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## UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 10-Q
(X) QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

OR
( ) TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended: September 30, 2011
Commission file number: 001-15985

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MORRISVILLE, VT 05661

Registrant's telephone number: $\quad 802-888-6600$
Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report: Not applicable
Securities registered pursuant to section 12(b) of the Act:

Common Stock, \$2.00 par value
(Title of class)

Nasdaq Stock Market
(Exchanges registered on)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).
Yes [X] No [ ]
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting
company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):
Large accelerated filer [ ]
Non-accelerated filer [ ] (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

## Accelerated filer [ ]

Smaller reporting company [ X ]

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock as of November 1, 2011:
Common Stock, $\$ 2$ par value
4,457,204 shares
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## PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

## UNION BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

Assets
Cash and due from banks
Federal funds sold and overnight deposits
Cash and cash equivalents
Interest bearing deposits in banks
Investment securities available-for-sale
Investment securities held-to-maturity (fair value $\$ 5.0$ million and
$\$ 502$ thousand at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively)
Loans held for sale
Loans
Allowance for loan losses
Net deferred loan costs
Net loans
Accrued interest receivable
Premises and equipment, net
Core deposit intangible
Goodwill
Other assets
Total assets
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity
Liabilities
Deposits
Noninterest bearin
Interest bearing
Time
Total deposits
Borrowed funds
Accrued interest and other liabilities
Total liabilities
\$75,528 \$64,526

Commitments and Contingencies
Stockholders' Equity
Common stock, $\$ 2.00$ par value; 7,500,000 shares authorized; 4,923,286 shares issued at September 30, 2011 and 4,921,786 shares issued at December 31, 2010
Additional-paid-in capital
239,296
180,386

Retained earnings
Treasury stock at cost; 466,082 shares at September 30, 2011
and December 31, 2010
Accumulated other comprehensive loss
Total stockholders' equity
156,701 131,748
471,525 376,660
26,017 28,986
5,653 5,624
503,195 411,270

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity

| 9,847 | 9,844 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 272 | 244 |  |
| 37,766 | 37,623 |  |
| $(3,823$ | $)(3,823$ | $)$ |
| $(1,467$ | $)(2,163$ | $)$ |
| 42,595 | 41,725 |  |
| $\$ 545,790$ | $\$ 452,995$ |  |

See accompanying notes to unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

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UNION BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

|  | Three Mo <br> September <br> 2011 <br> (Dollars in | Three Months Ended September 30, | Nine Mon <br> September <br> 2011 <br> ept per shat | Ended <br> 0, <br> 2010 <br> data) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Interest income |  |  |  |  |
| Interest and fees on loans | \$5,751 | \$5,375 | \$ 16,336 | \$15,973 |
| Interest on debt securities: |  |  |  |  |
| Taxable | 193 | 176 | 513 | 556 |
| Tax exempt | 85 | 74 | 239 | 221 |
| Dividends | 2 | 1 | 7 | 1 |
| Interest on federal funds sold and overnight deposits | 9 | 7 | 25 | 15 |
| Interest on interest bearing deposits in banks | 78 | 95 | 230 | 327 |
| Total interest income | 6,118 | 5,728 | 17,350 | 17,093 |
| Interest expense |  |  |  |  |
| Interest on deposits | 754 | 740 | 2,139 | 2,269 |
| Interest on borrowed funds | 262 | 290 | 840 | 853 |
| Total interest expense | 1,016 | 1,030 | 2,979 | 3,122 |
| Net interest income | 5,102 | 4,698 | 14,371 | 13,971 |
| Provision for loan losses | 150 | 200 | 450 | 380 |
| Net interest income after provision for loan losses | 4,952 | 4,498 | 13,921 | 13,591 |
| Noninterest income |  |  |  |  |
| Trust income | 132 | 126 | 403 | 343 |
| Service fees | 1,153 | 1,020 | 3,206 | 3,004 |
| Net gains on sales of investment securities available-for-sale | 173 | - | 183 | - |
| Net gains on sales of loans held for sale | 483 | 334 | 990 | 601 |
| Other income | 71 | 76 | 278 | 248 |
| Total noninterest income | 2,012 | 1,556 | 5,060 | 4,196 |
| Noninterest expenses |  |  |  |  |
| Salaries and wages | 2,100 | 1,682 | 5,722 | 4,839 |
| Pension and employee benefits | 790 | 699 | 2,386 | 2,133 |
| Occupancy expense, net | 276 | 225 | 827 | 701 |
| Equipment expense | 319 | 279 | 882 | 771 |
| Branch acquisition expenses | 62 | - | 407 | - |
| Other expenses | 1,598 | 1,252 | 4,510 | 3,847 |
| Total noninterest expenses | 5,145 | 4,137 | 14,734 | 12,291 |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 1,819 | 1,917 | 4,247 | 5,496 |
| Provision for income taxes | 392 | 457 | 761 | 1,291 |
| Net income | \$1,427 | \$1,460 | \$3,486 | \$4,205 |
| Earnings per common share | \$0.32 | \$0.33 | \$0.78 | \$0.94 |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding | 4,457,204 | 4,456,281 | 4,456,720 | 4,459,020 |
| Dividends per common share | \$0.25 | \$0.25 | \$0.75 | \$0.75 |

See accompanying notes to unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (Unaudited)


| Cash dividends declared <br> $(\$ 0.75$ per share $)$ | - | - | - | $(3,344$ | $)$ | - | $(3,344)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stock based compensation <br> expense | - | - | 19 | - | - | - | 19 |
| Purchase of treasury stock | $(5,390$ | $)$ | - | - | $(97$ | $)-$ | $(97$ |
| Balances, September 30,2010 | $4,455,818$ | $\$ 9,844$ | $\$ 238$ | $\$ 37,355$ | $\$(3,821$ | $) \$(1,122$ | $) \$ 42,494$ |

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Net cash used by investing activities
$(9,282)(4,523)$

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| Cash Flows From Financing Activities |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Repayment of long-term debt | $(4,423$ | $)(980$ |
| Net decrease in short-term borrowings outstanding | $(1,770$ | $)(5,119$ |
| Net increase (decrease) in noninterest bearing deposits | 7,443 | $(3,024$ |
| Net increase in interest bearing deposits | 25,398 | 16,924 |
| Net decrease in time deposits | $(1,767$ | $)(5,727$ |
| Issuance of common stock | 26 | $(97$ |
| Purchase of treasury stock | - | $(3,343$ |
| Dividends paid | 21,564 | $(1,344$ |
| $\quad$ Net cash provided (used) by financing activities | 16,266 | 6,422 |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 14,292 | 22,132 |
| Beginning of period | $\$ 30,558$ | $\$ 28,554$ |
| End of period | $\$ 3,087$ | $\$ 3,352$ |
| Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information | $\$ 650$ | $\$ 1,305$ |
| Interest paid |  |  |
| Income taxes paid | $\$ 57$ | $\$ 914$ |
| Supplemental Schedule of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities | $\$-$ | $\$ 19$ |
| Other real estate acquired in settlement of loans | $\$ 497$ | $\$ 320$ |
| Other assets acquired in settlement of loans | $\$ 407$ | $\$-$ |
| Loans originated to finance the sale of other real estate owned | $\$ 33,624$ | $\$-$ |
| Investment in limited partnerships acquired by capital contributions payable | $\$ 67,162$ | $\$-$ |
| Assets acquired and liabilities assumed in branch acquisitions (Note 5): |  |  |
| Loans and other non-cash assets, excluding goodwill and core deposit intangible |  |  |
| Deposits and other liabilities |  |  |

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## UNION BANKSHARES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY <br> NOTES TO UNAUDITED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Basis of Presentation
The accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of Union Bankshares, Inc. and Subsidiary (the Company) as of September 30, 2011, and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for interim financial information, general practices within the banking industry, and the accounting policies described in the Company's Annual Report to Shareholders and Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010. In the opinion of Company's management, all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments and disclosures necessary for a fair presentation of the information contained herein, have been made. This information should be read in conjunction with the Company's 2010 Annual Report to Shareholders and 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The results of operations for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected for the full fiscal year ending December 31, 2011, or any other interim period.

Certain amounts in the 2010 consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2011 presentation.

Intangible assets, included in the Company's unaudited interim consolidated financial statements, include the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of net assets acquired, goodwill, in the acquisition of three New Hampshire branch offices, as well as a core deposit intangible related to the deposits acquired (see Note 5). The core deposit intangible is amortized on a straight line basis over the estimated average life of the core deposit base of 10 years. The Company evaluates the valuation and amortization of the core deposit intangible asset if events occur that could result in possible impairment. Goodwill is evaluated for impairment at least annually, or more frequently as events or circumstances warrant.

Note 2. Commitments and Contingencies
In the normal course of business, the Company is involved in various legal and other proceedings. In the opinion of management, any liability resulting from such proceedings is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial condition or results of operations.

Note 3. Per Share Information
Earnings per common share are computed based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period and reduced for shares held in treasury. The assumed conversion of available outstanding stock options does not result in material dilution and is not included in the calculation.

## Note 4. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2010, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued an Accounting Standards Update (ASU), Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures: Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements, to amend the disclosure requirements and clarify existing requirements related to recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements and employers' disclosures about postretirement benefit plan assets. The guidance requires new disclosures regarding transfers of assets and liabilities between Level 1 (quoted prices in active market for identical assets or liabilities) and Level 2 (significant other observable inputs) of the fair value measurement hierarchy, including the reasons and the timing of the transfers. Additionally, the guidance requires a rollforward of activities, separately reporting purchases, sales, issuance, and settlements, for assets and liabilities measured using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 fair value measurements). The new disclosure requirements apply to interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the new rules regarding purchases, sales, issuances and settlements associated with Level 3 measurements which are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15,2010 , and for interim periods within those fiscal years. Other than requiring additional disclosures, adoption of this accounting standard did not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements. See Note 11.

In January 2011, the FASB issued an ASU, Deferral of the Effective Date of Disclosures about Troubled Debt Restructuring, for public-entity creditors to temporarily delay the effective date of the disclosures about troubled debt restructurings to allow time for FASB to complete its deliberations of what constitutes a troubled debt restructuring. The Company adopted the required portions of the accounting standard as of December 31, 2010 with no material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements. In April 2011, the FASB issued an ASU, A Creditor's

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Determination of Whether a Restructuring is a Troubled Debt Restructuring, which provides companies new criteria for determining whether a particular loan modification represents a troubled debt restructuring for accounting purposes and it signals when a company should also record an impairment loss associated with the same loan. This new guidance was effective for quarterly and annual reports for periods beginning on or after June 15, 2011. The adoption of the standard did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In April 2011, the FASB issued an ASU, Reconsideration of Effective Controls for Repurchase Agreements, to improve the accounting for repurchase agreements and other agreements that both entitle and obligate a transferor to repurchase or redeem financial assets before their maturity. The update removes the transferor's ability criterion from the consideration of effective control for repurchase or other agreements. The guidance in this ASU is effective for the first interim or annual period beginning on or after December 15, 2011. Management has reviewed the ASU and does not believe that it will have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In May 2011, the FASB issued an ASU, Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs, to improve the comparability of fair value measurements presented and disclosed in financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs). The amendments in this update explain how to measure fair value. They do not require additional fair value measurements and are not intended to establish valuation standards or affect valuation practices outside of financial reporting. The amendments change the wording used to describe many of the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements. The amendments in this ASU are to be applied prospectively and are effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. Early application is not permitted. Management is currently reviewing the ASU but does not believe that it will have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In June 2011, the FASB issued an ASU, Presentation of Comprehensive Income, to improve the comparability, consistency and transparency of financial reporting,to increase the prominence of items reported in other comprehensive income and to facilitate convergence of U.S. GAAP and IFRSs. The ASU eliminates the option to present components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of changes in stockholders' equity and requires that all nonowner changes in stockholders' equity be presented either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. In both formats, an entity is required to present each component of net income along with total net income, each component of other comprehensive income along with a total for other comprehensive income, and a total amount for comprehensive income. The entity is required to present on the face of the financial statements reclassification adjustments for items that are reclassified from other comprehensive income to net income in the statements where the components of net income and other comprehensive income are presented. The amendments in the ASU are to be applied retrospectively and are effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011. Management is currently reviewing the ASU to determine which of the two remaining formats will be used in the Company's future consolidated financial statements.

In September 2011, the FASB issued an ASU, Intangibles - Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Testing Goodwill for Impairment, to address concerns about the cost and complexity of the required test to determine if goodwill is impaired, or inflated on the balance sheet and in need of a writedown. The ASU amends Topic 350 to permit an entity the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not ( $50 \%$ threshold) that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount as a basis for determining whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test. The amendments are effective for annual and interim goodwill impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011. Early adoption is permitted, including for annual and interim goodwill impairment tests performed as of a date before September 15, 2011, if an entity's financial statements for the most recent annual or interim periods have not yet been issued. Management has decided to adopt the ASU as of September 30, 2011. (See Note 5.)

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Note 5. Branch Acquisitions
On May 27,2011, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Union Bank ("Union") acquired three New Hampshire branch offices of Northway Bank ("Northway"). In the transaction, Union assumed deposit relationships, and acquired performing loans, branch cash, two banking facilities, and other assets as illustrated below, including one leased branch location. Union paid a $6 \%$ premium on assumed deposits, loans were acquired at par, and the banking facilities were purchased at the most recent tax assessed value. The acquisition allows Union to expand its New Hampshire community banking franchise into western Coos County and to expand its presence in northern Grafton County. The transaction was accounted for as a business combination under current regulatory guidelines.

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The May 27, 2011 acquisition-date estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed were as follows:

Assets:
Cash
Loans
Bank premises and equipment
Accrued interest receivable
Identified intangible asset
Goodwill
Liabilities:

## Deposits

Accrued interest and other liabilities
(Dollars in thousands)
\$29,607
32,910
517
197
1,708
2,223
(67,015

The purchase premium of $\$ 4.2$ million was allocated to assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on estimates of fair value at the date of acquisition. The fair value of the deposit accounts assumed was compared to the carrying amounts received and the difference of $\$ 1.7$ million was recorded as core deposit intangible. The excess of the purchase premium over the fair value of the assets acquired, liabilities assumed, and the amount allocated for core deposit intangible was recorded as goodwill.

The loans acquired were recorded at fair value at the time of acquisition. The fair value of the loans acquired resulted in a loan premium of $\$ 545$ thousand which is included in the loan balances above, less a non-accretable credit risk component of $\$ 318$ thousand. The loan premium will be amortized as an adjustment to the related loan yield over the estimated average life of the loans.

Acquisition expenses incurred by the Company were approximately $\$ 62$ thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and $\$ 407$ thousand for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. These expenses are included on the consolidated statements of income under the caption "Branch acquisition expenses." Management believes that substantially all of the acquisition expenses have been incurred and any additional expenses will not be material to the Company's results of operations.

The Company recorded goodwill of $\$ 2.2$ million. The goodwill is not amortizable but is deductible for tax purposes. As discussed in the last paragraph of Note 4, management assesses qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of the company is less than its carrying amount. Management is not aware of any such events or circumstances that would cause it to conclude that the fair value of the company is less than its carrying amount.

The acquired identified intangible asset in the table above is the core deposit intangible which is subject to amortization over the estimated 10 year average life of the core deposit base. The amortization expense is included in other noninterest expense on the consolidated statement of income and is deductible for tax purposes.

Amortization expense for the core deposit intangible was $\$ 43$ thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and $\$ 57$ thousand from the acquisition date to September 30, 2011. As of September 30, 2011, the remaining amortization expense related to the core deposit intangible, absent any future impairment, is expected to be as follows: (Dollars in thousands)

[^0]Management will evaluate the core deposit intangible for impairment if conditions warrant.
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The amounts of revenue and expenses related to the acquired branches since the May 27, 2011 acquisition date are included in the unaudited interim consolidated statement of income of the Company for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2011 as follows:
$\left.\begin{array}{lll}\text { Interest and fees on loans } & \$ 428 & \$ 596 \\ \text { Interest on deposits and borrowed funds } & 146 & 199 \\ \quad \text { Net interest income } & 282 & 397 \\ \text { Provision for loan losses } & - & - \\ \quad \text { Net interest income after provision for loan losses } & 282 & 397 \\ \text { Noninterest income } & 35 & 52 \\ \text { Noninterest expenses } & 348 & 757 \\ \quad \text { Loss before income tax benefit } & (31 & )(308 \\ \text { Income tax benefit } & (11 & )(105 \\ \quad \text { Net loss } & \$(20 & ) \$(203\end{array}\right)$

Disclosure of the proforma revenue and earnings of the combined entity for the current and prior reporting periods as though the acquisition had occurred at the beginning of the prior annual reporting period is not considered practicable. Retrospective application to January 1, 2011 and January 1, 2010 requires assumptions about management's intent in prior periods that cannot be independently substantiated. It is impossible to objectively distinguish information about significant estimates of amounts that provide evidence of circumstances that existed on the dates at which those amounts would be recognized, measured, or disclosed under retrospective application and would have been available when the financial statements for that prior period were issued. The Company is unable to obtain certain information from the seller regarding transfer of deposits among branches and deposit activity since January 1, 2010. It is impracticable to estimate historical information.

Note 6. Investment Securities
Investment securities as of the balance sheet dates consisted of the following:

September 30, 2011

Available-for-sale
Debt securities:
U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises

Mortgage-backed
State and political subdivisions
Corporate
Total debt securities
Marketable equity securities
Mutual funds
Total
Held-to-maturity
U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises

|  | Gross | Gross | Fair |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cost | Unrealized | Unrealized | Value |
| (Dollars in thousands) | Losses |  |  |


| $\$ 14,551$ | $\$ 91$ | $\$(6$ | $) \$ 14,636$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3,637 | 77 | $(1$ | $) 3,713$ |
| 11,502 | 916 | $(2$ | $) 12,416$ |
| 4,536 | 147 | $(1$ | $) 4,682$ |
| 34,226 | 1,231 | $(10$ | $) 35,447$ |
| 746 | 8 | $(54$ | $) 700$ |
| 119 | - | - | 119 |
| $\$ 35,091$ | $\$ 1,239$ | $\$(64$ | $) \$ 36,266$ |
| $\$ 5,000$ | $\$ 12$ | $\$(6$ | $) \$ 5,006$ |

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December 31, 2010

Available-for-sale
Debt securities:

| U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises | $\$ 4,521$ | $\$ 1$ | $\$(63$ | $) \$ 4,459$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mortgage-backed | 4,735 | 87 | $(11$ | $) 4,811$ |
| State and political subdivisions | 9,373 | 175 | $(155$ | $) 9,393$ |
| Corporate | 4,737 | 274 | $(39$ | $) 4,972$ |
| Total debt securities | 23,366 | 537 | $(268$ | $) 23,635$ |
| Marketable equity securities | 50 | 1 | $(6$ | $) 45$ |
| Mutual funds <br> Total | 100 | - | - | 100 |
| Held-to-maturity <br> U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises | $\$ 500$ | $\$ 2$ | $\$ 538$ | $\$(274$ |
| $) \$ 23,780$ |  |  |  |  |

Proceeds from the sale of securities available-for-sale were $\$ 1.7$ million and $\$ 2.3$ million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. Gross realized gains from the sale of securities available-for-sale were $\$ 173$ thousand and $\$ 184$ thousand for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. Gross realized losses were zero and $\$ 1$ thousand for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 There were no sales of securities available-for-sale for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The specific identification method is used to determine realized gains and losses on sales of available-for-sale securities.

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of debt securities by contractual scheduled maturity as of September 30, 2011 were as follows:

Available-for-sale
Due in one year or less
Due from one to five years
Due from five to ten years
Due after ten years
Mortgage-backed securities
Total debt securities available-for-sale
Held-to-maturity
Due from one to five years
Due from five to ten years
Due after ten years
Total debt securities held-to-maturity

| Amortized | Fair |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cost | Value |

(Dollars in thousands)
\$1,251 \$1,262
10,629 10,813
9,932 10,297
8,777 9,362
30,589 31,734
3,637 3,713
\$34,226 \$35,447
\$1,000 \$1,006
2,500 2,502
1,500 1,498
$\$ 5,000 \quad \$ 5,006$

Actual maturities may differ for certain debt securities that may be called by the issuer prior to the contractual maturity. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities in mortgage-backed securities because the mortgages underlying the securities may be prepaid, usually without any penalties. Therefore, these mortgage-backed securities are shown separately and not included in the contractual maturity categories in the above maturity summary.

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Information pertaining to investment securities with gross unrealized losses as of the balance sheet dates, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous loss position, follows:

September 30, 2011
Less Than 12 Months
Fair $\quad$ Gross
Value $\quad$ Unrealized
(Dollars in thousands)

Over 12 Months

| Fair | Gross |
| :--- | :--- |
| Value | Unrealized |
|  | Loss |

Total

| Fair | Gross |
| :--- | :--- |
| Value | Unrealized |
|  | Loss |

Debt securities:
U.S. Government-sponsored
enterprises
Mortgage-backed
State and political subdivision
Corporate
Total debt securities
Marketable equity securities
Total

December 31, 2010

| \$5,489 | \$(12 | )\$- | \$- | \$5,489 | \$(12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 386 | (1 | )- | - | 386 | (1 |
| 292 | (2) | )- | - | 292 | (2 |
| 504 | (1 | )- | - | 504 | (1 |
| 6,671 | (16 | )- | - | 6,671 | (16 |
| 572 | (50 | ) 10 | (4 | ) 582 | (54 |
| \$7,243 | \$(66 | )\$10 | \$(4 | ) \$7,253 | \$(70 |
| Less Than 12 Months |  | Over 12 Months |  | Total |  |
|  | Gross |  | Gross |  | Gross |
| Value | Unrealized | Value | Unrealized | Value | Unrealized |
|  | Loss <br> Lousands) |  | Loss |  | Loss |

Debt securities:

| U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises | \$3,937 | \$(63 | )\$- | \$- | \$3,937 | \$(63 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mortgage-backed | 862 | (11 | )- | - | 862 | (11 |
| State and political subdivisions | 4,314 | (155 | )- | - | 4,314 | (155 |
| Corporate | 202 | (39 | )- | - | 202 | (39 |
| Total debt securities | 9,315 | (268 | )- | - | 9,315 | (268 |
| Marketable equity securities | - | - | 8 | (6 | ) 8 | (6 |
| Total | \$9,315 | \$(268 | )\$8 | \$(6 | ) \$9,323 | \$(274 |

The Company evaluates all investment securities on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic conditions warrant, to determine if an other-than-temporary impairment exists. A debt security is considered impaired if the fair value is lower than its amortized cost basis at the report date. If impaired, management then assesses whether the unrealized loss is other-than-temporary.

An unrealized loss on a debt security is generally deemed to be other-than temporary and a credit loss is deemed to exist if the present value of the expected future cash flows is less than the amortized cost basis of the debt security. The credit loss component of an other-than-temporary impairment write-down is recorded, net of tax effect, through net income as a component of net other-than-temporary impairment losses in the consolidated statement of income, while the remaining portion of the impairment loss is recognized in other comprehensive income (loss), provided the Company does not intend to sell the underlying debt security and it is "more likely than not" that the Company will not have to sell the debt security prior to recovery.

Management considers the following factors in determining whether an other-than-temporary impairment exists and the period over which the debt security is expected to recover:

The length of time, and extent to which, the fair value has been less than the amortized cost;

Adverse conditions specifically related to the security, industry, or geographic area;

- The historical and implied volatility of the fair value of the security;
The payment structure of the debt security and the likelihood of the issuer being able to make payments that may increase in the future;

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Failure of the issuer of the security to make scheduled interest or principal payments;
Any changes to the rating of the security by a rating agency;
Recoveries or additional declines in fair value subsequent to the balance sheet date; and The nature of the issuer, including whether it is a private company, public entity or government-sponsored enterprise, and the existence or likelihood of any government or third party guaranty.

At September 30, 2011, held-to-maturity and available-for-sale securities, consisting of eight U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises, one agency collateralized mortgage obligation, one tax-exempt municipal security, one corporate bond and eight marketable equity securities had aggregate unrealized losses of $\$ 70$ thousand. Only one marketable equity security has had an unrealized loss of greater than twelve months and the Company has the ability to hold such security for the foreseeable future. No declines were deemed by management to be other-than-temporary at September 30, 2011.

Investment securities with a carrying amount of $\$ 6.0$ million and $\$ 1.5$ million at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, were pledged as collateral for public deposits and for other purposes as required or permitted by law.

## Note 7. Loans

Loans receivable that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or payoff are reported at their unpaid principal balances, adjusted for any charge-offs, the allowance for loan losses, and any deferred fees or costs on originated loans and unamortized premiums or discounts on purchased loans.

Loan interest income is accrued daily on outstanding balances. The accrual of interest is discontinued when a loan is specifically determined to be impaired and/or management believes, after considering collection efforts and other factors, that the borrower's financial condition is such that collection of interest is doubtful. Normally, any unpaid interest previously accrued on those loans is reversed against interest income. A loan may be restored to accrual status when its financial status has significantly improved and there is no principal or interest past due. A loan may also be restored to accrual status if the borrower makes six consecutive monthly payments or the lump sum equivalent. Income on nonaccrual loans is generally not recognized unless a loan is placed back in accrual status or after all principal has been collected. Interest income generally is not recognized on impaired loans unless the likelihood of further loss is remote. Interest payments received on such loans are generally applied as a reduction of the loan principal balance. Delinquency status is determined based on contractual terms.

Loan origination fees and direct loan origination costs are deferred and amortized as an adjustment of the related loan's yield using methods that approximate the interest method. The Company generally amortizes these amounts over the estimated average life of the related loans.

The loans acquired in the May 27, 2011 branch acquisition (see Note 5) were recorded at fair value at the time of acquisition. The net carrying amount of the acquired loans included in the September 30, 2011 loan balances below total $\$ 30.0$ million. The fair value adjustment is being amortized as an adjustment to the related loan yield over the estimated average life of the loans.

[^1]The composition of Net loans as of the balance sheet dates was as follows:

| Residential real estate | $\$ 143,304$ | $\$ 132,533$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Construction real estate | 30,006 | 18,578 |
| Commercial real estate | 182,368 | 167,056 |
| Commercial | 22,806 | 20,604 |
| Consumer | 6,129 | 6,046 |
| Municipal loans | 39,997 | 31,455 |
| $\quad$ Gross loans | 424,610 | 376,272 |
| Allowance for loan losses | $(4,186$ | $(3,755$ |
| Net deferred loan costs | 212 | 188 |
| $\quad$ Net loans | $\$ 420,636$ | $\$ 372,705$ |

Residential real estate loans aggregating $\$ 12.9$ million and $\$ 9.6$ million at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, were pledged as collateral on deposits of municipalities. Qualified first mortgages held by Union may also be pledged as collateral for borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Boston under a blanket lien.

A summary of current, past due and nonaccrual loans as of the balance sheet dates follows:

| September 30, 2011 | Current | 30-89 Days | Over 90 Days and accruing | Nonaccrual | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |
| Residential real estate | \$138,260 | \$1,574 | \$435 | \$3,035 | \$ 143,304 |
| Construction real estate | 29,598 | 315 | - | 93 | 30,006 |
| Commercial real estate | 179,427 | 718 | 591 | 1,632 | 182,368 |
| Commercial | 22,488 | 176 | 32 | 110 | 22,806 |
| Consumer | 5,974 | 83 | - | 72 | 6,129 |
| Municipal | 39,997 | - | - | - | 39,997 |
| Total | \$415,744 | \$2,866 | \$1,058 | \$4,942 | \$424,610 |
| December 31, 2010 | Current | 30-89 Days | Over 90 Days and accruing | Nonaccrual | Total |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |
| Residential real estate | \$ 123,573 | \$6,446 | \$587 | \$1,927 | \$ 132,533 |
| Construction real estate | 18,369 | 116 | 45 | 48 | 18,578 |
| Commercial real estate | 163,524 | 2,729 | 173 | 630 | 167,056 |
| Commercial | 20,295 | 161 | - | 148 | 20,604 |
| Consumer | 5,953 | 53 | 1 | 39 | 6,046 |
| Municipal | 31,455 | - | - | - | 31,455 |
| Total | \$363,169 | \$9,505 | \$806 | \$2,792 | \$376,272 |

Aggregate interest on nonaccrual loans not recognized was $\$ 909$ thousand and $\$ 727$ thousand as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and $\$ 677$ thousand as of December 31, 2010.

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Note 8. Allowance for Loan Losses and Credit Quality
The allowance for loan losses is established for estimated losses in the loan portfolio through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the loan balance is uncollectible or in accordance with federal guidelines. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level believed by management to be appropriate to absorb probable credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio as of the balance sheet date. The amount of the allowance is based on management's periodic evaluation of the collectability of the loan portfolio, including the nature, volume and risk characteristics of the portfolio, credit concentrations, trends in historical loss experience, estimated value of any underlying collateral, specific impaired loans and economic conditions. While management uses available information to recognize losses on loans, future additions to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary based on changes in economic conditions or other relevant factors.

In addition, various regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, regularly review the Company's allowance for loan losses. Such agencies may require the Company to recognize additions to the allowance for loan losses based on their judgments about information available to them at the time of their examination, which may not be currently available to management.

The allowance consists of specific, general and unallocated components. The specific component relates to the loans that are classified as either monitor, substandard or special mention. For such loans, the level of allowance allocable to those loans is determined through estimating probable loss for each individual credit based on its specific risk attributes. Loans are also evaluated for impairment and may be classified as impaired when management believes it is probable that the Company will not collect all the contractual interest and principal payments as scheduled in the loan agreement. Impaired loans also include troubled loans that are restructured. A troubled debt restructuring occurs when the Company, for economic or legal reasons related to the borrower's financial difficulties, grants a concession to the borrower that would otherwise not be granted. Troubled debt restructuring may include the transfer of assets to the Company in partial satisfaction of a troubled loan, a modification of a loan's terms (such as reduction of stated interest rates below market rates, extension of maturity that does not conform to the Company's policies or procedures, reduction of face amount of loan, reduction of accrued interest, and reduction or deferment of cash payments in the near future), or a combination of both. Large groups of smaller balance homogeneous loans are collectively evaluated for impairment. Accordingly, the Company does not separately identify individual consumer, residential or small balance commercial loans for impairment evaluation, unless such loans are subject to a restructuring agreement or have been identified as impaired as part of a larger customer relationship. A specific reserve amount is allocated to the allowance for individual loans that have been classified as impaired on the basis of the fair value of the collateral for collateral dependent loans, an observable market price, or the present value of anticipated future cash flows. The general component represents the level of allowance allocable to each loan portfolio category with similar risk characteristics and is determined based on historical loss experience, adjusted for qualitative factors, for each class of loan. Qualitative factors considered include underwriting, economic and market conditions, portfolio composition, collateral values, delinquencies, lender experience and legal issues. An unallocated component is maintained to cover uncertainties that could affect management's estimate of probable losses. The unallocated component of the allowance reflects the margin of imprecision inherent in the underlying assumptions used in the methodologies for estimating specific and general losses in the portfolio.

All evaluations are inherently subjective as they require estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available or as changes occur in economic conditions or other relevant factors. Despite the allocation shown in the tables below, the Allowance for loan losses is general in nature and is available to absorb losses from any loan type.

As described in Note 5, the $\$ 32.9$ million of loans purchased in the branch acquisitions on May 27, 2011 were recorded at their estimated fair value as of such date and, consequently, there was no related adjustment to the allowance for loan losses with respect to the acquired loans at September 30, 2011.

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Changes in the Allowance for loan losses, by class of loans, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 were as follows:



Changes in the Allowance for loan losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 were summarized as follows:

|  | For the Three Months <br> Ended September 30, | For The Nine Months <br> Ended Sember 30, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2010 | 2010 |
| (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |
| Balance at beginning of period | $\$ 3,511$ | $\$ 3,493$ |
| Provision for loan losses | 200 | 380 |
| Recoveries of amounts charged off | 10 | 43 |
|  | 3,721 | 3,916 |
| Amounts charged off | $(24$ | $)(219$ |
| Balance, September 30, 2010 | $\$ 3,697$ | $\$ 3,697$ |

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The allocation of the Allowance for loan losses, summarized on the basis of the Company's impairment methodology by class of loan, as of the balance sheet dates was as follows:

| September 30, 2011 | Residential <br> Real Estate <br> (Dollars in | Construction Real Estate <br> usands) | Commercial Real Estate | Commercial | Consumer, <br> Municipal and <br> Unallocated | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Individually evaluated for impairment | \$320 | \$14 | \$348 | \$59 | \$11 | \$752 |
| Collectively evaluated for impairment | 889 | 380 | 1,824 | 234 | 107 | 3,434 |
| Total allocated | \$1,209 | \$394 | \$2,172 | \$293 | \$118 | \$4,186 |
| December 31, 2010 | Residential Real Estate (Dollars in th | Construction Real Estate usands) | Commercial Real Estate | Commercial | Consumer, <br> Municipal and <br> Unallocated | Total |
| Individually evaluated for impairment | \$199 | \$ 12 | \$295 | \$39 | \$20 | \$565 |
| Collectively evaluated for impairment | 834 | 228 | 1,822 | 211 | 95 | 3,190 |
| Total allocated | \$1,033 | \$240 | \$2,117 | \$250 | \$115 | \$3,755 |

The recorded investment in loans, summarized on the basis of the Company's impairment methodology by class of loan, as of the balance sheet dates was as follows:

| September 30, 2011 | Residential Real Estate (Dollars in | Construction Real Estate housands) | Commercial Real Estate | Commercial | Consumer | Municipal | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Individually evaluated for impairment | \$2,758 | \$93 | \$7,322 | \$408 | \$53 | \$- | \$10,634 |
| Collectively evaluated for impairment | 126,878 | 29,899 | 160,720 | 21,548 | 5,611 | 39,363 | 384,019 |
|  | 129,636 | 29,992 | 168,042 | 21,956 | 5,664 | 39,363 | 394,653 |
| Acquired loans | 13,668 | 14 | 14,326 | 850 | 465 | 634 | 29,957 |
| Total | \$143,304 | \$30,006 | \$182,368 | \$22,806 | \$6,129 | \$39,997 | \$424,610 |
| December 31, 2010 | Real Estate Real Estate (Dollars in thousands) |  | Commercial Real Estate | Commercial Consumer |  | Municipal | Total |
| Individually evaluated for impairment | \$1,789 | \$48 | \$5,224 | \$146 | \$30 | \$- | \$7,237 |
| Collectively evaluated for impairment | 130,744 | 18,530 | 161,832 | 20,458 | 6,016 | 31,455 | 369,035 |
| Total | \$132,533 | \$18,578 | \$167,056 | \$20,604 | \$6,046 | \$31,455 | \$376,272 |

Risk ratings are assigned to loans and are subject to ongoing monitoring by lending and credit personnel with such ratings updated annually or more frequently if warranted. The following is an overview of the Company's loan rating system:

1-3 Rating - Pass

Risk-rating grades " 1 " through " 3 " comprise those loans ranging from lower than average credit risk defined as borrowers with high liquidity, excellent financial condition, strong management, favorable industry trends or loans secured by highly liquid assets through loans with marginal credit risk, defined as borrowers that while creditworthy,

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exhibit some characteristics which require special attention by the account officer.

## 4 Rating - Satisfactory/Monitor

Borrowers exhibit potential credit weaknesses or downward trends warranting management's attention. While potentially weak, these borrowers are currently marginally acceptable; no loss of principal or interest is envisioned.

M Rating - Monitor
Loans in this category reflect an increased credit risk. Loans in this category do not presently expose the Bank to a sufficient degree of risk to warrant adverse classification but do possess credit deficiencies deserving management's close attention. These credits are maintained on the watch list.

## 5-8 Rating - Substandard

Borrowers exhibit well defined weaknesses that jeopardize the orderly liquidation of debt. The loan may be inadequately protected by the net worth and paying capacity of the obligor and/or the underlying collateral is inadequate.

The following tables summarize the loan ratings applied to the Company's loans by class as of the balance sheet dates:

| September 30, 2011 | Residential Real Estate (Dollars in th | Construction <br> Real Estate <br> ousands) | Commercial Real Estate | Commercial | Consumer | Municipal | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pass | \$122,303 | \$28,757 | \$ 136,255 | \$ 15,549 | \$5,580 | \$39,363 | \$347,807 |
| Satisfactory/Monitor | 4,575 | 1,142 | 24,465 | 5,998 | 31 | - | 36,211 |
| Monitor | 159 | - | 919 | - | - | - | 1,078 |
| Substandard | 2,599 | 93 | 6,403 | 409 | 53 | - | 9,557 |
|  | 129,636 | 29,992 | 168,042 | 21,956 | 5,664 | 39,363 | 394,653 |
| Acquired loans | 13,668 | 14 | 14,326 | 850 | 465 | 634 | 29,957 |
| Total | \$143,304 | \$30,006 | \$182,368 | \$22,806 | \$6,129 | \$39,997 | \$424,610 |
| December 31, 2010 | Residential Real Estate (Dollars in th | Construction Real Estate housands) | Commercial <br> Real Estate | Commercial Consumer |  | Municipal | Total |
| Pass | \$128,646 | \$17,999 | \$ 142,530 | \$ 19,640 | \$5,991 | \$31,455 | \$346,261 |
| Satisfactory/Monitor | 2,098 | 531 | 19,302 | 818 | 25 | - | 22,774 |
| Monitor | 267 | - | 1,873 | - | - | - | 2,140 |
| Substandard | 1,522 | 48 | 3,351 | 146 | 30 | - | 5,097 |
| Total | \$132,533 | \$ 18,578 | \$ 167,056 | \$20,604 | \$6,046 | \$31,455 | \$376,272 |

Acquired loans are risk rated, as appropriate, according to the Company's loan rating system, but such ratings are not a determining factor in the establishment of the allowance for loan losses. Rather, acquired loans are initially recorded at fair value, determined based upon an estimate of the amount and timing of both principal and interest cash flows expected to be collected and discounted using a market interest rate, which includes an estimate of future credit losses expected to be incurred over the life of the portfolio. The primary credit quality indicator for acquired loans is whether there has been a decrease in expected cash flows. Monitoring of this portfolio is ongoing to determine if there is evidence of deterioration in credit quality since acquisition. At September 30, 2011, there was no allowance for loan losses for acquired loans.

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The following table provides information with respect to impaired loans by class of loan as of and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011:

| As Of September 30, 2011 |  | For The Three Months |  | For The Nine Months |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ended September 30, 2011 | Ended September 30, 2011 |  |  |  |  |
| Recorded | Principal | Related | Average | Interest | Average | Interest

With an allowance
recorded:
Residential real estate \$425 \$497 \$65
Commercial real estate 25757
$682 \quad 775122$

With no allowance
recorded:
Commercial real estate $2,127 \quad 2,182 \quad-$

Total:

| Residential real estate | 425 | 497 | 65 | $\$ 429$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 364$ | $\$ 5$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Commercial real estate | 2,384 | 2,460 | 57 | 2,281 | 21 | 2,268 | 63 |
| Total | $\$ 2,809$ | $\$ 2,957$ | $\$ 122$ | $\$ 2,710$ | $\$ 21$ | $\$ 2,632$ | $\$ 68$ |

(1)Government guaranties on impaired loans as of September 30, 2011 were $\$ 110$ thousand.

The following table provides information with respect to impaired loans as of December 31, 2010: December 31, 2010

| Recorded | Principal | Related |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Investment | Balance | Allowance |
| (1) | (1) |  |
| (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |

With an allowance
recorded:
Residential real estate \$301 \$356 \$43
Commercial real estate $\quad 1,970 \quad 1,974 \quad 40$
$2,271 \quad 2,330 \quad 83$

With no allowance
recorded:
Commercial real estate 346 -

Total:

| Residential real estate | 301 | 356 | 43 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Commercial real estate | 2,316 | 2,373 | 40 |
| Total | $\$ 2,617$ | $\$ 2,729$ | $\$ 83$ |

(1) Government guaranties on impaired loans as of December 31, 2010 were $\$ 110$ thousand.

Troubled debt restructured loans as of September 30, 2011 by class of loan include a commercial real estate loan that received a concession with the extension of a due date that was not considered a market transaction to the Company, and residential real estate loans that represent loan modifications in which a concession was provided to the borrower,
such as due date or maturity date extensions, interest rate reductions, and the forgiveness of accrued interest. Troubled loans that are restructured are classified as impaired and a specific reserve amount is allocated to the allowance on the basis of the fair value of the collateral for collateral dependent loans, an observable market price, or the present

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value of anticipated future cash flows.
The following table provides new troubled debt restructure activity by loan type for the nine months ended September 30, 2011:

New Troubled Debt Restructurings During the<br>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011<br>Pre-Modification Post-Modification<br>Number of Outstanding Outstanding<br>Contracts Recorded Recorded<br>Investment Investment<br>(Dollars in thousands)

Residential Real Estate:
Interest rate reduction, forgiveness of accrued interest, protective
advance for delinquent taxes, and extension of due date
There was no new troubled debt restructure activity for the three months ended September 30, 2011. There were no troubled debt restructured loans modified within the previous twelve months that had subsequently redefaulted during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2011. Troubled debt restructured loans are considered redefaulted at 90 days past due.

At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the Company was not committed to lend any additional funds to borrowers whose loans were nonperforming, impaired or restructured.

Note 9. Defined Benefit Pension Plan
Union Bank, the Company's sole subsidiary, sponsors a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering all eligible employees. The plan provides defined benefits based on years of service and final average salary.

Net periodic pension benefit cost for the three and nine months ended September 30 consisted of the following components:

|  | Three Months Ended <br> September 30, <br> 2011 |  | Nine Months Ended <br> September 30, |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) | 2010 | 2010 |  |
| Service cost | $\$ 170$ | $\$ 144$ | $\$ 510$ | $\$ 433$ |
| Interest cost on projected benefit obligation | 210 | 193 | 628 | 579 |
| Expected return on plan assets | $(219$ | $)(182$ | $)(657$ | $)(547$ |
| Amortization of prior service cost | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 |
| Amortization of net loss | 47 | 36 | 139 | 107 |
| Net periodic benefit cost | $\$ 209$ | $\$ 192$ | $\$ 625$ | $\$ 576$ |

Note 10. Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
Accounting principles generally require recognized revenue, expenses, gains, and losses be included in net income or loss. Certain changes in assets and liabilities, such as the after tax effect of unrealized gains and losses on investment securities available-for-sale that are not other than temporarily impaired, are not reflected on the consolidated statement of income. The cumulative effect of such items is reflected as a separate component of the equity section of the balance sheet (accumulated other comprehensive income or loss). Other comprehensive income or loss, along with net income, comprises the Company's total comprehensive income or loss. As of the balance sheet dates, the components of accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, were:

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$\left.\begin{array}{lll} & \begin{array}{l}\text { September 30, } \\ 2011\end{array} & \text { December 31, } \\ \text { 2010 }\end{array}\right]$

The following comprised total comprehensive income for the three and nine months ended September 30:

|  | Three Months Ended |  | Nine Months Ended |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ 1,427 | \$ 1,460 | \$3,486 | \$4,205 |
| Investment securities available-for-sale: |  |  |  |  |
| Net unrealized holding gains arising during the period on investment securities available-for-sale, net of tax | 511 | 236 | 722 | 458 |
| Reclassification adjustment for net gains on investment securities available-for-sale realized in net income, net of tax | (114 | ) - | (121 | ) - |
| Total | 397 | 236 | 601 | 458 |
| Defined benefit pension plan: |  |  |  |  |
| Reclassification adjustment for amortization of net actuarial loss realized in net income, net of tax | 31 | 23 | 93 | 70 |
| Reclassification adjustment for amortization of prior service cost realized in net income, net of tax | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Total | 32 | 24 | 95 | 73 |
| Total other comprehensive income | 429 | 260 | 696 | 531 |
| Total comprehensive income | \$ 1,856 | \$ 1,720 | \$4,182 | \$4,736 |

Note 11. Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures
The Company utilizes FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, as guidance for accounting for assets and liabilities carried at fair value. This standard defines fair value as the price that would be received, without adjustment for transaction costs, to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value is a market based measurement that should be determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. The guidance in FASB ASC Topic 820 establishes a three-level fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are:
Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;
Level 2 - Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;
Level 3 - Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (i.e., supported by little or no market activity).

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for the Company's financial assets that are measured on a recurring basis at estimated fair value:

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Investment securities available-for-sale: Certain corporate debt securities, marketable equity securities and mutual funds have been valued using unadjusted quoted prices from active markets and therefore have been classified as level 1. However, the majority of the Company's investment securities available-for-sale have been valued utilizing level 2 inputs. For these securities, the Company obtains fair value measurements from an independent pricing service. The fair value measurements consider observable data that may include market maker bids, quotes and pricing models. Inputs to the pricing models include recent trades, benchmark interest rates, spreads and actual and projected cash flows.

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, segregated by fair value hierarchy level, are summarized below:

| Fair Value Measurements |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fair | Quoted Prices <br> in Active | Significant Other | Significant |
|  | Markets for |  | Unobservable |
| Value | Identical | Observable | Inputs |
|  | Assets | Inputs | (Level 3) |
|  | (Level 1) | (Level 2) |  |
| (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |

September 30, 2011:
Investment securities available-for-sale
Debt securities:
U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises

Mortgage-backed
State and political subdivisions
Corporate
Total debt securities
Marketable equity securities
Mutual funds
Total

| $\$ 14,636$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 14,636$ | $\$-$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3,713 | - | 3,713 | - |
| 12,416 | - | 12,416 | - |
| 4,682 | 3,666 | 1,016 | - |
| 35,447 | 3,666 | 31,781 | - |
| 700 | 38 | 662 | - |
| 119 | 119 | - | - |
| $\$ 36,266$ | $\$ 3,823$ | $\$ 32,443$ | $\$-$ |

December 31, 2010:
Investment securities available-for-sale
Debt securities:

| U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises | $\$ 4,459$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 4,459$ | $\$-$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mortgage-backed | 4,811 | - | 4,811 | - |
| State and political subdivisions | 9,393 | - | 9,393 | - |
| Corporate | 4,972 | 2,105 | 2,867 | - |
| Total debt securities | 23,635 | 2,105 | 21,530 | - |
| Marketable equity securities | 45 | 45 | - | - |
| Mutual funds | 100 | 100 | - | - |
| Total | $\$ 23,780$ | $\$ 2,250$ | $\$ 21,530$ | $\$-$ |

There were no significant transfers in or out of Levels 1 and 2 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. Certain other assets and liabilities are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis, that is, the instruments are not measured at fair value on an ongoing basis but are subject to fair value adjustments in certain circumstances (for example, when there is evidence of impairment). Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis in periods after initial recognition, such as impaired loans and other real estate owned, were not significant at September 30, 2011 or

December 31, 2010. The Company has not elected to apply the fair value method to any financial assets or liabilities other than those situations where other accounting pronouncements require fair value measurements.

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FASB ASC Topic 825, Financial Instruments, requires disclosure of the estimated fair value of financial instruments. Fair value is best determined based upon quoted market prices. However, in many instances, there are no quoted market prices for the Company's various financial instruments. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. Those techniques are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including the discount rate and estimates of future cash flows. Management's estimates and assumptions are inherently subjective and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment. Changes in assumptions could dramatically affect the estimated fair values.

Accordingly, the fair value estimates may not be realized in an immediate settlement of the instrument. Certain financial instruments and all nonfinancial instruments may be excluded from disclosure requirements. Thus, the aggregate fair value amounts presented may not necessarily represent the actual underlying fair value of such instruments of the Company.

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in estimating its fair value disclosures for financial instruments:

Cash and cash equivalents: The carrying amounts reported in the balance sheet for cash and cash equivalents approximate those assets' fair values.

Interest bearing deposits in banks: Fair values for interest bearing deposits in banks are based on discounted present values of cash flows.

Investment securities: Fair values for investment securities are based on quoted market prices, where available. If quoted market prices are not available, fair value measurements consider observable data which may include market maker bids, quotes and pricing models. Inputs to the pricing models include recent trades, benchmark interest rates, spreads and actual and projected cash flows.

Loans and loans held for sale: Fair values of loans are estimated for portfolios of loans with similar financial characteristics and segregated by loan type. For variable-rate loan categories that reprice frequently and with no significant change in credit risk, fair values are based on carrying amounts. The fair values for other loans (for example, fixed-rate residential, commercial real estate, rental property mortgage loans as well as commercial and industrial loans) are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis, based on interest rates currently being offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality. Loan fair value estimates include judgments regarding future cash flows, future expected loss experience and risk characteristics. The carrying amounts reported in the balance sheet for loans that are held for sale approximate their estimated fair values. Fair values for impaired loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis or underlying collateral values, where applicable.

Accrued interest receivable and payable: The carrying amounts of accrued interest approximate their fair values.
Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Boston stock: The carrying amount approximates its fair value.
Deposits: The fair values disclosed for demand deposits or nonmaturity deposits (for example, checking and savings accounts) are, by definition, equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date (that is, their carrying amounts). The carrying amounts of variable-rate time deposits approximate their estimated fair values at the reporting date. The fair values for fixed-rate time deposits are estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation that applies interest rates currently being offered on time deposits to a schedule of aggregated contractual maturities on such time deposits.

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Borrowed funds: The fair values of the Company's long-term debt are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis based on interest rates currently being offered on similar debt instruments. The fair values of the Company's short-term debt approximate the carrying amounts reported in the balance sheet.

Off-balance-sheet financial instruments: Fair values for off-balance-sheet, credit-related financial instruments are based on fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreements and the counterparties' credit standing. The only commitments to extend credit that are normally longer than one year in duration are the Home Equity Lines whose interest rates are variable quarterly. The only fees collected for commitments are an annual fee on credit card arrangements and often a flat fee

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on commercial lines of credit and standby letters of credit. The fair value of off-balance-sheet financial instruments is not significant.

As of the balance sheet dates, the estimated fair values and related carrying amounts of the Company's significant financial instruments were as follows:

Financial assets
Cash and cash equivalents
Interest bearing deposits in banks
Investment securities
Loans and loans held for sale, net
Accrued interest receivable
FHLB of Boston stock
Financial liabilities
Deposits
September 30, 2011

| Carrying <br> Amount <br> (Dollars in thousands) | Estimated <br> Fair Value | Carrying <br> Amount | Estimated <br> Fair Value |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\$ 30,558$ | $\$ 30,558$ | $\$ 14,292$ | $\$ 14,292$ |
| 20,194 | 20,505 | 14,041 | 14,292 |
| 41,266 | 41,272 | 24,280 | 24,282 |
| 424,878 | 415,669 | 378,316 | 373,718 |
| 1,628 | 1,628 | 1,560 | 1,560 |
| 1,922 | 1,922 | 1,922 | 1,922 |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\$ 471,525$ | $\$ 472,808$ | $\$ 376,660$ | $\$ 376,729$ |
| 26,017 | 30,874 | 28,986 | 30,780 |
| 280 | 280 | 389 | 389 |

Accrued interest payable

26,017 30,874
280
280

389
389
The carrying amounts in the preceding table are included in the balance sheet under the applicable captions.
Note 12. Subsequent Events
Subsequent events represent events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date but before the financial statements are issued. Financial statements are considered "issued" when they are widely distributed to shareholders and others for general use and reliance in a form and format that complies with U.S. GAAP. Events occurring subsequent to September 30, 2011 have been evaluated as to their potential impact to the consolidated financial statements.

On October 19, 2011, Union Bankshares, Inc. declared a $\$ 0.25$ per share regular quarterly cash dividend payable November 10, 2011, to stockholders of record on October 29, 2011.

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

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

## GENERAL

The following discussion and analysis by management focuses on those factors that, in management's view, had a material effect on the financial position of Union Bankshares, Inc. (the Company) as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, and its results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. This discussion is being presented to provide a narrative explanation of the consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes and with other financial data appearing elsewhere in this filing and with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010. In the opinion of the Company's management, the interim unaudited data reflects all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, and disclosures necessary to fairly present the Company's consolidated financial position and results of operations for the interim periods presented. Management is not aware of
the occurrence of any events after September 30, 2011 which would materially affect the information presented.

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## CAUTIONARY ADVICE ABOUT FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

The Company may from time to time make written or oral statements that are considered "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may include financial projections, statements of plans and objectives for future operations, estimates of future economic performance or conditions and assumptions relating thereto. The Company may include forward-looking statements in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), in its reports to stockholders, including this quarterly report, in press releases, other written materials, and in statements made by senior management to analysts, rating agencies, institutional investors, representatives of the media and others.

Forward-looking statements reflect management's current expectations and are subject to uncertainties, both general and specific, and risk exists that actual results will differ from those predictions, forecasts, projections and other estimates contained in forward-looking statements. These risks cannot be readily quantified. When management uses any of the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "projects," "plans," "seeks," "estimates," "targets," "goals," "r "could," "would," "should," or similar expressions, they are making forward-looking statements. Many possible events or factors, including those beyond the control of management, could affect the future financial results and performance of the Company. This could cause results or performance to differ materially from those expressed in forward-looking statements. The possible events or factors that might affect the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the listing in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and the items added below in this report on Form 10-Q:
loans and investments may be called or prepaid prior to their contractual maturity or become other than temporarily impaired;

- loans and deposits acquired with the acquisition of three branches on May 27, 2011 could perform differently than management anticipates in its forecasts;
assumptions made regarding interest rate movement, yield curve and sensitivity could vary substantially if actual experience differs from historical experience, which could affect the Company's projected results of operations; excess liquidity due to weaker loan demand, lower draws on unused lines of credit or stronger deposit growth than anticipated may be difficult to maintain historical yields on due to the continuing low interest rate environment for investment options;
regulatory limitations placed on income producing methods including the limiting of debit and credit card interchange fees, limiting the assessment of overdraft fees and restricting of asset sales;
disruptions in U.S. and global financial and credit markets, including the downgrading of U.S. and U.S. Government sponsored debt by one or more credit rating agency;
continuing economic instability, including high unemployment rates, higher taxation, governmental budget
- issues and resolution of entitlement programs; and
the effect of federal and state health care reform efforts, including the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and Vermont's recently enacted single-payer universal health care law.

When evaluating forward-looking statements to make decisions with respect to the Company, investors and others are cautioned to consider these and other risks and uncertainties, including the events and circumstances discussed under "Recent Developments" below, and are reminded not to place undue reliance on such statements and should not consider any such list of factors to be a complete list of risks or uncertainties. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and the Company undertakes no obligation to update them to reflect new or changed information or events, except as may be required by federal securities laws.

## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Economic data suggests a slow but positive trend towards economic recovery in our market as well as nationally but Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke has stated that monetary policy alone cannot cure all the economy's

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ailments. He has called on Congress to adopt a plan for paying down the federal debt and to address loopholes in the tax code as ways to help the recovery and stability of the economy. The Federal Reserve and the Chairman expect improvements in the health of the economy but that there remains significant risk of a second recession unless actions are taken to increase growth. The global outlook has deteriorated which will likely have an impact on international corporations which is not a significant factor in our service area, yet any resulting negative impact on tourism could affect customers in our service area.

Vermont and New Hampshire's unemployment rates have risen slightly over the last couple of months and are 5.8\% and $5.4 \%$, respectively, as of September 30, 2011. These rates compare favorably with the national unemployment

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rate of $9.1 \%$ for the same period. The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) expects some pickup in the pace of recovery but anticipates only gradual improvement in the unemployment rates.

Interest rates remain near historic lows, which has allowed many consumers and commercial customers to reduce their monthly debt payments by refinancing their loans. At the September 2011 meeting the FOMC kept the target range for federal funds rate at $0-25$ basis points in order to promote the ongoing economic recovery. The FOMC currently anticipates that economic conditions are likely to warrant exceptionally low levels for the federal funds rate at least through mid-2013. The FOMC also stated its intention to purchase longer-term Treasury Securities and to sell an equal amount of shorter-term Treasury Securities, putting downward pressure on longer-term interest rates and helping to make broader financial conditions more accommodative.

Vermont and New Hampshire continue to have some of the lowest residential foreclosure and delinquency rates in the country. Also, as northern New England had not experienced the dramatic run up in housing prices, likewise, we have not seen the values drop as far as other parts of the country. Demand for construction and purchase mortgage loans was stronger over the summer months of 2011 than it has have been in recent years. The portions of Vermont and New Hampshire served by our branch network did not, with a few exceptions, experience the devastation from Hurricane Irene as did other parts of the two states.

In response to the earlier financial crisis affecting the banking and financial markets, the resulting recession and the changing political environment, many new laws, regulations and programs have been adopted. We will not attempt to discuss them all within this quarterly report but will update the ones that have been issued or modified since our annual report and which may have a financial impact on the Company.

The following positive developments will/may impact the Company in the future:
The second quarter 2011 change in the FDIC insurance assessment base from total deposits to net assets has and will continue to reduce the Company's future assessment costs and put community banks, which generally rely more heavily on deposits as a funding source, on a more level playing field with national and regional financial institutions. Unfortunately, continuing bank failures (80 year-to-date through October 14, 2011 but none in Vermont or New Hampshire) continue to weigh on the industry and will keep FDIC assessment rates high for all banks.
The decision of the U.S. Small Business Administration ("SBA") in February 2011 to waive the 90 day recourse period upon the sale of SBA guaranteed loans to the secondary market makes that a more attractive alternative for community banks and the continuing development of loan programs for small business customers is always a benefit to a community bank.
The FASB, citing outreach activities in which "almost all" constituents believe that amortized cost is significantly more relevant for purposes of measuring most loans, agreed to consider amortized cost as a primary attribute (in addition to fair value) for measuring financial instruments. Therefore loans and debt securities that are held as part of the "customer financing activities of a bank" may continue to be recorded at amortized cost, which will reduce volatility in a company's financial statements while providing its readers with the most current information.
Starting July 21, 2011, banks were permitted to pay interest on business checking accounts. Although it may increase our overall cost of funds, this change allows us to compete with nonbanks for business customer funds. Union has developed an interest-bearing deposit product available to business customers.
The growing recognition by the banking regulators that a one size fits all approach to regulations may not be in the industry's best interest or be adequate to address the attendant risks in each company's business model may bring some regulatory relief to community banks, as evidenced by the new Basel III capital standards and recent risk monitoring and mitigation guidance issued earlier in 2011 by the federal banking regulators.
The increased information reporting requirements and the requirement to provide health insurance vouchers to low income employees who may be participating in government sponsored insurance programs under the 2010

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Health-Care Reform Act have been repealed and reporting of merchant services information has been delayed.
There have been new laws, regulations and actions enacted that may be problematic for the Company in terms of future earnings and/or efficiency. The following are the most relevant:

The Dodd-Frank Act represents the biggest revision of financial regulations in decades and bankers continue to be faced with assessing the rules applicable to them, how to implement the rules, training of staff and informing customers, as well as assessing the financial impact to their companies. There are still numerous provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act that originally had an effective date of July 21, 2011 for which final regulations or guidance have not yet been issued.
By March 15, 2012, all existing ATM's must meet the new Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility standards
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which will require the replacement of deployed nonconforming ATM's over the next twelve months. An assessment of the Company's existing machines has been completed and a plan has been developed to become compliant by the effective date.
The establishment of the new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau created by the Dodd-Frank Act may lead to conflicting regulatory guidance for community banks and increase regulatory costs and burdens.
State and national health care reform initiatives may increase employer costs to provide employer sponsored group health care plans to eligible employees. On May 27, 2011, the Governor of Vermont signed a bill into law to provide universal health care through a single payer system. The manner in which the Vermont universal health care mandate will be implemented remains unclear at this time.
The Durbin amendment, which required the Federal Reserve to set rates for debit card transaction interchange fees, became effective on October 1, 2011. The final rule's interchange fee standard has two components - a base fee cap of 21 cents plus 5 basis points of the transaction amount to cover fraud losses. Even though banks with assets of $\$ 10$ billion or less are exempt from the interchange pricing provision, the pricing rules will impact the competitive environment for payment systems.
Among the new regulations imposed by the Dodd-Frank Act are new residential mortgage provisions that mandate more extensive disclosures, require lenders to offer terms that reasonably reflect the consumers' ability to repay a doan, prohibit mandatory arbitration provisions, add new customer protections for high-cost mortgages and set escrow account and appraisal standards. The relevant regulations promulgated to date regarding these provisions have been implemented by Union.
The Basel III Capital Framework published in December 2010 will increase minimum capital levels and add a new capital conservation buffer over the next nine years. The Company's ratios continue to be over those minimums. Basel III will also implement a leverage ratio starting in 2013, a liquidity coverage ratio in 2015 and a net stable funding ratio in 2018 but these ratios have yet to be defined.

The cost of doing business as usual has increased dramatically in this regulatory environment as the number and extent of new regulations and the speed with which they must be implemented have put a strain on software providers and staff as well as customers. Also, the cost of mitigating long term interest rate risk by selling loans to the secondary market continues and it is anticipated that this cost will continue to grow as the government sponsored entities continue to work through their own financial problems.

In addition, as required by SEC regulations, the Company must now file its financial statements both in EDGAR format and in eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL), and to post such XBRL information on its website. Ongoing compliance with this mandate requires administrative resources and result in additional costs.

It is not completely clear at this time what impact current or future government sponsored programs, regulations or legislation will have on the Company, its customers or the U.S. and global financial markets but additional regulatory complexity and allocation of Company resources to deal with it are likely.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company has established various accounting policies which govern the application of U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) in the preparation of the Company's financial statements. Certain accounting policies involve significant judgments and assumptions by management which have a material impact on the reported amount of assets, liabilities, capital, revenues and expenses and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. The SEC has defined a company's critical accounting policies as the ones that are most important to the portrayal of the company's financial condition and results of operations, and which require the company to make its most difficult and subjective judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates on matters that are inherently uncertain. Based on this definition, the Company has identified

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the accounting policies and judgments most critical to the Company. The judgments and assumptions used by management are based on historical experience and other factors, which are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Because of the nature of the judgments and assumptions made by management, actual results could differ from estimates and have a material impact on the carrying value of assets, liabilities, capital, or the results of operations of the Company.

In addition to the critical accounting policies included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, the following is included in the Company's critical accounting policies.

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Goodwill and Branch Acquisition. Assets acquired and liabilities assumed are based on fair value estimates. Intangible assets include the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of net assets acquired. The core deposit intangible is amortized on a straight line basis over the estimated average life of the core deposit base of 10 years. The Company evaluates the valuation and amortization of the core deposit intangible asset if events occur that could result in possible impairment. Goodwill is evaluated for impairment at least annually, or more frequently as events or circumstances warrant.

## OVERVIEW

The Company's net income was $\$ 1.43$ million for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 compared to $\$ 1.46$ million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, a decrease of $\$ 33$ thousand, or $2.3 \%$. These results reflected the net effect of an increase in net interest income of $\$ 404$ thousand, or $8.6 \%$, a decrease of $\$ 50$ thousand, or $25.0 \%$, in the provision for loan losses, an increase of $\$ 456$ thousand, or $29.3 \%$, in noninterest income, branch acquisition expenses of $\$ 62$ thousand, an increase in other noninterest expenses of $\$ 946$ thousand, or $22.9 \%$, and a $\$ 65$ thousand, or $14.2 \%$, decrease in the provision for income taxes.

The Company's net income was $\$ 3.49$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to $\$ 4.21$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, a decrease of $\$ 719$ thousand, or $17.1 \%$. These results reflected the net effect of an increase in net interest income of $\$ 400$ thousand, or $2.9 \%$, an increase of $\$ 70$ thousand, or $18.4 \%$, in the provision for loan losses, an increase of $\$ 864$ thousand, or $20.6 \%$, in noninterest income, the branch acquisition expenses of $\$ 407$ thousand, an increase in other noninterest expenses of $\$ 2.0$ million, or $16.6 \%$, and a $\$ 530$ thousand, or $41.1 \%$, decrease in the provision for income taxes.

On May 27, 2011, Union Bank completed its acquisition of three New Hampshire branch offices. In the transaction, Union assumed deposit relationships, performing loans, branch cash, two banking facilities, and other assets, including one leased branch location. In accordance with the Agreement, Union paid a $6 \%$ premium on assumed deposits, loans were acquired at par, and the banking facilities were purchased at the most recent tax assessed value. The full earnings impact of the acquired assets and liabilities is fully reflected in the Results of Operations for the three months ended September 30, 2011 but not in the nine months ended results due to the timing of the purchase. The pre-tax branch acquisition expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2011 totaled $\$ 62$ thousand and year to date totaled $\$ 407$ thousand. The branch acquisition expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 are mainly legal, professional and marketing fees expended to facilitate the purchase of the three New Hampshire branches. There were also expenses incurred to replace customer checkbooks and branch supplies. Management believes that substantially all of the acquisition expenses have been incurred as of September 30, 2011 and any additional expenses will not be material to the Company's results of operations. The branch acquisition included $\$ 29.6$ million in cash that provided liquidity and has been subsequently invested in interest earning assets. The Company continues to face a challenging low interest rate environment as the prime rate has remained unchanged at $3.25 \%$ for the last 33 months. Total interest income increased by $\$ 390$ thousand, or $6.8 \%$, to $\$ 6.12$ million in the third quarter of 2011, versus total interest income of $\$ 5.73$ million in the third quarter of 2010, and that increase was bolstered by the decrease in interest expense from $\$ 1.03$ million in 2010 to $\$ 1.02$ million in 2011, a decrease of $\$ 14$ thousand, or $1.4 \%$, between periods. The result of the changes in interest income and interest expense was that net interest income for the third quarter of 2011 was $\$ 5.10$ million, up $\$ 404$ thousand, or $8.6 \%$, from the third quarter of 2010 of $\$ 4.70$ million. The continued static low prime rate or further drops in the prime rate and/or increases in competitors' deposit or market borrowing rates could be problematic if loans were to refinance to a lower rate or individual variable rate loan and investment instruments reprice downward at a faster rate than the downward repricing of deposit products. In addition there is very little relative reduction that can be made in deposit rates currently paid as it appears customers are staying in short-term time deposits or nontime deposit accounts which are all currently paying an interest rate less than $1 \%$.

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The $\$ 456$ thousand increase in noninterest income for the quarter was due to many factors including the increase of $\$ 149$ thousand in net gains on sales of loans held for sale, from $\$ 334$ thousand for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 to $\$ 483$ thousand for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, with the volume of loans sold to the secondary market to mitigate long term interest rate risk increasing from $\$ 15.0$ million in the third quarter of 2010 to $\$ 19.8$ million in the third quarter of 2011. The continuing volume of sales was driven by the sustained low long term mortgage rates, which create loan demand throughout the branches, as well as by the strong origination from the loan production office in South Burlington, Vermont, which opened in August 2010. There was also an increase of \$133 thousand, or $13.0 \%$, in service fee income and an $\$ 173$ thousand net gain on sales of investment securities available-for-sale for the three

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months ended September 30, 2011. The main reason for the sale was to offset the prepayment penalties on higher cost FHLB of Boston advances. There were no security gains/losses in the similar 2010 period.

Salaries and wages were higher by $\$ 418$ thousand, or $24.9 \%$, for the third quarter of 2011 compared to the same period last year. Pension and employee benefits were up $\$ 91$ thousand, or $13.0 \%$. Net occupancy and equipment expenses are both up due to the increased number of banking locations and the higher costs of operation in 2011.

All other noninterest expenses were up $\$ 346$ thousand, or $27.6 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2011 which has numerous components, with the largest changes being the $\$ 177$ thousand in penalties on the 2011 early payoffs of $\$ 2$ million in long-term FHLB of Boston advances.

The Company's effective tax rate decreased to $21.6 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2011 from $23.8 \%$ for the same period in 2010, as both tax exempt income and tax credits from low income housing partnership investments increased.

At September 30, 2011, the Company had total consolidated assets of $\$ 545.8$ million, including gross loans and loans held for sale ("total loans") of $\$ 428.9$ million, deposits of $\$ 471.5$ million, borrowed funds of $\$ 26.0$ million and stockholders' equity of $\$ 42.6$ million. The Company's total assets increased $\$ 92.8$ million, or $20.5 \%$, to $\$ 545.8$ million at September 30, 2011, from $\$ 453.0$ million at December 31, 2010. A large portion of the increase was due to the New Hampshire branch acquisitions which added $\$ 67.2$ million in assets.

Net loans and loans held for sale increased a total of $\$ 46.6$ million, or $12.3 \%$, to $\$ 424.9$ million, or $77.8 \%$, of total assets at September 30, 2011, compared to $\$ 378.3$ million, or $83.5 \%$, of total assets at December 31, 2010, including $\$ 32.9$ million in loans acquired with the branch acquisitions. Over and above the acquisition of the loans, there was a net increase in net loans and loans held for sale of $\$ 13.7$ million.

Deposits increased $\$ 94.9$ million, or $25.2 \%$, to $\$ 471.5$ million at September 30, 2011, from $\$ 376.7$ million at December 31, 2010, reflecting the acquisition of $\$ 67.0$ million in deposits, of which $\$ 3.2$ million were in the form of deposits linked to overnight collateralized repurchase sweeps. The deposits at the acquired branches have increased $\$ 2.0$ million since May 27, 2011 and all nontime deposit categories except time deposits have grown since December 31, 2010.

The Company's total capital increased from $\$ 41.7$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 42.6$ million at September 30, 2011. Capital ratios, while continuing to meet the regulatory guidelines for well capitalized, all dropped as of September 30, 2011 due to the branch acquisitions. The total risk based capital ratio at December 31, 2010 was $15.12 \%$ and had dropped to $12.25 \%$ at September 30, 2011 . The regulatory guideline for well capitalized is $10.0 \%$ and for minimum requirements is $8.0 \%$.

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The following unaudited per share information and key ratios depict several measurements of performance or financial condition for the three and nine months ended or at September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively:

| Three Months Ended or At Nine Months Ended or At <br> September 30, |  |  |  | September 30, |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |  |  |
| 1.07 | $\% 1.31$ | $\% 0.95$ | $\% 1.27$ | $\%$ |  |
| 13.63 | $\% 13.92$ | $\% 11.17$ | $\% 13.49$ | $\%$ |  |
| 4.19 | $\% 4.66$ | $\% 4.29$ | $\% 4.62$ | $\%$ |  |
| 72.67 | $\% 65.18$ | $\% 75.02$ | $\% 66.74$ | $\%$ |  |
| 4.04 | $\% 4.43$ | $\% 4.10$ | $\% 4.40$ | $\%$ |  |
| 90.95 | $\% 97.07$ | $\% 90.95$ | $\% 97.07$ | $\%$ |  |
| 0.02 | $\% 0.02$ | $\% 0.01$ | $\% 0.07$ | $\%$ |  |
| 0.99 | $\% 1.02$ | $\% 0.99$ | $\% 1.02$ | $\%$ |  |
| 1.22 | $\% 1.36$ | $\% 1.22$ | $\% 1.36$ | $\%$ |  |
| 7.80 | $\% 9.43$ | $\% 7.80$ | $\% 9.43$ | $\%$ |  |
| 12.25 | $\% 15.54$ | $\% 12.25$ | $\% 15.54$ | $\%$ |  |
| $\$ 9.56$ | $\$ 9.54$ | $\$ 9.56$ | $\$ 9.54$ |  |  |
| $\$ 0.32$ | $\$ 0.33$ | $\$ 0.78$ | $\$ 0.94$ |  |  |
| $\$ 0.25$ | $\$ 0.25$ | $\$ 0.75$ | $\$ 0.75$ |  |  |
| 78.13 | $\% 75.76$ | $\% 96.15$ | $\% 79.79$ | $\%$ |  |

(1) Annualized.
(2)The ratio of tax equivalent net interest income to average earning assets. See page 30 for more information. The ratio of noninterest expense ( $\$ 5.1$ million in 2011 and $\$ 4.1$ million in 2010) to tax equivalent net interest income ( $\$ 5.2$ million in 2011 and $\$ 4.8$ million in 2010) and noninterest income ( $\$ 2.0$ million in 2011 and $\$ 1.6$ million in 2010) excluding securities gains ( $\$ 173$ thousand in 2011 and $\$ 0$ in 2010) for the three months ended
(3)September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The ratio of noninterest expense ( $\$ 14.7$ million in 2011 and $\$ 12.3$ million in 2010) to tax equivalent net interest income ( $\$ 14.8$ million in 2011 and $\$ 14.2$ million in 2010) and noninterest income ( $\$ 5.1$ million in 2011 and $\$ 4.2$ million in 2010) excluding securities gains ( $\$ 183$ thousand in 2011 and $\$ 0$ in 2010) for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.
(4) The difference between the average rate earned on earning assets and the average rate paid on interest bearing liabilities. See page 30 for more information.
The net carrying amount of loans recorded at fair value from the branch acquisitions was $\$ 30.0$ million of the
(5) September 30, 2011 loan portfolio. The allowance for loan losses to loans not purchased and not held for sale is $1.06 \%$ at September 30, 2011.
(6) Nonperforming assets are loans or investment securities that are in nonaccrual or 90 or more days past due as well 6) as other real estate or assets owned.
(7)Cash dividends declared and paid per share divided by consolidated net income per share.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net Interest Income. The largest component of the Company's operating income is net interest income, which is the difference between interest and dividend income received from interest earning assets and the interest expense paid on interest bearing liabilities. The Company's net interest income increased $\$ 404$ thousand, or $8.60 \%$, to $\$ 5.10$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 4.70$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The net interest spread decreased 39 basis points to $4.04 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2011, from $4.43 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The decrease in the net interest spread was primarily the result of the 63 basis point drop in average interest rates earned on interest earning assets from $5.63 \%$ for the quarter ended

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September 30, 2010 to $5.00 \%$ for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 while the average interest rate paid on interest bearing liabilities only dropped 24 basis points from $1.20 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2010 to $0.96 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2011. The net interest margin for the third quarter of 2011 decreased 47 basis points to $4.19 \%$ from $4.66 \%$ for the 2010 comparison period, reflecting the change in the composition of interest earning assets during 2011 mainly due to the impact of the May 2011 branch acquisitions and the effect of

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a decrease in average interest rates earned on interest earning assets, which was only partially offset by the decrease in the average interest paid on interest bearing liabilities.

Yields Earned and Rates Paid. The following table shows for the periods indicated the total amount of income recorded from average interest earning assets, the related average tax equivalent yields, the interest expense associated with average interest bearing liabilities, the related average rates paid, and the resulting tax equivalent net interest spread and margin. Yield and rate information is average information for the period, and is calculated by dividing the annualized tax equivalent income or expense item for the period by the average balance of the appropriate balance sheet item during the period. Net interest margin is annualized tax equivalent net interest income divided by average earning assets. Nonaccrual loans or investments are included in asset balances for the appropriate periods, but recognition of interest on such loans or investments is discontinued and any remaining accrued interest receivable is reversed in conformity with federal regulations.

Three Months Ended September 30,

| 2011 |  |  | 2010 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Average | Interest | Average | Average | Interest | Average |
| Balance | Earned/ | Yield/ | Balance | Earned/ | Yield/ |
|  | Paid | Rate |  | Paid | Rate |

Average Assets:

| Federal funds sold and overnight deposits | $\$ 20,023$ | $\$ 9$ | 0.18 | $\% \$ 16,069$ | $\$ 7$ | 0.18 | $\%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Interest bearing deposits in banks | 16,776 | 78 | 1.83 | $\% 15,937$ | 95 | 2.38 | $\%$ |
| Investment securities (1), (2) | 38,374 | 279 | 3.30 | $\% 23,957$ | 251 | 4.71 | $\%$ |
| Loans, net (1), (3) | 419,993 | 5,751 | 5.53 | $\% 362,066$ | 5,375 | 6.00 | $\%$ |
| FHLB of Boston stock (4) | 1,922 | 1 | 0.26 | $\% 1,922$ | - | - |  |
| Total interest earning assets (1) | 497,088 | 6,118 | 5.00 | $\% 419,951$ | 5,728 | 5.63 | $\%$ |
| Cash and due from banks | 6,108 |  |  | 5,119 |  |  |  |
| Premises and equipment | 8,879 |  |  | 7,938 |  |  |  |
| Other assets | 19,257 |  |  | 12,252 |  |  |  |
| Total assets | $\$ 531,332$ |  |  | $\$ 445,260$ |  |  |  |
| Average Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity: | $\$ 78,274$ | $\$ 54$ | 0.28 | $\% \$ 61,219$ | $\$ 33$ | 0.22 | $\%$ |
| Interest bearing checking accounts | 149,336 | 141 | 0.37 | $\% 121,239$ | 155 | 0.51 | $\%$ |
| Savings/money market accounts | 156,981 | 559 | 1.41 | $\% 132,545$ | 552 | 1.65 | $\%$ |
| Time deposits | 30,548 | 262 | 3.29 | $\% 25,744$ | 290 | 4.41 | $\%$ |
| Borrowed funds | 415,139 | 1,016 | 0.96 | $\% 340,747$ | 1,030 | 1.20 | $\%$ |
| Total interest bearing liabilities | 69,378 |  |  | 56,525 |  |  |  |
| Noninterest bearing deposits | 4,923 |  |  | 6,044 |  |  |  |
| Other liabilities | 489,440 |  |  | 403,316 |  |  |  |
| Total liabilities | 41,892 |  |  | 41,944 |  |  |  |
| Stockholders' equity | $\$ 531,332$ |  |  | $\$ 445,260$ |  |  |  |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | $\$ 5,102$ |  |  | $\$ 4,698$ |  |  |  |
| Net interest income |  |  | 4.04 | $\%$ |  |  | 4.43 |
| Net interest spread (1) |  |  | 4.19 | $\%$ |  |  | 4.66 |
| Net interest margin (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

[^2](2) Average balances of investment securities are calculated on the amortized cost basis and include nonaccrual securities, if applicable.
(3)

Includes loans held for sale as well as nonaccrual loans, unamortized costs and unamortized premiums and is net of the allowance for loan losses.
(4) Dividends on the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Boston stock were suspended effective the fourth quarter of 2008 and resumed during the first quarter of 2011.

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Nine Months Ended September 30,
2011

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Interest } & \text { Average } \\ \text { Earned/ } & \text { Yield/ } \\ \text { Paid } & \text { Rate }\end{array}$
(Dollars in thousands)
Average Assets:
Federal funds sold and overnight deposits
Interest bearing deposits in banks
Investment securities (1), (2)
Loans, net (1), (3)
FHLB of Boston stock (4)
Total interest earning assets (1)
Cash and due from banks
Premises and equipment
Other assets
Total assets
Average Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:

| Interest bearing checking accounts | $\$ 69,362$ | $\$ 124$ | 0.24 | $\% \$ 60,717$ | $\$ 102$ | 0.22 | $\%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Savings/money market accounts | 136,957 | 438 | 0.43 | $\% 118,986$ | 474 | 0.53 | $\%$ |
| Time deposits | 141,461 | 1,577 | 1.49 | $\% 131,074$ | 1,693 | 1.73 | $\%$ |
| Borrowed funds | 30,225 | 840 | 3.63 | $\% 27,355$ | 853 | 4.11 | $\%$ |
| Total interest bearing liabilities | 378,005 | 2,979 | 1.05 | $\% 338,132$ | 3,122 | 1.23 | $\%$ |
| Noninterest bearing deposits | 63,787 |  |  | 54,645 |  |  |  |
| Other liabilities | 5,264 |  |  | 6,006 |  |  |  |
| Total liabilities | 447,056 |  |  | 398,783 |  |  |  |
| Stockholders' equity | 41,597 |  |  | 41,571 |  |  |  |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | $\$ 488,653$ |  |  | $\$ 440,354$ |  |  |  |
| Net interest income |  | $\$ 14,371$ |  |  | $\$ 13,971$ |  |  |
| Net interest spread (1) |  | 4.10 | $\%$ |  | 4.40 | $\%$ |  |
| Net interest margin $(1)$ |  | 4.29 | $\%$ |  | 4.62 | $\%$ |  |

(1) Average yields reported on a tax equivalent basis using a marginal tax rate of $34 \%$.
(2) Average balances of investment securities are calculated on the amortized cost basis and include nonaccrual ) securities, if applicable.
(3) Includes loans held for sale as well as nonaccrual loans, unamortized costs and unamortized premiums and is net of (3) the allowance for loan losses.
(4) Dividends on the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Boston stock were suspended effective the fourth quarter of (4) 2008 and resumed during the first quarter of 2011.

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Tax exempt interest income amounted to $\$ 326$ thousand and $\$ 308$ thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively and $\$ 926$ thousand and $\$ 861$ thousand for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The following table presents the effect of tax exempt income on the calculation of the net interest margin, using a marginal tax rate of $34 \%$ for 2011 and 2010:


Rate/Volume Analysis. The following tables describe the extent to which changes in average interest rates (on a fully tax-equivalent basis) and changes in volume of average interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities have affected the Company's interest income and interest expense during the periods indicated. For each category of interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities, information is provided on changes attributable to:
changes in volume (change in volume multiplied by prior rate);
changes in rate (change in rate multiplied by prior volume); and
total change in rate and volume.
Changes attributable to both rate and volume have been allocated proportionately to the change due to volume and the change due to rate.

Interest earning assets:
$\left.\begin{array}{llll}\text { Federal funds sold and overnight deposits } & \$ 2 & \$- & \$ 2 \\ \text { Interest bearing deposits in banks } & 5 & (22 & )(17 \\ \text { Investment securities } & 136 & (108 & ) 28 \\ \text { Loans, net } & 829 & (453 & ) 376 \\ \text { FHLB of Boston stock } & - & 1 & 1 \\ \text { Total interest earning assets } & \$ 972 & \$(582 & ) \$ 390 \\ \text { Interest bearing liabilities: } & \$ 11 & & \$ 10 \\ \text { Interest bearing checking accounts } & 32 & (46 & \$ 21 \\ \text { Savings/money market accounts } & 94 & (87 & ) 7 \\ \text { Time deposits } & 50 & (78 & )(28 \\ \text { Borrowed funds } & \$ 187 & \$(201 & ) \$(14 \\ \text { Total interest bearing liabilities } & \$ 785 & \$(381 & ) \$ 404\end{array}\right)$

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Interest earning assets:

| Federal funds sold and overnight deposits | $\$ 8$ | $\$ 2$ | $\$ 10$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Interest bearing deposits in banks | $(64$ | $)(33$ | $)(97$ |
| Investment securities | 244 | $(267$ | $)(23$ |
| Loans, net | 1,575 | $(1,212$ | $) 363$ |
| FHLB of Boston stock | - | 4 | 4 |
| Total interest earning assets | $\$ 1,763$ | $\$(1,506$ | $) \$ 257$ |
| Interest bearing liabilities: | $\$ 14$ | $\$ 8$ | $\$ 22$ |
| Interest bearing checking accounts | 64 | $(100$ | $)(36$ |
| Savings/money market accounts | 128 | $(244$ | $)(116$ |
| Time deposits | 87 | $(100$ | $)(13$ |
| Borrowed funds | $\$ 293$ | $\$(436$ | $) \$(143)$ |
| Total interest bearing liabilities | $\$ 1,470$ | $\$(1,070$ | $) \$ 400$ |

Three Months Ended September 30, 2011, Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2010.

Interest and Dividend Income. The Company's interest and dividend income increased to $\$ 6.1$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to $\$ 5.7$ million for the same period last year, mostly driven by an increase in average earning assets of $\$ 77.1$ million, or $18.4 \%$, to $\$ 497.1$ million, from $\$ 420.0$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. However, the positive effect on interest income resulting from the rise in the average volume of earning assets was more than offset by the lower rates earned on interest bearing deposits in banks, investment securities and loans in the third quarter of 2011 versus 2010. The continuing low interest rate environment and the acquisition of 3 branches in New Hampshire in May 2011 that added $\$ 32.9$ million in loans while receiving $\$ 29.6$ million in cash to be invested led to lower yields in the quarter ended September 30, 2011. Interest income on loans increased $\$ 376$ thousand, or $7.0 \%$, to $\$ 5.8$ million for the third quarter of 2011 versus $\$ 5.4$ million for the 2010 comparison period, in conjunction with an increase of $\$ 57.9$ million in average loan volume between periods. Average loans approximated $\$ 420.0$ million at an average yield of $5.53 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2011, up $\$ 57.9$ million, or $16.0 \%$ from an average of $\$ 362.1$ million at an average yield of $6.00 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The loans in the branches acquired accounted for approximately $\$ 31.7$ million of the increase in average loans for the quarter ended September 30, 2011. The increase in average loan volume was more than offset by a 47 basis point decrease in average yield.

The Company has continued to manage interest rate risk by selling low rate qualified residential mortgages originated during 2011 to the secondary market and has benefited from the sale of these mortgages, with net gains of $\$ 483$ thousand on residential real estate loan sales of $\$ 19.8$ million for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, compared to net gains of $\$ 334$ thousand on loan sales of $\$ 15.8$ million during the same period last year.

The average balance of investments (including mortgage-backed securities) increased $\$ 14.4$ million, or $60.2 \%$, to $\$ 38.4$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 24.0$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The average balance invested in interest bearing deposits in banks for the quarter was $\$ 16.8$ million, up $\$ 839$ thousand, or $5.3 \%$, from the average level of $\$ 15.9$ million for the 2010 comparison period. The average balance of federal funds sold and overnight deposits increased $\$ 3.9$ million, or $24.6 \%$, to $\$ 20.0$ million for the

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three months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 16.1$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. Interest income from average nonloan instruments increased $\$ 14$ thousand, or $4.0 \%$, between periods, with $\$ 367$ thousand for the third quarter of 2011 versus $\$ 353$ thousand for the same period of 2010, reflecting the decreases in average yields on interest bearing deposits and investment securities, partially offset by the overall increase in average nonloan instrument volume.

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Interest Expense. The Company's interest expense decreased $\$ 14$ thousand, or $1.4 \%$, to $\$ 1.02$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 1.03$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The decrease was primarily attributable to lower rates paid on all interest bearing liabilities except interest bearing checking accounts.

Interest expense on deposits decreased $\$ 14$ thousand, or $1.9 \%$, to $\$ 754$ thousand for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 740$ thousand for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Competition for deposits has remained strong. Average interest bearing deposits for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 increased $\$ 69.6$ million, or $22.1 \%$, to $\$ 384.6$ million compared to average interest bearing deposits of $\$ 315.0$ million for the same period last year. This increase reflects the overall growth in the franchise, the purchase of $\$ 60.2$ million in interest bearing deposits (increased to approximately $\$ 65.4$ million on average for the quarter ended September 30, 2011) with the acquisition of the three New Hampshire branches in May 2011, as well as the impact of higher FDIC insurance coverage and the continuing uncertainty surrounding the financial markets as customers retain cash in lieu of other investments. Average time deposits increased to $\$ 157.0$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 132.5$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2010, an increase of $\$ 24.5$ million, or $18.4 \%$ (time deposits in the acquired branches averaged $\$ 27.2$ million). The average rate paid on time deposits during the third quarter of 2011 decreased 24 basis points, to $1.41 \%$ from $1.65 \%$ for the third quarter of 2010. The average balances for money market and savings accounts increased $\$ 28.1$ million, or $23.2 \%$, to $\$ 149.3$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 121.2$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2010 (money market and savings accounts in the acquired branches averaged $\$ 19.8$ million). The average rate paid on money market and savings deposits dropped from $0.51 \%$ to $0.37 \%$. A $\$ 17.1$ million, or $27.9 \%$, increase in interest bearing checking accounts brought the average balance up to $\$ 78.3$ million from $\$ 61.2$ million between the two comparison periods (interest bearing checking accounts in the acquired branches averaged $\$ 14.6$ million for the quarter). The average rate paid on interest bearing checking accounts was $0.28 \%$ for the three months ended September 30,2011 up from $0.22 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The increase was a result of the impact of the higher rates paid on relationship accounts acquired in May 2011.

Interest expense on borrowed funds decreased $\$ 28$ thousand, or $9.7 \%$, to $\$ 262$ thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 290$ thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2010. Average borrowed funds increased $\$ 4.8$ million, or $18.7 \%$, to $\$ 30.5$ million for for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to $\$ 25.7$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. Customer overnight collateralized repurchase sweeps accounted for $\$ 4.7$ million of the increase. The average rate paid on borrowings dropped from $4.41 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2010 to $3.29 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2011, as the borrowing rates paid on customer repurchase sweeps was lower than the rates paid on longer-term borrowings outstanding.

Provision for Loan Losses. There was a $\$ 150$ thousand loan loss provision for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 compared to a $\$ 200$ thousand loan loss provision for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Although improvement in travel and tourism industry sales has been reported during 2011 in comparison to 2010, the industry is just beginning to reach pre-recession levels and the impact of the decline in revenue during the last two years is still evident in the local market. Nonperforming loans increased by $\$ 943$ thousand between September 30, 2010 and September 30, 2011, while loans specifically reserved for increased by approximately $\$ 2.3$ million between periods. Between December 31, 2010 and September 30, 2011, nonperforming loans increased by $\$ 2.4$ million and loans specifically reserved for increased approximately $\$ 3.4$ million. The increase in the third quarter 2010 provision as compared to the first two quarters of 2010, was primarily related to the change in reserve factors that occurred during that period. The provision in the third quarter of 2011 was deemed appropriate by management in light of the increase in nonperforming loans and loans specifically reserved for, the change in the mix of the portfolio and the outlook for future economic conditions. For further details, see FINANCIAL CONDITION Allowance for Loan Losses and Asset Quality below.

Noninterest Income. The following table sets forth changes from the third quarter of 2010 to the third quarter of 2011 for components of noninterest income:

|  | For The Three Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2010 | \$ Va | \% Variance |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |
| Trust income | \$132 | \$126 | \$6 | 4.8 |
| Service fees | 1,153 | 1,020 | 133 | 13.0 |
| Net gains on sales of loans held for sale | 483 | 334 | 149 | 44.6 |
| Other income | 71 | 76 | (5 | ) (6.6 |
| Subtotal | 1,839 | 1,556 | 283 | 18.2 |
| Gains on sales of investment securities available-for-sale | 173 | - | 173 | - |
| Total noninterest income | \$2,012 | \$ 1,556 | \$456 | 29.3 |

Noninterest income net of gains on investment securities available-for-sale was $\$ 1.8$ million, or $23.1 \%$, of total income for the three months ended September 30, 2011 versus $\$ 1.6$ million, or $21.4 \%$, of total income for the three months ended September 30, 2010. This increase between years reflected the effect of higher income in all noninterest income categories except other income.

Service fees. Service fees increased $\$ 133$ thousand, or $13.0 \%$, between the third quarter of 2010 and the third quarter of 2011. The increase was due in large part to the growth in debit card and ATM fees resulting from the growth in the volume of electronic transactions, which added $\$ 106$ thousand to fees earned. There was also an increase of $\$ 14$ thousand in loan servicing fees between years due to the increased volume of residential mortgage loans serviced. These increases were partially offset by the decrease of $\$ 17$ thousand in overdraft fee income on deposit accounts.

Net gains on sales of loans held for sale. Residential loans totaling $\$ 19.8$ million were sold for a net gain of $\$ 483$ thousand during the third quarter of 2011, versus residential and commercial real estate loan sales of $\$ 15.8$ million for a net gain of $\$ 334$ thousand during the third quarter of 2010. While the volume of loans sold to mitigate low long term interest rates increased $\$ 4.06$ million, or $25.7 \%$, between periods, the net gains rose $44.6 \%$, reflecting the effect of the new loan production office in Chittenden County which opened in August 2010, the addition of three established branch locations in May 2011 and the introduction of new government sponsored loan programs to Union's product line.

Net gains on sales of investment securities available-for-sale. Three corporate investment securities available-for-sale totaling $\$ 1.5$ million were sold during the third quarter of 2011 for a net gain of $\$ 173$ thousand. The main reason for the sale was to take advantage of the available gain to offset penalties incurred when Union prepaid $\$ 2$ million in long-term FHLB of Boston advances.

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Noninterest Expense. The following table sets forth changes from the third quarter of 2010 to the third quarter of 2011 for components of noninterest expense:

|  | For The Three Months |  |  |  | Ended September 30, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2011 | 2010 | \$ Variance | $\%$ Variance |  |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |
| Salaries and wages | $\$ 2,100$ | $\$ 1,682$ | $\$ 418$ | 24.9 |  |
| Pension and employee benefits | 790 | 699 | 91 | 13.0 |  |
| Occupancy expense, net | 276 | 225 | 51 | 22.7 |  |
| Equipment expense | 319 | 279 | 40 | 14.3 |  |
| Branch acquisition expenses | 62 | - | 62 | - |  |
| Expenses of OREO and other assets owned, net | $(27$ | $) 30$ | $(57$ | $)(190.0$ | $)$ |
| Vermont franchise tax | 108 | 104 | 4 | 3.8 |  |
| FDIC insurance assessment | 84 | 114 | $(30$ | $)(26.3$ | $)$ |
| Equity in losses of affordable housing investments | 130 | 106 | 24 | 22.6 |  |
| Amortization of core deposit intangible | 43 | - | 43 | - |  |
| Other expenses | 1,260 | 898 | 362 | 40.3 |  |
| Total noninterest expense | $\$ 5,145$ | $\$ 4,137$ | $\$ 1,008$ | 24.4 |  |

Salaries and wages. The $\$ 418$ thousand increase in 2011 over 2010 was due primarily to normal annual salary increases, the opening in August 2010 of a new loan production office in South Burlington, Vermont and the acquisition of three branches with staff in May 2011.

Pension and employee benefits. Expense for the defined benefit pension plan was $\$ 208$ thousand for the third quarter of 2011 compared to $\$ 192$ for the third quarter of 2010, an increase of $\$ 16$ thousand, or $8.3 \%$. There was an increase of $\$ 33$ thousand, or $11.0 \%$, in the Company's medical costs from $\$ 307$ thousand for the third quarter of 2010 , to $\$ 340$ thousand for the third quarter of 2011. Employer payroll taxes were $\$ 159$ thousand for the third quarter of 2011 up from $\$ 122$ thousand for the third quarter of 2010 , an increase of $\$ 37$ thousand, or $30.3 \%$. The majority of the increase is due to higher staffing levels, resulting in increased salaries and wages and the remainder is due to the increase in state and federal unemployment tax rates.

Occupancy expense, net. The increase between years is mainly due to the addition of the leased space in August 2010 for the South Burlington loan production office, the cost of three additional branch locations since May 27, 2011 as well as higher utility costs.

Equipment expense. The increase between years is mainly due to the increase in software licenses and maintenance contracts expense, from $\$ 149$ thousand for the third quarter of 2010 to $\$ 196$ thousand for the third quarter of 2011, $\$ 47$ thousand, or $31.5 \%$. This increase was partially offset by a decrease in equipment depreciation for the quarter.

Branch acquisition expenses. The branch acquisition expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2011 are mainly overtime expense, legal and professional fees expended to facilitate the purchase of the three New Hampshire branches and expenses incurred to replace customer checkbooks.

Expenses of OREO and other assets owned, net. For the three months ended September 30, 2011, an OREO-related recovery of $\$ 85$ thousand was recorded, which more than offset the quarter's expenses.

FDIC insurance assessment: The decrease in assessment for the three months ended September 30, 2011 was due to a change in the assessment formula which had been previously based on total deposits and effective April 1, 2011 was changed to a net assets base. The benefit from the formula change was partially offset by the increased assessment resulting from the increased asset base.

Amortization of core deposit intangible. As a result of the branch purchases in May 2011, a core deposit intangible of $\$ 1.7$ million was booked and is being amortized over the estimated 10 year average life of the core deposit base.

Equity in losses of affordable housing investments. Union recorded new investments in limited partnerships in March
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and May of 2011 which has increased the expense for equity in losses. The increased expenses are offset on an after tax basis by the increased tax credits recorded as a reduction of income tax expense.

Other expenses. The 2011 results include $\$ 177$ thousand in penalties on the early payoffs of $\$ 2$ million in long-term FHLB of Boston advances while there was no such penalties in 2010. Management concluded that, despite the prepayment penalty, early payoff of the long-term advances was warranted in that it will reduce future interest expense and reliance on borrowed funds that were at interest rates higher than currently available. The prepayment penalties were offset for the quarter by the Gain on sale of investment securities available-for-sale. Outsourcing the marketing function beginning in the third quarter of 2010 added $\$ 36$ thousand in related expenses to the third quarter of 2011 compared to the same period last year. Upgraded data and phone communication lines in 2010 and 2011 as well as the impact of the branch expansion in May 2011 added $\$ 38$ thousand in expenses. Increased expense related to an increase in utilization of ATM and debit cards was $\$ 54$ thousand higher in the third quarter of 2011.

Income Tax Expense. The Company has provided for current and deferred federal income taxes for the quarters ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. The Company's provision for income taxes was $\$ 392$ thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2011, compared to $\$ 457$ thousand for the same period in 2010. The Company's effective tax rate decreased to $21.6 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2011, from $23.8 \%$ for the same period in 2010 as tax exempt interest income increased slightly to $\$ 326$ thousand for the third quarter of 2011 versus $\$ 308$ thousand for the third quarter of 2010 and tax credits recorded from investments in affordable housing projects increased to $\$ 114$ thousand for the third quarter of 2011 versus $\$ 95$ thousand for the third quarter of 2010.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011, Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010.
Interest and Dividend Income. The Company's interest and dividend income increased $\$ 257$ thousand, or $1.5 \%$, to $\$ 17.4$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 17.1$ million for the same period last year with an increase in average earning assets of $\$ 45.8$ million, or $11.0 \%$, to $\$ 460.5$ million from $\$ 414.7$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The positive effect on interest income resulting from the rise in the average volume of earning assets was partially offset by the lower rates earned on interest bearing deposits in banks, investment securities and loans in the first nine months of 2011 versus 2010. Interest income on loans increased \$363 thousand with an increase of $\$ 36.2$ million in average loan volume between periods. Average loans approximated $\$ 392.9$ million at an average yield of $5.66 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, up from an average of $\$ 356.7$ million at an average yield of $6.09 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The increase in average loan volume, which included average loans in the branches acquired of $\$ 14.5$ million, was partially offset by the 43 basis point decrease in average yield.

The Company has continued to manage interest rate risk by selling low rate qualified residential mortgages originated during 2011 to the secondary market and has benefited from the sale of these mortgages, with net gains of $\$ 990$ thousand on residential and commercial real estate loan sales of $\$ 50.3$ million for the nine months ended September 30 , 2011, compared to net gains of $\$ 601$ thousand on loan sales of $\$ 39.6$ million during the same period last year.

The average balance of investments (including mortgage-backed securities) increased $\$ 8.1$ million, or $32.8 \%$, to $\$ 32.6$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 24.5$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The average balance invested in interest bearing deposits in banks for the first nine months of 2011 was $\$ 14.9$ million, down $\$ 4.0$ million, or $21.2 \%$, from the 2010 average level of $\$ 18.9$ million. The average balance of federal funds sold and overnight deposits increased $\$ 5.5$ million, or $43.6 \%$, to $\$ 18.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 12.6$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Interest income from average nonloan instruments decreased $\$ 106$ thousand, or $9.5 \%$, between periods, with $\$ 1.0$ million for the first nine months of 2011 versus $\$ 1.1$ million for the same period of 2010, reflecting the decreases in average yields on interest bearing deposits and investment securities despite the $\$ 9.5$ million, or $16.4 \%$ overall increase in average nonloan instrument
volume.
Interest Expense. The Company's interest expense decreased $\$ 143$ thousand, or $4.6 \%$, to $\$ 3.0$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 3.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The decrease was attributable to lower rates on all interest bearing liabilities except interest bearing checking accounts due to the acquisition of relationship accounts with the branch acquisitions even though average balances rose in all categories for the nine months ended September 30, 2011.

Interest expense on deposits decreased $\$ 130$ thousand, or $5.7 \%$ to $\$ 2.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 2.3$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Competition for deposits remained strong.

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Average interest bearing deposits for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 increased $\$ 37.0$ million, or $11.9 \%$, to $\$ 347.8$ million, including an increase of $\$ 27.6$ million attributable to the interest bearing deposits in the branches acquired on May 27, 2011, compared to average interest bearing deposits of $\$ 310.8$ million for the same period last year. Average time deposits increased to $\$ 141.5$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 131.1$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, or an increase of $\$ 10.4$ million, or $7.9 \%$. The average time deposits in the branches acquired were $\$ 12.2$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The average rate paid on time deposits during the first nine months of 2011 decreased 24 basis points, to $1.49 \%$ from $1.73 \%$ for the first nine months of 2010. The average balances for money market and savings accounts increased $\$ 18.0$ million, or $15.1 \%$, to $\$ 137.0$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from $\$ 119.0$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The average money market and savings accounts in the acquired branches were $\$ 8.8$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The average rate paid on money market and savings accounts dropped from $0.53 \%$ to $0.43 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. An $\$ 8.6$ million, or $14.2 \%$, increase in interest bearing checking accounts brought the average balance up to $\$ 69.4$ million from $\$ 60.7$ million between the two comparison periods. The average interest bearing checking accounts in the acquired branches were $\$ 6.6$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The average rate paid on interest bearing checking accounts rose to $0.24 \%$ from $0.22 \%$ between periods due to the relationship accounts acquired.

Provision for Loan Losses. There was a $\$ 450$ thousand loan loss provision for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to a $\$ 380$ thousand loan loss provision for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Although improvement in travel and tourism industry sales has been reported during 2011 in comparison to 2010, the industry is just beginning to reach pre-recession levels and the impact of the decline in revenue during the last two years is still evident in the local market. Nonperforming loans increased by $\$ 943$ thousand between September 30, 2010 and September 30, 2011, while loans specifically reserved for increased by approximately $\$ 2.3$ million between periods. Between December 31, 2010 and September 30, 2011, nonperforming loans increased by $\$ 2.4$ million and loans specifically reserved for increased approximately $\$ 3.4$ million. The qualitative review of the allowance for loan losses during the first quarter 2011, resulted in the economic reserve factors assigned to the residential, junior lien and construction portfolios being increased by 5 basis points. The higher provision in the first nine months of 2011 was deemed appropriate by management in light of the increase in nonperforming loans and loans specifically reserved for, as well as the change in reserve factors, the change in the mix of the portfolio and the outlook for future economic conditions. For further details, see FINANCIAL CONDITION Allowance for Loan Losses and Asset Quality below.

Noninterest Income. The following table sets forth changes from the first nine months of 2010 to the first nine months of 2011 for components of noninterest income:

| Trust income | $\$ 403$ | $\$ 343$ | $\$ 60$ | 17.5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Service fees | 3,206 | 3,004 | 202 | 6.7 |
| Net gains on sales of loans held for sale | 990 | 601 | 389 | 64.7 |
| Other income | 278 | 248 | 30 | 12.1 |
| Subtotal | $\$ 4,877$ | $\$ 4,196$ | $\$ 681$ | 16.2 |
| Net gains on sales of investment securities available-for-sale | $\$ 183$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 183$ | - |
| Total noninterest income | $\$ 5,060$ | $\$ 4,196$ | $\$ 864$ | 20.6 |

Noninterest income net of gains and losses on investment securities available-for-sale was $\$ 4.9$ million, or $21.9 \%$, of total income for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 versus $\$ 4.2$ million, or $19.7 \%$, of total income for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. This increase between years reflected the effect of higher income in all noninterest income categories.

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Trust income. Trust income increased by $\$ 60$ thousand, or $17.5 \%$, between the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and September 30, 2010, as dollars in managed and nonmanaged fiduciary accounts grew between September 30, 2010 and 2011. Fees are normally charged on asset values.

Service fees. Service fees increased $\$ 202$ thousand, or $6.7 \%$, between the first nine months of 2010 and the first nine months of 2011. The increase was due in large part to the $\$ 199$ thousand, or $20.0 \%$, growth in debit card and ATM

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fees resulting from growth in the volume of electronic transactions. There was also an increase in loan servicing fees of $\$ 61$ thousand, or $19.8 \%$, between years due to the increased volume of residential mortgage loans serviced, as well as an increase in income from the merchant card program of $\$ 27$ thousand, or $7.8 \%$, as commercial customers' electronic transactions increased. These increases were partially offset by the $\$ 103$ thousand, or $9.7 \%$, decrease in overdraft and service fee income on deposit accounts.

Net gains on sales of loans held for sale. Residential and commercial real estate loans totaling $\$ 50.3$ million were sold for a net gain of $\$ 990$ thousand during the first nine months of 2011, versus sales of $\$ 39.6$ million for a net gain of $\$ 601$ thousand during the first nine months of 2010. The volume of loans sold to mitigate low long-term mortgage rates continued to be high in 2011 as the new loan production office in Chittenden County and our branches continued to increase loans generated for sale and interest rates remained historically low.

Other income. Other income increased $\$ 30$ thousand, or $12.1 \%$. This was mainly due to income of $\$ 80$ thousand recognized in the first nine months of 2011 from utilization of Vermont state tax credits compared to $\$ 26$ thousand for the first nine months of 2010. This increase was partially offset by a $\$ 27$ thousand reduction in net mortgage servicing rights recognized.

Net gains on sales of investment securities available-for-sale. Investment securities available-for-sale totaling \$2.1 million were sold during the first nine months of 2011 for a net gain of $\$ 183$ thousand. The main reasons for the sales were to take advantage of the available gains to offset penalties incurred when Union prepaid $\$ 2$ million in long-term FHLB of Boston advances during the third quarter of 2011 and to cleanup tail pieces of mortgage backed securities during the second quarter of 2011.

Noninterest Expense. The following table sets forth changes from the first nine months of 2010 to the first nine months of 2011 for components of noninterest expense:

|  | For The Nine Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2010 | \$ Varian | \% Variance |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |
| Salaries and wages | \$5,722 | \$4,839 | \$883 | 18.2 |
| Pension and employee benefits | 2,386 | 2,133 | 253 | 11.9 |
| Occupancy expense, net | 827 | 701 | 126 | 18.0 |
| Equipment expense | 882 | 771 | 111 | 14.4 |
| Branch acquisition expenses | 407 | - | 407 | - |
| Expenses of OREO and other assets owned, net | 166 | 168 | (2 | )(1.2 |
| Vermont franchise tax | 320 | 310 | 10 | 3.2 |
| FDIC insurance assessment | 296 | 372 | (76 | ) (20.4 |
| Equity in losses of affordable housing investments | 367 | 319 | 48 | 15.0 |
| Amortization of core deposit intangible | 57 | - | 57 | - |
| Other expenses | 3,304 | 2,678 | 626 | 23.4 |
| Total noninterest expense | \$14,734 | \$12,291 | \$2,443 | 19.9 |

Salaries and wages. The $\$ 883$ thousand, or $18.2 \%$, increase in 2011 over 2010 was due primarily to normal annual salary increases, the opening in August 2010 of a new loan production office in South Burlington, Vermont and the addition of branch staff at the three branches acquired in May 2011.

Pension and employee benefits. Expense for the defined benefit pension plan was $\$ 625$ thousand for the first nine months of 2011 and $\$ 577$ thousand for the first nine months of 2010, an increase of $\$ 48$ thousand, or $8.3 \%$. There was an increase of $\$ 82$ thousand, or $9.1 \%$, in the Company's medical costs from $\$ 896$ thousand for the first nine months of 2010 , to $\$ 978$ thousand for the first nine months of 2011, as the cost of the plan increased between years mainly due

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to more employees and family members participating in the plan in 2011, including some of the employees at the loan production office opened in August 2010, the employees at the three acquired branches and employees' children between the ages of 18 and 26 regardless of their student or marital status due to the federal health care reform law. Employer payroll taxes also increased for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 by $\$ 113$ thousand to $\$ 527$ thousand from $\$ 414$ thousand for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 reflecting higher staffing levels

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and a resulting increase in salaries and wages, as well as an increase of $\$ 52$ thousand in state and federal unemployment taxes.

Occupancy expense, net. The increase between years is mainly due to the addition of the leased space in August 2010 for the loan production office, the addition of three additional branches in May 2011 as well as higher fuel and utility costs.

Equipment expense. The increase between years is due to the increase in depreciation expense from $\$ 328$ thousand for the first nine months of 2010 to $\$ 345$ thousand for the first nine months of 2011, as well as increased costs from $\$ 418$ thousand to $\$ 507$ thousand for software licenses and hardware maintenance contracts.

Branch acquisition expenses. The branch acquisition expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 are mainly legal, professional and marketing fees expended to facilitate the purchase of the three New Hampshire branches. There were also expenses incurred to replace customer checkbooks and branch supplies.

Expenses of OREO and other assets owned, net. Expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 included $\$ 163$ thousand in the write-down of value of four OREO properties to their fair market value less estimated costs to sell, while the expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 only included write-downs of $\$ 4$ thousand. The 2011 expenses are net of a recovery of $\$ 85$ thousand during the third quarter of 2011.

FDIC insurance assessment: The decrease in assessment for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was due to a change in the assessment formula which had been previously based on total deposits and effective April 1, 2011 was changed to a net assets base. This decrease was partially offset by the growth in net assets as a result of the branch acquisitions in May 2011.

Equity in losses of affordable housing investments. Union recorded new investments in limited partnerships in March and May of 2011 which has increased the expense for equity in losses. The increased expenses are offset on an after tax basis by the increased tax credits recorded which reduced income tax expense.

Amortization of core deposit intangible. As a result of the branch purchases in May 2011, a core deposit intangible of $\$ 1.7$ million was recorded and is being amortized over the estimated 10 year average life of the core deposit base.

Other expenses. Outsourcing and improving the marketing function beginning in the third quarter of 2010 added $\$ 161$ thousand in related expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 over the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Upgraded data and phone communication lines in 2010 and 2011 along with the addition of three branches added $\$ 99$ thousand in communication expenses. ATM and Debit Card expenses were also higher for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 by $\$ 120$ thousand, as both customers and noncustomers increased their usage of these electronic forms of access to their funds. Professional fees for the first nine months of 2011 included $\$ 39$ thousand for a consultant to review the Company's compensation package. Expenses of the Asset Management Group increased $\$ 38$ thousand to $\$ 209$ thousand for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 from $\$ 171$ thousand for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 as the number of customers served continue to expand. The 2011 results included $\$ 177$ thousand in prepayment penalties on the early payoff of FHLB of Boston advances while the 2010 results only included a prepayment penalty of $\$ 41$ thousand. The prepayment penalties were offset by the Gain on sale of investment securities available-for-sale for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. Management believes that prepayment of the long-term advances will reduce future interest expense and reliance on borrowed funds at interest rates that were higher than currently available.

Income Tax Expense. The Company has provided for current and deferred federal income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. The Company's provision for income taxes was $\$ 761$ thousand for the nine

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months ended September 30, 2011, compared to $\$ 1.3$ million for the same period in 2010. The Company's effective tax rate decreased to $17.9 \%$ for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from $23.5 \%$ for the same period in 2010 as tax exempt interest income increased to $\$ 926$ thousand for the first nine months of 2011 versus $\$ 861$ thousand for the first nine months of 2010 and tax credits recorded from investments in affordable housing projects increased to $\$ 318$ thousand for the first nine months of 2011 versus $\$ 285$ thousand for the first nine months of 2010 , as well as a $\$ 43$ thousand reduction in income tax expense related to the tax treatment of limited housing partnerships.

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## FINANCIAL CONDITION

At September 30, 2011, the Company had total consolidated assets of $\$ 545.8$ million, including gross loans and loans held for sale ("total loans") of $\$ 428.9$ million, deposits of $\$ 471.5$ million and stockholders' equity of $\$ 42.6$ million. The Company's total assets increased $\$ 92.8$ million, or $20.5 \%$, to $\$ 545.8$ million at September 30, 2011, from $\$ 453.0$ million at December 31, 2010. A large portion of the increase was due to the acquisition of the three New Hampshire branches on May 27, 2011. Net loans and loans held for sale increased a total of $\$ 46.6$ million, or $12.3 \%$, to $\$ 424.9$ million, or $77.8 \%$, of total assets at September 30, 2011, including $\$ 30.0$ million of loans at September 30, 2011 acquired with the branch acquisitions, compared to $\$ 378.3$ million, or $83.5 \%$, of total assets at December 31, 2010.

Deposits increased $\$ 94.9$ million, or $25.2 \%$, to $\$ 471.5$ million at September 30, 2011, from $\$ 376.7$ million at December 31, 2010, with total deposits in the acquired branches of $\$ 69.1$ million, including $\$ 3.5$ million of deposits linked to overnight collateralized repurchase sweeps. Noninterest bearing deposits increased $\$ 11.0$ million, or $17.1 \%$, from $\$ 64.5$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 75.5$ million at September 30, 2011, including $\$ 4.1$ million of noninterest bearing deposits in the branches acquired. Interest bearing deposits increased $\$ 58.9$ million, or $32.7 \%$, from $\$ 180.4$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 239.3$ million at September 30, 2011, including $\$ 34.4$ million of interest bearing deposits in the branches acquired. Time deposits increased $\$ 25.0$ million, or $18.9 \%$, from $\$ 131.7$ million at December 31, 2010, to $\$ 156.7$ million at September 30, 2011 including $\$ 27.1$ million of time deposits in the branches acquired. (See average balances and rates in the Yields Earned and Rates Paid table on page 31.)

The continuing low interest rate environment and aggressive rate competition from in-market and out-of-market financial institutions makes deposit accounts increasingly hard to attract and retain. Noninterest bearing deposit account relationships are especially difficult to develop due to the customer's anticipated cost and inconvenience associated with new checks, debit cards, direct deposits and automated clearing house transaction changes. Therefore, the acquisition of the New Hampshire branches with total deposits of $\$ 67.0$ million, including $\$ 3.5$ million in noninterest bearing deposits, in markets contiguous to Union's, are viewed by management and the Board of Directors as a strong strategic move for the Company, increasing deposits and expanding the Company's New Hampshire market area. Total deposits and overnight collateralized repurchase sweeps at the acquired branches grew to $\$ 69.0$ million at September 30, 2011.

Total borrowings decreased $\$ 3.0$ million, or $10.2 \%$, at September 30, 2011, from $\$ 29.0$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 26.0$ million at September 30, 2011, mainly due to the prepayment of $\$ 2$ million in long-term FHLB advances, the payoff of a $\$ 2$ million short-term FHLB of Boston advance outstanding at December 31, 2010 and normal monthly payments on FHLB of Boston amortizing advances. These reductions were partially offset by the addition of $\$ 3.5$ million in customer overnight collateralized repurchase sweeps at September 30, 2011. (See Borrowings on page 47.)

Total stockholders' equity increased $\$ 870$ thousand to $\$ 42.6$ million at September 30, 2011 from $\$ 41.7$ million at December 31, 2010. This increase reflects net income of $\$ 3.5$ million for the first nine months of 2011, the issuance of 1,500 shares of common stock totaling $\$ 26$ thousand due to the exercise of 1,500 incentive stock options, and the $\$ 696$ thousand positive change in accumulated other comprehensive loss, less regular cash dividends paid of \$3.3 million (See Capital Resources on page 51.)

Loans Held for Sale and Loan Portfolio. Total loans (including loans held for sale) increased $\$ 47.0$ million, or $12.3 \%$, to $\$ 428.9$ million from $\$ 381.9$ million at December 31, 2010. This increase is primarily the result of the branch acquisitions with the net carrying amount of the loans acquired representing $\$ 30.0$ million of the total September 30, 2011 loan portfolio. At September 30, 2011, the Company's $\$ 428.9$ million total loan portfolio represented $78.6 \%$ of assets, up in dollars but down in percentage from $\$ 381.9$ million, or $84.3 \%$ of assets at December 31, 2010 and up in dollars but down in percentage from $\$ 366.0$ million, or $81.2 \%$ of assets at September 30, 2010. The Company's loans primarily consist of adjustable-rate and fixed-rate mortgage loans secured by one-to-four family, multi-family

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residential or commercial real estate. Real estate secured loans represented $\$ 359.9$ million, or $83.9 \%$, of total loans at September 30, 2011 and $\$ 323.8$ million, or $84.8 \%$, of total loans at December 31, 2010. While competition for good loans is strong, the Company has been able to originate loans to both current and new customers while maintaining credit quality. Consumer loan demand was steady during the first couple of months of 2011, slowed going into the second quarter of 2011 and picked back up later in the second quarter through the third quarter. Commercial and construction loan demand was modest during the first half of 2011 but showed improvement in the summer season and with the start of the fall foliage season. The improving economy, strong winter and summer tourism seasons and the drop and stabilization in the unemployment rates led management to be cautiously optimistic regarding future loan demand but increased inflation or interest rates may have a negative impact.

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The composition of the Company's loan portfolio as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 was as follows: September 30, 2011 December 31, 2010

Loan Type
Residential real estate
Construction real estate
Commercial real estate
Commercial
Consumer
Tax exempt loans
Loans held for sale
Total loans
Add/(Deduct):
Allowance for loan losses
Unamortized net loan costs
Net loans and loans held for sale

Amount Percent Amount Percent (Dollars in thousands)

| $\$ 143,304$ | 33.4 | $\$ 132,533$ | 34.7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 30,006 | 7.0 | 18,578 | 4.9 |
| 182,368 | 42.5 | 167,056 | 43.7 |
| 22,806 | 5.3 | 20,604 | 5.4 |
| 6,129 | 1.5 | 6,046 | 1.6 |
| 39,997 | 9.3 | 31,455 | 8.2 |
| 4,242 | 1.0 | 5,611 | 1.5 |
| 428,852 | 100.0 | 381,883 | 100.0 |
|  |  |  |  |
| $(4,186$ | $)$ | $(3,755$ | $)$ |
| 212 |  | 188 |  |
| $\$ 424,878$ |  | $\$ 378,316$ |  |

The Company originates and sells qualified residential mortgages to the secondary market, with most of this type of sales made to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC/"Freddie Mac"). At September 30, 2011, the Company serviced a $\$ 320.8$ million residential real estate mortgage portfolio, of which $\$ 4.2$ million is held for sale and approximately $\$ 173.3$ million is serviced for unaffiliated third parties.

The Company chose to sell a substantial portion of qualified residential mortgage loans generated during the first nine months of 2011 to the secondary market in order to mitigate long-term interest rate risk and to generate fee income. The Company generally retains the servicing rights on sold residential mortgage loans. During the first quarter of 2011, the Company received approval to originate and sell Federal Housing Administration (FHA) and Veterans Administration (VA) residential mortgage loans. These loan products increase the Company's ability to serve the borrowing needs of residents in the communities we serve.

The Company also originates commercial real estate and commercial loans under various SBA, U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development and Vermont Economic Development Authority programs which provide a government agency guaranty for a portion of the loan amount. There was $\$ 3.6$ million guaranteed under these various programs at September 30, 2011. The Company occasionally sells the guaranteed portion of the loan to other financial concerns and retains servicing rights, which generates fee income. The Company serviced $\$ 22.5$ million of commercial and commercial real estate loans for unaffiliated third parties as of September 30, 2011. This includes $\$ 19.2$ million of commercial, municipal, residential or commercial real estate loans the Company has participated out to other financial institutions, in the ordinary course of business on a nonrecourse basis, for liquidity or credit concentration management purposes.

The Company capitalizes servicing rights for both residential mortgage and commercial loans sold with servicing retained. The Company recognizes gains and losses on the sale of the principal portion of these loans as they occur. The unamortized balance of servicing rights on loans sold with servicing retained was $\$ 737$ thousand at September 30, 2011, with an estimated market value in excess of the carrying value as of such date.

There were $\$ 12.9$ million of residential real estate loans pledged to secure municipal deposits above the FDIC insurance coverage level as of September 30, 2011. Qualified residential first mortgages held by Union and up to $\$ 25$ million in qualified small business loans may also be pledged as collateral for borrowings from the FHLB of Boston under a blanket lien.

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Asset Quality. The Company, like all financial institutions, is exposed to certain credit risks, including those related to the value of the collateral that secures its loans and the ability of borrowers to repay their loans. The underlying value of real estate collateral has not seen as much of a decline in Vermont and northwestern New Hampshire as has been experienced in other parts of the country and the Company's conservative loan policies have been prudent for both the Company and its customers. Renewed market volatility, high unemployment rates and weakness in the general

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economic condition of the country or our market area, may have a negative effect on our customers' ability to make their loan payments on a timely basis and/or on underlying collateral values. Management closely monitors the Company's loan and investment portfolios, other real estate and other assets owned for potential problems and reports to the Company's and the subsidiary's Boards of Directors at regularly scheduled meetings. Repossessed assets and loans or investments that are 90 days or more past due are considered to be nonperforming assets. Board approved policies set forth portfolio diversification levels to mitigate concentration risk and the Company participates large credits out to other financial institutions to further mitigate that risk.

The following table shows the composition of nonperforming assets at the dates indicated and trends of certain ratios monitored by Company's management in reviewing asset quality:

| 仡 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } 30 \text {, } \\ & 2011 \\ & \text { (Dollars in thou } \end{aligned}$ | ```December 31, 2010 sands)``` | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September 30, } \\ & 2010 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nonaccrual loans | \$4,942 | \$2,792 | \$3,431 |  |
| Accruing loans 90+ days delinquent | 1,058 | 806 | 1,626 |  |
| Total nonperforming loans | 6,000 | 3,598 | 5,057 |  |
| OREO | 658 | 1,609 | 1,091 |  |
| Total nonperforming assets | \$6,658 | \$5,207 | \$6,148 |  |
| Allowance for loan losses to loans not held for sale (1) | 0.99 | \% 1.00 | \% 1.02 | \% |
| Allowance for loan losses to nonperforming loans | 69.77 | \% 104.36 | \% 73.11 | \% |
| Nonperforming loans to total loans | 1.40 | \%0.94 | \% 1.38 | \% |
| Nonperforming assets to total assets | 1.22 | \% 1.15 | \% 1.36 | \% |
| Delinquent loans (30 days to nonaccruing) to total loans | 2.07 | \%3.43 | \% 2.10 | \% |
| Net charge-offs (annualized) to average loans not held for sale | 0.01 | \% 0.07 | \% 0.07 | \% |
| Loan loss provision to net charge-offs, year-to-date | 2,368.42 | \% 201.42 | \% 215.91 | \% |

The net carrying amount of loans recorded at fair value from the branch acquisitions was $\$ 30.0$ million of the (1)September 30, 2011 loan portfolio. The allowance for loan losses to loans not purchased and not held for sale was $1.06 \%$ at September 30, 2011.

The level of nonaccrual loans increased $\$ 2.2$ million, or $77.0 \%$, since December 31, 2010, while accruing loans delinquent 90 days or more increased $\$ 252$ thousand, or $31.3 \%$, during the same time period and the percentage of nonperforming loans to total loans increased from $0.94 \%$ to $1.40 \%$. Of the $\$ 2.4$ million net increase in nonperforming loans between December 31, 2010 and September 30, 2011, the majority was attributable to three commercial real estate borrowers who were either current or less than 90 days delinquent as of December 31, 2010. The aggregate interest income not recognized on nonaccrual loans amounted to approximately $\$ 909$ thousand and $\$ 727$ thousand as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and $\$ 677$ thousand as of December 31, 2010.

At September 30, 2011, the Company had loans rated substandard that were on a performing status totaling $\$ 3.8$ million, compared loans totaling $\$ 1.7$ million at December 31, 2010. In management's view, such loans represent a higher degree of risk of becoming nonperforming loans in the future.

The Company's management is focused on the impact that the prolonged recession may have on its borrowers and is closely monitoring industry and geographic concentrations for evidence of financial problems. Since the fourth quarter of 2007, residential real estate values have declined nationally with some other areas of the country experiencing significant weakening. While the recession impacted the region's housing market, it did not cause significant price declines. Sales of homes in Vermont and northwestern New Hampshire slowed considerably over the last three years

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along with housing permits but signs of improvement were seen during the summer season in the majority of our markets. The real estate market decline significantly contributed to the downturn in the general economy with unemployment rates and business failures rising nationwide. These conditions may cause borrowers who are current in their payments to experience deterioration in the value of their collateral and increase the potential of default if their income levels decline. Management continues to monitor the national, regional and local economic environment and its impact on unemployment, business failures and real estate values in the Company's market area. The unemployment rate has started to stabilize in our market areas and in Vermont was at a 5.8\% level for September 2011 as well as

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September 2010. New Hampshire was at $5.4 \%$ and $5.5 \%$ compared to the nationwide rate of $9.1 \%$ and $9.6 \%$ for the comparable periods.

Vermont and New Hampshire continue to have some of the lowest residential foreclosure rates in the United States. On occasion the Company acquires residential or commercial real estate properties through or in lieu of loan foreclosure. These properties are held for sale and are initially recorded as OREO at fair value less estimated selling costs at the date of the Company's acquisition of the property, with fair value based on an appraisal for more significant properties and on a broker's price opinion for minor properties. Holding costs and declines in fair value on properties acquired are expensed as incurred. Declines in fair value after acquisition of the property result in charges against income before tax, which totaled $\$ 17$ thousand for the quarter ended and $\$ 163$ thousand for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. This compares to a $\$ 4$ thousand charge against income before tax for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2010. The Company evaluates each property at least quarterly for changes in the fair value. The Company had six residential, land development or commercial real estate properties for a total of \$658 thousand classified as OREO at September 30, 2011, and one residential property has subsequently gone under contract to sell. This compares to a total of $\$ 1.6$ million at December 31, 2010, representing three residential, one multi-family, two commercial and three construction/land development properties. There was a $\$ 64$ thousand allowance for losses on OREO at September 30, 2011 and a $\$ 47$ thousand allowance at December 31, 2010 which were netted out of the above values.

Further softening in the real estate market would make the potential to recover all principal and related costs for OREO properties uncertain.

Allowance for Loan Losses. Some of the Company's loan customers ultimately do not make all of their contractually scheduled payments, requiring the Company to charge off a portion or all of the remaining principal balance due. The Company maintains an allowance for loan losses to absorb such losses. The allowance is maintained at a level believed, by management to be appropriate to absorb probable credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio; however, actual loan losses may vary from current estimates. The Company's policy and methodologies have not changed during 2011 and are described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Impaired loans also include restructured loans and were $\$ 2.8$ million at September 30, 2011, with government guaranties of $\$ 110$ thousand and a specific reserve amount allocated of $\$ 122$ thousand which is estimated by management to be the Company's loss exposure. This compares to impaired loans of $\$ 2.6$ million at December 31, 2010, with government guaranties of $\$ 110$ thousand and a specific reserve amount allocated of $\$ 83$ thousand.

The Company's loan portfolio balance not held for sale increased by $\$ 48.3$ million, from $\$ 376.3$ million at December 31, 2010 to $\$ 424.6$ million at September 30, 2011. There was growth in almost all loan categories (see chart on page 42 for further details) during the first nine months of 2011, which was primarily attributable to the acquisition of the New Hampshire branches. The composition of the Company's loan portfolio remained relatively unchanged from December 31, 2010, and there was no material change in the Company's lending programs or terms for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2011.

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The following table reflects activity in the allowance for loan losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010:

|  | Three Months Ended September 30, |  | Nine Months Ended September 30, |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |  |
|  | (Dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |
| Balance at beginning of period | \$4,060 | \$3,511 | \$3,755 | \$3,493 |  |
| Charge-offs: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real Estate: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residential | (7 | ) - | (16 | )(106 | ) |
| Construction | (17 | ) - | (17 | )- |  |
| Commercial | - | - | - | (78 | ) |
| Commercial | (2) | ) (22 | ) (2 | ) (24 | ) |
| Consumer and other | (7 | ) (2 | ) (21 | ) (11 | ) |
| Total charge-offs | (33 | ) (24 | ) (56 | ) (219 | ) |
| Recoveries: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real Estate: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residential | 2 | - | 3 | 7 |  |
| Commercial | 5 | 3 | 10 | 14 |  |
| Consumer and other | 2 | 7 | 24 | 22 |  |
| Total recoveries | 9 | 10 | 37 | 43 |  |
| Net recoveries (charge-offs) | (24 | ) (14 | ) (19 | )(176 | ) |
| Provision for loan losses | 150 | 200 | 450 | 380 |  |
| Balance at end of period | \$4,186 | \$3,697 | \$4,186 | \$3,697 |  |

The following table (net of loans held for sale) shows the internal breakdown by risk component of the Company's allowance for loan losses and the percentage of loans in each category to total loans in the respective portfolios at the dates indicated:

| September 30, 2011 |  | December 31, 2010 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amount (Dollars | Percent ands) | Amount | Percent |
| \$1,209 | 33.7 | \$ 1,033 | 35.2 |
| 2,172 | 45.4 | 2,117 | 47.3 |
| 394 | 7.1 | 240 | 4.9 |
| 293 | 5.4 | 250 | 5.5 |
| 118 | 8.4 | 115 | 7.1 |
| \$4,186 | 100.0 | \$3,755 | 100.0 |

Notwithstanding the categories shown in the table above, all funds in the allowance for loan losses are available to absorb loan losses in the portfolio, regardless of loan category or specific allocation.

Management of the Company believes, in its best estimate, that the allowance for loan losses at September 30, 2011, is appropriate to cover probable credit losses inherent in the Company's loan portfolio as of such date. However, there can be no assurance that the Company will not sustain losses in future periods which could be greater than the size of the allowance at September 30, 2011. In addition, our banking regulators, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review our allowance for loan losses. Such agencies may require us to recognize adjustments to
the allowance based on their judgments about information available to them at the time of their examination. A large adjustment to the allowance for losses in future periods may require increased provisions to replenish the allowance, which could negatively affect earnings. While the Company recognizes that further economic slowdown or financial

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and credit market turmoil may adversely impact its borrowers' financial performance and ultimately their ability to repay their loans, management continues to be cautiously optimistic about the collectability of the Company's loan portfolio.

Investment Activities. At September 30, 2011, there was $\$ 5.0$ million of investment securities classified as held-to-maturity and $\$ 36.3$ million investment securities classified as available-for-sale, totaling $\$ 41.3$ million, or $7.6 \%$, of assets. The amount in investment securities increased $\$ 17.0$ million, or $70.0 \%$, from $\$ 24.3$ million, or $5.4 \%$, of assets at December 31, 2010 as deposits (including deposits acquired in the New Hampshire branches acquisition) exceeded loan demand. The Company has increased its investment portfolio as one method of reducing excess liquidity as a result of the branch acquisition. There was $\$ 6.0$ million of investment securities pledged to secure various commercial, governmental, and municipal deposits or customer repurchase agreements as of September 30, 2011 and $\$ 1.5$ million at December 31, 2010.

Net unrealized gains for the Company's available-for-sale investment securities portfolio were $\$ 1.2$ million as of September 30, 2011 versus net unrealized gains of $\$ 265$ thousand as of December 31, 2010. Net unrealized gains of $\$ 775$ thousand, net of income tax effect, were reflected in the Company's accumulated other comprehensive loss component of stockholders' equity at September 30, 2011. Deterioration in credit quality and/or current imbalances in liquidity that may exist in the financial marketplace might adversely affect the fair values of the Company's investment portfolio and may increase the potential that certain unrealized losses will be designated as other than temporary in future periods, resulting in write-downs and charges to earnings.

Deposits. The following table shows information concerning the Company's average deposits by account type and weighted average nominal rates at which interest was paid on such deposits for the periods ended September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010.

|  | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011 |  |  | Year ended <br> December 31, 2010 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Average Amount (Dollars | Percent of Total Deposits housands) | Average Rate | Average <br> Amount | Percent of Total Deposits | Average <br> Rate |  |
| Nontime deposits: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Noninterest bearing deposits | \$63,787 | 15.5 | - | \$55,829 | 15.1 | - |  |
| Interest bearing checking accounts | 69,362 | 16.9 | 0.24 | \% 62,094 | 16.8 | 0.22 | \% |
| Money Market accounts | 83,306 | 20.2 | 0.53 | \% 73,484 | 19.9 | 0.66 | \% |
| Savings accounts | 53,651 | 13.0 | 0.27 | \% 46,985 | 12.8 | 0.30 | \% |
| Total nontime deposits | 270,106 | 65.6 | 0.28 | \% 238,392 | 64.6 | 0.32 | \% |
| Time deposits: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than \$100,000 | 76,561 | 18.6 | 1.44 | \%71,205 | 19.3 | 1.67 | \% |
| \$100,000 and over | 64,900 | 15.8 | 1.55 | \% 59,179 | 16.1 | 1.73 | \% |
| Total time deposits | 141,461 | 34.4 | 1.49 | \% 130,384 | 35.4 | 1.70 | \% |
| Total deposits | \$411,567 | 100.0 | 0.69 | \% \$ 368,776 | 100.0 | 0.81 | \% |

The Company participates in the Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS) of Promontory Interfinancial Network, LLC, which permits the Company to offer full deposit insurance coverage to its customers by exchanging deposit balances with other CDARS participants. Participants may also purchase deposits through CDARS. There were $\$ 6.8$ million of time deposits of $\$ 250,000$ or less on the balance sheet at September 30, 2011 and $\$ 9.8$ million at December 31, 2010 which were exchanged with other CDARS participants and are therefore considered for certain regulatory purposes to be "brokered" deposits. The Company also participates in Promontory Interfinancial Network's Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) program. ICS is a service through which Union can offer its

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customers a savings product with access to multi-million dollar FDIC insurance while receiving reciprocal deposits from other banks. Like the exchange of certificate of deposit accounts through CDARS, exchange of savings deposits through ICS in effect permits Union to retain the full amount of the customer's deposits on Union's balance sheet. There was $\$ 1.8$ million in ICS money market deposits on the balance sheet at September 30, 2011 and none at December 31, 2010. None of the Company's CDARS or ICS deposits, as of the respective balance sheet dates, represent purchased deposits as all such deposits were matched dollar for dollar with Union's customer deposits which were placed in other participating financial institutions in order to provide those customers with full FDIC insurance coverage.

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The following table sets forth information regarding the Company's time deposits in amounts of $\$ 100,000$ and over at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 that mature during the periods indicated:

September 30, 2011 December 31, 2010
(Dollars in thousands)
Within 3 months
3 to 6 months
6 to 12 months
Over 12 months

| $\$ 11,876$ | $\$ 6,732$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 8,390 | 28,441 |
| 38,523 | 16,751 |
| 14,450 | 10,986 |
| $\$ 73,239$ | $\$ 62,910$ |

In total the Company's time deposits in amounts of $\$ 100$ thousand and over increased $\$ 10.3$ million, or $16.4 \%$, between December 31, 2010 and September 30, 2011. There was a change in each of the maturity time frames, especially the 3 to 6 months and the 6 to 12 months categories. In Vermont, the majority of the municipalities' and school districts' fiscal year ends are June 30 , with most of their time deposits maturing on that date causing the majority of the swing between those two time periods.

Total deposits on average between the year ended December 31, 2010 and the nine months ended September 30, 2011 grew $\$ 42.8$ million, or $11.6 \%$, with growth in all categories. The average for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 of the deposits in the branches acquired on May 27, 2011 amounted to $\$ 29.3$ million. All categories of deposits with the exception of time deposits grew in the the nine months ended September 30, 2011, exclusive of the deposits in acquired branches. Time deposits have trended towards very short duration or migrated to nontime deposits because of the low interest rate environment and the perceived customer desire to be in a position to take advantage of the inevitable rise in interest rates. Time deposits have decreased slightly and management believes that most of the funds have flowed into money market accounts where current interest rates are higher than on short-term certificates.

Part of the Dodd-Frank Act permanently raised FDIC deposit insurance coverage to $\$ 250$ thousand per depositor per insured depository institution for each account ownership category. At September 30, 2011, the Company had deposit accounts with less than $\$ 250$ thousand totaling $\$ 357.7$ million, or $75.9 \%$ of its deposits, which now have permanent FDIC insurance protection. There is an additional $\$ 17.0$ million in noninterest bearing or IOLTA deposit accounts greater than $\$ 250$ thousand at September 30, 2011 with unlimited FDIC insurance until December 31, 2012. An additional $\$ 15.2$ million of municipal deposits which are currently over the FDIC insurance coverage limit have been collateralized by Union under applicable state regulations by investment securities or loans.

Borrowings. Total borrowed funds at September 30, 2011 were $\$ 26.0$ million compared to $\$ 29.0$ million at December 31, 2010, a net decrease of $\$ 3.0$ million, or $10.2 \%$. Borrowings from the FHLB of Boston were $\$ 22.6$ million at September 30, 2011, at a weighted average rate of $4.06 \%$, and $\$ 29.0$ million at December 31, 2010, at a weighted average rate of $4.15 \%$. The decline in FHLB borrowings included the maturity of $\$ 2.0$ million in short term funding at $0.23 \%$, the maturity of a $\$ 1.7$ million amortizing advance at $5.51 \%$, and the prepayment of $\$ 2.0$ million in advances with interest rates ranging from $3.19 \%$ to $4.67 \%$ that had maturity dates in 2013 through 2017 which resulted in a prepayment penalty for the three months ended September 30, 2011 of $\$ 177$ thousand. The Company also made scheduled monthly payments on long-term FHLB of Boston amortizing advances of $\$ 722$ thousand. In addition, the Company had overnight secured customer repurchase agreement sweeps at September 30, 2011 of $\$ 3.5$ million and none at December 31, 2010. The Company had no overnight federal funds purchased or advances on its repurchase agreement line or at the Federal Reserve discount window on either September 30, 2011 or December 31, 2010.

## OTHER FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Market Risk and Asset and Liability Management. Market risk is the potential of loss in a financial instrument arising from adverse changes in market prices, interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates, commodity prices and equity prices. As of September 30, 2011, the Company did not have any market risk sensitive instruments acquired for trading purposes. The Company's market risk arises primarily from interest rate risk inherent in its lending, investing, deposit taking and borrowing activities, as yields on assets change in a different time period or to a different extent from that of interest costs on liabilities. Many other factors also affect the Company's exposure to changes in interest rates, such as national, regional and local economic and financial conditions, financial market conditions, legislative and regulatory actions, competitive pressures, customer preferences including loan prepayments and/or early withdrawal of time deposits, and historical pricing relationships. These factors and the Company's methodology to measure and manage these risks are discussed in greater detail in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December

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31, 2010 and have not changed during the nine months ended September 30, 2011.
As of September 30, 2011, $\$ 36.3$ million, or $98.1 \%$, of the investment portfolio was classified as available-for-sale and the modified duration was relatively short. The Company does not utilize any exotic derivative products or invest in any "high risk" instruments.

The Company's interest rate sensitivity analysis (simulation) as of December 2010 for a flat rate environment (the prime rate at both December 31, 2010 and September 30, 2011 was $3.25 \%$ ) projected the following for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the actual results:

## Net Interest Income

Net Income
Return on Assets
Return on Equity
September 30, 2011

| Projected Actual  <br> (Dollars in  Percentage <br> Difference <br> $\$ 14,780$ $\$ 14,371$ $(2.8$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\$ 3,962$ | $\$ 3,486$ | $(12.0$ | $)$ |
| 1.16 | $\% 0.95$ | $\%(18.4$ | $)$ |
| 12.04 | $\% 11.17$ | $\%(7.2$ |  |

Actual net interest income is $\$ 14.4$ million, $\$ 409$ thousand or $2.8 \%$, lower than projected as loan demand was not as strong as anticipated and interest rates on loans, investment securities and interest bearing deposits saw continued downward pressure due to market rate influences. In addition, the Company sold more qualified residential mortgage loans to the secondary market than planned to mitigate future interest rate risk since long-term rates dropped during the first nine months of 2011 after beginning to rise during the last 45 days of 2010.

Actual net income is lower than projected by $\$ 476$ thousand and is due to changes in several components since the projections were performed. Among those are the lower net interest margin, $\$ 407$ thousand in one-time expenses incurred year to date in 2011 for branch acquisitions and write-downs of $\$ 163$ thousand on OREO properties due to subsequent reductions in their estimated fair market value. These negative variances were partially offset by a positive variance of $\$ 481$ thousand in the net gain on sale of loans and a $\$ 89$ thousand recovery received from an OREO property that was written down in a previous year.

Commitments, Contingent Liabilities, and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements. The Company is a party to financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers, to reduce its own exposure to fluctuations in interest rates, and to implement its strategic objectives. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit, standby letters of credit, interest rate caps and floors written on adjustable-rate loans, commitments to participate in or sell loans, commitments to buy or sell securities, certificates of deposit or other investment instruments and risk-sharing commitments on certain sold loans. Such instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized on the balance sheet. The contract or notional amounts of these instruments reflect the extent of involvement the Company has in a particular class of financial instruments.

The Company's maximum exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit is represented by the contractual notional amount of those instruments. The Company uses the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance-sheet instruments. For interest rate caps and floors written on adjustable-rate loans, the contractual or notional amounts do not represent the Company's exposure to credit loss. The Company controls the risk of interest rate cap agreements through credit approvals, limits, and monitoring procedures. The Company generally requires collateral or other security to support financial instruments with credit risk.

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The following table details the contract or notional amount of financial instruments that represent credit risk at the dates indicated:

Commitments to originate loans
Unused lines of credit
Standby letters of credit
Credit card arrangements
FHLB of Boston MPF credit enhancement obligation, net
Commitment to purchase investment securities
Commitment to purchase FDIC insured certificates of deposit Total

| September 30, 2011 <br> (Dollars in thousands) | December 31, 2010 |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\$ 19,369$ | $\$ 15,654$ |
| 54,396 | 44,720 |
| 1,719 | 1,494 |
| 794 | 838 |
| 86 | 86 |
| 2,500 | - |
| 498 | - |
| $\$ 79,362$ | $\$ 62,792$ |

Commitments to originate loans are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have a fixed expiration date or other termination clause and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the loan commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon and not all credit lines will be utilized, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. Lines of credit incur seasonal volume fluctuations due to the nature of some customers' businesses, i.e. tourism and maple syrup products production.

The Company did not hold or issue derivative or hedging instruments during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2011. The commitment to purchase investment securities and FDIC insured certificates of deposit reflects management's strategy to put funds to work that were in overnight deposit accounts at September 30, 2011.

The Company's subsidiary bank is required (as are all banks) to maintain vault cash or a noninterest bearing reserve balance as established by Federal Reserve regulations. The Bank's average total required reserve for the 14 day maintenance period including September 30, 2011 was $\$ 576$ thousand and for December 31, 2010 was $\$ 360$ thousand, both of which were satisfied by vault cash. The Company has also committed to maintain a noninterest bearing contracted clearing balance of $\$ 1.0$ million at September 30, 2011 with the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

Interest Rate Sensitivity "Gap" Analysis. An interest rate sensitivity "gap" is defined as the difference between interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities maturing or repricing within a given time period. A gap is considered positive when the amount of interest rate sensitive assets exceeds the amount of interest rate sensitive liabilities. A gap is considered negative when the amount of interest rate sensitive liabilities exceeds the amount of interest rate sensitive assets. During a period of rising interest rates, a negative gap would tend to adversely affect net interest income, while a positive gap would tend to result in an increase in net interest income. During a period of falling interest rates, a negative gap would tend to result in an increase in net interest income, while a positive gap would tend to affect net interest income adversely. Because different types of assets and liabilities with the same or similar maturities may react differently to changes in overall market interest rates or conditions, changes in interest rates may affect net interest income positively or negatively even if an institution were perfectly matched in each maturity category.

The Company prepares its interest rate sensitivity "gap" analysis by scheduling interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities into periods based upon the next date on which such assets and liabilities could mature or reprice. The amount of assets and liabilities shown within a particular period were determined in accordance with the contractual terms of the assets and liabilities, except that:
adjustable-rate loans, investment securities, variable rate interest bearing deposits in banks, variable-rate time deposits, FHLB of Boston advances and other secured borrowings are included in the period when they are first scheduled to adjust and not in the period in which they mature;

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fixed-rate mortgage-related securities and residential loans reflect estimated prepayments, which were estimated based on analyses of broker estimates, the results of a prepayment model utilized by the Company, and empirical data; other nonmortgage related fixed-rate loans reflect scheduled contractual amortization, with no estimated prepayments; and
interest bearing checking, money markets and savings deposits, which do not have contractual maturities, reflect estimated levels of attrition, which are based on detailed studies by the Company of the sensitivity of each such category of deposit to changes in interest rates.

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Management believes that these assumptions approximate actual experience and considers them reasonable. However, the interest rate sensitivity of the Company's assets and liabilities in the tables could vary substantially if different assumptions were used, callable investment options were modeled, prepayment speeds changed or actual experience differs from the historical experience on which the assumptions are based.

The following table shows the Company's rate sensitivity analysis as of September 30, 2011:
Cumulative repriced within

| 3 Months 4 to 12 1 to 3 3 to 5 | Over 5 | Total |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| or Less | Months | Years | Years | Years |  |

Interest sensitive assets:
Overnight deposits
Interest bearing deposits in banks
Investment securities (1)(3)
FHLB Stock
Loans and loans held for sale (2)(3)
Total interest sensitive assets

| $\$ 25,425$ | $\$-$ | $\$-$ | $\$-$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 25,425$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1,794 | 5,163 | 11,281 | 1,956 | - | 20,194 |
| 3,125 | 3,185 | 5,136 | 8,637 | 20,364 | 40,447 |
| - | - | - | - | 1,922 | 1,922 |
| 163,895 | 69,891 | 68,336 | 57,307 | 69,635 | 429,064 |
| $\$ 194,239$ | $\$ 78,239$ | $\$ 84,753$ | $\$ 67,900$ | $\$ 91,921$ | $\$ 517,052$ |

Interest sensitive liabilities:
Time deposits
Money markets
Regular savings
$\left.\begin{array}{llllll}\$ 28,643 & \$ 83,759 & \$ 37,905 & \$ 6,394 & \$- & \$ 156,701 \\ 49,815 & - & - & - & 43,025 & 92,840 \\ 24,780 & - & - & - & 36,227 & 61,007 \\ 48,867 & - & - & - & 36,582 & 85,449 \\ 3,670 & 650 & 6,316 & 5,130 & 10,251 & 26,017 \\ \$ 155,775 & \$ 84,409 & \$ 44,221 & \$ 11,524 & \$ 126,085 & \$ 422,014 \\ \$ 38,464 & \$(6,170 & ) & \$ 40,532 & \$ 56,376 & \$(34,164\end{array}\right) \$ 95,038$
gap
Cumulative net interest rate sensitivity gap as
7.0
\% 5.9
a percentage of total assets
Cumulative net interest rate sensitivity gap as
a percentage of total interest sensitive assets
Cumulative net interest rate sensitivity gap as a percentage of total interest sensitive liabilities
(1) Investment securities exclude marketable equity securities and mutual funds with a fair value of $\$ 700$ thousand and
${ }^{(1)} \$ 119$ thousand, respectively, that may be sold by the Company at any time.
(2) Balances shown include deferred unamortized loan costs of $\$ 212$ thousand.
(3)Estimated repayment assumptions considered in Asset/Liability model.

Liquidity. Managing liquidity risk is essential to maintaining both depositor confidence and earnings stability. Liquidity is a measurement of the Company's ability to meet potential cash requirements, including ongoing commitments to fund deposit withdrawals, repay borrowings, fund investment and lending activities, and for other general business purposes. The Company's principal sources of funds are deposits, amortization, prepayment and

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maturity of loans, securities, interest bearing deposits and other short-term investments, sales of securities and loans available-for-sale, earnings and funds provided from operations. Maintaining a relatively stable funding base, which is achieved by diversifying funding sources, competitively pricing deposit products, and extending the contractual maturity of liabilities, reduces the Company's exposure to rollover risk on deposits and limits reliance on volatile short-term purchased funds. Short-term funding needs arise from declines in deposits or other funding sources, funding of loan commitments, draws on unused lines of credit and requests for new loans. The Company's strategy is to fund assets, to the maximum extent possible, with core deposits which provide a source of relatively stable and low-cost funds.

The acquisition of the three New Hampshire branches on May 27, 2011 brought in $\$ 67.0$ million in total deposits, of which over $50 \%$ were in a market where Union was already present with the balance in two other local markets with communities similar to Union's existing markets. This purchase and assumption resulted in $\$ 29.6$ million in cash inflow which has been invested in interest earning assets. Union has seen deposit growth in these three branches of $\$ 2.0$ million, or $3.0 \%$, by September 30, 2011.

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For the quarter ended September 30, 2011, the Company's ratio of average loans to average deposits dropped to $91.0 \%$ compared to $97.1 \%$ for the quarter ended September 30,2010 , as the acquisition of the branches provided $\$ 32.9$ million in loans but $\$ 67.0$ million in deposits. Loan demand, exclusive of the loans obtained through the branch acquisitions, was stronger in the first nine months of 2011 than in the same period in 2010.

Union, the Company's subsidiary, is a member of the FHLB of Boston, it had access to unused lines of credit up to $\$ 7.3$ million at September 30, 2011 over and above the $\$ 22.6$ million term advances already drawn on the lines, based on a FHLB of Boston estimate as of that date. With the purchase of required FHLB of Boston Class B common stock and evaluation by the FHLB of Boston of the underlying collateral available, line availability could rise to approximately $\$ 29.9$ million. This line of credit can be used for either short-or-long-term liquidity or other needs. In addition to its borrowing arrangements with the FHLB of Boston, Union maintains a pre-approved Federal Funds $\$ 7.0$ million line of credit with an upstream correspondent bank, a $\$ 15$ million repurchase agreement line of credit and access to the Federal Reserve discount window, which would require pledging of qualified assets. There was no balance outstanding on the federal funds or repurchase agreement lines or at the discount window at September 30, 2011.

There were no purchased deposits through CDARS or ICS (or otherwise) at either September 30, 2011 or December 31, 2010, although Union had exchanged $\$ 8.6$ million and $\$ 9.8$ million of deposits, respectively, with other CDARS/ICS members at those dates.

The Company's management monitors current and projected cash flows and adjusts positions as necessary to maintain adequate levels of liquidity. Although approximately $71.9 \%$ of the Company's time deposits will mature within twelve months, that level is consistent with the preceding eighteen quarters, which ranged from $70.2 \%$ to $87.8 \%$. The Federal Open Market Committee of the Federal Reserve has committed to keeping interest rates low until at least mid-2013. But, in the future, as interest rates rise, the increase in rates may lead to early redemptions by customers which will present its own liquidity issue which will have to be managed. Funds moving from FDIC insured deposits back into the financial market is also something that we monitor and can cause a liquidity concern.

A reduction in total deposits could be offset by purchases of federal funds, utilization of the repurchase agreement line of credit, utilization of the Federal Reserve discount window, purchases of brokered deposits such as one-way CDARS deposits, short-or-long-term FHLB borrowings, or liquidation of investment securities available-for-sale or loans held for sale. Such steps could result in an increase in the Company's cost of funds or a decrease in the yield earned on assets and therefore adversely impact the net interest spread and margin. Management believes the Company has sufficient liquidity to meet all reasonable borrower, depositor, and creditor needs in the present economic environment. However, any projections of future cash needs and flows are subject to substantial uncertainty. Customer behavior in the new branches acquired will continue to be closely monitored as the majority of these customers are new to Union Bank.

Capital Resources. Capital management is designed to maintain an optimum level of capital in a cost-effective structure that meets target regulatory ratios, supports management's internal assessment of economic capital, funds the Company's business strategies and builds long-term stockholder value. Dividends are generally in line with long-term trends in earnings per share and conservative earnings projections, while sufficient profits are retained to support anticipated business growth, fund strategic investments and provide continued support for deposits. The Company and its subsidiary continue to be considered well capitalized under the capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject. The Company continues to evaluate growth opportunities both through internal growth or potential acquisitions. The high dividend payouts and treasury stock purchases during the last few years, as well as the recent acquisition of the three New Hampshire branches reflect the Board's desire to utilize our capital for the benefit of the stockholders.

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The total dollar value of the Company's stockholders' equity at September 30, 2011 of $\$ 42.6$ million was up $\$ 870$ thousand from December 31, 2010 at $\$ 41.7$ million, reflecting net income of $\$ 3.5$ million for the first nine months of 2011, the issuance of 1,500 shares of common stock resulting from the exercise of 1,500 incentive stock options totaling $\$ 26$ thousand, and a decrease of $\$ 696$ thousand in accumulated other comprehensive loss, partially offset by the dividend payment of $\$ 3.3$ million in the first nine months of 2011.

Union Bankshares, Inc. has 7,500,000 shares of $\$ 2.00$ par value common stock authorized. As of September 30, 2011, the Company had $4,923,286$ shares issued, of which $4,457,204$ were outstanding and 466,082 were held in treasury.

On May 20, 2010, Union Bankshares, Inc. announced the adoption of a limited stock repurchase program to authorize Union Bankshares, Inc. Page 51
the repurchase of up to 2,500 shares of its common stock each calendar quarter in open market purchases or privately negotiated transactions, as management may deem advisable and as market conditions may warrant. The repurchase authorization for a calendar quarter expires at the end of that quarter to the extent it has not been exercised, and is not carried forward into future quarters. The quarterly repurchase authorization expires on December 31, 2011. The Company did not repurchase any shares during the first nine months of 2011.

The Company has reserved 50,000 shares of common stock for issuance under the 2008 Incentive Stock Option Plan of Union Bankshares, Inc. and Subsidiary. Options with respect to 1,500 shares of common stock were exercised during the first quarter of 2011. The stock to be issued upon exercise of options granted under this Plan consists of authorized but unissued shares of the common stock and/or shares held in treasury. As of September 30, 2011, there were 8,500 employee incentive stock options outstanding and exercisable under the Plan. There were also 3,000 incentive stock options granted during the second quarter of 2011 which will become exercisable in May 2012. As of September 30, 2011, there was $\$ 14$ thousand of unrecognized compensation cost related to the nonvested share-based compensation arrangement granted under the Plan. Of the options that are currently exercisable under the Plan, 8,500 options were "in the money" at September 30, 2011. As of September 30, 2011, options for 5,000 shares granted under the Company's previous incentive stock option plan were outstanding, vested and exercisable; however none of those options were "in the money" and none were exercised during the first nine months of 2011.

Union Bankshares, Inc. and Union are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Management believes that as of September 30, 2011, both companies met all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject. As of September 30, 2011, the most recent calculation date, Union was categorized as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. The prompt corrective action capital category framework applies to FDIC insured depository institutions such as Union but does not apply directly to bank holding companies such as the Company. To be categorized as well capitalized, Union must maintain minimum total risk-based, Tier I risk-based, and Tier I leverage ratios as set forth in the table below. As a bank holding company, the Company is subject to substantially similar capital adequacy requirements of the Federal Reserve Board. There are no conditions or events between September 30, 2011 and the date of this report that management believes have changed either company's category.

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|  | Actual |  | Minimum <br> For Capi <br> Requiren |  | Minimum <br> To Be W Capitaliz Prompt Action P | Under rrective visions |  |
|  | Amount (Dollars | Ratio thousands) | Amount | Ratio | Amount | Ratio |  |
| Total capital to risk weighted assets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Union | \$44,154 | 12.23 | \% \$28,882 | 8.0 | \% \$36,103 | 10.0 | \% |
| Company | 44,344 | 12.25 | \% 28,959 | 8.0 | \% N/A | N/A |  |
| Tier I capital to risk weighted assets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Union | \$39,968 | 11.07 | \% \$ 14,442 | 4.0 | \% \$21,663 | 6.0 | \% |
| Company | 40,158 | 11.10 | \% 14,471 | 4.0 | \%N/A | N/A |  |
| Tier I capital to average assets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Union | \$39,968 | 7.62 | \% \$ 20,981 | 4.0 | \% \$26,226 | 5.0 | \% |
| Company | 40,158 | 7.63 | \% 21,053 | 4.0 | \% N/A | N/A |  |

Capital ratios, while continuing to meet the regulatory guidelines for well capitalized, decreased as of September 30, 2011 due to the branch acquisitions in May 2011. The total risk based capital ratio for the Company at December 31, 2010 was $15.12 \%$ and had dropped to $12.25 \%$ at September 30, 2011 .

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The Company remains focused on achieving its goals of long-term growth and an above-average shareholder return, while maintaining a strong capital position. Management is aware of the particular importance in today's uncertain economic environment of maintaining strong capital reserves and planning for future capital needs. A quarterly cash dividend of $\$ 0.25$ per share was declared to shareholders of record October 29, 2011, payable November 10, 2011. Dividends for each of the previous four quarters were $\$ 0.25$ per share.

Regulatory Matters. The Company and Union are subject to periodic examinations by the various regulatory agencies.
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These examinations include, but are not limited to, procedures designed to review lending practices, risk management, credit quality, liquidity, compliance and capital adequacy. During 2011 the Vermont Department of Banking and during 2010, the FDIC and the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston performed various examinations of the Company and Union pursuant to their regular, periodic regulatory reviews. No comments were received from these bodies that would have a material adverse effect on the Company's or Union's liquidity, financial position, capital resources, or results of operations.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.
Information called for by this item is incorporated by reference in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations under the caption OTHER FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS on pages 47-53.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.
Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, with the assistance of the Disclosure Control Committee, evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of September 30, 2011. Based on this evaluation they concluded that those disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files with the Commission is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officer, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required information.

Changes in Internal Controls over Financial Reporting. There was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act, during the most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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## PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.
There are no known pending legal proceedings to which the Company or its subsidiary is a party, or to which any of their properties is subject, other than ordinary litigation arising in the normal course of business activities. Although the amount of any ultimate liability with respect to such proceedings cannot be determined, in the opinion of management, any such liability is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial condition or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiary.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.
From January 1, 2011 to September 30, 2011, the only unregistered issuances of the Company's equity securities were pursuant to the exercise of incentive stock options by certain executive officers, resulting in the issuance of 1,500 shares of the Company's common stock. The shares were issued in reliance upon an exemption in section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933 for distributions not involving a public offering.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, Union Bankshares, Inc. did not repurchase any shares of its common stock.

Item 5. Exhibits.
31.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. 31.2 Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. 32.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.* 32.2 Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.* The following materials from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 formatted in eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) the unaudited consolidated balance sheets, (ii) the unaudited consolidated statements of income for the third quarters and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, (iii) the unaudited consolidated statements of changes in stockholders' equity, (iv) the unaudited consolidated statements of cash flows and (v) related notes, tagged as blocks of text.***

This exhibit shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or *otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
${ }_{* *}$ As provided in Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, this information is "furnished" and not "filed" for purposes of Sections 11 and 12 of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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## SIGNATURES

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

November 14, 2011

Union Bankshares, Inc.

/s/ Kenneth D. Gibbons
Kenneth D. Gibbons
Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

November 14, 2011
/s/ Marsha A. Mongeon
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Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer)

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[^2]:    (1) Average yields reported on a tax equivalent basis using a marginal tax rate of $34 \%$.

