UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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): April 26, 2022

First Busey Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-15950 (Commission File Number) **37-1078406** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

100 W University Av

100 W. University Ave. Champaign, Illinois 61820

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(217) 365-4544

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which
		<u>registered</u>
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	BUSE	Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b–2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b–2 of this chapter). \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 26, 2022, First Busey Corporation (First Busey) issued a press release disclosing financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2022. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto is being "furnished" and will not, except to the extent required by applicable law or regulation, be deemed "filed" by First Busey for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor will any of such information or exhibits be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (Securities Act), or the Exchange Act.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 26, 2022, First Busey published supplemental slides discussing First Busey's financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2022. A copy is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and Exhibit 99.2 attached hereto is being "furnished" and will not, except to the extent required by applicable law or regulation, be deemed "filed" by First Busey for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor will any of such information or exhibits be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release issued by First Busey Corporation, dated April 26, 2022.
99.2	Supplemental slides issued by First Busey Corporation, dated April 26, 2022.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document and included in Exhibit 101).

Signature

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.

Date: April 26, 2022

First Busey Corporation

By:/s/ Jeffrey D. JonesName:Jeffrey D. JonesTitle:Chief Financial Officer

April 26, 2022

First Busey Announces 2022 First Quarter Earnings CHAMPAIGN, IL – (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – First Busey Corporation (Nasdaq: BUSE)

Message from our Chairman & CEO



First Quarter 2022 Highlights:

- First quarter 2022 net income of \$28.4 million and diluted EPS of \$0.51
- First quarter 2022 adjusted net income¹ of \$29.1 million and adjusted diluted EPS¹ of \$0.52
- Core loan¹ growth of \$127.1 million, or 7.2% annualized, in the first quarter
- First quarter net interest margin increased nine basis points to 2.45% compared to 2.36% in the fourth quarter of 2021
- Non-performing assets declined to 0.13% of total assets in the first quarter
- Wealth management assets under care of \$12.33 billion at March 31, 2022, down from \$12.73 at December 31, 2021, principally due to a reduction in market valuations and up from \$10.69 billion at March 31, 2021, which represents 15.3% year-over-year growth
- FirsTech revenue² of \$5.4 million for the first quarter of 2022, the highest quarterly revenue in the history of FirsTech, up from \$4.9 million for the first quarter of 2021, representing 11.4% year-over-year growth
- Noninterest income, excluding security gains, accounted for 34.2% of total revenue in the first quarter of 2022, compared to 31.5% in the first quarter of 2021, supported by continued growth in wealth management and payment technology solutions
- For additional information, please refer to the 1Q22 Quarterly Earnings Supplement

First Quarter Financial Results

Net income for First Busey Corporation ("First Busey" or the "Company") for the first quarter of 2022 was \$28.4 million, or \$0.51 per diluted common share, compared to \$29.9 million, or \$0.53 per diluted common share, for the fourth quarter of 2021, and \$37.8 million, or \$0.69 per diluted common share, for the first quarter of 2021. Adjusted net income¹ for the first quarter of 2022 was \$29.1 million, or \$0.52 per diluted common share, compared to \$34.3 million, or \$0.61 per diluted common share, for the fourth quarter of 2022, annualized return on average assets and annualized return on average tangible common equity¹ were 0.91% and 12.72%, respectively. Based on adjusted net income¹, annualized return on average assets was 0.93% and annualized return on average tangible common equity¹ was 13.02% for the first quarter of 2022.

Pre-provision net revenue¹ for the first quarter of 2022 was \$36.1 million, compared to \$34.0 million for the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$40.2 million for the first quarter of 2021. Adjusted pre-provision net revenue¹ for the first quarter of 2022 was \$39.4 million, compared to \$41.1 million for the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$42.8 million for the first quarter of 2021. Pre-provision net revenue to average assets¹ for the first quarter of 2022 was 1.16%, compared to 1.04% for the fourth quarter of 2021, and 1.54% for the first quarter of 2021. Adjusted pre-provision net revenue to average assets¹ for the first quarter of 2021 and 1.54% for the first quarter of 2021 and 1.27% for the fourth quarter of 2021 and 1.64% for the first quarter of 2021.

The Company experienced its fourth consecutive quarter of strong core loan¹ growth, principally in commercial lending segments. Core loan¹ growth of \$127.1 million in the first quarter of 2022 follows \$141.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2021, \$177.1 million in the third quarter of 2021, and \$142.0 million in the second quarter of 2021. Over the last four quarters, the Company has generated \$587.8 million in core loan¹ growth, equating to an annualized growth rate of 9.4%. The Company's first quarter has historically been a seasonally light quarter for growth.

The Company's first quarter 2022 results include a provision release of \$0.3 million for credit losses and a \$1.1 million provision expense for unfunded commitments. The first quarter provision expense for unfunded commitments primarily related to increases in unused commitment balances. The total allowance for credit losses was \$88.2 million at March 31, 2022, representing 1.21% of total portfolio loans outstanding and 1.22% of core loans¹. The Company recorded net recoveries of \$0.6 million in the first quarter of 2022.

¹ See "Non-GAAP Financial Information" for reconciliation.

² Revenue from the Company's subsidiary, FirsTech, Inc. (FirsTech), excluding consolidations and eliminations.

Our fee-based businesses continue to add revenue diversification. In the first quarter of 2022, wealth management fees were \$15.8 million, compared to \$13.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$12.6 million in the first quarter of 2021, representing 25.4% year-over-year growth. Consolidated revenue from payment technology solutions from the Company's subsidiary FirsTech was \$5.1 million in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$4.6 million in both the fourth quarter of 2021 and the first quarter of 2021, representing 9.9% growth. Fees for customer services were \$8.9 million in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$9.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$8.0 million in the first quarter of 2021, representing 10.8% year-over-year growth.

The Company views certain non-operating items, including acquisition-related and other restructuring charges, as adjustments to net income reported under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Non-operating pretax adjustments for the first quarter of 2022 included \$0.8 million of expenses related to the acquisition of Cummins-American Corp. (CAC), the holding company for Glenview State Bank (GSB). The Company believes that non-GAAP measures—including pre-provision net revenue, adjusted pre-provision net revenue, pre-provision net revenue to average assets, adjusted pre-provision net revenue to average assets, adjusted net income, adjusted diluted earnings per share, adjusted return on average assets, return on average tangible common equity, adjusted return on average tangible book value per common share, tangible common equity, tangible common equity to tangible assets, core loans, core loans to portfolio loans, core deposits, core deposits to total deposits, and core loans to core deposits—facilitate the assessment of its financial results and peer comparability. A reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures is included in tabular form at the end of this release.

Community Banking

First Busey's goal of being a strong community bank begins with outstanding associates. The Company is humbled to be named among the 2021 Best Banks to Work For by American Banker, the 2021 Best Places to Work in Money Management by Pensions and Investments, the 2022 Best Places to Work in Illinois by Daily Herald Business Ledger and the 2021 Best Companies to Work For in Florida by Florida Trend magazine.

As we continue growing forward, we are grateful for the opportunities to consistently earn the business of our customers, based on the contributions of our talented associates and the loyal support of our shareholders.

/s/ Van A. Dukeman Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer First Busey Corporation

SELECTED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (unaudited) (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

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Net interest income plus noninterest income, excluding security gains and losses, less noninterest expense.
 See "Non-GAAP Financial Information" for reconciliation.
 Revenue consists of net interest income plus noninterest income, excluding security gains and losses.
 On a tax-equivalent basis, assuming a federal income tax rate of 21%.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (unaudited)

(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

		March 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021	Se	eptember 30, 2021	· · · ·			March 31, 2021
ASSETS										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	479,228	\$	836,095	\$	883,845	\$	920,810	\$	404,802
Investment securities		3,941,656		3,994,822		4,010,256		3,478,467		2,804,101
Loans held for sale		6,765		23,875		20,225		17,834		38,272
Commercial loans		5,486,817		5,449,689		5,431,342		5,475,461		5,402,970
Retail real estate and retail other loans		1,786,056		1,739,309		1,719,293		1,710,189		1,376,330
Portfolio loans		7,272,873		7,188,998	_	7,150,635		7,185,650	_	6,779,300
Allowance for credit losses		(88,213)		(87,887)		(92,802)		(95,410)		(93,943)
Premises and equipment		133,658		136,147		142,031		145,437		132,669
Goodwill and other intangibles		372,913		375,924		378,891		381,795		361,120
Right of use asset		9,014		10,533		11,068		8,228		7,333
Other assets		439,615		381,182		395,181		372,638		325,909
Total assets	\$	12,567,509	\$	12,859,689	\$	12,899,330	\$	12,415,449	\$	10,759,563
LIABILITIES & STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Noninterest bearing deposits	\$	3,568,651	\$	3,670,267	\$	3,453,906	\$	3,186,650	\$	2,859,492
Interest checking, savings, and money market deposits		6,132,355		6,162,661		6,337,026		6,034,871		4,991,887
Time deposits		890,830		935,649		1,026,935		1,115,596		1,022,468
Total deposits	\$	10,591,836	\$	10,768,577	\$	10,817,867	\$	10,337,117	\$	8,873,847
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	\$	255,668	\$	270,139	\$	241,242	\$	207,266	\$	210,132
Short-term borrowings		17,683		17,678		17,673		30,168		4,663
Long-term debt		265,769		268,773		271,780		274,788		226,797
Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts		71,678		71,635		71,593		71,551		71,509
Lease liability		9,067		10,591		11,120		8,280		7,380
Other liabilities		137,783		133,184		134,979		140,588		99,413
Total liabilities	\$	11,349,484	\$	11,540,577	\$	11,566,254	\$	11,069,758	\$	9,493,741
Total stockholders' equity	\$	1,218,025	\$	1,319,112	\$	1,333,076	\$	1,345,691	\$	1,265,822
Total liabilities & stockholders' equity	\$	12,567,509	\$	12,859,689	\$	12,899,330	\$	12,415,449	\$	10,759,563
SHARE AND PER SHARE AMOUNTS										
Book value per common share	\$	22.03	\$	23.80	\$	23.88	\$	23.89	\$	23.29
Tangible book value per common share ¹	\$	15.29	\$	17.01	\$	17.09	\$	17.11	\$	16.65
Ending number of common shares outstanding	Ŷ	55,278,785	÷	55,434,910	Ŷ	55,826,984	*	56,330,616	Ŧ	54,345,379
¹ See "Non-GAAP Einancial Information" for reconciliation										

¹ See "Non-GAAP Financial Information" for reconciliation.

<u>CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (unaudited)</u> (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

			Three	Months Ended		
]	March 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021		March 31, 2021
INTEREST INCOME						
Interest and fees on loans held for sale and portfolio	\$	60,882	\$	62,965	\$	62,565
Interest on investment securities		14,932		13,658		9,616
Other interest income		277		294		150
Total interest income	\$	76,091	\$	76,917	\$	72,331
INTEREST EXPENSE						
Interest on deposits	\$	2,124	\$	2,497	\$	3,732
Interest on securities sold under agreements to repurchase and federal funds purchased		59		50		57
Interest on short-term borrowings		89		84		19
Interest on long-term debt		3,109		3,123		2,905
Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trusts		654		655		725
Total interest expense	\$	6,035	\$	6,409	\$	7,438
Net interest income	\$	70,056	\$	70,508	\$	64,893
Provision for credit losses	*	(253)	*	(4,736)	*	(6,796)
Net interest income after provision for credit losses	\$	70,309	\$	75,244	\$	71,689
NONINTEREST INCOME						
Wealth management fees	\$	15,779	\$	13,751	\$	12,584
Fees for customer services	Ψ	8,907	Ψ	9.668	Ψ	8.037
Payment technology solutions		5,077		4,576		4,621
Mortgage revenue		975		1,086		2,666
Income on bank owned life insurance		884		1,727		964
Net security gains (losses)		(614)		474		1,641
Other		4,764		3,807		932
Total noninterest income	\$	35,772	\$	35,089	\$	31,445
NONINTEREST EXPENSE						
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits	\$	39,354	\$	38.090	\$	30,384
Data processing expense	Ф	4,978	ф	4,981	ф	4,280
		5.067		4,981		4,280
Net occupancy expense Furniture and equipment expense		2,030		2,001		2,026
Professional fees		1.507		1.932		1.945
		3,011		3,074		2,401
Amortization of intangible assets				,		1.484
Interchange expense		1,545		1,432		, -
Other operating expenses Total noninterest expense	\$	12,884 70,376	\$	14,919 71,169	\$	7,416
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Income before income taxes	\$	35,705	\$	39,164	\$	48,635
Income taxes	-	7,266	-	9,238	<u>_</u>	10,819
Net income	\$	28,439	\$	29,926	\$	37,816
SHARE AND PER SHARE AMOUNTS						
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.51	\$	0.54	\$	0.69
Fully-diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.51	\$	0.53	\$	0.69
Average common shares outstanding		55,427,696		55,705,169		54,471,860
Diluted average common shares outstanding		56,194,946		56,413,026		55,035,806

Balance Sheet Growth

Our balance sheet remains a source of strength. Total assets were \$12.57 billion at March 31, 2022, compared to \$12.86 billion at December 31, 2021, and \$10.76 billion at March 31, 2021. At March 31, 2022, portfolio loans were \$7.27 billion, compared to \$7.19 billion as of December 31, 2021, and \$6.78 billion as of March 31, 2021. Amortized costs of Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans of \$31.8 million, \$75.0 million, and \$522.1 million are included in the March 31, 2022, December 31, 2021, and March 31, 2021, portfolio loan balances, respectively. During the first quarter of 2022, Busey Bank experienced another strong quarter of core loan¹ growth of \$127.1 million, consisting of growth in commercial balances² of \$80.3 million and growth in retail real estate and retail other balances of \$46.8 million. Growth was principally driven by our Northern Illinois, Central Illinois, and Florida regions. Historically, the Company has experienced slower loan growth during the first quarter as compared to other quarters of the year.

Average portfolio loans were \$7.16 billion for the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$7.11 billion for the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$6.74 billion for the first quarter of 2021. The average balance of PPP loans for the first quarter of 2022 was \$51.5 million, compared to \$123.5 million for the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$482.5 million for the first quarter of 2021. Average interest-earning assets for the first quarter of 2022 were \$11.70 billion, compared to \$11.95 billion for the fourth quarter of 2021, and \$9.75 billion for the first quarter of 2021.

Total deposits were \$10.59 billion at March 31, 2022, compared to \$10.77 billion at December 31, 2021, and \$8.87 billion at March 31, 2021. Fluctuations in deposit balances can be attributed to the retention of PPP loan funding in customer deposit accounts, the impacts of economic stimulus, other core deposit¹ growth, and the seasonality of public funds. The Company remains funded substantially through core deposits¹ with significant market share in its primary markets. Core deposits¹ accounted for 98.7% of total deposits as of March 31, 2022. Cost of deposits declined to 0.08% in the first quarter of 2022, a one basis point reduction compared to December 31, 2021. Excluding time deposits, the Company's cost of deposits was 0.04% in the first quarter of 2022.

During the first quarter of 2022 a portion of the investment portfolio comprised of commercial and residential mortgage-backed securities were transferred from available for sale (AFS) to held to maturity (HTM). At March 31, 2022, the amortized cost of the securities in HTM were \$976.1 million. As a result of the transfer the overall duration of the AFS portfolio at March 31, 2022, was reduced by 0.4 years.

Net Interest Margin¹ and Net Interest Income

Net interest margin¹ for the first quarter of 2022 was 2.45%, compared to 2.36% for the fourth quarter of 2021 and 2.72% for the first quarter of 2021. Excluding purchase accretion, adjusted net interest margin¹ was 2.41% for the first quarter of 2022, compared to 2.31% in the fourth quarter of 2021 and 2.63% in the first quarter of 2021. Net interest income was \$70.1 million in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$70.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$64.9 million in the first quarter of 2021. Tax equivalent net interest income¹ excluding PPP net fee contribution was \$69.3 million in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$67.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2021, and \$60.7 in the first quarter of 2021.

The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) raised rates during the first quarter of 2022, for the first time in three years, which is expected to have a positive impact on net interest margin¹, as assets, in particular commercial loans, reprice more quickly and to a greater extent than liabilities. Given the timing of the FOMC meeting in March, the benefit of the associated movement in rates to our net interest margin will be largely realized in subsequent quarters. In general, net interest margins¹ have been impacted over the last two years by PPP loans, significant growth in the Company's liquidity position, and the issuance of debt. Factors contributing to the nine basis point increase in net interest margin during the first quarter of 2022 include:

- Loan growth and higher new volume and repricing rates which contributed +6 basis points
- Increases in the securities portfolio yield which contributed +6 basis points
- Net interest income contributions from cash flow hedges which contributed +3 basis points
- Funding cost improvements which contributed +1 basis point
- Reduced volume of PPP loan forgiveness which contributed -6 basis points
- Reduced recognition of purchase accounting accretion which contributed -1 basis point

¹ See "Non-GAAP Financial Information" for reconciliation.

² Commercial balances include commercial, commercial real estate, and real estate construction loans.

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Asset Quality

Credit quality continues to be exceptionally strong. Loans 30-89 days past due declined to \$3.9 million as of March 31, 2022, compared to \$6.3 million as of December 31, 2021, and \$9.9 million as of March 31, 2021. Non-performing loans totaled \$12.7 million as of March 31, 2022, compared to \$16.9 million as of December 31, 2021, and \$22.9 million as of March 31, 2021. Continued disciplined credit management resulted in non-performing loans as a percentage of total loans of 0.17% at March 31, 2022, compared to 0.23% as of December 31, 2021, and 0.34% as of March 31, 2021. Excluding the amortized cost of PPP loans, non-performing loans as a percentage of total loans of 0.24% at December 31, 2021, and 0.37% at March 31, 2021. Non-performing assets were 0.13% of total assets at the end of the first quarter of 2022, compared to 0.17% at March 31, 2021. Non-performing assets at March 31, 2022 included a \$2.0 million OREO property, the sale of which closed subsequent to quarter-end, although the associated impairment was recognized in the first quarter of 2022.

Net recoveries totaled \$0.6 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2022, compared to net charge-offs of \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million for the quarters ended December 31, 2021, and March 31, 2021, respectively. The allowance as a percentage of portfolio loans was 1.21% at March 31, 2022, compared to 1.22% at December 31, 2021, and 1.39% at March 31, 2021. Excluding the amortized cost of PPP loans, the allowance as a percentage of portfolio loans was 1.22% at March 31, 2021, and 1.50% at March 31, 2021. The allowance as a percentage of non-performing loans was 695.41% at March 31, 2022, compared to 521.52% at December 31, 2021, and 411.04% at March 31, 2021.

The Company maintains a well-diversified loan portfolio and, as a matter of policy and practice, limits concentration exposure in any particular loan segment.

ASSET QUALITY (unaudited)

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				As of and fo	r th	e Three Mon	ths	Ended		
ASSET QUALITY	N	1arch 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021	Se	ptember 30, 2021	J	June 30, 2021	Μ	arch 31, 2021
Portfolio loans	\$	7,272,873	\$	7,188,998	\$	7,150,635	\$ 7	7,185,650	\$ (,779,300
Portfolio loans excluding amortized cost of PPP loans	,	7,241,104		7,114,040		6,972,404	e	5,795,255	e	,257,196
Loans 30 – 89 days past due		3,916		6,261		6,446		3,888		9,929
Non-performing loans:										
Non-accrual loans		12,488		15,946		25,369		27,725		21,706
Loans 90+ days past due and still accruing		197		906		491		590		1,149
Non-performing loans	\$	12,685	\$	16,852	\$	25,860	\$	28,315	\$	22,855
Non-performing loans, segregated by geography:			-		_				-	
Illinois / Indiana	\$	6,467	\$	10,450	\$	17,824	\$	21,398	\$	15,457
Missouri		5,263		5,349		6,736		5,645		6,170
Florida		955		1,053		1,300		1,272		1,228
Other non-performing assets		3,606		4,416		3,184		3,137		4,292
Non-performing assets	\$	16,291	\$	21,268	\$	29,044	\$	31,452	\$	27,147
Non-performing assets to total assets		0.13 %	6	0.17 %	6	0.23 %	6	0.25 %	6	0.25 %
Non-performing assets to portfolio loans and non-performing assets		0.22 %	6	0.30 %	6	0.41 %	6	0.44 %	6	0.40 %
Allowance for credit losses to portfolio loans		1.21 %	6	1.22 %	6	1.30 %	6	1.33 %	6	1.39 %
Allowance for credit losses to portfolio loans, excluding PPP		1.22 %	6	1.24 %	6	1.33 %	6	1.40 %	6	1.50 %
Allowance for credit losses as a percentage of non-performing loans		695.41 %	6	521.52 %	6	358.86 %	6	336.96 %	6	411.04 %
Net charge-offs (recoveries)	\$	(579)	\$	179	\$	739	\$	1,011	\$	309
Provision		(253)		(4,736)		(1,869)		(1,700)		(6,796)

Noninterest Income

Noninterest income increased to \$35.8 million for the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$35.1 million for the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$31.4 million for the first quarter of 2021. Revenues from wealth management fees and payment technology solutions activities represented 58.3% of the Company's noninterest income for the quarter ended March 31, 2022, providing a balance to spread-based revenue from traditional banking activities. On a combined basis, revenue from these two critical operating areas increased by 21.2% compared to the first quarter of 2021.

Wealth management fees were \$15.8 million for the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$13.8 million for the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$12.6 million for the first quarter of 2021, a 25.4% increase from the comparable period in 2021. Net income from the Wealth Management segment was \$5.8 million for the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$4.3 million for the fourth quarter of 2021, and \$4.7 million in the first quarter of 2021, a 24.7% increase from the comparable period in 2021. First Busey's Wealth Management division ended the first quarter of 2022 with \$12.33 billion in assets under care, a decrease from \$12.73 billion at the end of the fourth quarter of 2021 principally due to a reduction in market valuations, and a 15.3% increase from \$10.69 billion at the end of the first quarter of 2021, comprised of organic and market related growth, as well as increases resulting from the acquisition of CAC.

Payment technology solutions revenue from FirsTech was \$5.1 million for the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$4.6 million for both the fourth quarter of 2021 and the first quarter of 2021. Excluding intracompany eliminations and consolidations, FirsTech generated revenue of \$5.4 million during the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$4.9 million during both the fourth quarter of 2021 and the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$0.6 million in the first quarter of 2022, an increase from \$0.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$0.4 million in the first quarter of 2021. The Company is currently making strategic investments in FirsTech to further enhance future growth including further upgrades to the product and engineering teams to build an application programming interface (API) first cloud-based platform to provide for fully integrated payment capabilities as well as the continued development of our Banking as a Service (BaaS) platform.

Fees for customer services were \$8.9 million for the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$9.7 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$8.0 million in the first quarter of 2021, a 10.8% increase from the comparable period in 2021.

Mortgage revenue was \$1.0 million in the first quarter of 2022, a decrease from \$1.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$2.7 million in the first quarter of 2021. Sold-loan mortgage volume declined in the first quarter of 2022 compared to the same quarter in 2021 due to a higher share of portfolio loan production in 2022.

Other noninterest income was \$4.8 million in the first quarter of 2022, an increase from \$3.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$0.9 million in the first quarter of 2021. Other noninterest income benefited from higher income recognized on venture capital investments and gains on disposal of fixed assets, partially offset by lower swap fees and SBA loan sale gains recorded during the first quarter of 2022.

Operating Efficiency

Noninterest expense was \$70.4 million in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$71.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$54.5 million in the first quarter of 2021. Noninterest expense excluding non-operating adjustments¹ was \$69.5 million in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$65.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$54.2 million in the first quarter of 2021. As a result, the efficiency ratio¹ was 62.97% for the quarter ended March 31, 2022, compared to 64.42% for the quarter ended December 31, 2021, and 54.67% for the quarter ended March 31, 2021. The adjusted efficiency ratio¹ was 62.18%, 59.09%, and 54.33% for the quarters ended March 31, 2021, respectively. The Company remains focused on expense discipline, while making necessary investments to support the organic growth of our key business lines and related support and risk management functions.

Noteworthy components of noninterest expense are as follows:

- Salaries, wages, and employee benefits were \$39.4 million in the first quarter of 2022, an increase from \$38.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2021, and \$30.4 million in the first quarter of 2021. Total full-time equivalents numbered 1,465 at March 31, 2022, compared to 1,463 at December 31, 2021, and 1,332 at March 31, 2021. The Company recorded \$0.6 million of non-operating salaries, wages, and employee benefit expenses in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$2.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2021. There was no non-operating salaries, wages, and employee benefit expense recorded in the first quarter of 2021.
- Data processing expense was \$5.0 million in the first quarter of 2022, steady with the fourth quarter of 2021, and an increase from \$4.3 million in the first quarter of 2021. The Company recorded \$0.2 million of non-operating data processing expenses in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$0.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and an immaterial amount in the first quarter of 2021. Non-operating data processing costs related to the integration of GSB.

¹ A Non-GAAP financial measure. See "Non-GAAP Financial Information" for reconciliation.

- Professional fees were \$1.5 million in the first quarter of 2022, a decrease from \$1.9 million in both the fourth quarter of 2021 and the first quarter of 2021. The Company recorded an immaterial amount of non-operating professional fees in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$0.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and \$0.3 million in the first quarter of 2021.
- Amortization expense was \$3.0 million in the first quarter of 2022, a decrease from \$3.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and an increase from \$2.4 million in the first quarter of 2021. The year-over-year increase is attributable to the acquisition of GSB, completed in the second quarter of 2021.
- Other operating expenses were \$12.9 million for the first quarter of 2022, a decrease from \$14.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2021, and an increase from \$7.4 million in the first quarter of 2021. We realized a \$0.6 million impairment on OREO during the first quarter of 2022. The Company recorded an immaterial amount of non-operating expenses within the other operating expense line in the first quarter of 2022, compared to \$3.3 million in the fourth quarter of 2021 and an immaterial amount in the first quarter of 2021. Other operating expense fluctuations primarily relate to the provision for unfunded commitments which was \$1.1 million for the first quarter of 2022, regulatory costs, and business development expenses.

Capital Strength

The Company's strong capital levels, coupled with its earnings, have allowed First Busey to provide a steady return to its stockholders through dividends. The Company will pay a cash dividend on April 29, 2022, of \$0.23 per common share to stockholders of record as of April 22, 2022. The Company has consistently paid dividends to its common stockholders since the bank holding company was organized in 1980.

As of March 31, 2022, the Company continued to exceed the capital adequacy requirements necessary to be considered "wellcapitalized" under applicable regulatory guidelines. The Company's Common Equity Tier 1 ratio is estimated to be 11.89% at March 31, 2022¹, compared to 11.85% at December 31, 2021, and 12.83% at March 31, 2021. The Company's tangible common equity² was \$855.6 million at March 31, 2022, compared to \$959.4 million at December 31, 2021, and \$918.6 million at March 31, 2021. Tangible common equity² represented 7.01% of tangible assets at March 31, 2022, compared to 7.68% at December 31, 2021, and 8.82% at March 31, 2021. The reduction in tangible common equity for the first quarter of 2022 was primarily driven by movement in interest rates and the resulting impact on accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

During the first quarter of 2022, the Company purchased 188,614 shares of its common stock at a weighted average price of \$27.68 per share for a total of \$5.2 million under the Company's stock repurchase plan. As of March 31, 2022, the Company had 347,210 shares remaining on its stock repurchase plan available for repurchase.

1Q22 Quarterly Earnings Supplement

For additional information on the Company's financial condition and operating results, please refer to the 1Q22 Quarterly Earnings Supplement presentation furnished via Form 8-K on April 26, 2022, in connection with this earnings release.

¹ The Common Equity Tier 1 Capital ratio is not yet finalized for the first quarter of 2022, and is subject to change.

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Corporate Profile

As of March 31, 2022, First Busey Corporation (Nasdaq: BUSE) was a \$12.57 billion financial holding company headquartered in Champaign, Illinois.

Busey Bank, a wholly-owned bank subsidiary of First Busey Corporation, had total assets of \$12.54 billion as of March 31, 2022, and is headquartered in Champaign, Illinois. Busey Bank currently has 46 banking centers serving Illinois, eight banking centers serving Missouri, three banking centers serving southwest Florida, and one banking center in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Busey Bank's wholly-owned subsidiary, FirsTech, is a payments platform specializing in the evolving financial technology needs of small and medium-sized businesses, highly regulated enterprise industries, and financial institutions. With associates across the United States, FirsTech provides comprehensive and innovative payment technology solutions that enable businesses to connect with their customers in a multitude of ways on a single, highly configurable, secure platform. Fast, secure payment modes include, but are not limited to, text-based payments; electronic payments concentration delivered to Automated Clearing House networks; internet voice recognition (IVR); credit cards; in-store payments for customers at retail pay agents; direct debit services; and lockbox remittance processing for customers to make payments by mail. Once these payments are processed through integration with our customers' financial systems, FirsTech provides consulting and technology services through its Professional Services Division, assisting clients in identifying and implementing payment technologies to meet their evolving needs. FirsTech launched its innovative BaaS platform at the beginning of 2022, helping community banks and their commercial customers build modernized payment solutions, which include online payment technologies and automated file transfers. More information about FirsTech can be found at firstechpayments.com.

Through the Company's Wealth Management division, the Company provides asset management, investment, and fiduciary services to individuals, businesses, and foundations. As of March 31, 2022, assets under care were \$12.33 billion.

Busey Bank has been named among America's Best Banks for 2022, a first-ever recognition by Forbes magazine. Ranked 52nd overall, Busey was the top-ranked bank headquartered in Illinois; only three other Illinois-based banks were included on the list. We are honored to be consistently recognized nationally and locally for our engaged culture of integrity and commitment to community development.

For more information about us, visit busey.com.

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Pre-Provision Net Revenue, Adjusted Pre-Provision Net Revenue,

Pre-Provision Net Revenue to Average Assets, and Adjusted Pre-Provision Net Revenue to Average Assets

(dollars in thousands)

		Three Months Ended									
			March 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021		March 31, 2021				
PRE-PROVISION NET REVENUE											
Net interest income		\$	70,056	\$	70,508	\$	64,893				
Total noninterest income			35,772		35,089		31,445				
Net security (gains) losses			614		(474)		(1,641)				
Total noninterest expense			(70,376)		(71,169)		(54,499)				
Pre-provision net revenue			36,066		33,954		40,198				
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
Acquisition and other restructuring expenses			835		5,641		320				
Provision for unfunded commitments			1,112		294		406				
Amortization of New Markets Tax Credit			1,341		1,255		1,829				
Adjusted pre-provision net revenue		\$	39,354	\$	41,144	\$	42,753				
Pre-provision net revenue, annualized	[a]	\$	146,268	\$	134,709	\$	163,025				
Adjusted pre-provision net revenue, annualized	[b]	\$	159,602	\$	163,234	\$	173,387				
Average total assets	[c]	\$	12,660,939	\$	12,895,049	\$	10,594,245				
Reported: Pre-provision net revenue to average assets ¹	[a÷c]		1.16 %	6	1.04 %	6	1.54 9				
Adjusted: Pre-provision net revenue to average assets 1	[b÷c]		1.26 %	6	1.27 %	6	1.64 9				

¹ Annualized measure.

Adjusted Net Income, Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share, Adjusted Return on Average Assets, Return on Average Tangible Common Equity, and Adjusted Return on Average Tangible Common Equity (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

		Three Months Ended							
NET INCOME ADJUSTED FOR NON-OPERATING ITEMS			March 31, 2022	D	December 31, 2021		March 31, 2021		
Net income ADJUSTED FOR NON-OFERATING ITEMS	[a]	\$	28,439	\$	29,926	\$	37,816		
Non-GAAP adjustments:	[*]	+	,		_,,	-	.,		
Acquisition expenses:									
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits			587		1.760		_		
Data processing			214		143		7		
Professional fees, occupancy, and other			34		290		313		
Other restructuring expenses:									
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits					215		_		
Lease or fixed asset impairment					3,227		_		
Professional fees, occupancy, and other					6		_		
Related tax benefit			(170)		(1,290)		(71)		
Adjusted net income	[b]	\$	29,104	\$	34,277	\$	38,065		
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE									
Dilutive average common shares outstanding	[c]		56,194,946		56,413,026		55,035,806		
Reported: Diluted earnings per share	[a÷c]	\$	0.51	\$	0.53	\$	0.69		
Adjusted: Diluted earnings per share	[b÷c]	\$	0.52	\$	0.61	\$	0.69		
RETURN ON AVERAGE ASSETS									
Net income, annualized	[d]	\$	115,336	\$	118,728	\$	153,365		
Adjusted net income, annualized	[e]	\$	118,033	\$	135,990	\$	154,375		
Average total assets	[f]	\$	12,660,939	\$	12,895,049	\$	10,594,245		
Reported: Return on average assets ¹	[d÷f]		0.91 %	<i>,</i> 0	0.92 %	<i></i> 0	1.45 %		
Adjusted: Return on average assets ¹	[e÷f]		0.93 %	0	1.05 %	o	1.46 %		
RETURN ON AVERAGE TANGIBLE COMMON EQUITY									
Average common equity		\$	1,281,535	\$	1,328,692	\$	1,275,694		
Average goodwill and other intangible assets, net			(374,811)		(377,825)		(362,693)		
Average tangible common equity	[g]	\$	906,724	\$	950,867	\$	913,001		
Reported: Return on average tangible common equity ¹	[d÷g]		12.72 %	<i></i> 0	12.49 %	ó	16.80 %		
Adjusted: Return on average tangible common equity ¹	[e÷g]		13.02 %	ó	14.30 %	ó	16.91 %		
¹ Annualized measure.									
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Adjusted Net Interest Margin (dollars in thousands)

		Three Months Ended									
			March 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021		March 31, 2021				
Net interest income		\$	70,056	\$	70,508	\$	64,893				
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
Tax-equivalent adjustment			546		577		601				
Tax equivalent net interest income			70,602		71,085		65,494				
Purchase accounting accretion related to business combinations			(1,159)		(1,469)		(2,157)				
Adjusted net interest income		\$	69,443	\$	69,616	\$	63,337				
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Tax equivalent net interest income, annualized	[a]	\$	286,330	\$	282,022	\$	265,615				
Adjusted net interest income, annualized	[b]	\$	281,630	\$	276,194	\$	256,867				
Average interest-earning assets	[c]	\$	11,703,947	\$	11,947,653	\$	9,752,294				
Reported: Net interest margin ¹	[a÷c]		2.45 %	Ď	2.36 %	Ď	2.72 %				
Adjusted: Net interest margin ¹	[b÷c]		2.41 %	Ď	2.31 %	Ď	2.63 %				
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¹ Annualized measure.

Adjusted Noninterest Expense, Core Adjusted Expense, Efficiency Ratio, Adjusted Efficiency Ratio, and Adjusted Core Efficiency Ratio (dollars in thousands)

			Three Months Ended									
		М	arch 31, 2022	Dec	cember 31, 2021	Μ	larch 31, 2021					
Net interest income		\$	70,056	\$	70,508	\$	64,893					
Non-GAAP adjustments:												
Tax-equivalent adjustment			546		577		601					
Tax equivalent net interest income			70,602		71,085		65,494					
Total noninterest income			35,772		35,089		31,445					
Non-GAAP adjustments:												
Net security (gains) losses			614		(474)		(1,641)					
Noninterest income excluding net security gains and losses			36,386		34,615		29,804					
Tax equivalent net interest income plus noninterest income excluding net	[a]	\$	106,988	\$	105,700	\$	95,298					
security gains and losses		\$	100,988	ф	105,700	ф	95,298					
Total noninterest expense		\$	70,376	\$	71,169	\$	54,499					
Non-GAAP adjustments:												
Amortization of intangible assets	[b]		(3,011)		(3,074)		(2,401)					
Non-interest expense excluding amortization of intangible assets	[c]		67,365		68,095		52,098					
Non-operating adjustments:												
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits			(587)		(1,975)		—					
Data processing			(214)		(143)		(7)					
Impairment, professional fees, occupancy, and other			(34)		(3,523)		(313)					
Adjusted noninterest expense	[d]		66,530		62,454	\$	51,778					
Provision for unfunded commitments			(1,112)		(294)		(406)					
Amortization of New Markets Tax Credit			(1,341)		(1,255)		(1,829)					
Core adjusted expense	[e]	\$	64,077	\$	60,905	\$	49,543					
Noninterest expense, excluding non-operating adjustments	[d-b]	\$	69,541	\$	65,528	\$	54,179					
Reported: Efficiency ratio	[c÷a]		62.97 %		64.42 %		54.67 %					
Adjusted: Efficiency ratio	[d÷a]		62.18 %		59.09 %		54.33 %					
Adjusted: Core efficiency ratio	[e÷a]		59.89 %		57.62 %		51.99 %					

Tangible Book Value Per Common Share

(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

				As of	
		March 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021	March 31, 2021
Total stockholders' equity		\$ 1,218,025	\$	1,319,112	\$ 1,265,822
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net		(372,913)		(375,924)	(361,120)
Tangible book value	[a]	\$ 845,112	\$	943,188	\$ 904,702
Ending number of common shares outstanding	[b]	55,278,785		55,434,910	54,345,379
Tangible book value per common share	[a÷b]	\$ 15.29	\$	17.01	\$ 16.65

Tangible Common Equity and Tangible Common Equity to Tangible Assets

(dollars in thousands)

		As of							
		March 31,			ecember 31,		March 31,		
			2022		2021		2021		
Total assets		\$	12,567,509	\$	12,859,689	\$	10,759,563		
Non-GAAP adjustments:									
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net			(372,913)		(375,924)		(361,120)		
Tax effect of other intangible assets ¹			10,456		16,254		13,883		
Tangible assets	[a]	\$	12,205,052	\$	12,500,019	\$	10,412,326		
Total stockholders' equity		\$	1,218,025	\$	1,319,112	\$	1,265,822		
Non-GAAP adjustments:									
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net			(372,913)		(375,924)		(361,120)		
Tax effect of other intangible assets ¹			10,456		16,254		13,883		
Tangible common equity	[b]	\$	855,568	\$	959,442	\$	918,585		
Tangible common equity to tangible assets ²	[b÷a]		7.01 %	⁄0	7.68 %	⁄ 0	8.82 9		

¹ Net of estimated deferred tax liability.

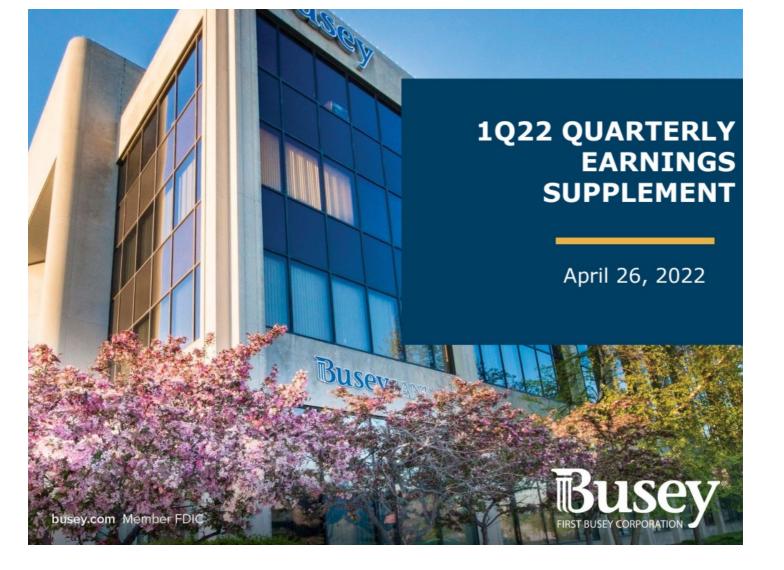
² Tax-effected measure.

Core Loans, Core Loans to Portfolio Loans, Core Deposits, Core Deposits to Total Deposits, and Core Loans to Core Deposits (dollars in thousands)

		As of					
			March 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021		March 31, 2021
Portfolio loans	[a]	\$	7,272,873	\$	7,188,998	\$	6,779,300
Non-GAAP adjustments:							
PPP Loans amortized cost			(31,769)		(74,958)		(522,104)
Core loans	[b]	\$	7,241,104	\$	7,114,040	\$	6,257,196
Total deposits	[c]	\$	10,591,836	\$	10,768,577	\$	8,873,847
Non-GAAP adjustments:							
Brokered transaction accounts			(2,002)		(2,248)		(2,699)
Time deposits of \$250,000 or more			(139,245)		(137,449)		(155,401)
Core deposits	[d]	\$	10,450,589	\$	10,628,880	\$	8,715,747
RATIOS							
Core loans to portfolio loans	[b÷a]		99.56 %	ó	98.96 %	6	92.30 %
Core deposits to total deposits	[d÷c]		98.67 %	ó	98.70 %	6	98.22 %
Core loans to core deposits	[b÷d]		69.29 %	ó	66.93 %	6	71.79 %

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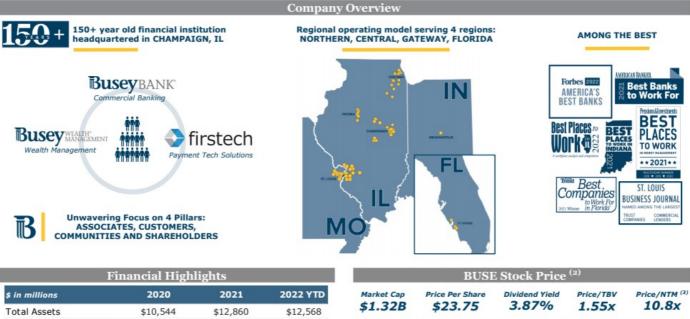
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Overview of First Busey Corporation (BUSE)



ș în millions	2020	2021	2022 110	Market Cap	Price Per Share	Dividend Held	Price/ Ibv	Price/Min
Total Assets	\$10,544	\$12,860	\$12,568	\$1.32B	\$23.75	3.87%	1.55x	10.8x
Total Loans (Exc. HFS)	6,814	7,189	7,273	\$30			24	
Total Deposits	8,678	10,769	10,592	\$28			- I had	
Total Equity	1,270	1,319	1,218		\wedge	m	ma	MAL
NPA/Assets	0.27%	0.17%	0.13%	\$26	K	NV V		5.
NIM	3.03%	2.49%	2.45%	\$24	Mand	nr		m.
Adj. PPNR ROAA (1)	1.75%	1.35%	1.26%	\$22	. And a	w		
Adj. ROAA ⁽¹⁾	1.06%	1.15%	0.93%	722				
Adj. ROATCE (1)	12.47%	14.40%	13.02%	\$20 Mar-21	Jun-21	Sep-21	Dec-21	Mar-22

Sizable Business Lines Provide for Innovative Solutions

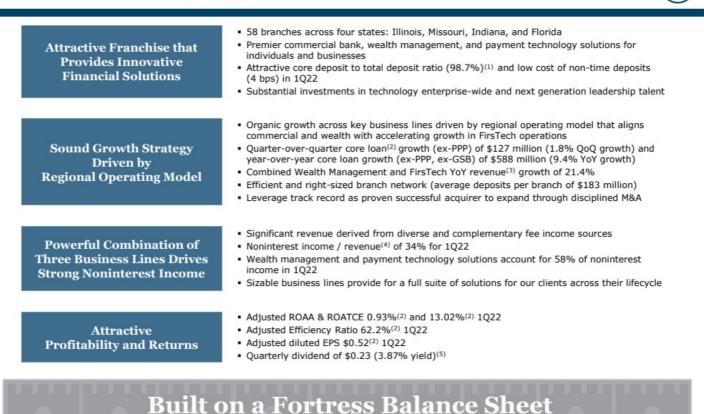


(1) LTM total payments processed (2) Busey Bank segment, excluding Wealth Management & FirsTech; excludes intracompany eliminations and consolidations (3) Wealth Management segment (4) FirsTech segment; Non-GAAP calculation, excludes intracompany eliminations and consolidations (5) Consolidated; Non-GAAP calculation, see Appendix

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Investment Highlights



Pristine asset quality, highly diversified loan portfolio, and capital levels significantly in excess of well-capitalized minimums

(1) Non-GAAP calculation, see Appendix; Core deposits include non-brokered transaction accounts, money market deposit accounts, and time deposits of \$250,000 or less (2) Non-GAAP calculation, see Appendix (3) Non-GAAP; FirsTech segment, excludes intracompany eliminations and consolidations (4) Revenue consists of net interest income plus noninterest income, excluding security gains and losses (5) Based on BUSE closing stock price on 4/25/22

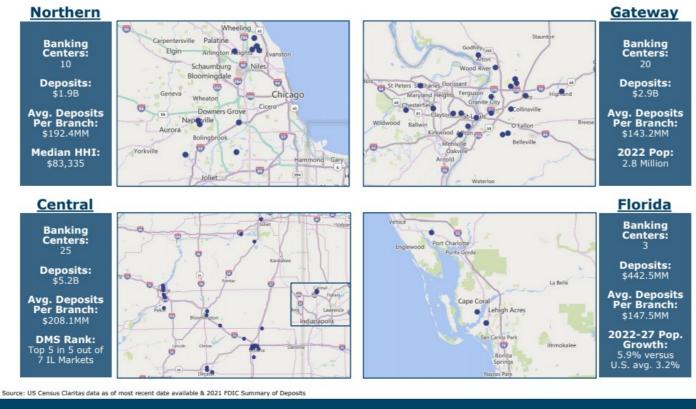
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Experienced Management Team

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	Van A. Dukeman Chairman, President & CEO, First Busey Corp.	Has served as President & CEO of First Busey since 2007 and became Chairman of the Board effective July 2020. Mr. Dukeman was President & CEO of Main Street Trust from 1998 until its merger with First Busey in 2007. His 40 years of diverse financial services experience and extensive board involvement brings a conservative operating philosophy and a management style that focus on Busey's associates, customers, communities and shareholders.
	Robin N. Elliott President & CEO, Busey Bank	Joined Busey in 2006 and led various finance functions prior to serving as CFO/COO and now Bank President/CEO. Mr. Elliott has played instrumental roles in executing various strategic and growth initiatives. Before joining Busey, Mr. Elliott worked for Ernst & Young.
	Jeffrey D. Jones EVP & CFO	Joined Busey in August 2019, bringing his nearly 20 years of investment banking and financial services experience to Busey. Mr. Jones previously served as Managing Director and Co-Head of Financial Institutions at Stephens Inc. Mr. Jones began his career in the Banking Supervision and Regulation division of the Federal Reserve.
	Monica L. Bowe EVP & Chief Risk Officer	Joined Busey in January 2020 with nearly 25 years of financial leadership experience. Previously, Ms. Bowe served as Senior Director of Operational Risk Program Management at KeyBank. Ms. Bowe offers experience in M&A due diligence, effective navigation of Key risk areas and dedication to continuous improvement towards enterprise-wide risk management strategies.
	John J. Powers EVP & General Counsel	Joined Busey in December 2011 and has over 40 years of legal experience. Prior to joining Busey, he was a partner in the law firm of Meyer Capel, where he specialized in serving the financial services industry.
	Amy L. Randolph Chief of Staff & EVP of Pillar Relations	Joined Busey in 2008 and now leads many areas, including: operations, corporate strategy, marketing and communications, community relations, customer experience, human resources, as well as M&A integration and other key projects and strategic initiatives. Prior to joining Busey, Mrs. Randolph worked for 10+ years with CliftonLarsonAllen LLP.
	Robert F. Plecki, Jr. EVP & Co-Chief Banking Officer	Joined Busey in 1984, serving in the role of Chief Banking Officer or Chief Credit Officer since 2010 and chairing all Credit Committees. Mr. Plecki previously served as COO, President & CEO of Busey Wealth Management, and EVP of the Florida and Champaign markets. Prior to the 2007 merger with First Busey, he served in various management roles at Main Street Trust.
•	Chip Jorstad EVP & Co-Chief Banking Officer	Joined Busey in 2011 and has over 15 years of experience in the banking industry. Before being named Co-Chief Banking Officer in 2020, Mr. Jorstad served as Regional President for Commercial Banking—overseeing business banking efforts, including Agricultural, Commercial, Construction and Real Estate financing.
	Willie B. Mayberry EVP & President of Regional Banking	Joined Busey in 2021 where he focuses on developing strategic growth opportunities and product development with an emphasis on well-capitalized banking. Prior to Busey, Mr. Mayberry was with PNC, serving as EVP & Director of Strategy and Planning for the Commercial Bank. With 30-plus years of financial and commercial banking experience, he previously served as the Midwest Business Banking Regional Executive and National Sales Leader of Treasury Services for JPMorgan Chase.
	Jeff D. Burgess EVP & President of Busey Wealth Management	Joined Busey in 2021, leading the team that provides asset management, investment and fiduciary services to individuals, businesses and foundations. Mr. Burgess formerly served as President of Commerce Brokerage Services, Inc., and was Director of Business Development for the east region of Commerce Trust Company. Previously, he served as Vice President of Sales Operations for Fisher Investments in Woodside, California.
	Farhan Yasin President & CEO, FirsTech CTO, Busey Bank	Joined Busey in 2020 in his current role. Mr. Yasin is a seasoned technology operator, founder, investor and advisor, working with technology companies across the globe. His experience includes working with Groupon, CareerBuilder, Accenture, and KKR. Mr. Yasin has been a member of the Illinois Bar Association since 2003.

Strong Regional Operating Model

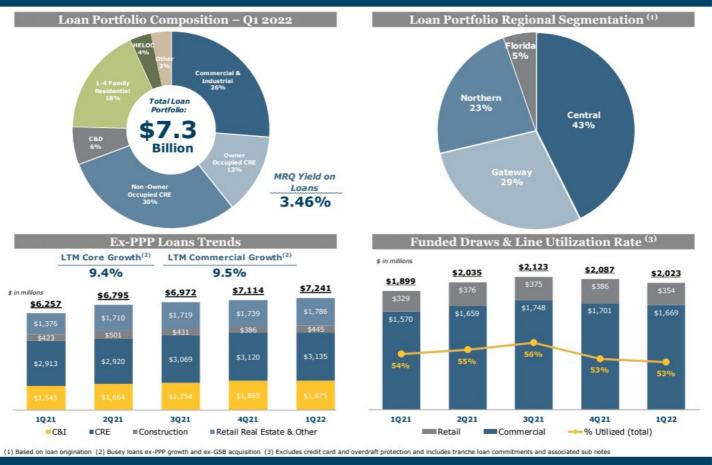
Four distinct operating regions provide for attractive mix of customers and demographics, providing compelling business and market opportunities



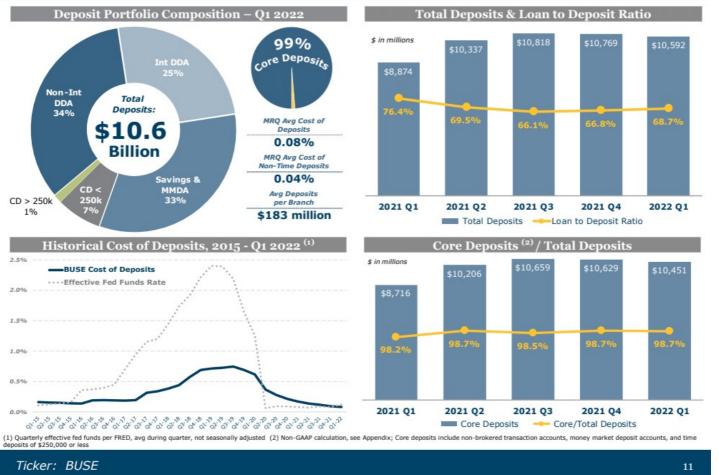
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High Quality & Growing Loan Portfolio



Top Tier Core Deposit Franchise



Diversified and Significant Sources of Fee Income

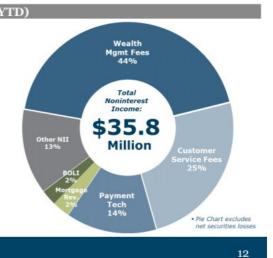
- Resilient, varied, and complimentary sources of fee income provide revenue diversification with heightened value amidst cycle of margin compression
- Noninterest income represented 34.2% of revenue (ex-securities losses) in 1Q22
- Key businesses of wealth management and payment technology solutions contributed 57% of noninterest income (ex-securities losses) in 1Q22
- YoY increase in fee income broad-based with increases in wealth management, payment technology solutions, and fees for customer services



Sources of Noninterest Income (YTD) \$ in thousands Noninterest Income Details 3/31/21 3/31/22 **YOY Change** Wealth Management Fees \$12,584 \$15,779 25.4% Fees for Customer Services \$8,907 10.8% \$8,037 Payment Technology Solutions \$4,621 \$5,077 9.9% Mortgage Revenue \$2,666 \$975 -63.4% Income on Bank Owned Life Insurance \$964 \$884 -8.3% Net Security Gains (Losses) \$1,641 -\$614 -137.4% Other Noninterest Income \$932 \$4,764 411.2% **Total Noninterest Income** \$31,445 13.8% \$35,772

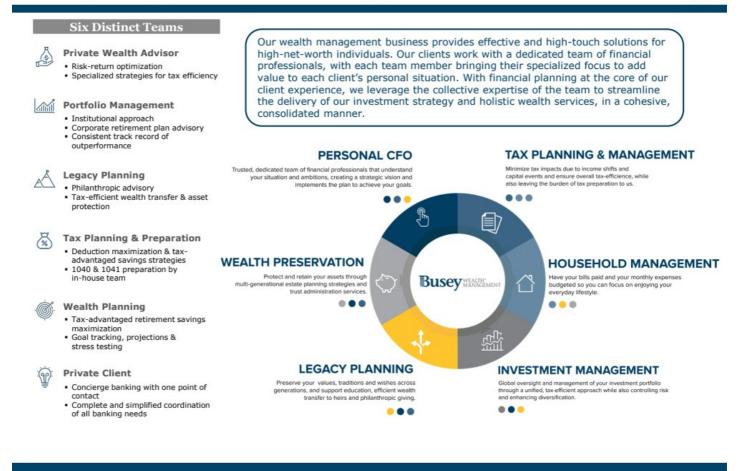
YoY growth of Wealth Management Fees & Payment Tech Solutions: 21.2%

(1) Includes net security gains and losses



Noninterest Income / Total Revenue (1)

Fully Integrated Wealth Management Platform

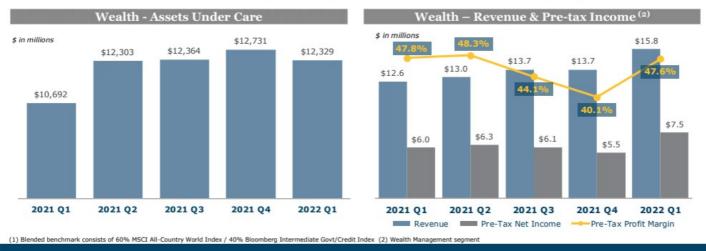


Growing Wealth Management Business

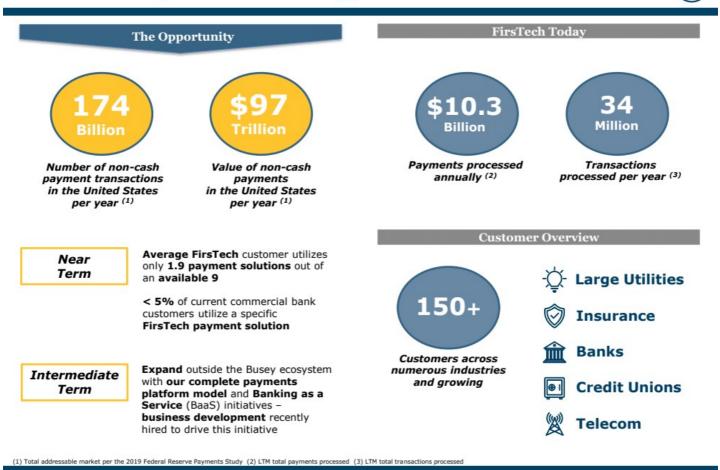


Q1 2022 Summary

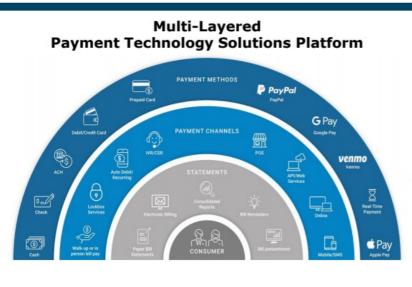
- Assets under care of \$12.3 billion, a year-over-year increase of \$1.6 billion, or 15%, which was impacted by the acquisition of Glenview State Bank in 2021
- Decline in AUC from 4Q21 principally due to a reduction in market valuations during 1Q22
- Wealth revenue of \$15.8 million, a 25.4% year-over-year increase
- Wealth pre-tax net income of \$7.5 million, a 24.7% year-over-year increase
- Pre-tax profit margin of 47.6%, and a 45.6% average profit margin over last 5 quarters
- The investment team continues to produce excellent returns, outperforming benchmarks over multiple measurement periods
 - YTD return for the team's blended portfolio outperformed the blended benchmark⁽¹⁾ by 93 bps



Scalable Payment Technology Solutions Platform



FirsTech Growth and Expansion of Services



Revenue Growth (1)



GAAP, revenue equates to all revenue sources tied to FirsTech and excludes intra

Payment Technology Solutions Platform

- FirsTech's payments platform provides custom payment technology solutions through a comprehensive suite of capabilities
- Mobile bill pay, walk-in payment processing, lockbox, online bill pay, IVR; and electronic concentration of payments delivered via ACH, money management software and credit card networks

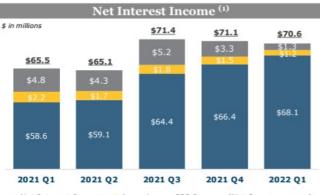
Q1 2022 Highlights

- Highest quarterly revenue⁽¹⁾ in the history of FirsTech (\$5.4 million) in 1Q22
- Rolled out API-based payments platform to existing and new customers
- Launched new one-time payments platform within the Busey Bank environment

Key Initiatives

- Continue to foster and grow relationships with current clients utilizing the payments platform
- Expand existing and new product offerings with current and future clients, including the BaaS solution
- Enhance existing products and services with new technology that will expand FirsTech's footprint in the fintech area

Net Interest Margin



■Net Interest Income ■Accretion ■PPP Income (Net fees + coupon)

Factors contributing to 9 bps increase in NIM during quarter

(-) RATE ROLL Existing loans amortize and paydown at higher rates than new loan production, but difference continues to compress

(+) NEW LOAN VOLUME YIELDS Yields on new loan volume were 6 bps higher than in 4Q21, while net new funding yields (inclusive of line utilization changes) were 7 bps higher

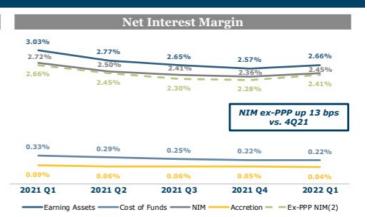
(-) PPP INCOME PPP contribution decreased by \$1.9 million due to further shrinking of the PPP loan portfolio as forgiveness continues and the associated net deferred fee recognition

(-) ACCRETION Purchase accounting accretion recognition declined from 1.5 million to 1.2 million during 1Q22

(+) SECURITIES PORTFOLIO YIELD Increases in the securities portfolio yield contributed 6 bps of NIM expansion

(+) FUNDING COSTS / CASH FLOW HEDGES Continued success lowering funding costs contributed 1 bps of NIM expansion and net interest income from cash flow hedges contributed 3 bps of NIM expansion

(1) Tax-equivalent adjusted amounts; Non-GAAP, see Appendix (2) Non-GAAP; Ex-PPP NIM removes the balance of PPP loans and associated income as well as the equivalent amount of self-funding noninterest bearing deposits







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Focused Control on Expenses





 Core adjusted expenses⁽¹⁾ of \$64.1 million in 1Q22 excluding amortization of intangible assets, provision for unfunded commitments, acquisition / restructuring related charges, and NMTC amortization

- Taking advantage of market dislocation to attract new talent across our platform and balancing wage inflation across our markets
- 1Q22 other noninterest expense included a \$0.6 million impairment of OREO that sold subsequent to quarter-end
- Over the past 7 quarters, consolidated 33% of our branch footprint
 - Reduced count from 87 (proforma for GSB) to 58
 - Increasing average deposits per branch from \$113 million at 9/30/20 to \$183 million at 3/31/22

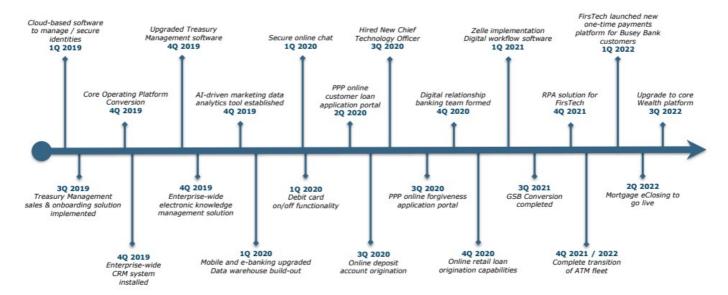


(1) Non-GAAP, see Appendix

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- Seeing tangible results as we continue to adapt to our customers' needs
 - Digital relationship banking team formed in 4Q20 to manage Digital Preferred Banking ⁽¹⁾ deposit accounts
 - Five digital relationship bankers manage 13.5% of Busey's total retail DDA & Savings accounts ⁽²⁾



(1) Digital Preferred is defined as Retail, deposit-only customers with their first account opened before 2020, who bank outside of a physical Service Center, using eBank, a debit card or ATM at least 90% of the time, with five or more banking transactions annually (2) As of 3/31/22

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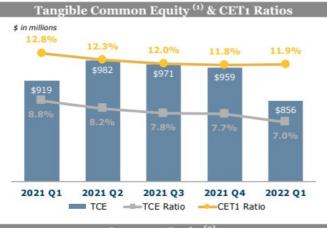
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Fortress Balance Sheet

Robust Capital Foundation	 TCE/TA ratio of 7.01% at 3/31/22 ⁽¹⁾ Capital ratios significantly in excess of well-capitalized minimums Total RBC of 15.8% and CET1 ratio of 11.9% at 3/31/22 ⁽²⁾ TBV per share of \$15.29 at 3/31/22 ⁽¹⁾
High Quality, Resilient Loan Portfolio	 Diversified portfolio, conservatively underwritten with low levels of concentration Non-performing (0.13% of total assets) and classified assets (7.2% of capital) both at historically low levels Reserves remain well above initial Day 1 CECL estimate of 1.06% → ACL/Loans: 1.22% ⁽³⁾ ACL/NPLs: 695.41% No remaining full-payment deferrals under COVID-related modification programs 100 / 300 Test: 34% C&D 205% CRE
Strong Core Deposit Franchise & Ample Liquidity	 Robust holding company and bank-level liquidity Strong core deposit franchise 68.7% loan-to-deposit ratio, 98.7% core deposits ⁽⁴⁾ Borrowings accounted for approximately 5.4% of total funding at 3/31/22 Substantial sources of off-balance sheet contingent funding (\$3.7 billion)

(1) Non-GAAP calculation, see Appendix (2) 1Q22 capital ratios are preliminary estimates (3) Excluding amortized cost of PPP loans (4) Non-GAAP calculation, see Appendix; Core deposits include non-brokered transaction accounts, money market deposit accounts, and time deposits of \$250,000 or less

Robust Capital Foundation





Leverage Ratio ⁽²⁾ \$ in millions 9.8% 9.6% 9.6% 51,062 \$1,061 \$1,070 \$1,086 \$1,070 \$1,086 \$1,086 \$1,086 \$1,086 \$1,086 \$1,086 \$1,086 \$1,086 \$1,086 \$1,088 \$1,08

\$ in millions	Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio	Tier 1 Capital Ratio	Total Capital Ratio
Capital Ratio	11.9%	12.8%	15.8%
Minimum Well Capitalized Ratio	6.5%	8.0%	10.0%
Amount of Capital	\$1,012	\$1,086	\$1,345
Well Capitalized Minimum	\$553	\$681	\$851
Excess Amount over Min	\$459	\$405	\$494

Consolidated Capital as of 3/31/22 ⁽²⁾

(1) Non-GAAP calculation, see Appendix (2) 1Q22 capital ratios are preliminary estimates

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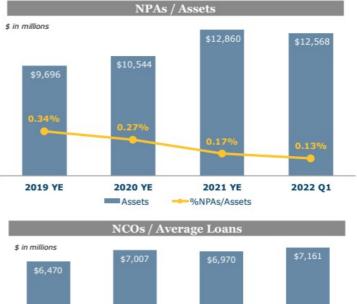
Pristine Credit Quality

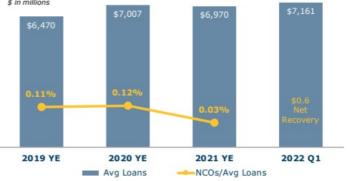
- Conservative underwriting continues to result in pristine credit quality performance
- Non-performing asset, classified asset, and net charge-off ratios have declined to historically low levels
- NPAs/Assets of 0.13% at 3/31/22

 Non-performing assets at 3/31/22 included a \$2.0 million OREO property, the sale of which closed subsequent to quarter-end

- Net recovery of \$0.6 million in 1Q22
 - Net charge-offs over the LTM total \$1.35 million, which equates to less than 0.02% of 1Q22 avg loans







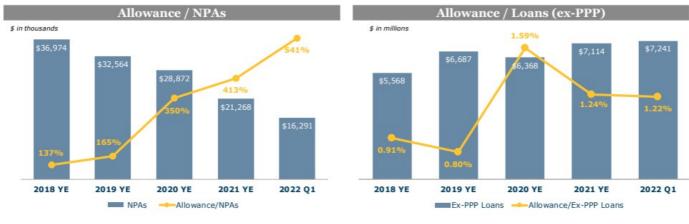
(1) Capital calculated as Busey Bank Tier 1 Capital + Allowance for credit losses

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Reserve Supports Credit & Growth Profile

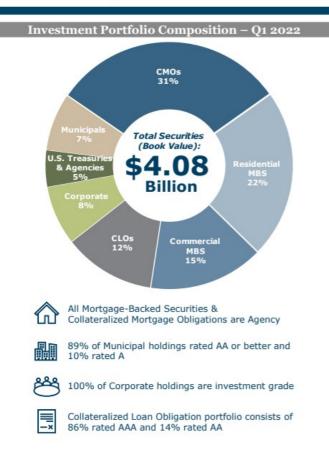
- Reserve to loans of 1.22% (ex-PPP)
 Day 1 CECL coverage was 1.06%
- Non-performing loan balances have continued to decline
- Reserves to NPLs now equal to 695%





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Balanced, Low-Risk, Short-Duration Investment Portfolio



- BUSE carried \$976MM in held-to-maturity (HTM) securities as of 3/31/22
 - Transferred a portion of the portfolio comprised of Agency RMBS & CMBS from available-for-sale (AFS) to HTM during 1Q22

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- The duration of the securities portfolio including HTM is 4.5 years and our fair value duration, which excludes the HTM portfolio, is 4.1 years
- After-tax net AFS unrealized loss position of \$97.7 million
- Carrying value of investment portfolio is 31% of total assets
- Allowance for credit losses for investments is \$0
- Projected remaining 2022 roll off cash flow (based on static rates) of \$405 million at ${\sim}1.85\%$ yield
- 1Q22 new purchases of \$275 million at avg yield of 2.36%



Quarterly Earnings Review



 Net interest income was \$70.1 million in 1Q22 vs. \$70.5 million in 4Q21 and \$64.9 million in 1Q21 \$1.1 million less net interest income QoQ due to two fewer days in 1Q22 than 4Q21 Net interest margin was 2.45% in 1Q22, an increase of 9 bps vs. 2.36% in 4Q21 Adjusted net interest margin ⁽¹⁾ (ex-purchase accounting accretion) was 2.41% in 4Q22, an increase of 10 bps vs. 2.31% in 4Q21 Primary factors contributing to the quarter's NIM expansion was the growth of the loan portfolio combined with higher new volume rates & repricing rates (6 bps increase) and securities portfolio yield (6 bps increase), which helped to offset reduced volume of PPP forgiveness (6 bps decrease)
 Noninterest income (ex-securities losses) of \$36.4 million in 1Q22, representing 34% of revenue Wealth management fees of \$15.8 million in 1Q22, up 15% QoQ and up 25% YoY Payment technology solutions revenue of \$5.1 million in 1Q22, up 11% QoQ and up 10% YoY Fees for customer services of \$8.9 million in 1Q22, down from \$9.7 million in 4Q21, and up 11% YoY
 Adjusted noninterest expense ⁽¹⁾ (ex-amortization of intangibles, one-time acquisition and restructuring related items) of \$66.5 million in 1Q21, resulting in a 62.2% adjusted efficiency ratio ⁽¹⁾ Core adjusted noninterest expense ⁽¹⁾ of \$64.1 million (ex-amortization of intangible assets, unfunded commitment provision, NMTC amortization, and one-time items) in 1Q22, equating to 59.9% core adjusted efficiency ratio ⁽¹⁾
 \$0.3 million negative loan loss provision expense (reserve release) \$1.1 million provision for unfunded commitments (captured in other noninterest expense) Net recovery of \$0.6 million in 1Q22
 Adjusted net income of \$29.1 million or \$0.52 per diluted share ⁽¹⁾ Adjusted pre-provision net revenue of \$39.4 million (1.26% PPNR ROAA) ⁽¹⁾ 0.93% Adjusted ROAA and 13.02% Adjusted ROATCE ⁽¹⁾

(1) Non-GAAP, see Appendix



Earnings Performance



Adjusted Pre-Provision Net Revenue / Avg. Assets (1)

\$ in millions

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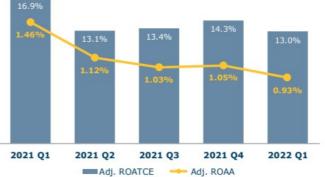






(1) Non-GAAP calculation, see Appendix (2) Historical key rates per quarterly Stifel dispatch



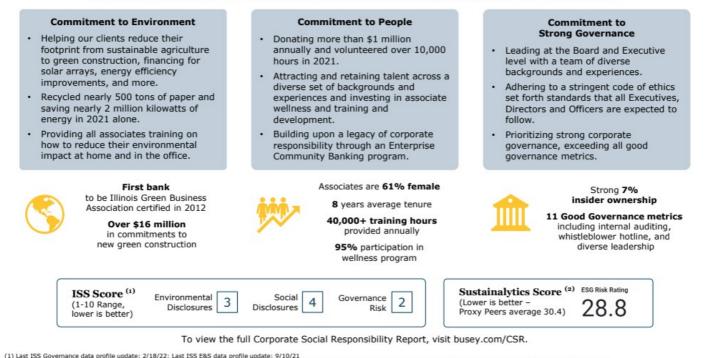






Busey's Corporate Social Responsibility work continues within the broader context of our new ESG strategic focus and framework as we build on a legacy of purposeful action, civic responsibility and positive impacts.

New role of Director of Environmental, Social, and Governance Strategy & Reporting hired in January 2022.



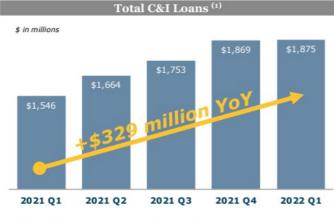
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High Quality Loan Portfolio: C&I

- 25.9% of total loan portfolio (ex-PPP loans)
- Diversified portfolio results in low levels of concentrated exposure
 - Top concentration in one industry (manufacturing) is 17% of C&I loans, or 4% of total loans
- Only 1.7% of C&I loans are classified
- YoY growth of C&I loans (ex-PPP) of \$329 million (includes \$66 million of acquired C&I loans from Glenview State Bank)



(1) ex-PPP loan totals include purchase accounting, FASB, overdrafts, etc.

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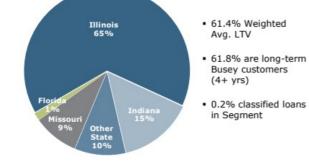
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\$ in thousands	3/31/22 Balances	% of Total Loans	3/31/22 Classified
NAICS Sector	(ex-PPP)	(ex-PPP)	Balances
Manufacturing	\$316,247	4.4%	\$6,848
Finance and Insurance	\$262,606	3.6%	\$0
Wholesale Trade	\$172,526	2.4%	\$428
Real Estate Rental & Leasing	\$167,061	2.3%	\$1,368
Educational Services	\$165,856	2.3%	\$0
Construction	\$164,126	2.3%	\$1,736
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$130,662	1.8%	\$6,265
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting	\$87,715	1.2%	\$1,466
Public Administration	\$82,334	1.1%	\$0
Retail Trade	\$76,562	1.1%	\$4,940
Food Services and Drinking Places	\$74,993	1.0%	\$820
Professional, Scientific, & Tech. Svcs.	\$49,440	0.7%	\$5,434
Other Services (except Public Admin.)	\$35,722	0.5%	\$91
Transportation	\$32,519	0.4%	\$250
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	\$19,536	0.3%	\$2,230
Administrative and Support Services	\$15,289	0.2%	\$912
Information	\$9,387	0.1%	\$0
Waste Management Services	\$6,212	0.1%	\$0
Mining, Quarrying, Oil & Gas Extraction	\$4,164	0.1%	\$0
Mgmt of Companies & Enterprises	\$1,223	0.0%	\$0
Utilities	\$917	0.0%	\$0
Grand Total	\$1,875,098	25.9%	\$32,788

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High Quality Loan Portfolio: CRE

\$ in thousands	3/31/22	% of Total Loans	3/31/22 Classified
Property Type	Balances	(ex-PPP)	Balances
Industrial/Warehouse	\$324,762	4.5%	\$3,873
Office	\$252,895	3.5%	\$680
Specialty	\$246,744	3.4%	\$2,768
Retail	\$69,241	1.0%	\$833
Restaurant	\$56,621	0.8%	\$1,634
Nursing Homes	\$1,538	0.0%	\$0
Health Care	\$1,101	0.0%	\$0
Hotel	\$621	0.0%	\$0
Apartments	\$455	0.0%	\$0
Other	\$199	0.0%	\$0
Student Housing	\$107	0.0%	\$0
Grand Total	\$954,285	13.2%	\$9,788

Multifamily - Apartments & Student Housing by State



\$ in thousands Property Type	3/31/22 Balances	% of Total Loans (ex-PPP)	3/31/22 Classified Balances
Apartments	\$462,009	6.4%	\$1,701
Retail	\$437,897	6.0%	\$1,167
Office	\$428,160	5.9%	\$568
Student Housing	\$288,743	4.0%	\$0
Industrial/Warehouse	\$272,777	3.8%	\$115
Hotel	\$215,229	3.0%	\$505
Senior Housing	\$183,330	2.5%	\$0
LAD	\$98,067	1.4%	\$2,400
Specialty	\$79,955	1.1%	\$42
Nursing Homes	\$62,491	0.9%	\$36,287
Restaurant	\$28,342	0.4%	\$0
Health Care	\$20,000	0.3%	\$0
1-4 Family	\$19,653	0.3%	\$0
Continuing Care Facilities	\$14,426	0.2%	\$0
Other	\$583	0.0%	\$0
Grand Total	\$2,611,663	36.1%	\$42,784

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Total CRE (OOCRE & CRE-I) Portfolio

- 49% of total loan portfolio (ex-PPP)
- 27% of CRE loans are owner-occupied
- Only 1.5% of total CRE loans and 1.6% of investor-owned CRE loans are classified
- Low levels of concentrated exposure
 - Office top concentration at 19% of total CRE portfolio

(1) Investor owned CRE includes C&D, Multifamily and non-owner occupied CRE



Pre-Provision Net Revenue, Adjusted Pre-Provision Net Revenue, Pre-Provision Net Revenue to Average Assets, and Adjusted Pre-Provision Net Revenue to Average Assets

(dollars in thousands)

		26				Three	Months Ender	d			
			March 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021	S	eptember 30, 2021		June 30, 2021		March 31, 2021
PRE-PROVISION NET REVENUE						_		_		_	
Net interest income		\$	70,056	\$	70,508	\$	70,755	\$	64,542	\$	64,893
Total noninterest income			35,772		35,089		33,259		33,011		31,445
Net security (gains) losses			614		(474)		(57)		(898)		(1,641)
Total noninterest expense			(70,376)		(71,169)		(73,487)		(62,625)	- 20	(54,499)
Pre-provision net revenue			36,066		33,954		30,470		34,030		40,198
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
Acquisition and other restructuring expenses			835		5,641		8,677		2,713		320
Provision for unfunded commitments			1,112		294		(978)		(496)		406
Amortization of New Markets Tax Credit			1,341	_	1,255	_	1,240	_	1,239	_	1,829
Adjusted pre-provision net revenue		5	39,354	\$	41,144	\$	39,409	\$	37,486	\$	42,753
Pre-provision net revenue, annualized	[a]	\$	146,268	\$	134,709	\$	120,886	\$	136,494	\$	163,025
Adjusted pre-provision net revenue, annualized	[b]	\$	159,602	\$	163,234	\$	156,351	\$	150,356	\$	173,387
Average total assets	[c]	\$	12,660,939	\$	12,895,049	\$	12,697,795	\$	11,398,655	\$	10,594,245
Reported: Pre-provision net revenue to average assets 1	[a÷c]		1.16 %	6	1.04 %	6	0.95 %	6	1.20 %	6	1.54 %
Adjusted: Pre-provision net revenue to average assets 1	[b÷c]		1.26 9	6	1.27 9	6	1.23 9	6	1.32 9	6	1.64 %

¹ Annualized measure.



Adjusted Net Income, Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share, Adjusted Return on Average Assets, Return on Average Tangible Common Equity, and Adjusted Return on Average Tangible Common Equity (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

						Thre	e Months Ended				
			March 31, 2022		December 31, 2021	5	September 30, 2021		June 30, 2021		March 31, 2021
NET INCOME ADJUSTED FOR NON-OPERATING ITEMS		22				85					
Net income	[a]	s	28,439	\$	29,926	s	25,941	s	29,766	\$	37,816
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
Acquisition expenses:											
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits			587		1,760		4,462		1,125		-
Data processing			214		143		3,182		368		7
Professional fees, occupancy, and other			34		290		776		1,220		313
Other restructuring expenses:											
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits					215		257		-		-
Lease or fixed asset impairment			-		3,227		_		-		-
Professional fees, occupancy, and other					6		-		-		-
Related tax benefit		10	(170)		(1,290)	25	(1,773)	200	(558)	12	(71)
Adjusted net income	[b]	\$	29,104	\$	34,277	\$	32,845	\$	31,921	\$	38,065
DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE											
Dilutive average common shares outstanding	[c]		56,194,946		56,413,026		56,832,518		55,730,883		55,035,806
Reported: Diluted earnings per share	[a+c]	s	0.51	\$	0.53	s	0.46	s	0.53	\$	0.69
Adjusted: Diluted earnings per share	[b+c]	s	0.52	\$	0.61	s	0.58	s	0.57	\$	0.69
RETURN ON AVERAGE ASSETS											
Net income, annualized	[d]	s	115,336	\$	118,728	s	102,918	s	119,391	\$	153,365
Adjusted net income, annualized	[e]	s	118,033	s	135,990	s	130,309	s	128,035	s	154,375
Average total assets	[f]	s	12,660,939	\$	12,895,049	s	12,697,795	s	11,398,655	\$	10,594,245
Reported: Return on average assets 1	[d+f]		0.91 9	6	0.92 9	6	0.81 %	6	1.05 9	6	1.45
Adjusted: Return on average assets 1	[e+f]		0.93 9	6	1.05 %	6	1.03 %	6	1.12 9	6	1.46
RETURN ON AVERAGE TANGIBLE COMMON EQUITY											
Average common equity		s	1,281,535	\$	1,328,692	s	1,351,416	s	1,342,771	\$	1,275,694
Average goodwill and other intangible assets, net		20	(374,811)	1	(377,825)	1.9	(380,885)		(368,709)	110	(362,693)
Average tangible common equity	[g]	s	906,724	\$	950,867	\$	970,531	\$	974,062	\$	913,001
Reported: Return on average tangible common equity 1	[d+g]		12.72 9	6	12.49 %	6	10.60 %	6	12.26 %	6	16.80
Adjusted: Return on average tangible common equity 1	[e+g]		13.02 9	6	14.30 9	6	13.43 %	6	13.14 9	6	16.91



Adjusted Net Interest Margin

(dollars in thousands)

						Thre	e Months Endeo	ł		
			March 31, 2022	December 31, 2021		September 30, 2021		June 30, 2021		March 31, 2021
Net interest income		\$	70,056	\$	70,508	\$	70,755	\$	64,542	\$ 64,893
Non-GAAP adjustments:										
Tax-equivalent adjustment			546		577		598		579	 601
Tax equivalent net interest income			70,602	- 100	71,085	4-0	71,353		65,121	65,494
Purchase accounting accretion related to business combinations		2	(1,159)		(1,469)		(1,799)	10	(1,726)	 (2,157)
Adjusted net interest income		\$	69,443	\$	69,616	\$	69,554	\$	63,395	\$ 63,337
Tax equivalent net interest income, annualized	[a]	s	286,330	s	282,022	s	283,085	\$	261,200	\$ 265,615
Adjusted net interest income, annualized	[b]	s	281,630	s	276,194		275,948		254,277	\$ 256,867
Average interest-earning assets	[c]	\$	11,703,947	\$	11,947,653		11,730,637		10,448,417	\$ 9,752,294
Reported: Net interest margin 1	[a÷c]		2.45%		2.36%		2.41%		2.50%	2.72%
Adjusted: Net interest margin 1	[b+c]		2.41%		2.31%		2.35%		2.43%	2.63%

¹ Annualized measure.



Adjusted Noninterest Expense, Core Adjusted Expense, Efficiency Ratio, Adjusted Efficiency Ratio, and Adjusted Core Efficiency Ratio (dollars in thousands)

						Three	Months Ended				
			March 31, 2022	De	ecember 31, 2021	Se	ptember 30, 2021		June 30, 2021		March 31, 2021
Net interest income		\$	70,056	\$	70,508	s	70,755	\$	64,542	s	64,893
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
Tax-equivalent adjustment			546		577		598		579		601
Tax equivalent net interest income		_	70,602	_	71,085	_	71,353	_	65,121	_	65,494
Total noninterest income			35,772		35,089		33,259		33,011		31,445
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
Net security (gains) losses			614		(474)	_	(57)		(898)		(1,641)
Noninterest income excluding net security gains and losses			36,386	-	34,615		33,202	_	32,113		29,804
Tax equivalent net interest income plus noninterest income excluding net security gains and losses	[a]	<u>\$</u>	106,988	<u>s</u>	105,700	\$	104,555	\$	97,234	<u>s</u>	95,298
Total noninterest expense		s	70,376	\$	71,169	s	73,487	s	62,625	s	54,499
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
Amortization of intangible assets	[b]		(3,011)		(3,074)		(3,149)		(2,650)		(2,401)
Non-interest expense excluding amortization of intangible assets	[c]		67,365		68,095		70,338		59,975		52,098
Non-operating adjustments:											
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits			(587)		(1,975)		(4,719)		(1,125)		-
Data processing			(214)		(143)		(3,182)		(368)		(7)
Impairment, professional fees, occupancy, and other			(34)		(3,523)		(776)		(1,220)	-	(313)
Adjusted noninterest expense	[d]		66,530		62,454		61,661		57,262	\$	51,778
Provision for unfunded commitments			(1,112)		(294)		978		496		(406)
Amortization of New Markets Tax Credit			(1,341)		(1,255)		(1,240)		(1,239)		(1,829)
Core adjusted expense	[e]	<u>s</u>	64,077	5	60,905	<u>s</u>	61,399	<u>s</u>	56,519	<u>s</u>	49,543
Noninterest expense, excluding non-operating adjustments	[d-b]	\$	69,541	s	65,528	s	64,810	\$	59,912	s	54,179
Reported: Efficiency ratio	[c+a]		62.97 %		64.42 %	6	67.27 %	6	61.68 %	0	54.67 %
Adjusted: Efficiency ratio	[d+a]		62.18 9		59.09 %	6	58.97 %	6	58.89 %		54.33 %
Adjusted: Core efficiency ratio	[e+a]		59.89 9		57.62 %	6	58.72 %	6	58.13 9		51.99 %



Tangible Book Value Per Common Share

(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

		~					As of		
			March 31, 2022	D	ecember 31, 2021	Se	eptember 30, 2021	June 30, 2021	March 31, 2021
Total stockholders' equity		\$	1,218,025	\$	1,319,112	\$	1,333,076	\$ 1,345,691	\$ 1,265,822
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net			(372,913)		(375,924)		(378,891)	(381,795)	 (361,120)
Tangible book value	[a]	\$	845,112	\$	943,188	\$	954,185	\$ 963,896	\$ 904,702
Ending number of common shares outstanding	[b]		55,278,785		55,434,910		55,826,984	56,330,616	54,345,379
Tangible book value per common share	[a÷b]	\$	15.29	\$	17.01	\$	17.09	\$ 17.11	\$ 16.65

Tangible Common Equity and Tangible Common Equity to Tangible Assets

(dollars in thousands)

							As of					
		March 31, 2022		December 31, 2021		September 30, 2021		June 30, 2021			March 31, 2021	
Total assets		\$	12,567,509	s	12,859,689	\$	12,899,330	\$	12,415,449	s	10,759,563	
Non-GAAP adjustments:												
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net			(372,913)		(375,924)		(378,891)		(381,795)		(361,120)	
Tax effect of other intangible assets 1			10,456	-	16,254		17,115	-	17,997		13,883	
Tangible assets	[a]	\$	12,205,052	\$	12,500,019	\$	12,537,554	\$	12,051,651	\$	10,412,326	
Total stockholders' equity		\$	1,218,025	\$	1,319,112	\$	1,333,076	\$	1,345,691	\$	1,265,822	
Non-GAAP adjustments:												
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net			(372,913)		(375,924)		(378,891)		(381,795)		(361,120)	
Tax effect of other intangible assets 1			10,456		16,254		17,115	100	17,997		13,883	
Tangible common equity	[b]	\$	855,568	\$	959,442	\$	971,300	\$	981,893	\$	918,585	
Tangible common equity to tangible assets 2	[b÷a]		7.01 9	6	7.68 %	6	7.75 %	6	8.15 %	6	8.82	

¹ Net of estimated deferred tax liability.

² Tax-effected measure.



Core Loans, Core Loans to Portfolio Loans, Core Deposits, Core Deposits to Total Deposits, and Core Loans to Core Deposits

(dollars in thousands)

		As of									
		March 31,		December 31,		September 30,		June 30,		March 31,	
		 2022		2021	_	2021		2021	_	2021	
Portfolio loans	[a]	\$ 7,272,873	\$	7,188,998	\$	7,150,635	\$	7,185,650	\$	6,779,300	
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
PPP Loans amortized cost		 (31,769)		(74,958)	_	(178,231)		(390,395)	_	(522,104)	
Core loans	[b]	\$ 7,241,104	\$	7,114,040	\$	6,972,404	\$	6,795,255	\$	6,257,196	
Total deposits	[c]	\$ 10,591,836	\$	10,768,577	\$	10,817,867	s	10,337,117	\$	8,873,847	
Non-GAAP adjustments:											
Brokered transaction accounts		(2,002)		(2,248)		(2,002)		(2,002)		(2,699)	
Time deposits of \$250,000 or more		 (139,245)		(137,449)		(156,419)		(129,026)		(155,401)	
Core deposits	[d]	\$ 10,450,589	\$	10,628,880	\$	10,659,446	\$	10,206,089	\$	8,715,747	
RATIOS											
Core loans to portfolio loans	[b÷a]	99.56 %		6 98.96 %		6 97.51 %		94.57 %		92.30 9	
Core deposits to total deposits	[d÷c]	98.67 %		98.70 %		98.54 %		98.73 %		98.22 9	
Core loans to core deposits	[b÷d]	69.29 %	5	66.93 %	6	65.41 %	6	66.58 %	6	71.79	