Financial Earnings Results.

Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2021

January 27, 2022

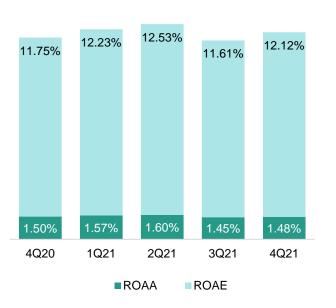


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Financial Highlights 4Q 2021



Profitability: Return on Assets & Equity

Pre-Tax Pre-Provision Income Ratio \$ in millions \$113.8 \$105.4 \$101.6 \$92.0 \$91.5 0 2.26% 2.10% 2.13% 1.94% 1.94% 4Q20 1Q21 2Q21 3Q21 4Q21

Pre-Tax Pre-Provision, Pre-Tax Credit Amortization, and Pre-Acquisition Expense ("PTPP") Income Ratio calculation based on annualized PTPP Income divided by total average assets. Quarterly results ending December 31, 2021

Net Income

• \$75.3 million

Diluted EPS

• \$0.98

Total Revenue

• \$175.3 million

Total Loans

• \$16.3 billion

Total Deposits

• \$18.1 billion

Efficiency Ratio

• 41.77%



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Summary Highlights: 4Q and Full Year 2021 Results

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\$ in millions, except per share data	4Q21	Change 4Q21 v. 3Q21	Change 4Q21 v. 4Q20	1	Full Year 2021	Change YoY
Earnings				1		
Net Income	\$ 75.3	4%	6%	\$	298.3	30%
Basic EPS	\$ 0.98	5%	10%	\$	3.81	32%
Diluted EPS	\$ 0.98	5%	10%	\$	3.80	32%
Total Revenue	\$ 175.3	6%	16%	\$	652.4	10%
NII	\$ 155.4	2%	11%	\$	597.8	8%
NIM	3.23%	0%	4%	1	3.22%	3%
ROAA	1.48%	2%	(1)%	1	1.52%	25%
ROAE	12.12%	4%	3%		12.11%	25%
Efficiency Ratio	41.77%	(5)%	(16)%	1	43.92%	(8)%
Balance Sheets				1		
Total Loans*	\$ 16,338	2%	4%	\$	16,338	4%
Total Deposits	\$ 18,059	6%	12%	\$	18,059	12%

Note: Information as of 12.31.21 and 9.30.21 are unaudited.

* Gross Loans, net of fees

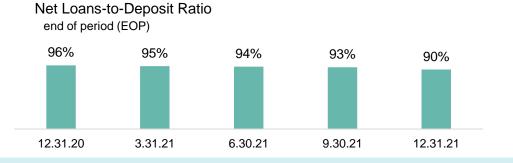


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Summary Balance Sheets

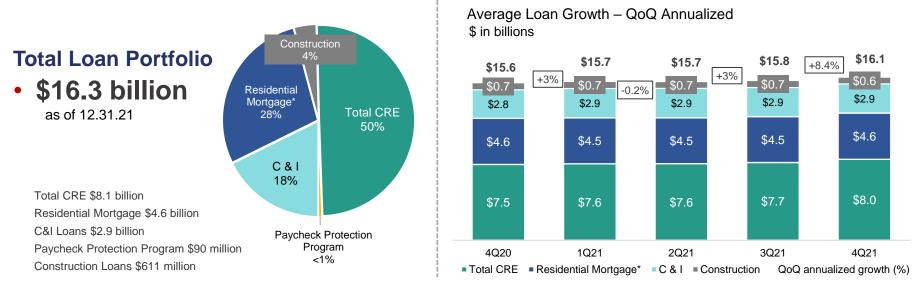
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Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 2,446	\$ 2,463	¦\$	(17
Total Liabilities	\$ 18,441	\$ 17,397	\$	1,044
Other Liabilities	220	228	1	(8
Debt	142	142	1	-
FHLB borrowings	20	20	1	-
Customer deposits	\$ 18,059	\$ 17,007		1,052
Total Assets	\$ 20,887	\$ 19,860	¦\$	1,027
Other assets	1,108	1,116	 	(8
Net Loans	\$ 16,202	\$ 15,841	\$	361
Allowance for credit losses	(136)	(132)	1	(4
Gross loans, net of discounts	\$ 16,338	\$ 15,973	; ; ;	365
AFS debt securities	1,127	1,079		48
Cash equivalents & ST investments	\$ 2,450	\$ 1,824	¦\$	626
millions, except per share data	12.31.21	9.30.21	Q	oQ Change

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Loan Composition



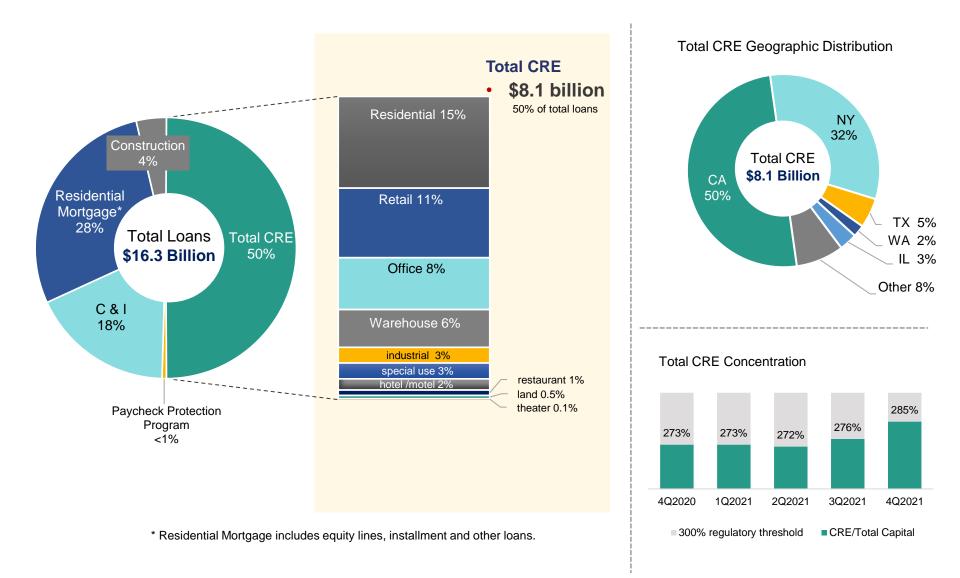
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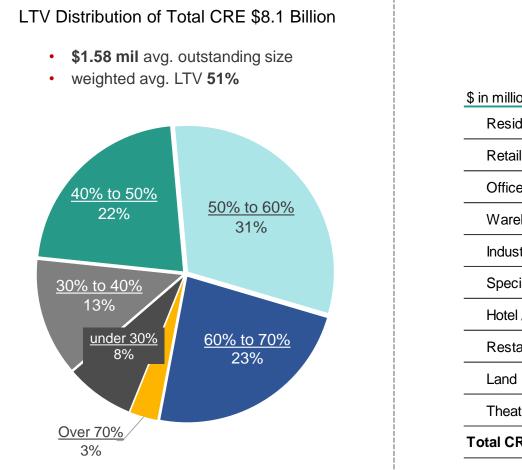
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Commercial Real Estate Portfolio





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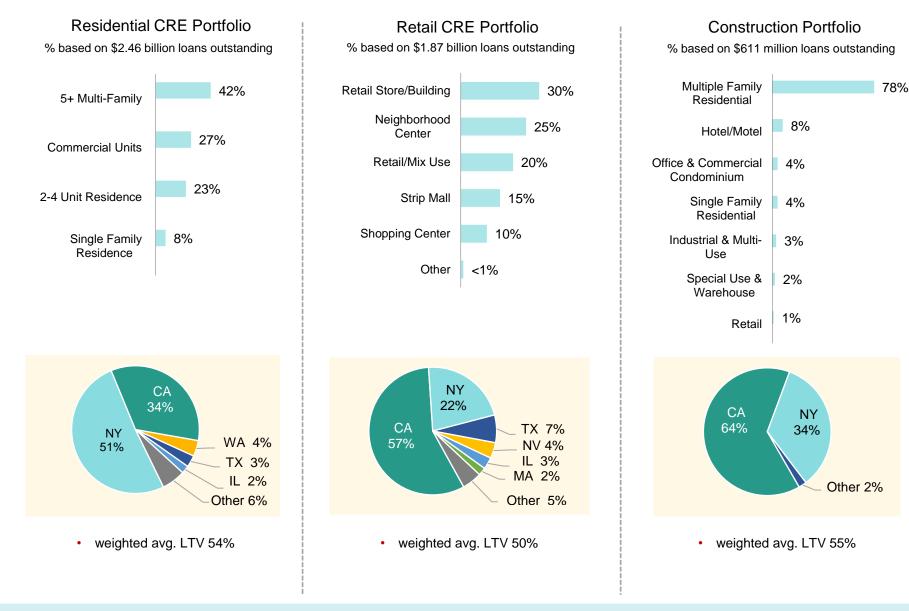


LTV & Size by Property Type

Total CRE	\$ 8,143	51%		
Theater	\$ 23	67%		
Land	\$ 89	47%		
Restaurant	\$ 144	46%		
Hotel / Motel	\$ 301	47%		
Special Use	\$ 428	48%		
Industrial	\$ 420	51%		
Warehouse	\$ 1,013	52%		
Office	\$ 1,392	49%		
Retail	\$ 1,871	50%		
Residental	\$ 2,462	54%		
\$ in millions	otal CRE Portfolio	Total CRE Weighted Avg. LTV		

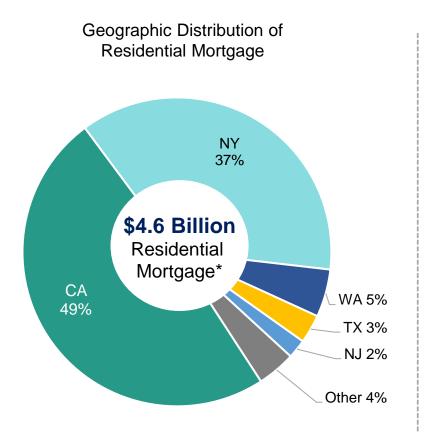


Selected CRE and Construction Loan Portfolios



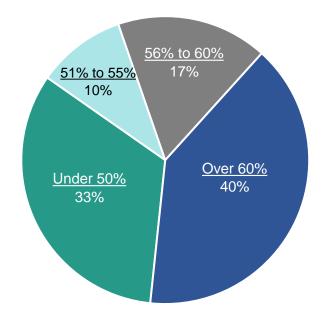


Residential Mortgage Portfolio



SFR LTV Distribution

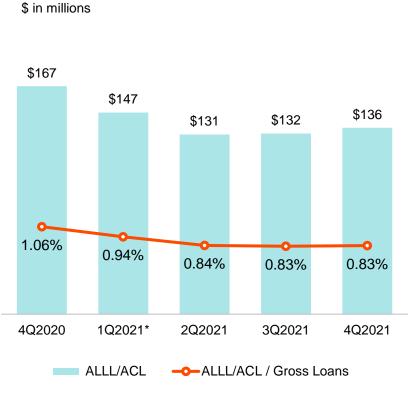
- \$371,130 avg. outstanding size
- weighted avg. LTV 55%



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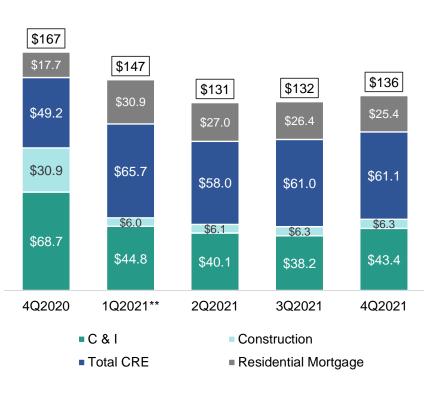


Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses (ALLL) / Allowance for Credit Losses (ACL)*



* CECL adoption as of January 1, 2021. Day 1 CECL ACL adjustment was \$(1.6 million).

ALLL / ACL Composition \$ in millions



** ACL Composition based on CECL allocation.

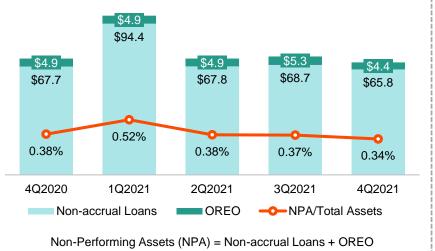


ALLL / ACL Ratio

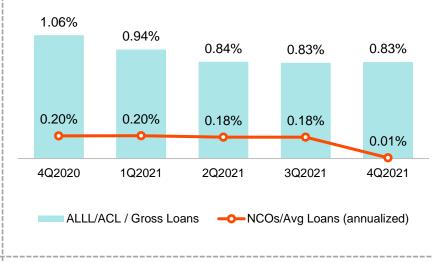
Asset Quality Metrics



Non-Performing Assets Ratio \$ in millions



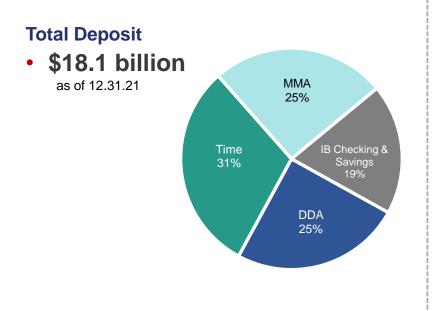
Reserves and Net Charge-Offs



- Allowance coverage of loans HFI: 0.83% as of 12/31/21 and 9/30/21.
- Nonaccrual loans/loans HFI: 0.40% as of 12/31/21 and 0.43% as of 9/30/21 vs. 0.43% as of 12/31/20.



Deposit Mix



+13% +9% +8% \$17.3 \$17.0 +7% \$16.4 \$16.1 \$15.8 \$3.1 \$3.0 \$2.8 \$2.7 \$2.5 \$4.4 \$4.2 \$3.3 \$3.6 \$4.0 \$3.3 \$3.4 \$3.6 \$3.8 \$4.2 \$6.7 \$6.4 \$6.0 \$5.9 \$5.6 4Q20 1Q21 2Q21 3Q21 4Q21 QoQ annualized growth (%) MMA IB Checking & Savings Time DDA

Average Deposit Growth – QoQ Annualized \$ in billions

Average Cost of Deposits by Type in bps 115 89 80 67 63 63 63 59 54 51 49 48 47 44 43 39 38 37 34 28 15 14 13 10 11 10 9 8 8 7 **IB** Checking **Total Deposit** IB Deposit Time MMA Savings ■ 4Q20 1Q21 2Q21 ■ 3Q21 4Q21

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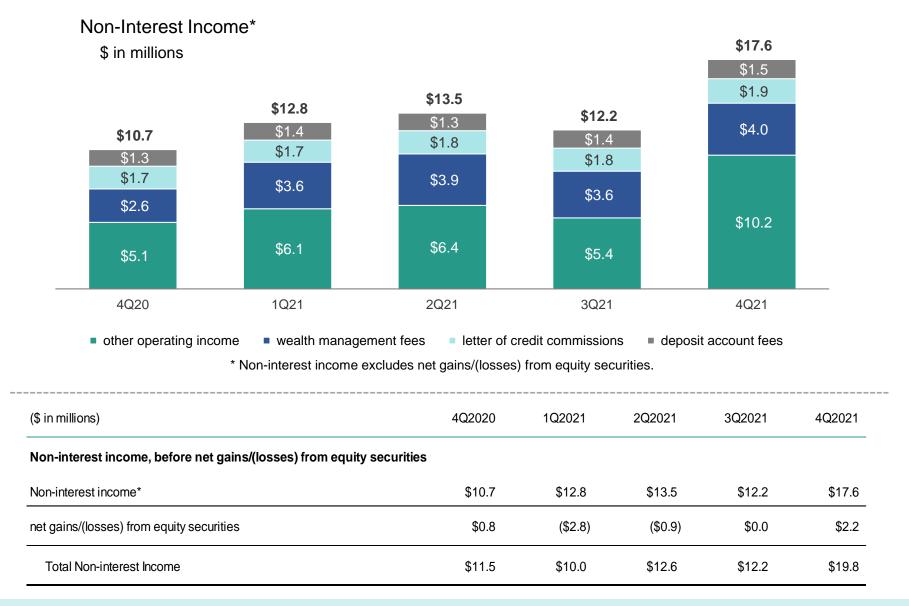
Summary Income Statements

\$ in millions, except per share data		12.31.21	9.30.21	į	\$ Change	% Change	
Net Interest Income	\$	155.5	\$ 152.5	\$	3.0	1.9%	
Noninterest income		17.6	12.2	1	5.4	44.1%	
Net (losses) / Gains from equity securities		2.2	-	1	2.2	100.0%	
Total Noninterest Income		19.8	12.2	; ; ;	7.6	62.1%	
Noninterest expense		62.2	59.8	 	2.4	4.1%	
amortization of tax credit and other investment plus core deposit tangibles		11.0	12.4		(1.5)	(11.7)%	
Total Noninterest Expense	\$	73.2	\$ 72.2	\$	1.0	1.4%	
Provision for credit losses		3.5	3.1		0.5	(14.8)%	
Income tax expense		23.2	17.0	 	6.2	36.4%	
Net Income	\$	75.3	\$ 72.4	\$	2.9	4.0%	
Diluted EPS	\$	0.98	\$ 0.93	\$	0.05	5.4%	
Weighted avg. diluted shares (in millions)		76.9	78.2	1	(1.2)	(1.6)%	

Note: Information for quarter ending 12.31.21 and 9.30.21 are unaudited.



Non-interest Income





Loan Yields, Deposit Costs and Net Interest Margins

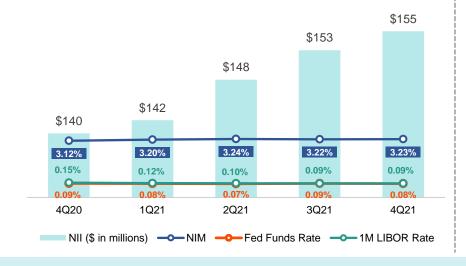


Average Loan Yield vs Prime Rate and 1M LIBOR

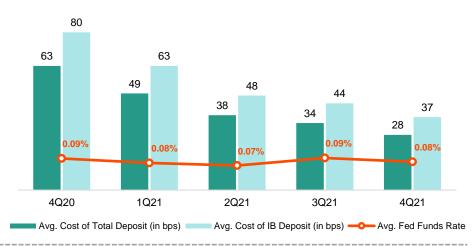
Net Interest Income and Net Interest Margin

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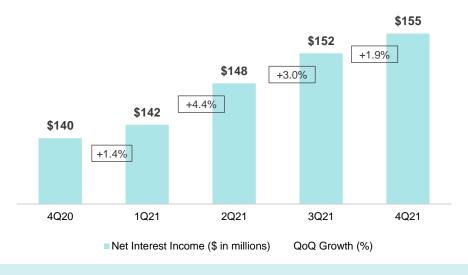
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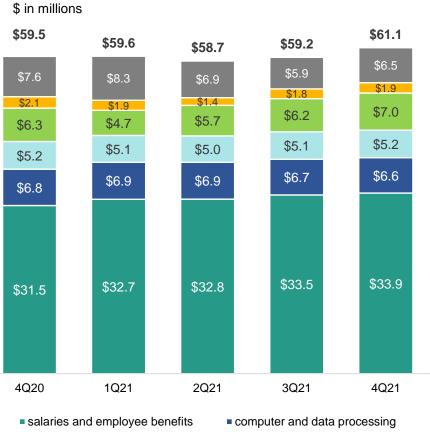
Average Cost of Deposits vs Fed Funds Rate



Net Interest Income Growth



Operating Expense & Efficiency



- occupancy
- FDIC and State assessments

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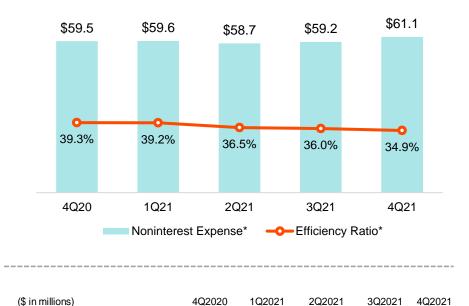
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Core Noninterest Expense*

- professional services
- other operating expense

Core noninterest expense excludes amortization of investment in low income housing and alternative energy partnerships, core deposit premium, other real estate owned, and acquisition cost. Core efficiency ratio is based on core noninterest expense.

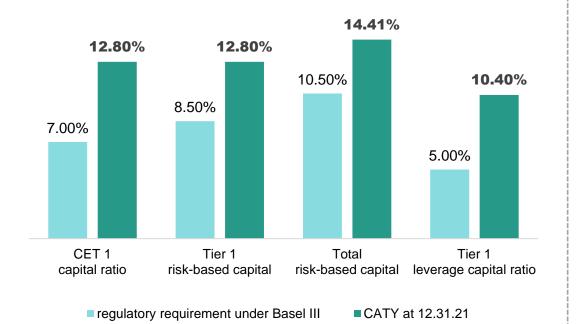
Core Noninterest Expense* & Efficiency Ratio* \$ in millions



Core noninterest expense, before amortization and other real estate owned

Core noninterest expense*	\$59.5	\$59.6	\$58.7	\$59.2	\$61.1
Amortization in investment in low income housing	\$6.6	\$6.6	\$6.8	\$11.0	\$8.5
Amortization in alternative energy partnerships	\$8.6	\$5.0	\$3.8	\$1.4	\$2.3
Other real estate owned & CDF	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.4	\$0.1	\$0.3
Acquisition cost	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.5	\$0.9
Total Noninterest Expense	\$75.0	\$71.4	\$69.7	\$72.2	\$73.2

Strong Capital Ratios



 Capital Ratio well above regulatory standards that continues to place Cathay in the "well capitalized" category, calculated under the Basel III capital rules.

 Book Value Per Common Share is \$32.29 as of 12.31.21: +1.3% compared to 9.30.21 and +6.2% YoY.

Capital Return on Shareholder

- common stock dividend: \$0.34/share quarterly, or \$1.36/share annualized.
- stock buyback: purchased 1,511,038 shares at avg. cost of \$43.97/sh. in fourth quarter.
- a remaining of \$32.9 million under the \$125-million stock buyback program.



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