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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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Form 10-Q
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Item 1. Financial Statements
Consolidated Statement of Income for the Three Months and Nine Months Ended September 30, 1997 and 1996

Consolidated Balance Sheet on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996
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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 1997 and 19966





## Contingent liabilities and other financial commitments (Note 6)

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 1,743

Reconciliation of net income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities Provision for credit losses ......................................................................... 570
455
(34)

231
Amortization of intangibles


128
Net change in trading instruments
$(3,365)$
Net (increase) decrease in interest receivable

Net decrease in interest payable
(480)

Net (increase) decrease in loans held for sale

Other operating activities
1,599

Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities
$(2,962)$
1,368
$\qquad$

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(5)
            Proceeds from sales and maturities of securities available for sale ....................
23,142
                Purchases of securities available for sale
                (26,854)
(8,831)
            Net increase in federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell.
                (1,896)
(1,153)
            Net increase in time deposits placed and other short-term investments
(275)
Purchases and net originations of loans and leases
(11,460)
(10,314)
    Proceeds from sales and securitizations of loans and leases ...............................
10,647
    Purchases and originations of mortgage servicing rights .................................(247)
(332)
    Purchases of factored accounts receivable ....................................................
(5,802)
Collections of factored accounts receivable
5,525
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1 1 2
    Sales and acquisitions of business activities, net of cash ...............................................
4 4 2
                    Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities
                                    (2,648)
14,249
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8,866
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Loans transferred to other real estate owned amounted to \$132 and \$101 for the nine months ended September 30, 1997 and 1996, respectively. Loans securitized and retained in the securities portfolio amounted to $\$ 7,040$ and $\$ 3,459$ for the nine months ended September 30, 1997 and 1996, respectively.
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

NationsBank Corporation and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity
(Dollars in Millions, Shares in Thousands)

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[^0]On February 27, 1997, NationsBank completed a 2 -for-1 split of its common stock. All prior period financial data included in this Form 10-Q has been restated to reflect the impact of the stock split.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of NationsBank Corporation and its majority-owned subsidiaries (the Corporation). All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

The information contained in the consolidated financial statements is unaudited. In the opinion of management, all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the interim period results have been made. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to current period classifications.

Accounting policies followed in the presentation of interim financial results are presented on pages 53, 54 and 55 of the 1996 Annual Report to Shareholders, incorporated by reference into the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996, as updated by Note 1 on page 7 of the Corporation's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for June 30, 1997.

Note 2 - Merger-Related Activity

On January 7, 1997, the Corporation completed the acquisition of Boatmen's Bancshares, Inc. (Boatmen's), headquartered in St. Louis, Missouri, resulting in the issuance of approximately 195 million shares of the Corporation's common stock valued at $\$ 9.4$ billion and aggregate cash payments of $\$ 371$ million to Boatmen's shareholders. The Corporation accounted for this acquisition as a purchase; therefore, the results of operations of Boatmen's are included in the consolidated financial statements of the Corporation from the date of acquisition. On the date of the acquisition, Boatmen's unaudited total assets and total deposits were approximately $\$ 41.2$ billion and $\$ 32.0$ billion, respectively.

The following table presents condensed pro forma consolidated results of operations for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 1996 as if the acquisition of Boatmen's had occurred on January 1, 1996. This information combines the historical results of operations of the Corporation and Boatmen's after the effect of purchase accounting adjustments. Estimates of purchase accounting adjustments are based on information available at this time. The cash portion of the purchase price is assumed to be 35 percent, reflecting the Corporation's repurchase of approximately 65 million shares of its common stock through August 1997. The actual cash election made by the Boatmen's shareholders in the transaction was approximately 4 percent with the remaining 96 percent of the aggregate consideration being paid in the Corporation's common stock. The pro forma information does not purport to be indicative of the results that would have been obtained if the operations had actually been combined during the periods presented and is not necessarily indicative of operating results to be expected in future periods.

Unaudited Pro Forma Results of Operations
For the three months and nine months ended September 30, 1996
(Dollars in millions, except per-share information)

|  | Three Months | Nine Months |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net interest income | \$1,910 | \$5,679 |
| Net income | 624 | 1,751 |
| Net income available to common shareholders | 620 | 1,735 |
| Earnings per common share | . 86 | 2.38 |
| Fully diluted earnings per common share | . 85 | 2.35 |

On October 1, 1997, the Corporation completed its acquisition of Montgomery Securities (Montgomery), an investment banking and institutional brokerage firm headquartered in San Francisco, California. The purchase price consisted of $\$ 840$ million in cash and approximately 5.3 million unregistered shares of the Corporation's common stock for an aggregate purchase price of approximately $\$ 1.2$ billion. Montgomery had 1996 revenues of approximately $\$ 600$ million and total assets of approximately $\$ 3.0$ billion on the date of acquisition. The acquisition was accounted for as a purchase.

On August 29, 1997, the Corporation announced that it had reached a definitive agreement to merge with Barnett Banks, Inc. (Barnett), a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida (the merger). The merger, which is expected to close in the first quarter of 1998 , is subject to the approval of the shareholders of the Corporation and of Barnett, as well as certain regulatory authorities. Pursuant to the agreement, the Corporation will issue 1.1875 shares of its common stock for each outstanding share of Barnett common stock. Approximately 245 million shares will be issued in the transaction, which will be accounted for as a pooling of interests. On September 30, 1997, Barnett's total assets, total deposits and shareholder's equity were $\$ 43.2$ billion, $\$ 32.9$ billion and $\$ 3.6$ billion, respectively.

On June 1, 1997, the branching provisions of the Riegle-Neal Interstate Banking and Branching Efficiency Act of 1994 (the Act) took effect, allowing banking companies to consolidate their subsidiary bank operations across state lines. Pursuant to the provisions of the Act, the Corporation now operates its primary banking subsidiaries under three main charters: NationsBank, N.A., NationsBank of Texas, N.A. and NationsBank of Delaware, N.A., which operates the Corporation's credit card business. The Corporation expects to continue the consolidation of other banking subsidiaries throughout 1997 and 1998.

Note 3 - Trading Account Assets and Liabilities

The fair values of the components of trading account assets and liabilities on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996 and the average fair values for the nine months ended September 30, 1997 were (dollars in millions):

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Average for
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fair values of interest rate, foreign exchange, equity and commodity-related products, including financial futures, forward settlement and option contracts and swap agreements associated with the Corporation's derivative trading activities.

Note 4 - Loans, Leases, and Factored Accounts Receivable
The distribution of loans, leases, and factored accounts receivable on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996 was as follows (dollars in millions):
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{September 30, 1997} & \multicolumn{2}{|c|}{December 31, 1996} \\
\hline & Amount & Percent & Amount & Percent \\
\hline <S> & <C> & <C> & <C> & <C> \\
\hline \multicolumn{5}{|l|}{Domestic} \\
\hline Commercial & \$ 57,084 & 40.9\% & \$ 50,270 & \(41.0 \%\) \\
\hline Real estate commercial & 7,334 & 5.2 & 5,445 & 4.4 \\
\hline Real estate construction & 3,897 & 2.8 & 2,863 & 2.3 \\
\hline Total commercial & 68,315 & 48.9 & 58,578 & 47.7 \\
\hline Residential mortgage & 27,678 & 19.8 & 27,963 & 22.8 \\
\hline Credit card & 6,482 & 4.7 & 6,747 & 5.5 \\
\hline Other consumer & 26,683 & 19.1 & 20,595 & 16.8 \\
\hline Total consumer & 60,843 & 43.6 & 55,305 & 45.1 \\
\hline Lease financing & 5,062 & 3.6 & 4,198 & 3.4 \\
\hline Factored accounts receivable & 1,230 & 0.9 & 1,047 & 0.9 \\
\hline & 135,450 & 97.0 & 119,128 & 97.1 \\
\hline Foreign & 4,132 & 3.0 & 3,502 & 2.9 \\
\hline Total loans, leases and factored accounts receivable, net of unearned income ........ & \$139,582 & 100.0\% & \$122,630 & 100.0\% \\
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\end{tabular}
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On September 30, 1997, the recorded investment in certain loans that were considered to be impaired was \(\$ 594\) million, all of which were classified as nonperforming. Impaired loans on September 30, 1997 were comprised of commercial loans of \(\$ 371\) million, real estate commercial of \(\$ 205\) million, and real estate construction of \(\$ 18\) million. Of these impaired loans, \(\$ 427\) million had a valuation allowance of \(\$ 78\) million and \(\$ 167\) million did not have a valuation allowance due primarily to the application of interest payments against book balances or write-downs previously made with respect to these loans.

On September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996, nonperforming loans, including certain loans which are considered to be impaired, totaled \(\$ 1.1\) billion and \(\$ 890\) million, respectively. Other real estate owned amounted to \$160 million and \$153 million on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996, respectively.

In the third quarter of 1997 , the Corporation securitized \(\$ 4.2\) billion of commercial loans comprised of two series of \(\$ 2.1\) billion each. The bonds are backed by investment and near-investment grade commercial loans. Series 1997-1 matures in 2000 and was priced at a weighted average of 13 basis points over the three-month London interbank offered rate (LIBOR). Series 1997-2 matures in 2002 and was priced at a weighted average of 16 basis points over three-month LIBOR.

Approximately \(\$ 4.5\) billion of 5, 7, 10 and 15 year residential mortgage loans were securitized and retained in the securities portfolio through one transaction that occurred during the third quarter of 1997 . Also securitized through several transactions during the first nine months of 1997 was approximately \(\$ 3.0\) billion of residential mortgage loans with approximately \(\$ 2.5\) billion of these loans retained in the securities portfolio.

Note 5 - Debt
In the third quarter of 1997, the Corporation issued \(\$ 1.2\) billion in long-term debt, comprised of \(\$ 1.0\) billion of senior notes and \(\$ 200\) million of subordinated notes, with maturities ranging from 1999 to 2012. Of the \(\$ 1.2\) billion issued, \(\$ 300\) million of fixed-rate debt was converted to floating rates through interest rate swaps at spreads ranging from 2 basis points below three-month LIBOR to 14 basis points over three-month LIBOR. The remaining \(\$ 900\) million of debt issued bears interest at spreads ranging from 1 basis point below three-month LIBOR to 18.5 basis points over three-month LIBOR.

Under the bank note program jointly maintained by NationsBank, N.A. and NationsBank of Texas, N.A., up to \(\$ 9.0\) billion of bank notes may be offered from time to time with fixed or floating rates and maturities from 30 days to 15 years from date of issue. On September 30, 1997, there were short-term bank notes outstanding of \(\$ 118\) million. In addition, NationsBank of Texas, N.A. and NationsBank, N.A. had outstanding bank notes of \(\$ 4.3\) billion on September 30, 1997 that were classified as long-term debt.

Since October 1996, the Corporation formed four wholly owned grantor trusts (Capital Trusts I, II, III and IV) to issue preferred securities and to invest the proceeds of such preferred securities into notes of the corporation. The sole assets of each of the Capital Trusts are the Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Notes of the Corporation (the Notes) held by such Capital Trusts. The terms of the preferred securities as of September 30, 1997 are summarized as follows (dollars in millions):

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Capital Trust IV
(Issued
April 1997)

April 2027
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On September 30, 1997, the Corporation had unused commercial paper back-up lines of credit totaling $\$ 1.5$ billion of which $\$ 1.0$ billion expires in October 1998 and $\$ 500$ million expires in October 2002. These lines were supported by fees paid directly by the Corporation to unaffiliated banks.

As of November 6, the Corporation had the authority to issue approximately $\$ 4.1$ billion of corporate debt securities and preferred and common stock under its existing shelf registration statements and $\$ 2.7$ billion of corporate debt securities under its Euro medium-term note program.

Note 6 - Commitments and Contingencies
The Corporation enters into commitments to extend credit, standby letters of credit and commercial letters of credit to meet the financing needs of its customers. The commitments shown below have been reduced by amounts collateralized by cash and participated to other financial institutions. The following summarizes commitments outstanding (dollars in millions):

|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { September } 30 \\ 1997 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } 31 \\ 1996 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Commitments to extend credit |  |  |  |  |
| Credit card commitments | \$ | 27,220 | \$ | 24,255 |
| Other loan commitments |  | 100,216 |  | 82,506 |
| Standby letters of credit and |  |  |  |  |
| financial guarantees |  | 10,825 |  | 10,060 |
| Commercial letters of credit |  | 900 |  | 761 |

On September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996, indemnified securities lending transactions totaled $\$ 2.2$ billion and $\$ 7.1$ billion, respectively. Collateral, with a market value of $\$ 2.3$ billion and $\$ 7.2$ billion for the respective periods, was obtained by the Corporation in support of these transactions.

On September 30, 1997, the Corporation had commitments to purchase and sell when-issued securities of $\$ 6.1$ billion and $\$ 5.2$ billion, respectively. This compares to commitments to purchase and sell when-issued securities of $\$ 7.4$ billion each on December 31, 1996.

See Tables 7 and 8 and the accompanying discussion in Item 2 regarding the Corporation's derivatives used for risk management purposes. See Table 9 and the accompanying discussion in Item 2 regarding the Corporation's derivative trading activities.

In the ordinary course of business, the Corporation and its subsidiaries are routinely defendants in or parties to a number of pending and threatened legal actions and proceedings, including several actions brought on behalf of various classes of claimants. In certain of these actions and proceedings, substantial money damages are asserted against the Corporation and its subsidiaries, and certain of these actions and proceedings are based on alleged violations of consumer protection, securities, environmental, banking and other laws. Management believes, based upon the advice of counsel, that the actions and proceedings and losses, if any, resulting from the final outcome thereof, will not be material in the aggregate to the Corporation's financial position or results of operations.

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

The Corporation's September 30, 1997 report on Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements which are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those reflected in such forward-looking statements, which are representative only on the date hereof. Users of the Corporation's Form 10-Q should not rely solely on the forward-looking statements and should consider all uncertainties and risks discussed throughout this report as well as those in the Corporation's most recent report on Form 10-K. The Corporation undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements made. Certain factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements include: interest rate, market and monetary fluctuations, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, inflation, general economic conditions, competition and economic conditions in the geographic regions and industries in which the Corporation operates, introduction and acceptance of new products and enhancements, mergers and acquisitions and their integration into the Corporation, and management's ability to manage these and other risks.

## Earnings Review

Table 1 presents a comparison of selected operating results for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 1997 and 1996.

Net income for the third quarter of 1997 increased 26 percent to $\$ 788$ million from $\$ 625$ million in the third quarter of 1996. Earnings per common share and fully diluted earnings per common share were $\$ 1.11$ and $\$ 1.08$, respectively, for the third quarter of 1997 , compared to $\$ 1.06$ and $\$ 1.05$ in the comparable prior year period.

Net income for the first nine months of 1997 increased 30 percent to $\$ 2.3$ billion from $\$ 1.7$ billion for the first nine months of 1996 . Earnings per common share and fully diluted earnings per common share were $\$ 3.13$ and $\$ 3.04$, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 1997, compared to $\$ 2.91$ and $\$ 2.87$ for the comparable prior year period. Excluding a merger-related charge of $\$ 118$ million ( $\$ 77$ million, net of tax), net income for the first nine months of 1996 was $\$ 1.8$ billion, earnings per common share were $\$ 3.04$ and fully diluted earnings per common share were $\$ 3.00$.

For the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 1997, the increases over the prior year in income, expense, and balance sheet categories were due largely to the Boatmen's acquisition while income and most balance sheet categories were also impacted by internal growth. Other significant changes in the Corporation's results of operations and financial position are discussed in the sections that follow.

Key performance highlights for the first nine months of 1997 were:

- Taxable-equivalent net interest income increased 25 percent to $\$ 6.0$ billion in the first nine months of 1997. Excluding the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition, loan sales and securitizations, net interest income increased approximately 6 percent. The net interest yield increased to 3.84 percent compared to 3.58 percent in the first nine months of 1996.

The provision for credit losses covered net charge-offs and totaled \$570 million for the first nine months of 1997 compared to $\$ 455$ million for the same period in 1996. Net charge-offs as a percentage of average loans, leases and factored accounts receivable increased slightly to .51 percent for the first nine months of 1997 compared to . 48 percent for the same period in 1996, while net charge-offs totaled $\$ 567$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 1997 compared to $\$ 447$ million for the same year-ago period. Higher net charge-offs for the nine months ended September 30, 1997 were primarily the result of an increase in the average loans, leases, and factored accounts receivable portfolio, attributable to both the Boatmen's acquisition and internal growth as well as deterioration in
consumer credit quality experienced on an industry-wide basis. Higher total
consumer net charge-offs were partially offset by lower net charge-offs in
the commercial loan portfolio. Nonperforming assets increased to \$1.3
billion on September 30, 1997 compared to $\$ 1.0$ billion on December 31, 1996, due primarily to the Boatmen's acquisition, and to a lesser extent, deterioration in consumer credit quality experienced on an industry-wide basis.

Table 1
Selected Operating Results
(Dollars in Millions Except Per-Share Information)
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Nine Months
September 30

Three Months

September 30

|  | 1997 |  | 1996 |  | 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1996 |  |  |  |  |  |
| <S> | <C> |  | <C> |  | <C> |
| <C> |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income Statement |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income from earning assets | \$ 4,155 | \$ | 3,423 | \$ | 12,291 |
| \$ 10,438 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest expense | 2,183 |  | 1,828 |  | 6,381 |
| 5,699 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net interest income (taxable-equivalent) | 2,001 |  | 1,616 |  | 5,996 |
| 4,811 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net interest income | 1,972 |  | 1,595 |  | 5,910 |
| 4,739 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provision for credit losses | 190 |  | 145 |  | 570 |
| 455 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gains on sales of securities | 19 |  | 26 |  | 91 |
| $34$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2,688 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other real estate owned expense | 5 |  | 6 |  |  |
| 713 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Merger-related charge 118 | -- |  | -- |  | - |
| Other noninterest expense | 1,788 |  | 1,400 |  | 5,396 |
| 4,199 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before income taxes | 1,232 |  | 956 |  | 3,530 |
| 2,676 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income tax expense | 444 |  | 331 |  | 1,271 |
| 933 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | 788 |  | 625 |  | 2,259 |
| 1,743 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income available to common shareholders | 786 |  | 622 |  | 2,250 |
| 1,732 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income (excluding merger-related charge) | 788 |  | 625 |  | 2,259 |
| 1,820 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Average common shares issued (in thousands) | 708,278 |  | 585,266 |  | 719,489 |
| 595,545 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Per common share |  |  |  |  |  |
| Earnings | \$ 1.11 | \$ | 1.06 | \$ | 3.13 |
| \$ 2.91 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Earnings (excluding merger-related charge) | 1.11 |  | 1.06 |  | 3.13 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fully diluted earnings | 1.08 |  | 1.05 |  | 3.04 |
| 2.87 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fully diluted earnings (excluding merger-related charge) | 1.08 |  | 1.05 |  | 3.04 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash dividends paid | . 33 |  | . 29 |  | . 99 |
| . 87 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Common shareholders' equity (period-end) 22.88 | 28.73 |  | 22.88 |  | 28.73 |
| Balance sheet (period-end) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets | 242,437 |  | 187,671 |  | 242,437 |
| 187,671 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total loans, leases and factored accounts receivable, net of unearned income $\qquad$ | 139,582 |  | 122,078 |  | 139,582 |
| 122,078 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total deposits | 130,447 |  | 108,132 |  | 130,447 |
| 108,132 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Long-term debt | 26,245 |  | 22,034 |  | 26,245 |
| 22,034 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Common shareholders' equity | 20,262 |  | 13,186 |  | 20,262 |
| 13,186 |  |  |  |  |  |



- Noninterest income increased 30 percent to $\$ 3.5$ billion in the first nine months of 1997. This growth was attributable to higher levels of income from virtually all areas, including service charges on deposit accounts, asset management and fiduciary service fees, trading account profits and fees, investment banking income and a gain on the sale of an out-of-market credit card portfolio. Excluding the acquisition of Boatmen's, noninterest income increased approximately 8 percent.
- Other noninterest expense increased 29 percent to \$5.4 billion. Excluding the Boatmen's acquisition and related transition expenses, noninterest expense remained essentially unchanged.
- Cash basis ratios, which measure operating performance excluding intangible assets and the related amortization expense, improved with cash basis fully diluted earnings per share rising 15 percent to $\$ 3.48$ for the nine months ended September 30 , 1997 compared to $\$ 3.02$ for the same year-ago period. For the nine months ended September 30, 1997, return on average tangible common shareholders' equity increased 799 basis points to 29.55 percent compared to 21.56 percent for the same year-ago period. The cash basis efficiency ratio improved to 53.42 percent for the first nine months of 1997, a decrease of 133 basis points.

The Corporation provides a diversified range of banking and certain nonbanking financial services and products through its various subsidiaries. The Corporation manages its business activities through three major Business Units: the General Bank, Global Finance and Financial Services. The Business Units are managed with a focus on numerous performance objectives including return on equity, operating efficiency and net income. Table 2 summarizes key performance measures for each of the Business Units.

The net interest income of the Business Units reflects a funds transfer pricing process which derives net interest income by matching assets and liabilities with similar interest rate sensitivity and maturity characteristics. Equity capital is allocated to each Business Unit based on an assessment of its inherent risk.

The General Bank and Global Finance business unit results reflect the impact of the purchase of Boatmen's, which resulted in an increase in goodwill of approximately $\$ 5.9$ billion and approximately $\$ 173$ million of related amortization expense on a consolidated basis for the first nine months of 1997. This additional expense had an unfavorable impact on the return on average equity and efficiency ratios for both the General Bank and Global Finance in 1997. Table 2 presents information based on actual operating results including business unit earnings, the return on average equity and the efficiency ratio excluding the impact of goodwill and other intangibles and related amortization expense.

The General Bank includes the Banking Group, which contains the retail banking network and is the service provider to the consumer sector as well as small and medium-size companies. Within the General Bank, specialized services are provided throughout the Corporation's franchise, which include the origination and servicing of home mortgage loans, the issuance and servicing of credit cards, indirect lending, dealer finance and certain insurance services. In addition, certain products are provided by the Financial Products Group on a nationwide basis. The General Bank also contains the Asset Management Group, which includes businesses that provide full-service and discount brokerage, investment advisory and investment management services. The Private Client Group is part of the Asset Management Group and provides asset management, banking and trust services for individuals, targeting established wealth, active wealth, business owners, corporate executives, and the private foundations established by them.

The General Bank earned $\$ 1.4$ billion in the first nine months of 1997, an increase of 19 percent over the same period in 1996. The acquisition of Boatmen's accounted for a large portion of the General Bank's increased earnings over the same period last year with internal growth also contributing to the increase. Taxable-equivalent net interest income in the General Bank increased $\$ 969$ million, primarily reflecting the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition and deposit expense management efforts. The net interest yield improved 24 basis points in the first nine months of 1997, reflecting higher yields from the loan portfolio and deposit expense management efforts. Excluding the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition, total loans declined from the same period in 1996, attributable to $\$ 7.5$ billion of mortgage loan securitizations during the first nine months of 1997.

Noninterest income in the General Bank rose 35 percent in the first nine months of 1997 to $\$ 2.5$ billion due to higher service charges on deposit accounts, asset management and fiduciary service fees and credit card income, attributable primarily to the acquisition of Boatmen's but also reflecting the impact of internal growth of approximately 13 percent for service charges on deposit accounts and approximately 5 percent for credit card income. Higher deposit account service charges were the result of changes in deposit pricing throughout the NationsBank franchise. Also contributing to the increase was a gain on the sale of a $\$ 306$-million out-of-market credit card portfolio during the third quarter of 1997. Noninterest expense increased 36 percent to $\$ 4.2$ billion due primarily to the acquisition of Boatmen's, which resulted in an increase in full-time equivalent employees and additional amortization expense, with the remaining increase across most major expense categories. Excluding the Boatmen's acquisition, noninterest expense was virtually flat. The cash basis efficiency ratio was 56.5 percent, an improvement of 100 basis points over the first nine months of 1996. The tangible return on average tangible equity increased approximately 300 basis points to 29 percent, the result of revenue growth which offset an increase in operating expenses and higher equity levels resulting from the Boatmen's acquisition.

Table 2
Business Unit Summary
For the Nine Months Ended September 30
(Dollars in Millions)
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1996, respectively. </TABLE>

Global Finance provides comprehensive corporate and investment banking services to domestic and international customers through its Corporate Finance/Capital Markets, Specialized Lending, Real Estate, and Transaction Products units. The Global Finance group serves as a principal lender and investor as well as an advisor and manages treasury and trade transactions for clients and customers. Loan origination and syndication, asset-backed lending, leasing, factoring, project finance and mergers
and acquisitions consulting are representative of the services provided. Global Finance is a primary dealer of U.S. Government securities and also underwrites, distributes and makes markets in high-grade and high-yield securities.
Additionally, Global Finance is a market maker in derivatives products which include swap agreements, option contracts, forward settlement contracts, financial futures and other derivatives products in certain interest rate, foreign exchange, commodity and equity markets. In support of these activities, Global Finance takes positions to support client demands and its own account. Through the acquisition of Montgomery, which closed on October 1, 1997, Global Finance began offering equity underwriting services.

Global Finance earned $\$ 581$ million in the first nine months of 1997 compared to $\$ 449$ million in the first nine months of 1996 , the result of higher levels of net interest income and noninterest income, which more than offset higher noninterest and provision expenses. Taxable-equivalent net interest income for the first nine months of 1997 was $\$ 1.0$ billion compared to $\$ 898$ million in the first nine months of 1996 reflecting loan growth partially offset by increased funding costs and competitive pressure on commercial loan pricing. The Global Finance loan portfolio increased $\$ 3.9$ billion to $\$ 40.3$ billion on September 30, 1997 over September 30, 1996 levels as the result of core loan growth and the acquisition of Boatmen's. This increase was net of the securitization of $\$ 4.2$ billion of commercial loans as discussed in Note 4.

Noninterest income in the first nine months of 1997 rose 19 percent to $\$ 862$ million reflecting higher securities underwriting and other investment banking income. Noninterest expense for the period rose 9 percent to $\$ 953$ million, the result of the Boatmen's acquisition and related amortization expense as well as higher personnel expenses. Excluding the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition, noninterest expense was essentially unchanged. The cash basis efficiency ratio improved 570 basis points to 48.2 percent. The tangible return on average tangible equity increased approximately 200 basis points to 19 percent, reflecting revenue growth partially offset by higher operating expenses.

Financial Services is primarily composed of a holding company, NationsCredit Corporation, which includes NationsCredit Consumer Corporation, primarily a consumer finance operation, and NationsCredit Commercial Corporation, primarily a commercial finance operation. NationsCredit Consumer Corporation provides personal, mortgage and automobile loans to consumers and retail finance programs to dealers. NationsCredit Commercial Corporation consists of divisions that specialize in one or more of the following commercial financing areas: equipment loans and leasing; loans for debt restructuring, mergers and acquisitions and working capital; real estate, golf/recreational and health care financing; and inventory financing to manufacturers, distributors and dealers.

Financial Services' earnings of $\$ 119$ million in the first nine months of 1997 were flat in comparison to the same period in 1996. Taxable-equivalent net interest income decreased $\$ 2$ million resulting from lower yields partly offset by 7 -percent growth in average loans and leases. The net interest yield of 6.66 percent was down 56 basis points from 1996 due principally to increased competitive pressure on loan pricing. Noninterest income rose 21 percent to $\$ 110$ million in the first nine months of 1997. The increase reflected gains associated with the sale of 29 branches during the first quarter of 1997. Noninterest expense for the period increased 3 percent to $\$ 240$ million while the cash basis efficiency ratio remained essentially unchanged at 42.8 percent. The tangible return on average tangible equity decreased to 16 percent for the first nine months of 1997 compared to 18 percent for the same period in 1996, the result of flat earnings on a higher equity base.

Results of Operations

## Net Interest Income

An analysis of the Corporation's taxable-equivalent net interest income and average balance sheet levels for the last five quarters and first nine months of 1997 and 1996 is presented in Tables 3 and 4, respectively.

Taxable-equivalent net interest income increased approximately 24 percent to $\$ 2.0$ billion in the third quarter of 1997 and amounted to $\$ 6.0$ billion in the first nine months of 1997 compared to $\$ 1.6$ billion and $\$ 4.8$ billion for the same respective 1996 periods. The increases were due primarily to the acquisition of

Table 3
Quarterly Taxable-Equivalent Data
(Dollars in Millions)

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Third Quarter 1997


\section*{CC \(>\)
Earning assets}

Loans and leases, net of unearned income (1)
Commercial . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
\(\$ 59,826 \quad \$ \quad 1,258 \quad 8.34 \% \quad \$ 60,133 \quad \$ \quad 1,265\)
\(8.43 \%\)


7,747
172
8.82

8,446
191
3,731
83
8.81

3,765
88
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Total commercial
\[
8.56
\]} \\
\hline & Residential mortgage \\
\hline 7.79 & \\
\hline & Credit card \\
\hline 11.93 & \\
\hline & Other consumer \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
9.61
--_--_-_---
Total consumer
8.94
_-_-_-_-_-_

8.67


Total earning assets (4)
209,678
4,184
7.93

208,004
4,138

\(\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}=\) not meaningful
(1) Nonperforming loans are included in the respective average loan balances. Income on such nonperforming loans is recognized on a cash basis.
(2) The average balance sheet amounts and yields on securities available for sale are based on the average of historical amortized cost balances.
(3) The fair values of derivatives-dealer positions are reported in other assets and liabilities, respectively.
(4) Interest income includes taxable-equivalent adjustments of \(\$ 29, \$ 29\) and \(\$ 28\) in the third, second and first quarters of 1997, respectively, and \(\$ 22\) and \(\$ 21\) in the fourth and third quarters of 1996, respectively. Interest income also includes the impact of risk management interest rate contracts, which increased interest income on the underlying linked assets \$25, \$34 and \$48 in the third, second and first quarters of 1997, respectively, and \$31 and \(\$ 11\) in the fourth and third quarters of 1996 , respectively.
(5) Long-term debt includes trust preferred securities.
(6) Interest expense includes the impact of risk management interest rate contracts, which (decreased) increased interest expense on the underlying linked liabilities (\$8), (\$11) and (\$10) in the third, second and first quarters of 1997, respectively, and (\$1) and \$13 in the fourth and third quarters of 1996, respectively.
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Table 4
Nine Month Taxable-Equivalent Data
(Dollars in Millions)

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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{Interest-bearing liabilities} \\
\hline Savings & \$ & 10,022 & \$ & 152 & 2.03 & \$ & 9,164 & \$ & 155 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{2.26} \\
\hline NOW and money market deposit accounts & & 41,526 & & 807 & 2.60 & & 30,111 & & 572 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{2.54} \\
\hline Consumer CDs and IRAs & & 38,489 & & 1,501 & 5.21 & & 29,754 & & 1,180 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{5.30} \\
\hline Negotiated CDs, public funds and other time deposits & & 3,374 & & 137 & 5.44 & & 3,306 & & 136 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{5.48} \\
\hline Foreign time deposits & & 9,491 & & 376 & 5.29 & & 11,865 & & 485 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{5.46} \\
\hline Federal funds purchased & & 3,832 & & 160 & 5.58 & & 4,955 & & 200 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{5.39} \\
\hline Securities sold under agreements to repurchase & & 30,588 & & 1,159 & 5.07 & & 29,634 & & 1,201 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{5.41} \\
\hline Commercial paper & & 2,982 & & 126 & 5.64 & & 3,005 & & 125 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{} \\
\hline Other short-term borrowings & & 2,241 & & 159 & \(\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}\) & & 3,806 & & 174 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{6.09} \\
\hline Trading account liabilities (3) & & 9,853 & & 488 & 6.62 & & 10,413 & & 501 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{6.43} \\
\hline Long-term debt (5) & & 26,985 & & 1,316 & 6.50 & & 19,898 & & 970 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{6.50 ( \({ }^{\text {c }}\)} \\
\hline Total interest-bearing liabilities (6) & & 179,383 & & 6,381 & 4.75 & & 155,911 & & 5,699 \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{4.88 (6)} \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{Noninterest-bearing sources} \\
\hline Noninterest-bearing deposits & & 31,185 & & & & & 24,000 & & \\
\hline Other liabilities & & 10,832 & & & & & 9,906 & & \\
\hline Shareholders' equity & & 20,126 & & & & & 13,276 & & \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{Total liabilities and shareholders' equity .. \$ 241,526 \$ 203,093} \\
\hline Net interest spread & & & & & 3.17 & & & & \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{2.94} \\
\hline \multicolumn{10}{|l|}{\[
.64
\]} \\
\hline Net interest income/yield on earning assets & & & \$ & 5,996 & \(3.84 \%\) & & & \$ & 4,811 \\
\hline 3.58\% & & & & & & & & & \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\(\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}=\) not meaningful
(1) Nonperforming loans are included in the respective average loan balances. Income on such nonperforming loans is recognized on a cash basis.
(2) The average balance sheet amounts and yields on securities available for sale are based on the average of historical amortized cost balances.
(3) The fair values of derivatives-dealer positions are reported in other assets and liabilities, respectively.
(4) Interest income includes taxable-equivalent adjustments of \(\$ 86\) and \(\$ 72\) in 1997 and 1996, respectively. Interest income also includes the impact of risk management interest rate contracts, which increased (decreased) interest income on the underlying linked assets \$107 and (\$5) in 1997 and 1996, respectively.
(5) Long-term debt includes trust preferred securities.
(6) Interest expense includes the impact of risk management interest rate contracts, which (decreased) increased interest expense on the underlying linked liabilities (\$29) and \$55 in 1997 and 1996, respectively.
</TABLE>
securitizations, net interest income increased approximately 6 percent over 1996 levels for both the third quarter and first nine months of 1997. For the first nine months of 1997, taxable-equivalent net interest income was positively impacted by core loan growth, an increase in spreads between deposits and market funding and the improved contribution of the securities portfolios, which was partially offset by the impact of the sale of certain consumer loans in the third quarter of 1996 and an increased reliance on long-term debt. While securitizations lowered net interest income by $\$ 78$ million in the third quarter of 1997 and $\$ 240$ million in the first nine months of 1997 , they do not significantly affect the Corporation's earnings. As the Corporation continues to securitize loans, its role becomes that of a servicer and the income related to securitized loans is reflected in noninterest income.

Of the $\$ 740$-million increase in interest income for the third quarter of 1997, $\$ 706$ million was due to higher average earning assets with $\$ 34$ million resulting from higher yields on average earning assets. The \$1.9-billion increase in interest income for the first nine months of 1997 was the result of a $\$ 1.7-$ billion increase due to higher average earning assets and $\$ 127$ million from higher yields on average earning assets. Interest expense increased \$355 million for the third quarter of 1997, resulting from higher levels of average
 the first nine months of 1997 was the result of an $\$ 838$-million increase from higher levels of average interest-bearing liabilities partially offset by the \$156-million favorable impact of lower rates paid on average interest-bearing liabilities.

The net interest yield increased 11 basis points to 3.80 percent in the third quarter of 1997 and 26 basis points to 3.84 percent in the first nine months of 1997, primarily reflecting the improved contribution of the securities portfolio and deposit expense management efforts. The positive impact of the acquisition of Boatmen's on the net interest yield was offset by additional funding costs related to the acquisition.

Loan growth is dependent on economic conditions as well as various discretionary factors, such as decisions to securitize certain loan portfolios, the retention of residential mortgage loans generated by the Corporation's mortgage subsidiary and the management of borrower, industry, product and geographic concentrations.

Provision for Credit Losses
The provision for credit losses was $\$ 190$ million and $\$ 570$ million in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively, compared to \$145 million and $\$ 455$ million in the comparable prior-year periods. Higher provision expense for the first nine months of 1997 was due to higher net charge-offs resulting from an increase in the loans, leases, and factored accounts receivable portfolio, attributable to both the Boatmen's acquisition and internal growth, as well as deterioration in consumer credit quality experienced on an industry-wide basis, partially offset by lower net charge-offs in the commercial loan portfolio. For the first nine months of 1997, the provision for credit losses covered net charge-offs of $\$ 567$ million. For additional information on the allowance for credit losses, certain credit quality ratios and credit quality information on specific loan categories, see the "Allowance for Credit Losses" and "Concentrations of Credit Risk" sections of Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

## Gains on Sales of Securities

Gains on the sales of securities were $\$ 19$ million and $\$ 91$ million for the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively, compared to $\$ 26$ million and $\$ 34$ million for the same respective periods in 1996. The increase for the first nine months of 1997 reflects the Corporation's sale of a significant portion of the Boatmen's portfolio subsequent to the acquisition date as well as the sale of lower-yielding securities and the reinvestment of the proceeds from such sales into higher-spread products.

Noninterest Income

As presented in Table 5, noninterest income increased 38 percent to $\$ 1.2$ billion and 30 percent to $\$ 3.5$ billion in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively, over noninterest income for the same periods in 1996, reflecting the acquisition of Boatmen's. Excluding the Boatmen's acquisition, noninterest income increased approximately 8 percent during the first nine months of 1997.

- Service charges on deposit accounts increased 39 percent over both the third quarter and first nine months of 1996, respectively, due primarily to the acquisition of Boatmen's and the impact of changes in deposit pricing throughout the NationsBank franchise. Excluding the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition, service charges increased approximately 13 percent and 12 percent in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively.

Table 5
Noninterest Income
(Dollars in Millions)
<TABLE>
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Three Months Ended September 30

Nine Months Ended September 30

| 1997 | 1996 | Amount | Percent | 1997 | 1996 | Amount | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| <C> | <C> | <C> | <C> | <C> | <C> | <c> | <C> |
| \$ 402 | \$ 289 | \$ 113 | 39.1\% | \$1,141 | \$ 824 | \$ 317 | 38.5\% |

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Nondeposit-related service fees
    Safe deposit rent .......................
    Mortgage servicing
            and other mortgage-related income
    Fees on factored accounts receivable ..
    Investment banking income .............
    Other service fees ......................
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                Total nondeposit-related
                    service fees
    | 9 | 7 | 2 | 28.6 | 28 | 22 | 6 | 27.3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 69 | 53 | 16 | 30.2 | 206 | 158 | 48 | 30.4 |
| 17 | 17 | -- | -- | 47 | 48 | (1) | (2.1) |
| 102 | 85 | 17 | 20.0 | 299 | 250 | 49 | 19.6 |
| 47 | 42 | 5 | 11.9 | 149 | 127 | 22 | 17.3 |
| 244 | 204 | 40 | 19.6 | 729 | 605 | 124 | 20.5 |

Asset management and fiduciary
service fees .................................
-
Credit card income ............................

| 95 | 80 | 15 | 18.8 | 273 | 229 | 44 | 19.2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

Other income
Brokerage income .............................
Trading account profits and fees .......
Bankers' acceptances and
letters of credit fees .............
Insurance commissions and earnings .....
Miscellaneous
Total other income

| 39 | 25 |  | 14 |  | 56.0 | 111 | 83 | 28 |  | 33.7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 65 |  | 39 |  | 26 | 66.7 | 239 | 189 |  | 50 | 26.5 |
| 26 |  | 18 |  | 8 | 44.4 | 70 | 51 |  | 19 | 37.3 |
| 26 |  | 20 |  | 6 | 30.0 | 77 | 57 |  | 20 | 35.1 |
| 159 |  | 108 |  | 51 | 47.2 | 355 | 330 |  | 25 | 7.6 |
| 315 |  | 210 |  | 105 | 50.0 | 852 | 710 |  | 142 | 20.0 |
| \$1,224 | \$ | 886 | \$ | 338 | 38.1 | \$3,502 | \$2,688 | \$ | 814 | 30.3 |

## </TABLE>

- Mortgage servicing and other mortgage-related income increased 30 percent in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997 to $\$ 69$ million and $\$ 206$ million, respectively, due to the acquisition of the Boatmen's mortgage portfolio. The average portfolio of loans serviced increased 36 percent from $\$ 87.8$ billion in the first nine months of 1996 to $\$ 119.4$ billion in the first nine months of 1997. Mortgage loan originations through the Corporation's mortgage subsidiary increased from $\$ 9.3$ billion for the first nine months of 1996 to $\$ 10.5$ billion for the same period in 1997. The increase in loan originations experienced in 1997 was due to the acquisition of Boatmen's and the Corporation's efforts to maintain the mortgage servicing portfolio at target levels. Origination volume for the first nine months of 1997 consisted of approximately $\$ 6.4$ billion of correspondent and wholesale loan volume and $\$ 4.1$ billion of retail loan volume.

In conducting its mortgage banking activities, the Corporation is exposed to interest rate risk for the period between loan commitment date and subsequent delivery date. The value of the Corporation's mortgage servicing rights is also affected by changes in prepayment rates. To manage risk associated with mortgage banking activities, the Corporation enters into various financial instruments including option contracts, forward delivery contracts and certain rate swaps. The contract
notional amount of these instruments approximated $\$ 10$ billion on September 30, 1997. Net unrealized gains associated with these contracts were $\$ 9$ million on September 30, 1997.

- Investment banking income increased 20 percent in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997 to $\$ 102$ million and $\$ 299$ million, respectively, as a result of higher securities underwriting fees, reflecting continued growth in this business activity. Gains on principal investing activities (investing in equity or equity-related transactions) increased $\$ 11$ million in the third quarter of 1997 over the same period in 1996 as a result of the sale of several interests in principal investments during the current quarter.

An analysis of investment banking income by major business activity
follows (in millions):
<TABLE>


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- Asset management and fiduciary service fees increased 63 percent to \$168 million in the third quarter of 1997 and 58 percent to $\$ 507$ million for the first nine months of 1997, reflecting the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition. Fourth quarter asset management fees are expected to reflect the impact of the Corporation's sale of certain institutional and corporate trust businesses primarily acquired through the purchase of Boatmen's.
- Credit card income increased 19 percent for the third quarter and first nine months of 1997 to $\$ 95$ million and $\$ 273$ million, respectively, due primarily to the acquisition of Boatmen's and internal growth of approximately 5 percent. Credit card income includes $\$ 6$ million and $\$ 22$ million from credit card securitizations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 1997, respectively.
- Trading account profits and fees totaled $\$ 65$ million and $\$ 239$ million in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, an increase of $\$ 26$ million and $\$ 50$ million over the same periods in 1996.


## An analysis of trading account profits and fees by major business

 activity follows (in millions):<TABLE>
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline & & \[
\begin{aligned}
& \text { fee } \\
& \text { Sep }
\end{aligned}
\] & & \\
\hline & & & & 1996 \\
\hline <S> & <C> & & < & \\
\hline Securities trading & \$ & 5 & \$ & 31 \\
\hline Interest rate contracts & & 42 & & 22 \\
\hline Foreign exchange contracts & & 8 & & (16) \\
\hline Other & & 10 & & 2 \\
\hline & \$ & 65 & \$ & 39 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\begin{tabular}{lc}
\multicolumn{2}{c}{ Nine Months Ended } \\
September 30
\end{tabular}

\section*{</TABLE>}

○ Miscellaneous income totaled \(\$ 159\) million and \(\$ 355\) million in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively. Included in miscellaneous income for the third quarter of 1997 was the gain on the sale of an out-of-market credit card portfolio. Miscellaneous income also includes certain prepayment fees and other fees such as net gains on sales of miscellaneous investments, business activities, premises and other similar items.

Noninterest Expense

As presented in Table 6, the Corporation's noninterest expense increased 28 percent and 29 percent to \(\$ 1.8\) billion and \(\$ 5.4\) billion in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively, over noninterest expense in the same periods of 1996. Excluding the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition and related transition expenses, noninterest expense remained essentially unchanged in the third quarter of 1997 and first nine months of 1997 while the cash basis efficiency ratio declined 133 basis points to 53.42 for the first nine months of 1997.

A discussion of the significant components and changes in noninterest expense for the third quarter and first nine months of 1997 compared to noninterest expense for the same periods in 1996 follows:

Table 6
Noninterest Expense
(Dollars in Millions)

- Personnel expense increased \(\$ 174\) million and \(\$ 590\) million in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively, over the comparable 1996 periods, due primarily to the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition. On September 30, 1997, the Corporation had approximately 78,000 full-time equivalent employees compared to approximately 63,000 full-time equivalent employees on December 31, 1996, respectively. Excluding the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition, full-time equivalent employees at September 30, 1997 were essentially unchanged compared to December 31, 1996 levels.
- Occupancy expense increased 19 percent to \(\$ 160\) million in the third quarter of 1997 and 20 percent to \(\$ 466\) million in the first nine months of 1997 due to the acquisition of Boatmen's.
- Equipment expense increased approximately \(\$ 39\) million and \(\$ 117\) million in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively. This increase reflects the acquisition of Boatmen's as well as enhancements to data delivery channels throughout the Corporation and to product delivery systems, such as the Model Banking initiative, direct banking (including PC Banking) and data base management.
- Professional fees increased \(\$ 6\) million and \(\$ 46\) million in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively, reflecting the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition as well as higher consulting and technical support fees for projects to enhance revenue growth and for the development and installation of infrastructure enhancements.
- Intangibles amortization expense increased to \(\$ 111\) million and \(\$ 323\) million in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively, reflecting the impact of the Boatmen's acquisition.
- Other general operating expenses decreased \(\$ 14\) million to \(\$ 355\) million for the first nine months of 1997 compared to \(\$ 369\) million for the same period in 1996. Included in 1996 year-to-date expenses
was \(\$ 43\) million of pre-tax charges reflecting the estimated losses associated with certain customers' fraudulent commercial transactions.

Noninterest expense includes the cost of projects underway to ensure accurate date recognition and data processing with respect to the Year 2000 and are included in professional, data processing, and equipment expenses. The Corporation expects to substantially complete the Year 2000 conversion projects by the end of 1998. These costs, which are expensed as incurred, have been immaterial to date and are not expected to have a material impact on the Corporation's earnings in the future.

\section*{Income Taxes}

The Corporation's income tax expense for the third quarter and first nine months of 1997 was \(\$ 444\) million and \(\$ 1.3\) billion, respectively, for an effective tax rate of 36 percent of pretax income compared to \(\$ 331\) million and \(\$ 933\) million for the third quarter and first nine months of 1996 , respectively, for an effective rate of 35 percent. The higher effective tax rate reflects the increase in non-deductible goodwill amortization resulting from the acquisition of Boatmen's.

Balance Sheet Review and Liquidity Risk Management
The Corporation utilizes an integrated approach in managing its balance sheet which includes management of interest rate sensitivity, credit risk, liquidity risk and capital position. The average balances discussed below can be derived from Table 4. The following discussion addresses changes in average balances for the first nine months of 1997 compared to the same periods in 1996 .

Average customer-based funds increased \(\$ 28.3\) billion to \(\$ 124.6\) billion in the first nine months of 1997 due primarily to deposits obtained in acquisitions over the past year. As a percentage of total sources, average customer-based funds represented 52 percent in the first nine months of 1997 compared to 47 percent in the first nine months of 1996.

Average market-based funds decreased \(\$ 4.7\) billion to \(\$ 59.0\) billion in the first nine months of 1997 and comprised a smaller portion of total sources of funds at 24 percent for the first nine months of 1997 compared to 31 percent during the same period of 1996. The decrease in market-based funds was the result of increased reliance on customer-based funds and long-term debt as sources of funds. The \(\$ 7.1\)-billion increase in long-term debt was the result of borrowings to fund the cash portion of the Boatmen's purchase price.

Average loans and leases, the Corporation's primary use of funds, increased \(\$ 24.4\) billion to \(\$ 147.1\) billion during the first nine months of 1997 and comprised approximately 61 percent of total uses of funds in 1997 and 1996. This increase in average loans and leases was due to the acquisition of Boatmen's and core loan growth. The ratio of average loans and leases to customer-based funds was 118 percent in the first nine months of 1997 compared to 127 percent in the first nine months of 1996.

Average other assets and cash and cash equivalents increased \(\$ 9.0\) billion to \(\$ 31.5\) billion in the first nine months of 1997 due primarily to an increase in intangible assets related to the acquisition of Boatmen's.

Cash and cash equivalents were \(\$ 9.3\) billion on September 30 , 1997 compared to \(\$ 8.9\) billion on December 31, 1996. During the first nine months of 1997, net cash used in operating activities was \(\$ 3.0\) billion, net cash used in investing activities was \(\$ 2.6\) billion and net cash provided by financing activities was \(\$ 6.0\) billion. For further information on cash flows, see the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows in the consolidated financial statements.

Liquidity is a measure of the Corporation's ability to fulfill its cash requirements and is managed by the Corporation through its asset and liability management process. Management believes the Corporation's sources of liquidity are more than adequate to meet its cash requirements.

The following discussion provides an overview of significant on- and off-balance sheet components.

\section*{Securities}

The securities portfolio on September 30, 1997 consisted of securities held for investment totaling \(\$ 1.3\) billion and securities available for sale totaling \(\$ 34.2\) billion compared to \(\$ 2.1\) billion and \(\$ 12.3\) billion, respectively, on December 31, 1996. The increase in available for sale securities reflects initiatives to invest excess capital in the securities portfolio and the impact of approximately \(\$ 7.0\) billion of mortgage-backed securities obtained primarily through residential mortgage loans that were securitized and retained. Also contributing to the increase in available for sale securities since December 31, 1996 was the purchase of higher yielding mortgage-backed securities in the first quarter of 1997.

On September 30, 1997, the market value of the Corporation's securities
held for investment reflected net unrealized appreciation of \(\$ 5\) million. On December 31, 1996, the market value of securities held for investment approximated the book value of the portfolio.

The valuation reserve for securities available for sale and marketable equity securities increased shareholder's equity by \(\$ 262\) million on September 30, 1997, reflecting pretax appreciation of \(\$ 218\) million on debt securities and \(\$ 112\) million on marketable equity securities. The valuation reserve increased shareholders' equity by \(\$ 86\) million on December 31, 1996. The increase in the valuation reserve was primarily attributable to a decrease in interest rates when comparing September 30, 1997 to December 31, 1996.

The estimated average maturities of securities held for investment and securities available for sale portfolios were 1.53 years and 6.63 years, respectively, on September 30,1997 compared with 1.47 years and 6.91 years, respectively, on December 31, 1996.

Off-Balance Sheet
Derivatives - Asset and Liability Management Positions
The Corporation utilizes interest rate and foreign exchange contracts in its asset and liability management (ALM) process.

Interest rate contracts allow the Corporation to efficiently manage its interest rate risk position. The Corporation primarily uses non-leveraged generic and basis swaps. Generic swaps involve the exchange of fixed-rate and variable-rate interest payments based on the contractual underlying notional amounts. Basis swaps involve the exchange of interest payments based on the contractual underlying notional amounts, where both the pay rate and the receive rate are floating rates based on different indices. As presented in the footnotes to Table 3, net interest receipts and payments on these contracts have been included in interest income and expense on the underlying instruments.

Table 7
Asset and Liability Management Interest Rate Notional Contracts
(Dollars in Millions)
<TABLE>
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{} & \multicolumn{2}{|c|}{Generic} & \multirow[b]{2}{*}{Basis} & & \multirow[b]{2}{*}{\begin{tabular}{l}
Option \\
Products
\end{tabular}} & Total \\
\hline & Receive Fixed & \begin{tabular}{l}
Pay \\
Fixed
\end{tabular} & & Total Swaps & & Interest Rate Contracts \\
\hline <S> & <C> & <C> & <C> & <C> & <C> & <C> \\
\hline Balance on December 31, 1996 & \$ 27,740 & \$ 1,035 & \$ 1,346 & \$ 30,121 & \$ 6,395 & \$ 36,516 \\
\hline Additions & 10,935 & 2,210 & 1,355 & 14,500 & 3,358 & 17,858 \\
\hline Maturities, terminations and other & (11,072) & \((1,044)\) & (387) & \((12,503)\) & \((1,600)\) & \((14,103)\) \\
\hline Balance on September 30, 1997 & \$ 27,603 & \$ 2,201 & \$ 2,314 & \$ 32,118 & \$ 8,153 & \$ 40,271 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
</TABLE>
Table 7 summarizes the notional amount and the activity of ALM interest rate contracts for the nine months ended September 30, 1997. As reflected in the table, the gross notional amount of the Corporation's ALM swap program on September 30 , 1997 was \(\$ 32.1\) billion, with the Corporation receiving fixed on \(\$ 27.6\) billion, primarily converting variable-rate commercial loans to fixed-rate, and receiving variable on \(\$ 2.2\) billion. The net receive fixed position of \(\$ 25.4\) billion was essentially unchanged compared to the net receive fixed position of \(\$ 26.7\) billion on December 31, 1996. The net receive fixed position primarily modifies the interest rate characteristics of certain variable-rate assets.

Table 8 summarizes the expected maturities, weighted average pay and receive rates and the unrealized gains/losses on September 30 , 1997 of the Corporation's ALM swaps. Floating rates represent the last repricing and will change in the future primarily based on movements in one-, three- and six-month LIBOR rates. The net unrealized appreciation of the ALM swap portfolio on September 30, 1997 was \(\$ 115\) million compared to unrealized appreciation of \(\$ 69\) million on December 31, 1996, reflecting the decrease in interest rates when comparing September 30, 1997 to December 31, 1996. The amount of net realized deferred gains associated with terminated ALM swaps was \(\$ 31.1\) million on September 30, 1997.

Table 8
Asset and Liability Management Interest Rate Contracts
September 30, 1997
(Dollars in Millions, Average Expected Maturity in Years)
<TABLE>
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On September 30, 1997, in addition to the above interest rate swaps, the Corporation had a \(\$ 500\) million notional receive fixed generic interest rate swap associated with a credit card securitization.

On September 30, 1997, this position had an unrealized market value of negative \(\$ 19\) million, a receive rate of 5.96 percent, a pay rate of 5.94 percent and an expected maturity of 6.21 years.
</TABLE>

In its ALM process, the Corporation also utilizes interest rate option products, primarily caps and floors. Interest rate caps and floors are agreements where, for a fee, the purchaser obtains the right to receive interest payments when a variable interest rate moves above or below a specified cap or floor rate, respectively. Table 7 also includes a summary of the notional amount and the activity of ALM interest rate option contracts for the nine months ended September 30, 1997. At September 30, 1997, the Corporation had a gross notional amount of \(\$ 8.2\) billion in outstanding interest rate option contracts used for ALM purposes. Such instruments are primarily linked to term debt, short-term borrowings, and pools of residential mortgages. Table 8 also includes a summary of the expected maturities and the net unrealized losses of the Corporation's ALM options contracts. On September 30, 1997, the net unrealized depreciation of ALM option products was \(\$ 6\) million.

The Corporation uses foreign currency swaps to manage the foreign exchange risk associated with foreign-denominated liabilities. At September 30, 1997, these contracts had a notional value of \(\$ 616\) million and reflected net unrealized depreciation of \(\$ 26\) million.

The net unrealized appreciation in the estimated value of the ALM interest rate and foreign exchange contract portfolio should be viewed in the context of the overall balance sheet. The value of any single component of the balance sheet or off-balance sheet positions should not be viewed in isolation.

For a discussion of the Corporation's management of risk associated with mortgage banking activities, see the "Noninterest Income" section of Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

\section*{Derivatives - Dealer Positions}

Credit risk associated with derivative positions is measured as the net replacement cost the Corporation could incur should counterparties with contracts in a gain position completely fail to perform under the terms of those contracts and any collateral underlying the contracts proves to be of no value to the Corporation. In managing derivative credit risk, the Corporation considers both the current exposure, which is the replacement cost of contracts on the measurement date, as well as an estimate of the potential change in value of contracts over their remaining lives.

Table 9
Derivatives - Dealer Positions
(Dollars in Millions)

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Futures and forwards & 187,923 & 1 & 186,333 & 5 \\
\hline Written options & 539,904 & -- & 298,594 & -- \\
\hline Purchased options & 456,071 & 662 & 294,591 & 561 \\
\hline \multicolumn{5}{|l|}{Foreign Exchange Contracts} \\
\hline Swaps & 1,536 & 107 & 1,303 & 24 \\
\hline Spot, futures and forwards & 71,934 & 597 & 94,028 & 1,137 \\
\hline Written options & 47,456 & -- & 63,081 & -- \\
\hline Purchased options & 43,909 & 342 & 61,716 & 352 \\
\hline \multicolumn{5}{|l|}{Commodity and Other Contracts} \\
\hline Swaps & 1,164 & 92 & 812 & 81 \\
\hline Futures and forwards & 2,414 & 9 & 2,728 & -- \\
\hline Written options & 15,081 & -- & 14,064 & -- \\
\hline Purchased options & 14,932 & 329 & 13,828 & 357 \\
\hline Total before cross product netting & & 3,581 & & 3,444 \\
\hline Cross product netting & & 376 & & 286 \\
\hline Net replacement cost & & \$ 3,205 & & \$ 3,158 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
(1) Represents the net replacement cost the Corporation could incur should counterparties with contracts in a gain position to the Corporation completely fail to perform under the terms of those contracts. Amounts include accrued interest.
</TABLE>
Table 9 presents the notional or contract amounts on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996 and the current credit risk amounts (the net replacement cost of contracts in a gain position on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996) of the Corporation's derivatives-dealer positions which are primarily executed in the over-the-counter market. The notional or contract amounts indicate the total volume of transactions and significantly exceed the amount of the Corporation's credit or market risk associated with these instruments. The credit risk amounts presented in Table 9 do not consider the value of any collateral, but generally take into consideration the effects of legally enforceable master netting agreements. On September 30, 1997, the credit risk associated with the Corporation's ALM positions was not significant.

In managing credit risk associated with its derivatives activities, the Corporation deals with creditworthy counterparties, primarily U.S. and foreign commercial banks, broker-dealers and corporates.

A portion of the Corporation's derivatives-dealer activity involves exchange-traded instruments. Because exchange-traded instruments conform to standard terms and are subject to policies set by the exchange involved, including counterparty approval, margin requirements and security deposit requirements, the credit risk to the Corporation is minimal.

During 1997, there have been no credit losses associated with derivative transactions. In addition, on September 30, 1997, there were no material nonperforming derivative positions.

## Allowance for Credit Losses

The Corporation's allowance for credit losses was \$2.8 billion, or 1.99 percent of net loans, leases, and factored accounts receivable on September 30, 1997 compared to $\$ 2.3$ billion, or 1.89 percent, on December 31, 1996, with the increase in the allowance attributable to the acquisition of Boatmen's.

Table 10 provides an analysis of the changes in the allowance for credit losses. During the third quarter of 1997, higher credit card and commercial net
 amounted to $\$ 199$ million, or .53 percent of average loans, leases and factored accounts receivable, compared to . 44 percent for the same period in 1996. Higher credit card net charge-offs were due primarily to deterioration in consumer credit quality experienced on an industry-wide basis, while higher commercial net charge-offs were due to a $\$ 20-m i l l i o n ~ c h a r g e-o f f ~ o f ~ o n e ~ l a r g e ~ r e t a i l ~ c r e d i t . ~ . ~$ During the first nine months of 1997, net charge-offs increased $\$ 120$ million to $\$ 567$ million in the first nine months of 1997 or . 51 percent of average loans, leases, and factored accounts receivable, compared to net charge-offs of \$447 million or . 48 percent, for the first nine months of 1996. Higher net charge-offs were primarily the result of an increase in the average loans, leases, and factored accounts receivable portfolio, attributable to both the Boatmen's acquisition and internal growth as well as deterioration in consumer credit quality experienced on an industry-wide basis. This resulted in increases in credit card and other consumer net charge-offs, which were partially offset by lower commercial net charge-offs during the first nine months of 1997.

Excluding increases that resulted from the acquisition of Boatmen's, management expects charge-offs to grow as the Corporation maintains its efforts to shift the mix of the loan portfolio to a higher consumer loan concentration.

Table 10
Allowance For Credit Losses
(Dollars in Millions)
<TABLE>
<CAPTION>
Months
September 30
-----------
1996
----------
<S>
<C>

| Beginning balance |
| :--- |
| 2,163 |




| (47) | (36) | (89) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (2) | (3) | (20) |
| -- | -- | (1) |
| (49) | (39) | (110) |



| (4) | (3) | (11) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (133) | (64) | (358) |
| (94) | (84) | (292) |
| (231) | (151) | (661) |
| 3 | -- | -- |
| (1) | (1) | (7) |
| (5) | (3) | (15) |
| (283) | (194) | (793) |

Recoveries of loans, leases and factored accounts
receivable previously charged off
Commercial

| 17 | 16 | 52 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 4 | 9 |
| 2 | -- | 5 |


| 21 | 20 | 66 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -- | 1 | 2 |
| 28 | 16 | 67 |



## Nonperforming Assets

As presented in Table 11, on September 30, 1997, nonperforming assets were $\$ 1.3$ billion, or .91 percent of net loans, leases, factored accounts receivable and other real estate owned, compared to $\$ 1.0$ billion, or .85 percent, on December 31, 1996. Nonperforming loans increased to $\$ 1.1$ billion on September 30, 1997 from $\$ 890$ million on December 31, 1996. The increase in nonperforming loans was due primarily to the acquisition of Boatmen's and, to a
lesser extent, deterioration in consumer credit quality experienced on an
industry-wide basis. The allowance coverage of nonperforming loans was 252
percent on September 30, 1997 compared to 260 percent on December 31, 1996.
Table 11
Nonperforming Assets
(Dollars in Millions)
<TABLE>
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|  | September 30 | June 30 | March 31 | December 31 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 30 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1997 | 1997 | 1997 | 1996 |
| 1996 |  |  |  |  |
| <S> | <C> | <C> | <C> | <C> |
| <C> |  |  |  |  |
| Nonperforming loans: |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial | \$ 371 | \$ 429 | \$ 398 | \$ 342 |
| \$ 413 |  |  |  |  |


| Real estate commercial | 205 |  | 206 |  | 162 |  | 145 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 165 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Real estate construction |  |  | 18 |  | 15 |  | 34 |  | 28 |  |
| 36 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 614 Total commercial | 594 |  | 650 |  | 594 |  | 515 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residential mortgage | 266 |  | 254 |  | 256 |  | 215 |  |  |  |
| 203 | 207 |  |  |  | 156 |  | 135 |  |  |  |
| Other consumer |  |  | 166 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 135 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 338 Total consumer | 473 |  | 420 |  | 412 |  | 350 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 32 Lease financing | 39 |  | 47 |  | 45 |  | 25 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 984 Total nonperforming loans | 1,106 |  | 1,117 |  | 1,051 |  | 890 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other real estate owned 151 | 160 |  | 150 |  | 168 |  | 153 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$1,135 Total nonperforming assets | \$1,266 |  | \$1,267 |  | \$1,219 |  | \$1,043 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nonperforming assets as a percentage of Total assets | . $52 \%$ |  | . $53 \%$ |  | . $51 \%$ |  | . $56 \%$ |  |  |  |
| . 61\% <br> Loans, leases and factored accounts receivable, net of unearned income, and other real estate owned | . 91 |  | . 84 |  | . 82 |  | . 85 |  |  |  |
| . 93 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans past due 90 days or more and not classified as nonperforming ...... | \$ 314 |  | \$ 315 |  | \$ 320 |  | \$ | 245 |  |  |
| \$ 201 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| </TABLE> |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Concentrations of Credit Risk
In an effort to minimize the adverse impact of any single event or set of occurrences, the Corporation strives to maintain a diverse credit portfolio. The following section discusses credit risk in the loan portfolio, including net charge-offs by loan categories as presented in Table 12.

Table 12
Net Charge-offs in Dollars and as a Percentage of Average Loans Outstanding
(Dollars in Millions)

<TABLE>
<CAPTION>
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{6}{|c|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
Three Months \\
Ended September 30
\end{tabular}} & \multicolumn{5}{|r|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
Nine Months \\
Ended September 30
\end{tabular}} \\
\hline \multicolumn{3}{|c|}{1997} & \multicolumn{3}{|c|}{1996} & \multicolumn{3}{|c|}{1997} & & \\
\hline < & & <C> & <c & & <C> & & & <C> & & \\
\hline \$ & 30 & . \(20 \%\) & \$ & 20 & . \(16 \%\) & \$ & 37 & . \(08 \%\) & \$ & 68 \\
\hline & (2) & \(\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}\) & & (1) & \(\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}\) & & 7 & . 07 & & 23 \\
\hline & 28 & . 16 & & 19 & . 13 & & 44 & . 08 & & 91 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}


Net charge-offs for each loan type are calculated as a percentage of average outstanding or managed loans for each loan category.

Total net charge-offs are calculated based on total average outstanding loans, leases and factored accounts receivable.
</TABLE>
Real Estate - Total nonresidential real estate commercial and construction loans, the portion of such loans which are nonperforming, OREO and other credit exposures are presented in Table 13. The exposures presented represent credit extensions for real estate-related purposes to borrowers or counterparties who are primarily in the real estate development or investment business and for which the ultimate repayment of the credit is dependent on the sale, lease, rental or refinancing of the real estate.

Total nonresidential real estate commercial and construction loans totaled $\$ 11.2$ billion, or 8 percent of net loans, leases and factored accounts receivable, on September 30, 1997 compared to $\$ 8.3$ billion, or 7 percent, at the end of 1996 with the increase due to the acquisition of Boatmen's. Real estate loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest were $\$ 21$ million, or
.19 percent of real estate loans, on September 30 , 1997 and $\$ 18$ million, or . 22 percent, on December 31, 1996. Nonperforming real estate commercial and construction loans were $\$ 223$ million on September 30, 1997 compared to $\$ 173$ million on December 31, 1996 due primarily to the acquisition of Boatmen's.

The exposures included in Table 13 do not include credit extensions which were made on the general creditworthiness of the borrower for which real estate was obtained as security or as an abundance of caution and for which the ultimate repayment of the credit is not dependent on the sale, lease, rental or refinancing of the real estate. Accordingly, the exposures presented do not include commercial loans secured by owner-occupied real estate, except where the borrower is a real estate developer. In addition to the amounts presented in the tables, on September 30, 1997, the Corporation had approximately $\$ 9.9$ billion of commercial loans which were not real estate dependent but for which the Corporation had obtained real estate as secondary repayment security.

Table 13
Real Estate Commercial and Construction Loans, Other Real Estate Owned and Other Real Estate Credit Exposures
September 30, 1997
(Dollars in Millions)

<TABLE>
<CAPTION>
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Outstanding & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Nonperforming} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{OREO} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
Credit \\
Exposures (2)
\end{tabular}} \\
\hline <C> & \multicolumn{2}{|c|}{<C>} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{<C>} & \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{<C>} \\
\hline \$ 2,389 & \$ & 46 & \$ & 38 & \$ & 424 \\
\hline 2,243 & & 34 & & 13 & & 145 \\
\hline 1,636 & & 24 & & 7 & & 375 \\
\hline 1,316 & & 65 & & 21 & & 347 \\
\hline 1,213 & & 28 & & 12 & & 160 \\
\hline 2,434 & & 26 & & 8 & & 371 \\
\hline \$11,231 & \$ & 223 & \$ & 99 & & 822 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}

By Property Type:

(1) On September 30, 1997, the Corporation had unfunded binding real estate commercial and construction loan commitments.
(2) Other credit exposures include letters of credit and loans held for sale.
(3) Distribution based on geographic location of collateral.
</TABLE>
Other Industries - Table 14 presents selected industry credit exposures. Commercial loans, factored accounts receivable and lease financings are included in the table. Commercial loan outstandings totaled $\$ 57.1$ billion, or 41 percent of net loans, leases and factored accounts receivable on September 30, 1997 and $\$ 50.3$ billion, or 41 percent of net loans, leases and factored accounts receivable on December 31, 1996. This increase, due to the addition of Boatmen's, was partially offset by the impact of the $\$ 4.2$-billion commercial loan securitization.

For the first nine months of 1997, the Corporation had commercial loan net charge-offs of $\$ 37$ million, or .08 percent of average commercial loans, compared to $\$ 68$ million, or .19 percent of average commercial loans, in the first nine months of 1996. Excluding a $\$ 20-m i l l i o n ~ c h a r g e-o f f ~ o f ~ o n e ~ l a r g e ~ r e t a i l ~ c r e d i t, ~$ commercial loan net charge-offs were $\$ 10$ million, or .07 percent of average commercial loans, in the third quarter of 1997 and $\$ 17$ million, or .04 percent, for the first nine months of 1997. Commercial loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest were $\$ 43$ million, or .08 percent of commercial loans, on September 30, 1997 and $\$ 38$ million, or .08 percent, on December 31, 1996.
Nonperforming
commercial loans were $\$ 371$ million and $\$ 342$ million on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996, respectively, with the increase due to the acquisition of Boatmen's.

Table 14
Selected Industry Loans, Leases and Factored Accounts
Receivable, Net of Unearned Income
September 30, 1997
(Dollars in Millions)

|  | Outstanding |
| :---: | :---: |
| Health care | \$ 4,387 |
| Food, including agribusiness | 3,448 |
| Leisure and sports | 3,382 |
| Media | 3,349 |
| Textiles and apparel, excluding retail | 3,070 |
| Machinery and equipment, excluding defense | 2,949 |
| Retail | 2,740 |
| Oil and gas | 2,628 |
| Automotive, excluding trucking | 2,609 |
| Transportation, excluding air and trucking | 1,972 |

Consumer - On September 30, 1997, total consumer loan outstandings were $\$ 60.8$ billion, or 44 percent of net loans, leases and factored accounts receivable, compared to $\$ 55.3$ billion, or 45 percent of net loans, leases and factored accounts receivable on December 31, 1996. This increase, due primarily to the addition of Boatmen's and core loan growth, was net of mortgage loan securitizations of $\$ 7.5$ billion for the first nine months of 1997. Higher credit card net charge-offs experienced during the third quarter and first nine months of 1997 were the primary reason for the increase in total consumer net charge-offs, the result of deterioration in consumer credit quality experienced on an industry-wide basis. A secondary factor causing the higher levels of net charge-offs during the first nine months of 1997 was an increase in other consumer net charge-offs, primarily the result of the Boatmen's acquisition. Note 4 to the unaudited consolidated financial statements details the components of the Corporation's consumer loan portfolio. In addition to the credit card and other consumer loans reported in the financial statements, the Corporation manages credit card and consumer receivables which have been sold.

Average credit card receivables managed by the Card Services group (excluding private label credit cards) increased to $\$ 9.2$ billion during the first nine months of 1997 compared to $\$ 8.0$ billion during the same year-ago period as the Corporation maintains its efforts to shift the loan portfolio mix to a higher consumer concentration. Average securitized credit card loans totaled $\$ 2.6$ billion during the third quarter and first nine months of 1997. During the third quarter and first nine months of 1996, average securitized credit card loans were $\$ 2.9$ billion and $\$ 2.1$ billion, respectively. Higher net charge-offs during 1997 reflect deterioration in consumer credit quality experienced on an industry-wide basis.

Average managed other consumer loans, which includes direct and indirect consumer loans and home equity lines as well as indirect auto loan and consumer finance securitizations, were $\$ 28.8$ billion and $\$ 29.2$ billion in the third quarter and first nine months of 1997, respectively, and $\$ 24.6$ billion and $\$ 25.0$ billion in the comparable 1996 periods. Both the increase in loans and higher net charge-offs during the first nine months of 1997 were primarily due to the acquisition of Boatmen's.

Total consumer loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing interest were $\$ 243$ million, or .40 percent of total consumer loans, on September 30, 1997 compared to $\$ 180$ million, or .33 percent of total consumer loans on December 31, 1996. Total consumer nonperforming loans were $\$ 473$ million and $\$ 350$ million on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996, respectively. The increases in these
categories were due to deterioration in consumer credit quality experienced on an industry-wide basis and the acquisition of Boatmen's.

## Market Risk Management

In the normal course of conducting business activities, the Corporation is exposed to market risk which includes both price and liquidity risk. Price risk arises from fluctuations in interest rates, foreign exchange rates and commodity and equity prices that may result in changes in the values of financial instruments. Liquidity risk arises from the possibility that the Corporation may not be able to satisfy current and future financial commitments or that the Corporation may not be able to liquidate financial instruments at market prices. Risk management procedures and policies have been established and are utilized to manage the Corporation's exposure to market risk. The strategy of the Corporation with respect to market risk is to maximize net income while maintaining an acceptable level of risk to changes in market rates. While achievement of this goal requires a balance between profitability, liquidity and market price risk, there are opportunities to enhance revenues through controlled risks. In implementing strategies to manage interest rate risk, the primary tools used by the Corporation are the securities portfolio, interest rate swaps, and management of the mix, yields and rates and maturities of assets and the wholesale and retail funding sources of the Corporation.

On September 30, 1997, the interest rate risk position of the Corporation was relatively neutral as the impact of a gradual parallel 100 basis-point rise or fall in interest rates over the next 12 months was estimated to be less than 2 percent of net income when compared to stable rates.

To estimate potential losses that could result from adverse market movements, the Corporation uses a daily earnings at risk methodology. Earnings at risk represents a one-day measurement of pre-tax earnings at risk from movements in market prices using the assumption that positions cannot be rehedged during the period of any prescribed price and volatility change. A 99-percent confidence level is utilized, which indicates that actual trading profits and losses may deviate from expected levels and exceed estimates approximately one day out of every 100 days of trading activity.

Earnings at risk is measured on both a gross and an uncorrelated basis. The gross measure assumes that adverse market movements occur simultaneously across all segments of the trading portfolio, an unlikely assumption. On September 30,

1997, the gross estimates of potential losses with respect to interest rate, foreign exchange and equity and commodity trading activities were $\$ 58$ million, \$2 million and $\$ 3$ million, respectively. Alternately, using a statistical measure which is more likely to capture the effects of market movements, the uncorrelated estimate on September 30, 1997 for aggregate trading activities was $\$ 21$ million.

Average daily trading revenues during the first nine months of 1997 approximated $\$ 1$ million. During the first nine months of 1997, the Corporation's trading activities resulted in positive daily revenues for approximately 69 percent of total trading days. During the first nine months of 1997, the standard deviation of trading revenues was $\$ 3$ million. Using this data, one can conclude that the aggregate trading activities should not result in exposure of more than $\$ 5$ million for any one day, assuming 99-percent confidence. When comparing daily earnings at risk to trading revenues, daily earnings at risk will average considerably more due to the assumption of no evasive actions as well as the assumption that adverse market movements occur simultaneously across all segments of the trading portfolio.

Capital
Shareholders' equity was $\$ 20.3$ billion on September 30,1997 compared to $\$ 13.7$ billion on December 31, 1996. The acquisition of Boatmen's resulted in the issuance of approximately 195 million shares of common stock and an increase of $\$ 9.5$ billion in total shareholders' equity. This increase was partially offset by the repurchase of approximately 96 million shares of common stock for $\$ 5.8$ billion.

Presented below are the Corporation's regulatory capital ratios on September 30, 1997 and December 31, 1996:

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } 30 \\ & 1997 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December } 31 \\ 1996 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Risk-Based Capital Ratios |  |  |
| Tier 1 Capital | 7.00\% | 7.76\% |
| Total Capital | 11.56 | 12.66 |
| Leverage Captial Ratio | 6.16 | 7.09 |

The Corporation's and its significant banking subsidiaries' regulatory capital ratios on September 30, 1997 exceeded the regulatory minimums of 4 percent for Tier 1 risk-based capital, 8 percent for total risk-based capital and the leverage guidelines of 100 to 200 basis points above the minimum ratio of 3 percent. The Corporation and its significant banking subsidiaries were considered well-capitalized on September 30, 1997.

Table 15
Selected Quarterly Operating Results
(Dollars in Millions Except Per-Share Information)

<TABLE>
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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline & & & & Quart & & \\
\hline & & ird & & cond & & rst \\
\hline <S> & & & & & & \\
\hline Income Statement & & & & & & \\
\hline Income from earning assets & \$ & 4,155 & \$ & 4,109 & \$ & 4,027 \\
\hline Interest expense & & 2,183 & & 2,121 & & 2,077 \\
\hline Net interest income (taxable-equivalent) & & 2,001 & & 2,017 & & 1,978 \\
\hline Net interest income & & 1,972 & & 1,988 & & 1,950 \\
\hline Provision for credit losses & & 190 & & 190 & & 190 \\
\hline Gains on sales of securities & & 19 & & 29 & & 43 \\
\hline Noninterest income & & 1,224 & & 1,165 & & 1,113 \\
\hline Other real estate owned (income) expense & & 5 & & 4 & & (2) \\
\hline Other noninterest expense & & 1,788 & & 1,798 & & 1,810 \\
\hline Income before income taxes & & 1,232 & & 1,190 & & 1,108 \\
\hline Income tax expense & & 444 & & 428 & & 399 \\
\hline Net income & & 788 & & 762 & & 709 \\
\hline Net income available to common shareholders & & 786 & & 759 & & 705 \\
\hline Average common shares issued (in thousands) & & 8,278 & & 0,020 & & 0,413 \\
\hline Per common share & & & & & & \\
\hline Earnings & \$ & 1.11 & \$ & 1.05 & \$ & . 97 \\
\hline Cash dividends paid & & . 33 & & . 33 & & . 33 \\
\hline Common shareholders' equity (period-end) & & 28.73 & & 27.99 & & 28.22 \\
\hline Balance sheet (period-end) & & & & & & \\
\hline
\end{tabular}

(1) Average common shareholders' equity does not include the effect of market value adjustments to securities available for sale and marketable equity securities.
</TABLE>
Part II. Other Information
Item 2. Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds
On August 1, 1997, the Corporation acquired by merger all the outstanding shares of Gibson Security Corp., a private company, for aggregate consideration of approximately $\$ 88.7$ million, of which approximately $\$ 61.6$ million was paid in cash and the remainder was paid with 400,200 unregistered shares of common stock of the Corporation. The issuance of the shares in this transaction was deemed to be exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance on Section $4(2)$ as a transaction by an issuer not involving any public offering.

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K
a. Exhibits

> Exhibit 11 - Earnings Per Common Share Computation Exhibit $12(\mathrm{a})$ - Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges Exhibit $12(\mathrm{~b})$ - $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred } \\ & \\ & \end{aligned} \begin{aligned} & \text { Dividends }\end{aligned}$

Exhibit 27 - Financial Data Schedule
b. Reports on Form 8-K

The following reports on Form $8-K$ were filed by the Corporation during the quarter ended September 30, 1997:

Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 28, 1997, and filed July 10, 1997, Items 5\&7.

Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 2, 1997, and filed July 3, 1997, Items 5\&7.

Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 14, 1997, and filed July 18, 1997, Items 5\&7.

Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 29, 1997, and filed September 12, 1997, Items 5\&7. The following financial statements of Barnett were filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K: Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition as of December 31, 1996 and 1995; Consolidated Statements of Income for the years ended December 31, 1996, 1995, and 1994; Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for the years ended December 31, 1996,

1995, and 1994; and Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 1996, 1995, and 1994. In addition, certain unaudited financial information regarding Barnett Bank, Inc. (Barnett) was filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including consolidated statements of financial condition as of June 30, 1997, and consolidated statements of income, consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity and consolidated statements of cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 1997 and June 30, 1996.

Signature

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


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Description
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Earnings Per Common Share Computation
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred Dividends
Financial Data Schedule

Fully Diluted Earnings Per Common Share and Fully Diluted Average Common Shares Outstanding

For fully diluted earnings per common share, net income available to common shareholders can be affected by the conversion of the registrant's convertible preferred stock. Where the effect of this conversion would have been dilutive, net income available to common shareholders is adjusted by the associated preferred dividends. This adjusted net income is divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for each period plus amounts representing the dilutive effect of stock options outstanding and the dilution resulting from the conversion of the registrant's convertible preferred stock, if applicable. The effect of convertible preferred stock is excluded from the computation of fully diluted earnings per share in periods in which the effect would be antidilutive.

Fully diluted earnings per common share was determined as follows (shares in thousands, dollars in millions except per-share information):
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## Including Interest on Deposits

| Income before taxes. $1,396$ | \$ | 3,530 | \$ | 3,634 | \$ | 2,991 | \$ | 2,555 | \$ | 1,991 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Equity in undistributed losses (earnings) of unconsolidated subsidiaries ........ <br> (1) |  | 1 |  | 2 |  | (7) |  | (3) |  | (5) |



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[^0]:    See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

