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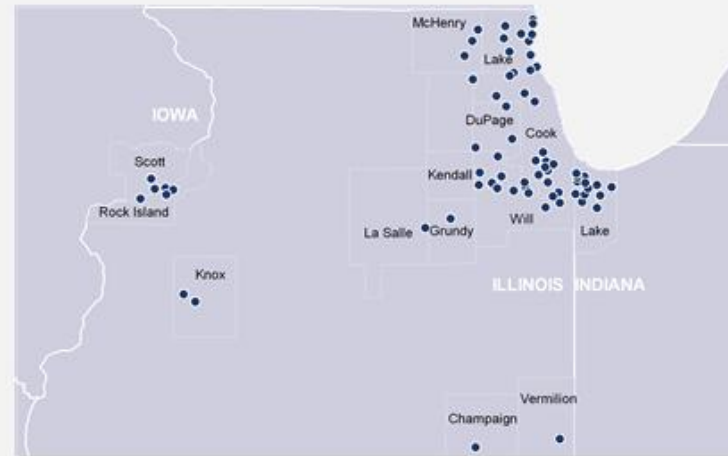
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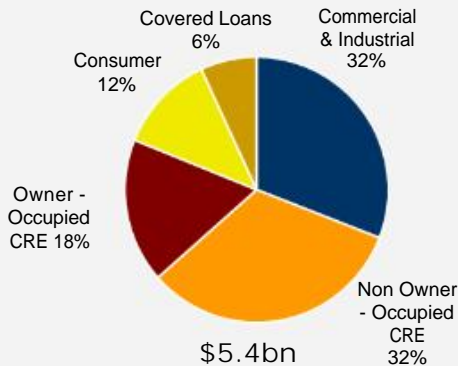
Who We Are

Overview Of First Midwest

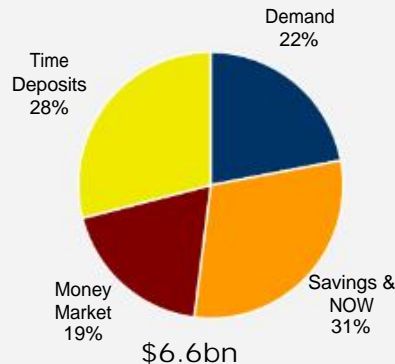
- Headquartered In Suburban Chicago
- \$8.4bn Assets
 - \$5.4bn Loans ⁽³⁾
 - \$6.6bn Deposits
 - 74% Transactional
- \$4.3bn Trust Assets



Loan Mix



Deposit Mix ²



- Highly Efficient Platform
 - \$69mm Of Deposits Per Branch
- Leading Market Share In Non-Downtown Chicago MSA ¹
 - #9 In Market Share

Note: Information as of 30-September-11.

¹ Source: SNL Financial. Non-downtown ranking and market share based on total deposits in Chicago MSA less deposits in the city of Chicago. Data as of 31-Dec-10.

² Based on quarterly average deposit mix as of 30-Sept-11.

³ Includes \$290mm in covered loans stemming from three FDIC-assisted transactions since 30-Sept-09.

Chicago Tribune



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(Only Financial Institution)

strong, trusted . . . and honored.

**“Highest Customer Satisfaction
with Retail Banking in the Midwest”**

- ➔ Overall Satisfaction
- ➔ Product Offerings
- ➔ Facilities
- ➔ Account Information
- ➔ Fees
- ➔ Account Activities



Member FDIC 

*First Midwest Bank received the highest numerical score among retail banks in the Midwest region in the proprietary J.D. Power and Associates 2011 Retail Banking Satisfaction Study™. Study based on 51,620 total responses measuring 27 providers in the Midwest region (IA, IL, KS, MO, MN, WI) and measures opinions of consumers with their primary banking provider. Proprietary study results are based on experiences and perceptions of consumers surveyed in January 2011. Your experiences may vary. Visit jdpower.com.

Operating Performance

Third Quarter Results

Key Operating Metrics ⁽¹⁾	Quarter To Date			Change	
	Sept. 30 2011	June 30 2011	Sept. 30 2010	QoQ	YoY
PTPP Core Operating Earnings ⁽²⁾	\$ 33.4	\$ 34.3	\$ 34.9	-3%	-4%
Net Income	\$ 9.1	\$ 10.8	\$ 2.6	-16%	250%
Net Interest Margin	3.97%	4.10%	4.05%	-3%	-2%
Efficiency Ratio	60.27%	60.19%	59.91%	0%	1%
Loans, End Of Period ⁽³⁾	\$ 5,394	\$ 5,428	\$ 5,561	-1%	-3%
Avg. Core Transactional Deposits	\$ 4,876	\$ 4,743	\$ 4,475	3%	9%

Stable Earnings, Efficiency, Loans
Notable Growth In Low Cost Deposits

¹ Dollar amounts in millions.

² PTPP represents Pre-Tax, Pre-Provision earnings, which is a non-GAAP financial measure. For reconciliation to GAAP measure, please refer to the appendix.

³ Includes covered loans acquired from FDIC-assisted transactions totaling \$290 million, \$315 million, and 396 million as of 30-Sept-11, 30-June-11, and 30-Sept-10, respectively.

Third Quarter Highlights

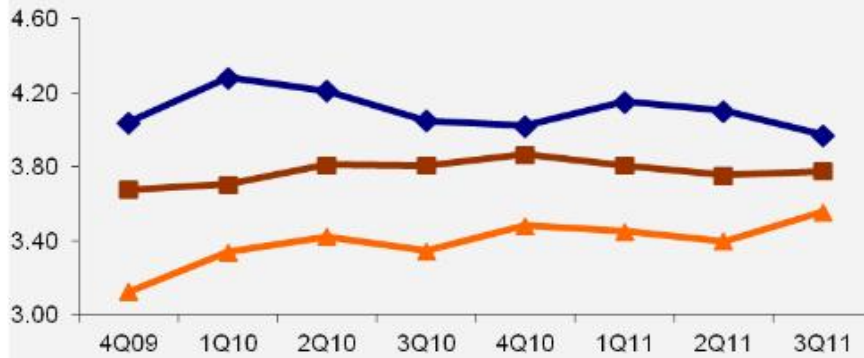
Key Capital & Credit Metrics ⁽¹⁾	Quarter Ended			Change	
	Sept. 30 <u>2011</u>	June 30 <u>2011</u>	Sept. 30 <u>2010</u>	<u>QoQ</u>	<u>YoY</u>
Tier 1 Common	10.29%	10.20%	10.53%	1%	-2%
Charge-offs	\$ 29.0	\$ 23.9	\$ 34.0	21%	-15%
NPAs + 90 Days Past Due	\$ 199.6	\$ 222.9	\$ 283.5	-10%	-30%
Loans 30-89 Days Past Due	\$ 34.1	\$ 30.4	\$ 41.6	12%	-18%

Strong Capital Position
Credit Metrics Elevated But Improving

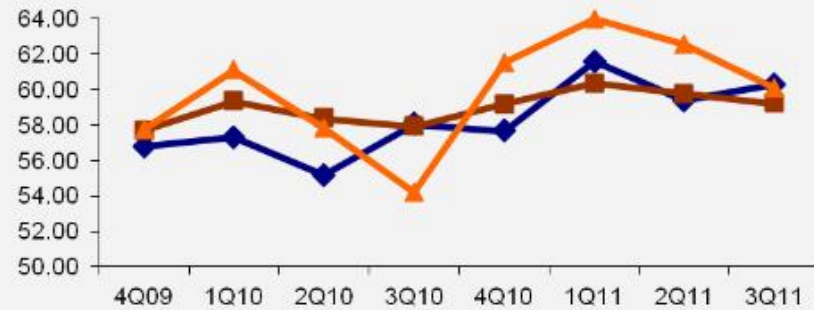
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Core Business Is Solid

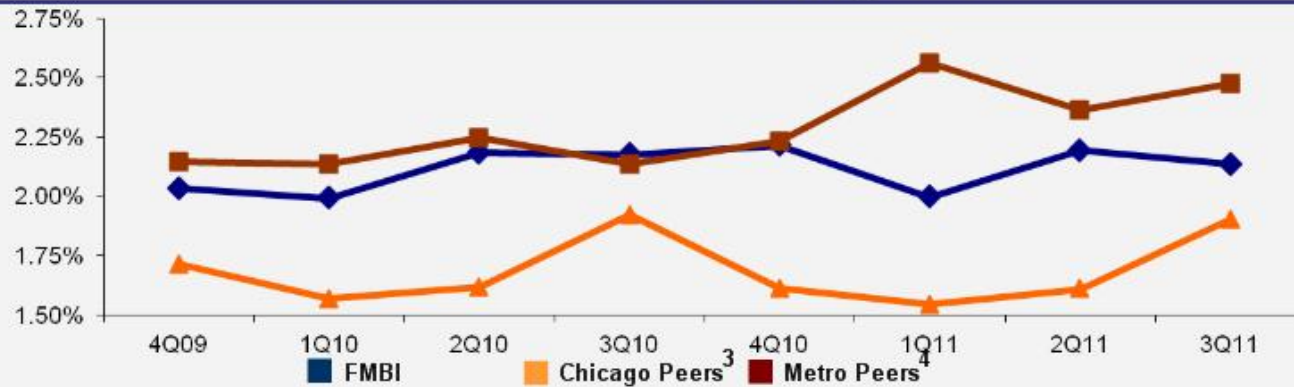
Net Interest Margin %



Efficiency Ratio % ¹



Pre-Tax, Pre-Provision Earnings² / RWA



Source: FMBI based on internal data; peer data from SNL Financial.

¹ Equal to non-interest expense divided by fully taxable equivalent (FTE) net interest income and non-interest income. Excludes nonrecurring items; items sourced from SNL.

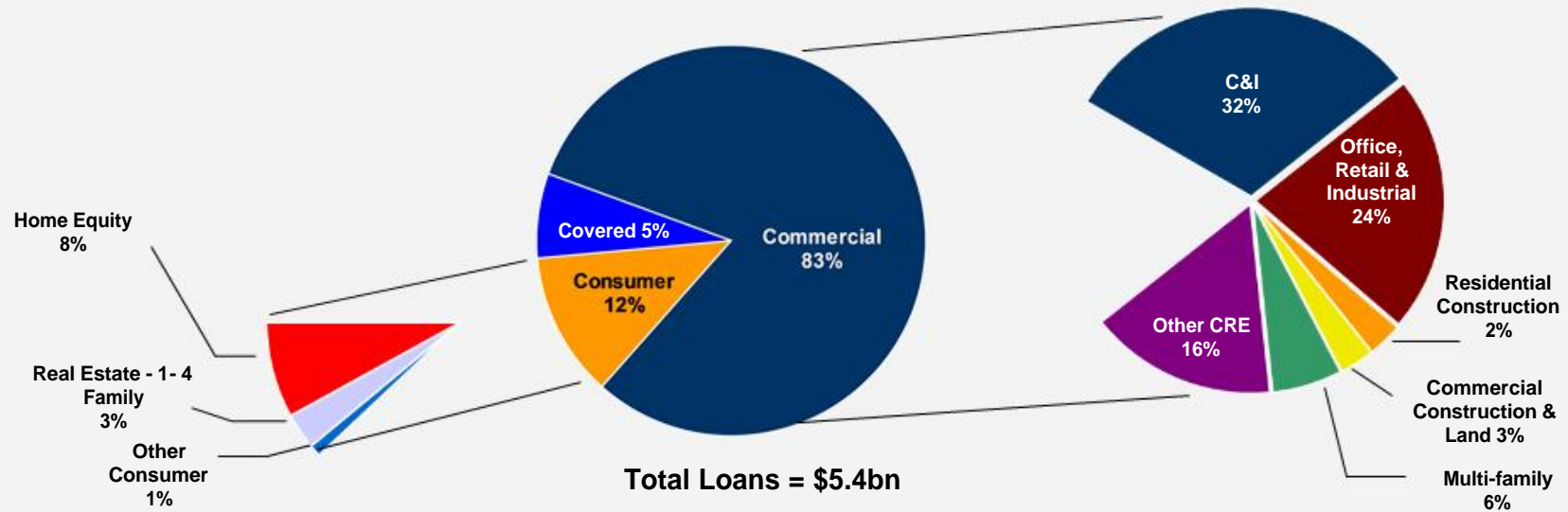
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Credit & Capital

Loan Portfolio Overview



Consumer Loans = \$658mm

- Branch originated
- Home equity dominated

Covered Loans = \$290 mm

- Performing Better Than Originally Expected
- Losses Mitigated By Loss-Share

Commercial Loans = \$4.74bn

- ~95% in footprint
- 83% of portfolio, 51% CRE
- Diversified + granular
- Most have personal guarantees
- 35% of CRE is owner-occupied

Note: Loan data as of 30-Sept-11.

Changing Loan Mix

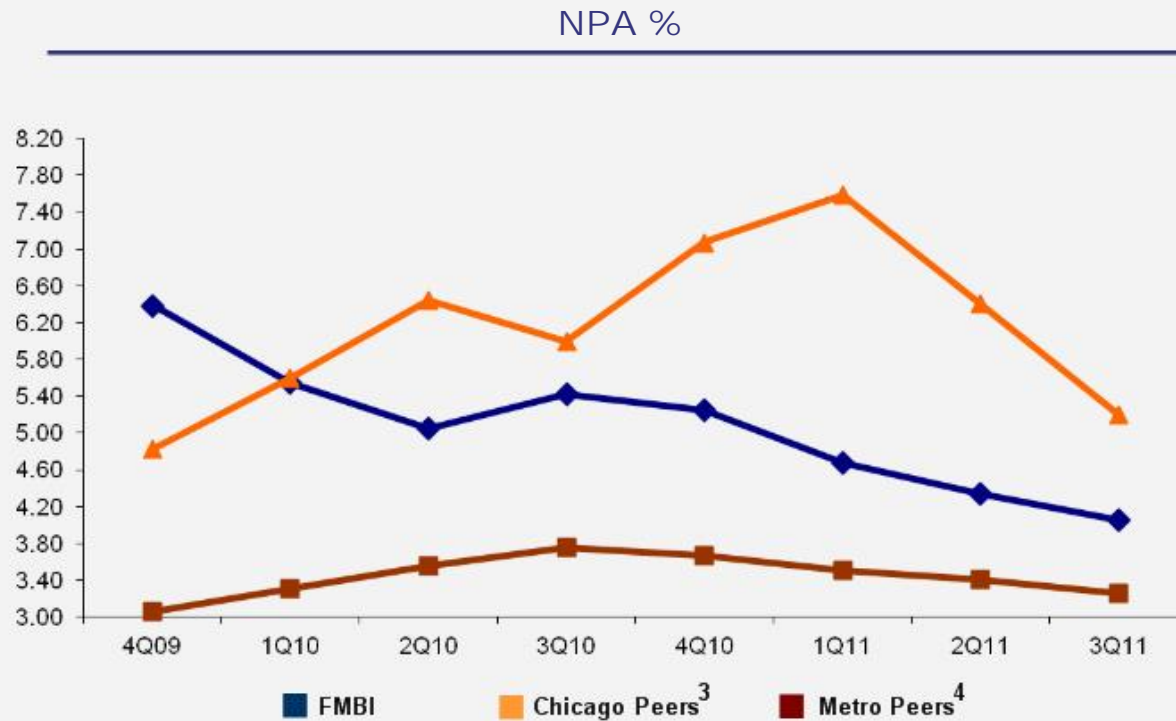
Loan Type ⁽¹⁾	Sept. 30 2011	% of Total	Dec. 31 2009	% of Total	% Chg.
Commercial and Industrial	\$ 1,476	29	\$ 1,438	28	3
Agricultural	250	4	210	4	19
Office, Retail, Industrial	1,263	25	1,213	23	4
Multi-Family	317	6	334	6	(5)
Residential Construction	116	2	314	6	(63)
Commercial Construction	146	3	231	5	(37)
Other Commercial Real Estate	877	17	799	15	10
Subtotal Commercial	<u>4,447</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>4,539</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>(2)</u>
1-4 Family Mortgages	190	4	140	3	35
Consumer	468	9	524	10	(11)
Total	<u>\$ 5,105</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>\$ 5,203</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>(2)</u>

Greater Commercial And Owner-Occupied CRE
Reduced Construction, Re-entry To 1-4 Family

¹ Dollar amounts in millions.

Note: Excludes covered loans acquired in FDIC-assisted transactions.

Non-Performing Asset Trends ^{(1) (2)}



Reflects Steady Progress, Influenced
By Disposition Strategy And Market

Source: SNL Financial.

¹ Non-performing asset trends are represented as Nonperforming Assets (NPAs) + 90 days past due loans divided by loans plus Real Estate Owned (REO).

² Graph represents problem non-performing asset (NPA) percentage.

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Addressing Reality of Credit Cycle

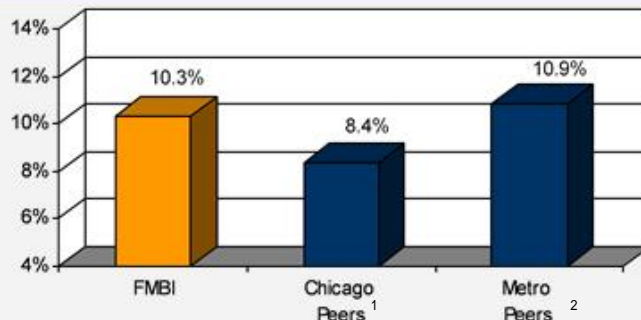
- Conditions Slowly Improving
 - Real Estate Lagging
 - C&D Remains Stressed, Lower Exposure

- Continued Focus On Reducing NPA Levels
 - Adverse Rated Credits Declining
 - Adjusting Carrying Values To Facilitate Disposition
 - Pursuing Multiple Strategies
 - Cash-Flowing Properties Offer Greater Alternatives

Leading Capital Foundation

First Midwest vs. Peers

Tier 1 Common

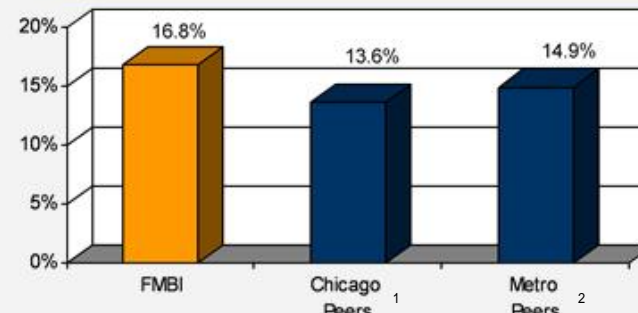


FMBI Rank

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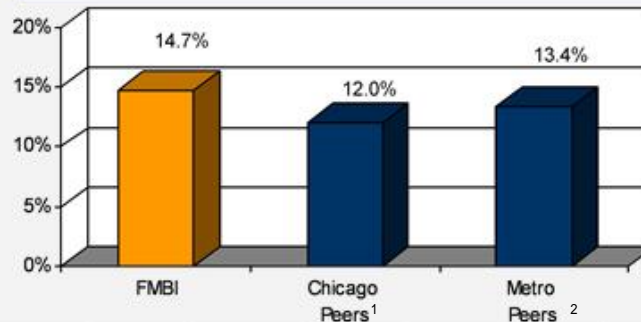
Total Capital



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Tier 1 RBC

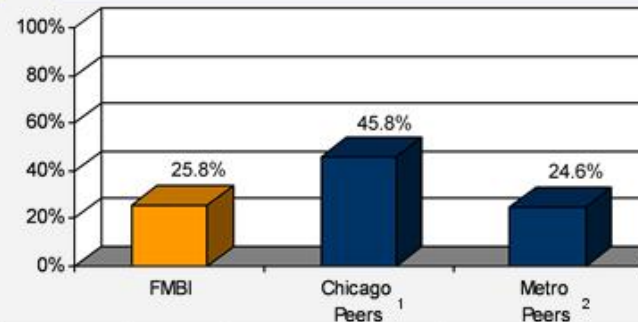


FMBI Rank

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NPA + 90 / TCE + LLR



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TARP Redemption

Overview and Rationale

- U.S. Treasury, in consultation with our regulators, has approved redemption of all \$193mm of TARP preferred stock
- Expect to fund redemption with cash on hand and proceeds from potential debt offering(s)
- Redemption of TARP capital is consistent with strategic priorities and will allow continued focus on growing core franchise
- Reflects strong capital position and significant improvement in credit trends
- Pro forma for redemption, capital ratios will exceed current and projected well-capitalized guidelines on standalone basis and under stress scenarios

Opportunities & Focus

Continued Business Investment

- **Strengthening Sales**
 - Asset-Based Lending
 - Mortgage Sales Platform
 - Wealth Management
 - Cash Management
 - Retail Product Offering

- **Expanding Distribution And Reach**
 - Market Entry
 - Downtown Chicago, DuPage
 - Upgrading Internet Platform

- **Targeting Efficiency**

Market Disruption

- ➔ Environment Creates Opportunities
- ➔ In Greater Chicago Area
 - ➔ ~ 30 Failures Since Start Of 2009
 - ➔ ~ 40 Institutions (\$18 Billion) With Texas Ratio > 100%
- ➔ Well Positioned To Benefit
 - ➔ Strong Capital Position
 - ➔ Solid Reputation: In Marketplace 70+ Years
 - ➔ Tenured Sales Force
 - ➔ Experienced Management



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and
trusted**

➔ For 70 years and counting your friends, neighbors and local businesses have chosen First Midwest as the bank they trust most.

We're focused on the financial needs of the Chicagoland area – fully capable of supporting you through lending solutions, investment strategies and everything in between.

With some 100 branches, we continue to meet the needs of thousands of businesses and individuals through deeply-rooted local responsibility and a sense of purpose that drives us to help you get things done... no matter what it takes.

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 **First Midwest Bank**

Successful Acquisition Growth⁽¹⁾

	Date	Deposits ⁽²⁾	Core ⁽³⁾	Loans ⁽²⁾
First DuPage	4Q09	\$ 232	26%	\$ 212
Peotone Bank And Trust	2Q10	84	73%	53
Palos Bank And Trust	3Q10	<u>462</u>	47%	<u>297</u>
Total		\$ 778		\$ 562

In Total, Added 8 Locations, 25,000 Households,
Generated Pre-Tax Gain of \$17 Million,
Retained Over 90% of Core Deposits⁽⁴⁾

Strategically and Financially Accretive

(1) Information as of acquisition date

(2) Dollars in millions

(3) Core comprised of demand, NOW, money market, and savings

(4) As of 30-Sept-11

Acquisition Opportunities

- Selective Criteria
- Ability To Strengthen The Company
- Leverages Our Skills
 - Local Market Knowledge
 - Core Competency
 - Experienced And Successful Acquirer
 - 7 Deals, \$2.7bn Since 2003
- FDIC-Assisted Deals Becoming More Competitive
 - Deals Likely Smaller
 - Eventual Shift From Assisted To Unassisted

Deposit-Only Acquisition

- \$185 Million In Deposits, 50% Core
- In-Market Acquisition
 - Single Branch
- Deal Price
 - Set At Close
 - Core Deposits Only
- December 2011 Close

Going Forward

Positioning For Long-Term Success

- Investing In Sales Organization
 - Lending Platform
 - Wealth Management
 - Market Expansion

- Increasing Efficiency
 - Transitioning To Improved Credit
 - Investing In And Leveraging Technology

- Improving Credit, Significant Capital

Why First Midwest

- Premier Community Banking Franchise
- Working Through Cycle
- Solid Capital; Liquidity
- Experienced Management Team
- Market Opportunities Available

Positioned For Long-term Success

Questions?



Appendix

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures

Pre-Tax, Pre-Provision Operating Earnings ⁽¹⁾ (Dollar amounts in thousands)

	Quarters Ended		
	September 30, 2011	June 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Income (loss) before income tax.....	\$ 10,820	\$ 13,669	\$ (1,387)
Provision for loan losses.....	20,425	18,763	33,576
Pre-tax, pre-provision earnings.....	31,245	32,432	32,189
<i>Non-Operating Items</i>			
Securities gains, net.....	449	1,531	6,376
Losses on sales and write-downs of OREO.....	(2,611)	(3,423)	(8,265)
Integration costs associated with FDIC-assisted transactions.....	-	-	(847)
Total non-operating items.....	(2,162)	(1,892)	(2,736)
Pre-tax, pre-provision operating earnings ⁽¹⁾.....	\$ 33,407	\$ 34,324	\$ 34,925

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