

Ameris Bancorp
2nd Quarter 2019 Results
Investor Presentation



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The Ameris Bancorp Story

Top of Class Operating Results

- Management team focused on producing top quartile results, including 1.56% Adjusted ROA and 18.79% Adjusted ROTCE in 2Q 2019
- Managed minimal rate sensitivity despite significant growth in total assets and intense pressure on deposit costs
- 2Q19 margin (excluding accretion) down slightly to 3.79%, from 3.83% in 1Q19
- Strong, attractive Southeastern markets and attractive lines of business give us the ability to grow organically at a safe pace
- Growth prospects for TBV and Capital levels are very attractive
- CRE concentrations are moderate and forecast to decline.

Disciplined M&A Strategy in the Southeast

- Completed acquisition of Fidelity Southern Corporation (LION) on July 1, which increased assets approximately \$4.78 billion
- Expect four-six quarter pause on M&A activity
 - Management team is focused on successful integration of Fidelity acquisition
 - Opportunities exist within our current markets due to competitor disruption
- Successfully integrated acquisitions, including three transactions in 2018 with \$3.1 billion in new assets

Clear Path to Future Increase in EPS

Confidence in 2020 financial expectations:

- Manage margin through funding expertise, capacity and better mix
- High single-digit balance sheet growth in strong economic times; able to dial back if necessary in downturns to protect credit and balance sheet
- Reliable and profitable growth in all segments of loan production
- Sustained profitability in lines of business (mortgage, premium finance, SBA)
- Growing pipelines in Orlando and Atlanta as acquisitions and competitor disruption provide additional growth opportunities
- Cost savings from Fidelity Southern acquisition identified to be fully implemented by 2020
- Maintain continued efficiency ratio discipline

Investment Rationale

Operating Performance

- Historically top quartile return on assets (>1.50% YTD 2019)
- Strong ROTCE's that support organic and M&A growth (over 18% YTD 2019)
- Catalysts already identified that are expected to drive efficiency ratio to 50% over next 12 months

Organic Growth Opportunities

- Organic diversified growth opportunities while protecting credit in an economic downturn
- Loan production is strong; diversified across bank and lines of business
- Competition for deposits is brisk; however, noninterest bearing deposits have increased more than 9% YTD 2019

Valuation

- Material discount on earnings relative to Southeastern peer group suggests material upside and rare buying opportunity:
 - Current Price of \$37.78⁽¹⁾ is 9.4x consensus estimates
 - Price to TBV of 1.82x; Price to consensus EOY 2019 TBV of 1.80x
 - Expansion in multiples is likely as 2019 financial results and earnings are realized

2nd Quarter 2019 Financial Results



Earnings Summary – Adjusted Basis

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Quarter to Date Results			Year To Date Results		
	2Q19	2Q18	Change	2019	2018	Change
Adjusted Net Income	\$ 45,210	\$ 29,239	55%	\$ 87,797	\$ 57,019	54%
Adjusted Net Income Per Share	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.74	30%	\$ 1.85	\$ 1.46	27%
Adjusted Return on Assets	1.56%	1.38%	13%	1.54%	1.40%	10%
Adjusted Return on TCE	18.79%	17.26%	9%	18.81%	17.18%	9%
NIM (net of accretion)	3.79%	3.81%	-1%	3.81%	3.82%	0%
Adjusted Efficiency Ratio	53.77%	57.53%	-7%	54.43%	58.67%	-7%
Adjusted Net Overhead Ratio	1.37%	1.46%	-6%	1.42%	1.53%	-7%

2Q 2019 Operating Highlights

- Growth in adjusted net income of 54.6% compared with 2Q18
- Growth in adjusted EPS of 30% compared with 2Q18
- Adjusted efficiency ratio of 53.77% compared with 55.12% in 1Q19 and 57.53% in 2Q18
- Adjusted ROA of 1.56%, compared with 1.51% in 1Q19 and 1.38% in 2Q18
- Adjusted ROTCE of 18.79%, compared with 18.82% in 1Q19 and 17.26% in 2Q18
- Net Interest Margin (excluding accretion) of 3.79%, compared with 3.83% in 1Q19
- Total revenue of \$136.9 million, growth of 27.6% compared with 2Q18
- Increase in TBV of \$1.08 per share to \$20.81 per share compared with \$19.73 at the end of 1Q19 (Includes dividends, repurchases and OCI impact)
- Legacy non-performing assets remained stable at 0.23% of total assets, compared with March 31, 2019

Operating Highlights

(dollars in thousands)

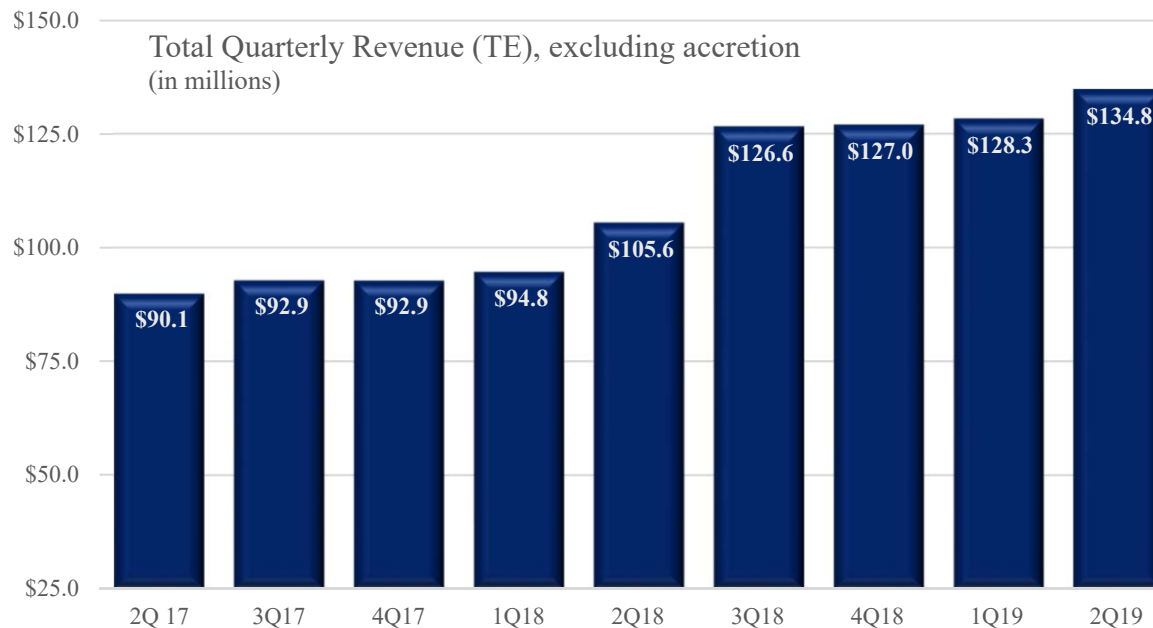
	For the quarter		For the year to date period	
	2Q19	2Q18	2019	2018
Asset Growth ⁽¹⁾	233,061	3,167,869	445,821	3,334,494
<i>Asset Growth Rate</i>	8.00%	157.94%	7.79%	84.89%
Organic Loan Growth	581,382	268,020	563,978	421,795
<i>Organic Loan Growth Rate</i>	28.38%	18.35%	13.74%	14.83%
Total Revenue	136,887	107,306	267,053	202,571
<i>Total Revenue Growth</i>	20.65%	12.64%	31.83%	14.03%
Adjusted Operating Expenses ⁽²⁾	74,926	62,342	147,219	120,022
<i>Adjusted OPEX Growth</i>	14.57%	8.08%	22.66%	11.58%
Adjusted Efficiency ⁽³⁾	53.77%	57.53%	54.43%	58.67%
Legacy NPAs / Assets	0.23%	0.29%		
Credit Related Costs	5,647	10,155	9,966	12,505

(1) Asset growth is materially impacted in 2Q18 by the acquisitions of Atlantic Coast Bank and Hamilton State Bank

(2) Adjusted operating expenses exclude merger related charges, executive retirement costs, restructuring charges, financial impact of hurricanes and loss on sale of premises

(3) Adjusted efficiency ratio is Adjusted operating Expenses divided by Net Interest Income (TE) and Non-Interest Income, excluding gain/loss on securities and MSR impairment

Total Revenue



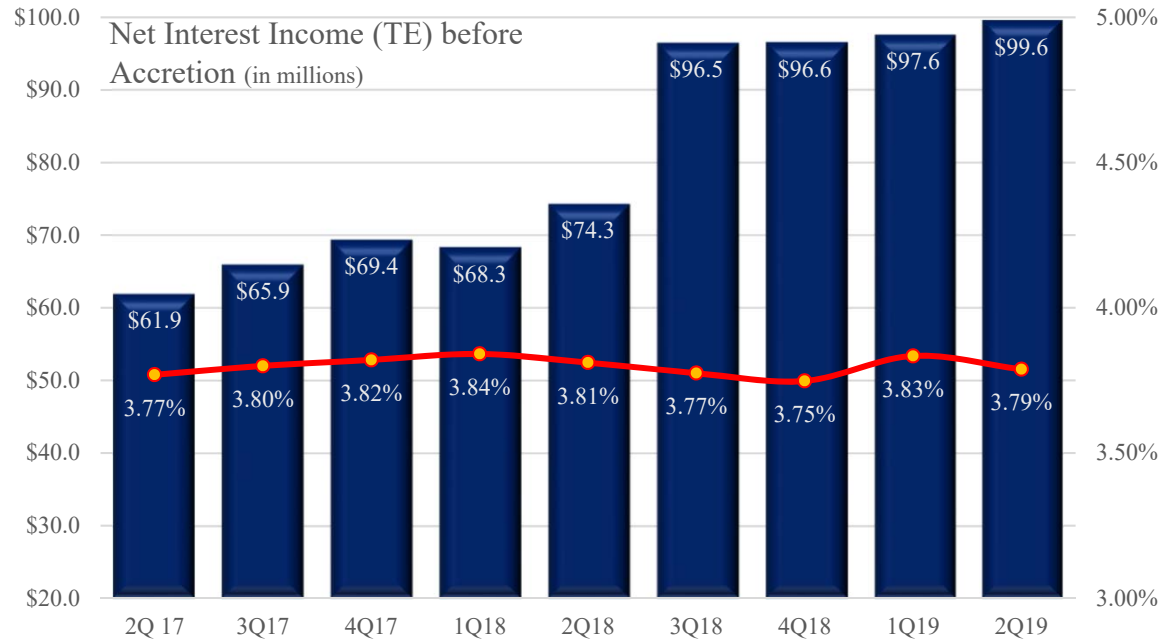
Spread Revenues

- Steady growth in average earning assets from 1Q19 to 2Q19; \$2.73 billion, or 34.9%, growth in average earning assets from 2Q18 to 2Q19
- Slight decrease in margin in challenging rate environment while maintaining stable yield on earning assets
- Margin (excluding accretion) of 3.79% in 2Q19, compared with 3.83% in 1Q19

Non-Interest Income

- **Mortgage banking** – increased \$3.1 million, or 20.3%, in 2Q19 compared with 2Q18. Production continues to be heavily weighted to purchase volume
- **Service charges** – increased \$1.6 million, or 14.7%, in 2Q19, compared with 2Q18, due to acquisitions completed during 2018
- **SBA revenues** – increased 39.6% over 2Q18 due to increased volume of sold loans.

Net Interest Margin



Spread Income and Margin:

- Average earning assets were up \$227 million, increasing spread income of \$2.2 million.
- Margin (excluding accretion) down 4bps in the second quarter due to shift in deposit mix.
 - Stable yield on earning assets
 - Deposit costs increased by 5bps
 - Growth in noninterest bearing deposits outpaced total deposit growth such that noninterest bearing deposits are over 28% of total deposits at quarter end

Accretion income a small part of our revenues:

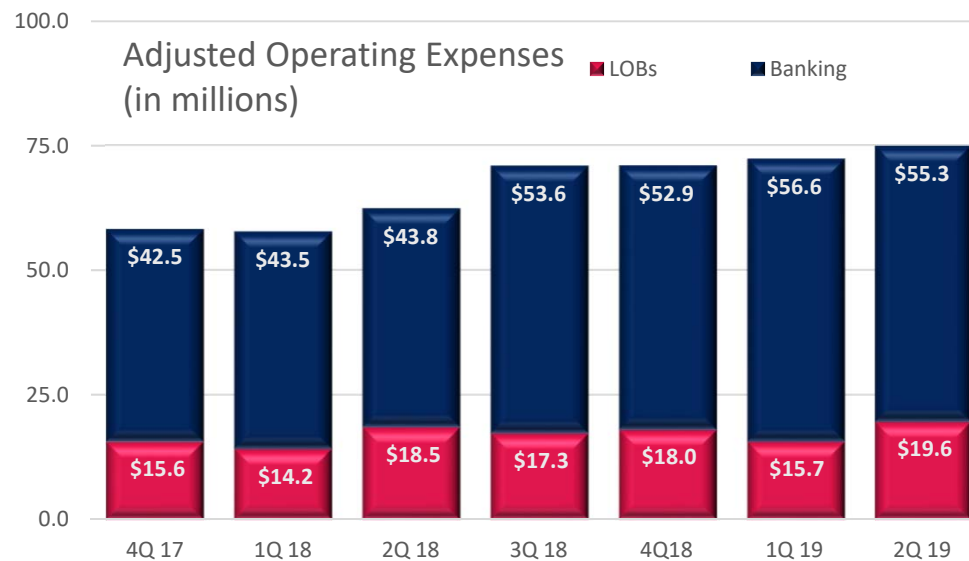
- 2.2% of revenue in 2019 YTD
- 2.6% of revenue in 2018
- 2.9% of revenue in 2017
- 4.3% of revenue in 2016

Stable margins over the entire rate cycle.

Period	Loan Production Details				Total	
	Fixed Rate		Variable Rate			
2Q19	443.1	5.01%	411.7	6.00%	854.7	5.49%
1Q19	264.3	5.29%	349.2	6.15%	613.5	5.78%
4Q18	234.5	5.40%	370.3	5.96%	604.9	5.74%

Expenses – 2Q19

Steady, Adjusted Operating Expenses⁽¹⁾

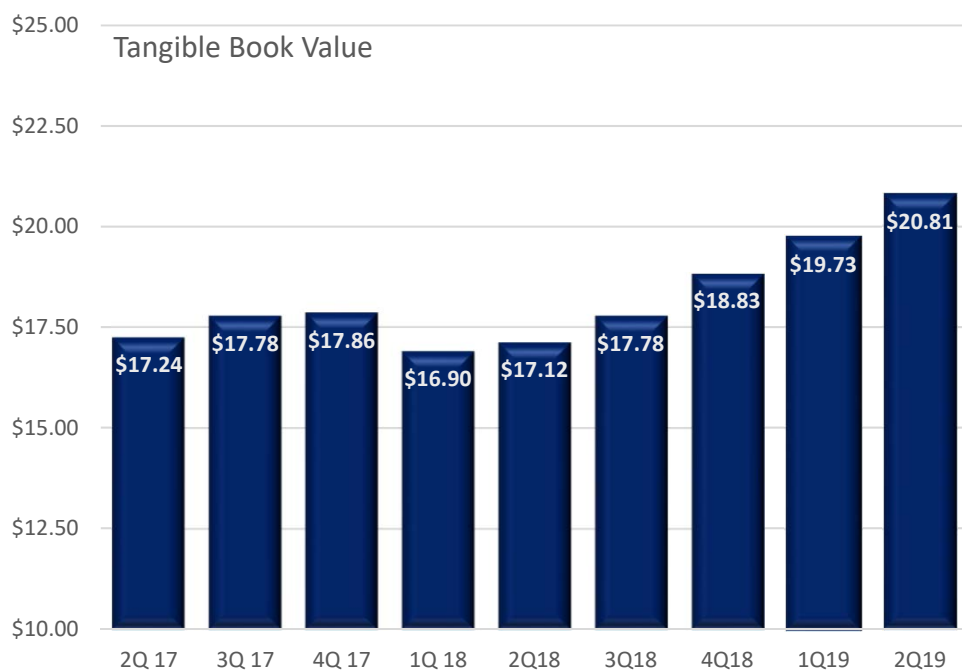


OPEX Highlights:

- Slight decrease in 2Q19 core operating expenses at the Bank due to payroll taxes (1Q annual payroll tax seasonality) and continued efficiency efforts
- Increase in lines of business-related operating expenses due to increased commissions related to elevated production levels
- Continue to drive expense control behaviors throughout the Company and look for efficiencies in our administrative functions

1 – Adjusted operating expenses exclude merger and conversion costs, executive retirement benefits, restructuring charges related to branch consolidation plan, compliance resolution expenses, financial impact of hurricanes and loss on sale of premises.

Capital and TBV – 2Q19



Consistent Growth in TBV

- Historically, consistent growth in TBV
- TBV increased \$1.08 in 2Q19
 - \$0.72 from retained earnings
 - \$0.37 from change in OCI
 - (\$0.01) from all other items including share repurchase

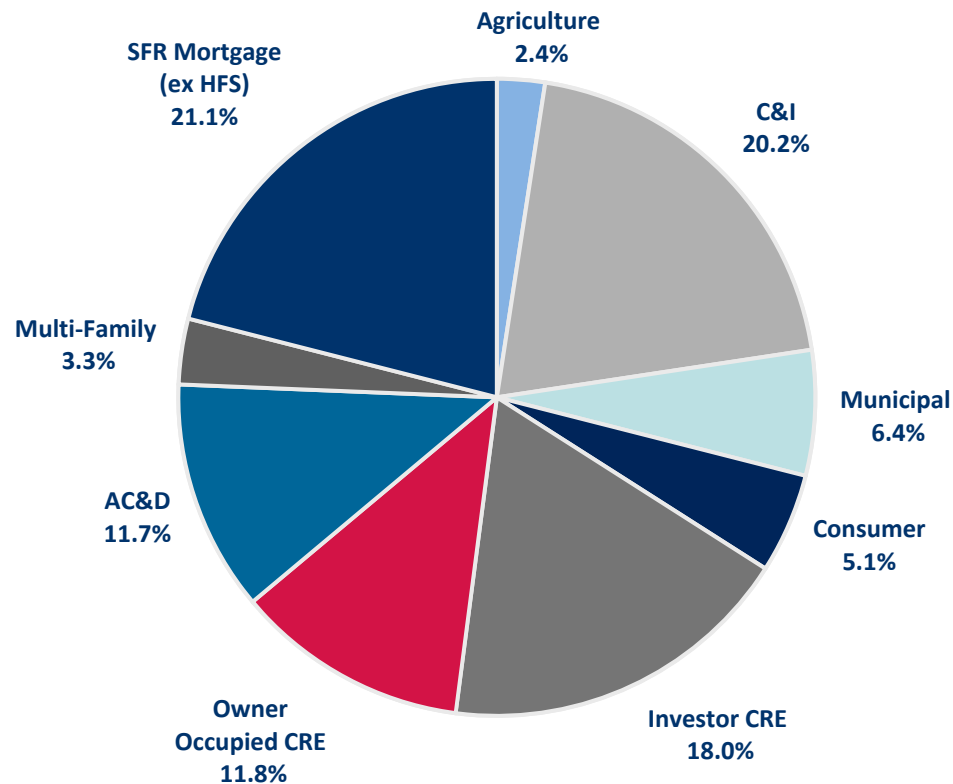
Steady Capital Levels Support Growth Rate

- TCE / TA at quarter end of 8.68%, up from 8.46% at end of 1Q19
- 2Q19 Adjusted ROTCE of 18.79%
- Normalized ROTCE in the range of 17%-19% for 2019

Credit Quality and Loan Diversification

Diversified Loan Portfolio

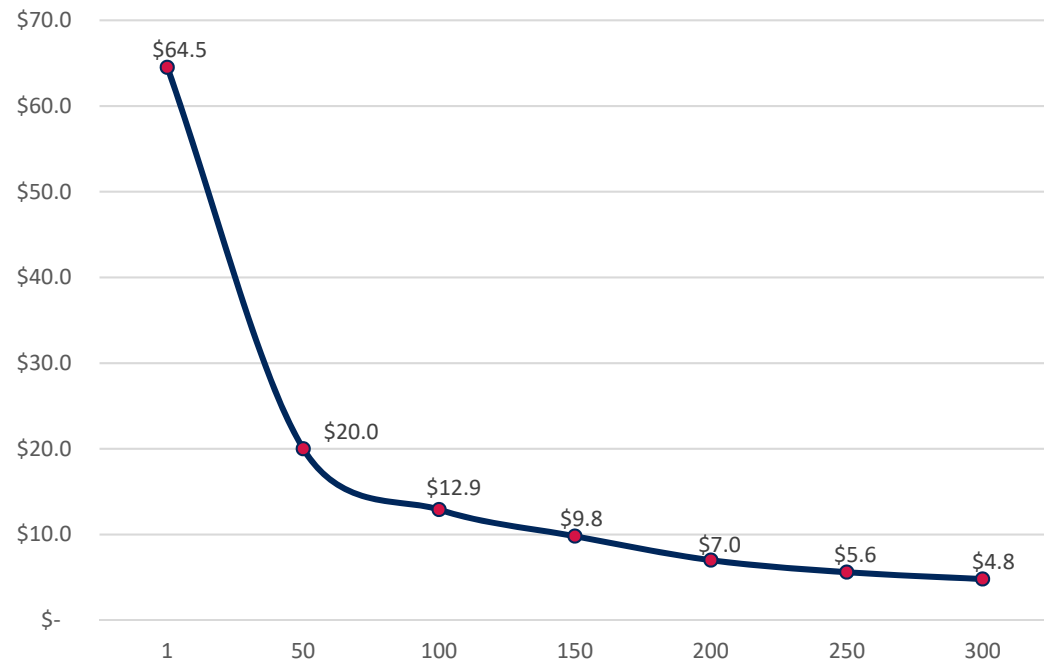
2Q19 Loan Portfolio



- Largest category of loans = 21% of total – well diversified Mortgage loans & HELOCs
- Participations purchased only 1% of total loans
- Average loan size = \$72M (all loan types)
- < 12% of total loans in Construction or A&D
- CRE and C&D concentrations are 251% and 89%, respectively, at 2Q19
- Credit Admin Management consists of CCO, SCO and six Regional Credit Officers. Collectively, they have 70 years with Ameris and 256 years of banking experience
- 2Q19 loan growth split among Bank, Mortgage and Warehouse, Premium Finance and Specialty

Diversified Loan Portfolio

Relative Size of our Top 300 Relationships (MM's)

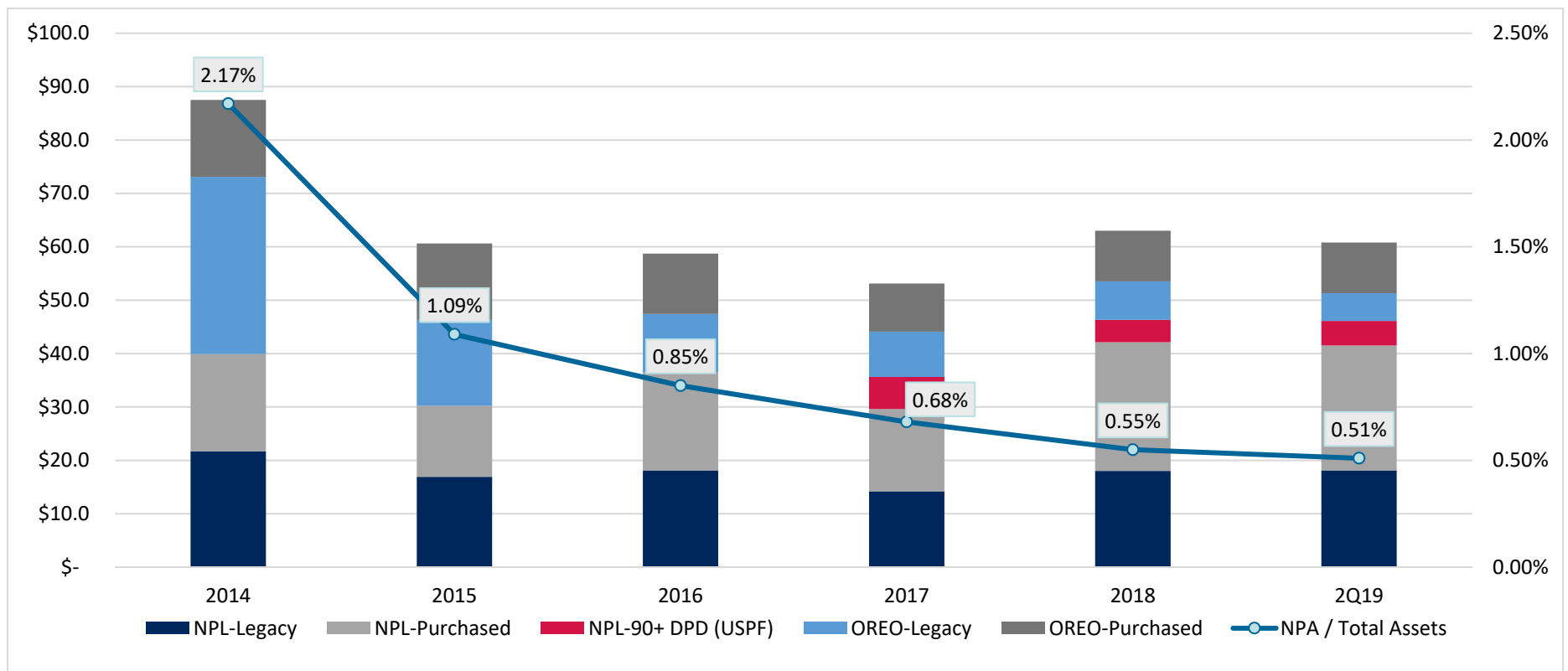


Relationship Groupings	Total Committed Exposure (MM's)	% of Total Portfolio
Top 25 Relationships	\$ 932.1	15.3%
Top 50 Relationships	\$ 1,519.8	25.0%
Top 100 Relationships	\$ 2,319.9	38.2%
Top 250 Relationships	\$ 3,596.1	59.2%
Top 300 Relationships	\$ 3,853.9	63.4%

Individual Groupings	Total Committed Exposure (MM's)
Largest Relationship	\$ 64.5
10th Largest	\$ 36.5
50th Largest	\$ 20.0
100th Largest	\$ 12.9
200th Largest	\$ 7.0
300th Largest	\$ 4.8

Non-Performing Asset Trend

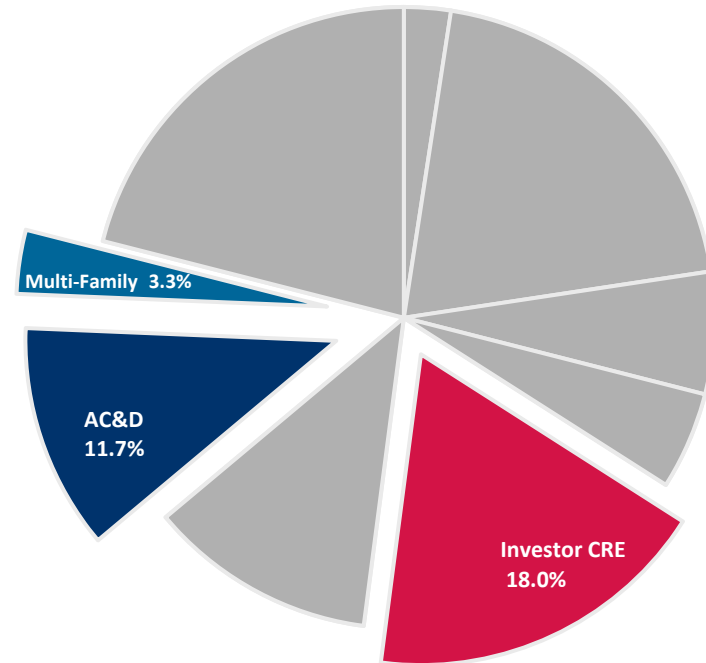
- Non-Performing Assets have decreased from \$87.5 million at YE14 to \$60.8 million at 2Q19 (31% reduction)
- As a % of Total Assets, NPAs declined from 2.17% at YE14 to 0.51% at 2Q19
- Ameris has completed five acquisitions since YE14 resulting in an increase in Total Assets from \$4.0B to \$11.9B (excluding Fidelity Southern)



Investor CRE Loans

- 62% of CRE assets are concentrated in Atlanta, Jacksonville, Orlando, Tampa, Tallahassee, Columbia, Savannah and Charleston MSAs
- At 2Q19, Past Due and Nonaccrual loans totaled 30 bps and 37 bps, respectively.

Loan Type	Outstanding Balance (MM's)	% NPL	% PD
Office	\$ 521.7	0.00%	0.28%
Multi-Family	\$ 406.4	0.06%	0.00%
Retail (inc Single-Tenant)	\$ 394.5	0.10%	1.53%
Warehouse / Industrial	\$ 290.1	0.10%	0.00%
Hotels / Motels	\$ 238.9	0.86%	0.00%
Strip Center, Non-Anchored	\$ 219.6	0.00%	0.36%
Misc CRE (ALF, Church, etc)	\$ 203.7	0.00%	0.01%
All Other Types	\$ 202.5	4.04%	0.19%
RRE Construction - Spec	\$ 199.2	0.01%	0.00%
Strip Center, Anchored	\$ 196.4	0.00%	0.00%
RRE Construction - Pre-Sold	\$ 158.5	0.00%	0.26%
	\$ 3,031.5	0.37%	0.30%



2Q19 Commercial Real Estate Production

2Q19 Construction and Development Loan Production Summary:

Loan Type	Outstanding (MM's)	Committed Exposure (MM's)	Avg Loan Size (000's)
RRE Construction - Spec	\$ 34.2	\$ 87.4	\$ 239.6
RRE Construction - Pre-Sold	\$ 19.9	\$ 49.6	\$ 250.5
A&D, RRE Lots, Other Land Loans	\$ 9.5	\$ 19.2	\$ 785.3
	\$ 63.6	\$ 156.2	

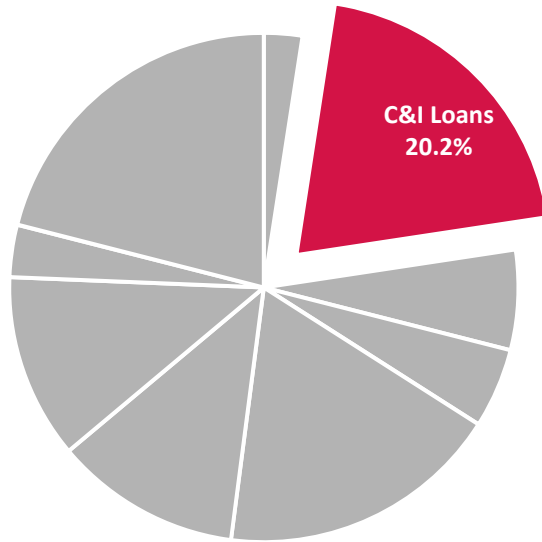
2Q19 Commercial Real Estate Production Summary:

Loan Type	Outstanding (MM's)	Committed Exposure (MM's)	Direct Debt Service Coverage (DSC)*	Loan / Value*
Multi-Family	\$ 39.7	\$ 178.2	1.62	53.2%
Hotels / Motels	\$ 40.8	\$ 42.2	1.98	53.2%
Office	\$ 23.5	\$ 39.2	1.59	63.7%
Warehouse / Industrial	\$ 12.5	\$ 34.4	1.58	56.8%
Misc CRE (ALF, Church, Colleges)	\$ 18.7	\$ 26.3	2.28	60.8%
Retail (inc Single-Tenant)	\$ 9.1	\$ 17.9	1.40	70.7%
Strip Center, Anchored	\$ 11.6	\$ 11.6	1.40	58.1%
Strip Center, Non-Anchored	\$ 2.9	\$ 9.1	1.19	80.0%
	\$ 158.8	\$ 358.9	1.63	60.2%

*Based on the average of all loans in that category > \$500M Committed Exposure

- C&D and CRE loans - \$515.1MM
- Residential Real Estate Construction:
 - 2Q19 production spec to sold ratio of 1.8:1
 - Total RRE construction portfolio of spec to sold 1.4:1 at 6/30/19
 - Spec loans at low average loan size \$239.6M
- Investor CRE 2Q19 production:
 - Average 1.63:1 debt service coverage
 - Average 60.2% loan/value.

C & I Loans



- Largest segment is US Premium Finance at \$659.6MM
- 2Q19 Production Stats:

	2Q19	Rolling 12-Mos
\$\$ Production	\$407.6MM	\$1.2B
W/A Down Payment	21.2%	20.8%
W/A # Installments	9.7 mos	9.8 mos

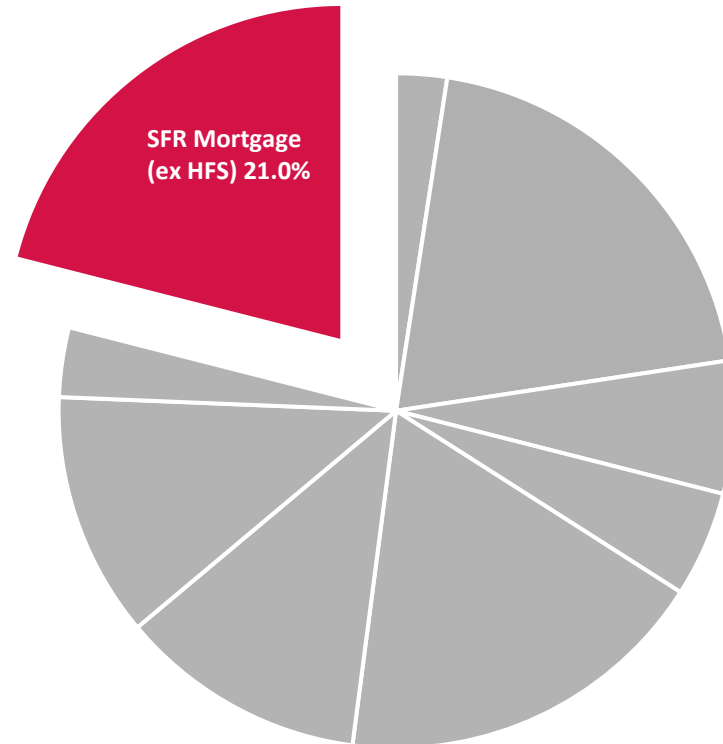
- Mortgage Warehouse Division funded \$4.4 billion of loans in 2018 and \$2.7B through 2Q19 – 23% annualized growth through 2019
 - Total approved guidance lines = \$773.5 million
 - Average days on line = 20 days
 - No losses in 2017, 2018 and 1Q19
- Purchased C&I portfolio in 2Q19:
 - Primarily essential equipment used by convenient stores
 - Totaled \$128.8MM, avg rate = 8.15%
 - No P/D loans
 - Avg loan size = \$96.5M, 4 ½ avg term

Lending Division	Balance (in millions)	% Portfolio	% Nonaccruing	Average Loan Size (in thousands)
US Premium Finance	\$659.6	35.7%	0.56%	\$16.0
Mortgage Warehouse / MSR	\$467.9	25.3%	0.00%	\$257.7
Ameris Equipment Finance	\$120.3	8.4%	0.00%	\$257.8
Corporate Finance Group	\$117.2	6.3%	0.77%	\$3,552.8
Other C&I Loans	\$484.6	26.2%	0.51%	\$136.2
Totals	\$1,847.9		0.43%	

Mortgage Loans

- Portfolio Loans consist of:
 - Legacy Bank mortgage loans - \$753.8 million
 - Mortgage division - \$780.6 million
 - Purchase mortgage pools - \$232.6 million
 - Home Equity LOCs - \$158.5 million
- Mortgage division production is underwritten to secondary market standards, as follows:

	3Q18	4Q18	1Q19	2Q19
Net Production	\$44.4MM	\$94.1MM	\$41.5MM	\$68.6MM
Avg DTI	35.9%	36.1%	36.2%	35.5%
Avg LTV	81.1%	81.1%	81.2%	77.8%
Avg FICO	726	725	723	719
Overall Past Due	2.71%	2.07%	2.04%	1.64%



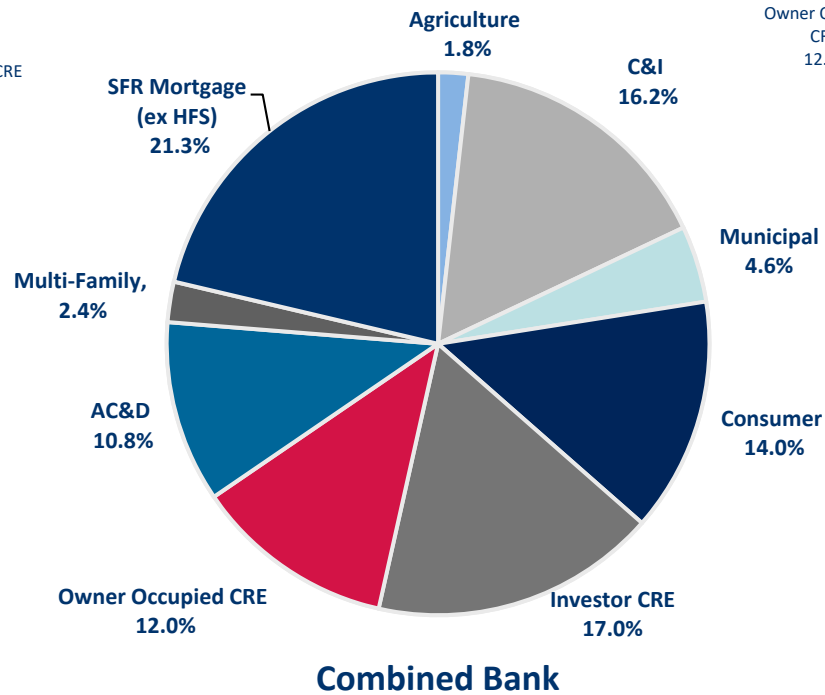
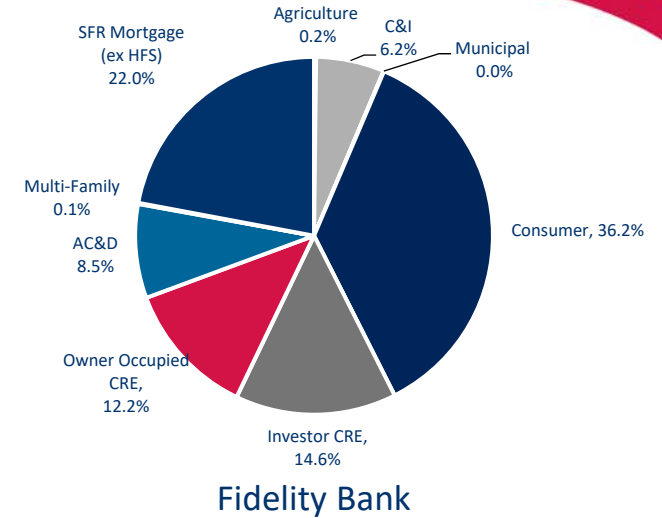
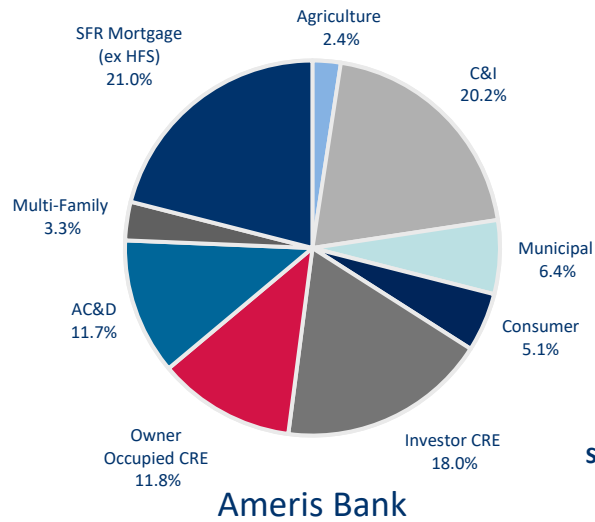
Update on Acquisition of Fidelity Southern Corporation



Combined 3Q19 Estimated Impact

- Completed acquisition on July 1, 2019; Conversion scheduled for November 2019
- Balance Sheet:
 - Loan growth expected to be in mid-single digits, net of indirect runoff
 - No significant deposit attrition expected
- Net Interest Margin:
 - Sensitivity slightly asset sensitive
 - Low double digit margin compression inclusive of purchase accounting adjustments and 25bp fed cut
- Noninterest Income:
 - No significant attrition expected in mortgage line of business
- Noninterest Expense:
 - Fully phased in cost saves not until 2020
 - Expect 20% of the announced cost savings to be realized in 3Q19
 - Maintain efficiency ratio below 60% until fully phased in cost savings

Proforma Loan Portfolio with Fidelity



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