

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

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Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to the Corporation's financial information presented in accordance with GAAP, management uses certain "non-GAAP" financial measures" within the meaning of Regulation G promulgated by the SEC, to clarify and enhance understanding of past performance and prospects for the future. Please refer to pages 16-19 for a reconciliation of GAAP measures and calculations for the quarter ended September 30, 2021.

Q3 2021 Quarter Highlights

Aurelio Alemán, President and Chief Executive Officer

Q3 2021 Results of Operations

Orlando Berges, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Questions and Answers

FRANCHISE HIGHLIGHTS AND OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

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Integration Progress

- Completed all remaining system conversions and integration of acquired operations; on track to meet efficiencies and synergies planned as part of the transaction including post-integration branch rationalization during Q4 2021
- Fully integrated organization with expanded sales capacity better positioned to grow market share
- Now our full dedication of resources will be geared towards growing the franchise and servicing our clients

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Franchise Highlights

- Second largest market share among banks across all products and channels to better serve our clients and communities with ample opportunities for organic growth
- More clients adopting our digital experience; online banking users registered an organic increase of 12% during the quarter and approximately 40% of deposits were captured through digital and self-service channels
- Expanded digital functionalities include the ability to process mortgage, credit cards, and personal loan applications through our corporate portal and, on the commercial front, loan forgiveness requests by commercial PPP clients are also being processed through a self-service digital platform

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Economic Activity

- Improvements in the economic backdrop within our operating markets continue to drive core performance metrics
 - Fully vaccinated rate in Puerto Rico of 81% among 12 years and older (highest vaccination rate in the US); overall business environment improving with payroll employment 12% higher than April 2020 and improved consumer confidence evidenced by rise in most indicators
 - Economic activity in South Florida continues to trend in a positive direction with passenger movement at MIA/FLL airports sequentially improving since February 2021 and unemployment levels trending down
 - o Both pandemic and disaster relief funding continue to support economic activity in the USVI
- Commercial credit demand expected to gradually pick up during 2022 as the economy recovers and large-scale disaster relief-related projects begin to emerge

THIRD QUARTER 2021 PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

Profitability

- Net income of \$75.7 million (\$0.36 per diluted share) compared to \$70.6 million (\$0.33 per diluted share) in Q2 2021
- On a non-GAAP basis, adjusted pre-tax, pre-provision income of \$103.6 million, compared to \$96.6 million in Q2 2021
- Net interest income remained relatively flat at \$184.7 million, compared to \$184.8 million in Q2 2021
- Provision for credit losses was a net benefit of \$12.1 million (\$7.6 million after-tax, or an increase of \$0.04 per diluted share reflecting, among other things, improvements in the outlook of certain macroeconomic variables and lower residential and commercial mortgage loans outstanding

Asset Quality

- Non-performing assets decreased by \$83.2 million to \$172.4 million as of Q3 2021, compared to \$255.6 million as of Q2 2021 primarily driven by a bulk sale of \$52.5 million of nonaccrual residential mortgage loans; NPAs stand at 0.81% of total assets
- The ratio of the ACL for loans and finance leases to total loans held for investment was 2.59% as of Q3 2021 (2.64% ex. PPP), compared to 2.85% as of Q2 2021; decrease was driven by the bulk sale of residential non-performing loans, as well as releases associated with improvements in macroeconomic factors

Capital

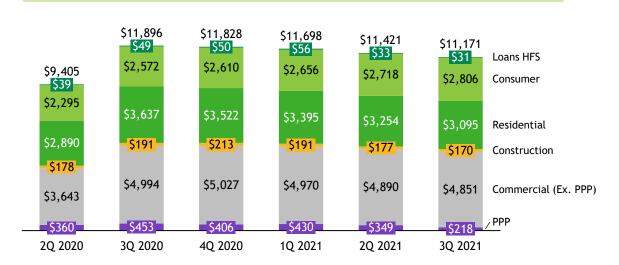
- Continue to return capital to shareholders demonstrating the strength of our balance sheet and our commitment to increasing shareholder value
- Repurchased 4.2 million shares amounting to \$50 million during Q3 2021
- Announced the redemption of \$36.1 million of all outstanding preferred stock to be completed during Q4 2021
- Increased common stock dividend by 43% to \$0.10 per share
- Ample capital position with Common Equity Tier-1 ratio of 17.6% as of Q3 2021

BALANCE SHEET METRICS

LOANS | DEPOSITS



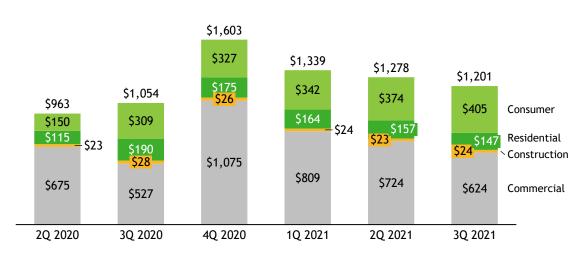
Loan Portfolio (\$ in millions)



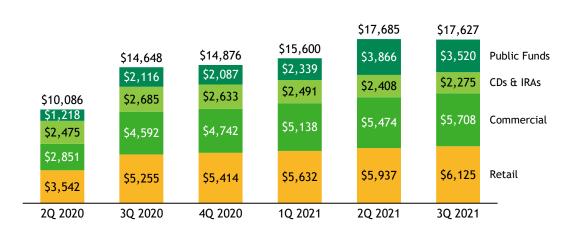
Key Highlights

- Total loans decreased by \$249.0 million to \$11.2 billion as of Q3 2021; decrease consisted of reductions of \$176.4 million in commercial and construction loans and \$160.9 million in residential mortgage loans, partially offset by an \$88.2 million increase in consumer loans
 - Decrease in commercial and construction loans reflects, among other things, the effect of the reduction of approximately \$130.9 million in the carrying amount of Small Business Administration Paycheck Protection Program ("SBA PPP") loans
 - Decrease in residential mortgage loans included the effect of the \$52.5 million bulk sale of nonaccrual loans
- Deposits (net of brokered) decreased by \$58 million in 3Q 2021 to \$17.63 billion, mainly driven by a \$346 million reduction in public funds
 - Excluding brokered and government deposits, core deposits increased by \$288.5 million to \$14.1 billion as of Q3 2021

Loan Originations (\$ in millions)¹



Core Deposits (\$ in Millions)²



- (1) Loan Originations include refinancing and renewals, as well as credit card utilization activity
- (2) Core Deposits exclude brokered deposits



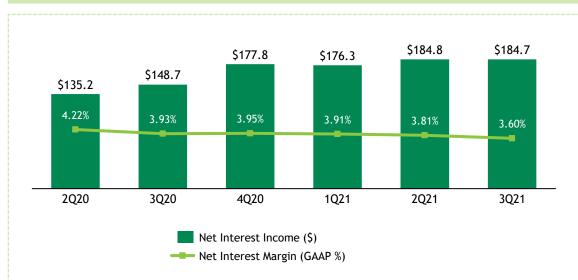
RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

(\$ in thousands, except per share data)	3	Q 2021	2	Q 2021	Vā	ariance	30	Q 2020
Interest income	\$	200,172	\$	201,459	\$	(1,287)	\$	170,402
Interest expense		15,429		16,676		(1,247)		21,706
Net interest income		184,743		184,783		(40)		148,696
Provision for credit losses:								
Loans		(8,734)		(26,302)		17,568		48,078
Unfunded loan commitments		(971)		(1,669)		698		(803)
Debt securities		(2,377)		1,816		(4, 193)		(361)
Provision for credit losses		(12,082)		(26,155)		14,073		46,914
Total non-interest income		29,946		29,884		62		29,934
Personnel expense		50,220		49,714		506		43,063
Occupancy and equipment expense		23,306		24,116		(810)		19,064
Insurance and supervisory fees		3,630		4,282		(652)		3,019
REO expense		(2,288)		(139)		(2, 149)		1,019
Merger & restructuring costs		2,268		11,047		(8,779)		10,441
Other operating expenses		36,900		41,152		(4,252)		30,902
Total non-interest expense		114,036		130,172		(16, 136)		107,508
Pre-tax income (loss)		112,735		110,650		2,085		24,208
Income tax (expense) benefit		(37,057)		(40,092)		3,035		4,405
Net income (loss)	\$	75,678	\$	70,558	\$	5,120	\$	28,613
Select Financial Information								
Adjusted net income (loss)	\$	77,495	\$	78,153	\$	(658)	\$	22,358
Adjusted EPS	\$	0.37	\$	0.36	\$	0.01	\$	0.10
Adjusted Pre-tax, pre-provision income	\$	103,561	\$	96,647	\$	6,914	\$	77,143
Fully diluted EPS	\$	0.36	\$	0.33	\$	0.03	\$	0.13
Cash dividend declared	\$	0.07	\$	0.07	\$	-	\$	0.05
Book value per share	\$	10.47	\$	10.30	\$	0.17	\$	10.03
Tangible book value per share	\$	10.12	\$	9.94	\$	0.18	\$	9.67
Common stock price	\$	13.15	\$	11.92	\$	1.23	\$	5.22
Net Interest Margin (GAAP)		3.60%		3.81%		(0.21%)		3.93%
Efficiency ratio		53.1%		60.6%		(7.52%)		60.2%

PROFITABILITY DYNAMICS

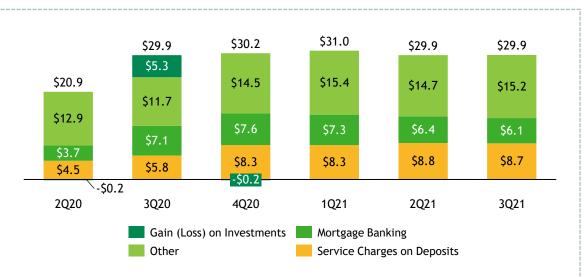


Net Interest Income (\$ in millions)



- Net interest income remained relatively flat at \$184.7 million for Q3 2021, compared to \$184.8 million for Q2 2021; variance reflects:
 - A \$2.1 million increase in interest income on investment securities, mostly lower premium amortization
 - A \$2.6 million increase in consumer loans interest income driven by increases in loan balances
 - A \$4.8 million lower interest income on commercial loans resulting from reduced discount accretion on loans paid off and deferred interest recognized in the second quarter
 - A \$1.2 million decrease in interest expense as a result of reductions in the average cost of deposits
- Net interest margin was 3.60% for Q3 2021, compared to 3.81% for Q2 2021; reduction driven by the increase in low-yielding interest-bearing cash balances and investment securities

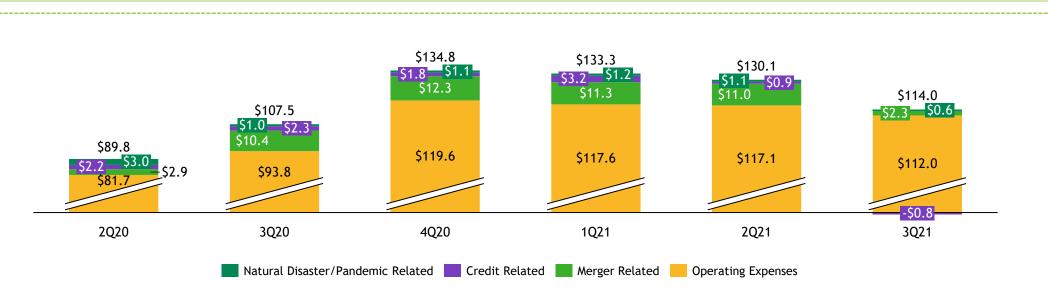
Non-Interest Income (\$ in millions)



 Non-interest income of \$29.9 million for Q3 2021 remained relatively unchanged compared to Q2 2021 as the increase in fee income from credit and debit cards, ATMs, and point-of-sale ("POS") transactions was offset by decreases in revenues from mortgage banking activities and service charges on deposits



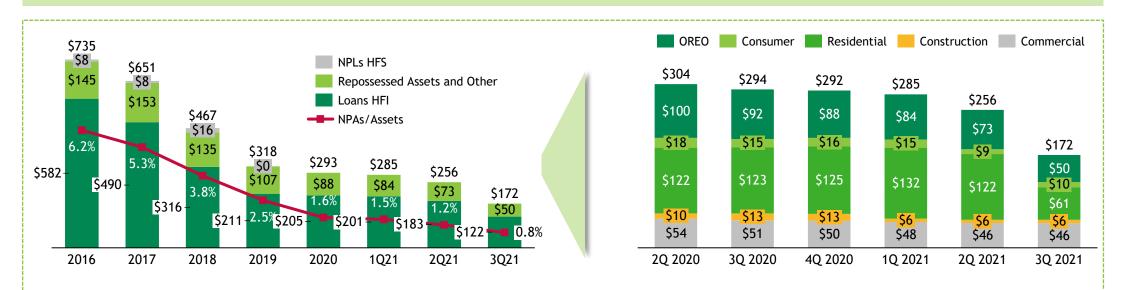
Non-Interest Expenses (\$ in millions)



- Non-interest expenses decreased by \$16.2 million to \$114.0 million during Q3 2021, compared to \$130.2 million in Q2 2021
 - o Total non-interest expenses in Q3 2021 included \$2.3 million of merger costs, compared to \$11.0 million in Q2 2021, as well as \$0.6 million of COVID-19 pandemic-related expenses, compared to \$1.1 million in Q2 2021
- Excluding merger and restructuring costs and covid related expenses, reduction was \$6.9 million largely due to:
 - o A \$2.1 million increase in net gains on sales of OREO properties, \$0.8 million resulting from the sale of a \$20.8 million commercial REO property
 - o A \$2.3 million decrease in technology processing costs of the BSPR operations upon completion of system conversions
 - o A \$1.2 million decrease in debit and credit card processing costs related to incentives and costs reimbursements associated with a processing agreement



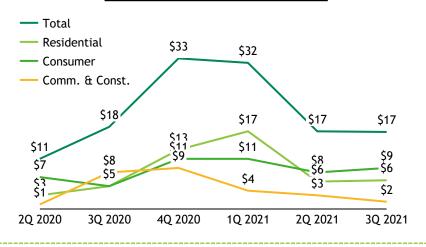
Non-Performing Assets (\$ in Millions)



Total non-performing assets decreased by \$83.2 million to \$172.4 million as of Q3 2021, or 0.81% of total assets compared to \$255.6 million as of Q2 2021

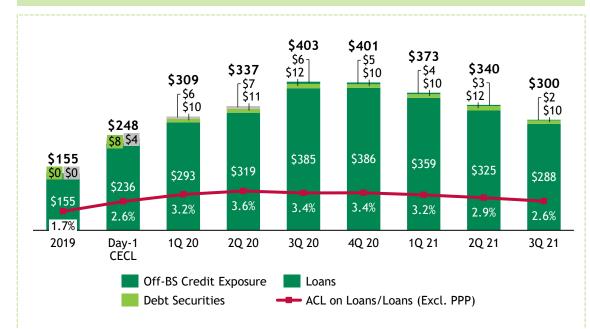
- The decrease in NPAs was primarily driven by:
 - \$61.1 million decrease in nonaccrual residential mortgage loans, driven by the bulk sale of \$52.5 million of nonperforming loans, as well as the repayment of two large residential mortgage loans totaling \$3.9 million
 - \$22.8 million decrease in the OREO portfolio balance, attributed to sales of \$28.1 million, including a \$20.7 million commercial OREO property in the Puerto Rico region
- Inflows to nonaccrual loans held for investment were \$16.9 million, a \$0.1 million increase compared to inflows of \$16.8 million in Q2 2021

Migration Trend (\$ in Millions)



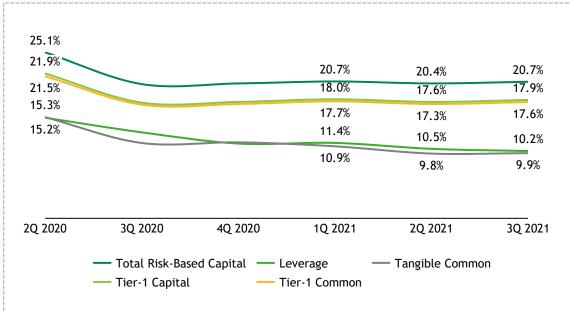


Evolution of ACL (\$ in Millions) and ACL on Loans to Total Loans (%)



- The allowance for credit losses (ACL) on loans decreased by \$36.6 million during 3Q 2021 to \$288 million
- The ratio of the ACL for loans and finance leases to total loans held for investment was 2.59% as of 3Q 2021, compared to 2.85% as of 2Q 2021; excluding PPP loans the ACL to loans was 2.64%

Capital Ratios



- Total stockholders' equity amounted to \$2.2 billion as of Q3 2021, a decrease of \$7.0 million from Q2 2021; decrease was driven by: (1) the repurchase of 4.16 million of shares of common stock for a total purchase price of approximately \$50 million, (2) common and preferred stock dividends declared in the third quarter totaling \$15.2 million, and (3) an \$18.7 million decrease in the fair value of available-for-sale investment securities recorded as part of Other comprehensive income (loss) in the consolidated statements of financial condition
 - These variances were partially offset by earnings generated in the third quarter

EXHIBITS



(\$ in millions)

- As of September 30, 2021, the Corporation had \$362.6 million of direct exposure to the Puerto Rico Government, its municipalities and public corporations, compared to \$388.8 million as of June 30, 2021
 - 86% of direct government exposure is to municipalities, which are supported by assigned property tax revenues

- As of September 30, 2021, the Corporation had \$2.8 billion of public sector deposits in Puerto Rico, compared to \$2.9 billion as of June 30, 2021
 - Approximately 19% is from municipalities in Puerto Rico and 81% is from public corporations and the central government and agencies in Puerto Rico

Government Unit	Source of Repayment	Total standing	
PR Securities			\$ 3.7
Municipalities:			\$ 310.4
Securities Loans	Property Tax Revenues	177.8 132.6	
Public Corporations:			\$ 48.5
2 Loan	CRE - Operating Revenues	48.5	
Total Direct Governme	ent Exposure		\$ 362.6

Government Unit	Time	Deposits	ansaction accounts	Total
Municipalities	\$	72.3	\$ 474.5	\$ 546.8
Municipal Agency		-	-	-
Public Agencies		73.1	783.6	856.7
Public Corporations		23.2	1,354.5	1,377.7
U.S. Federal Government		1.2	46.5	47.7
Total Deposits	\$	169.8	\$ 2,659.1	\$ 2,828.9



	September 30, 2021											
	Res	sidential		mercial	Cor	mmercial &						
	M	ortgage	Mor	tgage	l	Industrial	Constr	uction	C	Consumer		Total
Beginning balance	\$	121,695	\$	27,242	\$	18,835	\$	6,175	\$	8,703	\$	182,650
Plus:												
Additions to non-performing		6,303		347		1,228		22		8,990		16,890
Less:												
Non-performing loans transferred to OREO		(1,827)		-		(125)		-		(929)		(2,881)
Non-performing loans charged-off		(21,449)		(375)		(136)		(7)		(4,716)		(26,683)
Loans returned to accrual status / collections / paid-offs		(11,656)		(451)		(1,725)		(89)		(2,382)		(16,303)
Transfer from Loand Held for Sale												-
Reclassification		(962)		49		913						-
Transfer from Loand Held for Investment												-
Non-performing sold		(31,515)						(8)		(9)		(31,532)
Ending balance	\$	60,589	\$	26,812	\$	18,990	\$	6,093	\$	9,657	\$	122,141
						June 30	J, 2021					
	Re	sidential	Comr	mercial	Coi	June 30 mmercial &), 2021					
		sidential ortgage		nercial tgage			Constr	uction	C	Consumer		Total
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Tangible Common Equity Ratio and Tangible Book Value per Common Share

The tangible common equity ratio and tangible book value per common share are non-GAAP financial measures generally used by the financial community to evaluate capital adequacy. Tangible common equity is total equity less preferred equity, goodwill, core deposit intangibles, and other intangibles, such as the purchased credit card relationship intangible and the insurance customer relationship intangible. Tangible assets are total assets less goodwill, core deposit intangibles, and other intangibles, such as the purchased credit card relationship intangible and the insurance customer relationship intangible. Management and many stock analysts use the tangible common equity ratio and tangible book value per common share in conjunction with more traditional bank capital ratios to compare the capital adequacy of banking organizations with significant amounts of goodwill or other intangible assets, typically stemming from the use of the purchase method of accounting for mergers and acquisitions. Accordingly, the Corporation believes that disclosures of these financial measures may be useful also to investors. Neither tangible common equity nor tangible assets, or the related measures should be considered in isolation or as a substitute for stockholders' equity, total assets, or any other measure calculated in accordance with GAAP. Moreover, the way the Corporation calculates its tangible common equity, tangible assets, and any other related measures may differ from that of other companies reporting measures with similar names.

(In thousands, except ratios and per share information)	atios and per share information) September 30, June 30 2021 2021		June 30,	March 31, 2021			ecember 31, 2020	September 30, 2020		
Tangible Equity:			2021		2021		2020		-	2020
Total equity - GAAP	\$	2,197,965	\$	2,204,955	\$	2,220,425	\$	2,275,179	\$	2,225,282
Preferred equity		(36,104)		(36,104)		(36,104)		(36,104)		(36,104)
Goodwill		(38,611)		(38,611)		(38,611)		(38,632)		(34,401)
Purchased credit card relationship intangible		(1,992)		(2,855)		(3,768)		(4,733)		(5,789)
Core deposit intangible		(30,494)		(32,416)		(34,339)		(35,842)		(37,749)
Insurance customer relationship intangible		(203)		(241)		(280)		(318)		(355)
Tangible common equity	\$	2,090,561	\$	2,094,728	\$	2,107,323	\$	2,159,550	\$	2,110,884
Tangible Assets:										
Total assets - GAAP	\$	21,256,154	\$	21,369,962	\$	19,413,734	\$	18,793,071	\$	18,659,768
Goodwill		(38,611)		(38,611)		(38,611)		(38,632)		(34,401)
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Tangible assets	\$	21,184,854	\$	21,295,839	\$	19,336,736	\$	18,713,546	\$	18,581,474
Common shares outstanding		206,496		210,649		218,629		218,235		218,229
Tangible common equity ratio		9.87%		9.84%		10.90%		11.54%		11.36%
Tangible book value per common share	\$	10.12	\$	9.94	\$	9.64	\$	9.90	\$	9.67





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Adjusted Pre-Tax, Pre-Provision Income

Adjusted pre-tax, pre-provision income is a non-GAAP performance metric that management uses and believes that investors may find useful in analyzing underlying performance trends, particularly in times of economic stress. Adjusted pre-tax, pre-provision income, as defined by management, represents net income (loss) excluding income tax expense (benefit), the provision for loan and lease losses, as well as certain items that management believes are not reflective of core operating performance or that are not expected to reoccur with any regularity or reoccur at uncertain times and amounts. This metric is income before income taxes adjusted to exclude the provision for loan and lease losses, gains or losses on sales of investment securities and impairments, and fair value adjustments on derivatives. In addition, from time to time, earnings are adjusted also for items that management believes are not reflective of core operating performance or that are not expected to reoccur with any regularity or reoccur at uncertain times and amounts.

	Quarter Ended										
(Dollars in thousands)	September 30,		J	une 30,	Ma	arch 31,	December 31,		September 30,		
		2021		2021		2021		2020		2020	
Income before income taxes	\$	112,735	\$	110,650	\$	89,172	\$	65,514	\$	24,208	
Less/Add: Provision for credit losses (benefit) expense		(12,082)		(26,155)		(15,252)		7,691		46,914	
Add/Less: Net loss (gain) on sales of investment securities		-		-		-		182		(5,288)	
Less: Gain on early extinguishment of debt		-		-		-		-		(94)	
Add: COVID-19 pandemic-related expenses		640		1,105		1,209		1,125		962	
Add: Merger and restructuring costs		2,268		11,047		11,267		12,321		10,441	
Adjusted pre-tax, pre-provision income (1)	\$	103,561	\$	96,647	\$	86,396	\$	86,833	\$	77,143	
Change from most recent prior quarter (in dollars)	\$	6,914	\$	10,251	\$	(437)	\$	9,690	\$	9,809	
Change from most recent prior quarter (in percentage)		7.2%		11.9%		-0.5%		12.6%		14.6%	

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The financial results include the following significant items that management believes are not reflective of core operating performance, are not expected to reoccur with any regularity or may reoccur at uncertain times and in uncertain amounts (the "Special Items"):

Quarter ended September 30, 2021

- Merger and restructuring costs of \$2.3 million (\$1.4 million after-tax) in connection with the BSPR acquisition integration process and related restructuring initiatives. Merger and restructuring costs in the third quarter were primarily related to system conversions completed early in the third quarter and other integration related efforts.
- Costs of \$0.6 million (\$0.4 million after-tax) related to COVID-19 pandemic response efforts, primarily costs related to additional cleaning, safety materials, and security measures.

Quarter ended June 30, 2021

- Merger and restructuring costs of \$11.0 million (\$6.9 million after-tax) in connection with the BSPR acquisition integration process and related restructuring initiatives. Merger and restructuring costs in the second quarter included approximately \$1.7 million related to the previously announced Employee Voluntary Separation Program (the "VSP") offered to eligible employees in the Puerto Rico region and approximately \$2.1 million related to service contracts cancellation penalties. In addition, merger and restructuring costs in the second quarter of 2021 included expenses related to system conversions and other integration related efforts, as well as accelerated depreciation charges related to planned closures and consolidation of branches in accordance with the Corporation's integration and restructuring plan
- Costs of \$1.1 million (\$0.7 million after-tax) related to COVID-19 pandemic response efforts, primarily costs related to additional cleaning, safety materials, and security measures.

Quarter ended September 30, 2020

- Merger and restructuring costs of \$10.4 million (\$6.5 million after-tax) in connection with the acquisition of Banco Santander and related restructuring initiatives. Merger and restructuring costs in the third quarter of 2020 primarily included consulting, legal, system conversions and other integration related efforts.
- An \$8.0 million tax benefit related to a partial reversal of the deferred tax asset valuation allowance.
- A \$5.3 million aggregate gain on sales of approximately \$116.6 million of U.S. agencies MBS and \$803.3 million of U.S. Treasury Notes executed in the latter part of September. The gain on tax-exempt securities or realized at the tax-exempt international banking entity subsidiary level had no effect in the income tax expense recorded in the third quarter of 2020.

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The following table the reported net income to adjusted net income, a non-GAAP financial measure that excludes the Special Items identified on prior pages as well as gains or losses on sales of investment securities and impairments:

		ter Ended	Quai	rter Ended	Quarter Ended		
(In thousands, except per share information) Net income, as reported (GAAP)		ber 30, 2021	June	e 30, 2021	Septem	nber 30, 2020	
		75,678	\$	70,558	\$	28,613	
Adjustments:							
Merger and restructuring costs		2,268		11,047		10,441	
Partial reversal of deferred tax asset valuation allowance		-		-		(8,000)	
Gain on sales of investment securities		-		-		(5,288)	
Gain on early extinguishment of debt		-		-		(94)	
COVID-19 pandemic-related expenses		640		1,105		962	
Income tax impact of adjustments (1)		(1,091)		(4,557)		(4,276)	
Adjusted net income (Non-GAAP)	\$	77,495	\$	78,153	\$	22,358	
Preferred stock dividends		(669)		(669)		(669)	
Adjusted net income attributable to common stockholders (Non-GAAP)	\$	76,826	\$	77,484	\$	21,689	
Weighted-average diluted shares outstanding	\$	207,796		214,609	\$	217,715	
Earnings Per Share - diluted (GAAP)	\$	0.36	\$	0.33	\$	0.13	
Adjusted Earnings Per Share - diluted (Non-GAAP)	\$	0.37	\$	0.36	\$	0.10	