meeting to permit further solicitation of proxies with respect to any proposal that did not receive the votes necessary for its passage. Any such adjournment will require the affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast on the matter at the Meeting. If a quorum is present, the persons named as proxies will vote those proxies which they are entitled to vote FOR any proposal in favor of such an adjournment and will vote those proxies required to be voted AGAINST any proposal against any such adjournment. With respect to those proposals for which there is represented a sufficient number of votes in favor, actions taken at the Meeting will be approved and implemented irrespective of any adjournments with respect to any other proposals.

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The Fund has one class of stock: common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Common Stock" or the "Shares"). On the Record Date, there were 28,061,897 Shares issued and outstanding. Each Share is entitled to one vote at the Meeting and fractional shares are entitled to proportionate shares of one vote.

SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS. The following table sets forth certain information regarding the beneficial ownership of the Shares as of the Record Date by each person who may be deemed by the Fund to beneficially own 5% or more of the Common Stock.

Name of Owner*	Number of Shares Directly Owned (1)	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned
Badlands Trust Company, LLC (1) (2)	0	1,737,573
Stewart R. Horejsi Trust No. 2 (3)	2,169,602	2,169,602
Ernest Horejsi Trust No. 1B (1)	1,401,227	1,401,227
Lola Brown Trust No. 1B (1)	3,000,693	3,000,693
Mildred B. Horejsi Trust (1)	2,456,472	2,456,472
Susan L. Ciciora Trust (1)	1,737,573	1,737,573

Aggregate Shares Owned by Horejsi Affiliates (defined below) **	10,765,567	10,765,567

T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.***	1,451,200	1,451,200

* The address of each listed owner is c/o Badlands Trust Company, LLC, .c/o Alaska First Bank & Trust, 3301 C. Street, Anchorage, AK 99503

** Aggregate number and percentage are less than the sum total of amounts shown for each owner because the same shares may be deemed beneficially owned by more than one party (see Footnotes 1 through 3 below).

*** These securities are owned by various individual and institutional investors which T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. ("Price Associates") serves as investment adviser with power to direct investments and/or sole power to vote the securities. For purposes of the reporting requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, Price Associates is deemed to be a beneficial owner of such securities; however, Price Associates expressly disclaims that it is, in fact, the beneficial owner of such securities. Shares stated are as reported in a Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 11, 2005.

(1) Direct Ownership. The Susan L. Ciciora Trust (the "Susan Trust"), Mildred B. Horejsi Trust (the "Mildred Trust"), Lola Brown Trust No. 1B (the "Brown Trust"), Ernest Horejsi Trust No. 1B (the "EH Trust"), Stewart R. Horejsi Trust No. 2 ("SRH Trust"), Badlands Trust Company, LLC ("Badlands"), and Stewart R. Horejsi are, as a group, considered to be a "control person" of the Fund (as that term is defined in Section 2(a)(9) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act")). The Susan Trust, Mildred Trust, Brown Trust, EH Trust, SRH Trust and Badlands directly own the shares indicated for such entity in the table above, totaling 10,765,567 (38.36%). However, these entities and other trusts or companies with

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interlocking management and/or common ownership may be deemed to indirectly own additional Fund shares, which are included in the table above.

- (2) Ownership by Badlands. The number shown in the table includes shares that may be deemed to be beneficially owned indirectly by Badlands through direct or indirect ownership by the Susan Trust, Mildred Trust, Brown Trust, EH Trust and SRH Trust. Badlands is the sole trustee of the Susan Trust. Badlands, together with Brian Sippy and Susan Ciciora (Mr. Horejsi's daughter), is one of the trustees of the Mildred Trust. Badlands, together with Larry Dunlap and Ms. Ciciora, is one of three trustees of both the Brown Trust and the EH Trust. Badlands is a trust company organized under the laws of Alaska, which is wholly owned by the SRH Trust. The SRH Trust is an irrevocable trust organized by Mr. Stewart Horejsi for the benefit of his issue. The managers of Badlands are Larry Dunlap, Stephen C. Miller, Laura E. Tatooles, Laura Rhodenbaugh, and Ron Kukes. Badlands and its directors disclaim beneficial ownership of shares owned directly by the Susan Trust, Mildred Trust, Brown Trust, EH Trust and SRH Trust.
- (3) Indirect Ownership by SRH Trust. The number shown in the table reflects shares that may be deemed to be beneficially owned indirectly through the SRH Trust's ownership of Badlands. The trustees of the SRH Trust are Badlands, Laura E. Tatooles and Brian Sippy. Both the Trust and its trustees disclaim beneficial ownership of shares beneficially owned directly or indirectly by Badlands.

 The Susan Trust, Mildred Trust, Brown Trust, EH Trust, SRH Trust and Badlands, as well as other Horejsi affiliated trusts and entities are, for convenience sake, collectively referred to herein as the "Horejsi Affiliates." Information as to beneficial ownership in the previous paragraph has been obtained from a representative of the beneficial owners; all other information as to beneficial ownership is based on reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") by such beneficial owners.

As of the Record Date, Cede & Co., a nominee partnership of the Depository Trust Company held of record, but not beneficially, _____ shares or ____% of Common Stock outstanding of the Fund.

As of the Record Date, the executive officers and directors of the Fund, as a group, owned 10,780,562 shares of Common Stock (this amount includes the aggregate shares of Common Stock owned by the Horejsi Affiliates set forth above), representing 38.36% of Common Stock.

INFORMATION ABOUT DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS. Set forth in the following table is information about the nominees for election to the Board of Directors, all of whom are currently Directors of the Fund:

Name, Address*, Age	Position, Length of Term Served, and Term of Office	Principal Occupation(s) and Other Directo During the Past Five Years
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 Independent Directors

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<p>Joel W. Looney Chairman Age: 44</p>	<p>Director and Chairman of the Board of the Fund since August 2003. Current Nominee for a term to expire at the 2007 annual meeting.</p>	<p>Partner, Financial Management Group, LLC (adviser), since July 1999; CFO, Bethesda Financial Services, Inc. 1995-1999; Director, Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. since 2001; Director, Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc. since 2002 and Chairman of the Board since 2003.</p>
<p>Richard I. Barr Age: 68</p>	<p>Director of the Fund since August 2001. Current Nominee for a term to expire at the 2007 annual meeting.</p>	<p>Retired. Manager of Advantage Sales and Marketing (food and beverage), 1963-2001; Director, Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc., since 1999 and Chairman of the Board since 2003; Director, Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since 2002.</p>
<p>Dr. Dean L. Jacobson Age: 67</p>	<p>Director of the Fund since August 2003. Current Nominee for a term to expire at the 2007 annual meeting.</p>	<p>Founder and President of Forensic Engineering (engineering investigations); Professor Emeritus at Arizona State University since 1997; Professor of Engineering at Arizona State University since 1997; Director, Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. since October 2004; Director, Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since April 2006.</p>
<p>Dennis R. Causier Age: 58</p>	<p>Director of the Fund since October 2004. Current Nominee for a term to expire at the 2007 annual meeting.</p>	<p>Retired. Managing Director and Chairman of the Board of PLC (engineering and construction), 1966-1997; Professional Yacht Management Services, Inc. (yacht management), 2002 to present; Director, Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since October 2004; Director, Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc., since April 2006.</p>

Interested Directors**

<p>Susan L. Ciciora Age: 41</p>	<p>Director since August 2003. Current Nominee for a term to expire at the 2007 annual meeting.</p>	<p>Trustee of the Brown Trust and the EH Trust of Horejsi Charitable Foundation, Inc. (charitable foundation), since 1997; Director, Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc. from January 2004; Director, Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. since November 2001.</p>
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* Unless otherwise specified, the Directors' respective addresses are c/o First Financial Fund, Inc., 2344 Spruce Street, Suite A, Boulder, CO 80302.

** Ms. Ciciora is an "interested person" as a result of the extent of beneficial ownership of Fund shares and by virtue of her indirect beneficial ownership of Fund Administrative Services, L.L.C..

From the late 1980's until January, 2001, Mr. Looney served, without compensation, as one of three trustees of the Mildred Trust, an affiliate of the EH Trust.

The names of the executive officers of the Fund are listed in the table below. Each officer was elected to office by the Board at a meeting held on April 24, 2006. This table also shows certain additional information. Each officer will hold such office until a successor has been elected by the Board.

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Name, Address, Age	Position, Length of Term Served, and Term of Office During the Past Five Years	Principal Occupation(s) and Other Directorships
Stephen C. Miller 2344 Spruce Street Suite A Boulder, CO 80302 Age: 53	President of the Fund since August 2003 and Director from August 2003 through October 2004. Appointed annually. Chief Compliance Officer of the Fund since 2004.	President of and General Counsel for Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc.; Manager, Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc., since 2004; Director of Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since 2002; Chief Compliance Officer of Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc.; officer of various other funds; Of Counsel, Krassa & Miller
Carl D. Johns 2344 Spruce Street Suite A Boulder, CO 80302 Age: 43	Chief Financial Officer, Chief Accounting Officer, Vice President and Treasurer since August 2003. Appointed annually.	Vice President and Treasurer of Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc.; Manager of Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since 2002; Chief Accounting Officer of Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since 2002.
Stephanie Kelley 2344 Spruce Street Suite A Boulder, CO 80302 Age: 49	Secretary since August 2003. Appointed annually.	Secretary, Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since 2002; Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer of Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since 1999.
Nicole L. Murphey 2344 Spruce Street Suite A Boulder, CO 80302 Age: 29	Assistant Secretary since August 2003. Appointed annually.	Assistant Secretary, Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since 2002; employee of Boulder Total Return Fund, Inc. and Boulder Growth & Income Fund, Inc., since July 1999.

Set forth in the following table are the nominees for election to the Board (all of whom are current Directors of the Fund) together with the dollar range of equity securities beneficially owned by each Director as of the Record Date.

Independent Directors (the "Independent Directors") and Nominees	Dollar Range of Equity Securities in the Fund
Dean L. Jacobson	\$10,001 to \$50,000
Richard I. Barr	Over \$100,000
Joel W. Looney	\$10,001 to \$50,000
Dennis R. Causier	\$50,001 to \$100,000

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Interested Directors and Nominees

Susan L. Ciciora Over \$100,000+

+ 10,765,567 Shares of the Fund are held collectively by the Horejsi Affiliates (defined above). Accordingly, Ms. Ciciora may be deemed to have indirect beneficial ownership of such Shares. Ms. Ciciora disclaims all such beneficial ownership. Ms. Ciciora does not directly own any shares of the Fund.

None of the Independent Directors or their family members owned beneficially or of record any securities of the Adviser or any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Adviser.

DIRECTOR AND OFFICER COMPENSATION. The following table sets forth certain information regarding the compensation of the Fund's Directors for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006. No persons (other than the Independent Directors, as set forth below) currently receive compensation from the Fund for acting as a Director or officer. Directors and executive officers of the Fund do not receive pension or retirement benefits from the Fund. Directors receive reimbursement for travel and other out of pocket expenses incurred in connection with Board meetings.

Name of Person and Position with the Fund	Aggregate Compensation from the Fund Paid to Directors
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Dean Jacobson, Director	\$28,500
Richard I. Barr, Director	\$28,500
Joel W. Looney, Director and Chairman of the Board	\$35,500
Dennis Causier, Director	\$28,500
Susan L. Ciciora, Director	\$0

Each Director of the Fund who was not a director, officer, or employee of the Adviser, FAS, or any of their affiliates, receives a fee of \$8,000 per annum plus \$4,000 for each in person meeting of the Board of Directors and \$500 for each telephonic meeting of the Board. In addition, the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Audit Committee receive \$1,000 per meeting and each member of the Audit Committee receives \$500 per meeting. Each Director of the Fund is reimbursed for travel and out-of-pocket expenses associated with attending Board and Committee meetings. The Board held nine meetings (five of which were held by telephone conference call) during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006. Each Director currently serving in such capacity attended at least 75% of the meetings of Directors and any Committee of which he is a member. The aggregate remuneration paid to the Directors of the Fund for acting as such during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006 amounted to \$121,000.

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COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AUDIT COMMITTEE; REPORT OF AUDIT COMMITTEE. The purpose of the Audit Committee is to assist Board oversight of the integrity of the Fund's financial statements, the Fund's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the independent auditor's qualifications and independence and the performance of the Fund's independent auditors. The Audit Committee reviews the scope and results of the Fund's annual audit with the Fund's independent accountants and recommends the engagement of such accountants. Management, however, is responsible for the preparation, presentation and integrity of the Fund's financial statements, and the independent accountants are responsible for planning and carrying out proper audits and reviews. The Board of Directors adopted a written charter for the Audit Committee on August 19, 2003 and most recently amended the Charter on January 23, 2004. A copy of the Audit Committee Charter was attached as an appendix to the Fund's proxy in 2004.

The Audit Committee is composed of all of the Fund's independent Directors, consisting of Dr. Jacobson and Messrs. Looney, Barr and Causier. The Board of Directors has determined that Joel Looney qualifies as an "audit committee financial expert," as defined under the Securities and Exchange Commission's Regulation S-K, Item 401(h). The Audit Committee is in compliance with applicable rules of the listing requirements for closed-end fund audit committees, including the requirement that all members of the audit committee be "financially literate" and that at least one member of the audit committee have "accounting or related financial management expertise," as determined by the Board. The Audit Committee is required to conduct its operations in accordance with applicable requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, and the members of the Audit Committee are subject to the fiduciary duty to exercise reasonable care in carrying out their duties. Each member of the Audit Committee is independent, as that term is defined by the NYSE Listing Standards. The Audit Committee met four times during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006.

In connection with the audited financial statements as of and for the period ended March 31, 2006 included in the Fund's Annual Report for the period ended March 31, 2006 (the "Annual Report"), at a meeting held on _____, 2006, the Audit Committee considered and discussed the audited financial statements with management and the independent accountants, and discussed the audit of such financial statements with the independent accountants.

The Audit Committee has received the written disclosures and letter from the independent accountants required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1 (Independence Discussions with Audit Committees) and has discussed with the independent accountants their independence. The Audit Committee discussed with the independent accountants the accounting principles applied by the Fund and such other matters brought to the attention of the Audit Committee by the independent accountants required by Statement of Auditing Standards No. 61, Communications With Audit Committees, as currently modified or supplemented.

The members of the Audit Committee are not professionally engaged in the practice of auditing or accounting and are not employed by the Fund in any accounting, financial management or internal control capacity. Moreover, the Audit Committee relies on and makes no independent verification of the facts presented to it or representations made by management or the independent accountants. Accordingly, the Audit Committee's oversight does not provide an independent basis to determine that management has maintained appropriate accounting and financial reporting principles and policies, or internal controls and procedures, designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. Furthermore, the Audit Committee's considerations and discussions referred to above do not provide assurance that the audit of the Fund's financial statements has been carried out in accordance

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with generally accepted accounting standards or that the financial statements are presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Based on its consideration of the audited financial statements and the discussions referred to above with management and the independent accountants and subject to the limitation on the responsibilities and role of the Audit Committee set forth in the Charter and those discussed above, the Audit Committee of the Fund recommended to the Board that the audited financial statements be included in the Fund's Annual Report and be mailed to stockholders and filed with the SEC.

Submitted by the Audit Committee of the Fund's Board of Directors:

Joel W. Looney
Richard I. Barr
Dean L. Jacobson
Dennis R. Causier

NOMINATING COMMITTEE. The Board of Directors has a nominating committee (the "Nominating Committee") composed of the Fund's independent Directors, consisting of Dr. Jacobson and Messrs. Looney, Barr and Causier, which is responsible for considering candidates for election to the Board in the event a position is vacated or created. Each member of the Nominating Committee is independent, as that term is defined by the NYSE Listing Standards. The Nominating Committee did not meet during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006. The Board of Directors has adopted a charter for the Nominating Committee that is available on the Fund's website, www.firstfinancialfund.com.

The Nominating Committee does not have a formal process for identifying candidates. The Nominating Committee takes into consideration such factors as it deems appropriate when nominating candidates. These factors may include judgment, skill, diversity, experience with investment companies and other organizations of comparable purpose, complexity, size and subject to similar legal restrictions and oversight, the interplay of the candidate's experience with the experience of other Board members, and the extent to which the candidate would be a desirable addition to the Board and any committees thereof. The Nominating Committee will consider all qualified candidates in the same manner. The Nominating Committee may modify its policies and procedures for director nominees and recommendations in response to changes in the Fund's circumstances, and as applicable legal or listing standards change.

The Nominating Committee would consider director candidates recommended by stockholders (if a vacancy were to exist) and submitted in accordance with applicable law and procedures as described in this Proxy Statement (see "Submission of Stockholder Proposals" below). Such recommendations should be forwarded to the Secretary of the Fund.

The Fund does not have a compensation committee.

OTHER BOARD-RELATED MATTERS.

Stockholders who wish to send communications to the Board should send them to the address of the Fund and to the attention of the Board. All such communications will be directed to the Board's attention.

The Fund does not have a formal policy regarding Board member attendance at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders; Joel W. Looney, Director and Chairman of the Board attended the August 24, 2005 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

In order that your Shares may be represented at the Meeting, you are

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requested to vote on the following matters:

PROPOSAL 1

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS OF THE FUND

The Charter provides that all of the Directors stand for election each year. The Board has nominated the following five Director nominees to stand for election, each for a one-year term and until their successors are duly elected and qualify: Richard I. Barr, Joel W. Looney, Dr. Dean L. Jacobson, Dennis R. Causier, and Susan L. Ciciora. The above nominees have consented to serve as Directors if elected at the Meeting for the one-year term. If any of the designated nominees declines or otherwise becomes unavailable for election, however, the proxy confers discretionary power on the persons named therein to vote in favor of a substitute nominee or nominees.

Vote Required. The election of Messrs. Looney, Barr and Causier, Dr. Jacobson and Ms. Ciciora as Directors of the Fund will require the affirmative vote of a plurality of the votes cast by holders of the Common Stock at the Meeting in person or by proxy on Proposal 1.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING ALL OF THE INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT THE STOCKHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THE ELECTION OF ALL THE NOMINEES.

PROPOSAL 2

TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT WITH WELLINGTON MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLP TO INCREASE THE ADVISORY FEE

The 1940 Act requires that the Board, including a majority of the Independent Directors, annually approve the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement between the Fund and Adviser (Wellington Management Company, LLP) dated May 1, 1986 (the "Advisory Agreement"). At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board held on April 24, 2006, the Directors considered and unanimously approved (including unanimous approval by a separate vote of the Directors who are not "interested persons" of the Fund as that term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the 1940 Act (the "Independent Directors")) the continuance of the Advisory Agreement. The Directors also unanimously approved (including unanimous approval by a separate vote of the Independent Directors) an amendment to the Advisory Agreement which will increase the advisory fee paid to the Adviser, subject to stockholder approval as discussed below. The Directors resolved to recommend the fee increase and amendment to the stockholders for their approval.

Summary of the Proposal. At the April 24, 2006 meeting, the Adviser presented a proposal to the Board in support of renewing the Advisory Agreement and increasing the advisory fee. The proposed increase in the advisory fee will require an amendment of the Advisory Agreement (the "Proposed Amendment") and its approval by stockholders as described below. A form of the Proposed Amendment is attached as Exhibit A. If approved by stockholders, except as set forth in the Proposed Amendment, the Advisory Agreement will remain unchanged in all substantive respects and will remain in full force and effect.

Current Fee and Proposed Fee. The Adviser is paid a quarterly fee at an annual rate of 0.75% of the Fund's average month-end net assets ("Net Assets") up to and including \$50 million, and 0.625% of the Net Assets in excess of \$50 million. The Proposed Amendment to the Advisory Agreement provides for the Adviser to receive investment advisory fees, payable on a quarterly basis, at the annualized rate of 1.125% of the Net Assets up to and including \$150 million; 1.00% of the Net Assets between \$150 million and \$300 million; and,

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0.875% of the Net Assets in excess of \$300 million (the "Proposed Fee"). Based on the Fund's total Net Assets of approximately [\$441] million as of ____, 2006, the new average advisory fee would be approximately 100 basis points (1.00%) of total Net Assets, an increase of approximately 36 basis points (0.36%) above the current average advisory fee of 64 basis points (0.64%) of total Net Assets.

The Proposed Amendment does not contemplate any other changes to the Advisory Agreement.

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006, the Fund paid total advisory fees to the Adviser of \$[X] based on the current average advisory fee of 0.64% of total Net Assets. If the Proposed Fee had been in effect during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006, the Adviser would have received total advisory fees of approximately \$[X], or an average advisory fee of approximately 1.00% of total Net Assets, which represents an increase of \$____, or 36 basis points (.36%) based on the Fund's total Net Assets of approximately [\$441] million as of ____, 2006. If the Proposed Amendment is approved by stockholders, the increase in advisory fees would reduce the Fund's net returns because the Fund will have higher expenses than it currently does.

Fees and Expenses. The following expense table and example provide a comparison of the Fund's annual operating expenses based on total Net Assets for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006, as reported to the Board at the meeting held on April 24, 2006, and pro forma expenses showing these same expenses adjusted for the proposed advisory fee increase.

Table of Fees
Current and Pro Forma

Annual Expenses (as a percentage of net assets attributed to common shares)

	Current	Pro Forma

Management Fees.....	0.64%.....	1.00%
Other Expenses (1).....	0.38%.....	0.38%
Total Annual Expenses.....	1.02%.....	1.38%

(1) "Other Expenses" are based on estimated amounts for the current fiscal year. Approximately 0.26% of the "Other Expenses" relate to administration, transfer agency and custody fees.

Table of Expenses
Current and Pro Forma

The table below demonstrates the expenses on a \$1,000 investment, assuming a 5% annual return:

	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years

Current	\$ [X]	\$ [X]	\$ [X]	\$ [X]

Pro forma	\$ [X]	\$ [X]	\$ [X]	\$ [X]

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The purpose of the table is to assist you in understanding the various costs that an investor will bear directly or indirectly. The example should not be considered a representation of future expenses and actual expenses may be greater or lower than those shown.

Fund Performance. In determining whether or not to approve the Proposed Fee and Proposed Amendment, the Board considered the past performance of the Adviser as investment adviser to the Fund. The Board specifically reviewed the Fund's performance for the periods set forth below:

TOTAL RETURN					
as of March 31, 2006					
	6 Mos.	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs
First Financial Fund's NAV	8.6%	15.8%	26.6%	25.2%	19.4%
S&P 500 Index	6.4	11.7	17.2	4.0	8.9
NASDAQ Composite*	9.3	18.0	21.1	5.3	8.0
NASDAQ Banks*	7.0	9.1	14.1	11.4	11.9
SNL Thrifts*	8.8	9.5	14.9	13.4	15.8
SNL Finance REIT*	4.4	-3.8	15.6	23.6	12.9

Sources: Lipper Analytical Services, Inc. and Wellington Management Company, LLP

*Principal Only

Periods Greater than one year are annualized

(1) The S&P 500 Index is a capitalization-weighted index of 500 stocks. The index is designed to measure performance of the broad domestic economy through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks representing all major industries.

(2) The NASDAQ Composite Index is a broad-based capitalization-weighted index that measures all NASDAQ domestic and international based common type stocks listed on The Nasdaq Stock Market.

(3) The NASDAQ Bank Index is a broad-based capitalization-weighted index of domestic and foreign common stocks of banks that are traded on the Nasdaq National MarketSystem (Nasdaq/NMS) as well as the SmallCap Market.

(4) The SNL Thrift Index is a sector-specific thrift index that includes publicly-traded (NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ) thrifts in SNL's coverage universe. SNL Financial is an information and research firm specializing in the financial information marketplace.

(5) The SNL Finance REIT Index is a sector-specific real estate investment trust

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index that includes publicly-traded (NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, OTC BB, Pink Sheets) investment companies with the following primary focuses: MBS (mortgage-backed security) REIT, Mortgage REIT and Specialty Finance REIT in SNL's coverage universe.

Discussion Regarding the Board of Directors' Approval of the Investment Advisory Contract.

As noted above, the Adviser has entered into the Advisory Agreement with the Fund pursuant to which the Adviser is responsible for managing the Fund's assets in accordance with its investment objectives, policies and limitations. The 1940 Act requires that the Board, including a majority of the Independent Directors, annually approve the terms of the Advisory Agreement. At a regularly scheduled meeting held on April 24, 2006, the Directors, by a unanimous vote (including a separate vote of the Independent Directors), approved the renewal of the Advisory Agreement, including the Proposed Amendment.

Factors Considered. Generally, the Board considered a number of factors in renewing the Advisory Agreement including, among other things, (i) the nature, extent and quality of services to be furnished by the Adviser to the Fund; (ii) the investment performance of the Fund compared to relevant market indices and the performance of comparable closed-end funds; (iii) the advisory fees and other expenses paid by the Fund; (iv) the profitability to the Adviser of its investment advisory relationship with the Fund; (v) the extent to which economies of scale are realized and whether fee levels reflect any economies of scale; (vi) support of the Adviser by the Fund's principal stockholders; and (vii) the historical relationship between the Fund and the Adviser. The Board also reviewed the ability of the Adviser to provide investment management and supervision services to the Fund, including the background, education and experience of the key portfolio management and operational personnel, the investment philosophy and decision-making process of those professionals, and the ethical standards maintained by the Adviser.

Deliberative Process. To assist the Board in its evaluation of the quality of the Adviser's services and the reasonableness of the Proposed Fee under the Advisory Agreement, the Board received a memorandum from independent legal counsel to the Independent Directors discussing the factors generally regarded as appropriate to consider in evaluating investment advisory arrangements and the duties of directors in approving such arrangements. In connection with its evaluation, the Board also requested and received various materials relating to the Adviser's investment services under the Advisory Agreement. These materials included a report prepared by Lipper Analytical Services, Inc. ("Lipper") comparing the Fund's performance, advisory fees and expenses to a group of six non-leveraged, closed-end sector equity funds determined to be similar (although the investment strategies of the funds are not similar) to the Fund (called the "Peer Group") and a broader universe of thirty-eight closed-end sector equity funds (called the "Universe"), in each case as determined by Lipper. In addition, the Board received reports and presentations from the Adviser that described, among other things, the Adviser's organizational structure, financial condition, internal controls, policies and procedures on brokerage practices, soft-dollar commissions and trade allocation, comparative investment performance results, comparative sub-advisory fees, and compliance policies and procedures. The Board also considered information received from the Adviser throughout the year, including investment performance and returns as well as stock price and net asset value.

In advance of the April 24, 2006 meeting, the Independent Directors held two special telephonic meetings with counsel to the Fund and the Independent Directors. The purpose of these meetings was to discuss the renewal of the

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Advisory Agreement and the Proposed Fee, and to review the materials provided to the Board by the Adviser in connection with the annual review process. The Board held additional discussions at the April 24, 2006 Board meeting, which included a private session among the Independent Directors and their independent legal counsel at which no employees or representatives of the Adviser were present. These meetings were preceded by discussions which occurred over several months between the Adviser and the Board's independent Chairman, as well as multiple informal discussions among the Independent Directors, regarding the terms of the Proposed Fee.

The information below summarizes the Board's considerations in connection with its approval of the Advisory Agreement and the Proposed Amendment. In deciding to approve the Advisory Agreement and the Proposed Amendment, the Board did not identify a single factor as controlling and this summary does not describe all of the matters considered. However, the Board concluded that each of the various factors referred to below favored such approval.

Nature, Extent and Quality of the Services Provided; Ability to Provide Services. The Board received and considered various data and information regarding the nature, extent and quality of services provided to the Fund by the Adviser under the Advisory Agreement. The Adviser's most recent investment adviser registration form on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Form ADV was provided to the Board, as were the responses of the Adviser to information requests submitted to the Adviser by the Independent Directors through their independent legal counsel. The Board reviewed and analyzed the materials, which included information about the background, education and experience of the Adviser's key portfolio management and operational personnel and the amount of attention devoted to the Fund by the Adviser's portfolio management personnel. The Board also reviewed the Adviser's policies and procedures on side-by-side management of hedge funds and other accounts and any impact these have on the success of the Fund. The Board was satisfied that the Adviser's investment personnel, including Nicholas C. Adams, the Fund's principal portfolio manager, devote an adequate portion of their time and attention to the success of the Fund and its investment strategy. Based on the above factors, the Board concluded that it was generally satisfied with the nature, extent and quality of the investment advisory services provided to the Fund by the Adviser, and that the Adviser possessed the ability to continue to provide these services to the Fund in the future.

Investment Performance. The Board considered the investment performance of the Fund since inception, as compared to both relevant indices and the performance of two comparable closed-end financial services funds. The Board noted favorably that for the one-, three-, five-, ten-year, and since inception periods ended December 31, 2005, the Fund's performance based upon total return outperformed the Standard & Poor's 500 Index, the Fund's primary relevant benchmark, as well as the NASDAQ Composite, the NASDAQ Banks Index, the SNL Thrift Index, and the SNL Finance REIT Index, the Fund's secondary benchmarks. The Board acknowledged that the Fund also outperformed the two most comparable closed-end financial services funds over the three-, five- and ten-year periods. The Board also noted that the Fund received a Lipper 2005 Performance Achievement Certificate based on its number one ranking in the Lipper Closed-End Equity Fund Performance Analysis for Sector Equity Funds for the ten-year period ending December 31, 2005.

The Board also considered the investment performance of the Fund as compared to the performance of the Fund's Universe. The Board noted that the Fund ranked number one in performance based upon total return of the net asset value versus the returns of comparable funds in the Universe for the four- and five-year periods ended February 28, 2006, but that its

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performance had ranked in the last quintile (i.e., the bottom 20% of the funds in the Universe) for the one-year period ended February 28, 2006 despite its total return of 10.77% during the period. The Board attributed the relatively low comparative performance during the one-year period to the large number of energy and commodities funds included in the Universe, noting that these funds had both different investment strategies than the Fund and experienced extraordinary returns during the period. The Board ascribed greater weight to the long-term performance of the Fund against its benchmarks and other financial services funds.

Proposed Fee Increase, Costs of Services Provided and Profits Realized by the Adviser. During its deliberative process, the Board held several discussions with members of senior management of the Adviser regarding the factors driving the proposed fee increase. The Board was informed that the fee increase was principally attributable to (i) the high market demand for Mr. Adams' portfolio management services, and (ii) increases in the Adviser's costs of attracting and retaining talented individuals to work on Mr. Adams' investment team.

The Adviser indicated that Mr. Adams has been "closed" to new accounts for some time, and that historically he had limited the size of the other portfolios he managed to accommodate his investment style, which has limited capacity. The Adviser informed the Board that Mr. Adams was reducing the number of portfolios he managed, and that certain portfolios for other clients were being liquidated as a result. After such liquidation, Mr. Adams will manage only five portfolios, which, in addition to the Fund, will consist of onshore and offshore portfolios for two "hedge" fund approaches sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates (each of which is also currently closed to new investors in the portfolios managed by Mr. Adams). The Adviser indicated that the fee increase would be used, in part, to compensate Mr. Adams and his portfolio management team at a market rate for their services. The Adviser noted that the costs of attracting and retaining talented investment personnel had increased over the last several years, and that certain other costs of the Adviser (particularly in the area of compliance) had also increased significantly.

In evaluating the Proposed Fee, the Board obtained a comparison of the current and proposed advisory fees to the Peer Group and to other closed-end and open-end financial services funds. The Board noted that the current advisory fee rate was the lowest in the Peer Group (at common asset levels), and that the Proposed Fee would be at the median fee rate in the Peer Group. The Board also noted that the Proposed Fee was lower than the fees earned by the Adviser on the hedge fund portfolios managed by Mr. Adams, which include performance-based fees. The Board acknowledged that the increased advisory fees would result in the Fund's overall expense ratio rising above the median expense ratio for the Peer Group. The Board concluded that the Proposed Fee seemed reasonable as compared to similarly situated non-leveraged, closed-end sector equity funds as well as the fees earned by the Adviser on other portfolios managed by Mr. Adams.

The Board also obtained information regarding the overall profitability of the Adviser. The profitability information was obtained to assist the Board in determining the overall benefits to the Adviser from its relationship to the Fund. The Board compared the overall profitability of the Adviser to the profitability levels of certain publicly-traded investment management firms. Based on its analysis of this information, the Board determined that the overall level of profits earned by the Adviser does not appear to be unreasonable based on the profitability of other investment management firms and the quality of the services rendered by the Adviser.

Based on these factors, the Board concluded that the Proposed Fee under the

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Advisory Agreement was reasonable and fair in light of the nature and quality of the services provided by the Advisers.

Economies of Scale. The Board considered whether there have been economies of scale with respect to the management of the Fund, whether the Fund has appropriately benefited from any economies of scale, and whether the Proposed Fee is reasonable in relation to the Fund's assets and any economies of scale that may exist. The Board noted that the stock dividend paid by the Fund in December 2005 did not significantly decrease the Fund's Net Assets as it has in the recent years, as the Fund was not required to pay out significant amounts of cash to its stockholders in the form of a cash dividend. While the Fund does not currently intend to raise Net Assets through the offer and sale of additional securities, the Board recognized that stock dividends may be declared in the future, which would keep assets in the Fund and have little effect on the level of Net Assets. In negotiating the Proposed Fee, the Board required that the fee schedule include breakpoints. The Board concluded that the breakpoints in the Proposed Fee are acceptable and appropriately reflect any economies of scale expected to be realized by the Adviser in managing the Fund's assets if the Net Assets increase due to the issuance of stock dividends or otherwise.

Stockholder Support and Historical Relationship with the Fund. The Board also weighed in on the views of the Fund's largest stockholders, which are affiliated with the family of Mr. Stewart R. Horejsi. As of March 31, 2005, the Lola Brown Trust No. 1B and other entities affiliated with the Horejsi family held approximately 38.36% of the Fund's outstanding common shares. The Board understands from Mr. Horejsi that these stockholders are supportive of the Adviser, the Proposed Fee and the renewal of the Advisory Agreement, and that these stockholders intend to vote their shares in favor of the Proposed Amendment. The Board also noted that the Fund had not received any negative feedback from other Fund stockholders with respect to the levels of investment management fees and expenses experienced by the Fund. The Board recognized that the Fund's stock price as of March 31, 2006 was \$16.51, which represented a 5% premium over the Fund's net asset value of \$15.67 on that date, which the Board believes reflects the confidence of the Fund's stockholders in the Adviser.

Approval. The Board based its decision to approve the renewal of the Advisory Agreement on a careful analysis, in consultation with independent counsel, of the above factors as well as other factors. In approving the Advisory Agreement, the Board concluded that the terms of the Advisory Agreement are reasonable and fair and that renewal of the Advisory Agreement, as amended by the Proposed Amendment, is in the best interests of the Fund and its stockholders.

Investment Advisory Agreement. The current Advisory Agreement, dated May 1, 1986, was last approved by the Board on April 26, 2005 by unanimous vote of the Board (including a separate vote of the Independent Directors). Under the Advisory Agreement, the Adviser is primarily responsible, among other duties, for managing the investment and reinvestment of the Fund's assets, making investment decisions, supplying investment research and portfolio management services, placing purchase and sale orders for portfolio transactions, and providing the Fund and its Directors with regular reports of investment activity and statistical data. The Advisory Agreement also provides that the Adviser will bear all expenses in connection with performing its duties under the Advisory Agreement.

The Advisory Agreement provides that the Adviser will not be liable to the Fund for losses, claims, and expenses not caused by the Adviser's willful misfeasance, bad faith, or gross negligence on its part in the performance of

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its duties or from reckless disregard by it of its obligations and duties under the Advisory Agreement.

The Advisory Agreement was for an initial two-year period and continues for successive annual periods thereafter provided such continuance is approved at least annually by (a) a majority of the Directors who are not "interested persons" of the Fund (as that term is used in the 1940 Act) and a majority of the full Board of Directors or (b) a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund (as defined in the 1940 Act). The Advisory Agreement is terminable, without penalty, on 60 days' written notice by the Board or the Adviser upon written notice to the other. The Advisory Agreement will terminate automatically upon its assignment (as defined in the 1940 Act).

Wellington Management Company, LLP. The Adviser is one of America's oldest investment management firms. Based in Boston, Massachusetts, with nine affiliate offices in the United States and around the world, the Adviser provides investment services to many of the world's leading public and private institutions. As of March 31, 2006, the Adviser had client assets under management totaling over \$542 billion. The Adviser provides investment advice and, in general, conducts the management and investment program of the Fund under the supervision of the Board and pursuant to the Advisory Agreement as discussed above. The Adviser is owned by its 95 partners, all of whom are active members of the firm. The principal executive officers of the Adviser are set forth in the table below. The business address of each person listed below is Wellington Management Company, LLP, 75 State Street Boston, Massachusetts 02109:

Principal Executive Officers

Name	Title
Nicholas C. Adams	Partner
Paul Braverman	Partner and Chief Financial Officer
Laurie A. Gabriel	Managing Partner
Paul J. Hamel	Partner
James P. Hoffmann	Partner
Saul J. Pannell	Partner
John R. Ryan	Managing Partner
Perry M. Traquina	Managing Partner, President, and CEO
Cynthia M. Clarke	Partner and Chief Legal Officer
Philip H. Perelmuter	Partner
Selwyn J. Notelovitz	Chief Compliance Officer
Thomas L. Pappas	Partner

Required Vote. Approval of the Proposed Amendment requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting securities (which for this purpose and under Section 2a-42 of the 1940 Act means the lesser of (i) 67% of the Fund's shares represented at a meeting at which more than 50% of the outstanding shares are represented or (ii) more than 50% of the outstanding voting shares of the Fund (a "40 Act Majority").

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING ALL OF THE INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT THE STOCKHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" PROPOSAL NO. 2

SUBMISSION OF STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS

The Fund's Bylaws require stockholders wishing to nominate Directors or

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make proposals to be voted on at the Fund's annual meeting to provide notice of the nominations or proposals in writing delivered to the Secretary of the Fund. The Secretary must receive the nomination or proposal not less than 120 days in advance of the anniversary of the date of the Fund's proxy statement released to stockholders in connection with the previous year's annual meeting. In order to be considered at the Fund's 2007 annual meeting, stockholder nominations and proposals must be received by the Fund no later than March 8, 2007 and must satisfy the other requirements of federal securities laws. Any such nomination or proposal by a stockholder shall also set forth the information required by the Fund's By-laws with respect to each matter the stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting. The chairperson of the Meeting may refuse to acknowledge a nomination or other proposal by a stockholder that is not made in the manner described above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS. The Audit Committee of the Board, consisting of those Directors who are not "interested persons" (as defined in the 1940 Act), will select the Fund's independent accountants for the Fund's fiscal year ending March 31, 2007 at the Board's regularly scheduled meeting in July 2006. KPMG LLP ("KPMG"), 99 High Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2371, served as independent accountants for the Fund for the Fund's fiscal year ending March 31, 2006. A representative of KPMG will not be present at the Meeting but will be available by telephone and will have an opportunity to make a statement if the representative so desires and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PWC"), 1177 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036, served as independent accountants for the Fund from February 18, 1997 to January 22, 2004. PWC resigned as independent accountants for the Fund effective January 22, 2004. During the two fiscal years immediately preceding PWC's resignation, there had been no disagreements with such accountants on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure and PWC's reports on the financial statements contained no adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

Set forth below are audit fees and non-audit related fees billed to the Fund for professional services received from KPMG for the Fund's fiscal years ended March 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively.

Fiscal Year Ended -----	Audit Fees -----	Audit-Related Fees -----	Tax Fees* -----
3/31/2005	\$23,600	\$0	\$5,600
3/31/2006	X\$	\$0	

o "Tax Fees" are those fees billed to the Fund by KPMG in connection with tax consulting services, including primarily the review of the Fund's income tax returns.

The Audit Committee Charter requires that the Audit Committee pre-approve all audit and non-audit services to be provided by the auditors to the Fund, and all non-audit services to be provided by the auditors to the Fund's investment adviser and any service providers controlling, controlled by or under common

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control with the Fund's investment adviser ("affiliates") that provide on-going services to the Fund, if the engagement relates directly to the operations and financial reporting of the Fund, or to establish detailed pre-approval policies and procedures for such services in accordance with applicable laws. All of the audit, audit-related and tax services described above for which KPMG billed the Fund fees for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2005 and March 31, 2006 were either pre-approved by the Audit Committee or were for services that were unrelated to the direct operations and/or financial reporting of the Fund.

KPMG has informed the Fund that it has no direct or indirect financial interest in the Fund. For the Fund's fiscal year ended March 31, 2006, KPMG Tax Advisers of Dublin, Ireland performed VAT tax consulting services for the Adviser. For the twelve months ended March 31, 2006, the Adviser paid \$4,860 to KPMG Tax Advisers for their services.

SECTION 16(A) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE. Section 16(a) of the 1934 Act and Section 30(h) of the 1940 Act requires the Fund's Directors and officers, persons affiliated with the Fund's investment advisers, and persons who own more than 10% of a registered class of the Fund's securities, to file reports of ownership and changes of ownership with the SEC and the New York Stock Exchange. Directors, officers and greater-than-10% stockholders are required by SEC regulations to furnish the Fund with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file. Based solely upon the Fund's review of the copies of such forms it receives and written representations from such persons, the Fund believes that through the date hereof all such filing requirements applicable to such persons were complied with.

BROKER NON-VOTES AND ABSTENTIONS. A proxy which is properly executed and returned accompanied by instructions to withhold authority to vote represents a broker "non-vote" (i.e., shares held by brokers or nominees as to which (i) instructions have not been received from the beneficial owners or the persons entitled to vote and (ii) the broker or nominee does not have discretionary voting power on a particular matter). Proxies that reflect abstentions or broker non-votes (collectively "abstentions") will be counted as shares that are present and entitled to vote on the matter for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum. In circumstances where the vote to approve a matter is a percentage of votes cast (e.g., Proposal y1), abstentions do not constitute a vote "for" or "against" the proposal and will be disregarded in determining the "votes cast" on the proposal.

OTHER MATTERS TO COME BEFORE THE MEETING. The Fund does not intend to present any other business at the Meeting, nor is it aware that any stockholder intends to do so. If, however, any other matters are properly brought before the Meeting, the persons named in the accompanying form of proxy will vote thereon in accordance with their discretion.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PROXIES BE RETURNED PROMPTLY. STOCKHOLDERS WHO DO NOT EXPECT TO ATTEND THE MEETING ARE THEREFORE URGED TO COMPLETE, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN ALL PROXY CARDS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN THE ENCLOSED POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE.

Exhibit A

FIRST AMENDMENT TO
INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT

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This First Amendment to Investment Advisory Agreement, dated _____, 2006, is entered into by FIRST FINANCIAL FUND, INC., a Maryland corporation (the "Fund") and WELLINGTON MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLP, a Massachusetts limited liability partnership (the "Adviser").

WHEREAS, the Fund and the Adviser entered into an Investment Advisory Agreement (the "Agreement"), dated May 1, 1986; and

WHEREAS, the Fund and the Adviser wish to amend the Agreement to reflect an increase in the fee payable by the Fund to the Adviser pursuant to the Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

The first sentence of paragraph 3 of the Agreement is amended in its entirety to read as set forth below:

For the services to be rendered by the Investment Adviser as provided in Sections 1 and 2 of this Agreement, the Fund shall pay to the Investment Adviser, as promptly as possible, after the last day of each quarter, a fee at the annual rate of 1.125% of the Fund's average net assets, based on the net assets on the last business day of each month ("average month-end net assets"), on net assets up to and including \$150 Million; 1.00% of the Fund's average month-end net assets in excess of \$150 Million and up to and including \$300 Million; and 0.875% of the Fund's average month-end net assets in excess of \$300 Million.

The Agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect in all other respects.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this First Amendment to the Investment Advisory Agreement as of the date and year first written above.

FIRST FINANCIAL FUND, INC., a
Maryland Corporation

By: _____

Stephen C. Miller
Its: President

WELLINGTON MANAGEMENT
COMPANY, LLP, a Massachusetts limited
liability partnership

By: _____

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PROXY

FIRST FINANCIAL FUND, INC.

PROXY SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The undersigned holder of shares of Common Stock of First Financial Fund, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Fund"), hereby appoints Stephen C. Miller, Carl D. Johns, and Tom Finnerty, or any of them, as proxies for the undersigned, with full powers of substitution in each of them, to attend the Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") to be held at The Resort at the Mountain, 68010 East Fairway Avenue Welches, Oregon at Monday, July 24, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time (local time), and any adjournments or postponements thereof, to cast on behalf of the undersigned all votes that the undersigned is entitled to cast at the Annual Meeting and to otherwise represent the undersigned at the Annual Meeting with all the powers possessed by the undersigned if personally present at the Meeting.

The votes entitled to be cast will be cast as instructed below. If this Proxy is executed but no instruction is given, the votes entitled to be cast by the undersigned will be cast "FOR" each of the nominees for Director and "FOR" the Proposal 2 as more fully described in the Proxy Statement.

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Annual Meeting and Proxy Statement. In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the Meeting. A majority of the proxies present and acting at the Annual Meeting in person or by substitute (or, if only one shall be so present, then that one) shall have and may exercise all of the power and authority of said proxies hereunder. The undersigned hereby revokes any proxy previously given.

CONTINUED AND TO BE SIGNED ON REVERSE SIDE

Please indicate your vote by an "X" in the appropriate box below.

This proxy, if properly executed, will be voted in the manner directed by the undersigned stockholder. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED FOR PROPOSALS 1 AND 2.

Please refer to the Proxy Statement for a discussion of the Proposals.

1.	Election of Directors: Nominees are Richard I. Barr, Dennis R. Causier, Susan L. Ciciora, Dr. Dean L. Jacobson, and Joel W. Looney.	FOR_____	WITHHOLD_____
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Instruction: If you do not wish your shares voted "for" a particular nominee, mark the "For All Except" box and strike a line through the name(s) of the nominee(s). Your shares will be voted "For" the remaining nominee(s).

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS THAT THE STOCKHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" ELECTION OF ALL THE NOMINEES

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2. Approval of the continuance of, and a proposed amendment FOR____ AGAINST ____
to, the investment advisory agreement with Wellington
Management Company, LLP

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING ALL OF THE INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT
PROPOSAL, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE PROXY STATEMENT

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PLEASE SIGN, DATE AND RETURN PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.

NOTE: Please sign exactly as your name appears on this Proxy. If joint owners,
EACH should sign this Proxy. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator,
trustee, guardian, or corporate officer, please give your full title.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

cover actual loan losses in the future. Loan losses in excess of our allowance for loan losses may adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

If economic conditions in general and in our primary market areas deteriorate, our revenues could decrease Our financial results may be adversely affected by changes in prevailing economic conditions, including declines in real estate values, changes in interest rates which cause a decrease in interest rate spreads, adverse employment conditions and the monetary and fiscal policies of the federal government.

Because we have a significant amount of real estate loans, declines in real estate values could adversely affect the value of property used as collateral.

In addition, substantially all of our loans are to individuals and businesses in suburban Kansas City, Eastern Kansas, Western Missouri, the Colorado Springs metropolitan area, and the Omaha, Nebraska metropolitan area. Any decline in the economy of these market areas could have an adverse impact on our revenues. There can be no assurance that positive trends or developments discussed in this prospectus will continue or that negative trends or developments will not have significant downward effects on our revenues.

Our business is subject to credit risks, which may adversely affect our earnings Our loan customers may not repay their loans according to their terms, and collateral securing their loans, if any, may not have a value equal to amounts owed under their loans. Should the economic climate deteriorate, borrowers may experience difficulty, and the level of nonperforming loans, charge-offs, and delinquencies could rise and require further increases in the provision for loan losses which will cause our net income to decline.

Forward-Looking Statements

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Certain statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, which are not statements of historical fact, constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act (the Act), including, without limitation, the statements specifically identified as forward-looking statements within this document. In addition, certain statements in our future filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, in press releases or in oral and written statements made by or with our approval, which are not statements of historical fact, constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Act. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: (i) projections of revenue, income or loss, earnings or loss per share, the payment or nonpayment of dividends, capital structure and other financial items, (ii) statements of plans and objectives of ours or our management or board of directors, including those relating to products or services, (iii) statements of future economic performance and (iv) statements "anticipates", "expects", "intends", "plans", "targets", and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements.

Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, which may cause actual results to differ materially from those in such statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ from those discussed in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: (i) the strength of the U.S. economy in general and the strength of the local economies in which operations are conducted; (ii) the effects of and changes in trade, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, including interest rate policies of the Federal Reserve Board; (iii) inflation, interest rates, market and monetary fluctuations; (iv) the timely development of and acceptance of new products and services and perceived overall value of these products and services by users; (v) changes in consumer spending, borrowing, and savings habits; (vi) technological changes; (vii) acquisitions; (viii) the ability to increase market shares and control expenses; (ix) the effect of changes in laws and regulations (including laws and regulations concerning taxes, banking, and securities) with which we must comply; (x) the effect of changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the regulatory agencies as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board, (xi) changes in our organization, compensation, and benefits plans; (xii) the costs and effects of litigation and of unexpected or adverse outcomes in such litigation; and (xiii) our success at managing risks involved in the foregoing.

Such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which such statements are made, and we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which such statement is made to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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Item 2. Properties

The table below presents property information concerning our offices at December 31, 2003.

Name and Address of Office	Type of Interest	Lease Expiration	Square Footage of Facility
Team Financial, Inc. 8 West Peoria Paola, Kansas 66071	Owned	NA	5,000
TeamBank, N.A., Paola Branch (Main Office) 1 South Pearl Paola, Kansas 66071	Owned	NA	17,951
Team Bank, N.A., East Bank, Paola Branch 1515 Baptiste Drive Paola, Kansas 66071	Owned	NA	9,630
TeamBank, N.A., DeSoto Branch 34102 Commerce Drive DeSoto, Kansas 66018	Owned	NA	6,800
TeamBank, N.A., Lamar Branch 1011 Gulf Street Lamar, Missouri 64759	Leased	2006	2,650

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Name and Address of Office	Type of Interest	Lease Expiration	Square Footage of Facility
TeamBank, N.A., Nevada Branch 201 East Cherry Nevada, Missouri 64772	Owned	NA	16,000
TeamBank, N.A., Osawatomie Branch 6th and Brown Osawatomie, Kansas 66064	Owned	NA	4,756
TeamBank, N.A., Ottawa Branch 421 South Hickory Ottawa, Kansas 66067	Owned	NA	8,000
TeamBank, N.A., Spring Hill Branch 22330 Harrison Street Spring Hill, Kansas 66083	Owned	NA	2,800
TeamBank, N.A., Iola Branch 119 East Madison Iola, Kansas 66749	Owned	NA	13,768
TeamBank, N.A., Parsons Branch (including drive in) 1902 Main Parsons, Kansas 66357	Owned	NA	11,000
TeamBank, N.A., Prairie Village Branch 5206 West 95th Street Prairie Village, Kansas 66207	Owned	NA	3,602
TeamBank N.A., Omaha Branch (Main Office) 1902 Harlan Drive Bellevue, Nebraska 68005	Leased	2007	4,679
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TeamBank N.A., Bellevue Branch 7001 South 36th Bellevue, Nebraska 68147	Leased	2005	1,980
TeamBank, N.A., Fort Calhoun Branch 101 N. 14th Street Fort Calhoun, Nebraska 68023	Owned	NA	4,250
Colorado National Bank, Colorado Springs Branch (Main Office) 3100 North Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907	Owned	NA	7,859
Colorado National Bank, Colorado Springs Branch(1) 601 North Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907	Owned	NA	4,600
Team Insurance Group, Inc. 4200 East Skelly Drive Tulsa, Oklahoma 74135	Leased	2010	10,008

All of the leased properties are leased from unrelated third parties.

- (1) Branch operations began March 16, 2004.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

We are from time to time involved in routine litigation incidental to the conduct of our business. We believe that no pending litigation to which we are a party will have a material adverse effect on our liquidity, financial condition, or results of operations.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

There were no matters submitted to a vote of our security holders during the fourth quarter of 2003.

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PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Stock, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Securities

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the amount of cash dividends paid on our common stock and the high and low closing prices per share of our common stock as reported on the NASDAQ.

Quarter Ended	Dividends Declared per Share	Common Stock	
		High	Low
2003:			
December 31, 2003	\$ 0.08	\$ 13.20	\$ 11.20
September 30, 2003	0.07	11.42	10.35
June 30, 2003	0.06	11.06	9.92
March 31, 2003	0.06	10.83	9.99
Year	\$ 0.27		
2002:			
December 31, 2002	\$ 0.06	\$ 10.25	\$ 9.19
September 30, 2002	0.06	10.44	9.25
June 30, 2002	0.05	10.70	9.05
March 31, 2002	0.05	9.00	8.20
Year	\$ 0.22		

At January 30, 2004 we had approximately 267 holders of record of our common stock; management estimates that the number of beneficial owners is significantly greater.

During 2003 we re-purchased 50,800 shares of our common stock under our stock re-purchase program at an average price of \$11.10 per share. Our board of directors has authorized us to repurchase up to an additional 126,222 shares of our common stock.

We have paid cash dividends on our common stock since 1987. Although we currently intend to continue the payment of dividends, we cannot give any assurance that we will continue to pay or declare dividends on our common stock in the future.

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Kansas law permits Team Financial Inc. to pay dividends on our common stock when we are solvent and when dividend payments would not render us insolvent. Under Kansas law, dividends may be declared and paid only out of the unsecured, unrestricted earned surplus of a corporation.

Our ability to pay cash dividends largely depends on the amount of cash dividends paid to us by our subsidiary banks. Capital distributions, including dividends by financial institutions such as our subsidiary banks, are subject to restrictions tied to the institutions' earnings and capital. Payment of dividends on our common stock depends on payment of dividends to us by our subsidiary banks. Generally, without prior bank regulatory approval, the subsidiary banks cannot pay dividends during any calendar year in excess of the sum of their earnings during that year and the two previous years, less any other distributions during that period. At December 31, 2003, our subsidiaries could have paid additional dividends to Team Financial, Inc. of approximately \$904,000 without prior regulatory approval.

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The following table summarizes the securities authorized for issuance under our equity compensation plans. We have no equity compensation plans that have not been approved by our shareholders.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

Plan category	(a)	(b)	(c)
	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	275,300	\$ 8.710	189,450
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Item 6. Selected Financial Data

Years ended December 31

	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)					
Consolidated statements of operations data:					
Interest income	\$ 31,609	\$ 37,069	\$ 39,950	\$ 40,645	\$ 32,902
Interest expense	13,478	16,382	20,557	22,247	16,823
Net interest income	18,131	20,687	19,393	18,398	16,079
Provision for loan losses	1,790	1,434	1,435	1,001	902
Non-interest income	14,416	10,164	7,924	5,860	4,583
Non-interest expenses	25,757	22,292	20,886	18,835	15,471
Income taxes	1,208	2,419	1,462	1,229	1,120
Net income	3,792	4,706	3,534	3,193	3,169

Consolidated statements of financial condition data:

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Years ended December 31

Total assets(5)	649,796	656,349	650,790	539,605	518,205
Loans receivable	348,095	340,986	357,080	331,931	309,255
Allowance for loan losses	4,506	4,611	4,392	3,911	3,320
Investment securities available for sale	221,252	224,052	204,651	132,360	136,901
Investment securities held to maturity(1)				24,864	25,630
Non-performing assets(2)	8,377	6,346	5,268	4,563	3,205
Deposits	446,159	455,605	487,751	442,195	435,116
Stockholders' equity	52,404	51,828	45,370	39,799	37,569
Per common share:					
Shares applicable to basic income per share	4,095,903	4,145,820	3,989,098	3,916,980	3,403,478
Basic income per share	\$ 0.93	\$ 1.14	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.93
Shares applicable to diluted income per share	4,131,381	4,165,400	3,996,327	3,916,980	3,403,478
Diluted income per share	\$ 0.92	\$ 1.13	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.93
Book value per share	\$ 12.78	\$ 12.62	\$ 10.86	\$ 10.25	\$ 9.16
Tangible book value per share	\$ 7.81	\$ 7.59	\$ 6.84	\$ 7.44	\$ 6.67
Dividends paid per common share	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20
Dividend payout ratio	29.03%	19.30%	22.47%	24.39%	21.51%
Key ratios:					
Net interest margin(3)	3.30%	3.76%	3.95%	3.88%	3.95%
Return on average assets	0.59%	0.71%	0.64%	0.59%	0.70%
Return on average stockholders' equity	7.28%	9.57%	8.10%	8.61%	10.27%
Core risk based capital ratio	11.08%	11.00%	10.60%	8.49%	9.45%
Total risk based capital ratio	12.16%	12.17%	11.72%	9.65%	10.49%
Leverage ratio	7.46%	6.88%	6.92%	5.50%	5.96%
Nonperforming assets to total assets	1.29%	0.97%	0.81%	0.85%	0.62%
Nonperforming loans to total loans	2.09%	1.34%	1.04%	1.27%	0.78%
Allowance for loan losses to total loans	1.29%	1.35%	1.23%	1.18%	1.07%
Allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans	62.10%	100.76%	118.83%	92.61%	137.59%
Ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preference security dividends(4):					
Including interest on deposits	1.23x	1.25x	1.15x	1.13x	1.17x
Excluding interest on deposits	1.40x	1.55x	1.61x	1.63x	1.94x

- (1) Reclassified investment securities held to maturity to available for sale in connection with the adoption of SFAS 133 on January 1, 2001.
- (2) Includes loans 90 days or more delinquent and still accruing interest, nonaccrual loans, restructured loans, and other real estate owned.
- (3) On a tax equivalent basis.
- (4) Earnings consist of income plus interest and net occupancy expense. Fixed charges consist of interest and net occupancy expense.

(5)

Total assets in 2002 and 2001 have been restated for deconsolidation of a wholly owned subsidiary as a result of adopting FIN 46. See Note 1, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, in the consolidated financial statements.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Business Environment and Risk Factors

Management's discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the audited Consolidated Financial Statements contained within this report, including the Notes thereto. Our future operating results may be affected by various trends and factors that are beyond our control. These include the factors set forth in "Forward-Looking Statements." Accordingly, past results and trends may not be reliable indicators of future results or trends. With the exception of historical information, the matters discussed below include forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. We caution readers that a number of important factors discussed in this report could affect our actual results and cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements.

Overview

We are a financial holding company offering full-service community banking and financial services through 17 locations in Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Colorado through our wholly owned banking subsidiaries, TeamBank N.A and Colorado National Bank. Our presence in Kansas consists of seven locations in the Kansas City metro area and three locations in southeast Kansas. We operate two locations in western Missouri, three in the metropolitan area of Omaha, Nebraska, and one in Colorado Springs, Colorado. A second location in Colorado Springs, Colorado will be opened in March 2004. Additionally, we provide insurance services in the Tulsa, Oklahoma metropolitan area.

Our total assets over the past eight years have more than doubled, growing from \$260.3 million at January 1, 1996 to \$649.8 million December 31, 2003. The growth in assets and the corresponding increase in earnings were achieved primarily through purchases of branches of large banks, the purchase of community banks, and branch expansion. Our branch expansion includes growth at existing branches as well as the opening of new branches. Accompanying the acquisition growth were increased operating expenses resulting from growth as well as increases in provisions for loan losses and amortization expense of intangible assets related to acquisitions and in some instances issuance of shares of common stock in conjunction with the acquisitions. Our experience is that it takes between 12 to 18 months to realize meaningful net income improvements from acquisitions and expansion due to our emphasis on retaining key employees rather than the immediate implementation of cost reduction measures.

At December 31, 2003 total assets were \$649.8 million, a decrease of \$6.5 million, or 1.0%, from \$656.3 million at December 31, 2002. The decrease in total assets was primarily due to a decrease in cash and cash equivalents of \$16.8 million and a decrease in investment securities of \$2.8 million offset by an increase in loans of \$7.2 million, an increase in premises and equipment of \$1.9 million and an increase in other assets of \$4.4 million. Total assets at December 31, 2002 were \$656.3 million, an increase of \$5.5 million, or .9%, from \$650.8 million in total assets at December 31, 2001.

Net income totaled \$3.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2003 versus \$4.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2002. The decrease of \$900,000, or 19%, in 2003 compared to 2002 was primarily the result of a decrease in net interest income of \$2.6 million, or 12.4%, offset by a decrease in tax expense of \$1.2 million, or 50%. Net income totaled \$4.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2002 versus \$3.5 million for December 31, 2001. The 34% increase for 2002 compared to 2001 was primarily the result of a \$602,000 increase on sale of loans from the favorable interest rate environment for home re-financings and new home purchases, and a \$354,000 decrease in goodwill expense due to the adoption of Statements of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*.

Critical Accounting Policies

Our accounting and reporting policies conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to make

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estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the statement of financial condition and revenues and expenses for the period. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

Allowance for Loan Losses

We establish allowances for loan losses. The provision for loan losses charged to operations is based on management's judgment of current economic conditions and the credit risk of the loan portfolio. Management believes that this allowance is adequate for the losses inherent in the loan portfolio. While management uses available information to recognize losses on loans, future additions to the allowance may be necessary based on borrowers' conditions and changes in economic conditions.

Impairment of Goodwill Analysis

As required by the provisions of Statements of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* (SFAS 142), goodwill is evaluated for impairment annually or more frequently if conditions indicate impairment may have occurred. The evaluation of possible impairment of intangible assets involves judgment based upon short-term and long-term projections of future performance. There was no impairment of goodwill as of December 31, 2003 or 2002.

Analysis of the Results of Operations

Net Interest Income

Our income is derived primarily from net interest income. Net interest income is the difference between interest income, principally from loans, investment securities, federal funds sold, and interest bearing deposits, and interest expense, principally on customer deposits and other borrowings. Changes in net interest income result from changes in volume and interest rates earned and expensed. Volume refers to the average dollar levels of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities.

The following tables set forth the average balances of interest-earnings assets and interest-bearing liabilities, as well as the amount of interest income or interest expense and the average rate for each

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category of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities on a tax-equivalent basis assuming a 34% tax rate for the periods indicated. Average balances are computed on a daily basis.

	Year ended December 31, 2003			Year ended December 31, 2002			Year ended December 31, 2001		
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate
(Dollars in thousands)									
Interest earning assets:									
Loans receivable, net(1)(2)(3)	\$ 341,782	\$ 23,189	6.79%	\$ 335,194	\$ 25,890	7.72%	\$ 339,258	\$ 30,045	8.86%
Investment securities-taxable	195,185	7,207	3.69%	197,645	10,020	5.07%	129,098	8,247	6.39%
Investment securities-nontaxable(4)	27,590	1,971	7.14%	24,814	1,798	7.25%	23,664	1,783	7.53%
Federal funds sold and interest-bearing deposits	10,743	119	1.11%	16,755	270	1.61%	17,934	626	3.49%
Other assets(5)	480	45	9.38%	480	45	9.38%	188	18	9.57%
Total interest earning assets	\$ 575,780	\$ 32,531	5.65%	\$ 574,888	\$ 38,023	6.61%	\$ 510,142	\$ 40,719	7.98%

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	Year ended December 31, 2003			Year ended December 31, 2002			Year ended December 31, 2001		
Interest bearing liabilities:									
Savings deposits and interest bearing checking	\$ 178,199	\$ 1,357	0.76%	\$ 182,824	\$ 2,425	1.33%	\$ 147,751	\$ 3,497	2.37%
Time deposits	203,452	5,392	2.65%	217,858	7,803	3.58%	249,231	13,601	5.46%
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	5,647	49	0.87%	4,969	65	1.31%	6,477	223	3.44%
Notes payable and Federal Home Loan									
Bank advances	116,572	5,171	4.44%	98,527	4,581	4.65%	46,334	2,646	5.71%
Subordinated debentures(5)	16,005	1,554	9.71%	16,005	1,554	9.71%	6,264	608	9.71%
Total interest bearing liabilities	\$ 519,875	\$ 13,523	2.60%	\$ 520,183	\$ 16,428	3.16%	\$ 456,057	\$ 20,575	4.51%
Net interest income (tax equivalent)		\$ 19,008			\$ 21,595			\$ 20,144	
Interest rate spread			3.05%			3.46%			3.47%
Net interest earning assets	\$ 55,905			\$ 54,705			\$ 54,085		
Net interest margin(4)			3.30%			3.76%			3.95%
Ratio of average interest bearing liabilities to average interest earning assets	90.29%			90.48%			89.40%		

- (1) Loans are net of deferred fees.
- (2) Nonaccruing loans are included in the computation of average balances.
- (3) We include loan fees in interest income. These fees for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 were \$989,000, \$865,000, and \$795,000, respectively.
- (4) Yield is adjusted for the tax effect of tax-exempt securities. The tax effects for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 were \$877,000, \$909,000, and \$751,000, respectively.
- (5) Restated for deconsolidation of a wholly owned subsidiary as a result of adopting FIN 46. See note 1, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies* in the consolidated financial statements.

Total interest income on a tax equivalent basis for 2003 was \$32.5 million, representing a decrease of \$5.5 million, or 14.5%, from \$38.0 million for 2002. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$2.7 million decrease in interest income on loans receivable and a \$2.8 million decrease on taxable investment securities.

Interest income on loans receivable decreased due to a 93 basis point decrease in the average yield on the loans receivable to 6.79% in 2003 from 7.72% in 2002 offset with an increase of \$6.6 million in the average loan receivable balance to \$341.8 million in 2003 from \$335.2 million in 2002. The decrease in the yield of

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loans receivable reflects the decrease in the rates applied to loans that re-priced in 2003 as required by the notes' terms or were refinanced by customers at lower rates.

Interest income from taxable investment securities was \$7.2 million during 2003, a decrease of \$2.8 million, or 28%, from 2002 of \$10 million. The decrease was due to a decrease in the average rate of 138 basis points to 3.69% in 2003 from 5.07% in 2002. The decrease in the average rate of investment securities was related to the relatively low interest rates in the market. The decrease has caused many of our portfolio's issuers of securities to retire or prepay their securities prior to maturity since they have been able to refinance at lower rates. Because of these early prepayments, we have re-invested the proceeds in lower yielding securities, which reflect the decline in market interest rates. In addition, the early prepayments accelerate the amortization on premiums paid for investment securities further decreasing the yield on the securities.

Total interest expense was \$13.5 million for 2003, a \$2.9 million, or 18%, decrease from \$16.4 million in 2002. The decrease was primarily related to the decrease in average rate paid on savings deposits and interest bearing checking balances to .76% in 2003 from 1.33% in 2002, representing a 57 basis point decrease, and to the decrease in average rate paid on time deposits to 2.65% in 2003 from 3.58% in 2002, representing a 93 basis point decrease. Additionally there was a decrease in the average balance of interest bearing savings and checking deposits of approximately 2.5% to \$178.2 million in 2003 from \$182.8 million in 2002 and a decrease of 6.6% in average time deposit balances to \$203.5 million in 2003 from \$217.9 million in 2002. The decrease in the average deposits balances was due to the sale of two bank branches in June 2002. The average balance of notes payable and Federal Home Loan Bank advances increased \$18 million as we continued to borrow from the Federal Home Loan Bank and invest the proceeds to achieve the planned balance sheet management strategy to increase the asset sensitivity of our balance sheet. The average rate on notes payable and Federal Home Loan Bank advances decreased 21 basis points to 4.44% during 2003 from 4.65% during 2002.

As a result of the changes described above, the net interest income on a tax equivalent basis decreased to \$19 million during 2003, representing a decrease of \$2.6 million, or 12%, compared to 2002 of \$21.6 million.

The average rate paid on our 9.50% subordinated debentures, which we issued in third quarter 2001 in connection with the sale by our wholly owned subsidiary, Team Financial Capital Trust I (the Trust), of 9.50% Trust Preferred Securities, was 9.71% for 2003 and 2002. The difference between the contractual amount of 9.50% and the 9.71% reported interest rate is the amortization of debt issuance costs, which are amortized over a 30-year period. The terms of the subordinated debentures allow us to redeem them in whole or in part beginning August 10, 2006. With the adoption of Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 46 (FIN 46), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities*, effective December 31, 2003, retroactively applied to prior periods, the Trust is not consolidated in the financial statements. As a result of deconsolidating the Trust, the subordinated debentures of \$15.5 million and \$480,000 representing common interest are reported on the 2003, 2002, and 2001 financial statements and related disclosures. The \$480,000 representing common interest in the Trust is offset by an identical amount included in other assets representing Team Financial, Inc.'s investment in the Trust.

Total interest income on a tax equivalent basis for 2002 was \$38.0 million, representing a decrease of \$2.7 million, or 6.6%, from \$40.7 million for 2001. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$4.2 million decrease in interest income on loans receivable. Interest income on loans receivable decreased due to a 114 basis point decrease in the yield on the loans receivable to 7.72% in 2002 from 8.86% in 2001, as well as a \$4.1 million decrease in the average balance of loans receivable to \$335.2 million in 2002 from \$339.3 million in 2001. The decrease in the yield of our loans receivable was the result of a decrease of 525 basis points in the national prime interest rate from January 1, 2001. Also contributing to the decrease in yield was the decrease of our average balance of loans receivable, primarily due to a decrease in our one to four family loan portfolio, as customers re-financed loans due to favorable long-term fixed mortgage

interest rates. We typically sell fixed rate loans to the secondary market instead of maintaining the loans in our loan portfolio. Interest income from taxable investment securities increased \$1.8 million for the year 2002 compared to 2001, primarily due to a \$40.0 million purchase of short term mortgage backed securities from the proceeds of long term borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank. This transaction was initiated in the third quarter of 2002 as an interest rate risk management strategy. The Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings, which carried an average rate of 4.19%, consisted of \$30.0 million in 10 year fixed rate advances convertible to floating rate advances if LIBOR increases to 7.50% within the next 10 years and \$10.0 million in 5 year fix rate advances convertible to floating rate advances if LIBOR increases to 7.50% within the next 5 years. The intent of the transaction was to increase the asset sensitivity of our balance sheet to benefit from an increase in interest rates and borrow long-term borrowings during the period of historical low interest rates. The yield on taxable investment securities decreased 132 basis points to 5.07% in 2002 from 6.39% in 2001, which was related to the decrease in market interest rates since January of 2001.

Total interest expense was \$16.4 million for 2002, a \$4.2 million, or 20.3% decrease, from \$20.6 million in 2001. The decrease in interest expense was primarily related to the decrease in interest rates since January of 2001. The average rate paid on savings deposits and interest bearing checking balances decreased 104 basis points to 1.33% in 2002 from 2.37% in 2001 and the average rate paid on time deposits

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decreased 188 basis points to 3.58% in 2002 from 5.46% in 2001. The average balance of federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase decreased \$1.5 million as a result of our reduction in overnight federal funds purchased due to increased liquidity resulting from the decrease in loans receivable balances. The average rate paid on federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase decreased 213 basis points to 1.31% for 2002 from 3.44% for 2001. The average balance of notes payable and Federal Home Loan Bank Advances increased \$52.2 million as we borrowed \$40.0 million in long-term borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank at approximately 4.19% and invested the proceeds into short term mortgage backed securities. The average rate on notes payable and Federal Home Loan Bank Advances decreased 106 basis points to 4.65% during 2002 from 5.71% during 2001. The average balance of our subordinated debentures increased \$9.9 million due to the issuance of \$16 million in subordinated debentures in 2001, purchased by our subsidiary, Team Financial Capital Trust I. Concurrent with the issuance of the subordinated debentures, the Trust issued \$15.5 million in 9.50% Cumulative Trust Preferred Securities. The proceeds from the sale of the debentures were used to acquire Colorado National Bank in the third quarter of 2001. The average rate on loans receivable decreased 31 basis points due to the decrease in interest rates during the year.

As a result of the changes described above, the net interest income on a tax equivalent basis increased to \$21.6 million for 2002, representing an increase of \$1.5 million, or 7.2%, from \$20.1 million during 2001.

The following table presents the components of changes in our net interest income, on a tax equivalent basis, attributed to volume and rate. Changes in interest income or interest expense attributable to volume changes are calculated by multiplying the change in volume by the prior fiscal year's average interest rate. The changes in interest income or interest expense attributable to change in interest rates are calculated by multiplying the change in interest rate by the prior fiscal year's average volume. The changes in interest

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income or interest expense attributable to the combined impact of changes in volume and change in interest rate are calculated by multiplying the change in rate by the change in volume.

	Year ended December 31, 2003 Compared To Year ended December 31, 2002			Year ended December 31, 2002 Compared To Year ended December 31, 2001		
	Increase (decrease) due to			Increase (decrease) due to		
	Volume	Rate	Net	Volume	Rate	Net
	(In thousands)			(In thousands)		
Interest income:						
Loans receivable, net(1)(2)(3)	\$ 509	\$ (3,210)	\$ (2,701)	\$ (360)	\$ (3,795)	\$ (4,155)
Investment securities-taxable	(125)	(2,688)	(2,813)	4,379	(2,606)	1,773
Investment securities-nontaxable(4)	201	(28)	173	87	(72)	15
Federal funds sold and interest-bearing deposits	(97)	(54)	(151)	(41)	(315)	(356)
Other assets(5)				27		27
Total interest income	488	(5,980)	(5,492)	4,092	(6,788)	(2,696)
Interest expense:						
Savings deposits and interest bearing checking	(61)	(1,007)	(1,068)	830	(1,902)	(1,072)
Time deposits	(516)	(1,895)	(2,411)	(1,712)	(4,086)	(5,798)
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	9	(25)	(16)	(52)	(106)	(158)
Notes Payable and Federal Home Loan Bank Advances	839	(249)	590	2,981	(1,046)	1,935
Subordinated debentures(5)				946		946
Total interest expense	271	(3,176)	(2,905)	2,993	(7,140)	(4,147)

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	Year ended December 31, 2003 Compared To Year ended December 31, 2002			Year ended December 31, 2002 Compared To Year ended December 31, 2001						
Net change in net interest income	\$	217	\$ (2,804)	\$ (2,587)	\$	1,099	\$	352	\$	1,451

- (1) Loans are net of deferred fees.
- (2) Nonaccruing loans are included in the computation of average balances.
- (3) We include loan fees in interest income. These fees for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 were \$989,000, \$865,000, and \$795,000, respectively.
- (4) Income is adjusted for the tax effect of tax-exempt securities. The tax effects for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 were \$877,000, \$909,000, and \$751,000, respectively.
- (5) Restated for deconsolidation of a wholly owned subsidiary as a result of adopting FIN 46. See note 1, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies* in the consolidated financial statements.

Provision for Loan Losses

A provision for losses on loans is charged to earnings to bring the total allowance for loan losses to a level considered appropriate by management based on historical loss experience, the volume and type of lending conducted, the status of past due principal and interest payments, general economic conditions, particularly as such conditions relate to our market areas, and other factors related to the collectibility of our loan portfolio. After considering the above factors, management recorded a provision for loan losses on loans totaling \$1.8 million for the year ended 2003 and \$1.4 million for the years ended 2002 and 2001. The provision recorded for the year ended 2003 was predicated upon the level of non-performing loans and net charge-offs during the year of \$1.9 million.

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Non-Interest Income

The following table sets forth non-interest income for the indicated periods.

	Years ended December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
	(In thousands)		
Service charges	\$ 3,573	\$ 3,677	\$ 3,644
Trust fees	608	595	554
Insurance commissions	4,454	324	
Brokerage service revenue	369	409	205
Gain on sale of mortgage loans	2,788	2,364	1,762
Gain on sales of investment securities	294	72	6

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	Years ended December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
Mortgage servicing fees	329	329	329
Merchant processing fees	186	154	161
ATM and debit card fees	318	294	248
Income from investment in bank owned life insurance	892	1,011	449
Gain on sale of branch assets		452	
Other	605	483	566
Total other income	\$ 14,416	\$ 10,164	\$ 7,924

Non-interest income was \$14.4 million for 2003, a \$4.3 million, or 41.8%, increase from 2002. This increase was primarily a result of the insurance commissions reported in 2003, representing 12 months of operations, compared to the insurance commissions reported in 2002 which only represented less than one month of activity as the agency was acquired December 18, 2002. Insurance commissions increased \$4.1 million to \$4.5 million in 2003 from \$324,000 in 2002. Gain on sale of mortgage loans contributed \$424,000 to the increase in non-interest income, representing a 17.9% increase in gains on sales from 2002. The increase in gain on sale of mortgage loans was the result of the increase in volume of loans refinanced, originated and sold, due to a low interest rate environment during the year. The gain on sale of mortgage loans experienced in 2003 may not be indicative of gain in future years as interest rates change. The magnitude of any future decreased gain cannot be estimated. A gain of \$452,000 was reported in 2002 relating to the sale of branches during June 2002, which did not reoccur in 2003.

Non-interest income was \$10.2 million for 2002, a \$2.2 million, or 28.3% increase from 2001. Gain on sale of mortgage loans contributed \$602,000 to the increase, increasing 34.2% from 2001. The increase in gain on sale of mortgage loans was the result of the increase in volume of loans refinanced, originated and sold, due to a lower interest rate environment during the year. Income from investment in bank owned life insurance increased \$562,000 during 2002 primarily due to our \$15.7 million investment in Bank Owned Life Insurance in July 2001. Brokerage service revenue increased \$204,000, or 99.5% for 2002, compared to 2001. The increase was primarily due to a transition in sales staff during the year. Insurance commissions increased \$324,000 during the year as we acquired an insurance agency on December 18, 2002. Gain on sale of branch assets increased \$452,000 with the sale of the Community Bank branches during June of 2002.

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Non-Interest Expense

The following table presents non-interest expense for the indicated periods:

	Years ended December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
	(In thousands)		
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 13,791	\$ 11,850	\$ 10,572
Occupancy and equipment	2,769	2,368	2,312
Data processing	2,141	1,910	1,754
Professional fees	1,143	1,073	1,111
Marketing	428	267	277
Supplies	439	368	368
Goodwill amortization			354
Intangible asset amortization	998	1,073	866
Disposal of branch assets	258		
Conversion	59	6	246
Other	3,731	3,377	3,026
Total other expenses	\$ 25,757	\$ 22,292	\$ 20,886

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Non-interest expense was \$25.8 million for 2003, an increase of \$3.5 million, or 15.5%, compared to \$22.3 million for 2002. Contributing to the increase was an increase in salary and employee benefits of \$1.9 million over 2002. This increase was comprised of a \$2.6 million increase related to recording a full year of salary expense for Team Insurance Group, Inc. in 2003 compared to less than one month of expense in 2002 as the insurance agency was purchased on December 18, 2002. This increase was offset by a decrease in bonuses earned in 2003 of approximately \$522,000 compared to 2002. The increase in occupancy and equipment expense of 17%, increase in marketing expense of 60% and increase in other expenses of 10%, combined, approximate \$916,000 of the total non-interest expense increase in 2003 and were primarily a result of reporting 12 months of expense associated with Team Insurance Group, Inc. in 2003 compared to less than one month of activity in 2002. Intangible asset amortization in 2003 included a reduction to the valuation allowance on mortgage servicing rights of \$240,000 based on our valuation of the fair value of the mortgage servicing rights. This was offset by increased amortization expenses of approximately \$123,000 attributable to 12 months of Team Insurance Group, Inc. amortization in 2003 compared to less than one month in 2002. In May 2003, we closed a branch located in Omaha, Nebraska, resulting in disposal of branch assets of approximately \$258,000 associated with terminating the lease and disposing of the assets of the facility.

Non-interest expense was \$22.3 million for 2002, an increase of \$1.4 million, or 6.7%, compared to \$20.9 million for 2001. The increase for 2002 was primarily the result of a full year of operations of Colorado National Bank, which was acquired in September 2001, and the operations of the insurance agency acquired in December 2002. Net of the operations from the acquisitions, total non-interest expense decreased \$142,000 for 2002 compared to 2001. Salaries and benefits expense increased \$1.3 million, or 12.1% to \$11.9 million for 2002 compared to \$10.6 million for 2001. The increase in salaries and benefits was largely due to \$877,000 related to the operations of the acquisitions made during the year, a \$193,000 increase in bonus expense due to meeting targets under the bonus program, a \$156,000 increase in compensation related to the executive salary continuation and deferred compensation plans, and \$137,000 of compensation related to variable stock options. Data processing fees increased \$156,000, or 8.9% to \$1.9 million for 2002 as a result of the outsourcing of various deposit operation functions. Conversion expense decreased \$240,000 due to the merger of three of our subsidiary banks into the lead bank, TeamBank, N.A. during 2001. Intangible asset amortization increased \$207,000, or 23.9% to \$1.1 million for 2002 as a result of write downs and accelerated amortization on the value of our mortgage servicing rights due to accelerated pre-payments on the one to four family mortgages we service which were

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refinanced during the year. Goodwill amortization expense decreased \$354,000 for 2002 as a result of implementing SFAS 142 *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* on January 1, 2002. Other expense increased \$351,000 or 11.6% to \$3.4 million for 2002. The increase was related to the operations of the acquisitions. Net of the operation expense from the acquisitions, other expense decreased \$31,000 during 2002.

Income Tax Expense

We recorded income tax expense of \$1.2 million for 2003 compared to \$2.4 million in 2002, representing a decrease of \$1.2 million, or 50%. Contributing to the decrease in 2003 was income tax expense recognized in 2002 related to the sale of branches in the second quarter 2002 of \$648,000. Excluding the tax expense associated with the 2002 branch dispositions, the effective tax rate decreased to approximately 24% in 2003 compared to 26% in 2002. The decrease in effective tax rate was primarily due to an increase in non-taxable municipal interest income in relation to taxable income in 2003 compared to non-taxable municipal interest in relation to taxable income in 2002. For the year ended, December 31, 2003, non-taxable municipal interest was approximately 21.9% of taxable income. For the year ended December 31, 2002, non-taxable municipal income was approximately 12.5% of taxable income. Our effective tax rate was less than the statutory federal rate of 34.0% due primarily to municipal interest income and the income tax benefit resulting from dividends passed through the ESOP to the ESOP participants and tax deferred income from our investment in bank owned life insurance.

We recorded income tax expense of \$2.4 million for 2002, compared to \$1.5 million for 2001, representing an increase of \$957,000, or 65.5%. Included in income tax expense for 2002 was \$648,000 of income tax expense related to the sale of the branches during the second quarter of 2002, which resulted in an effective tax rate of 33.95% for 2002. The high effective tax rate was the result of the book versus tax basis on the related \$1.3 million in goodwill as summarized with the following table.

	Book basis	Tax basis
Proceeds from sale	\$ 1,762,000	\$ 1,762,000
Goodwill, net	(1,310,000)	
	452,000	1,762,000
Income tax expense	(648,000)	(648,000)
	(196,000)	1,114,000

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	Book basis	Tax basis
Net (loss) gain on sale of branches	\$ (196,000)	\$ 1,114,000

Net of the income tax expense recorded with the branch sales, our effective tax rate decreased to approximately 26.5% for 2002, compared to 29.3% for 2001. The decrease in the effective tax rate for 2002 versus 2001 was due to the adoption of SFAS 142 *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* as we did not record goodwill amortization expense for 2002 compared to \$354,000 recorded in 2001. Goodwill amortization expense is not deductible for tax purposes. Our effective tax rate was less than the statutory federal rate of 34.0% due primarily to municipal interest income and the income tax benefit resulting from dividends passed through the ESOP to the ESOP participants and tax deferred income from our investment in bank owned life insurance.

Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income is the total of net income and other comprehensive income. Our other comprehensive income component is composed of the change in equity resulting from an increase or decrease in the market value of our available for sale investment securities, due to the changes in interest rates, net of tax.

Comprehensive income was \$1.7 million for 2003, a decrease of \$6.2 million from \$7.9 million for 2002. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$5.3 million decrease in other comprehensive income as the fair value of our investment securities decreased in 2003 from 2002.

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Comprehensive income was \$7.9 million for 2002, an increase of \$3.7 million from \$4.2 million for 2001. The increase was primarily the result of a \$2.8 million increase in other comprehensive income as the fair value of our investment securities increased more during 2002 than the increase experienced in 2001.

Analysis of Financial Condition

Overview

Total assets were \$649.8 million at December 31, 2003, a decrease of \$6.5 million or 1.0% from \$656.3 million in total assets as of December 31, 2002. The decrease in total assets was primarily due to a decrease in cash and cash equivalents of \$16.8 million and a decrease in investment securities of \$2.8 million offset by an increase in loans of \$7.2 million, an increase in premises and equipment of \$1.9 million and an increase in other assets of \$4.4 million.

Total assets were \$656.3 million at December 31, 2002, an increase of \$5.5 million or .85% from \$650.8 million in total assets as of December 31, 2001. The increase in total assets was primarily due to a \$19.4 million increase in investment securities, which was offset by a \$16.1 million decrease in loans receivable. The increase in investment securities was largely funded by the decrease in loans receivable as well as Federal Home Loan Bank advances.

Loan Portfolio Composition

The following tables present the composition of our loan portfolio by type of loan at the dates indicated.

December 31									
2003		2002		2001		2000		1999	
Principal Balance	Percent of Total	Principal Balance	Percent of Total	Principal Balance	Percent of Total	Principal Balance	Percent of Total	Principal Balance	Percent of Total

(Dollars in thousands)

Loans secured
by real estate

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December 31

One to four family	\$ 93,711	27.3%	\$ 102,673	30.5%	\$ 125,666	35.6%	\$ 115,913	35.3%	\$ 103,772	33.9%
Construction and land development	43,748	12.7	38,717	11.5	29,154	8.3	22,222	6.8	20,350	6.7
Other	118,729	34.6	98,642	29.3	80,080	22.7	56,393	17.2	43,245	14.1
Total	256,188	74.6	240,032	71.4	234,900	66.6	194,528	59.3	167,367	54.7
Commercial and agricultural	70,734	20.6	71,835	21.4	82,594	23.4	87,128	26.6	94,711	31.0
Installment and other	21,819	6.4	29,716	8.8	40,211	11.4	50,685	15.5	47,536	15.5
Gross Loans	348,741	101.5	341,583	101.5	357,705	101.4	332,341	101.3	309,614	101.2
Less unearned fees	(646)	(0.2)	(597)	(0.2)	(625)	(0.2)	(410)	(0.1)	(359)	(0.1)
Total loans receivable	348,095	101.3	340,986	101.4	357,080	101.2	331,931	101.2	309,255	101.1
Less allowance for loan losses	(4,506)	(1.3)	(4,611)	(1.4)	(4,392)	(1.2)	(3,911)	(1.2)	(3,320)	(1.1)
Total net loans receivable	\$ 343,589	100.0%	\$ 336,375	100.0%	\$ 352,688	100.0%	\$ 328,020	100.0%	\$ 305,935	100.0%

Total loans receivable were \$348.1 million at December 31, 2003 compared to \$341.0 million at December 31, 2002, representing an increase of \$7.1 million, or 2.1%. The increase in total loans

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receivable was primarily due to our continued allocation of resources to the commercial, construction and land development, and commercial real estate markets. Our commitment to focus our resources on internal loan growth in these areas produced an increase of \$24.8 million, or 13.8% in these loans compared to 2002. Offsetting the increase in our commercial, construction and land development, and commercial real estate loans was the continued decrease in our one to four family portfolio resulting primarily from a decrease in loans held for sale of \$9.2 million. Agriculture loans and farmland real estate loans decreased \$2.7 million to \$26.0 million at December 31, 2003 compared to \$28.7 million at December 31, 2002. The decrease was due to our continued reduction in exposure to the Kansas and Missouri agricultural markets. Installment loans at December 31, 2003 were \$15.6 million, representing a \$5.7 million decrease, or 27.0%, from installment loans at December 31, 2002 of \$21.3 million. Installment and other consumer loans have been decreasing as a percentage of total loans over the past several years as we have placed more emphasis on growing our small to mid-size business lending.

Total loans receivable were \$341.0 million at December 31, 2002 compared to \$357.1 million at December 31, 2001, representing a decrease of \$16.1 million, or 4.5%. The sale of the branches in June of 2002 accounted for \$9.7 million of the decrease in loans receivable. Net of the branch sales, loans receivable decreased \$6.4 million, or 1.8%. The decrease in total loans receivable was primarily due to a \$26.0 million decrease in our one to four family portfolio resulting from a decrease in loans held for sale as well as a reduction in the portfolio due to increased customer refinancing due to the favorable fixed rate mortgage rates. We typically sell fixed rate one to four family loans to the secondary market instead of holding them in our portfolio. Offsetting the decrease in our one to four family loan portfolio was the favorable results of our continued allocation of resources to the commercial, construction and land development, and commercial real estate markets. Our commitment to focus our resources on internal loan growth in the commercial, construction and land development, and commercial real estate markets produced internal loan growth of \$27.7 million, a 16.9% increase in these loans compared to 2001. Offsetting this growth was our decision to exit our low margin dealer paper business in 2001 decreasing installment loans by \$9.3 million. We also reduced our credit exposure to the Kansas and Missouri agricultural markets beginning in 2001 resulting in a decrease in agricultural loans of \$2.8 million for the year. Also contributing to the decrease in total loans receivable was the decision to exit the higher risk commercial leasing business in 2001, which reduced lease- financing receivables

by \$3.0 million during 2002.

Loans secured by real estate

Loans secured by real estate represent our largest type of loan. At December 31, 2003, these loans totaled \$256.2 million; a \$16.2 million, or 6.8%, increase from \$240.0 million at December 31, 2002. The increase was generated from an \$18.8 million increase in commercial real estate loans and a \$5.0 million increase in construction and development loans. Offsetting this increase was a \$9.0 million decrease in one to four family loans primarily resulting from a decrease in loans held for sale. At December 31, 2003, the balance of real estate mortgage loans held for sale was \$1.1 million, representing a \$9.2 million decrease from the balance at December 31, 2002 of \$10.3 million. We typically sell fixed rate one to four family loans to the secondary market instead of holding such loans in our one to four family portfolio. We occasionally retain the servicing rights on these loans. Capitalized servicing rights are recorded at the time the loan is sold, thereby increasing the gain on sale by such amount. The balance of our mortgage servicing rights was \$656,000 at December 31, 2003 compared to \$637,000 at December 31, 2002. Construction and land development loans secured by real estate increased \$5 million, or 12.9%, to \$43.7 million at December 31, 2003 from \$38.7 million at December 31, 2002. We have experienced steady growth in this area increasing in each of the last five years from \$20.3 million at December 31, 1999.

Nonfarm, nonresidential commercial loans secured by real estate increased \$18.8 million, or 22.0%, to \$103.6 million at December 31, 2003 from \$84.8 million at December 31, 2002. We have experienced steady growth in this area increasing in each of the last five years. We anticipate continued growth in this

loan portfolio with our continued emphasis on small to mid-size business loans in our metropolitan markets.

At December 31, 2002, real estate loans totaled \$240.0 million; a \$5.1 million, or 2.2%, increase from \$234.9 million at December 31, 2001. The increase was generated from a \$23 million increase in commercial real estate loans and a \$9.6 million increase in construction and development loans. Offsetting this increase was a \$23.0 million decrease in one to four family loans resulting from a decrease in loans held for sale as well as a reduction in the portfolio due to increased customer refinancing as a result of the favorable fixed rate mortgage rates. Also contributing to the offset was a decrease in real estate loans secured by farmland of \$3.6 million to \$12.6 million at December 31, 2002 from \$16.1 at December 31, 2001.

Commercial and Agricultural

Commercial and agricultural loans were \$70.7 million at December 31, 2003, a decrease of \$1.1 million, or 1.5%, from \$71.8 million at December 31, 2002. Commercial loans include loans to service, retail, wholesale, and light manufacturing businesses. Agricultural loans included loans to farmers for production and other agricultural needs.

Commercial loans were \$56.7 million at December 31, 2003, compared to \$55.7 million at December 31, 2002, an increase of \$1.0 million, or 1.8%. At December 31, 2002, commercial loans were \$55.7 million compared to \$63.6 million at December 31, 2001, a decrease of \$7.9 million or 12.4%.

At December 31, 2003, agricultural loans were \$14.0 million compared to \$16.1 million at December 31, 2002, a decrease of \$2.1 million, or 13.0%. Agricultural loans were \$16.1 million at December 31, 2002, a decrease of \$2.8 million or 14.8% from \$18.9 million at December 31, 2001. The decrease in this loan category since 1999 is due to our decision to reduce our exposure to the Kansas and Missouri agricultural markets.

Installment and Other

Installment and other loans include automobile and other personal loans, leases and loans to state and political subdivisions. The majority of these loans are installment loans with fixed interest rates. Installment and other loans were \$21.8 million at December 31, 2003, a decrease of \$7.9 million, or 26.6% from \$29.7 million at December 31, 2002. At December 31, 2002, installment and other loans decreased \$10.5 million or 26.1% from \$40.2 million at December 31, 2001. Installment and other loans have been decreasing as a percentage of total loans over the past several years as we have placed less emphasis in this area and more emphasis on our small to mid-size business loans in our markets.

Loan Maturities

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The following tables present, at December 31, 2003 and 2002, loans by maturity in each major category of our portfolio based on contractual repricing schedules. Actual maturities may differ from the contractual

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repricing maturities shown below as a result of renewals and prepayments. Loan renewals are re-evaluated using substantially the same credit procedures that are used when loans are made.

December 31, 2003						
One Year or Less	Over One Year Through Five Years		Over Five Years		Total	
	Fixed Rate	Variable	Fixed Rate	Variable		
(In thousands)						
Loans secured by real estate:						
One to four family	\$ 13,447	\$ 6,997	\$ 2,410	\$ 14,189	\$ 56,668	\$ 93,711
Construction and land development	28,313	7,884	2,445	72	5,034	43,748
Other	20,530	36,597	8,251	7,255	46,096	118,729
Total	62,290	51,478	13,106	21,516	107,798	256,188
Commercial and agricultural	32,911	11,734	9,726	2,200	14,163	70,734
Installment and other	3,628	12,700	103	3,949	1,439	21,819
Gross Loans	98,829	75,912	22,935	27,665	123,400	348,741
Less unearned fees	646					646
Total loans receivable	\$ 98,183	\$ 75,912	\$ 22,935	\$ 27,665	\$ 123,400	\$ 348,095

December 31, 2002						
One Year or Less	Over One Year Through Five Years		Over Five Years		Total	
	Fixed Rate	Variable	Fixed Rate	Variable		
(In thousands)						
Loans secured by real estate:						
One to four family	\$ 11,620	\$ 10,989	\$ 2,361	\$ 28,502	\$ 49,201	\$ 102,673
Construction and land development	25,059	5,707	1,977	115	5,859	38,717
Other	17,318	28,996	5,390	8,328	38,610	98,642
Total	53,997	45,692	9,728	36,945	93,670	240,032
Commercial and agricultural	33,142	11,862	9,261	3,195	14,375	71,835
Installment and other	5,385	19,830	2,948	860	693	29,716
Gross Loans	92,524	77,384	21,937	41,000	108,738	341,583
Less unearned fees	597					597

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December 31, 2002

Total loans receivable	\$ 91,927	\$ 77,384	\$ 21,937	\$ 41,000	\$ 108,738	\$ 340,986
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Nonperforming assets

Nonperforming assets consist of nonperforming loans and other real estate owned. Nonperforming loans consist of loans 90 days or more delinquent and still accruing interest, nonaccrual loans, and restructured loans. When, in the opinion of management, a reasonable doubt exists as to the collectibility of interest, regardless of the delinquency status of a loan, the accrual of interest income is discontinued and any interest accrued to date is reversed through a charge to interest income. While a loan is on nonaccrual status, it is our policy that interest income is recognized only after payment in full of the past due principal. Loans are generally placed on non-accrual status when principal or interest is 90 days or more past due, unless the loans are well-secured and in the process of collection.

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The following table presents information concerning the nonperforming assets at the dates indicated.

	December 31				
	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
	(Dollars in thousands)				
Nonaccrual loans	\$ 5,481	\$ 3,413	\$ 2,316	\$ 2,705	\$ 1,792
Loans 90 days past due and still accruing	641	1,163	1,380	1,518	621
Restructured loans	1,138				
Nonperforming loans	7,260	4,576	3,696	4,223	2,413
Other real estate owned	1,117	1,770	1,572	340	792
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 8,377	\$ 6,346	\$ 5,268	\$ 4,563	\$ 3,205
Nonperforming loans as a percentage of total loans	2.09%	1.34%	1.04%	1.27%	0.78%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total assets	1.29%	0.97%	0.81%	0.85%	0.62%

Total nonperforming assets were \$8.4 million at December 31, 2003 compared to \$6.3 million at December 31, 2002, representing an increase of \$2.1 million or 33%. The increase in nonperforming assets was primarily due to an increase in nonperforming loans of \$2.7 million offset by a decrease in other real estate owned of approximately \$653,000.

Nonperforming loans increased \$2.7 million, or 58.7%, to \$7.3 million at December 31, 2003 from \$4.6 million at December 31, 2002. The increase in nonperforming loans was a result of an increase in nonaccrual loans of \$2.1 million and an increase of \$1.1 million in restructured loans. Nonaccrual loans increased \$2.1 million to \$5.5 million at December 31, 2003 from \$3.4 million at December 31, 2002. This increase was primarily a result of one large loan approximating \$2.6 million to a residential property developer placed on nonaccrual status in 2003. Included in the \$5.5 million of nonaccrual loans at December 31, 2003 were four large loans aggregating \$4.6 million with specific reserves of \$782,000. These loans include \$2.6 million with a residential property developer, \$1.3 million with an individual for a single-family dwelling, \$382,000 with an underground cabling company and \$316,000 with an aluminum extrusion company. We do not anticipate losses on these credits in excess of the specific reserves. Restructured loans at December 31, 2003 consisted of seven relationships. The largest relationship included agricultural lending restructured through Farmer Home Administration of approximately \$600,000. Other real estate owned was \$1.1 million at December 31, 2003 compared to \$1.8 million at December 31, 2002. Other real estate owned consisted of 15 properties held by our subsidiary banks. The properties consisted of four commercial buildings totaling \$559,300, seven one to four family properties totaling \$288,800, and four parcels of land totaling \$268,600. The properties are all located within our market areas. Management is working to sell the real estate as soon as practical.

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Nonperforming assets have steadily increased from 1999 along with the increase in our total assets. Nonperforming assets as a percent of total assets increased to 1.29% at December 31, 2003, compared to 0.97% at December 31, 2002, and 0.81% at December 31, 2001. Nonperforming assets will generally increase in times of economic uncertainty or stress. Management believes the level of nonperforming assets may increase if economic weaknesses are experienced in 2004, although the magnitude of any increase in nonperforming loans is not determinable.

Impaired loans

We consider a loan to be impaired when it is deemed probable by management that we will be unable to collect all contractual principal and interest payments in accordance with the terms of the original loan agreement. However, when determining whether a loan is impaired, management also considers the loan documentation, the current ratio of the loan's balance to collateral value, and the borrower's present financial position. Included as impaired loans are all loans contractually delinquent 90 days or more and all loans upon which accrual of interest has been suspended.

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At December 31, 2003, we had impaired loans totaling \$6.1 million, which have related specific reserves of \$1.3 million. This compares to \$4.6 million of impaired loans, which had related specific reserves of \$1.2 million at December 31, 2002. The increase in impaired loans was the result of the increase in non-performing assets above. The average recorded investment in impaired loans during the year ended December 31, 2003 was \$6.7 million. Interest income recognized on impaired loans during the period the loans were considered to be impaired for 2003 approximated \$56,000. Impaired loans will generally increase in times of economic uncertainty or stress. Management believes the level of impaired loans could increase if economic weaknesses are experienced in our market area during 2004.

Allowance for Loan Losses

Management maintains its allowance for loan losses based on industry standards, historical experience and an evaluation of economic conditions. We regularly review delinquencies and loan portfolio quality. Based upon these factors, management makes various assumptions and judgments about the ultimate collectibility of the loan portfolio and provides an allowance for potential loan losses based upon a percentage of the outstanding balances and for specific loans if their ultimate collectibility is considered questionable. Since certain lending activities involve greater risks, the percentage applied to specific loan types may vary. The allowance is increased by provisions for loan losses and reduced by loans charged off, net of recoveries.

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The following table sets forth information regarding changes in the allowance for loan losses for the periods indicated.

	Year ended December 31				
	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
	(Dollars in thousands)				
Average total loans	\$ 341,782	\$ 335,194	\$ 339,258	\$ 324,198	\$ 267,695
Total loans at end of period	\$ 348,095	\$ 340,986	\$ 357,080	\$ 331,931	\$ 329,924
Allowance at beginning of year	\$ 4,611	\$ 4,392	\$ 3,911	\$ 3,320	\$ 2,541
Loans charged off:					
Real estate:					
One to four family	(229)	(238)	(99)	(15)	(20)
Construction		(18)	(141)		
Other	(2)	(103)	(38)	(32)	
Commercial	(1,296)	(561)	(441)	(217)	(198)
Lease financing receivables	(32)	(20)	(36)	(154)	(19)

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Year ended December 31

Installment and other	(688)	(635)	(930)	(570)	(542)
Total charge-offs	(2,247)	(1,575)	(1,685)	(988)	(779)
Recoveries:					
Real estate:					
One to four family	49	13	4		23
Construction	7	29		4	
Other	80	19		4	
Commercial	35	38	67	50	38
Lease financing receivables		22	24	25	1
Installment and other	181	239	254	142	161
Total recoveries	352	360	349	225	223
Net charge-offs	(1,895)	(1,215)	(1,336)	(763)	(556)
Provision for loan losses	1,790	1,434	1,435	1,001	902
Allowance related to acquisitions			382	353	433
Allowance at end of period	\$ 4,506	\$ 4,611	\$ 4,392	\$ 3,911	\$ 3,320
Ratio of net charge-offs to average total loans	0.55%	0.36%	0.39%	0.24%	0.21%
Allowance to total loans at end of period	1.29%	1.35%	1.23%	1.18%	1.07%
Allowance to nonperforming loans	62.1%	100.76%	118.83%	92.61%	137.59%

The allowance for loan losses was \$4.5 million, or 1.29% of total loans at December 31, 2003 compared to \$4.6 million or 1.35% of total loans at December 31, 2002. Allowance to nonperforming loans was 62.1% at December 31, 2003 compared to 100.76% at 2002. The decrease in the allowance as a percent of total loans and percent of nonperforming loans was a result of management's calculation of the estimated reserve, consistently applied from year to year, which considers historical experience, evaluation of economic conditions and knowledge of specific loans. Contributing to the decrease in the allowance as a percent of nonperforming loans was the inclusion of a loan in nonperforming loans of approximately \$2.6 million to a residential property developer without a corresponding increase in specific allowances as the loan was adequately collateralized by real estate. Also contributing to the decrease in the allowance as a percent of nonperforming loans was the increase in restructured loans included in nonperforming loans of \$1.1 million of which approximately \$600,000 was a loan to an agriculture borrower, restructured through Farmer Home Administration. Excluding the increase in restructured loans, the allowance was 73.6% of nonaccrual loans and loans 90 days or more delinquent. Net charge-offs were \$1.9 million for the year ended 2003 compared to \$1.2 million for the year ended 2002. Net charge-offs for 2003 primarily

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consisted of \$1.3 million in commercial loan net charge-offs, \$507,000 in installment and other loan net charge-offs and \$180,000 in one to four family loan net charge-offs. The commercial charge-offs were comprised of six large loans totaling \$1.2 million.

Net charge-offs were \$1.2 million for the year ended 2002, compared to \$1.3 million for the year ended 2001. Net charge-offs for 2002 primarily consisted of \$523,000 in commercial loans, \$396,000 in installment loans, and \$225,000 in one to four family real estate loans. Commercial loan net charge-offs were primarily composed of five credits totaling \$487,000. These credits were from various industries in our markets including an auto leasing company, a retail-packaging manufacturer, a convenience store, an auto body shop, and fraudulent receivables purchased. One to four family net charge-offs were also the result of one larger credit, where we released the mortgage in error and the customer filed for bankruptcy. Installment net charge-offs have increased over the past few years at approximately 2.0% of installment net charge-offs to total installment loans. We also exited the dealer paper business and sold our credit card portfolio during 2001. As a result, the net charge-off percentage for installment loans has improved to 1.86% for 2002, compared to 2.21% for 2001.

Our lending personnel are responsible for continuous monitoring of the loan portfolio. Additionally we have a separate loan review process, which reviews the loan portfolio on a quarterly basis to determine compliance with loan policy, including the appropriateness of risk ratings

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assigned to individual loans, as well as the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses. The allowance for loan losses is based primarily on management's estimates of probable loan losses from the foregoing processes and historical experience.

The following table presents an allocation of the allowance for loan losses by loan category as of the dates indicated. The allocation table should not be interpreted as an indication of the specific amounts, by loan classification, to be charged to the allowance. Management believes that the table may be a useful device for assessing the adequacy of the allowances as a whole. The table has been derived in part by applying historical loan loss ratios to both internally classified loans and the portfolio as a whole to determine the allocation of the loan losses attributable to each category of loans.

December 31

2003		2002		2001		2000		1999	
Amount of Gross Allowance	Loans in Category as a Percentage of Total Loans	Amount of Gross Allowance	Loans in Category as a Percentage of Total Loans	Amount of Gross Allowance	Loans in Category as a Percentage of Total Loans	Amount of Gross Allowance	Loans in Category as a Percentage of Total Loans	Amount of Gross Allowance	Loans in Category as a Percentage of Total Loans

(Dollars in thousands)

Loans secured by real estate:										
One to four family	\$ 397	27.00%	\$ 16	30.1%	\$ 139	35.2%	\$ 161	34.8%	\$ 250	33.6%
Construction and land development	635	13.0	575	11.3	248	8.2	29	6.7	16	6.6
Other	944	34.0	784	28.8	658	22.4	126	17.0	85	14.0
Commercial and agricultural	1,638	20.0	2,102	21.1	2,283	23.1	2,211	26.2	1,012	28.1
Lease financing receivables	8		14		35	1.4	76	2.4	50	2.5
Installment and other	602	6.0	864	8.7	889	9.7	828	12.9	836	15.2
Unallocated	282		256		140		480		1,071	
	\$ 4,506	100.00%	\$ 4,611	100.0%	\$ 4,392	100.0%	\$ 3,911	100.0%	\$ 3,320	100.0%

The provision for loan losses takes into account many factors such as our prior experience with loan losses and an evaluation of the risks in the loan portfolio at any given time, including changes in economic, operating, and other conditions of borrowers, the economies in our areas of operations and to a lesser extent, the national economy and several other factors beyond our control. The allowance for loan losses allocated to one to four family increased approximately \$381,000 at December 31, 2003 compared to December 31, 2002 due to assignment of specific reserves to certain loans included in this category. The allowance for loan losses allocated to other loans secured by real estate increased approximately \$160,000 due to the increase in loans in that category of approximately 20.4%. The allowance for loan losses

allocated to commercial and agricultural loans decreased approximately \$464,000 due to a decrease in agricultural loans of approximately \$2.1 million or 13.0%. The decrease in the allocation of the allowance for loan losses allocated to installment and other loans of approximately \$262,000 is due to the decrease in the loan balance in that category of \$7.9 million or 26.6%.

Investments

We invest a portion of our available funds in short-term and long-term instruments, including federal funds sold and investment securities. Our investment portfolio is designed to provide liquidity for cash-flow requirements, to assist in managing interest rate risk, and to provide collateral for certain public deposits and other borrowing arrangement. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, the investment portfolio was comprised

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principally of obligations of U.S. government agencies, obligations of states and political subdivisions, and mortgage-backed securities. Total investment securities at December 31, 2003 of \$221.3 million decreased \$2.8 million from total investments at December 31, 2002 of \$224.1 million. The decrease was primarily a result of a decrease in mortgage-backed securities of \$33.7 million offset by an increase in U.S. government agency securities of \$22.8 million.

During 2002, we initiated an interest rate risk management strategy through a transaction in which we purchased \$40.0 million in short-term mortgage backed investment securities with \$40.0 million in long-term borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank. The Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings, which carry an average rate of 4.19%, consisted of \$30.0 million in 10 year fixed rate advances convertible to floating rate advances if LIBOR increases to 7.50% within the next 10 years and \$10.0 million in 5 year fixed rate advances convertible to floating rate advances if LIBOR increases to 7.50% within the next 5 years. The intent of the transaction was to increase the asset sensitivity of our balance sheet to benefit from an increase in interest rates and borrow long-term borrowings during the period of historical low interest rates. The cumulative net result of this transaction from 2002 through 2003 was net interest income of approximately \$468,000.

The following table presents our investments in certain securities accounted for as available for sale. "Other" investments is comprised of Federal Home Loan Bank stock, Federal Reserve Bank stock, mutual funds, and certain equity securities, all of which carry no stated maturity.

	December 31	
	2003	2002
(In thousands)		
Investment securities available for sale:		
U.S. Agency securities	\$ 77,809	\$ 54,998
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	33,166	27,669
Mortgage-backed securities	92,688	126,409
Other	17,589	14,976
	\$ 221,252	\$ 224,052

At December 31, 2003 and 2002, the investment portfolio did not contain investments, which were considered to be derivatives, structured notes or similar instruments that are classified as "High-Risk Securities" as defined by the Federal Financial Institutions Examinations Council.

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The following tables set forth a summary of the contractual maturities in the investment portfolio at December 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002.

	December 31, 2003									
	One year or less		Over one years through five years		Over five years through ten years		Over ten years		Total	
	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
(Dollars in thousands)										
U.S. Treasury and agencies	\$ 8,713	4.92%	\$ 38,528	3.51%	\$ 11,737	3.74%	\$ 18,831	4.73%	\$ 77,809	4.00%
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	1,193	5.55	6,022	6.50	15,420	6.42	10,530	6.25	33,165	6.35
Mortgage-backed securities			382	4.48	3,250	5.14	89,057	4.72	92,689	4.73
Other(1)	11,229	6.49	138	6.96	1,309	7.40	4,913	4.97	17,589	5.74
	\$ 21,135		\$ 45,070		\$ 31,716		\$ 123,331		\$ 221,252	

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December 31, 2003

December 31, 2002

	One year or less		Over one years through five years		Over five years through ten years		Over ten years		Total	
	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
(Dollars in thousands)										
U.S. Treasury and agencies	\$ 10,955	4.64%	\$ 42,997	4.93%	\$ 1,047	6.20%	\$	0.00%	\$ 54,998	4.90%
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	1,282	4.22	7,923	4.49	10,618	4.97	7,845	4.88	27,669	4.77
Mortgage-backed securities		0.00	729	5.41	5,736	5.60	119,943	5.40	126,409	5.41
Other(1)	8,969	3.60	1,985	6.49		0.00	4,022	5.00	14,976	2.20
	<u>\$ 21,206</u>		<u>\$ 53,634</u>		<u>\$ 17,401</u>		<u>\$ 131,810</u>		<u>\$ 224,052</u>	

(1) Other securities consists principally of Federal Home Loan Bank stock, Federal Reserve Bank stock, and mutual funds which have no stated maturity

Deposits

Our primary source of funds has historically been customer deposits, which totaled \$446.2 million at December 31, 2003, a \$9.4 million, or 2.1%, decrease from \$455.6 million at December 31, 2002. The decrease was a result of a decrease in checking deposits and money market deposits of \$14.1 million offset by an increase in time deposits and savings deposits of approximately \$4.7 million. Deposits totaled \$487.8 million at December 31, 2001.

The following table sets forth the average balances and weighted average rates for categories of deposits for the periods indicated.

	Years ended December 31					
	2003		2002		2001	
	Average Balance	Average Rate	Average Balance	Average Rate	Average Balance	Average Rate
(Dollars in thousand)						
Noninterest-bearing demand	\$ 64,329		\$ 47,152		\$ 50,528	
Interest-bearing demand	146,527	0.76%	148,970	1.30%	122,325	2.40%
Savings	31,672	0.78%	33,854	1.46%	25,426	2.23%
Time	203,452	2.65%	217,858	3.58%	249,231	5.46%
Total	<u>\$ 445,980</u>		<u>\$ 447,834</u>		<u>\$ 447,510</u>	

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The following table summarizes at December 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002, our certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more by time remaining until maturity.

	December 31	
	2003	2002
	(In thousands)	
Remaining maturity:		
Less than three months	\$ 15,463	\$ 12,655
Three to six months	15,456	8,992
Six months to one year	12,975	15,737
One year and over	12,539	9,636
	\$ 56,433	\$ 47,020

Federal Home Loan Bank and Federal Reserve Bank Borrowings

Our subsidiary banks are members of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka (FHLB). The FHLB system functions as a central bank providing credit for members. As members of the FHLB, our subsidiary banks are entitled to borrow funds from the FHLB and are required to own FHLB stock in an amount determined by a formula based upon total assets and FHLB borrowings. Our subsidiary banks may use FHLB borrowings to supplement deposits as a source of funds.

At December 31, 2003, FHLB borrowings aggregated \$111.2 million, compared to \$112.3 million at December 31, 2002. FHLB borrowings aggregated \$74.4 million, at December 31, 2001. The increase of \$37.9 million in FHLB advances at December 31, 2002, compared to December 31, 2001, was the result of a transaction, where we borrowed \$40.0 million in FHLB advances during 2002 and purchased short-term mortgage backed investment securities. The intent of the transaction was to increase the asset sensitivity of our balance sheet to benefit from an increase in interest rates and borrow long-term borrowings during the period of historical low interest rates. At December 31, 2003, the aggregate available and unused borrowing capacity of our subsidiary banks was approximately \$13.6 million, which was available through a line of credit and term advances. FHLB borrowings are collateralized by FHLB stock, investment securities and certain qualifying mortgage loans of our subsidiary banks.

TeamBank, N.A. and Colorado National Bank are member banks of the Federal Reserve Bank and may use the Federal Reserve Bank discount window to meet short-term funding needs. Neither of our subsidiary banks utilized short-term Federal Reserve Bank borrowings during 2003 or 2002.

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Contractual Obligations, Commitments and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

Team Financial, Inc. has various contractual obligations in the normal course of business that are integral to our operations. The following table summarizes payments due per these contractual obligations at December 31, 2003.

	Payments Due By				Total
	One Year or less	Over One to Three Years	Over Three to Five Years	Over Five Years	
	(In thousands)				
Time deposits	145,001	43,152	12,020	19	200,192

	Payments Due By				
Repurchase agreements	7,297				7,297
Subordinated debentures and notes payable	13,165	10,611	10,000	96,578	130,354
Contingent payments	925				925
Operating lease obligations	277	535	428	248	1,488
Loan commitments	39,663	10,830	574	10,612	61,679
Data processing contracts	518	1,098	683		2,299
Total	206,846	66,226	23,705	107,457	404,234

Payments on time deposits are based on contractual maturity dates. These funds may be withdrawn prior to maturity with or without penalties.

Contingent payments represent amounts payable to the previous shareholders of The Quarles Agency, Inc., an insurance agency we acquired on December 18, 2002, if certain revenue benchmarks are achieved in 2003 and 2004. The revenue benchmark was achieved during 2003 and therefore, a payment of \$925,000 plus interest was paid in 2004. If the benchmark is achieved in 2004, another payment of \$925,000 plus interest is payable to the previous shareholders in 2005.

Operating lease obligations represent property rented for branch offices. Payments represent the minimum lease payments and exclude related costs such as utilities.

Loan commitments represent obligations to provide financing to our customers. As some of these commitments will expire prior to funding the full amount, the total commitments amounts do not necessarily represent future cash obligations.

Data processing contracts represent the minimum obligations under these contracts and exclude additional payments that are based on volume of transactions processed.

Additionally, Team Financial, Inc. offers standby letters of credit to our customers, which are a conditional, but irrevocable form of guarantee, issued to guarantee payment upon default of payment by our customer. Standby letters of credit are initially issued for a period of one year, but can be extended depending on customer needs. The contractual amount of standby letters of credit was \$1,869,000 at December 31, 2003 and the maximum remaining term for any standby letter of credit is December 2008. Commitments for standby letters of credit do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

Capital Resources

We monitor compliance with bank and financial holding company regulatory capital requirements, focusing primarily on risk-based guidelines. Under the risk-based capital method of capital measurement, the ratio computed is dependent upon the amount and composition of assets recorded on the balance sheet, and the amount and composition of off-balance sheet items, in addition to the level of capital. Included in the risk-based capital method are two measures of capital adequacy, core capital and total capital, which consist of core and secondary capital. Core capital, also known as Tier 1 capital, generally includes common shareholders' equity, perpetual preferred stock and minority interests in consolidated

subsidiaries, less goodwill and intangible assets. No more than 25% of core capital elements may consist of cumulative preferred stock. The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities* (FIN 46), which when adopted on December 31, 2003, resulted in deconsolidation of our wholly owned subsidiary, Team Financial Capital Trust. The Cumulative Trust Preferred Securities, issued by the subsidiary to purchase Team Financial, Inc. subordinated debentures, is included in Tier I capital of Team Financial, Inc. for regulatory purposes. There can be no assurance that the Federal Reserve will continue to allow institutions to include trust preferred securities in Tier 1 capital. Total risk based capital, also known as Tier 2 capital, generally includes the allowance for loan losses limited to 1.25% of weighted risk assets, certain forms of perpetual preferred stock, as well as hybrid capital instruments.

The following tables present capital ratios as of the indicated dates.

**Risk Based Capital Ratios
At December 31**

	2003		2002(3)		2001(3)	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
(Dollars in thousand)						
Core capital	\$ 46,320	11.08%	\$ 43,175	10.98%	\$ 41,637	10.60%
Core capital minimum requirement(1)	16,721	4.00%	15,723	4.00%	15,711	4.00%
Excess	\$ 29,599	7.08%	\$ 27,452	6.98%	\$ 25,926	6.60%
Total risk based capital	\$ 50,826	12.16%	\$ 47,786	12.16%	\$ 46,029	11.72%
Total risk based capital requirement	33,442	8.00%	31,446	8.00%	31,422	8.00%
Excess	\$ 17,384	4.16%	\$ 16,340	4.16%	\$ 14,607	3.72%
Total risk adjusted assets	\$ 418,026		\$ 393,070		\$ 392,780	

**Leverage Ratios
At December 31**

	2003		2002(3)		2001(3)	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
(Dollars in thousand)						
Core capital	\$ 46,320	7.46%	\$ 43,175	6.88%	\$ 41,637	6.92%
Core capital minimum requirement(2)	24,829	4.00%	25,114	4.00%	24,076	4.00%
Excess	\$ 21,491	3.46%	\$ 18,061	2.88%	\$ 17,561	2.92%
Average total assets	\$ 620,723		\$ 627,855		\$ 601,903	

- (1) Based on risk-based capital guidelines of the Federal Reserve, a bank holding company is required to maintain a core capital to risk-adjusted assets ratio of 4% and a total capital, risk-based, to risk-adjusted assets ratio of 8%.
- (2) The leverage ratio is defined as the ratio of core capital to average tangible assets. Based on Federal Reserve guidelines, a bank holding company generally is required to maintain a leverage ratio in excess of 4%.
- (3) Restated for deconsolidation of wholly owned subsidiary as a result of adopting FIN 46. See Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in the consolidated financial statements.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities*, (FIN 46). FIN 46 provides guidance on how to identify a variable interest entity (VIE) and determine when the assets, liabilities, non-controlling interests and results of operations of a VIE need to be included in a company's financial statements. VIEs are generally defined in FIN 46 as entities that either do not have sufficient equity to finance their activities without support from other parties or whose equity investors lack a controlling financial interest. In December 2003,

the FASB issued a revised FIN 46 (FIN 46R), which required public companies to apply FIN 46 to special purpose entities by periods ending

after December 15, 2003. We have a statutory trust, Team Financial Capital Trust I (the "Trust"), that was formed for the purpose of issuing Trust Preferred Securities (see note 11 to the annual consolidated financial statements). As a result of applying FIN 46R, the Trust is not consolidated in the financial statements of Team Financial, Inc. The impact of deconsolidating the Trust was reporting \$16 million in subordinated obligation by Team Financial, Inc., representing \$15.5 million in subordinated debentures issued by Team Financial, Inc. in 2001, solely held by the Trust, and \$480,000 of common interest, on the financial statements of Team Financial Inc. The \$15.5 million Trust Preferred Securities issued by the Trust in 2001 will remain on the records of the Trust. The \$480,000 subordinated obligation reported by Team Financial Inc. is offset by an identical amount representing Team Financial Inc.'s investment in the Trust and is included in other assets.

We continue to include the preferred securities in our Tier I capital for regulatory capital purposes until notice is given to the contrary. The Federal Reserve intends to review the regulatory implications of any accounting treatment changes and, if necessary or warranted, provide further appropriate guidance. There can be no assurance that the Federal Reserve will continue to allow institutions to include Trust Preferred Securities in Tier I capital for regulatory capital purposes. Pursuant to the terms of the Trust Preferred Securities, we may redeem all \$15.5 million of the subordinated debentures if the Trust Preferred Securities no longer qualify as Tier 1 capital.

In May 2003, FASB issued Statement No. 150, *Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of Both Liabilities and Equity* (SFAS 150). SFAS No. 150 establishes standards for how an issuer classifies, measures and discloses in its financial statements certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. SFAS 150 requires that an issuer classify financial instruments that are within its scope as a liability, in most circumstances. Such financial instruments include (i) financial instruments that are issued in the form of shares that are mandatorily redeemable; (ii) financial instruments that embody an obligation to repurchase the issuer's equity shares, or are indexed to such an obligation and that require the issuer to settle the obligation by transferring assets; (iii) financial instruments that embody an obligation that the issuers settle by issuing a variable number of its equity shares if, at inception, the monetary value of the obligations is predominately based on a fixed amount, variations in something other than the fair value of the issuer's equity share or variations inversely related to changes in the fair value of the issuer's equity shares; and (iv) certain freestanding financial instruments. SFAS 150 is effective for contracts entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and is otherwise effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. Adoption of SFAS 150 on July 2003 did not have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Item 7a. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Liquidity

We continuously forecast and manage our liquidity in order to satisfy cash flow requirements of depositors, borrowers, and our own cash flow needs. We have developed internal and external sources of liquidity to meet our continued growth needs. These include, but are not limited to, the ability to raise deposits through branch promotional campaigns, maturity of overnight funds, short term investment securities classified as available-for-sale and draws on credit facilities established through the Federal Home Loan Bank. Our most liquid assets are cash and cash equivalents and investment securities available-for-sale. The levels of these assets are dependent on our operating, financing, lending, and investing activities during any given period. At December 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002, these liquid assets totaled \$240.1 million and \$259.6 million, respectively. Management believes our sources of liquidity are adequate to meet expected cash needs for the foreseeable future.

Asset and Liability Management

Asset and liability management refers to management's efforts to minimize fluctuations in net interest income caused by interest rate changes. This is accomplished by managing the repricing of interest rate sensitive interest-bearing assets and interest-bearing liabilities. Controlling the maturity of repricing of an institution's liabilities and assets in order to minimize interest rate risk is commonly referred to as gap management. Close matching of repricing assets and liabilities will normally result in little change in net interest income when interest rates change. We monitor our assets and liability mix monthly in an effort to maintain consistent earnings performance through control of interest rate risk.

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Below is a static gap schedule as of December 31, 2003. This is just one of several tools which may be used to measure and manage interest rate sensitivity. Interest earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities are presented below within selected time intervals based on their repricing and maturity characteristics. In this view, the sensitivity position is perfectly matched when an equal amount of assets and liabilities reprice during any given time period. Excess assets or liabilities repricing in a given time period results in the interest rate gap shown in the table. A positive gap indicates more assets than liabilities will reprice in that time period, while a negative gap indicates more liabilities than assets will reprice.

Static Gap Analysis at December 31, 2003

	<u>3 months</u> <u>or loss</u>	<u>4 through</u> <u>12 months</u>	<u>13 through</u> <u>36 months</u>	<u>37 through</u> <u>60 months</u>	<u>61 through</u> <u>120 months</u>	<u>More than</u> <u>120 months</u>	<u>Total</u>
(Dollars in thousands)							
Interest earning assets:							
Loans receivable, net of unearned income	\$ 37,355	\$ 60,733	\$ 59,121	\$ 40,241	\$ 42,047	\$ 108,598	\$ 348,095
Investment securities available for sale	9,730	11,405	21,797	23,273	31,716	123,331	221,252
Federal funds sold and interest bearing deposits	4,667						4,667
Other assets			480				480
Total interest earning assets	\$ 51,752	\$ 72,138	\$ 81,398	\$ 63,514	\$ 73,763	\$ 231,929	\$ 574,494
Interest bearing liabilities:							
Savings deposits and interest-bearing checking	\$ 174,128						\$ 174,128
Time deposits under \$100,000	29,977	71,132	33,660	8,972	19		143,760
Time deposits over \$100,000	15,463	28,431	9,491	3,047			56,432
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	7,297						7,297
Federal Home Loan Bank Advances		12,000	8,664	10,000	80,570		111,234
Notes payable and subordinated debentures		565	18,555				19,120
Total interest bearing liabilities	\$ 226,865	\$ 112,128	\$ 70,370	\$ 22,019	\$ 80,589	\$	\$ 511,971
Periodic repricing gap	\$ (175,113)	\$ (39,990)	\$ 11,028	\$ 41,495	\$ (6,826)	\$ 231,929	\$ 62,523
Cumulative repricing gap	(175,113)	(215,103)	(204,075)	(162,580)	(169,406)	62,523	
Periodic repricing gap as a percent of interest earning assets	(338.37)%	(55.44)%	13.55%	65.33%	(9.25)%	100.00%	
Cumulative repricing gap as a percent of interest earning assets	(338.37)%	(298.18)%	(250.71)%	(255.98)%	(229.66)%	26.96%	

The table indicates that we are liability sensitive in the less than three-month period, the four through 12 month period, and the 61 through 120 month period, and are asset sensitive for all other periods. This means that during the first two period classifications, interest bearing liabilities reprice faster than interest earning assets, thereby improving net interest income when rates are falling and reducing net interest income when rates are rising. While the "static gap" method is a widely used measure of interest sensitivity, it is not, in management's opinion, the only indicator of our rate sensitivity.

The following table indicates that at December 31, 2003, if there had been a sudden and sustained increase in prevailing market interest rates, our 2004 net interest income would be expected to increase, while a decrease in rates would indicate a decrease in net interest income.

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Change in Interest Rates	Net Interest Income	(Decrease) Increase	Percent Change
(Dollar in thousands)			
200 basis point rise	\$ 21,435	\$ 1,384	6.90%
100 basis point rise	20,751	700	3.49
Base rate scenario	20,051		
100 basis point decline	17,853	(2,198)	(10.96)
200 basis point decline	14,609	(5,442)	(27.14)

We believe we are appropriately positioned for future interest rate movements, although we may experience fluctuations in net interest income due to short-term timing differences between the repricing of assets and liabilities.

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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors Team Financial, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial condition of Team Financial, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2003. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Team Financial, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, effective July 1, 2001, the Company adopted the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) 141, *Business Combinations*, and certain provisions of SFAS No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, as required for goodwill and intangible assets resulting from business combinations consummated after June 30, 2001. Effective January 1, 2002, the Company adopted the provisions of SFAS 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, as required for goodwill and intangible assets resulting from business combinations consummated before June 30, 2001.

Kansas City, Missouri
March 11, 2004

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TEAM FINANCIAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

December 31, 2003 and 2002

(In thousands)

	2003	2002
Assets		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 14,135	\$ 18,298
Federal funds sold and interest bearing bank deposits	4,667	17,260
	<u>18,802</u>	<u>35,558</u>
Investment securities:		
Available for sale, at fair value (amortized cost of \$218,377 and \$218,036 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively)	221,252	224,052
	<u>221,252</u>	<u>224,052</u>
Total investment securities	221,252	224,052
	<u>348,095</u>	<u>340,986</u>
Loans receivable, net of unearned fees	348,095	340,986
Allowance for loan losses	(4,506)	(4,611)
	<u>343,589</u>	<u>336,375</u>
Net loans receivable	343,589	336,375
	<u>4,002</u>	<u>4,053</u>
Accrued interest receivable	4,002	4,053
Premises and equipment, net	14,132	12,219
Assets acquired through foreclosure	1,117	1,770
Goodwill	14,538	14,407
Intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization	5,830	6,579
Bank owned life insurance policies	17,756	16,968
Other assets	8,778	4,368
	<u>649,796</u>	<u>656,349</u>
Total assets	\$ 649,796	\$ 656,349
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Deposits:		
Checking deposits	\$ 165,448	\$ 172,886
Savings deposits	32,715	31,212
Money market deposits	47,804	54,485
Certificates of deposit	200,192	197,022
	<u>446,159</u>	<u>455,605</u>
Total deposits	446,159	455,605

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	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	7,297	4,401
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	111,234	112,331
Notes payable	3,115	6,455
Subordinated debentures	16,005	16,005
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	13,582	9,724
	<u>597,392</u>	<u>604,521</u>
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, no par value. Authorized 10,000,000 shares; issued no shares		
Common stock, no par value. Authorized 50,000,000 shares; issued 4,449,638 and 4,442,210 shares, outstanding 4,099,555 and 4,107,627 shares at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively	27,448	27,393
Capital surplus	292	211
Retained earnings	25,979	23,290
Treasury stock, common stock 350,083 and 334,583 shares at cost at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively	(3,212)	(3,034)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	1,897	3,968
	<u>52,404</u>	<u>51,828</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 649,796</u>	<u>\$ 656,349</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

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TEAM FINANCIAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Operations

Years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Interest income:			
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 23,189	\$ 25,890	\$ 30,045
Taxable investment securities	7,207	10,020	8,247
Nontaxable investment securities	1,094	889	1,032
Other	119	270	626
	<u>31,609</u>	<u>37,069</u>	<u>39,950</u>
Interest expense:			
Deposits:			
Checking deposits	554	993	1,681
Savings deposits	246	493	567
Money market deposits	557	939	1,249
Certificates of deposit	5,392	7,803	13,601
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	49	65	223

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	2003	2002	2001
FHLB advances payable	4,998	4,256	1,929
Notes payable	174	325	717
Subordinated debentures	1,508	1,508	590
Total interest expense	13,478	16,382	20,557
Net interest income before provision for loan losses	18,131	20,687	19,393
Provision for loan losses	(1,790)	(1,434)	(1,435)
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	16,341	19,253	17,958
Non-interest income:			
Service charges	3,573	3,677	3,644
Trust fees	608	595	554
Insurance agency commissions	4,454	324	
Gain on sales of mortgage loans	2,788	2,364	1,762
Gain on sales of investment securities	294	72	6
Gain on sale of branch assets		452	
Bank owned life insurance income	892	1,011	449
Other	1,807	1,669	1,509
Total non-interest income	14,416	10,164	7,924
Non-interest expenses:			
Salaries and employee benefits	13,791	11,850	10,572
Occupancy and equipment	2,769	2,368	2,312
Data processing	2,141	1,910	1,754
Professional fees	1,143	1,073	1,111
Marketing	428	267	277
Supplies	439	368	368
Goodwill amortization			354
Intangible asset amortization	998	1,073	866
Disposal of branch assets	258		
Conversion	59	6	246
Other	3,731	3,377	3,026
Total noninterest expenses	25,757	22,292	20,886
Income before income taxes	5,000	7,125	4,996
Income taxes	(1,208)	(2,419)	(1,462)
Net income	\$ 3,792	\$ 4,706	\$ 3,534
Shares applicable to basic income per share	4,095,903	4,145,820	3,989,098
Basic income per share	\$ 0.93	\$ 1.14	\$ 0.89
Shares applicable to diluted income per share	4,131,381	4,165,400	3,996,327
Diluted income per share	\$ 0.92	\$ 1.13	\$ 0.88

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

TEAM FINANCIAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

Years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001

(In thousands)

	2003	2002	2001
Net income	\$ 3,792	\$ 4,706	\$ 3,534
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:			
Unrealized gains (losses) on investment securities available for sale net of tax of \$(970), \$1,670, and \$277 in 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively	(1,877)	3,295	486
Reclassification adjustment for gains (losses) included in net income net of tax of \$(100) \$(24), and \$(2) in 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively	(194)	(48)	(4)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, net of tax of \$101			196
Other comprehensive income (loss), net	(2,071)	3,247	678
Comprehensive income	\$ 1,721	\$ 7,953	\$ 4,212

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TEAM FINANCIAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholder's Equity

Years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001

(In thousands)

	Common stock	Additional paid-in capital	Retained earnings	Treasury stock	Accumulated other comprehensive income	Total stockholders' equity
Balance, December 31, 2000	\$ 25,324	\$ 103	\$ 16,771	\$ (2,442)	\$ 43	\$ 39,799
Treasury stock purchased (3,295 shares)				(24)		(24)
Common stock issued in connection with compensation plans (597 shares)	6					6
Common stock issued for acquisitions (250,000 shares)	1,814					1,814
Contribution of shares of treasury stock to Company ESOP (50,000 shares)		(35)		410		375
Net income			3,534			3,534
Dividends (\$0.20 per share)			(812)			(812)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of \$376 in taxes					678	678
Balance, December 31, 2001	27,144	68	19,493	(2,056)	721	45,370
Treasury stock purchased (119,683 shares)				(1,177)		(1,177)

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	Common stock	Additional paid-in capital	Retained earnings	Treasury stock	Accumulated other comprehensive income	Total stockholders' equity
Common stock issued in connection with compensation plans (8,068 shares)	49					49
Common stock issued in connection with noncompete agreement (20,000 shares)	200					200
Contribution of shares of treasury stock to Company ESOP (20,000 shares)		6		199		205
Increase in additional paid in capital in connection with compensation plans		137				137
Net income			4,706			4,706
Dividends (\$0.22 per share)			(909)			(909)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of \$1,646 in taxes					3,247	3,247
Balance, December 31, 2002	27,393	211	23,290	(3,034)	3,968	51,828
Treasury stock purchased (50,800 shares)				(564)		(564)
Common stock issued in connection with compensation plans (7,428 shares)	55					55
Contribution of shares of treasury stock to Company ESOP (35,300 shares)		55		386		441
Increase in additional paid in capital in connection with compensation plans		26				26
Net income			3,792			3,792
Dividends (\$0.27 per share)			(1,103)			(1,103)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of \$(1,070) in taxes					(2,071)	(2,071)
Balance, December 31, 2003	\$ 27,448	\$ 292	\$ 25,979	\$ (3,212)	\$ 1,897	\$ 52,404

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

TEAM FINANCIAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001

(In thousands)

	2003	2002	2001
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 3,792	\$ 4,706	\$ 3,534
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Provision for loan losses	1,790	1,434	1,435
Depreciation and amortization	4,593	3,299	2,051
Contribution of treasury stock shares to ESOP	441	205	375
Deferred income taxes	(359)	681	(49)
Noncash compensation expense	26	137	

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	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Change in bank owned life insurance	(788)	(781)	
Net (gain) loss on sales of investment securities	(294)	(72)	(6)
Net gain on sales of mortgage loans	(2,788)	(2,364)	(1,762)
Net loss (gain) on sales of assets acquired through foreclosure	73	3	(4)
Net gain on sale of branch assets		(452)	
Net gain on sale of credit card portfolio			(10)
Proceeds from sale of credit card portfolio			1,187
Disposal of branch assets	258		
Proceeds from sale of mortgage loans	132,436	121,491	62,020
Origination of mortgage loans for sale	(121,264)	(114,143)	(75,242)
Net increase in other assets	(5,838)	(250)	(1,382)
Net (decrease) increase in accrued expenses and other liabilities	5,203	(1,863)	1,072
	<u>17,281</u>	<u>12,031</u>	<u>(6,781)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Net (increase) decrease in loans	(16,400)	(175)	15,461
Proceeds from sale of investment securities available-for-sale	5,686	9,239	34
Proceeds from maturities and principal reductions of investment securities available-for-sale	127,556	68,083	64,678
Purchases of investment securities available-for-sale	(135,706)	(108,540)	(97,361)
Purchase of premises and equipment, net	(3,296)	(1,864)	(873)
Proceeds from sales on assets acquired through foreclosure	641	390	944
Purchase of bank owned life insurance			(15,650)
Cash (paid) received for acquisitions and dispositions, net		(35,374)	8,181
	<u>(21,519)</u>	<u>(68,241)</u>	<u>(24,586)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Net (decrease) increase in deposits	(9,446)	25,955	(12,038)
Net (decrease) increase in federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreement to repurchase	2,896	(5,985)	3,033
Payments on Federal Home Loan Bank advances	(1,097)	(2,107)	(4,511)
Proceeds from Federal Home Loan Bank advances		40,000	48,000
Payments on notes payable	(3,540)	(3,990)	(9,825)
Proceeds of notes payable	200	800	5,045
Subordinated debentures			16,005
Common stock issued	55	249	6
Purchase of treasury stock	(564)	(1,177)	(24)
Dividends paid on common stock	(1,022)	(872)	(796)
	<u>(12,518)</u>	<u>52,873</u>	<u>44,895</u>
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(16,756)	(3,337)	13,528
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	35,558	38,895	25,367
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	<u>\$ 18,802</u>	<u>\$ 35,558</u>	<u>\$ 38,895</u>

Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:

Cash paid during the year for:			
Interest	\$	13,596	\$ 21,120 \$ 21,267
Income taxes		2,055	2,892 715
Noncash activities related to operations:			
Transfer of securities from held-to-maturity to available-for-sale	\$		\$ 25,161
Assets acquired through foreclosure		549	1,250 1,840
Loans to facilitate the sale of real estate acquired through foreclosure		521	417 60
Noncash activities related to acquisitions and disposals:			
Operating activities:			
(Decrease) in other assets	\$	(45)	\$
Investing activities:			
(Decrease) increase in investments			(15,480) 13,563
Net (decrease) increase in loans receivable			(9,668) 30,070
(Decrease) increase in premises and equipment		(213)	(91) 1,411
Financing activities:			
(Decrease) increase in deposits			(58,101) 57,594

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TEAM FINANCIAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements****December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001****(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The following accounting policies, together with those disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements, represent the significant accounting policies used in presenting the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Team Financial, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries, Team Financial Acquisition Subsidiary, Inc., including TeamBank, N.A. and its subsidiaries, and Post Bancorp including Colorado National Bank. All material inter-company transactions, profits, and balances are eliminated in consolidation.

Financial Statement Presentation and Use of Estimates

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and contingent assets and liabilities as of the balance sheet dates and revenues and expenses for the reporting years. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to confirm with current year presentations.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of reporting cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, amounts due from banks, federal funds sold, securities purchased under agreements to resell, and certificates of deposit.

Securities Available-for-Sale

Securities to be held for indefinite periods of time, including securities that management intends to use as a part of its asset/liability strategy that may be sold in response to changes in interest rates, loan prepayments, or other factors, are classified as available-for-sale and carried at fair value. Gains or losses on the sale of securities are determined using the specific identification method. Premiums and discounts are recognized in interest income using the interest method over the period to maturity. Unrealized holding gains or losses, net of tax, for securities available-for-sale are reported as a component of other comprehensive income.

Loans

Loans are stated at unpaid principal balances, reduced by unearned fees. Interest on loans is accrued and credited to income as it is earned using the simple interest method on daily balances of the principal amount outstanding. However, interest is generally not accrued on loans over 90 days contractually delinquent. Accrued interest income is reversed when a loan is placed on nonaccrual status. Fees received on loans in excess of amounts representing the estimated cost of origination are deferred and credited to income using the interest method.

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Mortgage Banking

Loans held for sale in the secondary market are carried at the lower of aggregate cost or fair value. Unrealized losses are recognized via a charge against operations through the establishment of a valuation reserve. Realized gains and losses on such loans are accounted for under the specific identification method. Qualified loan origination fees and costs are not amortized during the period the loans are held for sale.

Typically, mortgage loans are sold to permanent investors while we retain the right to service the loans. Service fees are recorded in income when earned. Capitalized servicing rights are recorded at the time the loan is sold, thereby increasing the gain on sale by such amount, and subsequently amortized over the period of the estimated future net servicing income of the underlying financial assets. Any remaining unamortized amount is charged to expense if the related loan is repaid prior to maturity.

Management monitors the capitalized mortgage servicing rights for impairment based on the fair value of those rights, as determined on a quarterly basis. Any impairment is recognized through a valuation allowance.

Allowances for Loan Losses

We account for impaired loans in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 114, *Accounting By Creditors For Impairment Of A Loan*, as amended by SFAS No. 118, *Accounting By Creditors For Impairment Of A Loan - Income Recognition And Disclosures*. SFAS No. 114 generally requires all creditors to account for impaired loans, except those loans that are accounted for at fair value or at the lower of cost or fair value, at the present value of the expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate at the date of initial impairment, or, as a practical expedient, at the loan's observable market prices or fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. SFAS No. 114 indicates that a creditor should evaluate the collectibility of both contractual interest and contractual principal when assessing the need for a loss accrual.

We consider a loan to be impaired when it is deemed probable by management that we will be unable to collect all contractual principal and interest payments in accordance with the terms of the original loan agreement. However, when determining whether a loan is impaired, management also considers the loan documentation, the current ratio of the loan's balance to collateral value, and the borrower's present financial position. Included as impaired loans are all loans contractually delinquent 90 days or more and all loans upon which accrual of interest has been suspended.

Management believes that the allowance for loan losses as of December 31, 2003 is adequate. However, additions to or recaptures from the allowances may be necessary based upon changes in economic conditions, borrower financial status, the regulatory environment, real estate values, and loan portfolio size and composition. Many of these factors are beyond our control and, accordingly, periodic provisions for estimated loan losses may vary from time to time.

Real Estate Owned

Real estate acquired through foreclosure is initially recorded at the lower of cost or fair value less estimated cost to sell. If fair value less cost to sell is less than amortized cost, a charge against the allowance for estimated loan losses is recorded at property acquisition. Declines in property value subsequent to acquisition are charged to operations.

Recognition of gains on the sale of real estate is dependent upon the transaction meeting certain criteria relating to the nature of the property and the terms of the sale and potential financing. These criteria are presented within SFAS No. 66 *Accounting For Sales Of Real Estate*, and Accounting Principal Board No. 21, *Interest On Receivables and Payables*. Under certain circumstances, a gain on sale of real estate, or a portion thereof, may be deferred until the criteria are met. Losses on disposition of real estate, including expenses incurred in connection with the disposition, are charged to operations.

Premises and Equipment

Land is carried at cost. Other premises and equipment are reported at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization are computed using the straight-line method over the estimate useful lives of the assets or the term of the related lease, whichever is shorter. The useful lives for the principal classes of assets are:

Assets	Useful life
Buildings and improvements	5 to 40 years
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	3 to 10 years

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill resulting from the acquisition of bank branches and subsidiaries represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net assets acquired or net liabilities assumed. Goodwill arising from acquisitions consummated prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 142 *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* on July 1, 2001 was amortized straight-line over periods ranging from ten to twenty years. Effective July 1, 2001, we adopted certain provisions of SFAS 142 related to business combinations consummated after June 30, 2001. Effective January 1, 2002, we adopted the provisions of SFAS 142 related to business combinations before June 30, 2001, amended by SFAS No. 147, *Acquisitions of Certain Financial Institutions*. SFAS 142, amended by SFAS 147, requires that goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives no longer be amortized, but instead tested for impairment at least annually. It also requires intangible assets with estimated useful lives be amortized to their estimated residual values, and be reviewed for impairment.

Core deposit intangible assets resulting from the acquisition of bank branches and subsidiaries represent the fair value assigned to core deposits assumed. Core deposit intangible assets are amortized using a straight-line or accelerated basis over periods ranging from seven to fifteen years.

Agency expiration intangible asset resulting from the acquisition of an insurance agency represents the fair value assigned to the existing customer list of the insurance agency acquired. Agency expiration intangible assets are amortized using a straight-line basis over a period of ten years.

Non-compete agreement intangible assets reflect the consideration paid to individuals for contracts not to compete with us in our markets. Non-compete agreement intangible assets are amortized over the life of the contract.

Bank Owned Life Insurance

Bank owned life insurance is recorded at the cash surrender value of the underlying policies. Income on the investments in the policies, net of insurance costs, is recorded as non-interest income.

Insurance Agency Commissions

Insurance agency commissions are recorded as of the effective date of insurance coverage or the billing date, whichever is later. Contingent commissions and commissions on premiums billed and collected directly by insurance companies are recorded as revenue when received, which is our first notification of amounts earned.

Income Taxes

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We file consolidated federal income tax returns. Certain income and expense items are treated differently for financial reporting purposes than for income tax purposes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to the difference between the consolidated financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

Income per Share

Basic income per share excludes dilution and is computed by dividing income available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the year. Diluted income per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock. The shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted income per share are shown below:

	December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
Weighted average common shares outstanding	4,095,903	4,145,820	389,098
Stock options	35,478	19,580	7,229
Diluted shares outstanding	4,131,381	4,165,400	396,327

Recent Accounting Developments

In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities*, (FIN 46). FIN 46 provides guidance on how to identify a variable interest entity (VIE) and determine when the assets, liabilities, non-controlling interests and results of operations of a VIE need to be included in a company's financial statements. VIEs are generally defined in FIN 46 as entities that either do not have sufficient equity to finance their activities without support from other parties or whose equity investors lack a controlling financial interest. In December 2003, the FASB issued a revised FIN 46 (FIN 46R), which required public companies to apply FIN 46 to special purpose entities by periods ending after December 15, 2003. We have a statutory trust, Team Financial Capital Trust I (the "Trust"), that was formed for the purpose of issuing Trust Preferred Securities (see note 11). As a result of applying FIN 46R, the Trust is not consolidated in the financial statements of Team Financial, Inc. The impact of deconsolidating the Trust was reporting \$16 million in subordinated obligation by Team Financial, Inc., representing \$15.5 million in subordinated debentures issued by Team Financial, Inc. in 2001, solely held by the Trust, and \$480,000 of common interest, on the financial statements of Team Financial Inc. The

\$15.5 million Trust Preferred Securities issued by the Trust in 2001 will remain on the records of the Trust. The \$480,000 subordinated obligation reported by Team Financial Inc. is offset by an identical amount representing Team Financial, Inc.'s investment in the Trust and is included in other assets.

We continue to include the preferred securities in our Tier I capital for regulatory capital purposes until notice is given to the contrary.

In connection with the adoption of FIN 46R, we have restated our financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2002.

The FASB issued Statement No. 149, *Amendment of Statement No. 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*. This statement amends and clarifies financial accounting and reporting for derivative instruments. The adoption of this statement did not have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2003, FASB issued Statement No. 150, *Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with characteristics of Both Liabilities and Equity*. SFAS No. 150 establishes standards for how an issuer classifies, measures and discloses in its financial statements certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. Statement No. 150 requires that an issuer classify financial instruments that are within its scope as a liability, in most circumstances. Such financial instruments include (i) financial instruments that are issued in the form of shares that are mandatorily redeemable; (ii) financial instruments that embody an obligation to repurchase the issuer's equity shares, or are indexed to such an

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obligation and that require the issuer to settle the obligation by transferring assets; (iii) financial instruments that embody an obligation that the issuers settle by issuing a variable number of its equity shares if, at inception, the monetary value of the obligations is predominately based on a fixed amount, variations in something other than the fair value of the issuer's equity share or variations inversely related to changes in the fair value of the issuer's equity shares; and (iv) certain freestanding financial instruments. Statement No. 150 is effective for contracts entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and is otherwise effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. Adoption of Statement No. 150 in July 2003 did not have a significant impact on our consolidated financial statements.

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(2) Investment Securities

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and fair value of investment securities are presented below:

December 31, 2003				
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair value
(In thousands)				
Available for sale:				
Debt securities:				
U.S. Agency securities	\$ 77,234	\$ 911	\$ (336)	\$ 77,809
Mortgage-backed securities	91,411	1,629	(352)	92,688
Nontaxable municipal securities	31,352	889	(156)	32,085
Taxable municipal securities	1,002	79		1,081
Other debt securities	8,128	194	(3)	8,319
	<u>209,127</u>	<u>3,702</u>	<u>(847)</u>	<u>211,982</u>
Total debt securities	209,127	3,702	(847)	211,982
Equity securities	9,250	36	(16)	9,270
	<u>\$ 218,377</u>	<u>\$ 3,738</u>	<u>\$ (863)</u>	<u>\$ 221,252</u>

December 31, 2002				
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair value
(In thousands)				
Available for sale:				
Debt securities:				
U.S. Agency securities	\$ 53,020	\$ 1,979		\$ 54,999
Mortgage-backed securities	123,574	2,835		126,409
Nontaxable municipal securities	25,562	1,032	(16)	26,578
Taxable municipal securities	1,002	89		1,091
Other debt securities	6,147	64		6,211
	<u>209,305</u>	<u>5,999</u>	<u>(16)</u>	<u>215,288</u>
Total debt securities	209,305	5,999	(16)	215,288
Equity securities	8,731	41	(8)	8,764

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December 31, 2002

Total available for sale securities	\$ 218,036	\$ 6,040	\$ (24)	\$ 224,052
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Equity securities consist primarily of Federal Home Loan Bank and Federal Reserve Bank stock.

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Gross realized gains and losses on sale of investment securities available for sale are summarized as follows:

	Year ended December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
	(In thousands)		
Gain on sales of investment securities available for sale	\$ 300	\$ 72	\$ 6
Loss on sales of investment securities available for sale	6		
Net gain on sales of investment securities available for sale	\$ 294	\$ 72	\$ 6
Proceeds from the sale of investment securities available for sale	\$ 5,686	\$ 9,239	\$ 34

Information on temporarily impaired securities at December 31, 2003, segregated by those investments that have been in continuous unrealized loss position for less than 12 months and those investments that have been in continuous unrealized loss position for 12 months or longer, is summarized as follows:

Description of securities	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
(In thousands)						
Debt securities:						
U. S. Agency securities	\$ 26,347	\$ (336)	\$	\$	\$ 26,347	\$ (336)
Mortgage-backed securities	38,970	(352)			38,970	(352)
Nontaxable municipal securities	6,558	(144)	1,089	(12)	7,647	(156)
Taxable municipal securities						
Other debt securities	108	(3)			108	(3)
Total debt securities	71,983	(835)	1,089	(12)	73,072	(847)
Equity securities	1,288	(8)	4	(8)	1,292	(16)
Total temporarily impaired securities	\$ 73,271	\$ (843)	\$ 1,093	\$ (20)	\$ 74,364	\$ (863)

The table above represents 122 investment securities where the current fair value is less than the related amortized cost. The unrealized losses on these temporarily impaired securities are a result of changes in interest rates for fixed-rate securities where the interest rate received is less than the current rate available for new offerings of similar securities, changes in market spreads as a result of shifts in supply and demand, and

changes in the level of prepayments for mortgage-back securities.

Contractual maturities of investment securities classified as available-for-sale are listed in the following table. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without penalties.

	December 31, 2003		December 31, 2002	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Available-for-sale:				
Due less than one year	\$ 11,628	\$ 11,865	\$ 12,207	\$ 12,443
Due after one through five years	44,297	45,070	51,555	53,634
Due after five through ten years	31,092	31,716	16,650	17,401
Due after ten years	122,110	123,331	128,893	131,810
Equity investments	9,250	9,270	8,731	8,764
	<u>\$ 218,377</u>	<u>\$ 221,252</u>	<u>\$ 218,036</u>	<u>\$ 224,052</u>

At December 31, 2003, securities with amortized cost of approximately \$173,912,000 and fair value of approximately \$176,380,000 were pledged as collateral to creditors, collateral for repurchase agreements, collateral for public funds on deposits and for other purposes as required by law. At December 31, 2002 securities with amortized cost of approximately \$176,491,000 and fair value of approximately \$181,800,000 were pledged.

(3) Loans

Major classifications of loans at December 31, 2003 and 2002 are as follows:

	December 31, 2003			
	Fixed	Adjustable	Total	Percent of Total Loans
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Loans receivable:				
Loans secured by real estate:				
One to four family	\$ 31,618	\$ 62,093	\$ 93,711	26.9%
Construction and land development	35,321	8,427	43,748	12.6
Nonfarm, nonresidential	55,353	48,215	103,568	29.8
Farmland	3,110	8,873	11,983	3.4
Multifamily	1,200	1,978	3,178	0.9
Commercial and industrial	33,090	23,626	56,716	16.3
Agricultural	5,468	8,550	14,018	4.0
Installment loans	15,422	144	15,566	4.5
Obligations of state and political subdivision	3,180	1,398	4,578	1.3
Lease financing receivables	1,675		1,675	0.5

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December 31, 2003

Gross loans	185,437	163,304	348,741	100.2
Less unearned fees	646		646	0.2
Total loans receivable	\$ 184,791	\$ 163,304	\$ 348,095	100.0%

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December 31, 2002

	Fixed	Adjustable	Total	Percent of Total Loans
(Dollars in thousands)				
Loans receivable:				
Loans secured by real estate:				
One to four family	\$ 51,426	\$ 51,247	\$ 102,673	30.1%
Construction and land development	28,019	10,698	38,717	11.3
Nonfarm, nonresidential	45,070	39,681	84,751	24.9
Farmland	5,611	6,960	12,571	3.7
Multifamily	356	964	1,320	0.4
Commercial and industrial	25,422	30,302	55,724	16.3
Agricultural	4,914	11,197	16,111	4.7
Installment loans	21,154	159	21,313	6.3
Obligations of state and political subdivision	3,692	2,640	6,332	1.9
Lease financing receivables	790	1,281	2,071	0.6
Gross loans	186,454	155,129	341,583	100.2
Less unearned fees	597		597	0.2
Total loans receivable	\$ 185,857	\$ 155,129	\$ 340,986	100.0%

Included in one-to-four family real estate loans are mortgage loans held for sale of approximately \$1,148,000 and \$10,329,000 at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

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A summary of nonperforming assets is as follows:

	December 31	
	2003	2002
(In thousands)		
Nonperforming assets:		
Nonaccrual loans:		
Real estate loans	\$ 4,464	\$ 1,549

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	December 31	
Commercial, industrial, and agricultural	890	1,665
Installment loans	106	199
Lease financing receivables	21	
Total nonaccrual loans	5,481	3,413
Loans past due 90 days or more still accruing:		
Real estate loans	400	799
Commercial, industrial, and agricultural	223	362
Installment loans	18	2
Total past due 90 days or more still accruing	641	1,163
Restructured loans	1,138	
Total nonperforming loans	7,260	4,576
Assets acquired through foreclosure	1,117	1,770
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 8,377	\$ 6,346

An analysis of impaired loans is summarized as follows:

	Accrual status		Nonaccrual status		Total impaired loans	
	Principal	Specific Allowances	Principal	Specific Allowances	Principal	Specific Allowances
	(In thousands)					
December 31, 2003	\$ 641	\$ 435	\$ 5,481	\$ 1,048	\$ 6,122	\$ 1,483
December 31, 2002	1,163	637	3,413	582	4,576	1,219

Average investment in impaired loans was \$6,683,000 and \$5,514,000 during the years ending December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Activity related to loans made to our directors and executive officers during 2003 is presented below. Such loans were made in the ordinary course of business on normal credit terms, including interest rate and collateralization (in thousands):

Loans to executive officers at January 1, 2003	\$ 981
Additions	575
Amounts collected	(654)
Balance at December 31, 2003	\$ 902

Our primary market areas in Kansas are Miami County, Allen County, Franklin County, Labette County, Johnson County, Dickinson County and surrounding counties. The primary market areas in Nebraska are Washington County, and Sarpy County. The primary market areas in Colorado are El Paso County and

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Teller County along the front range of the Colorado Rocky Mountains and in Missouri the primary market areas are Vernon County and Barton County. The majority of the loans made by our subsidiary banks are within these primary market areas.

(4) Mortgage Banking Activities

We service first mortgage loans for secondary investors. Escrow balances are held on deposit for first mortgage loans serviced in our subsidiary banks. The aggregate first mortgage loans serviced and escrow balances held are as follows:

	December 31	
	2003	2002
	(In thousands)	
Mortgage loans serviced	\$ 127,700	\$ 131,742
Escrow deposits	553	230

Included in gain on sales of mortgage loans are capitalized mortgage servicing rights. A summary of the net mortgage servicing rights, which are included in intangible assets for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 is as follows:

	December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
	(In thousands)		
Balance January 1	\$ 637	\$ 759	\$ 807
Mortgage servicing rights capitalized during the year	288	660	767
Amortization	(510)	(541)	(728)
Valuation adjustment (impairment)	241	(241)	(87)
Balance December 31	\$ 656	\$ 637	\$ 759

Service fees earned (net of amortization of capitalized mortgage servicing rights), included in other income, were approximately \$329,000 for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001.

(5) Allowance for Loan Losses

A summary of the allowances for loan losses for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 is as follows:

	December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
	(In thousands)		
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 4,611	\$ 4,392	\$ 3,911
Provision for loan losses	1,790	1,434	1,435
Charge-offs	(2,247)	(1,575)	(1,685)
Recoveries	352	360	349
Allowance related to acquisitions			382
Balance, end of year	\$ 4,506	\$ 4,611	\$ 4,392

(6) Premises and Equipment, Net

Major classifications of bank premises and equipment at December 31, 2003 and 2002 are summarized as follows:

	December 31	
	2003	2002
	(In thousands)	
Land	\$ 3,020	\$ 2,615
Bank premises	12,528	11,057
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	10,367	9,218
	<u>25,915</u>	<u>22,890</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	11,783	10,671
	<u>\$ 14,132</u>	<u>\$ 12,219</u>

Depreciation expense aggregating \$1,175,000, \$917,000, and \$968,000 for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively, has been included in occupancy and equipment expense in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

Team Financial, Inc. has operating leases extending to 2010 for rental of certain buildings. Rent expense related to the leases was approximately \$270,500 during 2003, \$120,100 during 2002 and \$107,100 during 2001. Following is a summary of future minimum lease payments for years following December 31, 2003:

	Amount In thousands
2004	\$ 277
2005	276
2006	259
2007	255
2008	173
Thereafter	248
	<u>1,488</u>

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(7) Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The following table presents the original cost and accumulated amortization of intangible assets.

	December 31			
	2003		2002	
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Core deposit intangible	\$ 6,400	\$ 2,626	\$ 6,400	\$ 2,148
Agency expirations	1,309	140	1,349	5

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December 31

Noncompete agreements	350	119	350	4
Mortgage servicing rights	2,340	1,684	1,905	1,268
Total intangible assets	\$ 10,399	\$ 4,569	\$ 10,004	\$ 3,425

Expected amortization expense for intangible assets that will continue to be amortized under SFAS 142, amended by SFAS 147, is as follows:

Estimated amortization expense

	Core Deposit Intangible	Mortgage Servicing Rights	Agency Expirations	Noncompete Agreements	Total
	(In thousands)				
Year ending December 31, 2004	\$ 468	\$ 156	\$ 130	\$ 112	\$ 866
Year ending December 31, 2005	463	126	130	40	759
Year ending December 31, 2006	463	126	130	40	759
Year ending December 31, 2007	463	126	130	39	758
Year ending December 31, 2008	440	124	130		694

Goodwill at December 31, 2003 increased \$131,000 from December 31, 2002 as a result of adjustments to the purchase price allocation in the first quarter 2003 related to The Quarles Agency, Inc. acquisition on December 18, 2002. There was no impairment to goodwill recorded for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002.

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(In thousands)

Balance as of January 1	\$ 14,407
Goodwill acquired during year	131
Balance as of December 31	\$ 14,538

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As required by SFAS 142, we discontinued recording goodwill amortization effective January 1, 2002. The following tables compare results of operations as if no goodwill amortization had been recorded in 2001.

Year ended December 31

	2003	2002	2001
	(In thousands, except per share data)		
Reported net income	\$ 3,792	\$ 4,706	\$ 3,534
Add back goodwill amortization			354
Adjusted net income	\$ 3,792	\$ 4,706	\$ 3,888
Basic income per share	\$ 0.93	\$ 1.14	\$ 0.89
Add back goodwill amortization			0.08
Adjusted net income	\$ 0.93	\$ 1.14	\$ 0.97

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	Year ended December 31		
Diluted income per share	\$ 0.92	\$ 1.13	\$ 0.88
Add back goodwill amortization			0.08
Adjusted net income	\$ 0.92	\$ 1.13	\$ 0.96

(8) Deposit Accounts

Deposits are summarized as follows:

	December 31	
	2003	2002
(In thousands)		
Demand:		
Noninterest bearing	\$ 62,386	\$ 62,950
Interest bearing:		
NOW	103,062	109,936
Money market	47,804	54,485
	150,866	164,421
Total demand	213,252	227,371
Savings	32,715	31,212
Time	200,192	197,022
Total deposits	\$ 446,159	\$ 455,605
Time deposits of \$100,000 and over	\$ 56,433	\$ 47,020

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Principal maturities of time deposits at December 31, 2003 are as follows:

	Amount
(In thousands)	
Year:	
2004	\$ 145,001
2005	31,460
2006	11,692
2007	6,370
2008	5,650
Thereafter	19
	\$ 200,192

Amount

(9) Securities Sold under Agreements to Repurchase

Our obligation to repurchase securities sold at December 31, 2003 and 2002 aggregated approximately \$7,297,000 and \$4,401,000, respectively. Information concerning securities sold under agreements to repurchase is as follows:

	December 31	
	2003	2002
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Average monthly balance during the year	\$ 5,111	\$ 4,221
Weighted average interest rate during the year	0.82%	1.28%
Maximum month-end balance during the year	\$ 7,297	\$ 5,919

At December 31, 2003, such agreements were secured by investment securities. A safekeeping agent under our control maintains pledged securities.

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(10) Advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank and Notes Payable

Following is a summary of the advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank and notes payable at December 31:

	2003	2002
	(In thousands)	
Note payable, interest floating at 2% over one month LIBOR (3.12%) at December 31, 2003 and 1.75% over one month LIBOR (3.19%) at December 31, 2002; due April 30, 2006; secured by common stock of subsidiary banks	\$ 2,550	\$ 3,125
Borrowing under a line of credit, interest floating at 2.00% over one month LIBOR (3.12% and 3.44% at December 31, 2003 and 2002); due April 30, 2004; secured by common stock of subsidiary banks; maximum credit limit as of December 31, 2003 was \$8,000,000	550	3,300
Non-interest bearing unsecured notes payable, due in 2004	15	30
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings by certain subsidiary banks at interest rates ranging from 2.62% to 7.09%; maturities ranging from 2004 to 2013; secured by real estate loans, investments securities, and Federal Home Loan Bank stock	111,234	112,331
	\$ 114,349	\$ 118,786

As of December 31, 2003, we had \$550,000 outstanding on the \$8,000,000 line of credit with an available balance of \$7,450,000. Interest of .1875% is payable on unused line of credit amounts. Subsequent to December 31, 2003, management renegotiated the note payable and line of credit, which resulted in combining the term note payable into the line of credit and reducing the maximum credit limit to \$6,000,000. The interest rate of 3.12% payable on outstanding balances and .1875% payable on unused amounts remained unchanged. The new line of credit matures June 30, 2004.

Our subsidiary banks maintain lines of credit with the Federal Home Loan Bank approximating \$153,832,000. As of December 31, 2003, our subsidiary banks had \$111,234,000 outstanding on the line of credit and \$29,000,000 of letters of credit with an available balance of approximately \$13,600,800.

Principal maturities on advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank and long-term notes payable at December 31, 2003 were as follows:

	<u>Amount</u>
	(In thousands)
Year:	
2004	\$ 12,600
2005	6,261
2006	4,350
2007	10,000
2008	
Thereafter	80,573
	<u>\$ 113,784</u>

(11) Subordinated Debentures

On August 10, 2001, Team Financial Capital Trust I (the Trust), a Delaware business trust formed by Team Financial, Inc., completed the sale of \$15.5 million 9.50% Cumulative Trust Preferred Securities. The Trust used the net proceeds from the offering to purchase a like amount of Team Financial, Inc.'s 9.50% subordinated debentures. The debentures, maturing August 10, 2031, are the sole assets of the Trust. In exchange for the capital contribution made to the Trust by Team Financial, Inc. upon formation, Team Financial, Inc. owns all 48,016 common securities of the Trust.

In December 2003, the FASB issued FIN 46R, which we implemented December 31, 2003. Prior to the implementation of FIN 46, the Trust was consolidated in the financial statements of Team Financial, Inc., which resulted in the elimination of the subordinated debt and our investment in the Trust. As a result of applying FIN 46R, the Trust is no longer consolidated in the financial statements. The impact of deconsolidating the Trust was reporting \$16 million in subordinated obligation, representing \$15.5 million in subordinated debentures issued by Team Financial, Inc. and \$480,000 of common interest, on the financial statements of Team Financial, Inc. at December 31, 2003 and 2002. The \$15.5 million preferred securities issued by the Trust will remain on the records of the Trust. The \$480,000 subordinated obligation reported by Team Financial, Inc. is offset by an identical amount representing Team Financial, Inc.'s investment in the Trust and is included in other assets. We continue to include the Trust Preferred Securities in our Tier I capital for regulatory capital purposes until notice is given to the contrary.

Total expenses associated with offering the preferred securities of the Trust, paid by Team Financial, Inc., approximated \$1.0 million and are reflected in Team Financial Inc.'s financial statements. The costs are included in "Other Assets" and are being amortized on a straight-line basis to interest expense over the life of the debentures.

The Trust Preferred Securities accrue and pay distributions quarterly at annual rates of 9.50% of the stated liquidation amount of \$10 per preferred security. We have fully and unconditionally guaranteed all of the obligations of the Trust. The guaranty covers the quarterly distributions and payments on liquidation or redemption of the Trust Preferred Securities.

The Trust Preferred Securities are mandatorily redeemable upon the maturity of the debentures on August 10, 2031 or upon earlier redemption as provided in the Indentures. We have the right to redeem the debentures, in whole or in part, on or after August 10, 2006 at a redemption price specified in the Indentures plus any accrued but unpaid interest to the redemption date.

(12) Employee Benefit Plans

Eligible employees participate in an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP). ESOP contributions charged to salaries and benefits expense were approximately \$441,400 in 2003, and \$375,000 in 2002 and 2001. The 2003 contribution was made contributing 33,000 shares of common stock with a fair value of \$12.50 per share and 2,300 shares with fair value of \$12.55. The 2002 contribution was made contributing \$170,000 in cash and 20,000 shares of common stock with a fair value of \$10.25 per share. The 2001 contribution was made by contributing 50,000 shares of common stock with a fair value of \$7.50 per share.

Employees have the opportunity to purchase our common stock pursuant to Section 423 of the Internal Revenue Code through the employee stock purchase plan. We issued 4,678 shares in January 2003 in exchange for cash of \$33,000. We issued 5,565, and 597 shares in January 2002 and 2001, respectively, in exchange for cash of \$33,100, and \$6,000.

Under various performance incentive programs, employees may be granted awards for their performance based on certain financial and growth targets determined by management. Bonus awards are at the discretion of the Compensation Committee and may consist of cash, common stock, or a combination thereof. We charged \$46,500, \$551,600, and \$435,800 to salaries and benefits expense as a result of this bonus program in 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively.

Employees meeting certain conditions are eligible to participate in the Team Financial, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan immediately upon their employment date. We match 50% of the first 6% of deferred compensation that employees contribute to the Plan. Team Financial, Inc.'s contributions vest ratably over five years. We charged \$210,600, \$165,200, and \$162,000 to salaries and benefits expense as a result of this program in 2003, 2002, and 2001, respectively.

Employees meeting certain conditions are eligible to participate in the Stock Incentive Plan (the Plan). The selection of participants will be solely within the discretion of the board of directors. The stock incentive awards authorized to be distributed under the Plan on a stand alone, combination, or tandem basis are (i) stock options, (ii) stock appreciation rights, (iii) other stock based awards. Pursuant to the Plan, 470,000 shares of Team Financial, Inc. common stock are reserved for issuance under the stock option components of the Plan. We granted stock options to acquire 35,000 shares of common stock for \$10.10 per share and 14,750 shares of common stock for \$12.41 per share during 2003, 35,000 shares of common stock for \$8.32 per share and 22,950 shares of common stock for \$10.10 per share during 2002, and 13,600 shares of common stock for \$8.32 per share and 35,000 for \$6.62 per share during 2001. We charged \$125,600 and \$136,900 to compensation expense during 2003 and 2002, respectively, in connection with stock options to acquire shares of common stock granted below market value. There was no charge to compensation expense in 2001 related to stock options granted below market value.

We apply Accounting Principals Board (APB) Opinion No. 25 and related interpretations in accounting for the Stock Incentive Plan. Under APB No. 25, compensation cost for stock options is measured as the excess, if any, of the fair market value of our stock at the date of grant over the amount the employee must pay to acquire the stock.

Had compensation costs for the stock option components of the Plan been determined based upon the fair value at the date of grant consistent with SFAS No. 123, Accounting For Stock Based Compensation, our net income and earnings per share would have been reduced to the pro forma amounts indicated below:

	Year ended December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)		
Net income:			
As reported	\$ 3,792	\$ 4,706	\$ 3,534
Compensation cost, net	937	581	273
Pro forma	\$ 2,855	\$ 4,125	\$ 3,261
Basic earnings per share:			
As reported	\$ 0.93	\$ 1.14	\$ 0.89
Pro forma	0.70	0.99	0.82
Diluted earnings per share:			
As reported	\$ 0.92	\$ 1.13	\$ 0.88
Pro forma	0.69	0.99	0.82

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Year ended December 31

Shares applicable to basic earnings per share	4,095,903	4,145,820	3,989,098
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Shares applicable to diluted earnings per share	4,131,423	4,165,400	3,996,327
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The fair value of options granted was estimated using the following weighted average information; risk free interest rate of 4.26% for 2003, 3.82% for 2002, and 5.17% for 2001; an expected life of 10 years; expected volatility of stock price of 16.13% for 2003, 15.33% for 2002, and 15.85% for 2001; and expected dividends of 2.45% per year for 2003, 1.16% for 2002, and 2.50% for 2001.

In July of 2001, our board of directors approved a nonqualified salary continuation plan for executive officers whereby the executive officer will receive monthly benefits for ten years commencing with the month after retirement. The monthly benefits accrue based upon a stated percentage ranging from 25% to 65% of the highest consecutive ten year average of the participant's salary. In the event of death of the participant, the plan provides a continuing benefit to the spouse based on a vesting schedule defined by a percentage of the participant's age. Our subsidiary banks charged \$246,600, \$228,200 and \$102,000 to salary and benefits expense for 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively, as a result of this program. In connection with the plan, we have recorded a liability of \$552,200 and \$305,600 at December 31, 2003 and 2002.

In January of 2002, our board of directors approved a nonqualified deferred compensation plan for executive officers whereby the executive officer may defer a stated percentage of salary ranging from 2% of compensation to 10% of compensation. The deferral amounts are matched by us based on a stated percentage ranging from 15% to 25%. We accrue interest on the deferral amounts based on a modified return on equity calculation, which includes our return on equity, net of agency expiration intangible asset amortization and core deposit intangible asset amortization. Our subsidiary banks charged \$22,600 and \$24,000 during 2003 and 2002, respectively to salary and benefits expense as a result of this program.

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(13) Income Taxes

Total income tax expense for 2003, 2002, and 2001 was allocated as follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Income from continuing operations	\$ 1,208	\$ 2,419	\$ 1,462
Other comprehensive income	(1,070)	1,646	376
Goodwill for initial recognition of acquired deferred tax liabilities		500	631
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	\$ 138	\$ 4,565	\$ 2,469
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Income tax expense (benefit) attributable to income from operations for 2003, 2002, and 2001 consists of the following:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
	(In thousands)		
Current	\$ 1,567	\$ 1,738	\$ 1,511
Deferred	(359)	681	(49)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	\$ 1,208	\$ 2,419	\$ 1,462
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Following is reconciliation between income tax expense attributable to income from operations and the amount computed by multiplying earnings before income taxes by the statutory federal income tax rate of 34%:

2003	2002	2001
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	(In thousands)		
Expected federal income tax expense	\$ 1,700	\$ 2,423	\$ 1,699
Interest on obligations of state and political subdivisions	(508)	(479)	(432)
State income taxes, net of federal tax benefit	176	272	178
Cash value increase of bank owned life insurance, net of premiums paid	(271)	(317)	(139)
Goodwill		449	121
Income tax benefit on dividends paid to ESOP	(87)	(80)	(78)
Other	198	151	113
	\$ 1,208	\$ 2,419	\$ 1,462

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The income tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities at December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001 are presented below:

	2003	2002	2001
	(In thousands)		
Deferred tax assets:			
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 1,532	\$ 1,530	\$ 1,239
Acquired net operating loss carryforwards		19	92
Deferred compensation	311	193	82
Self insurance accrual	139	71	71
Other	104		87
State taxes, net			6
	2,086	1,813	1,577
Deferred liabilities:			
Dividends from real estate investment trust	404	606	
Net unrealized gain on securities available for sale	978	2,048	402
Agency expirations	398	451	
Mortgage servicing rights	223	220	258
Premises and equipment	929	721	752
Core deposit intangible asset	130	162	210
FHLB stock	177	163	163
Carrying value of bonds due to acquisition	39	64	125
Other		22	
State taxes, net	36	13	
	3,314	4,470	1,910
Net deferred tax liability	\$ (1,228)	\$ (2,657)	\$ (333)

During 2000, we began recapturing our tax bad debt reserves of approximately \$1,230,000 that had previously been established under Internal Revenue Code Section 585. A portion of this amount has been included in taxable income in each of the four years since 2000 according to the appropriate provisions of the Code.

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A valuation allowance for deferred tax assets was not necessary at December 31, 2003, 2002 or 2001.

We had deferred income for tax purposes related to our investment in a Real Estate Investment Trust because of a different tax year for a subsidiary entity. As a result of a new regulation promulgated by the Treasury Department in 2002, income of \$606,000 will be included in taxable income ratably over a four-year period beginning in 2002. As a result of this change in tax law, we have deferred income taxes payable of \$404,000 as of December 31, 2003, which will be paid ratably in the years ending December 31, 2004 and 2005.

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(14) Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair value of financial instruments at December 31, 2003 and 2002, including methods and assumptions utilized, are set forth below:

	2003		2002	
	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 19,000	\$ 19,000	\$ 36,000	\$ 36,000
Accrued interest receivable	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Investment securities	221,000	221,000	224,000	224,000
Loans, net of unearned discounts and allowance for loan losses	344,000	346,000	336,000	339,000
Demand deposits	\$ 62,000	\$ 62,000	\$ 63,000	\$ 63,000
Money market and NOW deposits	151,000	151,000	165,000	165,000
Savings deposits	33,000	33,000	31,000	31,000
Time deposits	200,000	202,000	197,000	200,000
	\$ 446,000	\$ 448,000	\$ 456,000	\$ 459,000
Accrued interest payable	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Notes payable and FHLB advances	114,000	114,000	119,000	121,000
Subordinated debentures	16,000	18,000	16,000	17,000

Methods and assumptions

The estimated fair value of cash and cash equivalents has no stated maturity and is equal to the carrying value.

The estimated fair value of accrued interest receivable has no stated maturity and is equal to the carrying value.

The estimated fair value of investment securities is based on quoted market prices or bid quotations received from securities dealers.

The estimated fair value of our loan portfolio is based on the segregation of loans by maturity using a weighted average pool rate. In estimating the fair value of loans, the carrying amount is reduced by the allowance for loan losses. The estimated fair value is calculated by discounting scheduled cash flow through the estimated maturity using estimated market discount rates based upon our current offering rates with similar maturities that reflect the interest rate risk inherent in the loans.

The estimated fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, such as non-interest bearing demand deposits, savings, NOW accounts, and money market accounts, is equal to the amount payable on demand. The fair value of interest bearing time deposits is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows of such deposits. The discount rate is estimated using the rates currently offered for deposits of similar remaining maturities.

The estimated fair value of accrued interest payable has no stated maturity and is equal to the carrying value.

The estimated fair value of fixed rate notes payable and Federal Home Loan Bank Advances is based on the discounted value of contractual maturities. The discount rate is estimated using the spread adjusted London Inter-bank Offering Rate (LIBOR). The carrying value of all floating rate notes payable and Federal Home Loan Bank Advances approximates fair value, as all these notes are based upon floating market rates, which approximate market rates.

The estimated fair value of our obligated mandatory redeemable preferred securities of subsidiary trust holding solely subordinated debentures is based on quoted market prices on the NASDAQ National Market.

Limitations

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on relevant market information and information about the financial instruments. These estimates do not reflect any premium or discount that could result from offering for sale at one time our entire holdings of a particular financial instrument. Because no market exists for a significant portion of our financial instruments, fair value estimates are based on judgments regarding future loss experience, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments and other factors. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and, therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates. Fair value estimates are based on existing balance sheet financial instruments without attempting to estimate the value of anticipated future business and the value of assets and liabilities that are not considered financial instruments.

(15) Capital Adequacy

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require us to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the table below for Team Financial Inc. and our subsidiary banks) of total risk-based and Tier 1 capital (as defined in the regulations) to risk-weighted assets, and of

Tier 1 capital to average assets. Management believes, as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, that the banks and Team Financial Inc. met all applicable capital adequacy requirements.

	Actual		For capital adequacy purposes		To be well capitalized under prompt corrective action provision	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
(Dollars in thousands)						
At December 31, 2003:						
Team Financial, Inc.:						
Risk-based capital (to risk weighted assets)	\$ 50,826	12.16%	\$ 33,442	8.00%		
Tier 1 capital (to risk weighted assets)	46,320	11.08%	16,721	4.00%		
Tier 1 capital (to average assets)	46,320	7.46%	24,829	4.00%		
TeamBank, N.A.:						
Risk-based capital (to risk weighted assets)	\$ 43,535	11.96%	\$ 29,118	8.00%	\$ 36,397	10.00%
Tier 1 capital (to risk weighted assets)	39,557	10.87%	14,559	4.00%	21,838	6.00%
Tier 1 capital (to average assets)	39,557	7.53%	21,005	4.00%	26,256	5.00%
Colorado National Bank:						

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	Actual		For capital adequacy purposes		To be well capitalized under prompt corrective action provision	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Risk-based capital (to risk weighted assets)	\$ 8,707	16.72%	\$ 4,166	8.00%	\$ 5,208	10.00%
Tier 1 capital (to risk weighted assets)	8,179	15.71%	2,083	4.00%	3,125	6.00%
Tier 1 capital (to average assets)	8,179	8.74%	3,742	4.00%	4,677	5.00%

(Dollars in thousands)

At December 31, 2002:

Team Financial, Inc.:

Risk-based capital (to risk weighted assets)	\$ 47,786	12.17%	\$ 31,407	8.00%
Tier 1 capital (to risk weighted assets)	43,175	11.00%	15,704	4.00%
Tier 1 capital (to average assets)	43,175	6.88%	25,095	4.00%

TeamBank, N.A.:

Risk-based capital (to risk weighted assets)	\$ 43,000	12.30%	\$ 27,978	8.00%	\$ 34,972	10.00%
Tier 1 capital (to risk weighted assets)	38,767	11.09%	13,989	4.00%	20,983	6.00%
Tier 1 capital (to average assets)	38,767	7.41%	20,926	4.00%	26,158	5.00%

Colorado National Bank:

Risk-based capital (to risk weighted assets)	\$ 8,339	18.33%	\$ 3,640	8.00%	\$ 4,550	10.00%
Tier 1 capital (to risk weighted assets)	7,950	17.47%	1,820	4.00%	2,730	6.00%
Tier 1 capital (to average assets)	7,950	7.80%	4,076	4.00%	5,095	5.00%

(16) Mergers and Acquisitions

On May 5, 2003, we closed one of our locations in Omaha, Nebraska. We recorded a \$258,000 loss to terminate the building lease and dispose of the assets of the facility.

On June 21, 2002 our wholly owned subsidiary, Community Bank, sold its Chapman and Abilene, Kansas branch locations to First National Bank of Belleville. We recorded a pre-tax gain on the sale of \$452,000 and an after tax loss on the sale of \$196,000. The after tax loss was due to a difference in the book versus tax basis on the reduction of \$1.3 million in goodwill with the sale. On June 21, 2002, Community Bank was merged into TeamBank, N.A.

On December 18, 2002, we acquired 100% of the outstanding stock of The Quarles Agency, Inc., a 25-year old insurance agency. The total consideration paid to The Quarles Agency, Inc.'s shareholders was \$6,850,000 in the form of \$5,000,000 of cash at closing and the balance of the cash consideration of \$1,850,000 plus interest thereon at the Prime Rate published in the Wall Street Journal minus one percent shall be paid in two annual contingent payments of \$925,000 each. See footnote 17 for further information regarding the contingent payments.

The acquisition was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting, as required by SFAS 141. The results of operations from the date of purchase have been included in the consolidated financial statements.

The following table summarizes the estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of the acquisition:

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	December 18, 2002
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 119
Accounts receivable	469
Reserve for bad debts and cancellations	(119)
Premises and equipment, net	259
Agency expirations	1,349
Goodwill	3,707
Other assets	1,381
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Total assets acquired	7,165
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Other liabilities	(2,165)
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Total liabilities assumed	(2,165)
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Net assets acquired	\$ 5,000
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The \$1.3 million agency expirations intangible asset acquired has a useful life of approximately ten years. Neither the goodwill of \$3.7 million or the agency expiration intangible assets of \$1.3 million are deductible for tax purposes.

In January 2003, an adjustment to the purchase price allocation was recorded for approximately \$131,000, resulting in an increase to goodwill to \$3.8 million at December 31, 2003.

(17) Commitments, Contingencies and Off-Balance Sheet Risks

Team Financial, Inc. has commitments to extend credit to our customers of approximately \$61,679,000 at December 31, 2003. Additionally, the contractual amount of standby letters of credit at December 31, 2003 was approximately \$1,869,000. These commitments involve credit risk in excess of the amount stated in the consolidated balance sheet. Exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the customer is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments.

Standby letters of credit are a conditional, but irrevocable form of guarantee issued to guarantee payment to a third party obligee upon default of payment by our customer. Standby letters of credit are initially issued for a period of one year, but can be extended depending on the customer's needs. As of December 31, 2003, the maximum remaining term for any standby letter of credit was December 2008. Since the credit risk involved in issuing standby letters of credit is the same as that involved in extending

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loans to customers, Team Financial, Inc. uses the same credit policies in evaluating the creditworthiness of the customer and determining the required collateral.

We entered into a contingent contract in connection with the acquisition of The Quarles Agency, Inc. in 2002. Contingent upon an insurance agency revenue benchmark of \$4,000,000 each year ending 2003 and 2004, The Quarles Agency, Inc.'s shareholders will receive cash consideration of \$1,850,000 plus interest thereon at the Prime Rate published in the Wall Street Journal minus one percent. The cash consideration shall be paid in two annual contingent payments of \$925,000 each beginning in 2004. In the event the full amount of the \$925,000 annual contingent payment is not earned based on revenues during 2003 or 2004, the unearned portion of either or both contingent payments may be earned by reaching the benchmark before the end of 2006. In the event the full \$1,850,000 in annual contingent payments has not been paid to the stockholders of The Quarles Agency, Inc. on or before the end of 2006, no additional contingent payment shall be made and all sums described as annual contingent payments shall be deemed satisfied. The cash consideration is contingent on the insurance agency's revenues as outlined in the following table:

Insurance agency revenue	Annual amount of contingent
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benchmark	payment
\$4,000,000	925,000
3,975,000	919,219
3,950,000	913,438
3,925,000	907,657
3,900,000	901,876
3,875,000	896,095
3,850,000	890,314
Below 3,850,000	

Insurance revenues during 2003 met the \$4,000,000 benchmark and therefore, the first annual payment of \$925,000 plus interest was distributed in 2004 and was recorded as additional goodwill.

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(18) Parent Company Condensed Financial Statements

TEAM FINANCIAL, INC.
Condensed Statements of Financial Condition
(In thousands)

	December 31	
	2003	2002
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,382	\$ 537
Investment in subsidiaries	69,478	71,202
Other	2,262	3,679
Total assets	\$ 73,122	\$ 75,418
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Subordinated debentures	\$ 16,005	\$ 16,005
Other liabilities and notes payable	4,713	7,585
Stockholders' equity	52,404	51,828
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 73,122	\$ 75,418

TEAM FINANCIAL, INC.
Condensed Statements of Operations
(In thousands)

	Years ended December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
Interest income:			
Dividends from subsidiaries	\$ 4,800	\$ 7,066	\$ 4,220
Interest income	3	2	18
Other expense, net	(2,198)	(2,715)	(2,961)
Income before equity in undistributed earnings of subsidiaries	2,605	4,353	1,277

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	Years ended December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
Increase (decrease) in undistributed equity of subsidiaries	358	(636)	1,192
Income before income tax benefit	2,963	3,717	2,469
Income tax benefit	829	989	1,065
Net income	\$ 3,792	\$ 4,706	\$ 3,534

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TEAM FINANCIAL, INC.
Condensed Statements of Cash Flows
(In thousands)

	Year ended December 31		
	2003	2002	2001
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 3,792	\$ 4,706	\$ 3,534
(Increase) decrease in undistributed equity of subsidiaries	(358)	636	(1,192)
Contribution of treasury stock to ESOP	441	205	375
Non-cash compensation expense	26	137	
Other	1,815	(152)	(1,354)
Net cash provided by operating activities	5,716	5,532	1,363
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Capital contributions to subsidiaries		(1,000)	(12,995)
Other			1,804
Net cash used in investing activities		(1,000)	(11,191)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from notes payable	200	800	5,045
Principal payments on notes payable	(3,540)	(3,990)	(9,825)
Subordinated debentures			16,005
Purchase of treasury stock	(564)	(1,177)	(24)
Issuance of common stock	55	249	6
Dividends paid on common stock	(1,022)	(872)	(796)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(4,871)	(4,990)	10,411
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	845	(458)	583
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	537	995	412
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	\$ 1,382	\$ 537	\$ 995

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The primary source of funds available to us is the payment of dividends by its subsidiaries. Subject to maintaining certain minimum regulatory capital requirements, regulations limit the amount of dividends that may be paid without prior approval of the subsidiaries' regulatory agencies. At December 31, 2003, the subsidiaries could pay dividends of \$904,000 without prior regulatory approval.

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(19) Quarterly Results of Operations (Unaudited)

The following is a summary of quarterly results:

	First quarter	Second quarter	Third quarter	Fourth quarter
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)				
Year ended 2003:				
Interest income	\$ 8,214	\$ 7,816	\$ 7,720	\$ 7,859
Interest expense	3,563	3,441	3,277	3,197
Provision for loan losses	345	142	832	471
Net income	991	974	1,144	683
Shares applicable to basic earnings per share	4,105,809	4,094,305	4,091,169	4,092,528
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.17
Shares applicable to diluted earnings per share	4,133,404	4,121,775	4,125,981	4,141,463
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.16
Year ended 2002:				
Interest income	\$ 9,679	\$ 9,425	\$ 9,290	\$ 8,675
Interest expense	4,378	4,086	4,040	3,878
Provision for loan losses	156	178	412	688
Net income	1,358	1,131	1,256	961
Shares applicable to basic earnings per share	4,181,195	4,175,160	4,166,785	4,070,453
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.24
Shares applicable to diluted earnings per share	4,191,475	4,200,551	4,190,421	4,091,106
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.23

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Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants and Financial Disclosures

None

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of December 31, 2003, Team Financial Inc.'s management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, performed an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rule 13a-15(e) and Rule 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act). Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in recording, processing, summarizing and reporting information required to be disclosed within the time periods specified in the Securities Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

Change in Internal Controls

No changes in our internal controls over financial reporting have occurred during the last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers of the Registrant

The information required by this item will be included in our Proxy Statement with respect to our 2004 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the Commission within 120 days of December 31, 2003, under the caption "Election of Directors", and is incorporated in this Annual Report by reference.

Item 11. Executive Compensation

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Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

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Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

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Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

The information required by this item will be included in our Proxy Statement with respect to our 2004 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the Commission within 120 days of December 31, 2003, under the caption "Principal Accountant Fees and Services", and is incorporated in this Annual Report by reference.

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) 1. Financial Statements

These documents are listed in the Index to Consolidated Financial Statements under Item 8.

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Financial Statement Schedules

All financial statement schedules required by Article 9 of Regulation S-X have been included in the consolidated financial statements or are either not applicable or not significant.

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- (6) Filed Herewith
- (b) Reports on Form 8-K Filed.
 - (1) On a form 8-K filed on October 24, 2003, the Registrant file its third quarter 2003 earnings press release under Item 12 of Form 8-K.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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, in Paola, Kansas on March 30, 2004.

TEAM FINANCIAL, INC.

By:

/s/ ROBERT J. WEATHERBIE

Robert J. Weatherbie,
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ MICHAEL L. GIBSON

Michael L. Gibson,
President of Investments and Chief Financial Officer

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Each individual whose signature appears below hereby designates and appoints Robert J. Weatherbie and Michael L. Gibson, and each of them, as such person's true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents (the Attorneys-in-Fact) with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for each person and in such person's name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Annual Report on Form 10-K, which amendments may make such changes in this Annual Report on Form 10-K as either Attorney-in-Fact deems appropriate and to file each such amendment with all exhibits thereto, and all documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto such Attorneys-in-Fact and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and think requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as such person might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such Attorneys-in-Fact or either of them, or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities indicated on March 30, 2004.

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<p><i>/s/ ROBERT J. WEATHERBIE</i></p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Robert J. Weatherbie</p>	<p>Director, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)</p>	<p>March 30, 2004</p>
<p><i>/s/ MICHAEL L. GIBSON</i></p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Michael L. Gibson</p>	<p>Director, President of Investments and Chief Financial Officer</p>	<p>March 30, 2004</p>
<p><i>/s/ MONTIE K. TAYLOR</i></p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Montie K. Taylor</p>	<p>Director</p>	<p>March 30, 2004</p>
<p><i>/s/ R.G. (GARY) KILKENNY</i></p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">R.G. (Gary) Kilkenny</p>	<p>Director</p>	<p>March 30, 2004</p>
<p><i>/s/ CAROLYN S. JACOBS</i></p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Carolyn S. Jacobs</p>	<p>Director</p>	<p>March 30, 2004</p>
<p><i>/s/ NEIL BLAKEMAN</i></p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Neil Blakeman</p>	<p>Director</p>	<p>March 30, 2004</p>
<p><i>/s/ DENIS A. KURTENBACH</i></p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Denis A. Kurtenbach</p>	<p>Director</p>	<p>March 30, 2004</p>
<p><i>/s/ KEITH B. EDQUIST</i></p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Keith B. Edquist</p>	<p>Director</p>	<p>March 30, 2004</p>

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