

Associated Banc-Corp 3Q 2011 Earnings Presentation

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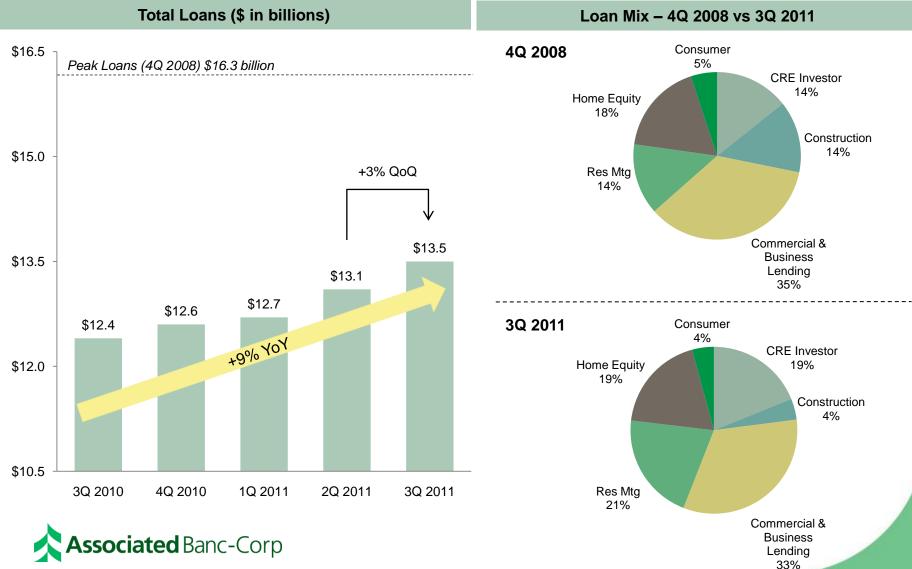
Third Quarter 2011 Highlights

- Net income to common shareholders of \$34 million or \$0.20 per share
- Pre-tax income improved 33%, or \$15 million, and net income to common shareholders improved 33%, or \$8 million, from the prior quarter
- Total loans of \$13.5 billion were up 3% from the end of the second quarter
 - Commercial and business lending (C&I, leasing, and owner-occupied CRE loans) grew by a net \$198 million on a linked-quarter basis
 - Commercial real estate lending (Investor CRE and construction loans) increased by a net \$108 million from the prior quarter
 - Retail loans and residential mortgages grew by a net \$108 million during the third quarter
- Continued improvement in key credit metrics
 - Nonaccrual loans declined 14% from the prior quarter and 45% on a year-over-year basis to \$403 million, the lowest level in seven quarters
 - Provision for loan losses of \$4 million was down significantly from the prior quarter
 - Net charge-offs of \$30 million were down 32% from \$45 million for the second quarter
- Capital ratios remain very strong with a Tier 1 common ratio of 12.44% and total capital ratio of 15.81%
- Completed the repurchase of remaining TARP funds through senior note and preferred stock offerings

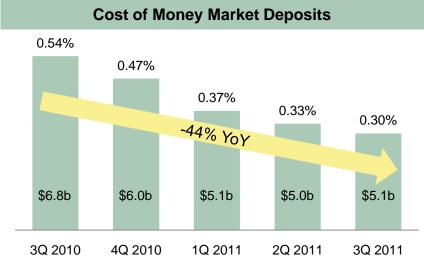


Loan Portfolio Growth and Composition

Total Loans of \$13.5 billion at September 30, 2011



Managing the Cost of Funds and Customer Funding Levels







Continuing Decline in Potential Problem Loans

(\$ in millions)

	30	Q 2010	4Q 2010	1Q 2011	2Q 2011	3Q 2011	YoY Change
Commercial and industrial	\$ 37	73,955	\$ 354,284	\$ 348,949	\$ 229,407	\$ 207,351	(45%)
Commercial real estate	55	53,126	492,778	465,376	382,056	392,737	(29%)
Real estate - construction	17	75,817	91,618	70,824	63,186	37,155	(79%)
Lease financing		2,302	2,617	1,705	1,399	507	(78%)
Total commercial	1,10	05,200	941,297	886,854	676,048	637,750	(42%)
Home equity		6,495	3,057	4,737	4,515	4,975	(23%)
Installment		692	703	230	216	272	(61%)
Total retail		7,187	3,760	4,967	4,731	5,247	(27%)
Residential mortgage	,	19,416	18,672	19,710	18,575	16,550	(15%)
Total Potential Problem Loans	\$ 1,13	1,803	\$ 963,729	\$ 911,531	\$ 699,354	\$ 659,547	(42%)



Significant Improvements in Credit Quality Indicators

(\$ in millions)

	3Q 2010		4Q 2010		1Q 2011		2Q 2011		3Q 2011	
Provision for loan losses	\$	64.0	\$	63.0	\$	31.0	\$	16.0	\$	4.0
Net charge offs	\$	109.9	\$	108.2	\$	53.4	\$	44.5	\$	30.2
ALLL/Total loans		4.22%		3.78%		3.59%		3.25%		2.96%
ALLL/Nonaccruals	71.72%		8	33.02%	93.07%		91.09%		99.09%	
NPA/Assets		3.47%		2.84%		2.50%		2.33%		2.03%
Nonaccruals/Loans		5.88%		4.55%		3.86%		3.57%		2.99%
NCOs / Avg Loans		3.39%		3.41%		1.71%		1.37%		0.90%



Maintaining a Strong Capital Profile

	3Q 2010	4Q 2010	1Q 2011	2Q 2011	3Q 2011
ASBC Capital Ratios					
Stockholders' equity / assets	14.21%	14.50%	14.88%	13.60%	13.01%
Tangible common equity / tangible assets	8.03%	8.12%	8.42%	8.49%	8.77%
Tangible equity / tangible assets	10.41%	10.59%	10.93%	9.71%	9.07%
Tier 1 common equity / risk-weighted assets	12.31%	12.26%	12.65%	12.61%	12.44%
Tier 1 leverage ratio	10.78%	11.19%	11.65%	10.46%	9.62%
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio	17.68%	17.58%	18.08%	16.03%	14.35%
Total risk-based capital ratio	19.16%	19.05%	19.56%	17.50%	15.81%



Summary

3Q 2011

- Solid third quarter results, with EPS of \$0.20 per common share
- Loan portfolio grew 3% from the second quarter to \$13.5 billion, with strong growth from major segments
- Credit continues to improve
- Increasing pre-tax income, up 33% from prior quarter

Remainder of 2011 - Positioning for the Future

- Continuing to execute our strategic initiatives for loan growth
- Modest pressure on the net interest margin
- Continuing to invest in our brand, our footprint, and our people

2012 and Beyond - Investing in Our Franchise

- Our customer centric investments will provide attractive returns
- Focusing on levers for earnings expansion



Deposit and Funding Portfolio Trends

(\$ in thousands)

Period End Deposit and Customer Funding Composition

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-		Jun 11 vs Sep 11		Cost of Funds	
	Jun 30, 2011	Sep 30, 2011	\$ Change	% Change	3Q 2011	
Demand	\$ 3,218,722	\$ 3,711,570	492,848	15%		
Savings	1,007,337	1,013,195	5,858	1%	0.11 %	
Interest-bearing demand	1,931,519	2,071,627	140,108	7%	0.18	
Money market	4,982,492	5,205,401	222,909	4%	0.30	
Brokered CDs	316,670	203,827	(112,843)	-36%	1.29	
Other time deposits	2,609,310	2,576,790	(32,520)	-1%	1.50	
Total deposits	14,066,050	14,782,410	716,360	5%	0.56	
Customer repo sweeps	930,101	871,619	(58,482)	-6%		
Customer repo term	1,147,938	1,141,450	(6,488)	-1%		
Total customer funding	2,078,039	2,013,069	(64,970)	-3%		
Total Deposits and Customer Funding	16,144,089	16,795,479	651,390	4%		
Network transaction deposits	824,003	875,630	51,627	6%		
Brokered CDs	316,670	203,827	(112,843)	-36%	1.29	
Total Networked and Brokered Deposits	1,140,673	1,079,457	(61,216)	-5%	_	
Net Customer Deposits and Funding	\$ 15,003,416	\$ 15,716,022	712,606	5%		



Loan Portfolio Trends

(\$ in thousands)

Period End Loan Composition

			Jun 11 vs	Cost of Funds	
	Jun 30, 2011	Sep 30, 2011	\$ Change	% Change	3Q 2011
Commercial and industrial	\$ 3,202,301	\$ 3,360,502	158,201	5%	
Lease financing	54,001	54,849	848	2%	
Commercial real estate - owner occupied	1,030,060	1,068,616	38,556	4%	
Commerical and business lending	4,286,362	4,483,967	197,605	5%	
Commercial real estate - investor	2,393,626	2,481,411	87,785	4%	
Real estate - construction	533,804	554,024	20,220	4%	
Commercial real estate lending	2,927,430	3,035,435	108,005	4%	
Total commercial	7,213,792	7,519,402	305,610	4%	4.28 %
Home equity	2,594,029	2,571,404	(22,625)	-1%	
Installment	589,714	572,243	(17,471)	-3%	
Total retail	3,183,743	3,143,647	(40,096)	-1%	4.78
Residential mortgage	2,692,054	2,840,458	148,404	6%	4.09
Total Loans	\$ 13,089,589	\$ 13,503,507	413,918	3%	4.36

