

Associated Banc-Corp Investor Presentation

Third Quarter 2012

July 31, 2012

Forward-Looking Statements

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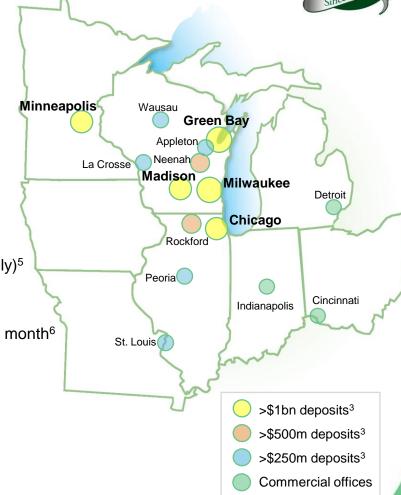
Leading Midwest Banking Franchise

- Top 50, publicly traded, U.S. bank holding company
- \$22 billion in assets; largest bank headquartered in Wisconsin
 - Over 250 banking offices serving over 150 communities
 - #1 mortgage originator in Wisconsin¹
 - #1 SBA lender in Wisconsin²

Operating in Attractive Midwest Markets

- WI & MN continue to show above average employment levels⁴
- Midwest Manufacturing output is up 11.0% YoY (vs. 5.6% nationally)⁵
- Midwest Machinery output is up 12.2% YoY⁵
- Midwest Economy Index above historical trend for 8th consecutive month⁶

	WI	MN	IL	U.S.
Unemployment Rate ⁴	7.0%	5.6%	8.7%	8.2%
ASBC Deposits (\$ in billions)	\$10.6	\$1.5	\$3.0	\$15.1





¹ Based on 2010 number of funded mortgage loans per HMDA data; ² Based on 2011 FY number of funded SBA loans; ³ EDIC market phase data 6/20/11:45 purse; U.S. BLS. Jun. 2012:55 purse; EPR Chicago Midwest Manufacturing

³ FDIC market share data 6/30/11; ⁴Source: U.S. BLS, Jun. 2012; ⁵Source: FRB Chicago Midwest Manufacturing Index, June 2012; ⁶Source: FRB Midwest Economy Index, June 2012

Core Regional Banking Business Model

Differentiation from Large-Cap, Diversified Financial Institutions

Nominal European Exposure

- Upper Midwest regional focus on servicing U.S. customers operating in domestic markets
- No European loans & no direct exposure to foreign governments or foreign central banks

Nominal Trading & Derivative Positions

- No overseas or off-shore trading or investment functions
- No proprietary trading activities or portfolios
- No market maker positions in derivatives

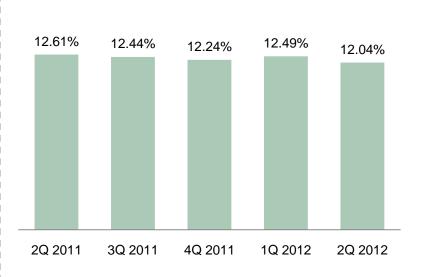
Nominal Mortgage Put-back Exposure

- Nominal historical agency repurchase levels
- No significant exposure to high risk mortgage asset classes or high risk underwriting programs

Basel III Compliant Capital

- Current capital levels are well in excess of "well-capitalized" regulatory benchmarks
- Existing capital levels are already above proposed Basel III capital levels

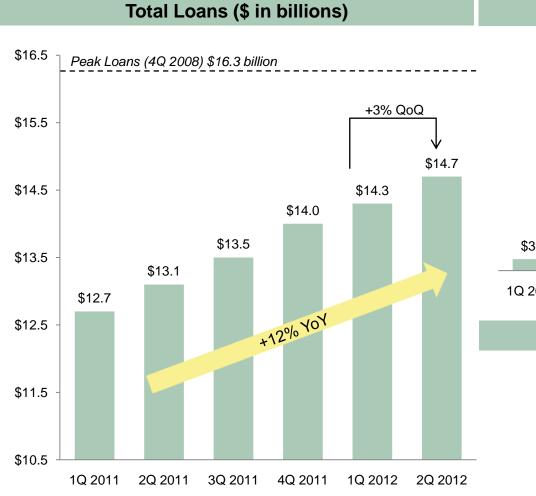
Tier 1 Common Equity Ratio



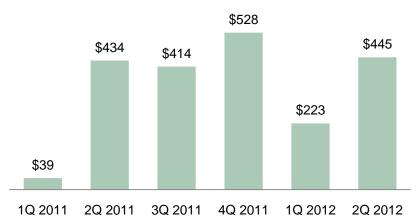


Core Organic Loan Growth

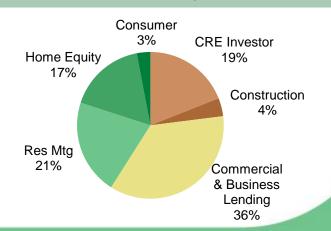
Total Loans of \$14.7 billion at June 30, 2012



Quarterly Net Loan Growth Trend (\$ in millions)



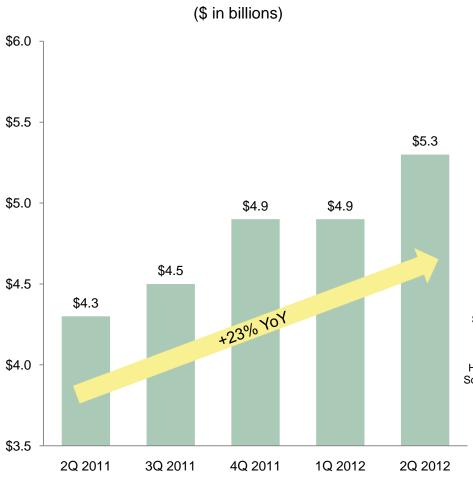
Loan Mix - 2Q 2012





Growing Commercial & Business Lending

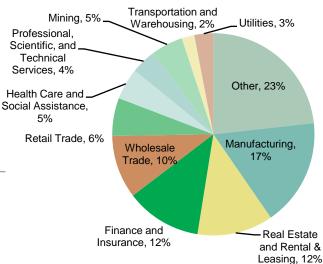
Commercial & Business Lending Loans



Highlights

- Q2 loan production continued to show strength
- Recent hires continue to gain traction in driving new relationships to Associated
- Launched enhanced Treasury Management online portal in February
- Focusing on cross-sell with Treasury Management, AFG, and Private Client & Institutional Services to deepen customer relationships

CB&L Loans by Industry (2Q 2012)





Growing Commercial Real Estate Lending

Commercial Real Estate Lending Loans



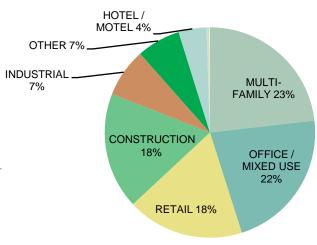
Highlights

- Growing multi-family lending portfolio
- Continuing strong growth across the footprint
- ~90% of CRE loans are in core footprint





CRE Loans by Collateral (2Q 2012)





Investor commercial real estate

Growing Private Client and Institutional Services

(Formerly Wealth Management)

Highlights

- Focusing on core disciplines, business development, and cross-line partnership with Commercial Banking
- Increasing the number and depth of Private Banking households
- · Hired new head of Trust; based in Milwaukee
- Addition of new talent in Minneapolis in order to execute on strategic growth in the market
- Product & service enhancements for affluent client base
- Over 60,000 participants in supported business retirement plans
- Over \$5.9 billion of assets under management

Cross-Line Partnerships between
Private Client & Institutional Services and
Commercial Banking & Insurance



Deposit Solutions

Asset Management

Brokerage

Trust & Custodial

Lending

Insurance



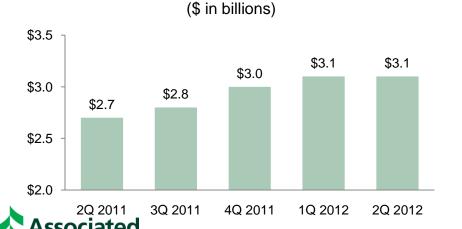
Expanding Retail Banking Relationships



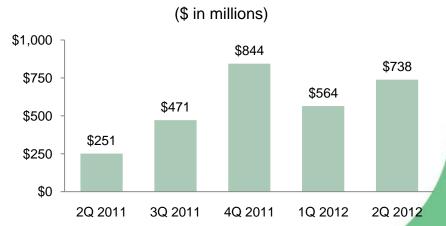
Highlights

- Strengthening the basics
 - Strengthening our focus on our premier banking customers
 - Expanding the scope and reach of our market-leading mortgage franchise
- Leveraging our relationship with the Green Bay Packers & Aaron Rodgers

Residential Mortgage Loan Portfolio



Mortgage Loans Originated for Sale



Footprint Update

Differentiating Associated in Branch Banking



Example relocated office



Example in-store remodel



Updated signage completed across the footprint



Example traditional remodel

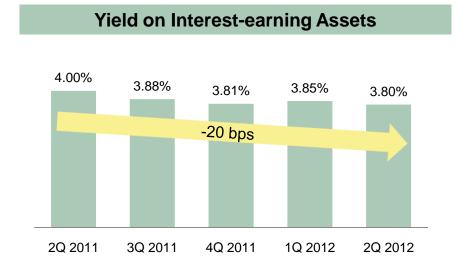
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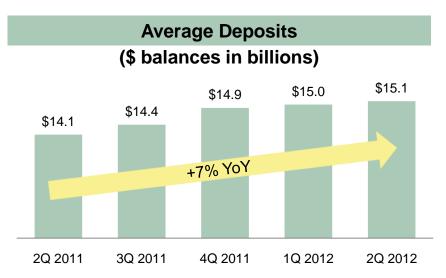
- Completed the remodel, relocation, or new construction of over 30 branches in 2011
- 50 remodels planned in 2012; completed ~30 branches in 1H2012
- FY 2011 PPE expense of \$77 million includes ongoing investments in franchise
- Consolidated 21
 branches in 1H2012
 and sold three
 additional outlying
 branches in Jan. 2012



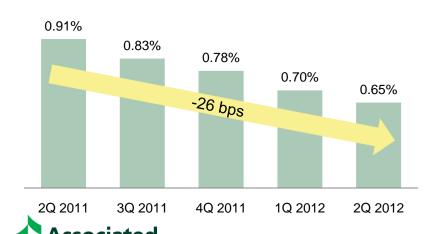
Disciplined Deposit Pricing and Stable Margins

Average Total Deposits of \$15.1 billion at June 30, 2012





Cost of Interest-bearing Liabilities



Net Interest Margin



Outlook

Positioned for Growth; Creating Long-Term Shareholder Value

Loan Growth

Approximately 3% quarterly growth

Expenses

 Low single-digit quarterly growth; including the cost of continuing BSA enhancements & footprint updates

Deposit Growth

- Continued disciplined pricing
- Slowing run-off of high cost CDs
- Sustained focus on treasury management solutions to drive growth in commercial deposits

Footprint

 Continue to invest in our branches while optimizing our network

 Consolidating in downtown Green Bay

NIM

 Relatively stable on a full-year basis compared to full-year 2011

Credit

Continuing improvement in credit trends

Very modest provision outlook

Fee Income

 Modest improvement quarterly in core fee-based revenues with mortgage banking income likely reduced going forward

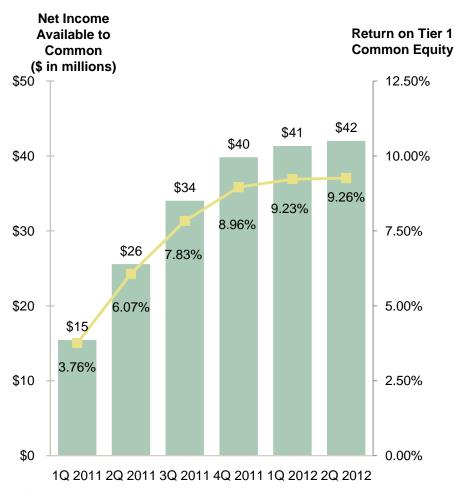
Capital

 Disciplined, value-added approach to capital deployment over time



Why Associated

Net Income Available to Common & ROT1CE



Reasons to Invest

- Leading Midwest Bank Operating in Attractive Markets
- Core Organic Growth Opportunity
- Disciplined Deposit Pricing & Stable Margin
- Improving Credit Quality
- Strong Capital Profile Above Basel III Expectations & Opportunities for Capital Deployment
- Improving Earnings Profile

Management Team Focused on Creating Long-Term Shareholder Value





Associated Banc-Corp will be the most admired Midwestern financial services company, distinguished by sound, value-added financial solutions with personal service for our customers, built upon a strong commitment to our colleagues and the communities we serve, resulting in exceptional value for our shareholders.

Appendix



Continued Improvement in Credit Quality Indicators

(\$ in millions)

	2Q 2011		3Q 2011		4Q 2011		1Q 2012		2Q 2012	
Potential problem loans	\$	699	\$	660	\$	566	\$	480	\$	410
Nonaccruals	\$	468	\$	403	\$	357	\$	327	\$	318
Provision for loan losses	\$	16	\$	4	\$	1	\$	0	\$	0
Net charge offs	\$	45	\$	30	\$	23	\$	22	\$	24
ALLL/Total loans	3	3.25%	2	96%	2	2.70%	2	2.50%	2	26%
ALLL/Nonaccruals	91	.09%	99	.09%	105	5.99%	108	3.93%	104	.65%
NPA/Assets	2	2.33%	2	03%	1	.82%	1	.65%	1	.62%
Nonaccruals/Loans	3	3.57%	2	99%	2	2.54%	2	2.29%	2	16%
NCOs / Avg Loans	1	.37%	C	.90%	C	0.64%	C	0.61%	0	.65%



High Quality Investment Securities Portfolio

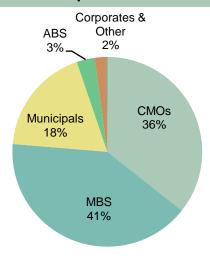
Investment Portfolio - June 30, 2012

<u>Type</u>	Bk Value (000's)	Mkt Value (000's)	TEY (%)	Duration (Yrs)	
Govt & Agencies	\$ 1,011	\$ 1,011	0.33	2.10	
MBS	1,753,910	1,838,909	3.80	2.14	
CMOs	1,586,621	1,611,471	2.76	0.63	
Municipals	786,511	835,136	5.53	4.36	
ABS	139,368	139,164	0.67	0.19	
Corporates & Other	93,144	95,745	1.86	1.30	
TOTAL AFS	\$4,360,565	\$4,521,436	3.59	1.94	

Risk - Weighted Profile - June 30, 2012

<u>Туре</u>	Mkt Value (000's)	% of Total	
0% RWA	\$ 37,469	1%	
20% RWA	4,190,343	93%	
50% RWA	35,849	1%	
=>100% RWA	100,464	2%	
Not subject to RW	157,311	3%	
TOTAL	\$4,521,436	100%	

Market Value Composition - June 30, 2012



Portfolio Composition Ratings - June 30, 2012

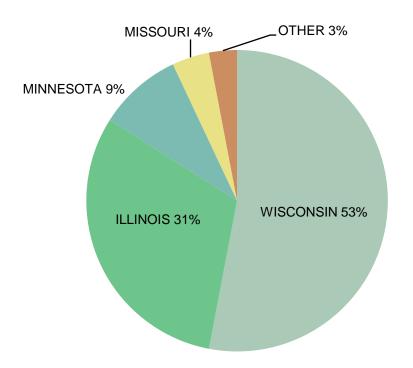
Credit Rating	Mkt Value (000's)	% of Total	
Govt & Agency	\$ 3,443,846	76%	
AAA	153,723	3%	
AA	763,854	17%	
Α	125,579	3%	
BAA1, BAA2 & BAA3	15,132		
BA1 & Lower and Non-rated	19,302		
TOTAL	\$4,521,436	100%	



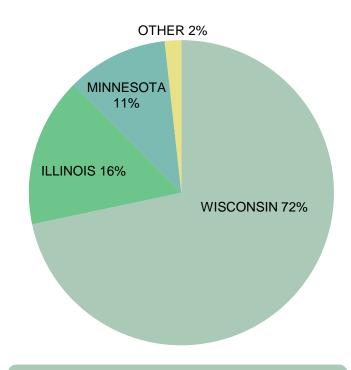
Consumer Loan Portfolios by Geography

(as of June 30, 2012)

Residential Mortgage Loans by State



Home Equity Loans by State



Approximately half of home equity portfolio is in first-lien position

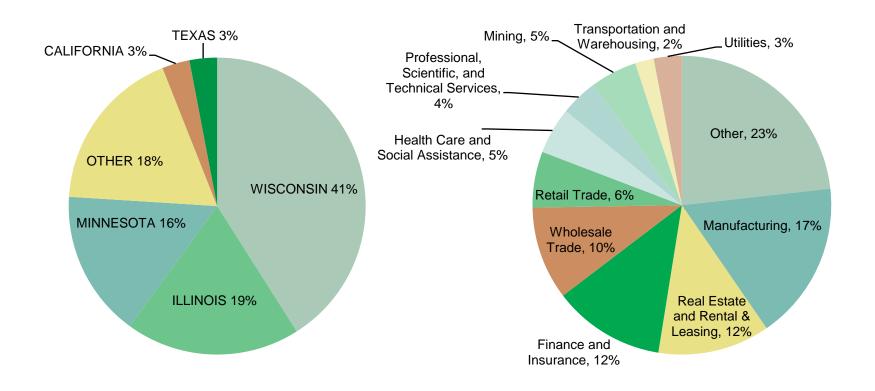


Commercial & Business Lending Loans

Commercial & Business Lending portfolio of \$5.3 billion, or 36% of Total Loans, at June 30, 2012

Commercial & Business Lending Loans by State

Commercial & Business Lending Loans by Industry





Commercial Real Estate Lending Loans

Commercial Real Estate Lending portfolio of \$3.4 billion, or 23% of Total Loans, at June 30, 2012

Commercial Real Estate Lending Loans by State

Commercial Real Estate Lending Loans by Collateral

