■ Quarterly Profits Fall Below \$15 Billion For First Time In 5 Quarters<br>Merger-Related Expenses Outweigh Surge In Fee Income<br>Savings Deposits Rise Sharply During Fourth Quarter<br>- Full-Year Earnings Surpass $\$ 60$ Billion For The First Time<br>■ Net Interest Margins Decline To 7-Year Low In 1998

Insured commercial banks earned $\$ 14.9$ billion in the fourth quarter of 1998, a decline of $\$ 148$ million ( 1.0 percent) from the third quarter, and $\$ 379$ million ( 2.5 percent) less than fourth-quarter 1997 earnings. This is the first time in five quarters that industry earnings have been below $\$ 15$ billion. Large expenses related to corporate restructurings were a major factor in the earnings decline. Total noninterest expense was $\$ 7.5$ billion ( 15.7 percent) higher than in the third quarter, and $\$ 10.5$ billion ( 23.6 percent) above the level of a year ago. The sharp rise in noninterest expenses eclipsed a strong increase in noninterest income. Total noninterest revenues rose by $\$ 4.7$ billion ( 15.9 percent) from thirdquarter levels, and were $\$ 7.2$ billion ( 26.5 percent) higher than in the fourth quarter of 1997. Noninterest income provided 42 percent of commercial banks' net operating revenues in the fourth quarter. (Net operating revenues equals net interest income plus noninterest income.)
Gains from securities sales contributed $\$ 1.1$ billion to pre-tax earnings, the first time since 1992 that quarterly gains have exceeded $\$ 1$ billion. Fourth-quarter earnings also received a boost from lower loan-loss provisions. Provisions for loan losses totaled $\$ 5.5$ billion in the fourth quarter, a decline of $\$ 1.1$ billion (16.0 percent) from the third quarter, and only $\$ 17$ million higher than a year earlier. The industry's return on assets (ROA) averaged 1.11 percent in the fourth quarter, compared to 1.15 percent in the third quarter and 1.24 percent a year ago. More than half of all banks - 53.5 percent - had ROAs of 1 per-

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cent or higher in the fourth quarter, but a majority of commercial banks - 54.6 percent reported lower ROAs than in the fourth quarter of 1997.

For the full year, commercial bank earnings totaled $\$ 61.9$ billion, an increase of $\$ 2.8$ billion ( 4.7 percent) over 1997 results. This is the first year that the industry's earnings have surpassed $\$ 60$ billion. Noninterest income was $\$ 19.2$ billion higher in 1998, while net interest income was up by $\$ 8.3$ billion, and gains from securities sales were $\$ 1.3$ billion greater. Much of the positive effect of these improvements was offset by an increase of $\$ 24.1$ billion in noninterest expense, and a $\$ 2.4$-billion increase in loan-loss provisions. Loss provisions for international operations were $\$ 739$ million higher in 1998, as weaknesses in overseas markets also limited

[^0]NET INCOME FROM DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN OPERATIONS, 1989-1998

the improvement in bank earnings. Banks' earnings from international operations were $\$ 875$ million (14.4 percent) lower than in 1997, the second consecutive year that international earnings have declined. The industry's ROA fell to 1.19 percent in 1998, from 1.23 percent in 1997, but remained above 1 percent for the sixth consecutive year. Almost two-thirds of all commercial banks - 63.2 percent - had full-year ROAs of 1 percent or higher in 1998. The percentage of banks reporting full-year losses rose for the third consecutive year. In 1998, 5.8 percent of commercial banks reported net losses, compared to 4.9 percent in 1997. This is the highest proportion of unprofitable banks since 1992, when 6.9 percent lost money. Full-year industry earnings include $\$ 384$ million in net income reported by 9 commercial banks that are directly owned by other commercial banks. The owners of these banks report income on a consolidated basis, causing this income to be double-counted. Approximately $\$ 153$ million was double-counted in fourth-quarter earnings (see Notes to Users, p. 21).


Net interest margins declined in the fourth quarter, after registering modest gains in the previous two quarters. Average asset yields fell by 26 basis points, while average funding costs declined by 22 basis points. The fourth-quarter net interest margin of 4.09 percent was slightly higher than the 4.06 percent banks registered in the first quarter, but otherwise it was the industry's lowest quarterly margin since the second quarter of 1991. For all of 1998, commercial bank net interest margins declined by 14 basis points, to 4.07 percent from 4.21 percent in 1997. This is the sixth consecutive year that the industry's net interest margin has declined, and the sharpest year-to-year decline since 1974-75, when it fell by 30 basis points.


Asset quality showed signs of weakening in 1998. Noncurrent loans increased by $\$ 2.7$ billion in 1998, the first year since 1990 to have an increase. The rise in noncurrent loans occurred despite higher loan chargeoffs. Noncurrent commercial and industrial loans increased by $\$ 2.2$ billion during 1998, from 0.85 percent to 0.99 percent of total commercial and industrial loans. Banks charged-off $\$ 20.7$ billion ( 0.67 percent of their loans) in 1998, an increase of $\$ 2.4$ billion (13.0 percent) over 1997. Noncurrent loans increased in three of the four quarters of 1998, including a \$1.7-billion increase in the fourth quarter. Because of growth in banks' loan portfolios, the percentage of loans that were noncurrent at year-end remained unchanged from a year earlier, at 0.96 percent, slightly higher than the record low level of 0.94 percent registered at the end of the second and third quarters of 1998.
Growth in capital and reserves, which had been strong through most of 1998, slowed in the fourth quarter. Loss reserves increased by only $\$ 14$ million in the fourth quarter, but for the full year, reserves increased by $\$ 2.6$ billion ( 4.7 percent), the largest annual

ANNUAL NET CHARGE-OFF RATES ON LOANS, 1989-1998
\% of Loans

increase since 1989. The industry's "coverage ratio" declined to $\$ 1.83$ in reserves for every $\$ 1.00$ of noncurrent loans, from $\$ 1.94$ at the end of the third quarter and $\$ 1.92$ at the end of 1997. Equity capital increased by only $\$ 4.8$ billion in the fourth quarter; this slight increase, combined with the large growth in commercial bank assets, caused the industry's equity-toassets ratio to decline from 8.68 percent to 8.50 percent during the quarter. For the full year, equity capital increased by $\$ 44.3$ billion (10.6 percent). Dividends registered their first year-to-year decline since 1991-92, falling by $\$ 1.4$ billion from 1997 levels, and this decline helped boost retained earnings and supported the strong growth of capital in 1998.

## NONCURRENT LOAN RATES AT YEAR-END,* 1989-1998



The $\$ 171.8$-billion increase in commercial bank assets in the fourth quarter set a new quarterly record, surpassing the previous record of $\$ 145.7$ billion set in the fourth quarter of 1997. Growth in residential mortgage assets was especially strong. Banks' holdings of 1-4 family residential mortgages increased by $\$ 26.0$ billion ( 3.5 percent), while their mortgage-backed securities increased by $\$ 36.7$ billion ( 8.5 percent). Commercial real estate loans grew by $\$ 13.5$ billion, and cash items in process of collection and credit-card loans had seasonal increases of $\$ 21.4$ billion and $\$ 12.9$ billion, respectively. On the funding side of the balance sheet, domestic-office deposits had their largest quarterly increase ever, rising by $\$ 157.4$ billion. Much of the increase occurred in savings deposits, which rose by $\$ 93.6$ billion, with money-market deposit accounts (MMDAs) accounting for $\$ 63.6$ billion. Demand deposits had a strong seasonal increase of $\$ 45.5$ billion in the fourth quarter.

## STRUCTURAL CHANGES AMONG FDIC-INSURED COMMERCIAL BANKS, 1980-1998



The number of insured commercial banks reporting financial results fell by 135 institutions in the fourth quarter, to 8,774 at year-end. Mergers absorbed 198 commercial banks, while there were 65 new charters, one voluntary liquidation, and one bank that did not file a year-end report. No insured commercial banks failed during the fourth quarter. For all of 1998, the net decline totaled 368 banks, as 557 banks were absorbed by mergers, 190 new banks were chartered, 3 banks failed, and 2 noninsured institutions became insured. At the end of 1998, there were 69 commercial banks with $\$ 5.4$ billion in assets on the FDIC's "Problem List," down from 70 "problem" banks at the end of the third quarter, and 71 at the beginning of the year.

TABLE I-A. Selected Indicators, FDIC-Insured Commercial Banks

|  | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Return on assets (\%). | 1.19 | 1.23 | 1.19 | 1.17 | 1.15 | 1.20 | 0.93 |
| Return on equity (\%). | 13.95 | 14.68 | 14.45 | 14.66 | 14.61 | 15.34 | 12.98 |
| Core capital (leverage) ratio (\%). | 7.54 | 7.56 | 7.64 | 7.61 | 7.64 | 7.65 | 7.21 |
| Noncurrent assets plus other real estate owned to assets (\%) | 0.65 | 0.66 | 0.75 | 0.85 | 1.01 | 1.61 | 2.54 |
| Net charge-offs to loans (\%). | 0.67 | 0.64 | 0.58 | 0.49 | 0.50 | 0.85 | 1.27 |
| Asset growth rate (\%).. | 8.49 | 9.54 | 6.16 | 7.53 | 8.21 | 5.72 | 2.19 |
| Net interest margin (\%). | 4.07 | 4.21 | 4.27 | 4.29 | 4.36 | 4.40 | 4.41 |
| Net operating income growth (\%). | 2.39 | 12.47 | 6.43 | 7.48 | 16.18 | 35.36 | 92.41 |
| Number of institutions reporting.. | 8,774 | 9,142 | 9,527 | 9,940 | 10,451 | 10,958 | 11,462 |
| Percentage of unprofitable institutions (\%). | 5.82 | 4.85 | 4.27 | 3.55 | 3.98 | 4.89 | 6.85 |
| Number of problem institutions.. | 69 | 71 | 82 | 144 | 247 | 426 | 787 |
| Assets of problem institutions (in billions). | \$5 | \$5 | \$5 | \$17 | \$33 | \$242 | \$408 |
| Number of failed/assisted institutions.. | 3 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 11 | 42 | 100 |

TABLE II-A. Aggregate Condition and Income Data, FDIC-Insured Commercial Banks

| (dollar figures in millions) |  | Preliminary 4th Quarter 1998 | 3rd Quarter 1998 | 4th Quarter1997 |  | \%Change 97:4-98:4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions reporting. |  | 8,774 | 8,909 |  | 9,142 | -4.0 |
| Total employees (full-time equivalent) |  | 1,624,235 | 1,597,756 |  | ,538,408 | 5.6 |
| CONDITION DATA |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets. |  | \$5,440,943 | \$5,269,158 |  | ,014,946 | 8.5 |
| Loans secured by real estate. |  | 1,345,418 | 1,300,426 |  | ,244,014 | 8.2 |
| Commercial \& industrial loans. |  | 898,768 | 873,954 |  | 795,922 | 12.9 |
| Loans to individuals. |  | 571,119 | 555,312 |  | 561,369 | 1.7 |
| Farm loans.. |  | 46,251 | 48,214 |  | 44,879 | 3.1 |
| Other loans \& leases. |  | 381,046 | 372,148 |  | 329,022 | 15.8 |
| Less: Unearned income.. |  | 4,043 | 4,193 |  | 4,469 | -9.5 |
| Total loans \& leases.. |  | 3,238,559 | 3,145,861 |  | ,970,738 | 9.0 |
| Less: Reserve for losses. |  | 57,279 | 57,265 |  | 54,684 | 4.7 |
| Net loans and leases.. |  | 3,181,281 | 3,088,596 |  | ,916,054 | 9.1 |
| Securities... |  | 979,654 | 923,027 |  | 871,868 | 12.4 |
| Other real estate owned.. |  | 3,148 | 3,433 |  | 3,795 | -17.1 |
| Goodwill and other intangibles. |  | 80,159 | 77,111 |  | 61,700 | 29.9 |
| All other assets.. |  | 1,196,702 | 1,176,992 |  | ,161,529 | 3.0 |
| Total liabilities and capital... |  | 5,440,943 | 5,269,158 |  | ,014,946 | 8.5 |
| Noninterest-bearing deposits Interest-bearing deposits |  | 718,506 | 653,803 |  | 676,381 | 6.2 |
|  |  | 2,963,016 | 2,853,038 |  | ,745,345 | 7.9 |
| Other borrowed funds. |  | 903,015 | 907,418 |  | 823,057 | 9.7 |
| Subordinated debt. |  | 72,787 | 68,823 |  | 62,016 | 17.4 |
| All other liabilities. Equity capital..... |  | 321,394 | 328,656 |  | 290,194 | 10.8 |
|  |  | 462,225 | 457,420 |  | 417,954 | 10.6 |
| Loans and leases 30-89 days past due............................ |  | 40,880 | 37,752 |  | 39,047 | 4.7 |
| Noncurrent loans and leases....................................... |  | 31,253 | 29,527 |  | 28,542 | 9.5 |
|  |  | 1,851 | 1,950 |  | 2,472 | -25.1 |
| Direct and indirect investments in real estate. |  | 506 | 513 |  | 659 | -23.2 |
| 1-4 Family residential mortgages. |  | 765,281 | 739,328 |  | 718,758 | 6.5 |
| Mortgage-backed securities.. |  | 470,201 | 433,543 |  | 384,129 | 22.4 |
| Earning assets. |  | 4,675,569 | 4,530,906 |  | ,311,321 | 8.4 |
|  |  | 1,019,657 | 926,498 |  | 777,058 | 31.2 |
| Volatile liabilities................ |  | 1,723,707 | 1,700,297 |  | ,600,871 | 7.7 |
| Foreign office deposits.. |  | 572,022 | 554,722 |  | 526,195 | 8.7 |
| Unused loan commitments. |  | 3,727,961 | 3,615,187 |  | ,095,628 | 20.4 |
| Off-balance-sheet derivatives........................................ |  | 33,374,723 | 33,448,875 |  | ,380,445 | 31.5 |
| INCOME DATA | Preliminary |  | Preliminary |  |  |  |
|  | Full Year 1998 | Full Year | \%Change |  | 4th Quarter 1997 | \%Change 97:4-98:4 |
| Total interest income. | \$362,073 | \$339,547 | 6.6 | \$91,530 | \$88,481 | 3.5 |
| Total interest expense.. | 179,291 | 165,040 | 8.6 | 44,500 | 43,857 | 1.5 |
| Net interest income.. | 182,783 | 174,506 | 4.7 | 47,030 | 44,625 | 5.4 |
| Provision for credit losses. | 22,209 | 19,848 | 11.9 | 5,537 | 5,520 | 0.3 |
| Total noninterest income.. | 123,745 | 104,498 | 18.4 | 34,421 | 27,216 | 26.5 |
| Total noninterest expense. | 194,047 | 169,983 | 14.2 | 54,863 | 44,407 | 23.6 |
| Securities gains (losses).. | 3,127 | 1,842 | 69.8 | 1,057 | 866 | 22.1 |
| Applicable income taxes. | 31,986 | 31,874 | 0.4 | 7,203 | 7,507 | -4.0 |
| Extraordinary gains, net.. | 508 | 19 | N/M | -7 | 4 | N/M |
| Net income. | 61,921 | 59,161 | 4.7 | 14,897 | 15,276 | -2.5 |
| Net charge-offs. | 20,695 | 18,315 | 13.0 | 5,493 | 5,080 | 8.1 |
| Cash dividends.. | 41,091 | 42,514 | -3.4 | 12,687 | 16,019 | -20.8 |
| Net operating income.................................. | 59,318 | 57,933 | 2.4 | 14,127 | 14,704 | -3.9 |

TABLE III-A. Full Year 1998, FDIC-Insured Commercial Banks

| FULL YEAR Preliminary (The way it is...) | All <br> Instituitions | Asset Size Distribution |  |  |  | Geographic Distribution by Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Lessthan $\$ 100$ Million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100 \text { Million } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 10 \text { Billion } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Greater than \$10 Billion | East |  |  | West |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Northeast | Southeast | Central | Midwest | Southwest | West |
| Number of institutions reporting.. | 8,774 | 5,408 | 2,974 | 321 | 71 | 693 | 1,444 | 1,904 | 2,265 | 1,518 | 950 |
| Total assets (in billions)........... | \$5,440.9 | \$252.4 | \$727.0 | \$921.4 | \$3,540.2 | \$1,921.0 | \$1,211.4 | \$889.3 | \$376.5 | \$304.6 | \$738.2 |
| Total deposits (in billions). | 3,681.5 | 215.9 | 600.9 | 632.7 | 2,232.0 | 1,180.8 | 810.5 | 621.7 | 275.3 | 250.3 | 542.9 |
| Net income (in millions). | 61,921 | 2,744 | 8,983 | 13,138 | 37,056 | 20,094 | 15,092 | 10,465 | 5,320 | 3,284 | 7,665 |
| \% of unprofitable institutions. | 5.8 | 8.2 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 7.6 | 8.9 | 4.0 | 2.6 | 5.7 | 11.4 |
| \% of institutions with earnings gains.... | 61.8 | 56.3 | 71.1 | 65.4 | 71.8 | 67.7 | 61.5 | 63.7 | 58.7 | 59.2 | 65.5 |
| Performance ratios (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yield on earning assets..... | 8.07 | 8.22 | 8.29 | 8.49 | 7.90 | 8.11 | 7.79 | 7.95 | 8.43 | 7.87 | 8.48 |
| Cost of funding earning assets.. | 4.00 | 3.71 | 3.71 | 3.81 | 4.13 | 4.53 | 3.72 | 3.95 | 3.82 | 3.41 | 3.48 |
| Net interest margin.. | 4.07 | 4.51 | 4.58 | 4.68 | 3.76 | 3.59 | 4.07 | 4.00 | 4.62 | 4.46 | 5.00 |
| Noninterest income to earning assets.. | 2.76 | 1.64 | 1.74 | 3.15 | 2.96 | 3.41 | 2.37 | 2.24 | 2.71 | 1.61 | 2.89 |
| Noninterest expense to earning assets.. | 4.32 | 4.17 | 3.90 | 4.63 | 4.35 | 4.56 | 4.02 | 3.85 | 4.23 | 4.00 | 5.02 |
| Credit loss provision to assets... | 0.43 | 0.26 | 0.33 | 0.67 | 0.40 | 0.44 | 0.30 | 0.33 | 0.54 | 0.27 | 0.71 |
| Net operating income to assets. | 1.14 | 1.14 | 1.29 | 1.42 | 1.03 | 1.00 | 1.23 | 1.23 | 1.49 | 1.10 | 1.08 |
| Return on assets.. | 1.19 | 1.14 | 1.31 | 1.52 | 1.08 | 1.07 | 1.31 | 1.25 | 1.50 | 1.14 | 1.11 |
| Return on equity... | 13.95 | 10.15 | 13.57 | 15.96 | 13.82 | 14.10 | 14.47 | 14.71 | 16.66 | 12.41 | 11.39 |
| Net charge-offs to loans and leases.. | 0.67 | 0.30 | 0.39 | 1.02 | 0.65 | 0.91 | 0.43 | 0.44 | 0.74 | 0.42 | 0.86 |
| Credit loss provision to net charge-offs. | 105.01 | 147.11 | 138.54 | 102.32 | 100.75 | 90.77 | 110.47 | 116.37 | 108.56 | 115.58 | 123.54 |
| Efficiency ratio... | 60.98 | 67.30 | 60.93 | 56.02 | 62.11 | 62.65 | 59.68 | 60.15 | 56.62 | 64.25 | 60.83 |
| Condition Ratios (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Earning assets to total assets.. | 85.93 | 91.65 | 91.73 | 89.26 | 83.47 | 82.77 | 87.25 | 88.37 | 90.22 | 89.36 | 85.48 |
| Loss allowance to: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans and leases.. | 1.77 | 1.45 | 1.50 | 2.04 | 1.77 | 2.04 | 1.45 | 1.48 | 1.69 | 1.37 | 2.22 |
| Noncurrent loans and leases. | 183.27 | 139.42 | 176.51 | 199.28 | 183.03 | 159.18 | 188.05 | 184.39 | 216.98 | 147.16 | 244.20 |
| Noncurrent assets plus |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equity capital ratio.. | 8.50 | 10.95 | 9.52 | 9.46 | 7.86 | 7.81 | 9.10 | 8.27 | 8.72 | 8.83 | 9.29 |
| Core capital (leverage) ratio.. | 7.54 | 10.80 | 9.18 | 8.42 | 6.75 | 7.01 | 7.74 | 7.70 | 8.37 | 8.10 | 7.82 |
| Net loans and leases to deposits. | 86.41 | 66.34 | 72.19 | 90.98 | 90.89 | 83.29 | 91.78 | 91.59 | 89.80 | 65.73 | 87.08 |
| Structural Changes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New Charters... | 190 | 183 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 19 | 60 | 24 | 18 | 23 | 46 |
| Banks absorbed by mergers. | 557 | 265 | 247 | 39 | 6 | 33 | 196 | 120 | 80 | 66 | 62 |
| Failed banks. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| PRIOR FULL YEARS <br> (The way it was...) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions............................ 1997 | 9,142 | 5,853 | 2,922 | 301 | 66 | 714 | 1,525 | 1,998 | 2,329 | 1,600 | 976 |
| ... 1995 | 9,940 | 6,658 | 2,861 | 346 | 75 | 794 | 1,659 | 2,178 | 2,487 | 1,773 | 1,049 |
| ... 1993 | 10,958 | 7,789 | 2,787 | 327 | 55 | 878 | 1,818 | 2,412 | 2,706 | 1,937 | 1,207 |
| Total assets (in billions).......................... 1997 | \$5,014.9 | \$267.8 | \$727.7 | \$902.7 | \$3,116.7 | \$1,893.9 | \$946.9 | \$804.8 | \$335.0 | \$355.9 | \$678.4 |
| ... 1995 | 4,312.7 | 297.9 | 696.7 | 1,052.8 | 2,265.2 | 1,625.6 | 737.7 | 695.2 | 287.5 | 326.4 | 640.3 |
| ... 1993 | 3,706.2 | 335.1 | 676.9 | 1,063.7 | 1,630.5 | 1,399.6 | 594.8 | 612.4 | 251.3 | 293.8 | 554.3 |
| Return on assets (\%)............................. 1997 | 1.23 | 1.18 | 1.34 | 1.36 | 1.18 | 1.14 | 1.23 | 1.29 | 1.43 | 1.22 | 1.35 |
| .......................................... 1995 | 1.17 | 1.18 | 1.24 | 1.27 | 1.10 | 1.02 | 1.19 | 1.15 | 1.50 | 1.20 | 1.41 |
| ..................... 1993 | 1.20 | 1.14 | 1.17 | 1.31 | 1.16 | 1.12 | 1.20 | 1.28 | 1.44 | 1.39 | 1.11 |
| Net charge-offs to loans \& leases (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ... 1997 | 0.64 | 0.28 | 0.36 | 1.08 | 0.58 | 0.73 | 0.46 | 0.50 | 0.82 | 0.38 | 0.83 |
| ... 1995 | 0.49 | 0.24 | 0.37 | 0.69 | 0.46 | 0.64 | 0.32 | 0.31 | 0.54 | 0.24 | 0.62 |
| ... 1993 | 0.85 | 0.35 | 0.51 | 0.92 | 1.02 | 1.27 | 0.43 | 0.51 | 0.61 | 0.28 | 0.96 |
| Noncurrent assets plus |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OREO to assets (\%)........................... 1997 | 0.66 | 0.71 | 0.65 | 0.77 | 0.63 | 0.73 | 0.59 | 0.58 | 0.69 | 0.52 | 0.72 |
| .......................................... 1995 | 0.85 | 0.78 | 0.80 | 0.82 | 0.89 | 1.03 | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.64 | 0.62 | 1.09 |
| ... 1993 | 1.61 | 1.05 | 1.29 | 1.43 | 1.97 | 2.16 | 1.08 | 0.93 | 0.99 | 0.92 | 2.19 |
| Equity capital ratio (\%)........................... 1997 | 8.33 | 10.81 | 9.62 | 9.16 | 7.58 | 7.34 | 8.87 | 8.35 | 9.06 | 8.65 | 9.82 |
| ......................................... 1995 | 8.11 | 10.42 | 9.39 | 8.57 | 7.19 | 7.61 | 8.23 | 8.30 | 8.70 | 8.52 | 8.53 |
| .......................................... 1993 | 8.00 | 9.76 | 8.74 | 8.13 | 7.25 | 7.48 | 8.02 | 8.12 | 8.67 | 8.26 | 8.73 |

REGIONS: Northeast - Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Vermont, U.S. Virgin Islands
Southeast - Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia
Central - Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin
Midwest - Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota
Southwest - Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas
West - Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Pacific Islands, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

TABLE IV-A. Fourth Quarter 1998, FDIC-Insured Commercial Banks

| FOURTH QUARTER Preliminary <br> (The way it is...) | All <br> Institutions | Asset Size Distribution |  |  |  | Geographic Distribution by Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Less } \\ \text { than } \$ 100 \\ \text { Million } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100 \text { Million } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 10 \text { Billion } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Greater than \$10 Billion | East |  |  | West |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Northeast | Southeast | Central | Midwest | South west | West |
| Number of institutions reporting. | 8,774 | 5,408 | 2,974 | 321 | 71 | 693 | 1,444 | 1,904 | 2,265 | 1,518 | 950 |
| Total assets (in billions). | \$5,440.9 | \$252.4 | \$727.0 | \$921.4 | \$3,540.2 | \$1,921.0 | \$1,211.4 | \$889.3 | \$376.5 | \$304.6 | \$738.2 |
| Total deposits (in billions). | 3,681.5 | 215.9 | 600.9 | 632.7 | 2,232.0 | 1,180.8 | 810.5 | 621.7 | 275.3 | 250.3 | 542.9 |
| Net income (in millions).. | 14,897.2 | 532.0 | 2,159.3 | 3,044.6 | 9,161.4 | 4,925.1 | 4,088.8 | 2,352.3 | 1,340.2 | 746.5 | 1,444.4 |
| \% of unprofitable institutions. | 11.8 | 16.1 | 4.6 | 7.5 | 5.6 | 10.7 | 14.1 | 7.5 | 12.2 | 13.7 | 13.7 |
| \% of institutions with earnings gains................. | 54.8 | 50.7 | 61.4 | 60.1 | 70.4 | 61.8 | 56.9 | 58.4 | 51.6 | 50.3 | 54.6 |
| Performance Ratios (annualized, \%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yield on earning assets.. | 7.95 | 8.19 | 8.19 | 8.45 | 7.75 | 8.01 | 7.57 | 7.83 | 8.35 | 7.80 | 8.48 |
| Cost of funding earning assets. | 3.87 | 3.70 | 3.64 | 3.69 | 3.98 | 4.37 | 3.53 | 3.86 | 3.73 | 3.36 | 3.46 |
| Net interest margin.. | 4.09 | 4.49 | 4.55 | 4.76 | 3.77 | 3.65 | 4.04 | 3.97 | 4.62 | 4.44 | 5.02 |
| Noninterest income to earning assets. | 2.99 | 1.77 | 1.78 | 3.38 | 3.25 | 3.73 | 2.57 | 2.83 | 2.81 | 1.57 | 2.71 |
| Noninterest expense to earning assets. | 4.77 | 4.62 | 3.99 | 5.18 | 4.84 | 5.04 | 4.23 | 4.62 | 4.36 | 4.16 | 5.65 |
| Credit loss provision to assets... | 0.41 | 0.33 | 0.44 | 0.64 | 0.36 | 0.44 | 0.31 | 0.39 | 0.61 | 0.32 | 0.47 |
| Net operating income to assets.. | 1.06 | 0.84 | 1.19 | 1.32 | 0.97 | 0.97 | 1.25 | 1.06 | 1.45 | 0.95 | 0.79 |
| Return on assets.. | 1.11 | 0.86 | 1.21 | 1.36 | 1.05 | 1.03 | 1.37 | 1.09 | 1.47 | 1.01 | 0.81 |
| Return on equity... | 12.96 | 7.73 | 12.54 | 14.09 | 13.23 | 13.27 | 14.90 | 12.75 | 16.44 | 11.01 | 8.48 |
| Net charge-offs to loans and leases. | 0.69 | 0.44 | 0.53 | 0.92 | 0.67 | 0.95 | 0.51 | 0.57 | 0.81 | 0.54 | 0.57 |
| Credit loss provision to net charge-offs. | 99.10 | 130.47 | 135.14 | 108.73 | 88.20 | 86.97 | 96.71 | 106.90 | 111.43 | 105.34 | 126.27 |
| Efficiency ratio.......................................... | 64.39 | 73.28 | 62.04 | 58.00 | 66.28 | 64.08 | 60.96 | 66.47 | 57.54 | 67.42 | 70.35 |
| Structural Changes (QTR) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New charters... | 65 | 62 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 21 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 15 |
| Banks absorbed by mergers. | 198 | 96 | 80 | 20 | 2 | 13 | 59 | 50 | 32 | 22 | 22 |
| Failed banks.. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PRIOR FOURTH QUARTERS <br> (The way it was...) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Return on assets (\%)............................ 1997 | 1.24 | 0.99 | 1.26 | 1.55 | 1.16 | 1.13 | 1.06 | 1.37 | 1.57 | 1.17 | 1.47 |
| ........................................... 1995 | 1.12 | 1.05 | 1.20 | 1.27 | 1.04 | 0.96 | 1.18 | 1.09 | 1.42 | 1.22 | 1.35 |
| ....................... 1993 | 1.17 | 0.92 | 1.04 | 1.36 | 1.16 | 1.14 | 1.10 | 1.22 | 1.49 | 1.26 | 1.10 |
| Net charge-offs to loans \& leases (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ........ 1997 | 0.69 | 0.43 | 0.47 | 1.21 | 0.60 | 0.81 | 0.54 | 0.54 | 0.83 | 0.51 | 0.84 |
| ............ 1995 | 0.62 | 0.39 | 0.52 | 0.92 | 0.52 | 0.75 | 0.48 | 0.45 | 0.67 | 0.38 | 0.75 |
| ............................. 1993 | 0.93 | 0.52 | 0.66 | 0.95 | 1.11 | 1.42 | 0.49 | 0.56 | 0.73 | 0.40 | 0.97 |

Credit Card Loss Rates and Personal Bankruptcy Filings,
1984-1998
Bank Mergers: Acquisitions vs. Consolidations,* 1985-1998


TABLE V-A. Loan Performance, FDIC-Insured Commercial Banks

| December 31, 1998 |  | Asset Size Distribution |  |  |  | Geographical Distribution by Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Institutions | Lessthan $\$ 100$Million | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100 \text { Million } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ & \text { to } \\ & \$ 10 \text { Billion } \end{aligned}$ | Greater than \$10 Billion | East |  |  | West |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Northeast | Southeast | Central | Midwest | Southwest | West |
| Percent of Loans 30-89 Days Past Due |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All loans secured by real estate. | 1.26 | 1.47 | 1.10 | 1.19 | 1.32 | 1.25 | 1.34 | 1.32 | 1.15 | 1.49 | 1.00 |
| Construction and development. | 1.50 | 1.21 | 1.03 | 1.47 | 1.80 | 1.19 | 1.53 | 1.88 | 1.46 | 1.80 | 1.08 |
| Commercial real estate. | 0.99 | 1.07 | 0.75 | 1.07 | 1.07 | 0.94 | 1.13 | 1.08 | 0.90 | 1.11 | 0.70 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 0.87 | 0.50 | 0.58 | 0.82 | 1.04 | 0.69 | 0.95 | 1.03 | 0.87 | 0.64 | 0.93 |
| Home equity loans. | 0.98 | 0.91 | 0.94 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.97 | 0.99 | 1.18 | 0.66 | 0.81 | 0.82 |
| Other 1-4 Family residential. | 1.44 | 1.92 | 1.45 | 1.27 | 1.45 | 1.42 | 1.49 | 1.45 | 1.25 | 1.80 | 1.33 |
| Commercial and industrial loans*. | 0.88 | 1.62 | 1.35 | 1.14 | 0.67 | 0.57 | 0.83 | 1.15 | 1.55 | 1.51 | 0.86 |
| Loans to individuals. | 2.43 | 2.54 | 2.36 | 2.48 | 2.42 | 2.67 | 2.36 | 2.53 | 2.32 | 2.08 | 2.02 |
| Credit card loans. | 2.58 | 2.56 | 3.73 | 2.52 | 2.54 | 2.72 | 2.68 | 2.77 | 2.53 | 1.44 | 2.17 |
| Other loans to individuals. | 2.33 | 2.54 | 2.09 | 2.43 | 2.33 | 2.60 | 2.24 | 2.48 | 2.14 | 2.11 | 1.84 |
| All other loans and leases (including farm). | 0.51 | N/A | N/A | 0.97 | 0.48 | 0.37 | 0.44 | 1.01 | 0.63 | 0.96 | 0.28 |
| Memo: Commercial RE loans not secured by RE. | 0.61 | 0.56 | 0.35 | 0.40 | 0.63 | 0.22 | 0.68 | 2.08 | 0.86 | 1.50 | 0.17 |
| Percent of Loans Noncurrent** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All real estate loans. | 0.91 | 0.87 | 0.71 | 0.84 | 1.02 | 1.22 | 0.85 | 0.78 | 0.59 | 0.94 | 0.86 |
| Construction and development. | 0.81 | 0.82 | 0.65 | 0.68 | 0.95 | 1.40 | 0.72 | 0.76 | 0.66 | 0.69 | 0.79 |
| Commercial real estate. | 0.95 | 0.86 | 0.75 | 0.92 | 1.08 | 1.31 | 0.90 | 0.81 | 0.56 | 1.09 | 0.91 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 0.85 | 0.84 | 0.64 | 0.91 | 0.90 | 1.03 | 0.99 | 0.71 | 0.37 | 0.73 | 0.78 |
| Home equity loans. | 0.43 | 0.53 | 0.41 | 0.51 | 0.40 | 0.53 | 0.37 | 0.46 | 0.28 | 0.32 | 0.39 |
| Other 1-4 Family residential. | 0.88 | 0.80 | 0.69 | 0.85 | 0.95 | 0.99 | 0.89 | 0.82 | 0.56 | 0.83 | 0.94 |
| Commercial and industrial loans*. | 0.99 | 1.40 | 1.24 | 0.90 | 0.89 | 1.14 | 0.73 | 0.86 | 1.21 | 1.36 | 0.93 |
| Loans to individuals. | 1.52 | 0.92 | 0.81 | 1.54 | 1.69 | 2.24 | 0.87 | 1.10 | 1.09 | 0.57 | 1.67 |
| Credit card loans. | 2.22 | 1.81 | 1.93 | 1.99 | 2.39 | 2.35 | 1.57 | 2.39 | 1.57 | 0.74 | 2.66 |
| Other loans to individuals. | 1.06 | 0.88 | 0.59 | 1.07 | 1.20 | 2.11 | 0.62 | 0.81 | 0.66 | 0.56 | 0.43 |
| All other loans and leases (including farm). | 0.34 | N/A | N/A | 0.50 | 0.33 | 0.42 | 0.28 | 0.36 | 0.29 | 0.39 | 0.22 |
| Memo: Commercial RE loans not secured by RE. | 0.34 | 0.57 | 0.30 | 0.43 | 0.33 | 0.22 | 0.29 | 0.26 | 0.12 | 0.57 | 0.60 |
| Percent of Loans Charged-off (net, YTD) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All real estate loans. | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.05 |
| Construction and development. | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.05 | -0.01 | 0.00 | -0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.02 | -0.01 |
| Commercial real estate. | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.06 | -0.05 | -0.09 | 0.03 | 0.06 | -0.05 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.04 | -0.01 | 0.07 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.15 |
| Home equity loans. | 0.14 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.17 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.38 | 0.09 |
| Other 1-4 Family residential. | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.07 |
| Commercial and industrial loans. | 0.43 | 0.44 | 0.47 | 0.49 | 0.39 | 0.42 | 0.39 | 0.35 | 0.44 | 0.50 | 0.59 |
| Loans to individuals. | 2.66 | 0.92 | 1.67 | 3.17 | 2.72 | 3.41 | 1.84 | 1.74 | 2.97 | 1.26 | 3.41 |
| Credit card loans. | 5.12 | 4.14 | 6.44 | 5.32 | 4.92 | 5.24 | 4.43 | 5.27 | 5.28 | 4.11 | 5.22 |
| Other loans to individuals. | 1.04 | 0.65 | 0.73 | 0.92 | 1.21 | 1.27 | 0.91 | 0.85 | 0.79 | 1.04 | 1.28 |
| All other loans and leases (including farm). | 0.39 | N/A | N/A | 0.36 | 0.43 | 0.41 | 0.23 | 0.32 | 0.23 | 0.16 | 0.68 |
| Memo: Commercial RE loans not secured by RE. | -0.05 | 0.99 | 0.39 | -0.57 | -0.02 | -0.18 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.29 | -0.06 |
| Loans Outstanding (in billions) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All real estate loans. | \$1,345.4 | \$81.4 | \$273.6 | \$273.0 | \$717.5 | \$323.8 | \$382.0 | \$263.5 | \$115.3 | \$74.4 | \$186.4 |
| Construction and development. | 106.7 | 6.0 | 26.0 | 25.6 | 49.1 | 11.9 | 36.8 | 20.9 | 9.5 | 9.2 | 18.4 |
| Commercial real estate. | 371.0 | 22.1 | 95.2 | 82.9 | 170.8 | 69.4 | 102.3 | 77.2 | 28.7 | 27.0 | 66.4 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 42.7 | 1.7 | 8.7 | 10.2 | 22.2 | 11.4 | 9.7 | 8.8 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 7.6 |
| Home equity loans. | 96.7 | 1.8 | 11.9 | 18.5 | 64.5 | 21.1 | 29.3 | 23.2 | 4.8 | 0.9 | 17.4 |
| Other 1-4 Family residential. | 668.6 | 39.4 | 120.8 | 132.1 | 376.3 | 182.6 | 198.1 | 126.0 | 59.7 | 32.2 | 70.1 |
| Commercial and industrial loans. | 898.8 | 24.5 | 80.9 | 119.5 | 673.9 | 313.8 | 190.7 | 161.0 | 53.4 | 44.9 | 135.0 |
| Loans to individuals. | 571.1 | 21.1 | 62.2 | 158.6 | 329.2 | 209.8 | 112.2 | 86.2 | 49.6 | 32.4 | 80.9 |
| Credit card loans. | 229.0 | 1.1 | 10.2 | 82.0 | 135.8 | 113.7 | 29.6 | 15.8 | 23.6 | 1.3 | 44.9 |
| Other loans to individuals. | 342.1 | 20.1 | 52.0 | 76.6 | 193.5 | 96.2 | 82.6 | 70.4 | 26.0 | 31.0 | 35.9 |
| All other loans and leases (including farm).. | 427.3 | 18.8 | 24.9 | 37.1 | 346.4 | 158.3 | 70.5 | 67.8 | 33.3 | 15.6 | 81.8 |
| Memo: Commercial RE loans not secured by RE. | 37.1 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 2.6 | 33.4 | 12.0 | 8.9 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 1.7 | 8.4 |
| Memo: Other Real Estate Owned (in millions) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All other real estate owned. | \$3,147.5 | \$287.0 | \$732.0 | \$496.8 | \$1,631.8 | \$1,011.9 | \$800.5 | \$367.8 | \$198.4 | \$238.0 | \$531.0 |
| Construction and development. | 300.9 | 31.1 | 128.3 | 55.7 | 85.7 | 60.9 | 114.5 | 31.2 | 30.0 | 14.1 | 50.1 |
| Commercial real estate. | 1,318.4 | 121.0 | 320.8 | 214.2 | 662.4 | 391.0 | 286.1 | 153.0 | 73.3 | 132.0 | 283.0 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 71.9 | 7.4 | 18.5 | 26.6 | 19.4 | 26.3 | 18.6 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 1.9 | 12.0 |
| 1-4 Family residential. | 1,136.3 | 97.9 | 238.6 | 193.3 | 606.5 | 280.2 | 371.9 | 171.4 | 69.4 | 67.5 | 175.9 |
| Farmland. | 67.1 | 29.6 | 25.9 | 6.8 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 9.3 | 5.5 | 19.2 | 22.5 | 7.1 |
| Other real estate owned in foreign offices..... | 253.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 252.9 | 250.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.8 |
| * Includes "All other loans" for institutions under \$1 billion in asset size. ${ }^{* *}$ Noncurrent loan rates represent the percentage of loans in each category that are past due 90 days or more or that are in nonaccrual status. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## SAVINGS INSTITUTION PERFORMANCE - FOURTH QUARTER, 1998

## ■ Earnings Drop To \$2.0 Billion In Fourth Quarter <br> ■ Merger-Related Charges Cause Reduction In Quarterly Earnings <br> ■ Despite The Fourth Quarter Decline, Full-Year Earnings Are Highest Ever <br> ■ Full-Year ROA Surpasses 1 Percent For The First Time Since 1946 <br> ■ Equity Capital Declines For The First Time Since 1996

Savings institutions earned $\$ 2.0$ billion in the fourth quarter, $\$ 921$ million less than they earned in the third quarter. This was the lowest quarterly income since the third quarter of 1997. Net interest income improved by $\$ 158$ million during the quarter, while noninterest income and expense deteriorated dramatically: noninterest income declined $\$ 836$ million (27 percent), since there were fewer gains from asset sales, and noninterest expense increased $\$ 777$ million (13 percent), primarily because of merger-related charges taken by a few large institutions. Operating expenses as a percentage of gross operating income rose from 54 percent in the third quarter to 66 percent. This rise was an exception to the improving trend in the industry's efficiency ratio.
The industry's average annualized return on assets (ROA) was 0.76 percent, the lowest since the third quarter of 1996, when a special assessment on SAIF deposits caused the industry to report a small loss. Just 29 percent of the industry achieved an ROA of over 1 percent, but over half ( 52 percent) reported higher earnings than in the fourth quarter of 1997. Nine percent of savings institutions were unprofitable this quarter compared to 8.3 percent a year ago.


Despite the fourth-quarter decline, full-year earnings reached a record $\$ 10.2$ billion for an ROA of 1.01 percent - the highest annual ROA since 1946.

Earnings were $\$ 1.4$ billion above the previous record, set in 1997; in that year the industry's ROA was 0.93 percent. Net interest income for the year was $\$ 554$ million higher than in 1997 because of growth in earning assets. Provisions for loan losses were $\$ 413$ million (19 percent) lower than in the previous year, as loan losses declined by $\$ 129$ million. Improvements in noninterest income (up by $\$ 2.2$ billion) were more than offset, particularly in the fourth quarter, by increases in noninterest expenses (of $\$ 2.5$ billion). Gains on the sales of securities ${ }^{1}$ were $\$ 2.5$ billion in 1998, nearly double the gains of $\$ 1.3$ billion in 1997. Conditions for gains on sales of securities were more favorable in 1998 because of the decline in interest rates.

ANNUAL RETURN ON ASSETS, 1947-1998 ROA (\%)


For the fourth quarter, the industry's net interest margin was slightly lower, at 3.05 percent, than the thirdquarter margin of 3.07 percent. Both asset yields and the cost of funding earning assets declined, by 15 basis points and 13 basis points, respectively. But a $\$ 27.3$-billion increase in earning assets enabled thrifts to increase net interest income without any corresponding improvement in net interest margins.

[^1]

Noncurrent loans continued to improve, declining to the best levels - in percentage of total loans and in dollar amounts - in the eight years since all institutions began reporting consistent measures of noncurrent loans. Only 0.86 percent of total loans were noncurrent at the end of 1998 and the amount of noncurrent loans declined slightly (by $\$ 79$ million) during the quarter. Loan-loss reserves fell even less (\$43 million). Thus the coverage ratio - loan-loss reserves to noncurrent loans - improved slightly to $\$ 1.11$ in reserves for each dollar of noncurrent loans. Loan quality improved in every category except cred-it-card plans. Noncurrent credit-card loans rose from 1.10 percent of all credit-card plans at the end of the third quarter to 1.32 percent at year-end. However, this is an improvement over year-ago levels, when noncurrent credit cards stood at 1.65 percent. Thrifts charged off 4.35 percent of credit cards in 1998. Since credit cards are such a small portion of the

industry's loan portfolio, total charge-offs fell to a record low of 0.21 percent of total loans from 0.25 percent in 1997.
Total assets of the industry rose by $\$ 30.9$ billion during the quarter, lifted by increases in securities (up by $\$ 14.1$ billion) and in loans (up by $\$ 13.4$ billion). Mortgage-backed securities rose $\$ 14.6$ billion during the quarter while other securities declined slightly. Nearly all of the increase in mortgage-backed securities was from collateralized-mortgage obligations. Home-mortgage loan growth of $\$ 7.4$ billion led all loan categories. Commercial and industrial loans and credit-card loans both increased by $\$ 1.7$ billion.
Deposits grew at one third the pace of other borrowed funds during the fourth quarter. Funding from deposits increased by $\$ 7.8$ billion, while funding from other borrowed funds rose by $\$ 23.4$ billion. Much of the increase in other borrowed funds was in Federal Home Loan Bank advances, which increased by $\$ 17.4$ billion for institutions that filed a Thrift Financial Report.

CAPITAL RATIOS, 1992-1998


Instead of continuing to build capital, thrifts leveraged capital for asset growth this quarter. The industry's equity-to-assets ratio dropped from 8.99 percent of assets at the end of the third quarter to 8.68 percent at the end of the fourth quarter, the lowest level in over a year. Equity capital declined (by $\$ 608$ million) for the first time since the end of 1996, primarily because of transfers to commercial banks. For the year, however, capital rose by more than $\$ 5$ billion, and only two institutions were undercapitalized according to risk-based capital standards.
There were 1,687 savings institutions at the end of 1998, down by 27 from the third quarter. Seven new charters began operations during the fourth quarter, bringing the total for the year to 28 , the most in any

## STRUCTURAL CHANGES AMONG FDIC-INSURED SAVINGS INSTITUTIONS, 1989-1998


year since 1986. Also during the fourth quarter, 3 commercial banks (with $\$ 1.1$ billion in assets) and 2 uninsured institutions (with $\$ 18$ million in assets) converted their charters to federally insured thrift char-
ters. Commercial banks absorbed 17 savings institutions with $\$ 12.3$ billion in assets, while savings institutions absorbed another 15 thrifts, with $\$ 64.1$ billion in assets. The latter group included the merger of two of the largest thrifts in the industry. ${ }^{2}$ Three savings institutions with $\$ 2.1$ billion in assets converted to commercial bank charters. During the fourth quarter, 17 thrifts with $\$ 4.5$ billion in assets converted from mutual to stock ownership and savings institutions absorbed 4 commercial banks with $\$ 455$ million in assets.
As in 1997, no savings institution failed during the year. Since the Resolution Trust Corporation stopped taking failed thrifts (in the middle of 1995), only one savings institution has failed (in 1996). The number of "problem" thrifts fell to 15 from 18 during the fourth quarter, but the assets of this group rose to $\$ 5.9$ billion from $\$ 2.9$ billion.

[^2]
## NONCURRENT LOAN RATES,*

 DECEMBER 31, 1998

TABLE I-B. Selected Indicators, FDIC-Insured Savings Institutions*

|  | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Return on assets (\%). | 1.01 | 0.93 | 0.70 | 0.77 | 0.66 | 0.71 | 0.66 |
| Return on equity (\%). | 11.36 | 10.84 | 8.40 | 9.40 | 8.28 | 9.32 | 9.51 |
| Core capital (leverage) ratio (\%). | 7.85 | 7.95 | 7.76 | 7.80 | 7.65 | 7.45 | 6.77 |
| Noncurrent assets plus other real estate owned to assets (\%). | 0.72 | 0.95 | 1.09 | 1.20 | 1.38 | 2.10 | 3.07 |
| Net charge-offs to loans (\%). | 0.21 | 0.25 | 0.32 | 0.34 | 0.51 | 0.65 | 0.59 |
| Asset growth rate (\%). | 5.99 | -0.21 | 0.25 | 1.70 | 0.77 | -2.85 | -7.44 |
| Net interest margin. | 3.10 | 3.23 | 3.22 | 3.09 | 3.34 | 3.51 | 3.41 |
| Net operating income growth (\%). | 7.80 | 20.07 | -13.99 | 13.81 | 22.24 | 21.16 | 563.55 |
| Number of institutions reporting. | 1,687 | 1,780 | 1,925 | 2,030 | 2,152 | 2,262 | 2,390 |
| Percentage of unprofitable institutions (\%). | 5.33 | 4.10 | 12.05 | 5.86 | 6.97 | 5.88 | 7.57 |
| Number of problem institutions. | 15 | 21 | 35 | 49 | 71 | 146 | 276 |
| Assets of problem institutions (in billions).. | \$6 | \$2 | \$7 | \$14 | \$39 | \$92 | \$183 |
| Number of failed/assisted institutions... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 81 |

TABLE II-B. Aggregate Condition and Income Data, FDIC-Insured Savings Institutions

| (dollar figures in millions) |  | Preliminary 4th Quarter 1998 | 3rd Quarter 1998 | 4th Quarter1997 |  | \%Change 97:4-98:4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions reporting. |  | 1,687 | 1,714 |  | 1,780 | -5.2 |
| Total employees (full-time equivalent). |  | 236,552 | 244,900 |  | 244,848 | -3.4 |
| CONDITION DATA |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets. |  | \$1,087,684 | \$1,056,826 |  | ,026,186 | 6.0 |
| Loans secured by real estate. |  | 643,734 | 634,267 |  | 631,881 | 1.9 |
| 1-4 Family Residential... |  | 518,055 | 510,658 |  | 506,998 | 2.2 |
| Multifamily residential property. |  | 54,469 | 54,361 |  | 57,612 | -5.5 |
| Commercial real estate.. |  | 47,840 | 46,649 |  | 47,509 | 0.7 |
| Construction, development, and land. |  | 23,370 | 22,598 |  | 19,762 | 18.3 |
| Commercial \& industrial loans. |  | 21,040 | 19,357 |  | 16,203 | 29.9 |
| Loans to individuals.. |  | 52,581 | 50,714 |  | 47,670 | 10.3 |
| Other loans \& leases. |  | 3,741 | 3,309 |  | 3,214 | 16.4 |
| Less: Unearned income \& contra accounts**. |  | 188 | 164 |  | 215 | -12.6 |
| Total loans \& leases.. |  | 720,908 | 707,483 |  | 698,753 | 3.2 |
| Less: Reserve for losses. |  | 6,922 | 6,965 |  | 6,980 | -0.8 |
| Net loans \& leases. |  | 713,986 | 700,518 |  | 691,773 | 3.2 |
| Securities. $\qquad$ Other real estate owned |  | 269,246 | 255,115 |  | 248,681 | 8.3 |
|  |  | 1,578 | 1,625 |  | 2,083 | -24.2 |
| Goodwill and other intangibles. |  | 14,213 | 14,015 |  | 10,984 | 29.4 |
| All other assets.. |  | 88,662 | 85,552 |  | 72,665 | 22.0 |
| Total liabilities and capital. |  | 1,087,684 | 1,056,826 |  | ,026,186 | 6.0 |
| Deposits. |  | 704,531 | 696,708 |  | 704,136 | 0.1 |
| Other borrowed funds. |  | 267,575 | 244,188 |  | 216,258 | 23.7 |
| Subordinated debt. |  | 2,812 | 2,823 |  | 2,935 | -4.2 |
| All other liabilities. |  | 18,339 | 18,071 |  | 13,525 | 35.6 |
| Equity capital. |  | 94,427 | 95,035 |  | 89,332 | 5.7 |
| Loans and leases 30-89 days past due. |  | 7,479 | 7,325 |  | 8,132 | -8.0 |
| Noncurrent loans and leases... Restructured loans and leases. |  | 6,231 | 6,310 |  | 7,623 | -18.3 |
|  |  | 2,428 | 2,674 |  | 3,372 | -28.0 |
| Direct and indirect investments in real estate. |  | 589 | 564 |  | 597 | -1.4 |
| Mortgage-backed securities. |  | 207,061 | 192,472 |  | 180,647 | 14.6 |
| Earning assets. |  | 1,012,246 | 984,932 |  | 959,674 | 5.5 |
| FHLB Advances (TFR Filers only). |  | 143,081 | 125,674 |  | 118,620 | 20.6 |
| Unused loan commitments........................................... |  | 184,699 | 181,773 |  | 111,472 | 65.7 |
|  | Preliminary |  | Preliminary |  |  |  |
| INCOME DATA | Full Year | Full Year |  | 4th Quarter | 4th Quarter | \%Change |
|  | 1998 | 1997 | \%Change | 1998 | 1997 | 97:4-98:4 |
| Total interest income. | \$71,059 | \$69,175 | 2.7 | \$18,397 | \$18,632 | -1.3 |
| Total interest expense. | 41,888 | 40,559 | 3.3 | 10,832 | 11,045 | -1.9 |
| Net interest income.. | 29,170 | 28,616 | 1.9 | 7,565 | 7,587 | -0.3 |
| Provision for credit losses**. | 1,773 | 2,186 | -18.9 | 459 | 612 | -24.9 |
| Total noninterest income.. | 9,200 | 7,029 | 30.9 | 2,243 | 2,025 | 10.8 |
| Total noninterest expense. | 23,545 | 21,073 | 11.7 | 6,675 | 5,934 | 12.5 |
| Securities gains (losses). | 2,456 | 1,260 | 95.0 | 555 | 560 | -0.9 |
| Applicable income taxes. | 5,269 | 4,852 | 8.6 | 1,127 | 1,319 | -14.6 |
| Extraordinary gains, net.. | -83 | -5 | N/M | -67 | -2 | N/M |
| Net income... | 10,157 | 8,789 | 15.6 | 2,034 | 2,306 | -11.8 |
| Net charge-offs. | 1,456 | 1,585 | -8.1 | 403 | 416 | -3.1 |
| Cash dividends.. | 6,557 | 4,906 | 33.7 | 1,741 | 1,665 | 4.6 |
| Net operating income............................ | 8,490 | 7,876 | 7.8 | 1,708 | 1,904 | -10.3 |

* Data between 1992 and 1995 do not include Resolution Trust Corporation conservatorships. Excludes one self-liquidating institution. N/M - Not Meaningful
${ }^{* *}$ For TFR filers, includes only loan and lease loss provisions.

TABLE III-B. Full Year 1998, FDIC-Insured Savings Institutions

| FULL YEAR Preliminary (The way it is...) | All <br> Instituitions | Asset Size Distribution |  |  |  | Geographic Distribution by Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Lessthan $\$ 100$Million | $\begin{gathered} \hline \$ 100 \text { Million } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 5 \text { Billion } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Greater than \$5 Billion | East |  |  | West |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Northeast | Southeast | Central | Midwest | Southwest | West |
| Number of institutions reporting.. | 1,687 | 701 | 841 | 111 | 34 | 656 | 232 | 442 | 125 | 119 | 113 |
| Total assets (in billions).. | \$1,087.7 | \$36.2 | \$244.6 | \$220.3 | \$586.6 | \$359.9 | \$66.2 | \$176.1 | \$36.7 | \$70.4 | \$378.4 |
| Total deposits (in billions). | 704.5 | 29.4 | 189.8 | 145.8 | 339.6 | 259.5 | 47.6 | 122.3 | 26.0 | 42.8 | 206.4 |
| Net income (in millions).. | 10,156.7 | 269.4 | 2,080.8 | 2,204.5 | 5,602.0 | 3,260.1 | 568.3 | 1,604.5 | 319.1 | 781.6 | 3,623.0 |
| \% of unprofitable institutions.. | 5.3 | 9.6 | 2.1 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 8.6 | 4.8 | 8.0 | 5.9 | 7.1 |
| \% of institutions with earnings gains.. | 51.5 | 42.9 | 55.3 | 66.7 | 82.4 | 52.9 | 52.6 | 47.1 | 40.8 | 53.8 | 67.3 |
| Performance ratios (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yield on earning assets....... | 7.55 | 7.63 | 7.62 | 7.76 | 7.44 | 7.45 | 7.82 | 7.65 | 7.57 | 7.80 | 7.51 |
| Cost of funding earning assets.. | 4.45 | 4.22 | 4.24 | 4.45 | 4.57 | 4.12 | 4.47 | 4.59 | 4.62 | 4.62 | 4.66 |
| Net interest margin... | 3.10 | 3.42 | 3.39 | 3.32 | 2.87 | 3.33 | 3.35 | 3.06 | 2.95 | 3.17 | 2.85 |
| Noninterest income to earning assets.. | 0.98 | 0.94 | 0.68 | 1.20 | 1.03 | 0.72 | 1.69 | 1.09 | 0.76 | 1.34 | 1.01 |
| Noninterest expense to earning assets. | 2.50 | 3.14 | 2.69 | 2.83 | 2.26 | 2.53 | 3.37 | 2.68 | 2.22 | 2.88 | 2.20 |
| Credit loss provision to assets*. | 0.18 | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.32 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.37 | 0.25 | 0.12 | 0.32 | 0.14 |
| Net operating income to assets. | 0.84 | 0.67 | 0.72 | 0.83 | 0.91 | 0.83 | 0.75 | 0.71 | 0.82 | 0.87 | 0.94 |
| Return on assets.. | 1.01 | 0.77 | 0.89 | 1.08 | 1.04 | 0.97 | 0.94 | 0.97 | 0.92 | 1.20 | 1.05 |
| Return on equity.. | 11.36 | 6.21 | 8.35 | 11.80 | 13.51 | 9.82 | 9.13 | 10.27 | 9.34 | 14.26 | 14.23 |
| Net charge-offs to loans and leases.. | 0.21 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.27 | 0.24 | 0.16 | 0.54 | 0.20 | 0.10 | 0.41 | 0.19 |
| Credit loss provision to net charge-offs. | 121.80 | 204.53 | 160.42 | 186.38 | 84.09 | 127.41 | 101.36 | 170.45 | 163.18 | 116.95 | 101.90 |
| Efficiency ratio........... | 59.37 | 71.56 | 65.45 | 60.86 | 55.02 | 60.35 | 65.97 | 61.78 | 58.45 | 62.75 | 55.00 |
| Condition Ratios (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Earning assets to total assets. | 93.06 | 94.33 | 94.25 | 92.59 | 92.67 | 93.37 | 92.71 | 92.34 | 94.21 | 92.08 | 93.24 |
| Loss allowance to: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans and leases.. | 0.96 | 0.78 | 0.88 | 1.24 | 0.91 | 1.06 | 0.92 | 0.81 | 0.66 | 0.86 | 1.01 |
| Noncurrent loans and leases. | 111.09 | 76.98 | 106.78 | 98.55 | 123.63 | 96.22 | 130.48 | 101.90 | 112.50 | 97.13 | 133.54 |
| Noncurrent assets plus |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Noncurrent RE loans to RE loans.. | 0.86 | 0.98 | 0.79 | 1.29 | 0.74 | 1.12 | 0.67 | 0.76 | 0.55 | 0.96 | 0.75 |
| Equity capital ratio.... | 8.68 | 12.35 | 10.74 | 9.04 | 7.46 | 9.81 | 10.17 | 9.16 | 9.64 | 8.21 | 7.12 |
| Core capital (leverage) ratio.. | 7.85 | 11.93 | 10.13 | 8.36 | 6.46 | 8.73 | 9.55 | 8.17 | 8.89 | 7.93 | 6.47 |
| Gross real estate assets to gross assets.. | 77.91 | 68.19 | 71.42 | 72.88 | 83.11 | 72.45 | 72.91 | 76.01 | 76.07 | 66.92 | 87.09 |
| Gross 1-4 family mortgages to gross assets.. | 47.32 | 49.32 | 46.67 | 38.93 | 50.63 | 41.20 | 47.75 | 52.67 | 53.04 | 36.90 | 51.96 |
| Net loans and leases to deposits. | 101.34 | 80.50 | 84.64 | 95.66 | 114.92 | 82.26 | 93.29 | 102.71 | 100.93 | 111.83 | 124.26 |
| Structural Changes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New Charters.. | 28 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| Thrifts absorbed by mergers. | 114 | 35 | 53 | 21 | 5 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 13 | 5 | 11 |
| Failed Thrifts................ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PRIOR FULL YEARS** <br> (The way it was...) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions............................ 1997 | 1,780 | 765 | 858 | 122 | 35 | 687 | 253 | 462 | 134 | 118 | 126 |
| ...... 1995 | 2,030 | 910 | 959 | 130 | 31 | 754 | 305 | 522 | 153 | 137 | 159 |
| ........................................ 1993 | 2,262 | 1,048 | 1,040 | 146 | 28 | 826 | 367 | 568 | 166 | 147 | 188 |
| Total assets (in billions).......................... 1997 | \$1,026.2 | \$39.9 | \$250.4 | \$239.7 | \$496.1 | \$342.8 | \$64.8 | \$174.2 | \$33.6 | \$64.0 | \$346.8 |
| .......................................... 1995 | 1,025.7 | 46.7 | 278.5 | 281.3 | 419.2 | 352.3 | 70.9 | 169.9 | 52.2 | 74.9 | 305.6 |
| ............ 1993 | 1,000.9 | 53.4 | 298.8 | 306.8 | 341.9 | 336.6 | 89.1 | 150.8 | 50.9 | 56.9 | 316.6 |
| Return on assets (\%)............................ 1997 | 0.93 | 0.75 | 0.95 | 1.06 | 0.87 | 1.00 | 0.84 | 0.90 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 0.86 |
| .......................................... 1995 | 0.77 | 0.67 | 0.80 | 0.84 | 0.72 | 0.88 | 0.87 | 0.85 | 0.98 | 1.05 | 0.51 |
| ......................................... 1993 | 0.71 | 1.00 | 0.93 | 0.62 | 0.53 | 0.68 | 0.71 | 0.97 | 0.98 | 1.58 | 0.39 |
| Net charge-offs to loans \& leases (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ......................................... 1997 | 0.25 | 0.10 | 0.17 | 0.35 | 0.26 | 0.22 | 0.47 | 0.24 | 0.07 | 0.46 | 0.22 |
| ...................... 1995 | 0.34 | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.38 | 0.45 | 0.39 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.23 | 0.47 |
| ......................................... 1993 | 0.65 | 0.15 | 0.29 | 0.53 | 1.13 | 0.68 | 0.34 | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.28 | 1.03 |
| Noncurrent assets plus |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OREO to assets (\%)***.................. 1997 | 0.95 | 0.87 | 0.82 | 1.31 | 0.84 | 1.12 | 0.86 | 0.67 | 0.57 | 1.10 | 0.94 |
| .......................................... 1995 | 1.20 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 1.39 | 1.24 | 1.40 | 1.14 | 0.53 | 0.61 | 1.21 | 1.46 |
| .......................................... 1993 | 2.10 | 1.43 | 1.74 | 2.17 | 2.45 | 2.73 | 1.48 | 0.72 | 0.83 | 2.26 | 2.44 |
| Equity capital ratio (\%)........................... 1997 | 8.71 | 11.91 | 10.49 | 8.73 | 7.54 | 9.62 | 10.12 | 9.20 | 9.44 | 8.33 | 7.29 |
| .......................................... 1995 | 8.39 | 10.73 | 9.84 | 8.54 | 7.06 | 9.05 | 9.50 | 9.07 | 8.48 | 7.60 | 7.17 |
| . 1993 | 7.84 | 9.33 | 8.61 | 7.71 | 7.04 | 7.99 | 7.97 | 8.53 | 7.90 | 7.12 | 7.42 |

[^3]** Data between 1993 and 1995 do not include Resolution Trust Corporation conservatorships. Excludes one self-liquidating institution.
*** Beginning with June 1996, TFR filers report noncurrent loans net of specific reserves. Accordingly, specific reserves have been subtracted from loan-loss reserves, beginning with June 1996, to make the ratio more closely comparable to prior periods.

TABLE IV-B. FOURTH Quarter 1998, FDIC-Insured Savings Institutions

| FOURTH QUARTER Preliminary <br> (The way it is...) | All <br> Institutions | Asset Size Distribution |  |  |  | Geographic Distribution by Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | ```Less than $100 Million``` | \$100 Million to \$1 Billion | \$1 Billion to \$5 Billion | Greater than \$5 Billion | East |  |  | West |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Northeast | Southeast | Central | Midwest | South west | West |
| Number of institutions reporting.. | 1,687 | 701 | 841 | 111 | 34 | 656 | 232 | 442 | 125 | 119 | 113 |
| Total assets (in billions). | \$1,087.7 | \$36.2 | \$244.6 | \$220.3 | \$586.6 | \$359.9 | \$66.2 | \$176.1 | \$36.7 | \$70.4 | \$378.4 |
| Total deposits (in billions). | 704.5 | 29.4 | 189.8 | 145.8 | 339.6 | 259.5 | 47.6 | 122.3 | 26.0 | 42.8 | 206.4 |
| Net income (in millions). | 2,034.2 | 58.0 | 488.3 | 555.4 | 932.5 | 719.7 | 94.2 | 357.5 | 83.3 | 204.7 | 574.7 |
| \% of unprofitable institutions.. | 9.1 | 14.7 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 8.8 | 7.0 | 12.5 | 9.0 | 9.6 | 10.9 | 11.5 |
| \% of institutions with earnings gains.. | 51.8 | 44.8 | 55.8 | 64.0 | 58.8 | 51.8 | 54.7 | 49.8 | 40.0 | 56.3 | 61.9 |
| Performance Ratios (annualized, \%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yield on earning assets.. | 7.42 | 7.57 | 7.54 | 7.68 | 7.26 | 7.32 | 7.56 | 7.59 | 7.45 | 7.71 | 7.36 |
| Cost of funding earning assets. | 4.37 | 4.20 | 4.20 | 4.40 | 4.44 | 4.05 | 4.37 | 4.52 | 4.51 | 4.56 | 4.55 |
| Net interest margin.... | 3.05 | 3.36 | 3.34 | 3.29 | 2.82 | 3.27 | 3.19 | 3.08 | 2.94 | 3.15 | 2.80 |
| Noninterest income to earning assets. | 0.90 | 1.02 | 0.72 | 1.22 | 0.86 | 0.80 | 1.06 | 1.09 | 0.74 | 1.40 | 0.82 |
| Noninterest expense to earning assets. | 2.69 | 3.36 | 2.77 | 2.87 | 2.55 | 2.69 | 3.21 | 2.78 | 2.21 | 2.87 | 2.58 |
| Credit loss provision to assets.. | 0.17 | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.24 | 0.26 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.13 |
| Net operating income to assets. | 0.64 | 0.53 | 0.67 | 0.80 | 0.58 | 0.71 | 0.46 | 0.64 | 0.79 | 0.90 | 0.55 |
| Return on assets... | 0.76 | 0.65 | 0.81 | 1.03 | 0.65 | 0.82 | 0.58 | 0.83 | 0.93 | 1.20 | 0.62 |
| Return on equity.. | 8.66 | 5.22 | 7.56 | 11.25 | 8.48 | 8.22 | 5.66 | 8.88 | 9.43 | 14.39 | 8.52 |
| Net charge-offs to loans and leases. | 0.23 | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.27 | 0.25 | 0.16 | 0.19 | 0.24 | 0.15 | 0.38 | 0.26 |
| Credit loss provision to net charge-offs*. | 114.06 | 208.10 | 160.32 | 185.69 | 70.91 | 138.78 | 190.39 | 155.53 | 100.18 | 121.66 | 73.16 |
| Efficiency ratio.. | 66.02 | 76.13 | 67.24 | 62.25 | 66.42 | 63.76 | 74.39 | 64.46 | 58.16 | 62.08 | 69.26 |
| Structural Changes (QTR) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New charters.. | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Thrifts absorbed by mergers. | 32 | 10 | 16 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Failed Thrifts.. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PRIOR FOURTH QUARTERS** (The way it was...) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Return on assets (\%)............................ 1997 | 0.93 | 0.59 | 0.88 | 1.12 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 0.64 | 0.65 | 0.98 | 1.35 | 0.97 |
| .... 1995 | 0.71 | 0.66 | 0.81 | 0.76 | 0.61 | 0.83 | 0.84 | 0.64 | 0.79 | 1.37 | 0.41 |
| ..... 1993 | 0.65 | 0.88 | 0.76 | 0.69 | 0.50 | 0.89 | 0.17 | 0.81 | 0.83 | 1.22 | 0.34 |
| Net charge-offs to loans \& leases (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| .... 1997 | 0.25 | 0.08 | 0.22 | 0.38 | 0.21 | 0.23 | 0.47 | 0.24 | 0.12 | 0.68 | 0.16 |
| .... 1995 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 0.21 | 0.39 | 0.42 | 0.41 | 0.12 | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.30 | 0.45 |
| ............................................ 1993 | 0.70 | 0.18 | 0.37 | 0.65 | 1.08 | 0.82 | 0.61 | 0.11 | 0.27 | 0.18 | 0.96 |

* For TFR filers, includes only loan and lease loss provisions.
** Data between 1993 and 1995 do not include Resolution Trust Corporation conservatorships. Excludes one self-liquidating institution.

REGIONS: Northeast - Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Vermont, U.S. Virgin Islands
Southeast - Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia
Central - Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin
Midwest - lowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota
Southwest - Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas
West - Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Pacific Islands, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

TABLE V-B. Loan Performance, FDIC-Insured Savings Institutions

| December 31, 1998 |  | Asset Size Distribution |  |  |  | Geographical Distribution by Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Less } \\ \text { than } \$ 100 \\ \text { Million } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \$ 100 \text { Million } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 1 \text { Billion } \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 5 \text { Billion } \end{gathered}$ | Greater than $\$ 5$ Billion | East |  |  | West |  |  |
|  | All Institutions |  |  |  |  | Northeast | Southeast | Central | Mid- | Southwest | West |
| Percent of Loans 30-89 Days Past Due |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All loans secured by real estate... | 0.96 | 1.90 | 1.19 | 0.92 | 0.82 | 0.94 | 1.12 | 1.02 | 1.27 | 1.23 | 0.85 |
| Construction, development, and land. | 1.53 | 1.92 | 1.69 | 1.66 | 1.25 | 1.13 | 1.52 | 1.84 | 2.05 | 1.28 | 1.79 |
| Commercial real estate. | 0.87 | 1.49 | 0.91 | 0.94 | 0.71 | 0.96 | 1.03 | 1.01 | 1.67 | 0.81 | 0.52 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 0.46 | 1.10 | 0.76 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.57 | 1.03 | 0.43 | 0.45 | 0.60 | 0.39 |
| Home equity loans............. | 0.67 | 0.82 | 0.85 | 0.58 | 0.60 | 0.90 | 0.36 | 0.62 | 0.25 | 0.36 | 0.52 |
| Other 1-4 Family residential.. | 1.00 | 1.99 | 1.24 | 0.96 | 0.87 | 0.97 | 1.12 | 1.03 | 1.25 | 1.34 | 0.93 |
| Commercial and industrial loans. | 1.32 | 2.70 | 1.55 | 1.27 | 1.03 | 1.23 | 1.66 | 1.58 | 2.07 | 0.89 | 1.28 |
| Loans to individuals. | 1.96 | 2.46 | 2.01 | 2.19 | 1.77 | 1.85 | 2.98 | 1.98 | 2.00 | 0.95 | 2.55 |
| Credit card loans.. | 1.79 | 0.91 | 3.76 | 2.65 | 1.05 | 1.17 | 2.64 | 2.35 | 2.88 | 0.64 | 4.43 |
| Other loans to individuals.. | 2.01 | 2.52 | 1.91 | 1.96 | 2.04 | 2.03 | 3.04 | 1.85 | 1.94 | 1.22 | 2.21 |
| Percent of Loans Noncurrent* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All real estate loans.. | 0.86 | 0.98 | 0.79 | 1.29 | 0.74 | 1.12 | 0.67 | 0.76 | 0.55 | 0.96 | 0.75 |
| Construction, development, and land. | 1.01 | 1.44 | 1.04 | 1.12 | 0.86 | 1.01 | 0.74 | 1.81 | 1.37 | 0.41 | 1.01 |
| Commercial real estate.... | 1.19 | 1.17 | 1.02 | 1.58 | 1.03 | 1.38 | 1.10 | 1.17 | 0.80 | 1.06 | 0.95 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 0.68 | 0.65 | 0.72 | 1.17 | 0.48 | 0.99 | 0.84 | 0.60 | 0.43 | 4.00 | 0.35 |
| Home equity loans.... | 0.31 | 0.26 | 0.46 | 0.26 | 0.26 | 0.39 | 0.11 | 0.36 | 0.12 | 0.04 | 0.26 |
| Other 1-4 Family residential. | 0.86 | 0.95 | 0.76 | 1.32 | 0.77 | 1.14 | 0.64 | 0.71 | 0.50 | 0.84 | 0.80 |
| Commercial and industrial loans. | 1.05 | 1.94 | 1.44 | 0.94 | 0.77 | 1.09 | 0.73 | 1.36 | 1.21 | 1.17 | 0.74 |
| Loans to individuals. | 0.83 | 1.03 | 0.91 | 1.22 | 0.58 | 0.78 | 1.06 | 0.99 | 0.70 | 0.52 | 0.94 |
| Credit card loans. | 1.32 | 0.86 | 2.65 | 2.19 | 0.61 | 0.70 | 1.37 | 1.58 | 1.42 | 0.66 | 3.71 |
| Other loans to individuals. | 0.68 | 1.04 | 0.81 | 0.72 | 0.57 | 0.80 | 1.00 | 0.77 | 0.65 | 0.39 | 0.44 |
| Percent of Loans Charged-off (net, YTD) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All real estate loans.... | 0.09 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.09 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.12 |
| Construction, development, and land.. | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.09 | -0.01 | 0.03 | 0.16 | -0.09 | 0.01 | 0.18 |
| Commercial real estate. | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.09 | -0.03 | 0.06 | 0.06 | -0.03 | 0.28 | 0.04 | 0.04 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.04 | -0.02 | 0.03 | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.08 |
| Home equity loans... | 0.17 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.22 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.21 | 0.25 | 0.36 |
| Other 1-4 Family residential.. | 0.09 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.07 | 0.13 |
| Commercial and industrial loans. | 0.39 | 0.30 | 0.56 | 0.37 | 0.29 | 0.28 | 0.57 | 0.36 | 0.62 | 0.70 | 0.33 |
| Loans to individuals. | 1.80 | 0.53 | 1.41 | 1.88 | 1.99 | 0.96 | 5.08 | 1.78 | 0.61 | 1.85 | 1.84 |
| Credit card loans... | 4.35 | 1.84 | 2.96 | 4.28 | 4.49 | 2.25 | 15.57 | 5.53 | 3.96 | 1.71 | 4.25 |
| Other loans to individuals. | 1.01 | 0.49 | 1.33 | 0.88 | 0.96 | 0.66 | 1.05 | 0.69 | 0.42 | 1.98 | 1.47 |
| Loans Outstanding (in billions) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All real estate loans.................. | \$643.7 | \$21.6 | \$147.1 | \$118.7 | \$356.4 | \$190.1 | \$39.3 | \$109.9 | \$23.1 | \$36.8 | \$244.6 |
| Construction, development, and land. | 23.4 | 1.1 | 7.9 | 5.9 | 8.5 | 4.6 | 3.4 | 4.6 | 1.1 | 5.1 | 4.5 |
| Commercial real estate... | 47.6 | 1.9 | 15.8 | 13.6 | 16.3 | 21.7 | 3.3 | 5.7 | 1.6 | 3.7 | 11.6 |
| Multifamily residential real estate. | 54.5 | 0.6 | 8.4 | 12.7 | 32.8 | 14.4 | 0.7 | 6.3 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 30.4 |
| Home equity loans.... | 16.8 | 0.4 | 4.8 | 3.9 | 7.7 | 6.7 | 1.5 | 4.2 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 3.5 |
| Other 1-4 Family residential... | 501.3 | 17.5 | 110.1 | 82.6 | 291.1 | 142.6 | 30.3 | 89.0 | 19.1 | 25.8 | 194.5 |
| Commercial and industrial loans. | 21.0 | 0.7 | 5.0 | 6.2 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 1.6 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 2.6 | 3.8 |
| Loans to individuals. | 52.6 | 1.6 | 9.5 | 14.9 | 26.6 | 15.1 | 3.8 | 12.7 | 2.4 | 8.6 | 10.0 |
| Credit card loans.. | 12.8 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 5.0 | 7.2 | 3.2 | 0.6 | 3.4 | 0.2 | 4.0 | 1.5 |
| Other loans to individuals. | 39.8 | 1.5 | 9.0 | 9.9 | 19.4 | 12.0 | 3.2 | 9.3 | 2.2 | 4.6 | 8.5 |
| Memo: Other Real Estate Owned (in millions)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All other real estate owned.. | \$1,577.9 | \$39.9 | \$355.1 | \$497.6 | \$685.3 | \$480.4 | \$123.3 | \$211.8 | \$42.4 | \$186.6 | \$533.4 |
| Construction, development, and land.. | 194.2 | 5.4 | 37.0 | 29.3 | 122.5 | 35.2 | 95.0 | 21.0 | 10.0 | 7.1 | 25.8 |
| Commercial real estate.................. | 307.1 | 6.6 | 63.5 | 174.5 | 62.5 | 143.4 | 9.1 | 44.6 | 10.6 | 42.8 | 56.5 |
| Multifamily residential real estate.. | 197.2 | 1.5 | 81.2 | 60.1 | 54.5 | 52.3 | 1.4 | 5.9 | 0.1 | 80.4 | 57.2 |
| 1-4 Family residential. | 934.0 | 27.0 | 179.4 | 249.5 | 478.1 | 265.4 | 42.1 | 142.9 | 26.7 | 57.9 | 399.1 |
| ```Troubled Real Estate Asset Rates*** (% of total RE assets)``` |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All real estate loans.... | 1.11 | 1.16 | 1.03 | 1.70 | 0.93 | 1.37 | 0.98 | 0.95 | 0.74 | 1.46 | 0.97 |
| Construction, development, and land.. | 1.83 | 1.92 | 1.50 | 1.60 | 2.27 | 1.77 | 3.41 | 2.26 | 2.23 | 0.54 | 1.57 |
| Commercial real estate... | 1.83 | 1.53 | 1.41 | 2.85 | 1.41 | 2.03 | 1.38 | 1.95 | 1.44 | 2.23 | 1.44 |
| Multifamily residential real estate... | 1.04 | 0.90 | 1.67 | 1.64 | 0.64 | 1.35 | 1.03 | 0.69 | 0.44 | 8.04 | 0.54 |
| 1-4 family residential... | 1.02 | 1.09 | 0.90 | 1.55 | 0.91 | 1.28 | 0.75 | 0.85 | 0.63 | 1.05 | 0.99 |

* Noncurrent loan rates represent the percentage of loans in each category that are past due 90 days or more or that are in nonaccrual status.
** TFR filers report "All other real estate owned" net of valuation allowances, while individual categories of OREO are reported gross.
*** Noncurrent real estate loans plus other real estate owned as a percent of total real estate loans plus OREO.

■ Quarterly Increase In Insured Deposits Is The Largest Ever Reported
■ Deposit Growth Drives BIF Reserve Ratio Down To 1.38 Percent
■ SAIF Reserve Ratio Is Unchanged At 1.39 Percent, Pending Special Reserve

Fueled by a sharp increase in deposits, the total assets of the nation's 10,461 FDIC-insured institutions increased by $\$ 202$ billion, or 3.2 percent, during the fourth quarter of 1998. Total deposits rose by $\$ 183$ billion (4.3 percent) during the quarter, including increases of $\$ 85$ billion ( 3.1 percent) in estimated insured deposits, $\$ 81$ billion ( 9.1 percent) billion in uninsured domestic deposits and $\$ 17$ billion ( 3.1 percent) in for-eign-office deposits. Fourth-quarter growth in assets and insured deposits has been a seasonal phenomenon in each of the seven years since the 1990-1991 recession, but growth rates in the fourth quarter of 1998 far exceeded those of the preceding years. In addition, this was the largest one-quarter increase in insured deposits since quarterly reporting was adopted in 1991.
The bulk of the growth in insured deposits occurred in deposits insured by the Bank Insurance Fund (BIF). BIF-insured deposits grew nearly $\$ 75$ billion from September 30 to December 31, a rise of 3.6 percent. For all of 1998, BIF-insured deposits increased by $\$ 85$ billion, or 4.1 percent. The balance of the BIF (unaudited) was $\$ 29.6$ billion as of December 31, compared to $\$ 29.1$ billion on September 30 and $\$ 28.3$ billion at the end of 1997. Despite this growth in the fund, the BIF reserve ratio - the ratio of the fund to insured
deposits - fell from 1.41 percent on September 30 to 1.38 percent at year-end 1998.

Deposits insured by the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF) grew more slowly in the fourth quarter of 1998, rising $\$ 10$ billion, or 1.4 percent. This was approximately half of the increase for all of 1998, during which SAIF-insured deposits grew by $\$ 19$ billion, or 2.8 percent. The balance of the SAIF increased modestly to $\$ 9.8$ billion as of December 31 (unaudited), yielding a reserve ratio of 1.39 percent, which is unchanged from September 30. However, the Deposit Insurance Funds Act of 1996 required the creation of a SAIF Special Reserve as of January 1, 1999. On that date, the amount in the SAIF above the designated reserve ratio of 1.25 percent was moved into the Special Reserve, which is excluded from the reserve ratio calculation and available for insurance purposes only under certain adverse conditions. Thus, effective January 1, the Special Reserve totaled approximately $\$ 978$ million, reducing the SAIF balance to $\$ 8.862$ billion and the SAIF reserve ratio to 1.25 percent.
There were no failures of insured institutions in the fourth quarter of 1998. For the full year, three institutions failed, all of which were BIF-member commercial banks, with aggregate assets of $\$ 371$ million.

QUARTERLY CHANGE IN INSURED DEPOSITS, 1997-1998

Savings Association Insurance Fund


TABLE I-C. Selected Indicators, FDIC-Insured Institutions*

| (dollar figures in millions) | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions reporting. | 10,461 | 10,922 | 11,452 | 11,970 | 12,603 | 13,220 | 13,852 |
| Total assets. | \$ 6,528,627 | \$6,041,131 | \$5,606,608 | \$5,338,418 | \$5,019,085 | \$4,707,056 | \$4,535,877 |
| Total deposits. | 4,386,053 | 4,125,862 | 3,925,058 | 3,769,480 | 3,611,618 | 3,528,486 | 3,527,033 |
| Number of problem institutions. | 84 | 92 | 117 | 193 | 318 | 572 | 1,063 |
| Assets of problem institutions (in billions). | \$11 | \$6 | \$12 | \$31 | \$73 | \$334 | \$592 |
| Number of failed/assisted institutions... | 3 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 15 | 50 | 181 |
| Assets of failed/assisted institutions (in billions). | \$0.37 | \$0.03 | \$0.22 | \$1.21 | \$1.57 | \$9.67 | \$88 |

TABLE II-C. Aggregate Condition and Income Data, All FDIC-Insured Institutions*

| (dollar figures in millions) |  | Preliminary 4th Quarter 1998 | 3rd Quarter 1998 |  | Quarter 997 | \%Change 97:4-98:4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions reporting.. |  | 10,461 | 10,623 |  | 10,922 | -4.2 |
| Total employees (full-time equivalent). |  | 1,860,787 | 1,842,656 |  | ,783,256 | 4.3 |
| CONDITION DATA |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets. |  | \$6,528,628 | \$6,325,984 |  | ,041,132 | 8.1 |
| Loans secured by real estate...................................... |  | 1,989,152 | 1,934,693 |  | ,875,895 | 6.0 |
| 1-4 Family residential. |  | 1,283,336 | 1,249,987 |  | ,225,756 | 4.7 |
| Home equity loans. |  | 113,459 | 114,236 |  | 115,620 | -1.9 |
| Multifamily residential property. |  | 97,165 | 96,814 |  | 98,843 | -1.7 |
| Commercial real estate.. |  | 418,618 | 403,971 |  | 387,902 | 7.9 |
| Construction, development, and land. |  | 130,085 | 125,063 |  | 108,009 | 20.4 |
| Other real estate loans. |  | 59,948 | 58,859 |  | 55,384 | 8.2 |
| Commercial \& industrial loans |  | 919,808 | 893,311 |  | 812,125 | 13.3 |
| Loans to individuals.. |  | 623,700 | 606,026 |  | 609,039 | 2.4 |
| Credit cards \& related plans |  | 241,796 | 227,289 |  | 242,535 | -0.3 |
| Other loans \& leases. |  | 431,039 | 423,671 |  | 377,116 | 14.3 |
| Less: Unearned income \& contra accounts. |  | 4,231 | 4,357 |  | 4,684 | -9.7 |
| Total loans \& leases.. |  | 3,959,467 | 3,853,344 |  | ,669,491 | 7.9 |
| Less: Reserve for losses. |  | 64,201 | 64,230 |  | 61,664 | 4.1 |
| Net loans and leases. |  | 3,895,267 | 3,789,113 |  | ,607,827 | 8.0 |
| Securities. |  | 1,248,899 | 1,178,142 |  | ,120,549 | 11.5 |
| Other real estate owned.. |  | 4,725 | 5,059 |  | 5,877 | -19.6 |
| Goodwill and other intangibles. |  | 94,372 | 91,126 |  | 72,685 | 29.8 |
| All other assets.......................................................... |  | 1,285,364 | 1,262,544 |  | ,234,194 | 4.1 |
| Total liabilities and capital.. |  | 6,528,628 | 6,325,984 |  | ,041,132 | 8.1 |
| Deposits. |  | 4,386,054 | 4,203,549 |  | ,125,863 | 6.3 |
| Other borrowed funds |  | 1,170,590 | 1,151,606 |  | ,039,314 | 12.6 |
| Subordinated debt. All other liabilities. |  | 75,599 | 71,647 |  | 64,951 | 16.4 |
|  |  | 339,733 | 346,727 |  | 303,719 | 11.9 |
| Equity capital. |  | 556,652 | 552,454 |  | 507,286 | 9.7 |
| Loans and leases 30-89 days past due. |  | 48,359 | 45,078 |  | 47,180 | 2.5 |
| Noncurrent loans and leases...Restructured loans and leases. |  | 37,484 | 35,837 |  | 36,165 | 3.6 |
|  |  | 4,279 | 4,625 |  | 5,844 | -26.8 |
| Direct and indirect investments in real estate. |  | 1,095 | 1,077 |  | 1,256 | -12.9 |
| Mortgage-backed securities Earning assets. |  | 677,262 | 626,016 |  | 564,776 | 19.9 |
|  |  | 5,687,815 | 5,515,839 |  | ,270,995 | 7.9 |
| Unused loan commitments............................................ |  | 3,912,660 | 3,796,960 |  | ,207,100 | 22.0 |
|  | Preliminary |  |  | Preliminary |  |  |
|  | Full Year | Full Year |  | 4th Quarter | 4th Quarter | \%Change |
| INCOME DATA | 1998 | 1997 | \%Change | 1998 | 1997 | 97:4-98:4 |
| Total interest income. | \$433,132 | \$408,722 | 6.0 | \$109,927 | \$107,113 | 2.6 |
| Total interest expense. | 221,179 | 205,600 | 7.6 | 55,332 | 54,902 | 0.8 |
| Net interest income.. | 211,953 | 203,122 | 4.3 | 54,595 | 52,212 | 4.6 |
| Provision for credit losses. | 23,982 | 22,035 | 8.8 | 5,996 | 6,132 | -2.2 |
| Total noninterest income.. | 132,946 | 111,527 | 19.2 | 36,663 | 29,241 | 25.4 |
| Total noninterest expense. | 217,592 | 191,056 | 13.9 | 61,538 | 50,341 | 22.2 |
| Securities gains (losses). | 5,583 | 3,102 | 80.0 | 1,612 | 1,426 | 13.1 |
| Applicable income taxes. | 37,255 | 36,726 | 1.4 | 8,330 | 8,825 | -5.6 |
| Extraordinary gains, net.. | 426 | 14 | N/M | -74 | 3 | N/M |
| Net income. | 72,078 | 67,950 | 6.1 | 16,931 | 17,582 | -3.7 |

TABLE III-C. Selected Insurance Fund Indicators

| (dollar figures in millions) | Preliminary 4th Quarter 1998 | $\begin{gathered} \text { 3rd Quarter } \\ 1998 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 4th Quarter } \\ 1997 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | \%Change 97:4-98:4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bank Insurance Fund* |  |  |  |  |
| Reserve ratio (\%)**. | 1.38 | 1.41 | 1.38 | 0.0 |
| Fund balance (unaudited). | \$29,612 | \$29,101 | \$28,293 | 4.7 |
| Estimated insured deposits. | 2,141,268 | 2,066,748 | 2,056,558 | 4.1 |
| SAIF-member Oakars.. | 38,863 | 35,116 | 30,962 | 25.5 |
| BIF-members.. | 2,102,405 | 2,031,632 | 2,025,596 | 3.8 |
| Assessment base.. | 2,996,396 | 2,832,452 | 2,786,250 | 7.4 |
| SAIF-member Oakars. | 41,015 | 36,517 | 32,647 | 25.6 |
| BIF-members.. | 2,955,381 | 2,795,934 | 2,753,603 | 7.3 |
| Savings Association Insurance Fund |  |  |  |  |
| Reserve ratio (\%)**.. | 1.39 | 1.39 | 1.36 | 2.2 |
| Fund balance (unaudited). | \$9,840 | \$9,731 | \$9,368 | 5.0 |
| Estimated insured deposits.. | 708,959 | 698,938 | 689,915 | 2.8 |
| BIF-member Oakars.. | 256,894 | 277,286 | 246,285 | 4.3 |
| SAIF-member Sassers. | 64,219 | 61,970 | 60,424 | 6.3 |
| Other SAIF members. | 387,846 | 359,682 | 383,207 | 1.2 |
| Assessment base.. | 751,413 | 738,468 | 721,132 | 4.2 |
| BIF-member Oakars.. | 257,990 | 279,463 | 246,696 | 4.6 |
| SAIF-member Sassers.................................................. | 70,984 | 68,157 | 65,473 | 8.4 |
| Other SAIF members.................................................... | 422,439 | 390,848 | 408,964 | 3.3 |

* Includes U.S. branches of foreign banks.
** Fund balance as a percent of estimated insured deposits.

Insurance Fund Reserve Ratios*
Percent of Insured Deposits

$\begin{array}{lllllllllll}12 / 91 & 12 / 92 & 12 / 93 & 12 / 94 & 12 / 95 & 12 / 96 & 12 / 97 & 3 / 98 & 6 / 98 & 9 / 98 & 12 / 98\end{array}$

* Insurance fund balance as a percent of total insured deposits.
** Effective January 1, 1999, approximately $\$ 978$ million was moved to a SAIF Special
Reserve, reducing the SAIF reserve ratio to 1.25 percent.

Fund Balance and Insured Deposits* (\$ Millions)

|  | BIF Fund <br> Balance | BIF-Insured <br> Deposits | SAIF Fund <br> Balance | SAIF-Insured <br> Deposits |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $12 / 91$ | $-7,028$ | $1,957,722$ | 101 | 776,351 |
| $12 / 92$ | -101 | $1,945,550$ | 279 | 732,159 |
| $12 / 93$ | 13,122 | $1,905,245$ | 1,157 | 697,885 |
| $12 / 94$ | 21,848 | $1,895,258$ | 1,937 | 693,610 |
| $12 / 95$ | 25,454 | $1,951,963$ | 3,358 | 711,897 |
| $12 / 96$ | 26,854 | $2,007,042$ | 8,888 | 683,403 |
| $12 / 97$ | 28,293 | $2,056,558$ | 9,368 | 689,915 |
| $3 / 98$ | 28,559 | $2,076,128$ | 9,484 | 701,212 |
| $6 / 98$ | 28,931 | $2,071,753$ | 9,610 | 697,386 |
| $9 / 98$ | 29,101 | $2,066,748$ | 9,731 | 698,915 |
| $12 / 98$ | 29,612 | $2,141,268$ | 9,840 | 708,959 | * Insured deposit amounts are estimates. 1998 fund balance amounts are unaudited.

TABLE IV-C. Closed/Assisted Institutions

| (dollar figures in millions) | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BIF Members |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions.. | 3 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 13 | 41 | 122 |
| Total assets. | \$371 | \$27 | \$186 | \$758 | \$1,432 | \$3,539 | \$44,232 |
| SAIF Members |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions.. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 59 |
| Total assets................................................................ | \$0 | \$0 | \$34 | \$456 | \$137 | \$6,132 | \$44,197 |

TABLE V-C. Selected Indicators, By Fund Membership*

| (dollar figures in millions) BIF Members | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions reporting. | 9,031 | 9,404 | 9,823 | 10,243 | 10,760 | 11,291 | 11,813 |
| BIF-member Oakars. | 730 | 778 | 793 | 807 | 719 | 570 | 485 |
| Other BIF-members | 8,301 | 8,626 | 9,030 | 9,436 | 10,041 | 10,721 | 11,318 |
| Total assets. | \$ 5,700,851 | \$5,285,407 | \$4,857,760 | \$4,577,897 | \$4,248,300 | \$3,949,694 | \$3,711,611 |
| Total deposits. | 3,843,776 | 3,611,453 | 3,404,203 | 3,225,649 | 3,062,717 | 2,951,979 | 2,873,168 |
| Net income. | 64,469 | 61,463 | 54,483 | 50,779 | 46,882 | 44,498 | 33,318 |
| Return on assets (\%). | 1.18 | 1.22 | 1.17 | 1.15 | 1.14 | 1.17 | 0.92 |
| Return on equity (\%). | 13.83 | 14.44 | 14.14 | 14.32 | 14.43 | 14.89 | 12.72 |
| Noncurrent assets plus OREO to assets (\%). | 0.64 | 0.67 | 0.77 | 0.89 | 1.06 | 1.69 | 2.64 |
| Number of problem institutions. | 68 | 73 | 86 | 151 | 264 | 472 | 856 |
| Assets of problem institutions. | \$5,326 | \$4,598 | \$6,624 | \$20,166 | \$42,311 | \$269,159 | \$463,803 |
| Number of failed/assisted institutions. | 3 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 13 | 41 | 122 |
| Assets of failed/assisted institutions. | \$371 | \$27 | \$182 | \$753 | \$1,392 | \$3,539 | \$45,391 |
| SAIF Members |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions reporting. | 1,430 | 1,518 | 1,629 | 1,727 | 1,843 | 1,929 | 2,039 |
| SAIF-member Oakars. | 109 | 112 | 94 | 77 | 55 | 28 | 9 |
| Other SAIF-members. | 1,321 | 1,406 | 1,535 | 1,650 | 1,788 | 1,091 | 2,030 |
| Total assets. | \$827,775 | \$755,724 | \$748,847 | \$760,520 | \$770,785 | \$757,361 | \$824,266 |
| Total deposits. | 542,277 | 514,408 | 520,854 | 543,831 | 548,900 | 576,506 | 653,865 |
| Net income. | 7,609 | 6,485 | 4,883 | 5,584 | 4,101 | 5,380 | 5,359 |
| Return on assets (\%). | 0.98 | 0.94 | 0.67 | 0.76 | 0.56 | 0.72 | 0.66 |
| Return on equity (\%)........................................................ | 11.36 | 11.13 | 8.07 | 9.47 | 7.16 | 9.74 | 9.78 |
| Noncurrent assets plus OREO to assets (\%). | 0.80 | 0.98 | 1.07 | 1.12 | 1.23 | 1.85 | 2.74 |
| Number of problem institutions... | 16 | 19 | 31 | 42 | 54 | 100 | 207 |
| Assets of problem institutions.. | \$5,992 | \$1,662 | \$5,548 | \$10,846 | \$30,336 | \$64,973 | \$127,838 |
| Number of failed/assisted institutions. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 59 |
| Assets of failed/assisted institutions....................................... | \$0 | \$0 | \$35 | \$426 | \$129 | \$6,105 | \$44,197 |

* Excludes insured branches of foreign banks (IBAs) and institutions in RTC conservatorship (the last of which ended in 1995).

Excludes one self-liquidating institution.
TABLE VI-C. Estimated FDIC-Insured Deposits by Fund Membership and Type of Institution

| (dollar figures in millions) | Number of Institutions | Total Assets | Domestic Deposits | Estimated Insured Deposits |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | BIF | SAIF | Total |
| December 31, 1998 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commercial Banks and Savings Institutions |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FDIC-Insured Commercial Banks. | 8,774 | \$5,440,943 | \$3,109,500 | \$1,948,444 | \$257,951 | \$2,206,395 |
| BIF-member.. | 8,671 | 5,370,156 | 3,060,394 | 1,934,070 | 231,289 | 2,165,360 |
| SAIF-member. | 103 | 70,788 | 49,106 | 14,374 | 26,662 | 41,035 |
| FDIC-Supervised. | 5,321 | 947,473 | 718,207 | 497,748 | 57,646 | 555,395 |
| OCC-Supervised. | 2,459 | 3,183,118 | 1,785,843 | 1,121,390 | 150,918 | 1,272,309 |
| Federal Reserve-Supervised. | 994 | 1,310,353 | 605,450 | 329,305 | 49,386 | 378,691 |
| FDIC-Insured Savings Institutions.. | 1,687 | 1,087,684 | 704,531 | 191,232 | 451,009 | 642,240 |
| OTS-Supervised Savings Institutions. | 1,143 | 817,223 | 510,313 | 67,514 | 397,891 | 465,405 |
| BIF-member.. | 38 | 116,443 | 58,131 | 44,030 | 10,045 | 54,075 |
| SAIF-member.. | 1,105 | 700,780 | 452,182 | 23,484 | 387,846 | 411,330 |
| FDIC-Supervised State Savings Banks | 544 | 270,461 | 194,218 | 123,718 | 53,117 | 176,835 |
| BIF-member.. | 322 | 214,253 | 153,228 | 122,712 | 15,560 | 138,272 |
| SAIF-member.. | 222 | 56,208 | 40,990 | 1,006 | 37,558 | 38,563 |
| Total Commercial Banks and |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Savings Institutions... | 10,461 | 6,528,628 | 3,814,031 | 2,139,676 | 708,959 | 2,848,635 |
| BIF-member. | 9,031 | 5,700,852 | 3,271,754 | 2,100,813 | 256,894 | 2,357,706 |
| SAIF-member.. | 1,430 | 827,776 | 542,278 | 38,863 | 452,066 | 490,929 |
| Other FDIC-Insured Institutions |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Branches of Foreign Banks........................................ | 25 | 9,116 | 2,924 | 1,592 | 0 | 1,592 |
| Total FDIC-Insured Institutions.................................... | 10,486 | 6,537,744 | 3,816,955 | 2,141,268 | 708,959 | 2,850,227 |

* Excludes $\$ 572$ billion in foreign office deposits, which are uninsured.

TABLE VII-C. Assessment Base Distribution and Rate Schedules
BIF Assessment Base Distribution
Assessable Deposits in Millions as of December 31, 1998
Supervisory and Capital Ratings for First Semiannual Assessment Period, 1999

| Capital Group | Supervisory Risk Subgroup |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A |  | B |  | C |  |
| 1. Well-capitalized |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions. | 8,602 | 95.0\% | 261 | 2.9\% | 36 | 0.4\% |
| Assessable deposit base. | 2,931,749 | 97.8\% | 40,714 | 1.4\% | 1,954 | 0.1\% |
| 2. Adequately capitalizec |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions.. | 111 | 1.2\% | 14 | 0.2\% | 14 | 0.2\% |
| Assessable deposit base......................... | 17,655 | 0.6\% | 1,436 | 0.1\% | 1,734 | 0.1\% |
| 3. Undercapitalized |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions.. | 5 | 0.1\% | 2 | 0.0\% | 11 | 0.1\% |
| Assessable deposit base......................... | 398 | 0.0\% | 228 | 0.0\% | 528 | 0.0\% |

Note: "Number" reflects the number of BIF members; "Base" reflects the BIF-assessable deposits held by both BIF and SAIF members. Institutions are categorized based on capitalization and a supervisory subgroup rating, which is generally determiner by on-site examinations.

SAIF Assessment Base Distribution
Assessable Deposits in Millions as of December 31, 1998 Supervisory and Capital Ratings for First Semiannual Assessment Period, 1999

| Capital Group | Supervisory Risk Subgroup |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A |  | B |  | C |  |
| 1. Well-capitalized |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions. | 1,322 | 92.4\% | 64 | 4.5\% | 14 | 1.1\% |
| Assessable deposit base. | 721,969 | 96.1\% | 19,426 | 2.6\% | 4,446 | 0.6\% |
| 2. Adequately capitalizec |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions. | 17 | 1.2\% | 4 | 0.3\% | 4 | 0.3\% |
| Assessable deposit base.......................... | 4,419 | 0.8\% | 235 | 0.0\% | 297 | 0.0\% |
| 3. Undercapitalized |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of institutions.. | 2 | 0.1\% | 1 | 0.1\% | 2 | 0.1\% |
| Assessable deposit base.......................... | 411 | 0.1\% | 78 | 0.0\% | 134 | 0.0\% |
| Note: "Number" reflects the number of SAIF memb Institutions are categorized based on capitaliz by on-site examinations. | ase" reflec and a supe | he SAIF ory subg | depos <br> , which | d by bo erally | SAIF | mbers |

## Assessment Rate Schedules <br> First Semiannual 1999 Assessment Period Cents Per \$100 of Assessable Deposits

|  | Supervisory Risk Subgroup |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Capital Group | A | B | C |
| 1. Well Capitalized................0.. |  | 3 | 17 |
| 2. Adequately Capitalized..........3. |  | 10 | 24 |
| 3. Undercapitalized. | 10 | 24 | 27 |

Note: Rates for the BIF and the SAIF are set separately by the FDIC
Currently, the rate schedules are identical

Number of FDIC-Insured "Problem" Institutions 1993-1998




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[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ Gains on the sales of securities include gains on the sales of other assets available for sale at thrifts that file a Thrift Financial Report.

[^2]:    ${ }^{2}$ Washington Mutual, Inc., with $\$ 156.2$ billion in assets, completed its merger with H.F. Ahmanson \& Company, which owned Home Savings of America, a thrift with $\$ 50.3$ billion in assets.

[^3]:    * For TFR filers, includes only loan and lease loss provisions.

