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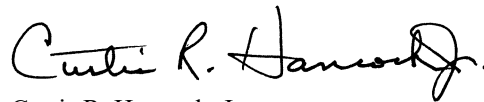
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CERTIFICATION

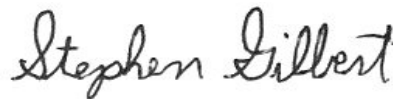
The undersigned certify that we have reviewed the September 30, 2019 quarterly report of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, that the report has been prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors and in accordance with all applicable statutory or regulatory requirements, and that the information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.



Curtis R. Hancock, Jr.
Chairman of the Board



Leon T. Amerson
Chief Executive Officer & President



Stephen Gilbert
Chief Financial Officer

November 8, 2019

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The Bank's principal executives and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, are responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting for the Bank's Financial Statements. For purposes of this report, "internal control over financial reporting" is defined as a process designed by, or under the supervision of the Bank's principal executives and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by its Board of Directors, management and other personnel. This process provides reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting information and the preparation of the Financial Statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

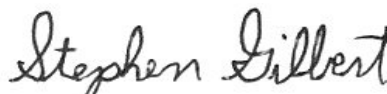
Internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that: (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Bank, (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial information in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Bank, and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Bank's assets that could have a material effect on its Financial Statements.

The Bank's management has completed an assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2019. In making the assessment, management used the framework in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013)*, promulgated by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission, commonly referred to as the "COSO" criteria.

Based on the assessment performed, the Bank's management concluded that as of September 30, 2019, the internal control over financial reporting was effective based upon the COSO criteria. Additionally, based on this assessment, the Bank's management determined that there were no material weaknesses in the internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2019.



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Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion reviews the financial condition and results of operations of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (AgFirst or Bank) as of and for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2019. These comments should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements, the Notes to the Financial Statements, and the 2018 Annual Report of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank. AgFirst and its related associations (Associations or District Associations) are collectively referred to as the District. The accompanying financial statements were prepared under the oversight of the Audit Committee of the AgFirst Board of Directors.

Key ratios and data reported below, and in the accompanying financial statements, address the financial performance of AgFirst. However, neither the three months nor the nine months results of operations may be indicative of an entire year due to the seasonal nature of a portion of AgFirst's business.

FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This quarterly report contains forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Words such as "anticipates," "believes," "could," "estimates," "may," "should," "will," or other variations of these terms are intended to identify the forward-looking statements. These statements are based on assumptions and analyses made in light of experience and other historical trends, current conditions, and expected future developments. However, actual results and developments may differ materially from AgFirst's expectations and predictions due to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond AgFirst's control. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to:

- political (including trade policies), legal, regulatory, financial markets, and economic conditions and developments in the United States (U.S.) and abroad;
- economic fluctuations in the agricultural, rural infrastructure, international, and farm-related business sectors, as well as in the general economy;
- weather-related, disease, and other adverse climatic or biological conditions that periodically occur which impact agricultural productivity and income of District borrowers;
- changes in U.S. government support of the agricultural industry and the Farm Credit System (System) as a government-sponsored enterprise (GSE), as well as investor and rating agency reactions to events involving the U.S. government, other GSEs and other financial institutions;
- actions taken by the Federal Reserve System in implementing monetary and fiscal policy, as well as other policies and actions of the federal government that impact the financial services industry and the debt markets;
- credit, interest rate and liquidity risk inherent in lending activities;
- the replacement of LIBOR and the implementation of Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) or another benchmark interest rate; and
- changes in the Bank's assumptions for determining the allowance for loan losses, other-than-temporary impairment and fair value measurements.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

Loan Portfolio

AgFirst's loan portfolio consists of direct loans to District Associations (Direct Notes), loan participations/syndications purchased, Correspondent Lending loans (primarily first lien rural residential mortgages), and loans to Other Financing Institutions (OFIs) as shown below:

Loan Portfolio <i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30,	December 31,	September 30,	September 2019 Compared to December 2018		September 2019 Compared to September 2018	
	2019	2018	2018	\$ Change	% Change	\$ Change	% Change
Direct Notes*	\$ 16,804,756	\$ 16,414,045	\$ 16,411,951	\$ 390,711	2.38%	\$ 392,805	2.39%
Participations/Syndications Purchased, Net*	4,563,171	4,465,453	4,254,456	97,718	2.19%	308,715	7.26%
Correspondent Lending	3,431,760	3,261,996	3,209,350	169,764	5.20%	222,410	6.93%
Loans to OFIs	136,079	134,387	138,693	1,692	1.26%	(2,614)	(1.88)%
Total	\$ 24,935,766	\$ 24,275,881	\$ 24,014,450	\$ 659,885	2.72%	\$ 921,316	3.84%

	Portfolio Distribution		
	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018	September 30, 2018
Direct Notes*	67.39%	67.61%	68.34%
Participations/Syndications Purchased, Net*	18.30%	18.40%	17.72%
Correspondent Lending	13.76%	13.44%	13.36%
Loans to OFIs	0.55%	0.55%	0.58%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

*Net of participations sold.

Total loans outstanding were \$24.936 billion at September 30, 2019, an increase of \$659.9 million, or 2.72 percent, compared to total loans outstanding at December 31, 2018 and an increase of \$921.3 million, or 3.84 percent, since September 30, 2018.

Growth in the total loan portfolio since year end was primarily due to growth in the forestry, rural home loans, field crops, utilities, and cotton segments. Compared to September 30, 2018, loan growth benefited from increases in the rural home loans, utilities, swine, forestry, poultry, and dairy segments.

Credit Quality

Credit quality of AgFirst's loans is shown below:

Classification	Total Loan Portfolio Credit Quality as of:		
	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018	September 30, 2018
Acceptable	93.73%	93.80%	93.80%
OAEM *	6.08%	6.07%	6.06%
Adverse **	0.19%	0.13%	0.14%

*Other Assets Especially Mentioned.

**Adverse loans include substandard, doubtful, and loss loans.

The table above reflects the classification of a single Direct Note as OAEM for all periods presented. See the *Direct Notes* section below for further discussion. Bank credit quality, primarily in the Participations/Syndications portfolio, is expected to slightly deteriorate given expected reduced farm income, higher farm debt, prior years' weather events, and uncertainty surrounding global trade issues.

Direct Notes

AgFirst’s primary business is to provide funding, operational support, and technology services to District Associations. Each Association, in addition to the Bank, is a federally chartered instrumentality of the United States and is regulated by the Farm Credit Administration (FCA). AgFirst provides a revolving line of credit, referred to as a Direct Note, to each of the District Associations. Each of the Associations funds its lending and general corporate activities primarily by borrowing under its Direct Note. Lending terms are specified in a separate General Financing Agreement (GFA) between AgFirst and each Association. Each GFA contains minimum borrowing base margin, capital, and earnings requirements that must be maintained by the Association.

At September 30, 2019, the total Direct Note volume outstanding was \$16.805 billion, an increase of \$390.7 million, or 2.38 percent, compared to December 31, 2018. Compared to September 30, 2018, Direct Note volume increased \$392.8 million, or 2.39 percent. See the *Loan Portfolio* section above for the primary reasons for the change in Direct Notes.

Classification	Direct Note Credit Quality as of:					
	September 30, 2019		December 31, 2018		September 30, 2018	
	%	#	%	#	%	#
	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
Acceptable	91.85%	18	91.33%	18	91.38%	18
OAEM *	8.15%	1	8.67%	1	8.62%	1
Adverse **	-%	-	-%	-	-%	-

*Other Assets Especially Mentioned
 **Adverse loans include substandard, doubtful, and loss loans.

At September 30, 2019, no District Associations were operating under a written agreement with the FCA. One Association, which had total assets of \$1.845 billion, was operating under a special credit agreement pursuant to its GFA as of September 30, 2019. The GFA events of default which triggered the special credit agreement are not expected to have an adverse impact on the Bank’s or District’s financial condition or results of operations. The Direct Note was classified as OAEM for all of the periods presented.

Presently, collection of the full Direct Note amount due is expected from all Associations in accordance with the contractual terms of the debt arrangements, and no allowance has been recorded for any Direct Notes. Virtually all assets of the District Associations are pledged as collateral for their respective Direct Notes. In the opinion of management, all Association Direct Notes are adequately collateralized. The risk funds of an Association, including both capital and the allowance for loan losses, also protect the interest of the Bank should a Direct Note default.

Participations/Syndications

The Participations/Syndications portfolio consists of loan participations and syndications purchased primarily from other System institutions and commercial banks. As of September 30, 2019, this portfolio totaled \$4.563 billion, an increase of \$97.7 million, or 2.19 percent, from December 31, 2018 and an increase of \$308.7 million, or 7.26 percent, from September 30, 2018. This increase is primarily due an increase in capital markets transactions coming to market in the last quarter of 2018.

AgFirst employs a number of management techniques to limit credit risk, including underwriting standards, limits on the amounts of loans purchased from a single originator, and maximum hold positions to a single borrower and commodity. Although the participations/syndications portfolio is comprised of a small number of relatively large loans, it is diversified both geographically and on a commodity basis. Management makes adjustments to credit policy and underwriting standards when appropriate as a part of the ongoing risk management process.

Credit quality statistics for the participations/syndications portfolio are shown in the following chart:

Classification	Participations/Syndications Credit Quality as of:		
	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018	September 30, 2018
Acceptable	95.99%	98.37%	98.50%
OAEM*	3.22%	1.17%	0.93%
Adverse**	0.79%	0.46%	0.57%

*Other Assets Especially Mentioned.

**Adverse loans include substandard, doubtful, and loss loans.

Credit quality in the participations/syndications portfolio has declined slightly from prior periods as anticipated, but remains favorable due to continued positive general economic performance.

Correspondent Lending

The Correspondent Lending portfolio consists primarily of first lien residential mortgages purchased from Associations. As of September 30, 2019, the Correspondent Lending portfolio totaled \$3.432 billion, an increase of \$169.8 million, or 5.20 percent, from December 31, 2018 and an increase of \$222.4 million, or 6.93 percent, from September 30, 2018. The increase was due primarily to the continued favorable interest rate environment.

As of September 30, 2019, \$1.199 billion, or 34.94 percent, of loans in the Correspondent Lending portfolio were guaranteed and \$2.233 billion, or 65.06 percent, were non-guaranteed. The guarantees, from the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) and/or Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac), are in the form of Long-Term Standby Commitments to Purchase which give AgFirst the right to deliver delinquent loans to the guarantor at par. Non-guaranteed loans are reflected in the Bank's allowance for loan losses methodology related to this portfolio.

At September 30, 2019, 99.66 percent of the Correspondent Lending portfolio was classified as acceptable and 0.34 percent was classified as adverse compared to 99.68 percent acceptable and 0.32 percent adverse at December 31, 2018.

Nonaccrual Loans

Nonaccrual loans represent all loans for which there is a reasonable doubt as to the collection of principal and/or interest under the contractual terms of the loan. Nonaccrual loans for the Bank totaled \$24.4 million at September 30, 2019, a decrease of 1.19 percent compared to \$24.7 million at December 31, 2018. At September 30, 2019, nonaccrual loans were in the rural home loan (71.60 percent of the total) and field crops (28.40 percent) segments. Nonaccrual loans were 0.10 percent of total loans outstanding at both September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

Troubled Debt Restructurings

A troubled debt restructuring (TDR) occurs when a borrower is experiencing financial difficulties and a concession is granted to the borrower that the Bank would not otherwise consider. Concessions are granted to borrowers based on either an assessment of the borrower's ability to return to financial viability or a court order. The concessions can be in the form of a modification of terms, rates, or amounts owed. Acceptance of other assets and/or equity as payment may also be considered a concession. The type of alternative financing granted is chosen in order to minimize the loss incurred by the Bank. TDRs increased \$563 thousand since December 31, 2018 and totaled \$25.9 million at September 30, 2019. TDRs at September 30, 2019 were comprised of \$15.8 million of accruing restructured loans and \$10.1 million of nonaccrual restructured loans. Restructured loans were primarily in the field crops (29.04 percent of the total), nursery/greenhouse (28.04 percent), and rural home loan (22.77 percent) segments.

Other Property Owned

Other property owned (OPO) consists primarily of assets once pledged as loan collateral that were acquired through foreclosure or deeded to the Bank (or a lender group) in satisfaction of secured loans. OPO may be comprised of real estate, equipment, and equity interests in companies or partnerships. OPO decreased \$177 thousand since December 31, 2018 and totaled \$2.7 million at September 30, 2019. At September 30, 2019, the OPO balance consisted primarily of one real estate holding in the forestry segment totaling \$2.6 million (96.67 percent of the total OPO balance).

Allowance for Loan Losses

The Bank maintains an allowance for loan losses at a level management considers adequate to provide for probable and estimable credit losses within the loan portfolio as of each reported balance sheet date. The allowance for loan losses was \$19.8 million at September 30, 2019, as compared with \$18.0 million at December 31, 2018. The allowance at September 30, 2019 included specific reserves of \$4.2 million (21.10 percent of the total) and general reserves of \$15.6 million (78.90 percent). See *Provision for Loan Losses* section below for additional details regarding loan loss provision expense and reversals included in the net provision expense of \$1.5 million recorded during the first nine months of 2019. The general reserves at September 30, 2019 included \$4.7 million of allowance provided by the Bank for non-guaranteed loans in the Correspondent Lending portfolio. See further discussion in the *Correspondent Lending* section above. None of the allowance relates to the Direct Note portfolio. See further discussion in the *Direct Notes* section above. The total allowance at September 30, 2019 was comprised primarily of reserves for the rural home loan (24.32 percent of the total), field crops (23.23 percent), utilities (10.24 percent), forestry (7.94 percent), and processing (7.74 percent) segments. The allowance for loan losses was 0.08 percent and 0.07 percent of total loans outstanding at September 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively. See Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses*, in the Notes to the Financial Statements for further information.

Liquidity and Funding Sources

One of AgFirst's primary responsibilities is to maintain sufficient liquidity to fund the lending operations of the District Associations, in addition to its own needs. Along with normal cash flows associated with lending operations, AgFirst has two principal sources of liquidity: the capacity to issue Systemwide Debt Securities through the Federal Farm Credit Banks Funding Corporation; and cash and investments. The Bank also has investment securities repurchase agreements in place with several commercial banks for commitments totaling approximately \$6.1 billion. A standard repurchase agreement involves the acquisition of immediately available funds through the sale of securities with a simultaneous commitment to repurchase the same securities on a certain date within one year at a specified price, including interest at an agreed upon rate. In addition, the System has established lines of credit in the event contingency funding is needed to meet obligations of System banks.

The U.S. government does not guarantee, directly or indirectly, Systemwide Debt Securities. However, the Farm Credit System, as a GSE, has benefited from broad access to the domestic and global capital markets due to the implied link between the credit rating of the System and the U.S. government, given the System's status as a GSE. This access has provided the System with a dependable source of competitively priced debt which is critical for supporting the System's mission of providing credit to agriculture and rural America. Continued concerns regarding the government's borrowing limit and budget imbalances could pose risk to the System in the future.

AgFirst's primary source of liquidity comes from its ability to issue Systemwide Debt Securities, which are the general unsecured joint and several obligations of the System banks. AgFirst continually raises funds in the debt markets to support its mission, to repay maturing Systemwide Debt Securities, and to meet other obligations.

The System does not have a guaranteed line of credit from the U.S. Treasury or the Federal Reserve. However, the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation (FCSIC) has an agreement with the Federal Financing Bank (FFB), a federal instrumentality subject to the supervision and direction of the U.S. Treasury, pursuant to which the FFB could advance funds to the FCSIC. Under its existing statutory authority, the FCSIC may use these funds to provide assistance to the System banks in exigent market circumstances which threaten the banks' ability to pay maturing debt obligations. The agreement provides for advances of up to \$10 billion and terminates on September 30, 2020,

unless otherwise renewed. The decision whether to seek funds from the FFB is at the discretion of the FCSIC. Each funding obligation of the FFB is subject to various terms and conditions and, as a result, there can be no assurance that funding would be available if needed by AgFirst or the System.

Currently, Moody's Investor Service and Fitch Ratings have assigned long-term debt ratings for the System of Aaa and AAA and short-term debt ratings of P-1 and F1, respectively. These are the highest ratings available from these rating agencies. S&P Global Ratings (S&P) maintains the long-term debt rating of the System at AA+, which directly corresponds to its AA+ long-term sovereign credit rating of the U.S. government. These rating agencies base their ratings on many quantitative and qualitative factors, including the System's status as a GSE. Negative changes to the System's credit ratings could reduce earnings by increasing debt funding costs and could also have a material adverse effect on liquidity, the ability to conduct normal business operations, and the Bank's overall financial condition and results of operations. However, AgFirst anticipates continued access to funding necessary to support the District's and Bank's needs.

At September 30, 2019, AgFirst had \$31.845 billion in total debt outstanding compared to \$30.382 billion at December 31, 2018, an increase of \$1.463 billion, or 4.82 percent. Debt increased primarily due to higher volumes of loans and cash equivalents as discussed elsewhere in this report.

Cash and cash equivalents, which increased \$860.4 million from December 31, 2018 to a total of \$1.382 billion at September 30, 2019, consist primarily of cash on deposit and money market securities that are short-term in nature (maturities of overnight to 90 days). Incremental movements in cash and cash equivalents balances between reporting periods are due to changes in liquidity needs in relation to upcoming debt maturities and investment portfolio reallocations.

Investments in debt securities totaled \$7.933 billion, or 22.96 percent of total assets at September 30, 2019, compared to \$7.981 billion, or 24.13 percent as of December 31, 2018, a decrease of \$48.0 million, or 0.60 percent. The majority of investments, \$7.895 billion as of September 30, 2019, are classified as being available for sale. Available-for-sale investments at September 30, 2019 included \$142.8 million in U.S. Treasury securities, \$4.621 billion in U.S. government guaranteed securities, \$2.403 billion in U.S. government agency guaranteed securities, and \$728.6 million in non-agency asset-backed securities. Since the majority of the portfolio is invested in U.S. government guaranteed and agency securities, the portfolio is highly liquid and potential credit loss exposure is limited. See Note 3, *Investments*, in the Notes to the Financial Statements for further information regarding types of securities that may be held under applicable FCA guidelines.

Management maintains the available-for-sale liquidity investment portfolio size generally proportionate with that of the loan portfolio and within regulatory and policy guidelines which provide that a System bank may hold certain eligible available-for-sale investments in an amount not to exceed 35.00 percent of its total loans outstanding. Based upon FCA guidelines, at September 30, 2019, the Bank's eligible available-for-sale investments were 34.03 percent of the total loans outstanding.

As of September 30, 2019, AgFirst exceeded all applicable regulatory liquidity requirements. FCA regulations require that the Bank have a liquidity policy that establishes a minimum total "coverage" level of 90 days and that short-term liquidity requirements must be met by certain high quality investments or cash. "Coverage" is defined as the number of days that maturing debt could be funded with eligible cash, cash equivalents, and available-for-sale investments maintained by the Bank.

The FCA classifies eligible liquidity investments according to four liquidity quality levels with level 1 being the most liquid. The first 15 days of minimum liquidity coverage are met using only level 1 instruments, which include cash and cash equivalents. Days 16 through 30 of minimum liquidity coverage are met using level 1 and level 2 instruments. Level 2 consists primarily of U.S. government guaranteed securities. Days 31 through 90 are met using level 1, level 2, and level 3 securities. Level 3 consists primarily of U.S. government agency investments. The fourth level is a supplemental liquidity buffer which is set to provide coverage to at least 120 days and which consists of level 1, level 2, and level 3 instruments in excess of the 90-day minimum liquidity reserve and asset-backed securities (ABSs).

At September 30, 2019, AgFirst met each of the individual level criteria above and had a total of 232 days of maturing debt coverage compared to 217 days at December 31, 2018. The increase resulted from a change in the timing of upcoming debt maturities. Cash provided by the Bank's operating activities is an additional source of liquidity for the Bank that is not reflected in the coverage calculation.

See Note 3, *Investments*, and Note 4, *Debt*, in the Notes to the Financial Statements for further information.

Capital

Total shareholders' equity increased \$323.4 million, or 14.54 percent, from December 31, 2018 to \$2.547 billion at September 30, 2019. This increase is primarily attributed to 2019 unallocated retained earnings from net income of \$191.9 million and an increase in net unrealized gains of \$135.3 million on investments primarily due to a decrease in interest rates, increasing the fair value of existing available-for-sale fixed-rate investment securities.

Regulatory Capital Ratios

AgFirst's regulatory ratios are shown in the following table:

	Regulatory Minimum, Including Buffer*	9/30/19	12/31/18	9/30/18
Permanent Capital Ratio	7.00%	19.02%	21.67%	21.40%
Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) Capital Ratio	7.00%	18.60%	21.20%	20.93%
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	8.50%	18.99%	21.64%	21.37%
Total Regulatory Capital Ratio	10.50%	19.14%	21.79%	21.51%
Tier 1 Leverage Ratio	5.00%	6.98%	7.53%	7.41%
Unallocated Retained Earnings (URE) and URE Equivalents Leverage Ratio	1.50%	6.04%	6.58%	6.44%

**Includes fully phased-in capital conservation buffers which will be effective January 1, 2020.*

The FCA sets minimum regulatory capital adequacy requirements for System banks and associations. The requirements are based on regulatory ratios as defined by the FCA and include the ratios listed in the schedule above.

The permanent capital, CET1, tier 1 capital, and total capital ratios are calculated by dividing the three-month average daily balance of the capital numerator, as defined by the FCA, by a risk-adjusted asset base. Risk-adjusted assets refer to the total dollar amount of the institution's assets adjusted by an appropriate credit conversion factor as defined by regulation. Generally, higher credit conversion factors are applied to assets with more inherent risk. Unlike these ratios, the tier 1 leverage and URE and URE equivalents leverage ratios do not incorporate any risk-adjusted weighting of assets. The tier 1 leverage and URE and URE equivalents leverage ratios are calculated by dividing the three-month average daily balance of the capital numerator, as defined by the FCA, by the three-month average daily balance of total assets adjusted for regulatory deductions.

For all periods presented, AgFirst exceeded minimum regulatory standards for all of the ratios. The Bank's capital ratios, which are calculated using a three-month average daily balance for both capital and assets, declined at September 30, 2019 compared to December 31, 2018 and September 30, 2018. Bank-declared patronage of \$298.2 million in 2018, which represented approximately 97.46 percent of 2018 net income and was accrued on December 31, 2018, was reflected in the December 31, 2018 ratios for only one day, but was fully reflected in the ratios at September 30, 2019. Higher average risk-weighted asset and total asset levels in the 2019 period also contributed to the decline in capital ratios compared to December 31, 2018 and were the primary reason for the decline in capital ratios compared to September 30, 2018.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2019 was \$61.3 million compared to \$74.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, a decrease of \$12.9 million, or 17.42 percent. Net income for the nine

months ended September 30, 2019 was \$191.9 million compared to \$226.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, a decrease of \$34.8 million or 15.35 percent. See below for further discussion of the change in net income by major components.

Key Results of Operations Comparisons

	Annualized for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	For the Year Ended December 31, 2018	Annualized for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018
Return on average assets	0.77%	0.95%	0.95%
Return on average shareholders' equity	10.72%	13.03%	13.05%
Net interest margin	1.22%	1.29%	1.31%
Operating expense as a percentage of net interest income and noninterest income	35.11%	30.61%	30.68%
Net (charge-offs) recoveries to average loans	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

The annualized return on average assets and return on average shareholders' equity ratios declined for the first nine months of 2019 compared to the same period in 2018 and to the year ended December 31, 2018 due primarily to lower annualized net income. The lower net interest margin ratio in 2019 compared to both prior periods was due to higher average earning asset levels and lower net interest income resulting from higher debt costs in the 2019 period.

For the operating expense as a percentage of net interest income and noninterest income ratio, operating expense consists primarily of noninterest expenses excluding losses (gains) from other property owned. This ratio was negatively impacted primarily by lower net interest income and noninterest income in the 2019 period compared to both prior periods. The net (charge-offs) recoveries to average loans ratio remained constant for all periods presented due to minimal net (charge-offs) recoveries. See *Allowance for Loan Losses*, *Net Interest Income*, *Noninterest Income*, and *Noninterest Expenses* sections for further discussion.

Net Interest Income

Net interest income for the three months ended September 30, 2019 was \$104.2 million compared to \$104.7 million for the same period of 2018, a decrease of \$581 thousand or 0.55 percent. For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, net interest income was \$299.9 million compared to \$308.1 million for the same period of 2018, a decrease of \$8.1 million, or 2.64 percent. The net interest margin, which is net interest income as a percentage of average earning assets, was 1.23 percent and 1.22 percent for the three and nine month periods of 2019, decreases of seven and nine basis points, respectively, compared to the same periods in the prior year. The decrease in net interest income primarily resulted from higher rates paid on interest-bearing liabilities, partially offset by the positive impact of higher balances and yields on interest-earning assets.

The Bank called substantial volumes of debt prior to 2018, which enhanced net interest margin significantly. Over time, net interest margin has naturally decreased as assets have repriced.

The effects of changes in volume and interest rates on net interest income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, as compared with the corresponding periods in 2018, are presented in the following table. The table distinguishes between the changes in interest income and interest expense related to average outstanding balances and to the levels of average interest rates. Accordingly, the benefit derived from funding earning assets with interest-free funds (principally capital) is reflected solely as a volume increase.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2019 vs. September 30, 2018			For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019 vs. September 30, 2018		
	Increase (decrease) due to changes in:			Increase (decrease) due to changes in:		
	Volume	Rate	Total	Volume	Rate	Total
Interest Income:						
Loans	\$ 10,937	\$ 5,916	\$ 16,853	\$ 32,048	\$ 46,970	\$ 79,018
Investments & Cash Equivalents	1,712	2,675	4,387	287	24,205	24,492
Other	1,309	(5)	1,304	3,922	(111)	3,811
Total Interest Income	13,958	8,586	22,544	36,257	71,064	107,321
Interest Expense:						
Interest-Bearing Liabilities	8,986	14,139	23,125	20,311	95,146	115,457
Changes in Net Interest Income	\$ 4,972	\$ (5,553)	\$ (581)	\$ 15,946	\$ (24,082)	\$ (8,136)

Provision for Loan Losses

AgFirst measures risks inherent in its loan portfolio on an ongoing basis and, as necessary, recognizes provision for loan loss expense so that appropriate reserves for loan losses are maintained. Loan loss provision was a net expense of \$1.1 million and \$1.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, respectively, compared to net expense of \$1.5 million and \$2.8 million for the corresponding periods in 2018.

For the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2019, the provision for loan losses included net provision expense for specific reserves of \$450 thousand and net provision reversals of \$907 thousand, respectively, and net provision expense for general reserves of \$680 thousand and \$2.4 million. Total net provision expense for the three months ended September 30, 2019 primarily related to borrowers in the field crops (\$796 thousand expense), and forestry (\$675 thousand expense) segments. For the nine month period in 2019, the provision for loan losses primarily related to borrowers in the forestry (\$595 thousand expense), utilities (\$570 thousand expense), and processing (\$396 thousand expense) segments.

For the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2018, the provision for loan losses included net provision expense for specific reserves of \$1.4 million and \$3.5 million, respectively, and net provision expense for general reserves of \$185 thousand and net provision reversals of \$708 thousand. Provision for loan losses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily resulted from expense in the field crops segment of \$1.4 million and \$2.8 million, respectively, which was primarily driven by expense related to one loan relationship that was transferred to nonaccrual in 2018.

See Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses*, in the Notes to the Financial Statements for further information.

Noninterest Income

The following table illustrates the changes in noninterest income:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)
Loan fees	\$ 2,281	\$ 2,228	\$ 53	\$ 6,400	\$ 6,201	\$ 199
Building lease income	1,095	807	288	3,085	2,484	601
Gains (losses) on investments, net	—	13	(13)	—	13	(13)
Gains (losses) on debt extinguishment	(11,733)	—	(11,733)	(20,109)	150	(20,259)
Gains (losses) on other transactions	772	468	304	513	1,862	(1,349)
Insurance premium refund	—	—	—	2,620	6,330	(3,710)
Other noninterest income	1,677	1,877	(200)	5,702	5,997	(295)
Total noninterest income	\$ (5,908)	\$ 5,393	\$ (11,301)	\$ (1,789)	\$ 23,037	\$ (24,826)

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 compared to the corresponding periods in 2018, noninterest income decreased \$11.3 million and \$24.8 million, respectively. Significant line item dollar variances are discussed below.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, building lease income increased \$601 thousand primarily due to higher lease income from tenants in the Bank's headquarters building.

Debt issuance expense is amortized over the life of the underlying debt security. When debt securities are called prior to maturity, any unamortized issuance cost is expensed. Losses on debt extinguishment increased \$11.7 million and \$20.3 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2018. Call options were exercised on bonds totaling \$6.812 billion and \$11.887 billion for the three and nine month periods in 2019, respectively, compared to no bonds called for the same periods in 2018. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, in order to improve its repricing and maturity gap position, the Bank extinguished discount notes totaling \$450.0 million and recognized a gain of \$150 thousand. Debt is called to take advantage of favorable market interest rate changes. The amount of debt issuance cost expensed is dependent upon both the volume and remaining maturity of the debt when called. Losses on called debt are more than offset by interest expense savings realized over the life of the replacement debt.

For the nine month period ended September 30, 2019 compared to the prior year, net gains on other transactions decreased \$1.3 million. The lower gains resulted primarily from a gain of \$1.6 million recognized during 2018 from the Bank establishing interest rate lock and forward commitment derivatives that resulted from the sale of Correspondent Lending loans. There have been no sales of Correspondent Lending loans in 2019.

The Bank received \$2.6 million and \$6.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, in insurance premium refunds from the FCSIC, which insures the System's debt obligations. The FCSIC refunds are nonrecurring and resulted from the assets of the FCSIC at the end of 2017 and 2018 exceeding the secure base amount as defined by the Farm Credit Act.

Noninterest Expenses

The following table illustrates the changes in noninterest expenses:

Change in Noninterest Expenses <i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)	2019	2018	Increase/ (Decrease)
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 16,648	\$ 15,516	\$ 1,132	\$ 49,110	\$ 47,631	\$ 1,479
Occupancy and equipment	6,169	5,786	383	18,264	16,899	1,365
Insurance Fund premiums	2,317	2,044	273	6,737	6,171	566
Other operating expenses	10,672	11,001	(329)	30,570	30,884	(314)
Losses (gains) from other property owned	23	16	7	118	75	43
Total noninterest expenses	<u>\$ 35,829</u>	<u>\$ 34,363</u>	<u>\$ 1,466</u>	<u>\$ 104,799</u>	<u>\$ 101,660</u>	<u>\$ 3,139</u>

Noninterest expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019 increased \$1.5 million and \$3.1 million, respectively, compared to the corresponding periods in 2018. Significant line item dollar variances are discussed below.

Salaries and employee benefits increased \$1.1 million and \$1.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2019, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2018. The increases for the three and nine month periods resulted primarily from \$963 thousand and \$1.9 million, respectively, in higher salaries and incentives due to normal salary administration. For the three and nine month periods, increases of \$324 thousand and \$423 thousand, respectively, in group health insurance resulted primarily from a premium holiday in 2018. These increases were partially offset by decreases of \$233 thousand and \$964 thousand for the three and nine month periods, respectively, in postretirement benefits expenses mainly due to lower pension service costs.

Occupancy and equipment expenses increased \$1.4 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2019 compared to the same period in the prior year. This increase resulted primarily from higher maintenance and lease costs.

Insurance Fund premiums increased \$566 thousand for the nine month period ended September 30, 2019, compared to the same period in 2018 primarily due to higher average debt balances in the 2019 period. The base annual premium rate was 9 basis points in both 2018 and 2019. The FCSIC Board makes premium rate adjustments, as necessary, to maintain their secure base amount which is based upon insured debt outstanding at System banks.

REGULATORY MATTERS

Capital

The following quantitative disclosures contain regulatory disclosures as required for the Bank under Regulation 628.62 and 628.63 for risk-adjusted ratios: common equity tier 1, tier 1 capital and total regulatory capital ratios. As required, these disclosures are made available for at least three years and can be accessed via AgFirst's website at www.agfirst.com.

SCOPE OF APPLICATION

AgFirst is one of the four banks of the System, a nationwide system of cooperatively owned Banks and Associations, established by Congress and subject to the provisions of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended. The Bank prepares financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) and prevailing practices within the financial services industry.

As of September 30, 2019, the AgFirst District consisted of the Bank and 19 District Associations. All 19 were structured as Agricultural Credit Association (ACA) holding companies, with Production Credit Association (PCA) and Federal Land Credit Association (FLCA) subsidiaries. AgFirst is owned by these 19 Associations. The Bank does not have any subsidiaries requiring consolidation; therefore, there are no consolidated entities for which the total capital requirement is deducted, there are no restrictions on transfer of funds or total capital with other consolidated entities and no subsidiary exists which is below the minimum total capital requirement individually or when aggregated at the Bank's level. In conjunction with other System entities, the Bank jointly owns certain service organizations: the Federal Farm Credit Banks Funding Corporation (Funding Corporation), the FCS Building Association (FCSBA), and the Farm Credit Association Captive Insurance Corporation (Captive). Certain of the Bank's investments in other System institutions, including the investment in the Funding Corporation and FCSBA, are deducted from capital as only the institution that issued the equities may count the amount as capital.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE

The table below outlines the Bank's capital structure for the capital adequacy calculations as of September 30, 2019:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	3-Month Average Daily Balance
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital (CET1)	
Common cooperative equities:	
Statutory minimum purchased borrower stock	\$ 23
Other required member purchased stock	128,077
Allocated equities:	
Allocated stock subject to retirement	187,719
Nonqualified allocated surplus subject to retirement	421
Unallocated retained earnings	2,016,717
Paid-in capital	58,883
Regulatory adjustments and deductions made to CET1*	(71,754)
Total CET1	<u>\$ 2,320,086</u>
Additional Tier 1 Capital (AT1)	
Non-cumulative perpetual preferred stock	\$ 49,250
Regulatory adjustments and deductions made to AT1	—
Total AT1	<u>\$ 49,250</u>
Total Tier 1 Capital	<u>\$ 2,369,336</u>
Tier 2 Capital	
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 18,715
Reserve for unfunded commitments	277
Regulatory adjustments and deductions made to total capital	—
Total Tier 2 Capital	<u>\$ 18,992</u>
Total Regulatory Capital	<u>\$ 2,388,328</u>

*Primarily investments in other System institutions.

CAPITAL ADEQUACY AND CAPITAL BUFFERS

The table below outlines the Bank's risk-weighted assets by exposure calculated on a three-month average daily balance (including accrued interest of that exposure) as of September 30, 2019:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Risk-Weighted Assets
Exposures to:	
Government-sponsored entities, including Direct Notes to Associations	\$ 4,043,155
Depository institutions	49,137
Corporate exposures, including borrower loans and leases	5,403,786
Residential mortgage loans	1,031,321
Past due > 90 days and nonaccrual loans	23,777
Securitizations	228,273
Exposures to obligors and other assets	122,747
Off-balance sheet exposures	1,574,473
Total risk-weighted assets	<u>\$ 12,476,669</u>

As of September 30, 2019, the Bank was well-capitalized and exceeded all capital requirements to which it was subject, including applicable capital buffers. The Bank's risk-adjusted capital ratios exceeded the regulatory minimum levels, including the conservation buffer, by at least 9.27 percent. Additionally, the Bank's leverage ratio was 1.98 percent in excess of its required minimum leverage ratio, including the buffer. If the capital ratios fall below the minimum regulatory requirements, including the buffer amounts, capital distributions (equity redemptions, dividends, and patronage) and discretionary senior executive bonuses are restricted or prohibited without prior FCA approval.

Eligible retained income is defined as the Bank's net income for the four calendar quarters preceding the current calendar quarter, net of any capital distributions not already included in net income. The aggregate amount of eligible retained income was \$(21.0) million as of September 30, 2019.

The following sets forth the regulatory capital ratios as of September 30, 2019:

Ratio	Regulatory Minimum Requirement	Capital Conservation Buffer	Minimum Requirement, Including Buffer	Capital Ratios as of September 30, 2019
Risk-adjusted ratios:				
CET1 Capital*	4.50%	1.875%	6.375%	18.60%
Tier 1 Capital*	6.00%	1.875%	7.875%	18.99%
Total Regulatory Capital*	8.00%	1.875%	9.875%	19.14%
Permanent Capital	7.00%	0.00%	7.00%	19.02%
Non-risk-adjusted ratios:				
Tier 1 Leverage	4.00%	1.00%	5.00%	6.98%
URE and URE Equivalents Leverage	1.50%	0.00%	1.50%	6.04%

* The capital conservation buffers over risk-adjusted ratio minimums have a 3-year phase-in period and will become fully effective January 1, 2020. Risk-adjusted ratio minimums will increase 0.625% each year until fully phased in. There is no phase-in period for the tier 1 leverage ratio.

CREDIT RISK

System entities have specific lending authorities within their chartered territories. The Bank is subject to credit risk by lending to the District's FLCAs, PCAs, and ACAs as well as Other Financing Institutions (OFIs). The Bank also purchases participations and syndications and first lien residential mortgage loans. The allowance for loan losses is determined based on a periodic evaluation of the loan portfolio, which identifies loans that may be impaired based on characteristics such as probability of default (PD) and loss given default (LGD). Allowance needs by geographic region are only considered in rare circumstances that may not otherwise be reflected in the PD and LGD (flooding, drought, etc.). There was no allowance attributed to a geographic area as of September 30, 2019. See Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses*, and Note 3, *Investments*, in the Notes to the Financial Statements for quantitative disclosures related to the Bank's credit risk.

CREDIT RISK MITIGATION

Credit Risk Mitigation Related to Loans

The Bank uses various strategies to mitigate credit risk in its lending portfolio. As described in Note 1 of the Bank's Annual Report, a substantial portion of the loan balance is concentrated in notes receivable from the District Associations to fund their earning assets, which collateralize the notes. In addition, the earnings, capital and loan loss reserves of the Associations provide additional layers of protection against losses in their respective retail loan portfolios.

The following table illustrates certain significant credit risk mitigants within AgFirst's loan portfolio which reduce capital requirements:

	September 30, 2019		
	Amortized Cost	Risk-Weighted Exposures	% of Total Loans
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>			
Loans with unconditional guarantee	\$ 5,867	\$ —	—%
Loans with conditional guarantee	1,203,987	245,218	5%
Direct Notes to District Associations	16,851,092	3,348,331	67%
Total	\$ 18,060,946	\$ 3,593,549	72%

The Bank's credit risk associated with its Direct Note portfolio approximates that of the aggregate District Associations' portfolios as a whole. Excluding accrued interest receivable, at September 30, 2019, the Bank's Direct Note portfolio totaled \$16.805 billion and aggregate District Associations' loan portfolios totaled \$22.362 billion.

The following table illustrates the geographic distribution of the aggregate loan portfolios for AgFirst District Associations as of September 30, 2019:

AgFirst Total District Associations Loan Portfolios by State	
	Percent of Portfolio
North Carolina	16 %
Georgia	11
Virginia	10
Pennsylvania	10
Ohio	8
Florida	8
Maryland	7
South Carolina	6
Alabama	5
Kentucky	4
Mississippi	3
Louisiana	2
Delaware	2
All Other States	8
Total	100 %

The following table illustrates the various major commodity groups in the aggregate District Associations' loan portfolios based on borrower eligibility and the percentage of the aggregate outstanding District Associations' loan volume at September 30, 2019:

AgFirst Total District Associations Loan Portfolios by Commodity Group Based on Eligibility	
	Percent of Portfolio
Forestry	14 %
Poultry	14
Field Crops	12
Cattle	9
Grains	8
Corn	6
Other Real Estate	5
Dairy	5
Cotton	4
Tree Fruits and Nuts	3
Swine	3
Nursery/Greenhouse	3
Rural Home Loan	2
Processing	2
Other	10
Total	100 %

The following table illustrates the aggregate District Associations' loan portfolios based upon repayment dependency by commodity and the percentage of the aggregate outstanding District Associations' loan volume at September 30, 2019:

AgFirst Total District Associations Loan Portfolios by Commodity Group Based on Repayment Dependency	
	Percent of Portfolio
Non-Farm Income	32 %
Grains	14
Poultry	13
Timber	6
Dairy	5
Fruit and Vegetables	4
Beef	4
Cotton	4
Swine	3
Tobacco	2
Farm-Related Business	2
Landlords	2
Nursery	2
Other	7
Total	100 %

The following table illustrates AgFirst's loan portfolio by geographic distribution at September 30, 2019. The loan portfolio includes loans in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. This table excludes the Bank's Direct Notes and loans to OFI portfolios.

AgFirst Participations and Correspondent Lending Portfolios by State		
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Total Loans	Percent of Total
North Carolina	\$ 1,453,650	18 %
Georgia	1,024,356	13
Florida	603,742	7
Virginia	571,721	7
South Carolina	460,117	6
Texas	434,164	5
Maryland	323,798	4
California	259,523	3
Kentucky	205,107	3
Pennsylvania	201,873	3
Minnesota	200,915	3
Missouri	187,420	2
Ohio	180,461	2
New York	156,174	2
Kansas	133,442	2
Louisiana	129,265	2
All Other States	1,469,203	18
Total	\$ 7,994,931	100 %

The following table shows the various major commodity groups in the portfolio based on borrower eligibility and the percentage of the outstanding portfolio volume at September 30, 2019. This table excludes the Bank's Direct Notes and loans to OFI portfolios.

**AgFirst Participations and Correspondent Lending
Portfolios by Commodity Group
Based on Eligibility**

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Total Loans	Percent of Total
Rural Home Loan	\$ 3,276,816	41 %
Forestry	950,465	12
Utilities	853,110	11
Processing	695,383	9
Field Crops	310,566	4
Other Real Estate	211,816	3
Tree Fruits and Nuts	194,426	2
Dairy	192,145	2
Nursery/Greenhouse	182,168	2
Swine	160,132	2
Cattle	138,883	2
Other	829,021	10
Total	<u>\$ 7,994,931</u>	<u>100 %</u>

The following table segregates loans based upon repayment dependency by commodity at September 30, 2019. This table excludes the Bank's Direct Notes and loans to OFI portfolios.

**AgFirst Participations and Correspondent Lending
Portfolios by Commodity Group
Based on Repayment Dependency**

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Total Loans	Percent of Total
Non-Farm Income	\$ 3,571,560	45 %
Rural Utilities	853,110	11
Timber	808,587	10
Fruit and Vegetables	431,563	5
Grains	331,082	4
Processing and Marketing	281,292	4
Swine	258,804	3
Farm-Related Business	219,184	3
Dairy	192,222	2
Poultry	167,588	2
Nursery	141,533	2
Beef	139,379	2
Other	599,027	7
Total	<u>\$ 7,994,931</u>	<u>100 %</u>

The Bank does not use credit default swaps as part of its credit risk management approach.

Credit Risk Mitigation Related to Investments

Credit risk in AgFirst’s investment portfolio is largely mitigated by investing primarily in securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or one of its agencies.

The following table shows the investment exposures covered by a guarantee:

September 30, 2019					
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	% of Total Investments	Risk- Weighted Exposures	
Unconditional Guarantee:					
U.S. Govt. Treasury Securities	\$ 142,222	\$ 142,765	2%	\$	–
U.S. Govt. Guaranteed	4,548,833	4,620,516	58%		–
Conditional Guarantee:					
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed	2,393,006	2,404,073	30%		450,653
Total	<u>\$ 7,084,061</u>	<u>\$ 7,167,354</u>	<u>90%</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>450,653</u>

COUNTERPARTY CREDIT RISK

See Note 10, *Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedging Activities*, in the Notes to the Financial Statements for further information on any counterparty exposures related to derivatives as of September 30, 2019.

SECURITIZATION

The Bank has elected to utilize the simplified supervisory formula risk-based capital approach (SSFA) for securitization exposures. As such, the Bank’s asset-backed securities (ABS) portfolio is risk weighted on an individual security level. As of September 30, 2019, the ABS risk-weights ranged from 20.00 percent to 95.94 percent, with a weighted average risk-weight of 28.23 percent.

The following table shows the risk-weight distribution as of September 30, 2019 for ABS securities which are risk weighted using the SSFA approach:

ABS Securities by SSFA Risk Weight Classification			
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Automobile ABSs	Credit Card ABSs	Total
0% – 50%	\$ 111,719	\$ 519,074	\$ 630,793
Greater than 50% – 100%	95,293	–	95,293
Greater than 100% – 150%	–	–	–
Total Exposure	<u>\$ 207,012</u>	<u>\$ 519,074</u>	<u>\$ 726,086</u>

As of September 30, 2019, the Bank did not hold any off-balance sheet securitization exposures nor were any securitization exposures deducted from capital. For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, there were no sales of ABS securities that resulted in realized gains or losses.

Refer to Note 3, *Investments*, in the Notes to the Financial Statements for additional information related to purchases and sales of securitization exposures as well as the amortized cost, unrealized gains/(losses) and fair value of mortgage-backed securities (MBSs) and ABSs held in the investment portfolio.

EQUITIES

At September 30, 2019, the Bank had no equity investments.

INTEREST RATE RISK

The following tables represent AgFirst's market value of equity and projected change over the next twelve months in net interest income for various rate movements as of September 30, 2019:

Net Interest Income <i>(dollars in thousands)</i>		
Scenarios	Net Interest Income	% Change
+4.0% Shock	\$416,959	0.61%
+2.0% Shock	\$430,608	3.91%
Base line **	\$414,424	—%
-1.0% Shock	\$478,567	15.48%
-50% of 3M Tbill ***	\$470,988	13.65%

Market Value of Equity <i>(dollars in thousands)</i>				
Scenarios	Assets	Liabilities*	Equity*	% Change
Book Value	\$34,558,767	\$32,060,924	\$2,497,843	—%
+4.0% Shock	\$31,736,026	\$29,919,759	\$1,816,267	-34.52%
+2.0% Shock	\$33,371,521	\$31,052,315	\$2,319,206	-16.39%
Base line **	\$34,917,163	\$32,143,183	\$2,773,980	—%
-1.0% Shock	\$35,396,527	\$32,400,023	\$2,996,504	8.02%
-50% of 3M Tbill ***	\$35,365,461	\$32,391,185	\$2,974,276	7.22%

*For interest rate risk management, the \$49.3 million perpetual preferred stock is included in liabilities rather than equity.

**Base line uses rates as of the balance sheet date before application of any interest rate shocks.

***When the three-month Treasury bill interest rate is less than 4 percent, both the minus 200 and minus 400 basis point shocks are replaced with a downward shock which is equal to one-half of the three-month Treasury bill rate. At September 30, 2019, this downward shock was 91 basis points.

Other Regulatory Matters

On April 3, 2019, the Farm Credit Administration issued a proposed rule that would clarify the factors that System institutions should consider when categorizing high-risk loans and placing them in nonaccrual status. The rule would also revise the criteria by which loans are reinstated to accrual status, and would revise the application of the criteria to certain loans in nonaccrual status to distinguish between the types of risk that cause loans to be placed in nonaccrual status. The public comment period ended on June 3, 2019.

On September 18, 2019, the Farm Credit Administration issued a proposed rule to amend its investment regulations to allow System associations to purchase and hold the portion of certain loans that non-System lenders originate and sell in the secondary market, and that the USDA unconditionally guarantees or insures as to timely payment of principal and interest. The rule would authorize associations to buy investments to augment the liquidity of rural credit markets, reduce the capital burden on community banks and other non-System lenders who choose to sell their USDA guaranteed portions of loans, and to enhance the ability of associations to manage risk. The public comment period ends on November 18, 2019.

On September 23, 2019, the Farm Credit Administration issued a proposed rule that would ensure the System's capital requirements, including certain regulatory disclosures, reflect the current expected credit losses methodology, which revises the accounting for credit losses under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The proposed rule identifies which credit loss allowances under CECL are eligible for inclusion in a System institution's regulatory capital. Credit loss allowances related to loans, lessor's net investments in leases, and held-to-maturity debt securities would be included in a System institution's Tier 2 capital up to 1.25% of the System institution's total risk weighted assets. Credit loss allowances for available-for-sale debt securities and purchased credit impaired assets would not be eligible for inclusion in a System institution's Tier 2 capital. In addition, the proposed regulation does not include a

transition phase-in period for the CECL day 1 cumulative effect adjustment to retained earnings on a System institution’s regulatory capital ratios. The public comment period ends on November 22, 2019.

RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Please refer to Note 1, *Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements*, in the Notes to the Financial Statements, and the 2018 Annual Report of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank for recently issued accounting pronouncements.

The following Accounting Standards Update (ASU) was issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) but has not yet been adopted:

Summary of Guidance	Adoption and Potential Financial Statement Impact
ASU 2016-13 – Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replaces multiple existing impairment standards by establishing a single framework for financial assets to reflect management’s estimate of current expected credit losses (CECL) over the complete remaining life of the financial assets. • Changes the present incurred loss impairment guidance for loans to a CECL model. • The Update also modifies the other-than-temporary impairment model for debt securities to require an allowance for credit impairment instead of a direct write-down, which allows for reversal of credit impairments in future periods based on improvements in credit. • Eliminates existing guidance for purchased credit impaired (PCI) loans, and requires recognition of an allowance for expected credit losses on these financial assets. • Requires a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the reporting period of adoption. • Effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early application will be permitted for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2018. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation efforts have begun by establishing a cross-discipline governance structure. The implementation includes identification of key interpretive issues, scoping of financial instruments, and assessing existing credit loss forecasting models and processes against the new guidance. • The new guidance is expected to result in an increase in allowance for credit losses due to several factors, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The allowance related to loans and commitments will most likely increase to cover credit losses over the full remaining expected life of the portfolio, and will consider expected future changes in macroeconomic conditions, 2. An allowance will be established for estimated credit losses on any debt securities, 3. The nonaccretable difference on any PCI loans will be recognized as an allowance, offset by an increase in the carrying value of the related loans. • The extent of the increase is under evaluation, but will depend upon the nature and characteristics of the financial instrument portfolios, and the macroeconomic conditions and forecasts at the adoption date. • The guidance is expected to be adopted in first quarter 2021.

NOTE: Shareholder investment in a District Association is materially affected by the financial condition and results of operations of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank. Copies of AgFirst’s annual and quarterly reports are available upon request free of charge by calling 1-800-845-1745, ext. 2764, or writing Matthew Miller, Controller, AgFirst Farm Credit Bank, P.O. Box 1499, Columbia, SC 29202. Combined information concerning AgFirst Farm Credit Bank and District Associations can also be obtained at the Bank’s website, www.agfirst.com. AgFirst prepares a quarterly report within 40 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, except that no quarterly report need be prepared for the fiscal quarter that coincides with the end of the fiscal year of the institution.

Balance Sheets

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019 <i>(unaudited)</i>	December 31, 2018 <i>(audited)</i>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 556,909	\$ 421,485
Cash equivalents	825,000	100,000
Investments in debt securities:		
Available-for-sale (amortized cost of \$7,808,773 and \$7,988,624, respectively)	7,894,602	7,939,196
Held-to-maturity (fair value of \$42,666 and \$44,894, respectively)	38,664	42,052
Total investments in debt securities	7,933,266	7,981,248
Loans	24,935,766	24,275,881
Allowance for loan losses	(19,815)	(18,049)
Net loans	24,915,951	24,257,832
Accrued interest receivable	95,296	90,794
Accounts receivable	71,872	71,061
Equity investments in other Farm Credit institutions	75,444	74,798
Premises and equipment, net	53,816	55,865
Other property owned	2,665	2,842
Other assets	28,548	22,537
Total assets	\$ 34,558,767	\$ 33,078,462
Liabilities		
Systemwide bonds payable	\$ 26,826,557	\$ 25,807,367
Systemwide notes payable	5,018,158	4,574,334
Accrued interest payable	101,909	109,659
Accounts payable	24,626	327,610
Other liabilities	40,424	35,795
Total liabilities	32,011,674	30,854,765
Commitments and contingencies (Note 8)		
Shareholders' Equity		
Perpetual preferred stock	49,250	49,250
Capital stock and participation certificates	315,819	317,840
Additional paid-in-capital	58,883	58,883
Retained earnings		
Allocated	416	440
Unallocated	2,039,141	1,848,936
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	83,584	(51,652)
Total shareholders' equity	2,547,093	2,223,697
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 34,558,767	\$ 33,078,462

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statements of Income

(unaudited)

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Interest Income				
Investment securities	\$ 54,932	\$ 50,545	\$ 167,334	\$ 142,842
Loans	228,688	211,835	674,002	594,984
Other	1,312	8	3,970	159
Total interest income	284,932	262,388	845,306	737,985
Interest Expense	180,771	157,646	545,379	429,922
Net interest income	104,161	104,742	299,927	308,063
Provision for loan losses	1,130	1,544	1,483	2,806
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	103,031	103,198	298,444	305,257
Noninterest Income				
Loan fees	2,281	2,228	6,400	6,201
Building lease income	1,095	807	3,085	2,484
Gains (losses) on investments, net	—	13	—	13
Gains (losses) on debt extinguishment	(11,733)	—	(20,109)	150
Gains (losses) on other transactions	772	468	513	1,862
Insurance premium refund	—	—	2,620	6,330
Other noninterest income	1,677	1,877	5,702	5,997
Total noninterest income	(5,908)	5,393	(1,789)	23,037
Noninterest Expenses				
Salaries and employee benefits	16,648	15,516	49,110	47,631
Occupancy and equipment	6,169	5,786	18,264	16,899
Insurance Fund premiums	2,317	2,044	6,737	6,171
Other operating expenses	10,672	11,001	30,570	30,884
Losses (gains) from other property owned	23	16	118	75
Total noninterest expenses	35,829	34,363	104,799	101,660
Net income	\$ 61,294	\$ 74,228	\$ 191,856	\$ 226,634

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statements of Comprehensive Income

(unaudited)

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Net income	\$ 61,294	\$ 74,228	\$ 191,856	\$ 226,634
Other comprehensive income:				
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	19,985	(16,954)	135,257	(69,652)
Change in value of cash flow hedges	(116)	73	(267)	749
Employee benefit plans adjustments	82	125	246	375
Other comprehensive income (Note 5)	19,951	(16,756)	135,236	(68,528)
Comprehensive income	\$ 81,245	\$ 57,472	\$ 327,092	\$ 158,106

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

(unaudited)

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Perpetual Preferred Stock	Capital Stock and Participation Certificates	Additional Paid-In-Capital	Retained Earnings		Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Shareholders' Equity
				Allocated	Unallocated		
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$ 49,250	\$ 313,752	\$ 58,883	\$ 492	\$ 1,845,194	\$ (24,756)	\$ 2,242,815
Comprehensive income					226,634	(68,528)	158,106
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net		(3,612)					(3,612)
Dividends paid on perpetual preferred stock					(1,191)		(1,191)
Retained earnings retired				(41)			(41)
Patronage distribution adjustment					137		137
Balance at September 30, 2018	\$ 49,250	\$ 310,140	\$ 58,883	\$ 451	\$ 2,070,774	\$ (93,284)	\$ 2,396,214
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 49,250	\$ 317,840	\$ 58,883	\$ 440	\$ 1,848,936	\$ (51,652)	\$ 2,223,697
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle					(149)		(149)
Comprehensive income					191,856	135,236	327,092
Capital stock/participation certificates issued/(retired), net		(2,177)					(2,177)
Dividends paid on perpetual preferred stock					(1,394)		(1,394)
Retained earnings retired				(24)			(24)
Patronage distribution adjustment		156			(108)		48
Balance at September 30, 2019	\$ 49,250	\$ 315,819	\$ 58,883	\$ 416	\$ 2,039,141	\$ 83,584	\$ 2,547,093

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statements of Cash Flows

(unaudited)

For the Nine Months
Ended September 30,

2019 2018

(dollars in thousands)

Cash flows from operating activities:

Net income	\$	191,856	\$	226,634
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation on premises and equipment		6,258		5,988
Amortization of net deferred loan (fees) costs and premium amortization (discount accretion)		2,010		1,188
Premium amortization (discount accretion) on investment securities		3,181		3,913
(Premium amortization) discount accretion on bonds and notes		90,618		68,303
Provision for loan losses		1,483		2,806
(Gains) losses on other property owned, net		74		45
(Gains) losses on investments, net		—		(13)
(Gains) losses on debt extinguishment		20,109		(150)
(Gains) losses on other transactions		(513)		(1,862)
Net change in loans held for sale		3,361		2,406
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable		(4,502)		(13,791)
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(811)		23,004
Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable		(7,750)		28,101
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		(4,859)		(21,607)
Change in other, net		(829)		(4,422)
Total adjustments		107,830		93,909
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		299,686		320,543

Cash flows from investing activities:

Investment securities purchased		(1,590,598)		(1,830,217)
Investment securities sold or matured		1,770,389		1,914,277
Net (increase) decrease in loans		(664,971)		(660,265)
(Increase) decrease in equity investments in other Farm Credit System institutions		(646)		(785)
Purchase of premises and equipment, net		(4,199)		(3,829)
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment		45		—
Proceeds from sale of other property owned		103		61
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(489,877)		(580,758)

Cash flows from financing activities:

Bonds and notes issued		24,465,352		12,008,176
Bonds and notes retired		(23,113,065)		(11,674,810)
Capital stock and participation certificates issued/retired, net		(2,177)		(3,612)
Distribution to shareholders		(298,077)		(312,319)
Dividends paid on perpetual preferred stock		(1,394)		(1,191)
Retained earnings retired		(24)		(41)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		1,050,615		16,203
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		860,424		(244,012)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		521,485		713,287
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	1,381,909	\$	469,275

Supplemental schedule of non-cash activities:

Receipt of property in settlement of loans	\$	—	\$	414
Change in unrealized gains (losses) on investments, net		135,257		(69,652)
Employee benefit plans adjustments		(246)		(375)

Supplemental information:

Interest paid	\$	462,511	\$	333,518
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

(unaudited)

Note 1 — Organization, Significant Accounting Policies, and Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Organization

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of AgFirst Farm Credit Bank (AgFirst or Bank). AgFirst and its related Agricultural Credit Associations (Associations or District Associations) are collectively referred to as the AgFirst District (District). A complete description of the organization and operations, the significant accounting policies followed, and the financial condition and results of operations of the Bank as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018 are contained in the 2018 Annual Report to Shareholders. These unaudited interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the latest Annual Report to Shareholders.

Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying financial statements contain all adjustments necessary for a fair statement of results for the periods presented. These adjustments are of a normal recurring nature, unless otherwise disclosed.

Certain amounts in the prior period's financial statements may have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on the prior period net income or total capital as previously reported.

The results of any interim period are not necessarily indicative of those to be expected for a full year.

Significant Accounting Policies

The Bank's accounting and reporting policies conform with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and practices in the financial services industry. To prepare the financial statements in conformity with GAAP, management must make estimates based on assumptions about future economic and market conditions (for example, unemployment, market liquidity, real estate prices, etc.) that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, income and expenses during the reporting period, and the related disclosures. Although these estimates contemplate current conditions and expectations of change in the future, it is reasonably possible that actual conditions may be different than anticipated, which could materially affect results of operations and financial condition.

Management has made significant estimates in several areas, including loans and allowance for loan losses (Note 2, *Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses*), investment securities and other-than-temporary impairment (Note 3, *Investments*), and financial instruments (Note 6, *Fair Value Measurement*). Actual results could differ from those estimates.

For further details of significant accounting policies, see Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*, from the latest Annual Report.

Accounting Standards Updates (ASUs) Issued During the Period

The following ASUs were issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) since the most recent year end:

- In May 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-05 Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326): Targeted Transition Relief. The amendments in this Update provide entities with an option to irrevocably elect the fair value option applied on an instrument-by-instrument basis for certain financial assets upon the adoption of Topic 326. The fair value option election does not apply to held-to-maturity debt securities. For entities that have not yet adopted the amendments in ASU 2016-13, the effective date and transition methodology for the amendments in this Update are the same as in that Update. Evaluation of any possible effects the guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations is in progress.

- In April 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-04 Codification Improvements to Topic 326 Financial Instruments—Credit Losses, Topic 815 Derivatives and Hedging, and Topic 825 Financial Instruments. The amendments in this Update clarify, correct, and improve various aspects of the guidance in the following Updates related to financial instruments: ASU 2016-01 Financial Instruments—Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Liabilities, ASU 2016-13 Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments, and ASU 2017-12 Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): Targeted Improvements to Accounting for Hedging Activities. The items addressed generally are not expected to have a significant effect on current accounting practice or to create a significant administrative cost for most entities. For entities that have not yet adopted the amendments in ASU 2016-13, the effective dates and transition requirements for the amendments related to this Update are the same as the effective dates and transition requirements in ASU 2016-13. The transition adjustment includes adjustments made as a result of an entity developing or amending its accounting policy upon adoption of the amendments in this Update for determining when accrued interest receivables are deemed uncollectible and written off. For entities that have adopted the amendments in ASU 2017-12 as of the issuance date of this Update, the effective date is as of the beginning of the first annual period beginning after the issuance date of this Update. For those entities, early adoption is permitted, including adoption on any date on or after the issuance of this Update. The amendments in this Update related to ASU 2016-01 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted in any interim period following the issuance of this Update as long as the entity has adopted all of the amendments in ASU 2016-01. The amendments in this Update should be applied on a modified-retrospective transition basis by means of a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening retained earnings balance in the statement of financial position as of the date an entity adopted all of the amendments in ASU 2016-01. Evaluation of any possible effects the guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations is in progress.
- In March 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-01 Leases (Topic 842): Codification Improvements. The Update addresses potential implementation issues that could arise as organizations implement Topic 842. The amendments in the Update include the following items brought to the FASB’s attention through interactions with stakeholders: 1. Determining the fair value of the underlying asset by lessors that are not manufacturers or dealers; 2. Presentation on the statement of cash flows—sales-type and direct financing leases; 3. Transition disclosures related to Topic 250, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections. Evaluation of any possible effects the guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations is in progress.

ASUs Pending Effective Date

For a detailed description of the ASUs below, see the latest Annual Report.

Potential effects of ASUs issued in previous periods:

- In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-15 Intangibles—Goodwill and Other—Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer’s Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement That Is a Service Contract. The amendments align the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred in a hosting arrangement that is a service contract with the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain internal-use software (and hosting arrangements that include an internal use software license). The accounting for the service element of a hosting arrangement that is a service contract is not affected by the amendments in this Update. The guidance is effective for public business entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in any interim period, for all entities. The amendments should be applied either retrospectively or prospectively to all implementation costs incurred after the date of adoption. Evaluation of any possible effects the guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations is in progress.
- In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-14 Compensation—Retirement Benefits—Defined Benefit Plans—General (Subtopic 715-20): Disclosure Framework—Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Defined Benefit Plans. The amendments in this Update remove disclosures that are no longer considered cost beneficial, clarify the specific requirements of certain disclosures, and add new disclosure requirements identified as relevant. Although narrow in scope, the amendments are considered an important part of the

FASB's efforts to improve the effectiveness of disclosures in the notes to financial statements by applying concepts in the Concepts Statement, Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting—Chapter 8: Notes to Financial Statements. The amendments are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2020, for public business entities. Early adoption is permitted. Evaluation of any possible effects the guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations is in progress.

- In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-13 Disclosure Framework—Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement. The amendments are part of the FASB's disclosure framework project. The project's objective and primary focus are to improve the effectiveness of disclosures in the notes to financial statements by facilitating clear communication of the information required by GAAP that is most important to users of each entity's financial statements. The amendments remove, modify or add certain disclosures contained in the financial statement footnotes related to fair value. Additionally, the guidance is intended to promote the appropriate exercise of discretion by entities when considering fair value measurement disclosures and to clarify that materiality is an appropriate consideration of entities and their auditors when evaluating disclosure requirements. The amendments are effective for all entities for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2019. Certain amendments should be applied prospectively for only the most recent interim or annual period presented in the initial fiscal year of adoption. All other amendments should be applied retrospectively to all periods presented upon their effective date. Early adoption is permitted upon issuance. Entities are permitted to early adopt any removed or modified disclosures upon issuance of this Update and delay adoption of the additional disclosures until their effective date. The removed disclosures were adopted effective with the 2018 Annual Report. Evaluation of any possible effects the additional and modified disclosures guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations is in progress.
- In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13 Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments. This Update, and subsequent clarifying guidance issued, is intended to improve financial reporting by requiring timelier recording of credit losses on financial instruments. It requires an organization to measure all expected credit losses for financial assets held at the reporting date. Financial institutions and other organizations will use forward-looking information to estimate their credit losses. Additionally, the ASU amends the accounting for credit losses on available-for-sale debt securities and purchased financial assets with credit deterioration. For public companies that are not SEC filers, it will take effect for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early application will be permitted for all organizations for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 31, 2018. Evaluation of any possible effects the guidance may have on the statements of financial condition and results of operations is in progress.

Accounting Standards Effective During the Period

There were no changes in the accounting principles applied from the latest Annual Report, other than any discussed below.

No recently adopted accounting guidance issued by the FASB had a significant effect on the current period reporting. See the most recent Annual Report for a detailed description of each of the standards below:

- In October 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-16 Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): Inclusion of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) Overnight Index Swap (OIS) Rate as a Benchmark Interest Rate for Hedge Accounting Purposes. The amendments in this Update permit use of the OIS rate based on SOFR as a U.S. benchmark interest rate for hedge accounting purposes under Topic 815 in addition to the UST, the LIBOR swap rate, the OIS rate based on the Fed Funds Effective Rate, and the SIFMA Municipal Swap Rate. For public business entities, the amendments were effective upon the adoption of Update 2017-12. Refer to ASU 2017-12 below for further information.
- In August 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-12 Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): Targeted Improvements to Accounting for Hedging Activities. The Update is intended to improve the financial reporting of hedging relationships to better portray the economic results of an entity's risk management activities in its financial statements. In addition to that main objective, the amendments make certain targeted improvements to simplify

the application of the hedge accounting guidance in current GAAP. For public business entities, the amendments were effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Adoption of this guidance had no impact on the statements of financial condition and results of operations.

- In March 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-08 Receivables—Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs (Subtopic 310-20): Premium Amortization on Purchased Callable Debt Securities. The guidance relates to certain callable debt securities and shortens the amortization period for any premium to the earliest call date. The Update was effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018 for public business entities. Adoption of this guidance had no impact on the statements of financial condition and results of operations.
- In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02 Leases (Topic 842). This Update, and subsequent clarifying guidance issued, requires organizations that lease assets to recognize on the balance sheet the assets and liabilities for the rights and obligations created by those leases. Leases will be classified as either finance leases or operating leases. This distinction will be relevant for the pattern of expense recognition in the income statement. Lessor accounting activities are largely unchanged from existing lease accounting. The Update also eliminates leveraged lease accounting but allows existing leveraged leases to continue their current accounting until maturity, termination or modification. The amendments were effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years, for public business entities.

Transition Information

- The guidance was adopted using the optional modified retrospective method and practical expedients for transition. Under this transition method, an entity initially applies the new leases standard at the adoption date and recognizes a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the period of adoption.
- The package of practical expedients was elected, which allowed existing leases to be largely accounted for consistent with current guidance, except for the incremental balance sheet recognition for lessees.
- There will not be a material change to the timing of future expense recognition.
- Upon adoption, a cumulative-effect adjustment to equity of approximately \$(149) thousand was recorded. In addition, a Right of Use Asset in the amount of \$936 thousand and Lease Liability in the amount of \$1.1 million were recognized.
- Given the limited changes to lessor accounting, there were no material changes to recognition or measurement.

Note 2 — Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

The Bank maintains an allowance for loan losses at a level considered adequate by management to provide for probable and estimable losses inherent in the loan portfolio as of the report date. The allowance for loan losses is increased through provisions for loan losses and loan recoveries and is decreased through loan charge-offs and allowance reversals. A review of loans in each respective portfolio is performed periodically to determine the appropriateness of risk ratings and to ensure loss exposure to the Bank has been identified. See Note 3, *Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses*, from the latest Annual Report for further discussion.

Credit risk arises from the potential inability of an obligor to meet its repayment obligation. The Bank manages credit risk associated with lending activities through an assessment of the credit risk profile of an individual obligor. The Bank sets its own underwriting standards and lending policies that provide direction to loan officers and are approved by the board of directors.

A summary of loans outstanding at period end follows:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Direct notes	\$ 16,804,756	\$ 16,414,045
Real estate mortgage	1,100,853	1,107,077
Production and intermediate-term	1,002,291	1,137,422
Loans to cooperatives	483,368	441,510
Processing and marketing	1,050,147	977,274
Farm-related business	63,677	51,393
Communication	382,398	295,833
Power and water/waste disposal	548,044	532,649
Rural residential real estate	3,276,816	3,104,737
International	76,763	71,141
Lease receivables	3,106	385
Loans to other financing institutions (OFIs)	136,079	134,387
Other (including Mission Related)	7,468	8,028
Total loans	<u>\$ 24,935,766</u>	<u>\$ 24,275,881</u>

A substantial portion of the Bank's loan portfolio consists of notes receivable from District Associations (Direct Notes). These notes are used by the Associations to fund their loan portfolios, which collateralize the notes. Therefore, the Bank's concentration of credit risk in various agricultural commodities associated with these notes approximates that of the District as a whole. Loan concentrations are considered to exist when there are amounts loaned to a multiple number of borrowers engaged in similar activities, which would cause them to be similarly impacted by economic or other conditions. A substantial portion of the Associations' lending activities is collateralized, and their exposure to credit loss associated with lending activities is reduced accordingly. The risk funds of an Association, including both capital and the allowance for loan losses, also protect the interest of the Bank.

The Bank may purchase or sell participation interests with other parties in order to diversify risk, manage loan volume, and comply with FCA regulations. During 2019, one Association repurchased \$26.3 million of participations previously sold to AgFirst. During 2019, the Bank purchased \$435.3 million of residential mortgage loans from various Farm Credit System (System) associations and sold \$1.0 million from the portfolio. These amounts are not included in the table below. The following tables present the principal balance of participation loans at periods ended:

September 30, 2019

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Within AgFirst District		Within Farm Credit System		Outside Farm Credit System		Total	
	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold
Direct notes	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,093,581	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,093,581
Real estate mortgage	920,523	250,804	432,838	153,108	—	—	1,353,361	403,912
Production and intermediate-term	579,423	223,767	559,192	187,484	278,190	—	1,416,805	411,251
Loans to cooperatives	—	99,664	583,715	—	—	—	583,715	99,664
Processing and marketing	403,532	387,211	430,021	335,631	942,016	500	1,775,569	723,342
Farm-related business	40,033	4,502	15,000	—	13,250	—	68,283	4,502
Communication	—	117,870	500,618	—	—	—	500,618	117,870
Power and water/waste disposal	—	58,847	618,679	—	—	—	618,679	58,847
International	—	37,465	114,375	—	—	—	114,375	37,465
Lease receivables	2,754	—	352	—	—	—	3,106	—
Other (including Mission Related)	7,514	—	—	—	—	—	7,514	—
Total	<u>\$ 1,953,779</u>	<u>\$ 1,180,130</u>	<u>\$ 3,254,790</u>	<u>\$ 1,769,804</u>	<u>\$ 1,233,456</u>	<u>\$ 500</u>	<u>\$ 6,442,025</u>	<u>\$ 2,950,434</u>

AgFirst Farm Credit Bank

December 31, 2018

	Within AgFirst District		Within Farm Credit System		Outside Farm Credit System		Total	
	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold	Participations Purchased	Participations Sold
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>								
Direct notes	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,044,500	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,044,500
Real estate mortgage	749,214	173,032	422,769	45,352	—	—	1,171,983	218,384
Production and intermediate-term	837,130	269,025	598,501	297,424	270,739	—	1,706,370	566,449
Loans to cooperatives	—	66,879	499,682	—	—	—	499,682	66,879
Processing and marketing	374,181	312,768	350,108	299,783	867,310	—	1,591,599	612,551
Farm-related business	46,458	—	—	—	5,000	—	51,458	—
Communication	—	119,032	415,116	—	—	—	415,116	119,032
Power and water/waste disposal	—	53,082	587,092	—	—	—	587,092	53,082
Rural residential real estate	145	—	—	—	—	—	145	—
International	—	34,127	105,375	—	—	—	105,375	34,127
Lease receivables	—	—	385	—	—	—	385	—
Other (including Mission Related)	8,076	—	—	—	—	—	8,076	—
Total	\$ 2,015,204	\$ 1,027,945	\$ 2,979,028	\$ 1,687,059	\$ 1,143,049	\$ —	\$ 6,137,281	\$ 2,715,004

A significant source of liquidity for the Bank is the repayments of loans. The following table presents the contractual maturity distribution of loans by loan type at the latest period end:

	September 30, 2019			
	Due Less Than 1 Year	Due 1 Through 5 Years	Due After 5 Years	Total
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>				
Direct notes	\$ 577,416	\$ 2,735,047	\$ 13,492,293	\$ 16,804,756
Real estate mortgage	9,708	242,419	848,726	1,100,853
Production and intermediate-term	97,160	589,575	315,556	1,002,291
Loans to cooperatives	53,138	230,578	199,652	483,368
Processing and marketing	107,841	533,600	408,706	1,050,147
Farm-related business	13,510	20,334	29,833	63,677
Communication	22,009	200,634	159,755	382,398
Power and water/waste disposal	4,410	251,250	292,384	548,044
Rural residential real estate	118,421	13,706	3,144,689	3,276,816
International	—	5,603	71,160	76,763
Lease receivables	—	2,810	296	3,106
Loans to OFIs	103,975	18,226	13,878	136,079
Other (including Mission Related)	—	1,957	5,511	7,468
Total loans	\$ 1,107,588	\$ 4,845,739	\$ 18,982,439	\$ 24,935,766
Percentage	4.44%	19.43%	76.13%	100.00%

The recorded investment in a receivable is the face amount increased or decreased by applicable accrued interest and unamortized premium, discount, finance charges, or acquisition costs and may also reflect a previous direct write-down of the investment.

The following table shows the recorded investment of loans, classified under the FCA Uniform Loan Classification System, as a percentage of the recorded investment of total loans by loan type as of:

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018		September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Direct notes:			Power and water/waste disposal:		
Acceptable	91.85%	91.33%	Acceptable	90.26%	100.00%
OAEM	8.15	8.67	OAEM	6.51	—
Substandard/doubtful/loss	—	—	Substandard/doubtful/loss	3.23	—
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Real estate mortgage:			Rural residential real estate:		
Acceptable	95.44%	97.34%	Acceptable	99.65%	99.68%
OAEM	4.04	2.04	OAEM	—	—
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.52	0.62	Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.35	0.32
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Production and intermediate-term:			International:		
Acceptable	94.76%	97.81%	Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%
OAEM	4.67	1.61	OAEM	—	—
Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.57	0.58	Substandard/doubtful/loss	—	—
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Loans to cooperatives:			Lease receivables:		
Acceptable	97.72%	98.31%	Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%
OAEM	0.84	—	OAEM	—	—
Substandard/doubtful/loss	1.44	1.69	Substandard/doubtful/loss	—	—
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Processing and marketing:			Loans to OFIs:		
Acceptable	98.50%	100.00%	Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%
OAEM	1.50	—	OAEM	—	—
Substandard/doubtful/loss	—	—	Substandard/doubtful/loss	—	—
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Farm-related business:			Other (including Mission Related):		
Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%	Acceptable	100.00%	100.00%
OAEM	—	—	OAEM	—	—
Substandard/doubtful/loss	—	—	Substandard/doubtful/loss	—	—
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Communication:			Total loans:		
Acceptable	100.00%	96.18%	Acceptable	93.73%	93.80%
OAEM	—	3.82	OAEM	6.08	6.07
Substandard/doubtful/loss	—	—	Substandard/doubtful/loss	0.19	0.13
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

The following tables provide an aging analysis of the recorded investment in past due loans as of:

	September 30, 2019				
	30 Through 89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Not Past Due or Less Than 30 Days Past Due	Total Loans
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>					
Direct notes	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 16,851,092	\$ 16,851,092
Real estate mortgage	1,136	484	1,620	1,105,888	1,107,508
Production and intermediate-term	—	—	—	1,007,943	1,007,943
Loans to cooperatives	—	—	—	484,112	484,112
Processing and marketing	—	—	—	1,053,498	1,053,498
Farm-related business	—	—	—	64,024	64,024
Communication	—	—	—	382,511	382,511
Power and water/waste disposal	—	—	—	550,701	550,701
Rural residential real estate	8,485	5,879	14,364	3,270,795	3,285,159
International	—	—	—	77,077	77,077
Lease receivables	—	—	—	3,115	3,115
Loans to OFIs	—	—	—	136,438	136,438
Other (including Mission Related)	—	—	—	7,598	7,598
Total	\$ 9,621	\$ 6,363	\$ 15,984	\$ 24,994,792	\$ 25,010,776

December 31, 2018

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	30 Through 89 Days Past Due	90 Days or More Past Due	Total Past Due	Not Past Due or Less Than 30 Days Past Due	Total Loans
Direct notes	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 16,459,760	\$ 16,459,760
Real estate mortgage	1,419	790	2,209	1,112,905	1,115,114
Production and intermediate-term	3	363	366	1,142,038	1,142,404
Loans to cooperatives	—	—	—	442,294	442,294
Processing and marketing	—	—	—	980,507	980,507
Farm-related business	—	—	—	51,538	51,538
Communication	—	—	—	295,908	295,908
Power and water/waste disposal	—	—	—	534,774	534,774
Rural residential real estate	39,508	7,136	46,644	3,065,415	3,112,059
International	—	—	—	71,650	71,650
Lease receivables	—	—	—	387	387
Loans to OFIs	—	—	—	134,721	134,721
Other (including Mission Related)	—	—	—	8,127	8,127
Total	\$ 40,930	\$ 8,289	\$ 49,219	\$ 24,300,024	\$ 24,349,243

Nonperforming assets (including related accrued interest as applicable) and related credit quality statistics are as follows:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Nonaccrual loans:		
Real estate mortgage	\$ 1,135	\$ 1,460
Production and intermediate-term	(20)	453
Loans to cooperatives	6,962	7,492
Rural residential real estate	16,372	15,338
Total	\$ 24,449	\$ 24,743
Accruing restructured loans:		
Real estate mortgage	\$ 446	\$ 750
Production and intermediate-term	8,539	8,011
Rural residential real estate	2,786	2,929
Other (including Mission Related)	4,013	4,092
Total	\$ 15,784	\$ 15,782
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due:		
Rural residential real estate	\$ —	\$ 145
Total	\$ —	\$ 145
Total nonperforming loans	\$ 40,233	\$ 40,670
Other property owned	2,665	2,842
Total nonperforming assets	\$ 42,898	\$ 43,512
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans	0.10%	0.10%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total loans and other property owned	0.17%	0.18%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of capital	1.68%	1.96%

The following table presents information related to the recorded investment of impaired loans at period end. Impaired loans are loans for which it is probable that all principal and interest will not be collected according to the contractual terms of the loan.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Impaired nonaccrual loans:		
Current as to principal and interest	\$ 16,536	\$ 11,727
Past due	7,913	13,016
Total nonaccrual loans	\$ 24,449	\$ 24,743
Impaired accrual loans:		
Restructured	\$ 15,784	\$ 15,782
90 days or more past due	—	145
Total impaired accrual loans	\$ 15,784	\$ 15,927
Total impaired loans	\$ 40,233	\$ 40,670
Additional commitments to lend	\$ 899	\$ 1,687

The following tables present additional impaired loan information at period end. Unpaid principal balance represents the contractual principal balance of the loan.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019			Three Months Ended September 30, 2019		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019	
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Average Impaired Loans	Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans	Average Impaired Loans	Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans
Impaired Loans							
With a related allowance for credit losses:							
Real estate mortgage	\$ 107	\$ 106	\$ 8	\$ 104	\$ —	\$ 106	\$ —
Production and intermediate-term	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Loans to cooperatives	6,962	7,913	3,917	7,345	—	7,174	1
Rural residential real estate	3,136	3,084	163	3,096	—	3,382	—
Other (including Mission Related)	4,013	3,960	92	3,987	62	4,043	188
Total	\$ 14,218	\$ 15,063	\$ 4,180	\$ 14,532	\$ 62	\$ 14,705	\$ 189
With no related allowance for credit losses:							
Real estate mortgage	\$ 1,474	\$ 1,468	\$ —	\$ 1,538	\$ 20	\$ 1,821	\$ 196
Production and intermediate-term	8,519	16,792	—	8,448	281	8,721	795
Loans to cooperatives	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rural residential real estate	16,022	15,825	—	15,397	182	14,421	590
Other (including Mission Related)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	\$ 26,015	\$ 34,085	\$ —	\$ 25,383	\$ 483	\$ 24,963	\$ 1,581
Total impaired loans:							
Real estate mortgage	\$ 1,581	\$ 1,574	\$ 8	\$ 1,642	\$ 20	\$ 1,927	\$ 196
Production and intermediate-term	8,519	16,792	—	8,448	281	8,721	795
Loans to cooperatives	6,962	7,913	3,917	7,345	—	7,174	1
Rural residential real estate	19,158	18,909	163	18,493	182	17,803	590
Other (including Mission Related)	4,013	3,960	92	3,987	62	4,043	188
Total	\$ 40,233	\$ 49,148	\$ 4,180	\$ 39,915	\$ 545	\$ 39,668	\$ 1,770

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	December 31, 2018			Year Ended December 31, 2018	
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Average Impaired Loans	Interest Income Recognized on Impaired Loans
Impaired Loans					
With a related allowance for credit losses:					
Real estate mortgage	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 8	\$ —
Production and intermediate-term	—	—	—	42	—
Loans to cooperatives	7,492	7,995	3,951	7,684	46
Rural residential real estate	3,923	3,864	718	1,991	—
Other (including Mission Related)	4,092	4,083	135	4,192	259
Total	\$ 15,507	\$ 15,942	\$ 4,804	\$ 13,917	\$ 305
With no related allowance for credit losses:					
Real estate mortgage	\$ 2,210	\$ 2,424	\$ —	\$ 6,259	\$ 2,627
Production and intermediate-term	8,464	16,988	—	8,175	781
Loans to cooperatives	—	—	—	—	—
Rural residential real estate	14,489	13,835	—	13,250	677
Other (including Mission Related)	—	—	—	—	—
Total	\$ 25,163	\$ 33,247	\$ —	\$ 27,684	\$ 4,085
Total impaired loans:					
Real estate mortgage	\$ 2,210	\$ 2,424	\$ —	\$ 6,267	\$ 2,627
Production and intermediate-term	8,464	16,988	—	8,217	781
Loans to cooperatives	7,492	7,995	3,951	7,684	46
Rural residential real estate	18,412	17,699	718	15,241	677
Other (including Mission Related)	4,092	4,083	135	4,192	259
Total	\$ 40,670	\$ 49,189	\$ 4,804	\$ 41,601	\$ 4,390

A summary of changes in the allowance for loan losses and recorded investment in loans for each reporting period follows:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Direct Notes	Real Estate Mortgage	Production and Intermediate-term	Agribusiness*	Communication	Power and Water/Waste Disposal	Rural Residential Real Estate	International	Other**	Total
Activity related to the allowance for credit losses:										
Balance at June 30, 2019	\$ -	\$ 1,787	\$ 2,841	\$ 6,607	\$ 682	\$ 1,440	\$ 4,818	\$ 134	\$ 394	\$ 18,703
Charge-offs	-	-	-	-	-	-	(19)	-	-	(19)
Recoveries	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Provision for loan losses	-	(133)	(267)	1,146	105	247	19	6	7	1,130
Balance at September 30, 2019	\$ -	\$ 1,654	\$ 2,574	\$ 7,753	\$ 787	\$ 1,687	\$ 4,819	\$ 140	\$ 401	\$ 19,815
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ -	\$ 1,518	\$ 2,614	\$ 6,959	\$ 784	\$ 794	\$ 4,808	\$ 134	\$ 438	\$ 18,049
Charge-offs	-	-	-	-	-	-	(28)	-	-	(28)
Recoveries	-	-	137	-	-	-	174	-	-	311
Provision for loan losses	-	136	(177)	794	3	893	(135)	6	(37)	1,483
Balance at September 30, 2019	\$ -	\$ 1,654	\$ 2,574	\$ 7,753	\$ 787	\$ 1,687	\$ 4,819	\$ 140	\$ 401	\$ 19,815
Balance at June 30, 2018	\$ -	\$ 1,561	\$ 2,125	\$ 5,384	\$ 830	\$ 1,090	\$ 4,174	\$ 40	\$ 465	\$ 15,669
Charge-offs	-	-	-	-	-	-	(36)	-	-	(36)
Recoveries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provision for loan losses	-	38	199	1,102	56	(92)	180	94	(33)	1,544
Balance at September 30, 2018	\$ -	\$ 1,599	\$ 2,324	\$ 6,486	\$ 886	\$ 998	\$ 4,318	\$ 134	\$ 432	\$ 17,177
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$ -	\$ 1,635	\$ 3,040	\$ 3,633	\$ 744	\$ 1,128	\$ 3,908	\$ 28	\$ 265	\$ 14,381
Charge-offs	-	-	(50)	-	-	-	(125)	-	-	(175)
Recoveries	-	-	145	14	-	-	6	-	-	165
Provision for loan losses	-	(36)	(811)	2,839	142	(130)	529	106	167	2,806
Balance at September 30, 2018	\$ -	\$ 1,599	\$ 2,324	\$ 6,486	\$ 886	\$ 998	\$ 4,318	\$ 134	\$ 432	\$ 17,177
Allowance on loans evaluated for impairment:										
Individually	\$ -	\$ 8	\$ -	\$ 3,917	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 163	\$ -	\$ 92	\$ 4,180
Collectively	-	1,646	2,574	3,836	787	1,687	4,656	140	309	15,635
Balance at September 30, 2019	\$ -	\$ 1,654	\$ 2,574	\$ 7,753	\$ 787	\$ 1,687	\$ 4,819	\$ 140	\$ 401	\$ 19,815
Individually	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,951	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 718	\$ -	\$ 135	\$ 4,804
Collectively	-	1,518	2,614	3,008	784	794	4,090	134	303	13,245
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ -	\$ 1,518	\$ 2,614	\$ 6,959	\$ 784	\$ 794	\$ 4,808	\$ 134	\$ 438	\$ 18,049
Recorded investment in loans evaluated for impairment:										
Individually	\$ 16,851,092	\$ 151,730	\$ 13,118	\$ 6,962	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,078,663	\$ -	\$ 4,013	\$ 18,105,578
Collectively	-	955,778	994,825	1,594,672	382,511	550,701	2,206,496	77,077	143,138	6,905,198
Balance at September 30, 2019	\$ 16,851,092	\$ 1,107,508	\$ 1,007,943	\$ 1,601,634	\$ 382,511	\$ 550,701	\$ 3,285,159	\$ 77,077	\$ 147,151	\$ 25,010,776
Individually	\$ 16,459,760	\$ 156,824	\$ 8,464	\$ 7,494	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,287,215	\$ -	\$ 4,092	\$ 17,923,849
Collectively	-	958,290	1,133,940	1,466,845	295,908	534,774	1,824,844	71,650	139,143	6,425,394
Balance at December 31, 2018	\$ 16,459,760	\$ 1,115,114	\$ 1,142,404	\$ 1,474,339	\$ 295,908	\$ 534,774	\$ 3,112,059	\$ 71,650	\$ 143,235	\$ 24,349,243

*Includes the loan types: Loans to Cooperatives, Processing and Marketing, and Farm-related Business.

**Includes the loan types: Mission Related Loans, Loans to OFIs, and Lease Receivables.

A restructuring of a debt constitutes a troubled debt restructuring (TDR) if the creditor for economic or legal reasons related to the debtor's financial difficulties grants a concession to the debtor that it would not otherwise consider. The following tables present additional information about pre-modification and post-modification outstanding recorded investment and the effects of the modifications that occurred during the periods presented. The tables do not include any purchased credit impaired loans. There were no new TDRs that occurred during the three months ended September 30, 2019.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019				
Outstanding Recorded Investment	Interest Concessions	Principal Concessions	Other Concessions	Total	Charge-offs
Pre-modification:					
Production and intermediate-term	\$ -	\$ 781	\$ -	\$ 781	
Rural residential real estate	1,273	186	-	1,459	
Total	\$ 1,273	\$ 967	\$ -	\$ 2,240	
Post-modification:					
Production and intermediate-term	\$ -	\$ 781	\$ -	\$ 781	\$ -
Rural residential real estate	1,347	189	-	1,536	-
Total	\$ 1,347	\$ 970	\$ -	\$ 2,317	\$ -

(dollars in thousands)

Three Months Ended September 30, 2018

Outstanding Recorded Investment	Interest Concessions	Principal Concessions	Other Concessions	Total	Charge-offs
Pre-modification:					
Rural residential real estate	\$ —	\$ 158	\$ —	\$ 158	
Total	\$ —	\$ 158	\$ —	\$ 158	
Post-modification:					
Rural residential real estate	\$ —	\$ 165	\$ —	\$ 165	\$ —
Total	\$ —	\$ 165	\$ —	\$ 165	\$ —

(dollars in thousands)

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018

Outstanding Recorded Investment	Interest Concessions	Principal Concessions	Other Concessions	Total	Charge-offs
Pre-modification:					
Real estate mortgage	\$ 69	\$ 5,953	\$ —	\$ 6,022	
Production and intermediate-term	—	169	—	169	
Loans to cooperatives	—	3,229	—	3,229	
Rural residential real estate	232	998	—	1,230	
Total	\$ 301	\$ 10,349	\$ —	\$ 10,650	
Post-modification:					
Real estate mortgage	\$ 69	\$ 5,836	\$ —	\$ 5,905	\$ —
Production and intermediate-term	—	95	—	95	(49)
Loans to cooperatives	—	3,229	—	3,229	—
Rural residential real estate	240	1,026	—	1,266	—
Total	\$ 309	\$ 10,186	\$ —	\$ 10,495	\$ (49)

Interest concessions may include interest forgiveness and interest deferment. Principal concessions may include principal forgiveness, principal deferment, and maturity extension. Other concessions may include additional compensation received which might be in the form of cash or other assets.

The following table presents outstanding recorded investment for TDRs that occurred during the previous twelve months and for which there was a subsequent payment default during the period. Payment default is defined as a payment that was thirty days or more past due.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>				
Defaulted troubled debt restructurings:				
Rural residential real estate	\$ 190	\$ 162	\$ 751	\$ 445
Total	\$ 190	\$ 162	\$ 751	\$ 445

The following table provides information at period end on outstanding loans restructured in troubled debt restructurings. These loans are included as impaired loans in the impaired loan table:

	Total TDRs		Nonaccrual TDRs	
	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>				
Real estate mortgage	\$ 651	\$ 914	\$ 205	\$ 164
Production and intermediate-term	8,585	8,601	46	590
Loans to cooperatives	6,971	6,951	6,971	6,951
Rural residential real estate	5,696	4,795	2,910	1,866
Other (including Mission Related)	4,013	4,092	—	—
Total	\$ 25,916	\$ 25,353	\$ 10,132	\$ 9,571
Additional commitments to lend	\$ 899	\$ 1,687		

The following table presents foreclosure information as of period end:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019
Carrying amount of foreclosed residential real estate properties held as a result of obtaining physical possession	\$ 89
Recorded investment of consumer mortgage loans secured by residential real estate for which formal foreclosure proceedings are in process	\$ 1,449

Note 3 — Investments

Equity Investments in Other Farm Credit System Institutions

Equity investments in other Farm Credit System institutions are generally nonmarketable investments consisting of stock and participation certificates, allocated surplus, and reciprocal investments in other institutions regulated by the FCA. These investments are carried at cost and evaluated for impairment based on the ultimate recoverability of the par value rather than by recognizing temporary declines in value.

Investments in Debt Securities

The Bank's investments in debt securities consist primarily of mortgage-backed securities (MBSs) collateralized by U.S. government or U.S. agency guaranteed residential and commercial mortgages (agency securities). Also included are asset-backed securities (ABSs) which are issued through the Small Business Administration and are guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States government. They are held to maintain a liquidity reserve, manage short-term surplus funds, and manage interest rate risk. These securities meet the applicable FCA regulatory guidelines related to government agency guaranteed investments.

Non-agency ABSs are included in available-for-sale investments. These securities must meet the applicable FCA regulatory guidelines which require them to be high quality, senior class, and rated in the top category (AAA/Aaa) by Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations (NRSROs) at the time of purchase. To achieve these ratings, the securities may have a guarantee of timely payment of principal and interest, credit enhancements achieved through over-collateralization or other means, priority of payments for senior classes over junior classes, or bond insurance. All of the non-agency securities owned have one or more credit enhancement features.

The FCA considers a non-agency security ineligible if it falls below the AAA/Aaa credit rating criteria and requires System institutions to provide notification to the FCA when a security becomes ineligible. At September 30, 2019, the Bank held no ineligible available-for-sale investments in debt securities.

Held-to-maturity investments in debt securities consist of Mission Related Investments (MRIs) acquired primarily under the Rural America Bond (RAB) pilot program. RABs are private placement securities, which generally have some form of credit enhancement.

In its Conditions of Approval for the program, the FCA generally considers a RAB ineligible if its investment rating, based on the internal 14-point risk rating scale used to also grade loans, falls below 9. Any other bonds purchased under the MRI program, approved on a case-by-case basis by the FCA, may have different eligibility requirements. The FCA requires System institutions to provide notification when a security becomes ineligible. At September 30, 2019, the Bank held three RABs with a fair value totaling \$556 thousand whose credit quality had deteriorated beyond the program limits.

Effective December 31, 2014, the FCA ended the pilot programs approved after 2004 as part of the Investment in Rural America initiative. Each institution participating in such programs may continue to hold its investments through the maturity dates for the investments, provided the institution continues to meet all approval conditions. The FCA can consider future participation in these programs on a case-by-case basis.

An agreement with a commercial bank requires AgFirst to maintain \$50.0 million as a compensating balance. At September 30, 2019, the Bank held \$42.6 million in U.S. Treasury securities for that purpose. The remainder of the compensating balance was held in cash in a demand deposit account. These securities are excluded when calculating the amount of eligible liquidity investments.

The Bank did not sell any investments during the first nine months of 2019. During the first nine months of 2018, proceeds from sales of investments were \$11.7 million and realized gains were \$13 thousand.

Available-for-sale

A summary of the amortized cost and fair value of debt securities held as available-for-sale investments at period end follows:

September 30, 2019					
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Yield
U.S. Govt. Treasury Securities	\$ 142,222	\$ 565	\$ (22)	\$ 142,765	2.33%
U.S. Govt. Guaranteed	4,548,833	82,212	(10,529)	4,620,516	2.71
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed	2,391,632	19,776	(8,680)	2,402,728	2.70
Non-Agency ABSs	726,086	2,713	(206)	728,593	2.24
Total	\$ 7,808,773	\$ 105,266	\$ (19,437)	\$ 7,894,602	2.65%

December 31, 2018					
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Yield
U.S. Govt. Treasury Securities	\$ 389,948	\$ 212	\$ (549)	\$ 389,611	2.34%
U.S. Govt. Guaranteed	4,518,703	34,712	(53,818)	4,499,597	2.76
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed	2,297,134	11,373	(35,758)	2,272,749	2.74
Non-Agency ABSs	782,839	136	(5,736)	777,239	2.15
Total	\$ 7,988,624	\$ 46,433	\$ (95,861)	\$ 7,939,196	2.67%

Held-to-maturity

A summary of the amortized cost and fair value of debt securities held as held-to-maturity investments at period end follows:

September 30, 2019					
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Yield
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed RABs and Other	\$ 1,374	\$ –	\$ (29)	\$ 1,345	4.02%
	37,290	4,057	(26)	41,321	6.07
Total	\$ 38,664	\$ 4,057	\$ (55)	\$ 42,666	6.00%

December 31, 2018					
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Yield
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed RABs and Other	\$ 1,679	\$ –	\$ (36)	\$ 1,643	1.99%
	40,373	2,999	(121)	43,251	6.06
Total	\$ 42,052	\$ 2,999	\$ (157)	\$ 44,894	5.89%

A summary of the contractual maturity, estimated fair value and amortized cost of investment securities at September 30, 2019 follows:

Available-for-sale

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Due in 1 Year or Less		Due After 1 Year Through 5 Years		Due After 5 Years Through 10 Years		Due After 10 Years		Total	
	Amount	Weighted Average Yield	Amount	Weighted Average Yield	Amount	Weighted Average Yield	Amount	Weighted Average Yield	Amount	Weighted Average Yield
U.S. Govt. Treasury Securities	\$ 127,399	2.26%	\$ 15,366	2.94%	\$ –	–%	\$ –	–%	\$ 142,765	2.33%
U.S. Govt. Guaranteed	–	–	38,903	2.48	214,776	2.89	4,366,837	2.70	4,620,516	2.71
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed	–	–	256,465	2.61	92,654	2.49	2,053,609	2.72	2,402,728	2.70
Non-Agency ABSs	–	–	567,993	2.23	160,600	2.27	–	–	728,593	2.24
Total fair value	\$ 127,399	2.26%	\$ 878,727	2.37%	\$ 468,030	2.59%	\$ 6,420,446	2.70%	\$ 7,894,602	2.65%
Total amortized cost	\$ 127,240		\$ 877,378		\$ 460,771		\$ 6,343,384		\$ 7,808,773	

Held-to-maturity

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Due in 1 Year or Less		Due After 1 Year Through 5 Years		Due After 5 Years Through 10 Years		Due After 10 Years		Total	
	Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average		Weighted Average	
	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed	\$ —	—%	\$ —	—%	\$ —	—%	\$ 1,374	4.02%	\$ 1,374	4.02%
RABs and Other	—	—	15,561	6.23	—	—	21,729	5.95	37,290	6.07
Total amortized cost	\$ —	—%	\$ 15,561	6.23%	\$ —	—%	\$ 23,103	5.84%	\$ 38,664	6.00%
Total fair value	\$ —		\$ 16,379		\$ —		\$ 26,287		\$ 42,666	

A substantial portion of these investments has contractual maturities in excess of ten years. However, expected maturities for these types of securities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to prepay obligations with or without prepayment penalties.

An investment is considered impaired if its fair value is less than its cost. This also applies to those securities other-than-temporarily impaired for which a credit loss has been recognized but noncredit-related losses continue to remain unrealized. The following tables show the fair value and gross unrealized losses for all investments that have been in a continuous unrealized loss position aggregated by investment category at each reporting period. A continuous unrealized loss position for an investment is measured from the date the impairment was first identified.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019					
	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months Or Greater		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
U.S. Govt. Treasury Securities	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14,943	\$ (22)	\$ 14,943	\$ (22)
U.S. Govt. Guaranteed	470,909	(2,361)	1,198,583	(8,168)	1,669,492	(10,529)
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed	659,325	(2,105)	893,457	(6,604)	1,552,782	(8,709)
Non-Agency ABSs	—	—	224,976	(206)	224,976	(206)
RABs and Other	—	—	264	(26)	264	(26)
Total	\$ 1,130,234	\$ (4,466)	\$ 2,332,223	\$ (15,026)	\$ 3,462,457	\$ (19,492)

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	December 31, 2018					
	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months Or Greater		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
U.S. Govt. Treasury Securities	\$ 198,819	\$ (174)	\$ 27,062	\$ (375)	\$ 225,881	\$ (549)
U.S. Govt. Guaranteed	550,215	(3,386)	2,092,608	(50,432)	2,642,823	(53,818)
U.S. Govt. Agency Guaranteed	421,629	(2,095)	1,230,414	(33,699)	1,652,043	(35,794)
Non-Agency ABSs	224,573	(295)	454,524	(5,441)	679,097	(5,736)
RABs and Other	171	(52)	2,638	(69)	2,809	(121)
Total	\$ 1,395,407	\$ (6,002)	\$ 3,807,246	\$ (90,016)	\$ 5,202,653	\$ (96,018)

The recording of an impairment loss is predicated on: (1) whether or not management intends to sell the security, (2) whether it is more likely than not that management would be required to sell the security before recovering its costs, and (3) whether management expects to recover the security's entire amortized cost basis (even if there is no intention to sell). If the Bank intends to sell the security or it is more likely than not that it would be required to sell the security, the impairment loss recognized equals the full difference between amortized cost and fair value of the security. When the Bank does not intend to sell securities in an unrealized loss position and it is not more likely than not that it would be required to sell the securities, other-than-temporary impairment loss is separated into credit loss and noncredit loss. Credit loss is defined as the shortfall of the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected in relation to the amortized cost basis.

The Bank performs periodic credit reviews, including other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI) analyses, on its investment securities portfolio. The objective is to quantify future possible loss of principal or interest due on securities in the portfolio. Factors considered in determining whether an impairment is other-than-temporary

include among others: (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value is less than cost, (2) adverse conditions specifically related to the industry, (3) geographic area and the condition of the underlying collateral, (4) payment structure of the security, (5) ratings by rating agencies, (6) the creditworthiness of bond insurers, and (7) volatility of the fair value changes.

The Bank uses the present value of cash flows expected to be collected from each debt security to determine the amount of credit loss. This technique requires assumptions related to the underlying collateral, including default rates, amount and timing of prepayments, and loss severity. Assumptions can vary widely from security to security and are influenced by such factors as loan interest rate, geographical location of the borrower, borrower characteristics, and collateral type.

Significant inputs used to estimate the amount of credit loss include, but are not limited to, performance indicators of the underlying assets in the security (including default rates, delinquency rates, and percentage of nonperforming assets), loan-to-collateral value ratios, third-party guarantees, current levels of subordination, vintage, geographic concentration, and credit ratings. The Bank obtains assumptions for the default rate, prepayment rate, and loss severity rate from an independent third party.

Based on the credit reviews discussed above, none of the securities currently in the Bank's portfolio were determined to be other-than-temporarily impaired.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, net unrealized gains of \$135.3 million were recognized in OCI on available-for-sale investments in debt securities that are not other-than-temporarily impaired.

The Bank has not recognized any credit losses as the impairments are deemed temporary and result from non-credit related factors. The Bank has the ability and intent to hold these investments until a recovery of unrealized losses occurs, which may be at maturity, and at this time expects to collect the full principal amount and interest due on these securities. Substantially all of these investments were in U.S. government agency securities and the Bank expects these securities would not be settled at a price less than their amortized cost.

During the first nine months of 2018, the Bank also held certain equity investments in Money Market funds. These funds were accounted for as investment securities but were classified as Cash Equivalents in the Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flows.

The following table summarizes gains (losses) for the period related to equity securities:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018
Net gains (losses) on equity securities		
Net gains (losses) recognized	\$ —	\$ 1,480
Less realized net gains (losses)	—	1,260
Unrealized gains (losses)	\$ —	\$ 220

Note 4 — Debt

Bonds and Notes

AgFirst, unlike commercial banks and other depository institutions, obtains funds for its lending operations primarily from the sale of Systemwide Debt Securities issued jointly by the System banks through the Funding Corporation. Certain conditions must be met before AgFirst can participate in the issuance of Systemwide Debt Securities. As one condition of participation, AgFirst is required by the Farm Credit Act and FCA regulations to maintain specified eligible assets at least equal in value to the total amount of debt obligations outstanding for which it is primarily liable. This requirement does not provide holders of Systemwide Debt Securities with a security interest in any assets of the banks.

In accordance with FCA regulations, each issuance of Systemwide Debt Securities ranks equally with other unsecured Systemwide Debt Securities. Systemwide Debt Securities are not issued under an indenture and no

trustee is provided with respect to these securities. Systemwide Debt Securities are not subject to acceleration prior to maturity upon the occurrence of any default or similar event.

The following table provides a summary of AgFirst's participation in outstanding Systemwide Debt Securities by maturity. Weighted average interest rates include the effect of related derivative financial instruments.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019					
	Bonds		Discount Notes		Total	
	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Interest Rate	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Interest Rate	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Interest Rate
Maturities						
One year or less	\$ 7,620,283	2.01%	\$ 5,018,158	2.30%	\$ 12,638,441	2.12%
Greater than one year to two years	6,345,266	2.01	-	-	6,345,266	2.01
Greater than two years to three years	3,698,002	2.06	-	-	3,698,002	2.06
Greater than three years to four years	2,185,666	2.09	-	-	2,185,666	2.09
Greater than four years to five years	1,827,485	2.19	-	-	1,827,485	2.19
Greater than five years	5,149,855	2.66	-	-	5,149,855	2.66
Total	<u>\$ 26,826,557</u>	<u>2.16%</u>	<u>\$ 5,018,158</u>	<u>2.30%</u>	<u>\$ 31,844,715</u>	<u>2.18%</u>

Discount notes are issued with maturities ranging from 1 to 365 days. The average maturity of discount notes at September 30, 2019 was 153 days.

Note 5 — Shareholders' Equity

Perpetual Preferred Stock

Payment of dividends or redemption price on issued Preferred Stock may be restricted if the Bank fails to satisfy applicable minimum capital adequacy, surplus, and collateral requirements.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

The following tables present the activity related to accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI):

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Changes in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income by Component <i>(a)</i>			
	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Investment Securities:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 65,843	\$ (72,724)	\$ (49,429)	\$ (20,026)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	19,985	(16,941)	135,257	(69,639)
Amounts reclassified from AOCI	-	(13)	-	(13)
Net current period other comprehensive income	19,985	(16,954)	135,257	(69,652)
Balance at end of period	<u>\$ 85,828</u>	<u>\$ (89,678)</u>	<u>\$ 85,828</u>	<u>\$ (89,678)</u>
Cash Flow Hedges:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 735	\$ 694	\$ 886	\$ 18
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	-	(4)	-	12
Amounts reclassified from AOCI	(116)	77	(267)	737
Net current period other comprehensive income	(116)	73	(267)	749
Balance at end of period	<u>\$ 619</u>	<u>\$ 767</u>	<u>\$ 619</u>	<u>\$ 767</u>
Employee Benefit Plans:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$ (2,945)	\$ (4,498)	\$ (3,109)	\$ (4,748)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	-	-	-	-
Amounts reclassified from AOCI	82	125	246	375
Net current period other comprehensive income	82	125	246	375
Balance at end of period	<u>\$ (2,863)</u>	<u>\$ (4,373)</u>	<u>\$ (2,863)</u>	<u>\$ (4,373)</u>
Total Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 63,633	\$ (76,528)	\$ (51,652)	\$ (24,756)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	19,985	(16,945)	135,257	(69,627)
Amounts reclassified from AOCI	(34)	189	(21)	1,099
Net current period other comprehensive income	19,951	(16,756)	135,236	(68,528)
Balance at end of period	<u>\$ 83,584</u>	<u>\$ (93,284)</u>	<u>\$ 83,584</u>	<u>\$ (93,284)</u>

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Reclassifications Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (b)				
	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		Income Statement Line Item
	2019	2018	2019	2018	
Investment Securities:					
Sales gains & losses	\$ —	\$ 13	\$ —	\$ 13	Gains (losses) on investments, net
Holding gains & losses	—	—	—	—	Net other-than-temporary impairment
Net amounts reclassified	—	13	—	13	
Cash Flow Hedges:					
Interest income	116	(73)	267	(749)	See Note 10.
Gains (losses) on other transactions	—	(4)	—	12	See Note 10.
Net amounts reclassified	116	(77)	267	(737)	
Employee Benefit Plans:					
Periodic pension costs	(82)	(125)	(246)	(375)	See Note 7.
Net amounts reclassified	(82)	(125)	(246)	(375)	
Total reclassifications for period	\$ 34	\$ (189)	\$ 21	\$ (1,099)	

(a) Amounts in parentheses indicate debits to AOCI.

(b) Amounts in parentheses indicate debits to profit/loss.

Note 6 — Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

Accounting guidance establishes a hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements to maximize the use of observable inputs, that is, inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. The hierarchy is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. A financial instrument's categorization within the hierarchy tiers is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The classifications within the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets. Level 1 assets and liabilities could include investment securities and derivative contracts that are traded in an active exchange market, in addition to certain U.S. Treasury securities that are highly liquid and are actively traded in over-the-counter markets.

Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets; quoted prices in markets that are not active; and inputs that are observable, or can be corroborated, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. Level 2 assets and liabilities could include investment securities that are traded in active, non-exchange markets and derivative contracts that are traded in active, over-the-counter markets.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable and supported by little or no market activity. Level 3 assets and liabilities could include investments and derivative contracts whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, and other instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation. Level 3 assets and liabilities could also include investments and derivative contracts whose price has been adjusted based on dealer quoted pricing that is different than the third-party valuation or internal model pricing.

For a complete discussion of the inputs and other assumptions considered in assigning various assets and liabilities to the fair value hierarchy levels, see the most recent Annual Report to Shareholders.

The following table presents the changes in Level 3 assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the periods presented. The Bank had no transfers of assets or liabilities measured on a recurring basis into or out of Level 1 or Level 2 during the reporting period.

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2019		2018	
	Mortgage Servicing Rights, Net	Forward Contracts, Net	Mortgage Servicing Rights, Net	Forward Contracts, Net
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>				
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 1,033	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Gains or (losses) included in earnings	—	—	—	—
Gains or (losses) included in OCI	—	—	—	—
Purchases	—	—	—	—
Sales	—	—	—	—
Issuances	—	—	1,084	1,413
Settlements	(301)	—	—	(1,413)
Transfers in and/or out of Level 3	—	—	—	—
Balance at end of period	\$ 732	\$ —	\$ 1,084	\$ —

Fair values are estimated at each period end date for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Other Financial Instruments are not measured at fair value in the statement of financial position, but their fair values are estimated as of each period end date. The following tables summarize the carrying amounts, of these assets and liabilities at period end, and their related fair values.

	September 30, 2019				
	Total Carrying Amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair Value
<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>					
Recurring Measurements					
Assets:					
Investments in debt securities available-for-sale:					
U.S. Govt. Treasury securities	\$ 142,765	\$ —	\$ 142,765	\$ —	\$ 142,765
U.S. Govt. guaranteed	4,620,516	—	4,620,516	—	4,620,516
U.S. Govt. agency guaranteed	2,402,728	—	2,402,728	—	2,402,728
Non-agency ABSs	728,593	—	728,593	—	728,593
Total investments in debt securities available-for-sale	7,894,602	—	7,894,602	—	7,894,602
Federal funds sold, securities purchased under resale agreements, and other	825,000	—	825,000	—	825,000
Interest rate swaps and other derivative instruments	—	—	—	—	—
Mortgage servicing rights	797	—	—	797	797
Assets held in trust funds	15,430	15,430	—	—	15,430
Recurring Assets	\$ 8,735,829	\$ 15,430	\$ 8,719,602	\$ 797	\$ 8,735,829
	—				
Liabilities:					
Interest rate swaps and other derivative instruments	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Mortgage servicing rights	65	—	—	65	65
Collateral liabilities	—	—	—	—	—
Recurring Liabilities	\$ 65	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 65	\$ 65
Nonrecurring Measurements					
Assets:					
Impaired loans	\$ 10,038	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 10,038	\$ 10,038
Other property owned	2,665	—	—	3,251	3,251
Nonrecurring Assets	\$ 12,703	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 13,289	\$ 13,289
Other Financial Instruments					
Assets:					
Cash	\$ 556,909	\$ 556,909	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 556,909
Investments in debt securities held-to-maturity	38,664	—	1,345	41,321	42,666
Loans	24,905,913	—	—	24,951,156	24,951,156
Other Financial Assets	\$ 25,501,486	\$ 556,909	\$ 1,345	\$ 24,992,477	\$ 25,550,731
Liabilities:					
Systemwide debt securities	\$ 31,844,715	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 31,909,229	\$ 31,909,229
Other Financial Liabilities	\$ 31,844,715	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 31,909,229	\$ 31,909,229

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<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Total Carrying Amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair Value
<u>Recurring Measurements</u>					
Assets:					
Investments in debt securities available-for-sale:					
U.S. Govt. Treasury securities	\$ 389,611	\$ —	\$ 389,611	\$ —	\$ 389,611
U.S. Govt. guaranteed	4,499,597	—	4,499,597	—	4,499,597
U.S. Govt. agency guaranteed	2,272,749	—	2,272,749	—	2,272,749
Non-agency ABSs	777,239	—	777,239	—	777,239
Total investments in debt securities available-for-sale	7,939,196	—	7,939,196	—	7,939,196
Federal funds sold, securities purchased under resale agreements, and other	100,000	—	100,000	—	100,000
Interest rate swaps and other derivative instruments	—	—	—	—	—
Mortgage servicing rights	1,102	—	—	1,102	1,102
Assets held in trust funds	13,834	13,834	—	—	13,834
Recurring Assets	\$ 8,054,132	\$ 13,834	\$ 8,039,196	\$ 1,102	\$ 8,054,132
Liabilities:					
Interest rate swaps and other derivative instruments	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Mortgage servicing rights	69	—	—	69	69
Collateral liabilities	—	—	—	—	—
Recurring Liabilities	\$ 69	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 69	\$ 69
<u>Nonrecurring Measurements</u>					
Assets:					
Impaired loans	\$ 10,703	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 10,703	\$ 10,703
Other property owned	2,842	—	—	3,555	3,555
Nonrecurring Assets	\$ 13,545	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 14,258	\$ 14,258
<u>Other Financial Instruments</u>					
Assets:					
Cash	\$ 421,485	\$ 421,485	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 421,485
Investments in debt securities held-to-maturity	42,052	—	1,643	43,251	44,894
Loans	24,247,129	—	—	23,931,485	23,931,485
Other Financial Assets	\$ 24,710,666	\$ 421,485	\$ 1,643	\$ 23,974,736	\$ 24,397,864
Liabilities:					
Systemwide debt securities	\$ 30,381,701	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 30,104,941	\$ 30,104,941
Other Financial Liabilities	\$ 30,381,701	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 30,104,941	\$ 30,104,941

SENSITIVITY TO CHANGES IN SIGNIFICANT UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS

Discounted cash flow or similar modeling techniques are generally used to determine the recurring fair value measurements for Level 3 assets and liabilities. Use of these techniques requires determination of relevant inputs and assumptions, some of which represent significant unobservable inputs as indicated in the tables that follow. Accordingly, changes in these unobservable inputs may have a significant impact on fair value.

Certain of these unobservable inputs will (in isolation) have a directionally consistent impact on the fair value of the instrument for a given change in that input. Alternatively, the fair value of the instrument may move in an opposite direction for a given change in another input. Where multiple inputs are used within the valuation technique of an asset or liability, a change in one input in a certain direction may be offset by an opposite change in another input having a potentially muted impact to the overall fair value of that particular instrument. Additionally, a change in one unobservable input may result in a change to another unobservable input (that is, changes in certain inputs are interrelated with one another), which may counteract or magnify the fair value impact.

Investments in Debt Securities

The fair values of predominantly all Level 3 investments in debt securities have consistent inputs, valuation techniques and correlation to changes in underlying inputs. The models used to determine fair value for these instruments use certain significant unobservable inputs within a discounted cash flow or market comparable pricing valuation technique. Such inputs generally include discount rate components including risk premiums, prepayment estimates, default estimates and loss severities.

These Level 3 assets would decrease (increase) in value based upon an increase (decrease) in discount rates, defaults, or loss severities. Conversely, the fair value of these assets would generally increase (decrease) in value if the prepayment input were to increase (decrease). Generally, a change in the assumption used for defaults is accompanied by a directionally similar change in the risk premium component of the discount rate (specifically, the portion related to credit risk) and a directionally opposite change in the assumption used for prepayments. Unobservable inputs for loss severities do not normally increase or decrease based on movements in the other significant unobservable inputs for these Level 3 assets.

Derivative Instruments

Level 3 derivative instruments consist of forward contracts that represent a hedge of an unrecognized firm commitment to purchase agency securities at a future date. The value of the forward is the difference between the fair value of the security at inception of the forward and the measurement date. Significant inputs for these valuations would be discount rate and volatility. These Level 3 derivatives would decrease (increase) in value based upon an increase (decrease) in the discount rate.

Generally, for derivative instruments which are subject to changes in the value of the underlying referenced instrument, change in the assumption used for default rate is accompanied by directionally similar change in the risk premium component of the discount rate (specifically, the portion related to credit risk) and a directionally opposite change in the assumption used for prepayment rates.

Unobservable inputs for discount rate and volatility do not increase or decrease based on movements in other significant unobservable inputs for these Level 3 instruments.

Inputs to Valuation Techniques

Management determines the Bank's valuation policies and procedures. Internal valuation processes are calibrated annually by an independent consultant. Fair value measurements are analyzed on a periodic basis. Documentation is obtained for third party information, such as pricing, and periodically evaluated alongside internal information and pricing.

Quoted market prices are generally not available for the instruments presented below. Accordingly, fair values are based on judgments regarding anticipated cash flows, future expected loss experience, current economic conditions, risk characteristics of various financial instruments, and other factors. These estimates involve uncertainties and matters of judgment, and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

Quantitative Information about Recurring and Nonrecurring Level 3 Fair Value Measurements

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Fair Value	Valuation Technique(s)	Unobservable Input	Range
Impaired loans and other property owned	\$ 13,289	Appraisal	Income and expense Comparable sales Replacement cost Comparability adjustments	* * * *
Forward contracts	\$ —	Discounted cash flow	Estimated future cash flows	
Mortgage servicing rights, net	\$ 732	Discounted cash flow	Constant prepayment rate Probability of default Loss severity Fees and costs	

Information about Recurring and Nonrecurring Level 2 Fair Value Measurements

	Valuation Technique(s)	Input
Debt securities available-for-sale	Discounted cash flow	Constant prepayment rate Probability of default Loss severity Price for similar security
	Quoted prices Vendor priced	**
Federal funds sold, securities purchased under resale agreements and other	Carrying value	Par/principal and appropriate interest yield
Interest rate swaps	Discounted cash flow	Annualized volatility Counterparty credit risk Own credit risk

Information about Other Financial Instrument Fair Value Measurements

	Valuation Technique(s)	Input
Loans	Discounted cash flow	Prepayment forecasts Probability of default Loss severity
Cash and cash equivalents	Carrying value	Par/principal and appropriate interest yield
Debt securities held-to-maturity	Discounted cash flow	Constant prepayment rate Prepayment rates Probability of default Risk-adjusted spread Loss severity
	Quoted prices Vendor priced	Price for similar security **
Systemwide debt securities	Discounted cash flow	Benchmark yield curve Derived yield spread Own credit risk
Cash collateral	Carrying value	Par/principal and appropriate interest yield

*Ranges for this type of input are not useful because each collateral property is unique.

**The inputs used to estimate fair value for assets and liabilities that are obtained from third party vendors are not included in the table as the specific inputs applied are not provided by the vendor.

Note 7 — Employee Benefit Plans

Following are retirement and other postretirement benefit expenses for the Bank:

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Pension	\$ 1,414	\$ 1,751	\$ 4,013	\$ 5,252
401k	821	782	2,511	2,347
Other postretirement benefits	255	224	743	731
Total	\$ 2,490	\$ 2,757	\$ 7,267	\$ 8,330

Following are retirement and other postretirement benefit contributions for the Bank. Projections are based upon actuarially determined amounts as of the most recent measurement date of December 31, 2018.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Actual YTD Through 9/30/19	Projected Contributions for Remainder of 2019	Projected Total Contributions 2019
Pensions	\$ 418	\$ 4,453	\$ 4,871
Other postretirement benefits	743	209	952
Total	\$ 1,161	\$ 4,662	\$ 5,823

Contributions in the above table include allocated estimates of funding for multiemployer plans in which the Bank participates. These amounts may change when a total funding amount and allocation is determined by the respective Plans' Sponsor Committees. Also, market conditions could impact discount rates and return on plan assets which could change contributions necessary before the next plan measurement date of December 31, 2019.

Further details regarding employee benefit plans are contained in the most recent Annual Report to Shareholders.

Note 8 — Commitments and Contingencies

Under the Farm Credit Act of 1971, each System bank is primarily liable for its portion of Systemwide bond and discount note obligations. Additionally, the four banks are jointly and severally liable for the bonds and notes of the other System banks under the terms of the Joint and Several Liability Allocation Agreement. Published in the

Federal Register, the agreement prescribes the payment mechanisms to be employed in the event one of the banks is unable to meet its debt obligations.

In the event a bank is unable to timely pay principal or interest on an insured debt obligation for which the bank is primarily liable, the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation (FCSIC) must expend amounts in the Insurance Fund to the extent available to ensure the timely payment of principal and interest on the insured debt obligation. The provisions of the Farm Credit Act providing for joint and several liability of the banks on the obligation cannot be invoked until the amounts in the Insurance Fund have been exhausted. However, because of other mandatory and discretionary uses of the Insurance Fund, there is no assurance that there will be sufficient funds to pay the principal or interest on the insured debt obligation.

Once joint and several liability provisions are initiated, the FCA is required to make “calls” to satisfy the liability first on all non-defaulting banks in the proportion that each non-defaulting bank’s available collateral (collateral in excess of collateralized obligations) bears to the aggregate available collateral of all non-defaulting banks. If these calls do not satisfy the liability, then a further call would be made in proportion to each non-defaulting bank’s remaining assets. Upon making a call on non-defaulting banks with respect to a Systemwide Debt Security issued on behalf of a defaulting bank, the FCA is required to appoint FCSIC as the receiver for the defaulting bank. The receiver would be required to expeditiously liquidate assets of the bank.

AgFirst did not anticipate making any payments on behalf of its co-obligors under the Joint and Several Liability Allocation Agreement for any of the periods presented. The total amount outstanding and the carrying amount of the Bank’s liability under the agreement are as follows:

<i>(dollars in billions)</i>	September 30, 2019		December 31, 2018	
Total System bonds and notes	\$	282.861	\$	281.459
AgFirst bonds and notes	\$	31.845	\$	30.382

From time to time, legal actions are pending against the Bank in which claims for money damages are asserted. On at least a quarterly basis, the Bank assesses its liabilities and contingencies in connection with outstanding legal proceedings utilizing the latest information available. While the outcome of legal proceedings is inherently uncertain, on the basis of information presently available, management and legal counsel are of the opinion that the ultimate liability, if any, from these actions, would not be material in relation to the financial position of the Bank. No material liabilities have been recorded for any claims that may be pending.

Note 9 — Additional Financial Information

Offsetting of Financial and Derivative Assets

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	September 30, 2019		December 31, 2018	
Derivatives	\$	—	\$	—
Reverse repurchase and similar arrangements		825,000		100,000
Gross Amount of Recognized Assets		<u>825,000</u>		<u>100,000</u>
Derivatives		—		—
Reverse repurchase and similar arrangements		—		—
Gross Amounts Offset in the Balance Sheets		<u>—</u>		<u>—</u>
Net Amounts of Assets Presented in the Balance Sheets	\$	825,000	\$	100,000
Financial Instruments		(825,000)		(100,000)
Cash Collateral Received		—		—
Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Balance Sheets		<u>(825,000)</u>		<u>(100,000)</u>
Net Amount	\$	—	\$	—

There were no liabilities subject to master netting arrangements or similar agreements during the reporting periods.

A description of any rights of setoff associated with recognized derivative assets and liabilities subject to enforceable master netting arrangements is located in Note 10, *Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedging Activities*.

The reverse repurchase agreements are accounted for as collateralized lending.

Combined Districtwide Financial Statements

The accompanying financial statements exclude financial information of the Bank’s affiliated Associations. The Bank and its affiliated Associations are collectively referred to as the AgFirst District. The Bank separately publishes certain unaudited combined financial information of the AgFirst District, including a statement of condition and statement of income, which can be found on the Bank’s website at www.agfirst.com. Such information is not incorporated by reference into, and should not be considered a part of, this Third Quarter 2019 Report.

Note 10 — Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedging Activities

One of the Bank’s goals is to minimize interest rate sensitivity by managing the repricing characteristics of assets and liabilities so that the net interest margin is not adversely affected by movements in interest rates. The Bank maintains an overall interest rate risk management strategy that may incorporate the use of derivative instruments to achieve that goal. The primary derivative type used by the Bank has been interest rate swaps that convert fixed interest rate debt to a lower floating interest rate than was achievable from issuing floating rate debt with identical repricing characteristics. Interest rate swaps may allow the Bank to lower funding costs, diversify sources of funding, or alter interest rate exposures arising from mismatches between assets and liabilities. Under these arrangements, the Bank agrees with other parties to exchange, at specified intervals, payment streams calculated on a specified notional principal amount, with at least one stream based on a specified floating rate index.

The Bank may also purchase interest rate derivatives, such as caps, in order to reduce the impact of rising interest rates on its floating-rate debt, and floors, in order to reduce the impact of falling interest rates on its floating-rate assets. In addition, the Bank may also fix a price to be paid in the future which qualifies as a derivative forward contract.

As a result of interest rate fluctuations, interest income and interest expense related to hedged variable-rate assets and liabilities, respectively, will increase or decrease. Another result of interest rate fluctuations is that hedged fixed-rate assets and liabilities will appreciate or depreciate in market value. The effects of any earnings variability or unrealized changes in market value are expected to be substantially offset by the Bank’s gains or losses on the derivative instruments that are linked to these hedged assets and liabilities. The Bank considers its strategic use of derivatives to be a prudent method of managing interest rate sensitivity, as it prevents earnings from being exposed to undue risk posed by changes in interest rates.

The primary types of derivative instruments used and the amount of activity for the periods presented is summarized in the following table:

Notional Amounts <i>(dollars in millions)</i>	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2019		2018	
	Receive- Fixed Swaps	Forward Contracts	Receive- Fixed Swaps	Forward Contracts
Balance at beginning of period	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Additions	—	—	—	121
Maturities/amortization	—	—	—	(121)
Terminations	—	—	—	—
Balance at end of period	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

By using derivative instruments, the Bank exposes itself to credit and market risk. If a counterparty fails to fulfill its performance obligations under a derivative contract, the Bank’s credit risk will equal the fair value gain in the derivative. Generally, when the fair value of a derivative contract is positive, this indicates that the counterparty

owes the Bank, thus creating a repayment risk for the Bank. When the fair value of the derivative contract is negative, the Bank owes the counterparty and, therefore, assumes no repayment risk.

To minimize the risk of credit losses, the Bank transacts with counterparties that have an investment grade credit rating from a major rating agency and also monitors the credit standing of, and levels of exposure to, individual counterparties. The Bank typically enters into master agreements that contain netting provisions. These provisions allow the Bank to require the net settlement of covered contracts with the same counterparty in the event of default by the counterparty on one or more contracts.

Counterparty exposure related to derivatives at:

<i>(dollars in millions)</i>	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Estimated Gross Credit Risk	\$–	\$–
Percent of Notional	–%	–%

There was no cash or securities collateral held or posted for the periods presented.

The Bank’s derivative activities are monitored by its Asset-Liability Management Committee (ALCO) as part of the Committee’s oversight of the Bank’s asset/liability and treasury functions. The ALCO is responsible for approving hedging strategies that are developed within parameters established by the Bank’s Board of Directors through the analysis of data derived from financial simulation models and other internal and industry sources. The resulting hedging strategies are then incorporated into the Bank’s overall interest rate risk-management strategies.

Fair Value Hedges

For derivative instruments designated as fair value hedges, the gains or losses on the derivative, as well as the offsetting loss or gain on the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk, are recognized in current earnings. The Bank includes the gain or loss on the hedged items in the same line item (interest expense) as the offsetting loss or gain on the related interest rate swaps. Gains and losses on each derivative representing either hedge ineffectiveness or hedge components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness are recognized in current earnings.

Cash Flow Hedges

From time to time, the Bank may acquire when-issued securities, generally government agency guaranteed bonds. The when-issued transactions are contracts to purchase securities that will not be delivered until 30 or more days in the future. These purchase commitments are considered derivatives (cash flow hedges) in the form of forward contracts. Any difference in market value of the contracted securities, between the purchase and reporting or settlement dates, represents the value of the forward contracts. These amounts are included in OCI, and Other Liabilities or Other Assets as appropriate, as firm commitments in the Bank’s Balance Sheet for each period end. As of the periods presented, the Bank had no commitments to purchase any when-issued bonds.

For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as a cash flow hedge, such as the Bank’s forward contracts, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative is reported as a component of other comprehensive income and reclassified into earnings in the same period or periods during which the hedged transaction affects earnings. Gains and losses on the derivative representing either hedge ineffectiveness or hedge components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness are recognized in current earnings.

Derivatives Not Designated as Hedges

The Bank may enter into interest rate lock commitments, which are commitments to originate mortgage loans whereby the interest rate on the loan is determined prior to funding and the customers have locked into that interest rate. The Bank may also manage market risk on interest rate lock commitments and mortgage loans held for sale with corresponding forward sale commitments. Residential mortgage loans held for sale are recorded at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in Noninterest Income. Changes in mark-to-market from both interest rate lock commitments and corresponding forward sale commitments related to residential mortgage loans are included in Noninterest Income.

Fair Values of Derivative Instruments

There were no derivative assets or liabilities designated as hedging instruments at the periods ended September 30, 2019 or December 31, 2018.

The following table sets forth the amount of net gain (loss) on derivatives recognized in earnings and, for cash flow hedges, the amount of net gain (loss) recognized in AOCI for the nine month periods presented. See Note 5, *Shareholders' Equity*.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Location of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in, or Reclassified from AOCI into, Income	Amount of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in, or Reclassified from AOCI into, Income		Amount of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in OCI on Derivative (Effective Portion)	
		2019	2018	2019	2018
		Cash Flow Hedges:			
Firm Commitments	Interest Income	\$ 267	\$ (749)	\$ –	\$ –
Forward Contracts	Gains (Losses) on Other Transactions	\$ –	\$ 12	\$ –	\$ 12

There were no derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments at September 30, 2019 or December 31, 2018. The following table sets forth the amount of net gain (loss) on derivatives not designated as hedging instruments recognized in earnings. No gain (loss) was recognized in AOCI for the nine month periods presented. See Note 5, *Shareholders' Equity*.

<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>	Location of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Income	Amount of Gain or (Loss) Recognized in Income *	
		2019	2018
		Fair Value Derivatives:	
Forward Contracts	Gains (Losses) on Other Transactions	\$ –	\$ 1,628

* Represents total gain or loss for fair value hedges and effective portion for cash flow hedges.

Note 11 — Subsequent Events

The Bank evaluated subsequent events and determined that, except as described below, there were none requiring disclosure through November 8, 2019, which was the date the financial statements were issued.

On October 21, 2019, the Bank's Board of Directors indicated an intention to declare, in December 2019, a special patronage distribution between \$75.0 million and \$85.0 million.