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### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): October 27, 2014

## **Investar Holding Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-36522 (Commission File Number) 27-1560715 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

7244 Perkins Road
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (225) 227-2222

ck the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 27, 2014, Investar Holding Corporation issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2014. A copy of the press release is attached as exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

The information contained in this Current Report shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description of Exhibit

Press release of Investar Holding Corporation dated October 27, 2014 announcing financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2014.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION

Date: October 27, 2014 By: /s/ John J. D'Angelo

John. J. D'Angelo

President and Chief Executive Officer

#### **Investar Holding Corporation Announces 2014 Third Quarter Results**

#### Investar Holding Corporation Achieves Record Growth in Net Income of 114%

BATON ROUGE, LA (October 27, 2014) – Investar Holding Corporation (NASDAQ: ISTR) (the "Company"), the holding company for Investar Bank, today announced financial results for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2014. For the quarter ended September 30, 2014, the Company reported net income of \$1.4 million, or \$0.20 per diluted share, compared to \$0.7 million or \$0.16 per diluted share for the quarter ended September 30, 2013. This represents an increase of \$0.7 million in net income, or 114%. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, the Company reported net income of \$3.4 million, or \$0.65 per diluted share, compared to \$2.3 million, or \$0.59 per diluted share after adjusting for the bargain purchase gain and other acquisition expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2013. This represents an increase of \$1.1 million in net income, or 47.4%.

Investar Holding Corporation President and Chief Executive Officer John D'Angelo said, "We were excited to increase net income by 114% compared to the prior year while realizing significant improvement in our return on assets and efficiency ratio in the third quarter of 2014. The Company continues to grow into the staffing and branch infrastructure put in place over the last few years. Our team remains laser focused on growth with quality loans as evidenced by our asset quality ratios."

#### **Performance Highlights**

- Increase in net income of \$0.7 million, or 114%, compared to the third quarter of 2013.
- Total assets have grown to \$784.6 million at September 30, 2014, an increase of \$149.7 million, or 23.6%, from December 31, 2013.
- Gross loans increased \$125.6 million, or 24.7%, to \$634.7 million at September 30, 2014 from \$509.1 million at December 31, 2013. There was significant loan growth across all loan products with the exception of construction and land development.
- Commercial and industrial loans increased \$11.6 million, or 35.6% from December 31, 2014.
- Nonperforming loans delinquency improved to 0.25% of total loans for the third quarter of 2014 compared to 0.46% for the third quarter of 2013.
- Return on average assets increased to 0.75% for the third quarter of 2014 compared to 0.49% for the third quarter of 2013.
- Efficiency ratio improved to 70.47% for the third quarter of 2014 compared to 82.54% for the third quarter of 2013.
- On August 1, 2014, the Company opened its eleventh branch on Highland Road in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
- The Company completed an initial public offering of 3,285,300 shares of its common stock during the quarter, generating proceeds of \$43.0 million before expenses to support future growth.

#### Loans

Total loans were \$581.4 million at September 30, 2014, an increase of \$77.3 million, or 15.3%, from December 31, 2013. Loan growth was experienced across all loan products with the exception of construction and land development.

The following table sets forth the composition of the Company's loan portfolio as of the dates indicated (dollars in thousands):

			Percentage			Percentage	Increase/(De	ecrease)
	Septer	nber 30, 2014	of Portfolio	Dece	ember 31, 2013	of Portfolio	Amount	Percent
Mortgage loans on real estate								
Construction and land development	\$	62,342	10.7%	\$	63,170	12.5%	\$ (828)	(1.3)%
1-4 Family		131,953	22.7		104,685	20.8	27,268	26.0
Multifamily		16,665	2.9		14,286	2.8	2,379	16.7
Farmland		2,249	0.4		830	0.2	1,419	171.0
Nonfarm, nonresidential		208,868	35.9		157,363	31.2	51,505	32.7
Commercial and industrial		44,299	7.6		32,665	6.5	11,634	35.6
Consumer		115,065	19.8		131,096	26.0	(16,031)	(12.2)
<b>Total loans</b>		581,441	100%		504,095	100%	77,346	15.3%
Loans held for sale		53,306			5,029		48,277	960.0
Total gross loans	\$	634,747		\$	509,124		\$125,623	24.7%

Gross consumer loans totaled \$165.1 million at September 30, 2014, an increase of 25.9% from \$131.1 million at December 31, 2013. At December 31, 2013, there were no consumer loans held for sale, however, due to the increase in production and loan pool sales activity, the Company increased its consumer held for sale portfolio to \$50.0 million at September 30, 2014.

The provision for loan loss expense was \$0.5 million for the quarter, an increase of \$0.4 million compared to the third quarter of 2013. The allowance for loan losses was \$4.3 million, or 296.01% and 0.74% of nonperforming loans and total loans, respectively, at September 30, 2014, compared to \$2.8 million, or 138.30% and 0.63% of nonperforming loans and total loans, respectively, at September 30, 2013.

Nonperforming assets totaled \$4.4 million at September 30, 2014, a decrease of \$0.6 million compared to December 31, 2013. The ratio of total nonperforming assets to total assets was 0.56% at September 30, 2014, compared to 0.79% at December 31, 2013.

#### **Deposits**

Total deposits at September 30, 2014 were \$621.6 million, an increase of \$89.0 million, or 16.7%, from December 31, 2013. Total noninterest bearing demand deposits at December 31, 2013 were slightly inflated by a \$14 million short term deposit made by a commercial customer in late December 2013 that was fully withdrawn in January 2014. The increase in total deposits was driven primarily by an increase of \$13.8 million, or 23.5%, in noninterest bearing demand deposits after adjusting for the \$14 million short term deposit, an increase in NOW accounts of \$31.5 million, or 40.8%, and an increase in time deposits of \$45.6 million, or 17.3%, from December 31, 2013. We believe our deposit cross sell strategy continues to impact both noninterest bearing demand deposit and NOW account growth.

The following table sets forth the composition of the Company's deposits as of the dates indicated (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2014		Percentage of Portfolio December 31, 2013		Percentage of Portfolio	Increase/(I Amount	Decrease) Percent	
Noninterest bearing demand deposits	\$	72,619	11.7%	\$	72,795	13.7%	\$ (176)	(0.24)%
NOW accounts		108,659	17.5		77,190	14.5	31,469	40.8
Money market deposit accounts		77,801	12.5		67,006	12.6	10,795	16.1
Savings accounts		53,477	8.6		52,177	9.8	1,300	2.5
Time deposits		309,056	49.7		263,438	49.4	45,618	17.3
Total deposits	\$	621,612	100%	\$	532,606	100%	\$89,006	16.7%

#### **Net Interest Income**

Net interest income for the third quarter of 2014 totaled \$7.0 million, an increase of \$1.7 million, or 32.1%, from the third quarter of 2013. Net interest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 totaled \$19.1 million, an increase of \$5.7 million, or 42.6%, from the nine months ended September 30, 2013. These increases were the result of continued growth of the Company's loan portfolio.

The Company's net interest margin was 3.86% for the quarter ended September 30, 2014 compared to 3.85% for the second quarter of 2014 and 4.15% for the third quarter of 2013. The decrease in the net interest margin since 2013 can be attributed to lower yields on the real estate and consumer loan portfolios. The yield on interest earning assets was 4.51% for the quarter ended September 30, 2014 compared to 4.56% for the second quarter of 2014 and 4.88% for the third quarter of 2013. The cost of deposits declined two basis points when comparing the third quarter of 2014 to the second quarter of 2014, and declined four basis points when comparing the third quarter of 2014 to the third quarter of 2013.

The Company's net interest margin was 3.85% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 compared to 4.11% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2013. The decline in the interest margin can be attributed to lower yields primarily on the construction and the consumer loan portfolios.

#### **Noninterest Income**

Noninterest income, excluding securities gains, for the third quarter of 2014 totaled \$1.9 million, an increase of \$0.9 million, or 91.9% compared to the third quarter of 2013. The increase resulted primarily from an increase of \$0.6 million in gain on sale of consumer loans and an increase of \$0.2 million in gain on sale of real estate owned.

Noninterest income, excluding securities gains and the \$0.9 million bargain purchase gain recorded in the second quarter of 2013, increased \$1.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2013 primarily as a result of an increase of approximately \$1.3 million in gain on sale of consumer loans and increases in our servicing and other fee income offset by a decline in fee income on mortgage loans held for sale.

#### **Noninterest Expense**

Noninterest expense for the third quarter of 2014 totaled \$6.3 million, an increase of \$1.1 million, or 21%, compared to the third quarter of 2013. The increase in noninterest expense is primarily due to a \$0.5 million increase in salaries and employee benefits, a \$0.2 million increase in other operating expenses and a \$0.1 million increase in both professional fees and data processing. These increases are attributable to the Company's expansion into the Lafayette, Louisiana region, which included the opening of a branch in the fourth quarter of 2013, the opening of the Highland Road branch in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on August 1, 2014, the addition of 11 full time employees and the professional fees related to the Company's implementation costs of Sarbanes-Oxley compliance.

Noninterest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 totaled \$17.4 million, an increase of \$4.0 million, or 30%, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2013, due to the full nine months of expenses associated with the two branches that the Company acquired as a result of the FCB acquisition in May 2013 and the Company's expansion into the Lafayette region, which included the opening of a branch during the fourth quarter 2013, as well as the additional expenses related to the opening of the Highland Road branch during the third quarter of 2014.

#### **Earnings Per Share and Diluted Earnings Per Share**

The Company reported earnings per share and diluted earnings per share for the three months ended September 30, 2014 of \$0.20, a decrease of \$0.07 and \$0.06, respectively, compared to the three months ended June 30, 2014 and an increase of \$0.03 and \$0.04, respectively when compared to the three months ended September 30, 2013. The Company issued 3,285,300 shares of its common stock as a result of the Company's initial public offering completed in July 2014. The decreases in earnings per share and diluted earnings per share for the third quarter 2014 when compared to the second quarter 2014 are directly attributable to the increase in the weighted average number of shares outstanding used in the calculations.

#### **Taxes**

The company recorded income tax expense of \$0.7 million and \$1.6 million for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2014, respectively, which equates to an effective tax rate of 32.6%.

#### **About Investar Holding Corporation**

Investar Holding Corporation, headquartered in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, provides full banking services, excluding trust services, through its wholly-owned banking subsidiary, Investar Bank, a state chartered bank. The Company's primary market is South Louisiana and currently operates 11 full service banking offices located throughout its market and had 175 full-time employees at September 30, 2014.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

This press release contains financial information determined by methods other than in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America, or GAAP. These measures and ratios include "tangible book value," "tangible book value per common share," "efficiency ratio," "tangible equity to tangible assets," "adjusted efficiency ratio," and "adjusted return on equity." Management also utilizes non-GAAP performance measures to adjust net income for certain significant activities or transactions that are infrequent in nature. Management believes these non-GAAP financial measures provide information useful to investors in understanding the Company's financial results, and the Company believes that its presentation, together with the accompanying reconciliations, provide a more complete understanding of factors and trends affecting the Company's business and allow investors to view performance in a manner similar to management, the entire financial services sector, bank stock analysts and bank regulators. These non-GAAP measures should not be considered a substitute for GAAP basis measures and results, and the Company strongly encourages investors to review its consolidated financial statements in their entirety and not to rely on any single financial measure. Because non-GAAP financial measures are not standardized, it may not be possible to compare these financial measures with other companies' non-GAAP financial measures having the same or similar names. A reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measures disclosed in this press release to the comparable GAAP financial measures is included at the end of the financial statement tables.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that reflect the Company's current views with respect to, among other things, future events and financial performance. The Company generally identifies forward-looking statements by terminology such as "outlook," "believes," "expects," "potential," "continues," "may," "will," "could," "should," "seeks," "approximately," "predicts," "intends," "plans," "estimates," "anticipates," or the negative version of those words or other comparable words. Any forward-looking statements contained in this press release are based on the historical performance of the Company and its subsidiaries or on the Company's current plans, estimates and expectations. The inclusion of this forward-looking information should not be regarded as a representation by the Company that the future plans, estimates or expectations by the Company will be achieved. Such forward-looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties and assumptions relating to the Company's operations, financial results, financial condition, business prospects, growth strategy and liquidity. If one or more of these or other risks or uncertainties materialize, or if the Company's underlying assumptions prove to be incorrect, the Company's actual results may vary materially from those indicated in these statements. These factors should not be construed as exhaustive. The Company does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or review any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise. A number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements. Information on these factors can be found in the filings that the Company makes with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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### INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Amounts in thousands, except share data)

	September 30, 2014 (Unaudited)		Decer	mber 31, 2013
ASSETS				
Cash and due from banks	\$	6,448	\$	5,964
Interest bearing balances due from other banks		12,279		21,739
Federal funds sold		500		500
Cash and cash equivalents		19,227		28,203
Available for sale securities at fair value (amortized cost of \$77,765 and \$56,733,		,		ĺ
respectively)		77,839		56,173
Held to maturity securities at amortized cost (estimated fair value of \$14,661 and				
\$5,986, respectively)		14,973		6,579
Loans held for sale		53,306		5,029
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses of \$4,328 and \$3,380, respectively		577,113		500,715
Other equity securities		3,184		2,020
Bank premises and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$4,403 and				
\$2,679, respectively		27,850		24,680
Real estate owned, net		2,966		3,515
Accrued interest receivable		1,977		1,835
Prepaid FDIC/OFI assessment		134		<u> </u>
Deferred tax asset		1,117		1,205
Goodwill		2,684		2,684
Other assets		2,227		2,308
Total assets	\$	784,597	\$	634,946
LIABILITIES				
Deposits:				
Noninterest bearing	\$	72,619	\$	72,795
Interest bearing		548,993		459,811
Total deposits		621,612		532,606
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank		38,426		30,818
Repurchase agreements		12,051		10,203
Note payable		3,609		3,609
Accrued interest payable		282		285
Accrued taxes and other liabilities		6,452		1,942
Total liabilities	-	682,432		579,463
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		002,102		273,102
Common stock, \$1.00 par value per share; 40,000,000 shares authorized; 7,253,774				
and 3,945,114 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		7,255		3,943
Treasury stock		(22)		
Surplus		85,017		45,281
Retained earnings		9,852		6,609
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		63		(350)
Total stockholders' equity		102,165		55,483
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	784,597	\$	634,946
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## INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Amounts in thousands, except share data) (Unaudited)

	Septen	Three months ended September 30,		nths ended nber 30,
INTEREST INCOME	2014	2013	2014	2013
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 7,801	\$ 6,014	\$21,595	\$15,331
Interest on investment securities:	Ψ 7,001	Ψ 0,014	Ψ21,373	Ψ15,551
Taxable interest income	244	106	623	247
Exempt from federal income taxes	123	100	294	267
Other interest income	14	11	34	22
Total interest income	8,182	6,231	22,546	15,867
INTEREST EXPENSE	0,102	0,231	22,3 10	15,007
Interest on deposits	1,084	862	3,137	2,284
Interest on borrowings	98	70	292	174
Total interest expense	1,182	932	3,429	2,458
Net interest income	7,000	5,299	19,117	13,409
Provision for loan losses	505	108	1,198	340
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	6,495	5,191	17,919	13,069
NONINTEREST INCOME	0,493	3,191	17,919	13,009
Service charges on deposit accounts	85	67	221	153
Gain on sale of investment securities, net	63	35	228	344
Gain on sale of real estate owned, net	245	6	238	97
Gain on sale of loans, net	713	86	1,433	138
Gain on sale of fixed assets, net	3	2	3	2
Bargain purchase gain	_		_	906
Fee income on mortgage loans held for sale, net	518	593	1,618	2,325
Other operating income	332	234	794	420
Total noninterest income	1,959	1,023	4,535	4,385
Income before noninterest expense	8,454	6,214	22,454	17,454
NONINTEREST EXPENSE	0,434	0,214	22,737	17,737
Salaries and employee benefits	3,773	3,268	10,735	8,379
Occupancy expense and equipment expense, net	628	570	1,790	1,380
Bank shares tax	83	68	243	169
FDIC and OFI assessments	131	101	364	245
Legal fees	41	14	89	106
Data processing	354	239	940	641
Advertising	94	83	241	231
Stationery and supplies	39	59	131	160
Software amortization and expense	153	118	381	280
Professional fees	135	33	345	199
Telephone expense	43	43	135	102
Business entertainment	38	22	103	55
Other operating expenses	801	600	1,932	1,459
Total noninterest expense	6,313	5,218	17,429	13,406
Income before income tax expense	2,141	996	5,025	4,048
Income tax expense	699	322	1,637	1,058
Net income	\$ 1,442	\$ 674	\$ 3,388	\$ 2,990
EARNINGS PER SHARE			, ,- ,-	
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.68	\$ 0.84
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.78
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.04

## INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION

EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE (Amounts in thousands, except share data) (Unaudited)

		onths ended mber 30,		iths ended iber 30,
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Net income available to common shareholders	\$ 1,442	\$ 674	\$ 3,388	\$ 2,990
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding – used in				
computation of basic earnings per common share	7,064,806	3,887,942	4,967,393	3,567,294
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Restricted stock	35,251	42,940	45,649	26,998
Stock options	22,811	30,310	22,811	30,310
Stock warrants	189,601	193,498	192,184	193,546
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus effect of				
dilutive securities used in computation of diluted earnings per				
common share	7,312,469	4,154,690	5,228,037	3,818,148
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.68	\$ 0.84
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.78

#### INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(Amounts in thousands, except share data) (Unaudited)

								Nine mont Septem	
	Q3 20	014	Q	2 2014	Q3 2013	Qtr/Qtr	Year/Year	2014	2013
EARNINGS DATA									
Total interest income	\$	8,182	\$	7,407	\$ 6,231	10.46%	31.31%		\$ 15,86
Total interest expense		1,182		1,158	932	2.07%	26.82%	3,429	2,45
Net interest income		7,000		6,249	5,299	12.02%	32.10%	19,117	13,40
Provision for loan losses		505		448	108	12.72%	367.59%	1,198	34
Total noninterest income		1,959		1,509	1,023	29.82%	91.50%	4,535	4,38
Total noninterest expense		6,313		5,729	5,218	10.19%	20.99%	17,429	13,40
Income before income taxes		2,141		1,581	996	35.42%	114.96%	5,025	4,04
Income tax expense		699		514	322	35.99%	117.08%	1,637	1,05
Net income	\$	1,442	\$	1,067	\$ 674	35.15%	113.95%		\$ 2,99
AVERAGE BALANCE SHEET DATA	Ψ	1,112	Ψ	1,007	Ψ 071	33.1370	113.5570	Ψ 3,300	Ψ 2,77
Total assets		762,330		697,708	543,951	9.26%	40.15%	704,178	466,69
Total interest-earning assets		719,985		650,811	506,559	10.63%	42.13%	663,164	435,77
Total loans		619,356		575,978	440,960	7.53%	40.46%	576,280	379,76
Total interest-bearing deposits		523,075		500,725	398,402	4.46%	31.29%	502,570	340,94
Total interest-bearing liabilities		585,015		572,084	432,541	2.26%	35.25%	563,459	369,26
Total deposits		594,519		565,219	451,676	5.18%	31.63%	567,650	385,42
Total shareholders' equity		100,068		57,458	55,004	74.16%	81.93%	71,482	50,03
PER SHARE DATA		100,000		57,750	55,004	74.1070	01.7370	/1,702	50,05
Basic earnings per share		0.20		0.27	0.17	-25.93%	17.65%	0.68	0.8
Diluted earnings per share		0.20		0.26	0.16	-23.08%	25.00%	0.65	0.7
Book value per share		14.08		14.68	14.07	-4.09%	0.07%	14.08	14.0
Tangible book value per share (1)		13.64		13.86	13.25	-1.59%	2.94%	13.64	13.2
Common shares outstanding	,	7,253,774		3,945,753	3,943,458	83.84%	83.94%	7,253,774	3,943,45
PERFORMANCE RATIOS		1,233,114		3,943,733	3,743,436	03.0470	03.9470	1,233,114	3,743,43
Return on average assets		0.75%		0.61%	0.49%	22.95%	53.06%	0.64%	0.8
Adjusted return on average assets (1)		0.75%		0.61%	0.49%		51.77%	0.64%	0.6
Return on average equity		5.72%		7.45%	4.86%		17.70%	6.34%	7.9
Adjusted return on average equity (1)		5.72%		7.45%	4.89%		16.91%	6.34%	6.14
Net interest margin		3.86%		3.85%	4.15%		-6.99%	3.85%	4.1
Net interest margin Net interest income to average assets		3.64%		4.26%	3.86%		-5.70%	3.63%	3.8
		3.04%		3.29%	3.807			3.03%	
Noninterest expense to average assets Efficiency ratio (1)		70.47%		73.86%	82.549		-13.65% -14.63%	73.69%	3.84 75.34
Adjusted efficiency ratio (1)		70.47%		73.86%	82.44%		-14.53%	73.69%	77.83
Dividend payout ratio		3.40%		4.56%	7.06%	5 -25.44%	-51.84%	4.60%	4.25
	September	30, 2014	Septem	ber 30, 2013	Year/Year				
ASSET QUALITY RATIOS									
		0.56%		0.90%	-37.78%				
Nonperforming loans to loans		0.25%		0.46%	-45.65%	ó			
Nonperforming loans to loans Allowance for loan losses to total loans		0.25% 0.74%		0.46% 0.63%	-45.65% 17.46%	, S			
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<sup>(1)</sup> Non-GAAP financial measures. See reconciliation.

# INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED AVERAGE BALANCE SHEET, INTEREST EARNED AND YIELD ANALYSIS (Amounts in thousands)

(Unaudited)

		T	hree months end	ed September 3	30,	
		2014			2013	
		Interest			Interest	
		Income/			Income/	
	Average Balance	Expense	Yield/ Rate	Average Balance	Expense	Yield/ Rate
Assets						
Interest-earning assets:						
Loans	\$619,356	\$7,801	5.00%	\$440,960	\$6,014	5.41%
Securities:						
Taxable	66,713	244	1.45	43,538	106	0.97
Tax-exempt	19,353	123	2.52	16,182	100	2.45
Interest-bearing balances with banks	14,563	14	0.38	5,879	11	0.74
Total interest-earning assets	719,985	8,182	4.51	506,559	6,231	4.88
Cash and due from banks	6,093			5,875		
Intangible assets	3,230			3,271		
Other assets	37,057			31,009		
Allowance for loan losses	(4,035)			(2,763)		
Total assets	\$762,330			\$543,951		
Liabilities and shareholders' equity						
Interest-bearing liabilities:						
Deposits:						
Interest-bearing demand	\$179,226	\$ 279	0.62%	\$120,969	\$ 192	0.63%
Savings deposits	52,973	91	0.68	48,074	85	0.70
Time deposits	290,876	714	0.97	229,359	585	1.01
Total interest-bearing deposits	523,075	1,084	0.82	398,402	862	0.86
Short-term borrowings	23,137	12	0.21	9,666	4	0.16
Long-term debt	38,803	86	0.88	24,473	66	1.07
Total interest-bearing liabilities	585,015	1,182	0.80	432,541	932	0.85
Noninterest-bearing deposits	71,444	•		53,274		
Other liabilities	5,803			3,132		
Stockholders' equity	100,068			55,004		
Total liability and stockholders' equity	\$762,330			\$543,951		
Net interest income/net interest margin		\$7,000	3.86%		\$5,299	4.15%

# INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED AVERAGE BALANCE SHEET, INTEREST EARNED AND YIELD ANALYSIS (Amounts in thousands)

(Unaudited)

		Nine months ended September 30,						
		2014			2013			
	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rate	Average Balance	Interest Income/ Expense	Yield/ Rate		
Assets								
Interest-earning assets:								
Loans	\$576,280	\$21,595	5.01%	\$379,769	\$15,331	5.40%		
Securities:								
Taxable	58,779	623	1.42	37,354	247	0.88		
Tax-exempt	16,272	294	2.42	14,636	267	2.44		
Interest-bearing balances with banks	11,833	34	0.38	4,011	22	0.73		
Total interest-earning assets	663,164	22,546	4.55	435,770	15,867	4.87		
Cash and due from banks	5,790			4,698				
Intangible assets	3,240			3,078				
Other assets	35,667			25,865				
Allowance for loan losses	(3,683)			(2,718)				
Total assets	\$704,178			\$466,693				
Liabilities and shareholders' equity								
Interest-bearing liabilities:								
Deposits:								
Interest-bearing demand	\$168,309	\$ 783	0.62%	\$105,214	\$ 510	0.65%		
Savings deposits	52,439	269	0.69	39,966	208	0.70		
Time deposits	281,822	2,085	0.99	195,766	1,566	1.07		
Total interest-bearing deposits	502,570	3,137	0.83	340,946	2,284	0.90		
Short-term borrowings	23,810	36	0.20	6,790	9	0.18		
Long-term debt	37,079	256	0.92	21,530	165	1.02		
Total interest-bearing liabilities	563,459	3,429	0.81	369,266	2,458	0.89		
Noninterest-bearing deposits	65,080			44,482				
Other liabilities	4,157			2,909				
Stockholders' equity	71,482			50,036				
Total liability and stockholders' equity	\$704,178			\$466,693				
Net interest income/net interest margin		\$19,117	3.85%		\$13,409	4.11%		

# INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF NON GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (Unaudited)

		Three months ended September 30,		Nine mont Septemb	
(Amounts in thousands, except share data)		2014	2013	2014	2013
Net interest income	(a)	\$ 7,000	\$ 5,299	\$ 19,117	\$ 13,409
Provision for loan losses	(b)	505	108	1,198	340
Net interest income after provision for loan losses		6,495	5,191	17,919	13,069
Noninterest income	(c)	1,959	1,023	4,535	4,385
Bargain purchase gain					(906)
Adjusted noninterest income		1,959	1,023	4,535	3,479
Adjusted income before noninterest expense	(d)	8,454	6,214	22,454	16,548
Total noninterest expense	(e)	6,313	5,218	17,429	13,406
Acquisition related expense			(6)		(254)
Adjusted noninterest expense	(f)	6,313	5,212	17,429	13,152
Adjusted income before income tax expense		2,141	1,002	5,025	3,396
Adjusted income tax expense (1)		699	324	1,637	1,098
Adjusted net income		1,442	678	3,388	2,298
Diluted earnings per share (GAAP)		\$ 0.20	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.78
Bargain purchase gain		_	_	_	(0.24)
Acquisition related expense					0.05
Adjusted diluted earnings per share		\$ 0.20	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.59
Efficiency ratio	(e) / (a+c)	70.47%	82.54%	73.69%	75.34%
Adjusted efficiency ratio (2)	(f) / (b+d)	70.47%	82.44%	73.69%	77.88%
Adjusted return on assets (2)		0.75%	0.49%	0.64%	0.66%
Adjusted return on equity (2)		5.72%	4.89%	6.34%	6.14%
Total average assets		\$762,330	\$543,951	\$704,178	\$466,693
Total average stockholders' equity		\$100,068	\$ 55,004	\$ 71,482	\$ 50,036

<sup>(1)</sup> Income tax expense is calculated on the adjusted non-GAAP effective tax rate of 32.34% for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013.

<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted for the impact of the bargain purchase gain and acquisition expenses incurred during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013.

### INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF NON GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (Unaudited)

	Septemb		December 31,
Tangible common equity	2014	2013	2013
Total stockholder's equity	\$ 102,165	\$ 55,504	\$ 55,483
Adjustments:			
Goodwill	2,684	2,684	2,684
Core deposit intangible	542	583	573
Tangible common equity	\$ 98,939	\$ 52,237	\$ 52,226
Tangible assets			
Total assets	\$ 784,597	\$ 563,818	\$ 634,946
Adjustments:			
Goodwill	2,684	2,684	2,684
Core deposit intangible	542	583	573
Tangible assets	\$ 781,371	\$ 560,551	\$ 631,689
Common shares outstanding	7,253,774	3,943,458	3,945,114
Tangible equity to tangible assets	12.66%	9.32%	8.27%
Book value per common share	\$ 14.08	\$ 14.07	\$ 14.06
Tangible book value per common share	\$ 13.64	\$ 13.25	\$ 13.24