

Q3 2024 Investor Presentation

October 2024



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Overview of Southern States Bancshares, Inc.

- Southern States Bancshares (Nasdaq: SSBK) was founded in August 2007 and priced its IPO on August 11, 2021
- History of solid growth, top-tier profitability and a strong credit culture
- **Description** *Strategy* primarily through organic growth and limited, disciplined M&A
- Focused on being a *dominant bank* in our smaller markets and a *competitive player* in the larger metropolitan areas

Diversified loan portfolio complemented by lower-cost, core funding base

		Q3 '24	Financi	al Highlights			
Assets (\$B):	\$2.8	Quarterly Asset Growth ² :	41.7%	NPLs / Loans:	0.36%	Core Net Income ¹ (\$M):	\$8.7
Gross Loans (\$B):	\$2.2	Quarterly Loan Growth ² :	36.3%	ACL / Loans:	1.28%	Core ROAA ¹ :	1.24%
Deposits (\$B):	\$2.4	Quarterly Deposit Growth ³ :	44.8%	NCOs / Avg. Loans:	0.07%	NIM:	3.65%
Loans / Deposits:	90.86%	Quarterly Deposit Excluding Brokered Growth ² :	71.5%	TCE / TA ¹ :	8.25%	Core Efficiency Ratio ¹ :	46.96%

Source: Company Documents; financial data as of the three months ended 9/30/24 unless otherwise noted

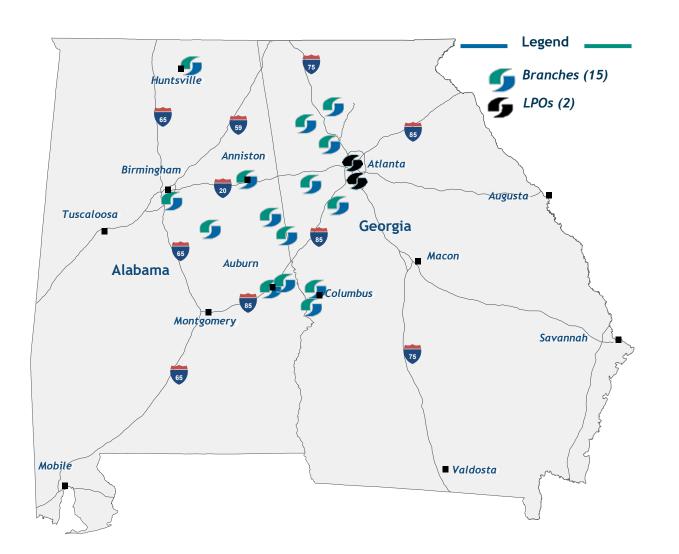
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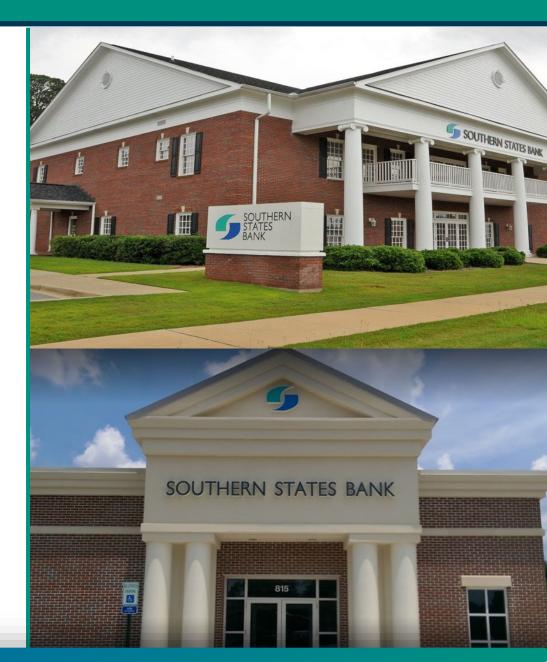
2. Annualized

3. Annualized; includes a \$94.2 million decrease in brokered deposits in 3Q24



Dominant Bank in Small Market; Competitive Player in Large Metropolitan Areas

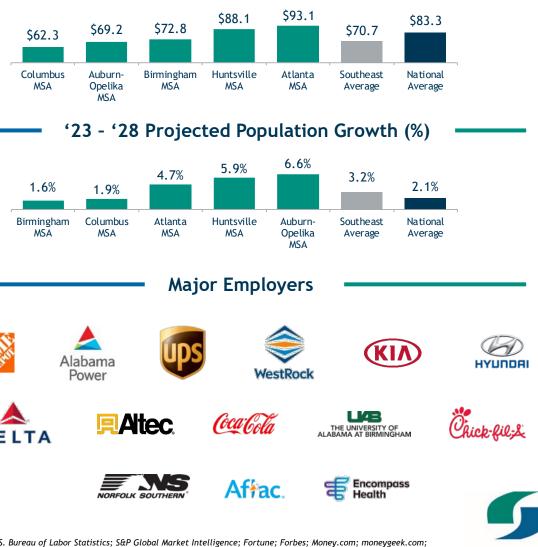




Robust Market Dynamics

	Market Highlights		
	- 8 th largest Metro Area in the USA	\$88.1 \$93.1	
	- Ranked 10 th largest economy in the country	\$62.3 \$69.2 \$72.8 \$70.7	
	- Ranked 13 th Best Places for Business and Careers by Forbes		
	- 17 Fortune 500 companies headquartered in Atlanta	Columbus Auburn- Birmingham Huntsville Atlanta Southeast MSA Opelika MSA MSA MSA Average	N
	- Largest market in Alabama, supported by strong steel,	MSA	
	biotechnology, and banking industries	•23 - '28 Projected Population Growth	1 (
	- Ranked 2 nd best US city for job seekers by MoneyGeek		
	- University of Alabama Birmingham serves as an international	4.7% 5.9% 6.6%	
	leader in medicine and dentistry	4.7% 3.2%	
	- Voted best place to live in the country by US News	Birmingham Columbus Atlanta Huntsville Auburn- Southeast	N
	- Highest concentration of engineers in the US	MSA MSA MSA MSA Opelika Average MSA	A
	- Ranked #1 best city for STEM workers by Livability		
	 Home of the Redstone Arsenal which includes the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, and the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command 	Major Employers	
. –	 Auburn University contributes \$5.6 billion annually and 27,000 jobs to the Alabama economy 	Alabama Los 😂 K	1
	- Named top-five growth city in America by U-Haul	Power WestRock	
	 High-tech manufacturing and industrial hub for companies like Kia Motors, Hanwha Cimarron, and Niagara Bottling 		F
	Fort Benning Military Base	DELTA DELTA	НАМ
	U.S. Army Infantry and Armor Training Post		
	Columbus Chamber of Commerce estimates annual economic impact of \$4.8 billion	NORFOLK SOUTHERN Affac.	ass
	 Major companies headquartered include Aflac and Total Systems Services, Inc. 		
	- Contains seven colleges and universities, with 83,000 students pursuing degrees in higher education	Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; S&P Global Market Intelligence; Fortune; Forbes; Money.com; moneyge Business Facilities; USA Today; Livability,com; US News; Auburn.edu; Columbus, Georgia Economic Developmer Note: Southeast defined as AL, AR, FL. GA, KY, LA, MS, NC. SC, TN, VA, and WV	

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SOUTHERN STATES

BANCSHARES, INC.

Atlanta, GA

Birmingham, AL

Huntsville, AL

Auburn /

Opelika, AL

Columbus, GA

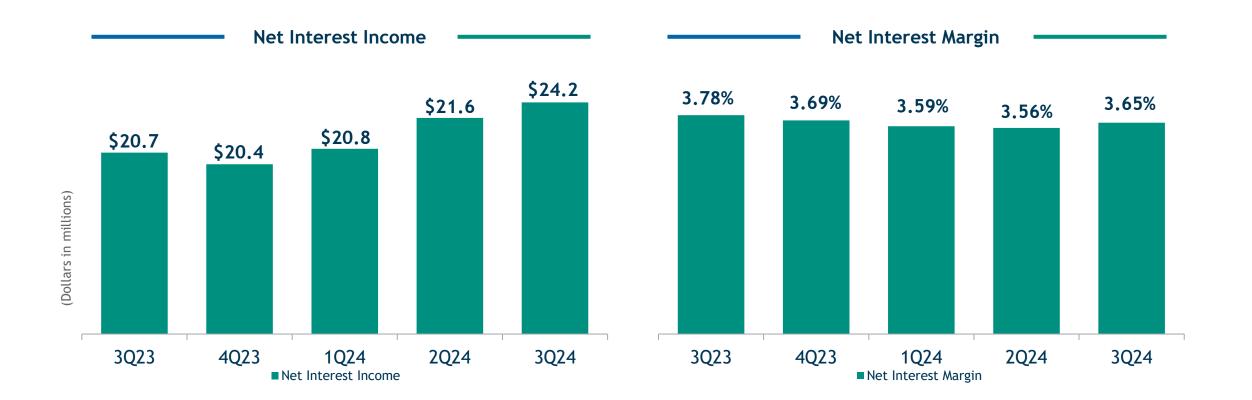
Quarterly Financial Highlights

Profitability ¹	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Balance Sheet	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024
Net Income	\$6,629	\$8,896	\$8,119	\$8,198	\$7,353	Total Assets	\$2,296,527	\$2,446,663	\$2,510,975	\$2,572,011	\$2,841,440
Core Net Income	\$9,563	\$7,289	\$8,128	\$9,058	\$8,675	Total Loans	\$1,774,148	\$1,884,508	\$1,965,149	\$2,015,434	\$2,199,211
ROAA	1.15%	1.53%	1.33%	1.29%	1.05%	Total Deposits	\$1,916,401	\$2,018,189	\$2,109,798	\$2,175,678	\$2,420,546
Core ROAA	1.66%	1.26%	1.34%	1.43%	1.24%	Loans / Deposits	92.58%	93.38%	93.14%	92.63%	90.86%
ROAE	12.96%	17.02%	14.87%	14.55%	11.89%	TCE / Tangible Assets	8.08%	8.12%	8.23%	8.34%	8.25%
ROATCE	14.21%	18.62%	16.17%	15.79%	13.35%	Avg. Cost of Deposits	2.63%	2.86%	3.12%	3.27%	3.19%
Core ROATCE	20.50%	15.26%	16.19%	17.44%	15.74%	Annualized Loan Growth	13.3%	24.7%	17.2%	10.3%	36.3%
Net Interest Margin	3.78%	3.69%	3.59%	3.56%	3.65%	Avg. Yield on Loans	6.86%	6.9 1%	7.06%	7.17%	7.21%
Net Interest Margin - FTE	3.79%	3.71%	3.60%	3.57%	3.66%	NPL / Gross Loans	0.06%	0.06%	0.17%	0.19%	0.36%
Efficiency Ratio	48.01%	41.48%	46.90%	49.78%	52.79 %	NCOs / Avg. Loans	(0.01)%	0.08%	0.10%	0.08%	0.07%
Core Efficiency Ratio	42.79%	45.78%	46.90%	44.75%	46.96%	Loss Provision / Avg. Loans	0.18%	0.56%	0.26%	0.22%	0.48%

Per Share Data ¹	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024
Share Price	\$22.59	\$29.28	\$25.92	\$27.14	\$30.73
Tangible Book Value	\$20.84	\$22.30	\$23.07	\$23.91	\$23.38
Price / Tangible Book Value	1.1x	1.3x	1.1x	1.1x	1.3x
Cash Dividend per Common Share	\$0.09	\$0.09	\$0.09	\$0.09	\$0.09
Basic EPS	\$0.75	\$1.00	\$0.91	\$0.91	\$0.76
Diluted EPS	\$0.73	\$0.99	\$0.90	\$0.90	\$0.76
Core Diluted EPS	\$1.06	\$0.81	\$0.90	\$1.00	\$0.89

SOUTHERN STATES BANCSHARES, INC.

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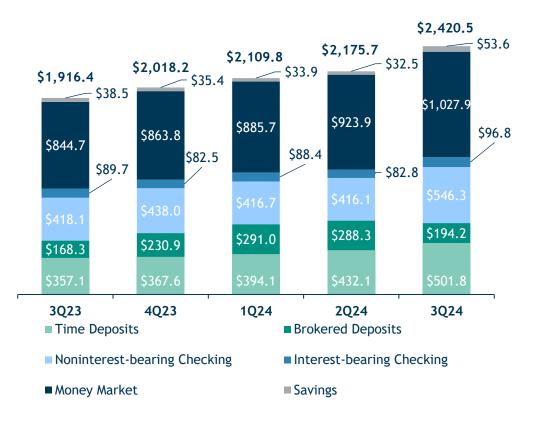




Deposit Portfolio

Deposits by Type - \$2.42B

(Dollars in millions)



Deposit Type	Composition %	Average Balance
Commercial	60%	\$138.5
Retail	40%	\$39.8

Account Composition¹

Source: Company Documents; data as of 9/30/24 1. Excludes brokered deposits; dollars in thousands



Loan Portfolio

\$2,199.2 - 0.5% \$1,965.1 ______0.4% 13.3% \$1,884.5 - 0.4% \$1,774.1 12.3% 12.1% - 0.5% 11.9% 11.1% 12.6% 12.0% 12.8% 12.9% 12.9% 30.1% 29.4% 30.7% 30.0% 29.2% 3Q23 4Q23 1Q24 2Q24 3Q24 Owner-Occupied CRE Nonowner-Occupied CRE Construction & Development Commercial & Industrial Residential Consumer & Other

Loans by Type \$2.20B

(Dollars in millions)

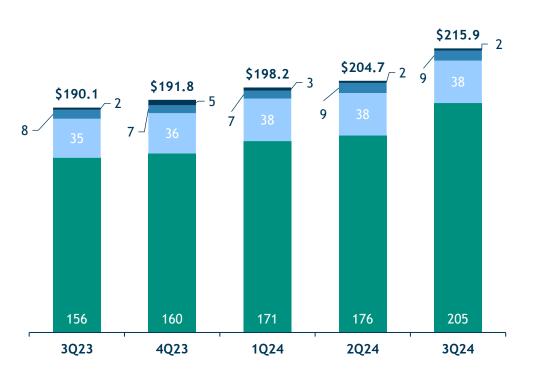
Loan Compos	ition								
Loan Type	Composition %								
Fixed	47.7%								
Variable	52.3%								
Concentration Highlights									
(Dollars in millio	ns)								
Loan Type	Total								
Office Buildings	\$215.9								
Hotels / Motels	\$207.9								
Industrial Warehouse / Heavy Manufacturing	\$189.3								
Convenience Stores	\$165.8								
Multi-Family (5+)	\$135.8								
Retail Warehouse / Light Manufacturing	\$118.9								
Commercial Retail Building	\$106.2								



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Loan Portfolio

Office Building Loans \$215.9M



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	Loan Composition
Loan Type	Composition %
Georgia	73%
Alabama	23%
Other	4%

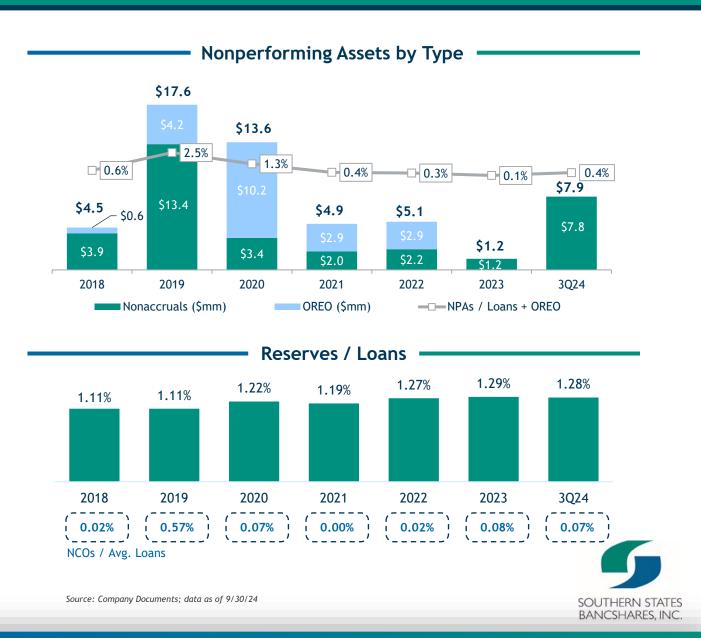
# of Stories	Total
Six Stories	3
Five stories	1
Four stories	5
Three stories	7
One & two stories	238

Office Building Type

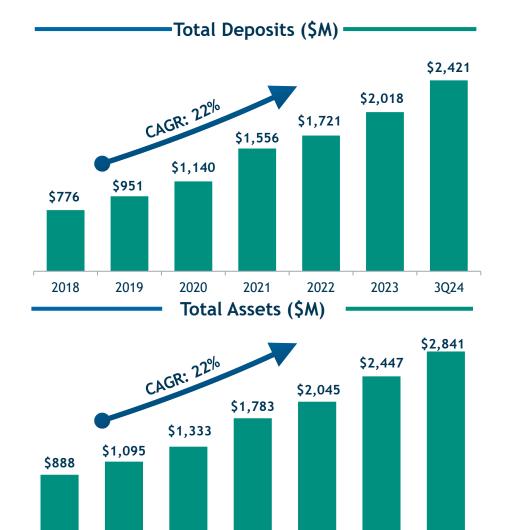


Asset Quality

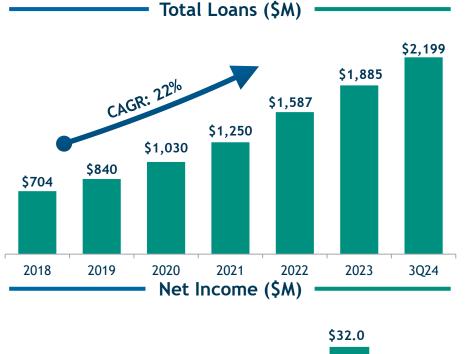
- Comprehensive and conservative underwriting process
- Highly experienced bankers incentivized with equity ownership
- Commitment to a diverse loan portfolio while maintaining strong asset quality metrics
- Proactively manage loan concentrations with all collateral types capped at approximately 50% of risk-based capital
- Proactive approach to resolving problem credits



Growth History



3Q24





Building Shareholder Value

Our Strategic Focus

- Maintain focus on strong, profitable organic growth without compromising our credit quality
- Further develop and grow our core deposit franchise
- Expand into new markets by hiring commercial bankers
- Focus on high growth markets and further expand our Atlanta franchise
- **5** Evaluate strategic acquisition opportunities
- Prudently manage capital between balance sheet growth and return to shareholders





		Tł	nre	e Months End	ed			Nine Months Ended			
	September 30, 2024			June 30, 2024	September 30, 2023		September 30, 2024		S	eptember 30, 2023	
Net income	\$	7,353	\$	8,198	\$	6,629	\$	23,670	\$	23,056	
Add: One-time retirement related expenses		, 	•	, 		, 		, 		1,571	
Add: Professional fees related to ERC		_		_		(1,243)		_		_	
Add: Wire fraud loss		_		1,155				1,155		_	
Add: Merger-related expenses		1,511		—		_		1,511		—	
Add: Net OREO gain				(3)		(9)		(3)		(2)	
Less: Employee retention related revenue		_		_		(5,100)		_		_	
Less: Net gain (loss) on securities		75		20		(12)		83		457	
Less: Tax effect		114		272		926		388		267	
Core net income	\$	8,675	\$	9,058	\$	9,563	\$	25,862	\$	23,901	
Average assets	\$	2,777,215	\$	2,553,010	\$	2,282,217	\$	2,593,175	\$	2,180,851	
Core return on average assets		1.24 %		1.43 %		1.66 %		1.33 %		1.47 %	



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Add: Professional fees related to ERC		—		_		(1,243)		_		_
Add: Wire fraud loss		_		1,155		—		1,155		_
Add: Merger-related expenses		1,511		_		_		1,511		_
Add: Net OREO gain				(3)		(9)		(3)		(2)
Add: Provision		2,583		1,067		773		4,885		3,511
Less: Employee retention related revenue		_		_		(5,100)		—		_
Less: Net gain (loss) on securities		75		20		(12)		83		457
Add: Income taxes		2,380		2,271		1,866		7,029		6,738
Pretax pre-provision core net income	\$	13,752	\$	12,668	\$	13,128	\$	38,164	\$	34,417
Average assets	\$	2,777,215	\$	2,553,010	\$	2,282,217	\$	2,593,175	\$	2,180,851
Pretax pre-provision core return on average assets	_	1.97 %		2.00 %		2.28 %		1.97 %		2.11 %



		TI	nree	Months End	ed			Nine Mon	ne Months Ended			
	Se	ptember 30, 2024	J	une 30, 2024	Se	ptember 30, 2023	Se	ptember 30, 2024	Se	ptember 30, 2023		
Net interest income	\$	24,246	\$	21,579	\$	20,731	\$	66,664	\$	59,709		
Add: Fully-taxable equivalent adjustments ⁽¹⁾		75		73		70		222		213		
Net interest income - FTE	\$	24,321	\$	21,652	\$	20,801	\$	66,886	\$	59,922		
Net interest margin		3.65 %		3.56 %		3.78 %		3.60 %		3.85 %		
Effect of fully-taxable equivalent adjustments ⁽¹⁾		0.01 %		0.01 %		0.01 %		0.01 %		0.02 %		
Net interest margin - FTE	_	3.66 %	_	3.57 %	_	3.79 %	_	3.61 %	_	3.87 %		
Total stockholders' equity	\$	271,370	\$	230,581	\$	201,924	\$	271,370	\$	201,924		
Less: Intangible assets		40,318		17,597		17,843		40,318		17,843		
Tangible common equity	\$	231,052	\$	212,984	\$	184,081	\$	231,052	\$	184,081		

1. Assumes a 24.0% tax rate



		ті	nre	e Months End	ed			Nine Mon	ths	Ended
	S	eptember 30, 2024	0, June 30, September 30, 2024 2023		S	eptember 30, 2024	S	eptember 30, 2023		
Core net income	\$	8,675	\$	9,058	\$	9,563	\$	25,862	\$	23,901
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		9,725,884		9,070,568		9,040,687		9,297,778		9,016,603
Diluted core earnings per share	\$	0.89	\$	1.00	\$	1.06	\$	2.78	\$	2.65
Common shares outstanding at year or period end		9,882,350		8,908,130		8,834,168		9,882,350		8,834,168
Tangible book value per share	\$	23.38	\$	23.91	\$	20.84	\$	23.38	\$	20.84
Total assets at end of period	\$	2,841,440	\$	2,572,011	\$	2,296,527	\$	2,841,440	\$	2,296,527
Less: Intangible assets		40,318		17,597		17,843		40,318		17,843
Adjusted assets at end of period	\$	2,801,122	\$	2,554,414	\$	2,278,684	\$	2,801,122	\$	2,278,684
Tangible common equity to tangible assets		8.25 %		8.34 %		8.08 %		8.25 %		8.08 %
Total average shareholders equity	\$	246,081	\$	226,527	\$	202,955	\$	230,799	\$	194,430
Less: Average intangible assets		26,884		17,646		17,893		20,776		17,973
Average tangible common equity	\$	219,197	\$	208,881	\$	185,062	\$	210,023	\$	176,457
Net income to common shareholders	\$	7,353	\$	8,198	\$	6,629	\$	23,670	\$	23,056
Return on average tangible common equity		13.35 %		15.79 %		14.21 %		15.05 %		17.47 %
Average tangible common equity	\$	219,197	\$	208,881	\$	185,062	\$	210,023	\$	176,457
Core net income	\$	8,675	\$	9,058	\$	9,563	\$	25,862	\$	23,901
Core return on average tangible common equity		15.74 %		17.44 %		20.50 %		16.45 %		18.11 %



	Three Months Ended						Nine Months Ended			
Net interest income	September 30, 2024		June 30, 2024		September 30, 2023		September 30, 2024		September 30, 2023	
	\$	24,246	\$	21,579	\$	20,731	\$	66,664	\$	59,709
Add: Noninterest income		1,757		1,368		(2,894)		4,393		5,755
Less: Employee retention related revenue		_				(5,100)		_		_
Less: Net gain (loss) on securities		75		20		(12)		83		457
Operating revenue	\$	25,928	\$	22,927	\$	22,949	\$	70,974	\$	65,007
Expenses:										
Total noninterest expense	\$	13,687	\$	11,411	\$	8,569	\$	35,473	\$	32,159
Less: One-time retirement related expenses				_		_		—		1,571
Less: Professional fees related to ERC						(1,243)				
Less: Wire fraud loss		_		1,155		_		1,155		_
Less: Merger-related expenses		1,511		_		_		1,511		_
Less: Net OREO gain		_		(3)		(9)		(3)		(2)
Adjusted noninterest expenses	\$	12,176	\$	10,259	\$	9,821	\$	32,810	\$	30,590
Core efficiency ratio		46.96 %		44.75 %	6	42.79 %		46.23 %		47.06 %

