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FORM 10-K

Annual Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2009

or

Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File No. 001-33384

ESSA Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Pennsylvania
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

20-8023072
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

200 Palmer Street, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

18360
Zip Code

(570) 421-0531

(Registrant's telephone number)

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	The NASDAQ Stock Market, LLC
Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None	

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. YES NO

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. YES NO

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding twelve months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such requirements for the past 90 days. YES NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). YES NO

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES NO

As of December 8, 2009, there were 16,980,900 shares issued and 14,595,320 shares outstanding of the Registrant's Common Stock.

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The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the Registrant, computed by reference to the last sale price on December 8, 2009, was \$153,839,716.

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PART I

Item 1. Business
Forward Looking Statements

This Annual Report contains certain forward-looking statements which may be identified by the use of words such as believe, expect, anticipate, should, planned, estimated and potential. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, estimates with respect to our financial condition, results of operations and business that are subject to various factors which could cause actual results to differ materially from these estimates and most other statements that are not historical in nature. These factors include, but are not limited to, general and local economic conditions, changes in interest rates, deposit flows, demand for mortgage, and other loans, real estate values, competition, changes in accounting principles, policies, or guidelines, changes in legislation or regulation, and other economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory, and technological factors affecting our operations, pricing products and services.

ESSA Bancorp, Inc.

ESSA Bancorp, Inc. is the Pennsylvania-chartered stock holding company of ESSA Bank & Trust. ESSA Bancorp, Inc. owns 100% of the outstanding shares of common stock of ESSA Bank & Trust. Since being formed in 2006, ESSA Bancorp, Inc. has engaged primarily in the business of holding the common stock of ESSA Bank & Trust. Our executive offices are located at 200 Palmer Street, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania 18360. Our telephone number at this address is (570) 421-0531. ESSA Bancorp, Inc. is subject to comprehensive regulation and examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision. At September 30, 2009, ESSA Bancorp, Inc. had consolidated assets of \$1.04 billion, consolidated deposits of \$408.9 million and consolidated stockholders equity of \$185.5 million. Its consolidated net income for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009 was \$6.6 million.

On April 3, 2007, ESSA Bancorp, Inc. consummated its stock offering, resulting in gross proceeds of \$158.7 million, through the sale of 15,870,000 shares at a price of \$10.00 per share. ESSA Bancorp, Inc. also contributed 1,110,900 shares of its common stock to the ESSA Bank & Trust Foundation along with \$1.6 million in cash. Expenses related to the offering were approximately \$2.9 million, which resulted in net proceeds of approximately \$155.8 million prior to the contribution to the ESSA Bank & Trust Foundation.

ESSA Bancorp, Inc. loaned approximately \$13.6 million to the ESSA Bank & Trust's Employee Stock Ownership Plan. ESSA Bancorp, Inc. retained approximately \$64.3 million of the net proceeds of the offering prior to the contribution to the ESSA Bank & Trust Foundation, and the remainder of the net proceeds were contributed to ESSA Bank & Trust.

ESSA Bank & Trust

General

ESSA Bank & Trust was organized in 1916. ESSA Bank & Trust is a Pennsylvania chartered full-service, community-oriented savings association. We provide financial services to individuals, families and businesses through our thirteen full-service banking offices, located in Monroe and Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania. ESSA Bank & Trust is subject to comprehensive regulation and examination by the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and the Office of Thrift Supervision.

ESSA Bank & Trust's business consists primarily of accepting deposits from the general public and investing those deposits, together with funds generated from operations and borrowings, in residential first mortgage loans (including construction mortgage loans), commercial real estate loans, home equity loans and lines of credit, commercial and consumer loans. We offer a variety of deposit accounts, including checking, savings and certificates of deposits. We also offer asset management and trust services. We offer investment services through our relationship with PRIMEVEST Financial Services, Inc., a third party broker/dealer and investment advisor.

ESSA Bank & Trust's executive offices are located at 200 Palmer Street, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania 18360. Our telephone number at this address is (570) 421-0531. Our website address is www.essabank.com.

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The Company is a public company, and files interim, quarterly and annual reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). All filed SEC reports and interim filings can be obtained from the Bank s website, on the Investor Relations page, without charge from the Company.

Market Area

At September 30, 2009, our thirteen full-service banking offices consisted of twelve offices in Monroe County and one office in Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Our primary market for deposits is currently concentrated around the areas where our full-service banking offices are located. Our primary lending area consists of the counties where our branch offices are located, and to a lesser extent, the contiguous counties in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Monroe County is located in eastern Pennsylvania, situated 90 miles north of Philadelphia, 75 miles west of New York and 116 miles northeast of Harrisburg. Monroe County is comprised of 611 square miles of mostly rural terrain. Monroe County is the second-fastest growing county in Pennsylvania. Major industries include tourism, construction and educational facilities. Northampton County is located south of Monroe County and directly borders New Jersey. As of June 30, 2009, we had a deposit market share of approximately 19.7% in Monroe County, which represented the second largest deposit market share in Monroe County and less than 1.0% in Northampton County.

Lending Activities

Historically, our principal lending activity has been the origination of first mortgage loans for the purchase, construction or refinancing of one- to four-family residential real property. During the past five years, we have increased our originations of commercial real estate loans in an effort to increase interest income, diversify our loan portfolio, and better serve the community. These loans have increased from 7.2% of our total loan portfolio at September 30, 2005 to \$68.0 million, or 9.2% of our total loan portfolio at September 30, 2009. One- to four-family residential real estate mortgage loans represented \$603.8 million, or 81.7%, of our loan portfolio at September 30, 2009. Home equity loans and lines of credit totaled \$46.8 million, or 6.3% of our loan portfolio at September 30, 2009. Commercial loans totaled \$16.5 million, or 2.2% of our loan portfolio at September 30, 2009 and construction first mortgage loans totaled \$1.7 million, or 0.2% of the total loan portfolio at September 30, 2009. We originate other consumer loans on a limited basis.

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Loan Portfolio Composition. The following table sets forth the composition of our loan portfolio, by type of loan at the dates indicated, excluding loans held for sale.

	2009		2008		At September 30, 2007		2006		2005	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
(Dollars in thousands)										
Residential first mortgage loans:										
One- to four-family	\$ 603,830	81.7%	\$ 572,038	80.3%	\$ 500,104	80.0%	\$ 452,406	80.4%	\$ 421,169	81.7%
Construction	1,707	0.2	8,254	1.1	7,800	1.3	5,943	1.1	7,597	1.5
Commercial	16,452	2.2	11,987	1.7	7,699	1.2	6,159	1.1	5,310	1.0
Commercial real estate	68,040	9.2	69,505	9.8	58,447	9.3	47,479	8.4	36,984	7.2
Home equity loans and lines of credit	46,792	6.3	47,508	6.7	47,544	7.6	46,796	8.3	40,342	7.8
Other	2,526	0.4	3,059	0.4	3,875	0.6	4,247	0.7	4,204	0.8
Total loans receivable	\$ 739,347	100.0%	\$ 712,351	100.0%	\$ 625,469	100.0%	\$ 563,030	100.0%	\$ 515,606	100.0%
Deferred loan costs (fees)	48		(546)		(1,418)		(2,498)		(3,062)	
Allowance for loan losses	(5,815)		(4,915)		(4,206)		(3,855)		(3,563)	
Total loans receivable, net	\$ 733,580		\$ 706,890		\$ 619,845		\$ 556,677		\$ 508,981	

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Loan Portfolio Maturities and Yields. The following table summarizes the scheduled repayments of our loan portfolio at September 30, 2009. Demand loans, loans having no stated repayment schedule or maturity, and overdraft loans are reported as being due in one year or less.

	One- to Four-Family		Construction		Commercial		Commercial Real Estate	
	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate
	(Dollars in thousands)							
Due During the Years Ending September 30,								
2010	\$ 94	6.85%	\$		\$ 3,607	4.29%	\$ 5,220	6.36%
2011	680	5.88%			215	7.45%	1,602	6.51%
2012	651	6.52%			943	7.19%	1,638	6.42%
2013 to 2014	8,290	5.11%			1,000	6.89%	7,503	6.46%
2015 to 2019	85,399	5.08%			3,421	4.52%	34,919	6.40%
2020 to 2024	130,326	5.22%			2,266	5.23%	3,455	6.27%
2024 and beyond	378,390	5.92%	1,707	5.22%	5,000	4.55%	13,703	5.77%
Total	\$ 603,830	5.64%	\$ 1,707	5.22%	\$ 16,452	4.91%	\$ 68,040	6.27%

	Home Equity Loans and Lines of Credit		Other		Total	
	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate	Amount	Weighted Average Rate
	(Dollars in thousands)					
Due During the Years Ending September 30,						
2010	\$ 524	6.62%	\$ 833	6.83%	\$ 10,278	5.69%
2011	273	6.58%	229	8.90%	2,999	6.63%
2012	578	6.69%	328	9.01%	4,138	6.85%
2013 to 2014	2,101	5.79%	1,014	7.66%	19,908	5.91%
2015 to 2019	8,657	6.31%	122	7.98%	132,518	5.50%
2020 to 2024	19,899	5.55%			155,946	5.29%
2024 and beyond	14,760	3.30%			413,560	5.80%
Total	\$ 46,792	5.02%	\$ 2,526	7.69%	\$ 739,347	5.65%

The following table sets forth the scheduled repayments of fixed- and adjustable-rate loans at September 30, 2009 that are contractually due after September 30, 2010.

	Due After September 30, 2010		
	Fixed	Adjustable	Total
	(In thousands)		
Residential first mortgage loans:			
One- to four-family	\$ 539,849	\$ 63,887	\$ 603,736
Construction	1,694	13	1,707
Commercial	11,292	1,553	12,845
Commercial real estate	29,569	33,251	62,820
Home equity loans and lines of credit	25,778	20,490	46,268
Other	1,693		1,693

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Total \$ 609,875 \$ 119,194 \$ 729,069

Loan Originations and Repayments. Historically, we have originated residential mortgage loans pursuant to underwriting standards that generally conform to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac guidelines. Loan origination activities are primarily concentrated in Monroe and Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania and secondarily from other Pennsylvania counties contiguous to Monroe County. New loans are generated primarily from the efforts of employees and advertising, a network of select mortgage brokers, other parties with whom we do business, customer referrals, and from walk-in customers. Loan applications are underwritten and processed at our corporate center.

One- to Four-Family Residential Loans. Historically, our primary lending activity has consisted of the origination of one- to four-family residential mortgage loans secured primarily by properties located in Monroe and

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Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania. At September 30, 2009, approximately \$603.8 million, or 81.7% of our loan portfolio, consisted of one- to four-family residential loans. Our origination of one- to four-family loans increased in fiscal year 2009 compared to fiscal years 2008 and 2007. Originations in fiscal year 2009 were positively influenced by a significant amount of refinancing activity due to record low mortgage rates. Generally, one- to four-family residential mortgage loans are originated in amounts up to 80% of the lesser of the appraised value or purchase price of the property, although loans may be made with higher loan-to-value ratios at a higher interest rate to compensate for the risk. Private mortgage insurance is generally required on loans with a loan-to-value ratio in excess of 80%. Fixed-rate loans are originated for terms of 10, 15, 20 and 30 years. At September 30, 2009, our largest loan secured by one- to four-family real estate had a principal balance of approximately \$804,000 and was secured by a single family house. This loan was performing in accordance with its repayment terms.

We also offer adjustable-rate mortgage loans which have fixed terms of one, three, five or ten-years before converting to an annual adjustment schedule based on changes in a designated United States Treasury index. We originated \$5.0 million of adjustable rate one- to four-family residential loans during the year ended September 30, 2009 and \$12.3 million during the year ended September 30, 2008. Our adjustable rate mortgage loans provide for maximum rate adjustments of 200 basis points per adjustment, with a lifetime maximum adjustment of 500 basis points. Our adjustable rate mortgage loans amortize over terms of up to 30 years.

Adjustable rate mortgage loans decrease the risk associated with changes in market interest rates by periodically repricing, but involve other risks because, as interest rates increase, the principal and interest payments on the loan increase, thus increasing the potential for default by the borrower. At the same time, the marketability of the underlying collateral may be adversely affected by higher interest rates. Upward adjustment of the contractual interest rate is also limited by the maximum periodic and lifetime interest rate adjustments, permitted by our loan documents; and therefore, is potentially limited in effectiveness during periods of rapidly rising interest rates. At September 30, 2009, \$63.9 million, or 10.6%, of our one- to four-family residential loans had adjustable rates of interest.

All one- to four-family residential mortgage loans that we originate include due-on-sale clauses, which give us the right to declare a loan immediately due and payable in the event that, among other things, the borrower sells or otherwise disposes of the real property subject to the mortgage and the loan is not repaid.

Regulations limit the amount that a savings bank may lend relative to the appraised value of the real estate securing the loan, as determined by an appraisal of the property at the time the loan is originated. For all purchase money loans, we utilize outside independent appraisers approved by the Board of Directors. All purchase money borrowers are required to obtain title insurance. Certain modest refinance requests may utilize an automated valuation model and title search. We also require fire and casualty insurance and, where circumstances warrant, flood insurance.

Home Equity Loans and Lines of Credit. Home equity loans and lines of credit are generated almost exclusively by our branch staff. Eligible properties include primary and vacation homes in northeastern Pennsylvania, with the large majority of loans being originated in Monroe County. As of September 30, 2009, home equity loans and lines totaled about \$46.8 million, or 6.3% of our loan portfolio.

The maximum combined loan-to-value originated is currently 70-80%, depending on the collateral and the holder of the first mortgage. There is a modest portion of the portfolio originated in years past that contains original combined loan-to-values of up to 90%. Our home equity lines of credit typically feature a 10 year draw period with interest-only payments permitted, followed by another 10 years of fully amortizing payments with no further ability to draw funds. Similar combined loan-to-value characteristics and standards exist for the lines as are outlined above for the loans.

Loan underwriting standards restrict the size of a junior lien loan to \$200,000. All loans exceeding 70-75% of value require an appraisal by bank-approved, licensed appraisers. Loans with lesser loan-to-value ratios may have utilized either automated valuation models or county tax assessments. Title/lien searches are secured on all home equity loans and lines greater than \$25,000.

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Commercial Real Estate Loans. At September 30, 2009, \$68.0 million, or 9.2% of our total loan portfolio consisted of commercial real estate loans. Commercial real estate loans are secured by office buildings, mixed-use properties and other commercial properties. We generally originate adjustable rate commercial real estate loans with an initial term of five years and a repricing option, and a maximum term of up to 25 years. The maximum loan-to-value ratio of our commercial real estate loans is 85%. At September 30, 2009, we had 269 commercial real estate loans with an outstanding balance of \$68.0 million. At September 30, 2009, our largest commercial real estate loan balance was \$2.6 million, which was performing in accordance with its terms. At September 30, 2009, four of our loans secured by commercial real estate totaling \$580,000 were not performing in accordance with their terms and were on nonaccrual status.

We consider a number of factors in originating commercial real estate loans. We evaluate the qualifications and financial condition of the borrower, including credit history, profitability and expertise, as well as the value and condition of the mortgaged property securing the loan. When evaluating the qualifications of the borrower, we consider the financial resources of the borrower, the borrower's experience in owning or managing similar property and the borrower's payment history with us and other financial institutions. In evaluating the property securing the loan, the factors we consider include the net operating income of the mortgaged property before debt service and depreciation, the ratio of the loan amount to the appraised value of the mortgaged property and the debt service coverage ratio (the ratio of net operating income to debt service) to ensure that it is at least 120% of the monthly debt service. All commercial real estate loans in excess of \$250,000 are appraised by outside independent appraisers approved by the Board of Directors. Personal guarantees are obtained from commercial real estate borrowers although we will occasionally consider waiving this requirement based upon the loan-to-value ratio of the proposed loan. All purchase money and asset refinance borrowers are required to obtain title insurance. We also require fire and casualty insurance and, where circumstances warrant, flood insurance.

Loans secured by commercial real estate generally are considered to present greater risk than one- to four-family residential loans. Commercial real estate loans often involve large loan balances to single borrowers or groups of related borrowers. Repayment of these loans depends to a large degree on the results of operations and management of the properties securing the loans or the businesses conducted on such property, and may be affected to a greater extent by adverse conditions in the real estate market or the economy in general. Accordingly, the nature of these loans makes them more difficult for management to monitor and evaluate.

First Mortgage Construction Loans. At September 30, 2009, \$1.7 million, or 0.2%, of our total loan portfolio consisted of first mortgage construction loans. Most of our first mortgage construction loans are for the construction of residential properties. We currently offer fixed and adjustable-rate residential first mortgage construction loans. First mortgage construction loans are generally structured for permanent mortgage financing once the construction is completed. At September 30, 2009, our largest first mortgage construction loan balance was \$391,000. The loan was performing in accordance with its terms. First mortgage construction loans, once converted to permanent financing, generally repay over a thirty-year period. First mortgage construction loans require only the payment of interest during the construction period. First mortgage construction loans will generally be made in amounts of up to 80% of the appraised value of the completed property, or the actual cost of the improvements. Funds are disbursed based on our inspections in accordance with a schedule reflecting the completion of portions of the project.

First mortgage construction loans generally involve a greater degree of credit risk than one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. The risk of loss on a construction loan depends upon the accuracy of the initial estimate of the value of the property at completion of construction compared to the estimated cost of construction.

For all loans, we utilize outside independent appraisers approved by the Board of Directors. All borrowers are required to obtain title insurance. We also require fire and casualty insurance and, where circumstances warrant, flood insurance on properties.

Other Loans. We offer a variety of loans that are either unsecured or secured by property other than real estate. These loans include loans secured by deposits, personal loans and automobile loans. At September 30, 2009, these other loans totaled \$2.5 million, or 0.4% of the total loan portfolio.

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Loan Approval Procedures and Authority. The loan approval process is intended to assess the borrower's ability to repay the loan, the viability of the loan, and the adequacy of the value of the property that will secure the loan. To assess the borrower's ability to repay, we review each borrower's employment and credit history and information on the historical and projected income and expenses of mortgagors. All residential mortgage loans in excess of the conforming loan limit but not more than \$500,000 must be approved by one of the following: President or Chief Lending Officer. All loans in excess of \$500,000 but not more than \$750,000 must be approved by any two of the following: President, Chief Lending Officer and the Vice President, Branch Administration. All loans in excess of \$750,000 to \$1.25 million must be approved by the Management Loan Committee. The Management Loan Committee consists of the President, Chief Lending Officer, Vice President, Branch Administration and Vice President, Commercial Lending. All loans in excess of \$1.25 million must be approved by the Board of Directors.

Non-Performing Loans and Problem Assets

After a real estate secured loan becomes 15 days late, we deliver a computer generated late charge notice to the borrower and will attempt to contact the borrower by telephone. When a loan becomes 30 days delinquent, we send a delinquency letter to the borrower. We then attempt to make satisfactory arrangements to bring the account current, including interviewing the borrower, until the mortgage is brought current or a determination is made to recommend foreclosure, deed-in-lieu of foreclosure or other appropriate action. After 60 days, we will generally refer the matter to the Board of Directors who may authorize legal counsel to commence foreclosure proceedings.

Mortgage loans are reviewed on a regular basis and such loans are placed on non-accrual status when they become more than 90 days delinquent. When loans are placed on non-accrual status, unpaid accrued interest is fully reserved, and further income is recognized only to the extent received.

Non-performing Loans. At September 30, 2009, \$5.2 million (or less than 1.0% of our total loans) were non-performing loans. The majority of these loans, or \$3.8 million, were residential first mortgage loans that were 90 days or more past due or troubled debt restructured loans that were considered non-performing at September 30, 2009.

Real Estate Owned. At September 30, 2009, the Company had \$2.6 million of real estate owned consisting of four properties. The majority of the Company's real estate owned consisted of one real estate development project valued at \$2.1 million at September 30, 2009. All these properties are being actively marketed and additional losses may occur.

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Non-Performing Assets. The table below sets forth the amounts and categories of our non-performing assets at the dates indicated.

	2009	2008	At September 30,		2005
			2007	2006	
			(Dollars in thousands)		
Non-accrual loans:					
Residential first mortgage loans:					
One- to four-family	\$ 3,524	\$ 1,379	\$ 380	\$ 436	\$ 554
Construction					
Commercial	122				
Commercial real estate	580	2,531	122		
Home equity loans and lines of credit	180	28	53	40	50
Other	159				1
Total	4,565	3,938	555	476	605
Accruing loans 90 days or more past due:					
Residential first mortgage loans:					
One- to four-family					
Construction					
Commercial					
Commercial real estate					
Home equity loans and lines of credit					
Other					
Total loans 90 days or more past due					
Troubled debt restructurings	589				
Total non-performing loans	5,154	3,938	555	476	605
Real estate owned	2,579	31			19
Total non-performing assets	\$ 7,733	\$ 3,969	\$ 555	\$ 476	\$ 624
Troubled debt restructurings: *					
Residential first mortgage loans:					
One- to four-family	\$ 2,981	\$ 149	\$ 482	\$ 53	\$ 94
Construction					
Commercial					
Commercial real estate	180				
Home equity loans and lines of credit	7				
Other					
Total	\$ 3,168	\$ 149	\$ 482	\$ 53	\$ 94
Ratios:					
Total non-performing loans to total loans	0.70%	0.55%	0.09%	0.08%	0.12%
Total non-performing loans to total assets	0.49%	0.40%	0.06%	0.07%	0.09%
Total non-performing assets to total assets	0.74%	0.40%	0.06%	0.07%	0.10%

For the year ended September 30, 2009, gross interest income that would have been recorded had our non-accruing loans been current in accordance with their original terms was \$422,000.

* Non-performing troubled debt restructurings of \$589,000 are included in total trouble debt restructures.

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Delinquencies. The following table sets forth certain information with respect to our loan portfolio delinquencies at the dates indicated. Loans delinquent for 90 days or more are generally classified as nonaccrual loans.

	Loans Delinquent For				Total	
	60-89 Days		90 Days and Over		Number	Amount
	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(Dollars in thousands)						
<u>At September 30, 2009</u>						
Residential first mortgage loans:						
One- to four-family	11	\$ 1,795	19	\$ 3,524	30	\$ 5,319
Construction						
Commercial			2	122	2	122
Commercial real estate	4	537	4	580	8	1,117
Home equity loans and lines of credit			5	180	5	180
Other	1	6	3	159	4	165
Total	16	\$ 2,338	33	\$ 4,565	49	\$ 6,903
<u>At September 30, 2008</u>						
Residential first mortgage loans:						
One- to four-family	1	\$ 118	9	\$ 1,379	10	\$ 1,497
Construction						
Commercial						
Commercial real estate			4	2,531	4	2,531
Home equity loans and lines of credit	1	37	1	28	2	65
Other						
Total	2	\$ 155	14	\$ 3,938	16	