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): October 25, 2005

United Community Banks, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia	No. 0-21656	No. 58-180-7304
(State or other jurisdiction of	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer
incorporation)		Identification No.)

63 Highway 515, P.O. Box 398

<u>Blairsville, Georgia 30512</u>
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (706) 781-2265

Not applicable

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

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Item 2.02 Results of Operation and Financial Condition

On October 25, 2005, United Community Banks, Inc. (the "Registrant") issued a news release announcing its financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2005 (the "News Release"). The News Release, including financial schedules, is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. In connection with issuing the News Release, on October 25, 2005 at 11:00 a.m. EST, the Registrant intends to hold a conference call/webcast to discuss the News Release.

The News Release contains a description of the Registrant's earnings excluding merger-related expenses (referred to as "Operating Earnings", "Net Operating Income", "Diluted Operating Earnings Per Share") related to the June 1, 2004 acquisition of Fairbanco Holding Company, Inc., headquartered in Fairburn, Georgia; the November 1, 2004 acquisition of Eagle National Bank, headquartered in Stockbridge, Georgia; and the December 1, 2004 acquisition of Liberty National Bancshares, Inc., headquartered in Conyers, Georgia. Management believes that a presentation of the Registrant's earnings excluding merger-related expenses as a financial measure provides useful information to investors because it provides information about the Registrant's financial performance from its ongoing business operations. The merger-related expenses are principally related to equipment lease termination, legal and other professional fees and systems conversion costs.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial statements: None

(b) Pro forma financial information: None

(c) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release, dated October 25, 2005

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SIGNATURES

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

/s/ Rex S. Schuette

October 25, 2005

Rex S. Schuette Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



For Immediate Release

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UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC. REPORTS 13% GAIN IN DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FOR THIRD QUARTER 2005

HIGHLIGHTS:

Record Third Quarter Earnings
 Diluted Operating Earnings Per Share of \$.36 — Up 13%
 Net Operating Income of \$14.3 Million — Up 20%
 Return on Tangible Equity of 18.90%

• Strong Loan Demand and Rise in Net Interest Margin and Fee Revenue Drove Performance

BLAIRSVILLE, GA, October 25, 2005 — United Community Banks, Inc. (Nasdaq: UCBI), Georgia's third largest bank holding company, today announced record financial results for the third quarter of 2005. Compared with the third quarter of 2004, the company achieved a 28% increase in total revenue, a 20% rise in net operating income and a 13% gain in diluted operating earnings per share.

For the third quarter of 2005, net operating income rose to \$14.3 million compared with \$12.0 million a year earlier. Diluted operating earnings per share increased to \$.36 from \$.32 a year ago. Total revenue, on a taxable equivalent basis, was \$64.0 million compared with \$50.1 million for the third quarter of 2004. Return on tangible equity was 18.90% and return on assets was 1.01%, compared with 19.41% and 1.05%, respectively, a year ago.

"We continued to experience solid growth across all of our markets," said Jimmy Tallent, United Community Banks President and Chief Executive Officer. "Total assets at quarter-end surpassed \$5.7 billion, a 24% increase from a year ago. Loans increased \$181 million during the third quarter, or 18% on an annualized basis, which helped drive the increase in net interest revenue. Our net interest margin rose to 4.17%, up 18 basis points from a year ago, as increasing short-term interest rates continued to positively affect our slightly asset-sensitive balance sheet. Fee revenue was up 24%, reflecting increases in every category."

"With the business growth achieved through the third quarter, United Community Banks remains well on track to meet our performance goals of double-digit earnings per share growth and a return on tangible equity above 18% for the year," Tallent said.

For the first nine months of 2005, net operating income totaled \$41.5 million, a 21% increase compared with \$34.2 million for the same period of 2004. Diluted operating earnings per share of \$1.05 increased 13% from \$.93 for the first nine months of 2004. Total revenue, on a taxable equivalent basis, totaled \$180.7 million, up 27% from \$142.5 million a year ago. Return on tangible equity was 19.30% and return on assets was 1.03%, compared with 19.67% and 1.07% a year ago, respectively.

Net operating income for the first nine months of 2004 excludes \$464,000 in pre-tax merger charges from the acquisition of 1st Community Bank, which was completed on June 1, 2004. Including these merger-related charges, reported net income was \$33.9 million; reported diluted earnings per share was \$.92; and, reported return on equity 14.48%.

At September 30, 2005, total loans were \$4.3 billion, up \$816 million, or 24%, from a year ago. Organic growth, which excludes acquisitions, was \$610 million, or 18%. "Loan demand remains strong across all our markets, leading to excellent growth opportunities," Tallent said. Organic growth, with an uncompromising focus on sound credit quality, is at the core of our balanced growth strategy."

"Organic growth is further supported by focused geographic expansion," Tallent added. "We find the right people and build around them — usually adding two to four de novo offices a year," Tallent explained.

"Last quarter, we announced our entry into the Gainesville market through a partnership with three experienced local banking executives who brought with them over 50 experienced bankers to form United Community Bank — Hall County. In just five months, this team has added more than \$205 million in loans and \$105 million in deposits. We now have three additional banking offices, including our main office which is located in downtown Gainesville, and we plan to open an additional banking office by mid-2006," Tallent added. "In addition, we continued to execute our expansion plans for metro Atlanta. We opened two de novo banking offices in Tyrone and Newnan Lakes. These offices are located in Fayette and Coweta counties on the south side of metro Atlanta, which further strengthens our presence in these fast growing markets."

"I want to emphasize that it is a testimony to the success and strength of our existing franchise that we were able to absorb such a significant de novo undertaking and still deliver on our primary financial goals," Tallent added.

"During the third quarter, our deposit growth exceeded our strong loan growth due to our sharp focus on growing core deposits," Tallent said. "We continued to promote our very successful 'Refer-a-Friend' core deposit program that rewards our many satisfied customers for referring their friends and family members to us. Our relentless focus on providing the highest level of customer service has generated customer satisfaction scores that continue to exceed 90%, well above the comparable industry average of 75%. This is invaluable in building our deposit base through customer referrals while also maintaining and growing long-term relationships with existing customers. During the quarter, our core deposit program and other initiatives have added 11,700 accounts and \$108 million in balances. Year-to-date, it has added 36,000 new accounts and \$218 million in deposits."

Taxable equivalent net interest revenue of \$55.0 million for the third quarter rose \$12.8 million, or 30%, from the same period a year ago. Acquisitions completed in late 2004 added approximately \$2.9 million to net interest revenue. Excluding acquisitions, the core growth rate was 23%. Taxable equivalent net interest margin for the third quarter was 4.17% as compared with 3.99% a year ago and 4.12% last quarter.

"Rising interest rates have resulted in a slight margin expansion over the past two quarters," Tallent said. "Our balance sheet remains slightly asset sensitive, which should allow us to benefit modestly from further increases in interest rates. However, as we continue efforts to fund our loan growth with new deposits, we expect competitive pricing pressures will offset any gains and could have a slight compression in our margin," added Tallent.

The third quarter provision for loan losses was \$3.4 million, up \$1.4 million from a year earlier and up \$600,000 from the second quarter of 2005. Annualized net charge-offs to average loans were 13 basis points for the third quarter, compared with 14 basis points for the second quarter of 2005 and 12 basis points for the third quarter of 2004. At quarter-end, non-performing assets totaled \$13.6 million compared with \$13.5 million at the end of the second quarter of 2005 and \$10.5 million a year ago. Non-performing assets as a percentage of total assets were 24 basis points at quarter-end, compared with 24 basis points at June 30, 2005 and 23 basis points at September 30, 2004.

"Our asset quality continues to compare favorably with our peer banks and remains well within our tolerance levels," Tallent said. "Strong credit quality is essential to our balanced growth strategy and overall success. United Community Banks' credit quality is rooted in our guiding principle of securing loans with hard assets."

Fee revenue of \$12.4 million rose \$2.5 million, or 26%, from \$9.9 million a year ago with steady growth achieved in every category. "Service charges and fees on deposit accounts increased \$1.1 million to \$6.6 million, primarily due to growth in transactions and new accounts resulting from the core deposit program and cross-selling other products and services," Tallent said. "We also experienced healthy increases in consulting, mortgage and brokerage fees."

Consulting fees rose 25% to \$1.8 million, due to growth in the risk management and financial-service practices as well as strong growth across other consulting services. Brokerage fees increased 51% to \$571,000 due to strong market activity. Other fee revenue increased by \$466,000 to \$1.2 million due primarily to a \$160,000 gain on the sale of a former banking office location and \$118,000 in gains on the sale of SBA loans.

Operating expenses increased \$10.0 million, or 32%, to \$41.3 million from the third quarter of 2004. Nearly \$1.8 million of this increase related to operating expenses of the two banks acquired in the fourth quarter of 2004 that were not included in last year's results. Salaries and employee benefit costs of \$26.3 million increased \$6.7 million, or 34%, with approximately \$2.7 million resulting from acquisitions and recent de novo expansion. The balance was due to an increase in staff to support business growth and related hiring costs and higher commissions related to the increase in mortgage and brokerage revenue.

Communications and equipment expenses increased \$656,000 to \$3.5 million due to the 2004 acquisitions and investments in technology equipment to support business growth. Advertising and marketing expense rose \$560,000 to \$1.7 million reflecting initiatives to raise core deposits and generate brand recognition in new markets. Occupancy expense increased \$391,000 to \$2.7 million reflecting the increase in cost to operate additional banking offices added through acquisitions and de novo expansion. Professional fees were up \$139,000 to \$1.2 million due to higher costs related to the volume of new loans generated and overall business growth. The increase in other operating expense was due to recent acquisitions and business growth.

"Our operating efficiency ratio of 61.16% for the quarter was slightly above our long-term efficiency goal of 58% to 60%, reflecting the higher operating costs of our recent de novo expansion into Gainesville," Tallent said.

"Looking forward, we believe United Community Banks is on target to complete the year with operating earnings per share growth within our long-term goal of 12% to 15%, but at the lower end of the range this year due to our significant strategic expansion in the Gainesville market," Tallent said. "We anticipate core loan growth will continue at the high end of our targeted range of 10% to 14% and net interest margin could come down slightly from our current level due to expected pricing competition for deposits. For 2006, we look forward to an operating earnings per share growth rate within our long-term goal of 12% to 15%, core loan growth within our targeted range of 10% to 14%, and our net interest margin could trend down slightly to the 4% range as we continue to fund loan growth with deposits. Our outlook is based on a continued, stable economic environment in our markets combined with maintaining strong credit quality.

"We remain committed to excellent customer service, superior operating performance and solid credit quality as we continue to grow our franchise," Tallent added. "Our balanced growth strategy — delivering strong internal growth in our markets complemented by selective de novo offices and merger expansion — will continue as the foundation for superior performance and building long-term shareholder value."

Conference Call

United Community Banks will hold a conference call on Tuesday, October 25, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. ET to discuss the contents of this news release, as well as business highlights for the quarter and the financial outlook for the remainder of the year. The telephone number for the conference call is (800) 798-2801 and the pass code is "UCBI." The conference call will also be available by web cast within the Investor Relations section of the company's web site.

About United Community Banks, Inc.

Headquartered in Blairsville, United Community Banks is the third-largest bank holding company in Georgia. As of September 30, 2005, United Community Banks had assets of \$5.7 billion and operated 24 community banks with 88 banking offices located throughout north Georgia, metro Atlanta, coastal Georgia, western North Carolina and east Tennessee. The company specializes in providing personalized community banking services to

individuals and small to mid-size businesses in its markets. United Community Banks also offers the convenience of 24-hour access to its services through a network of ATMs, telephone and on-line banking. United Community Banks common stock is listed on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol UCBI. Additional information may be found at the company's web site, *ucbi.com*.

Safe Harbor

This news release contains forward-looking statements, as defined by Federal Securities Laws, including statements about financial outlook and business environment. These statements are provided to assist in the understanding of future financial performance and such performance involves risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those in such statements. Any such statements are based on current expectations and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. For a discussion of factors that may cause such forward-looking statements to differ materially from actual results, please refer to the section entitled "Forward Looking Statements" on page 4 of United Community Banks, Inc. annual report filed on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(Tables Follow)

		2005			004	Third Quarter	For the I		YTD
(in thousands, except per share data; taxable equivalent)	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter	2005-2004 <u>Change</u>	Months E 2005	nded 2004	2005-2004 <u>Change</u>
INCOME SUMMARY	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Interest revenue	\$ 89,003	\$ 80,701	\$ 73,649	\$ 66,761	\$ 61,358		\$ 243,353	\$ 172,625	
Interest expense	34,033	29,450	25,367	21,448	19,142		88,850	53,346	
Net interest revenue	54,970	51,251	48,282	45,313	42,216	30%	154,503	119,279	30%
Provision for loan losses	3,400	2,800	2,400	2,000	2,000		8,600	5,600	
Fee revenue	12,396	12,179	10,200	10,757	9,857	26	34,775	28,782	21
Total revenue	63,966	60,630	56,082	54,070	50,073	28	180,678	142,461	27
Operating expenses (1)	41,294	38,808	34,779	33,733	31,296	32	114,881	88,835	29
Income before taxes	22,672	21,822	21,303	20,337	18,777	21	65,797	53,626	23
Income taxes	8,374	8,049	7,862	7,427	6,822		24,285	19,380	
Net operating income	14,298	13,773	13,441	12,910	11,955	20	41,512	34,246	21
Merger-related charges, net of tax				261				304	
Net income	\$ 14,298	\$ 13,773	\$ 13,441	\$ 12,649	\$ 11,955	20	\$ 41,512	\$ 33,942	22
OPERATING PERFORMANCE (1) Earnings per common share:									
Basic	\$.37	\$.36	\$.35	\$.35	\$.33	12	\$ 1.08	\$.96	13
Diluted	.36	.35	.34	.34	.32	13	1.05	.93	13
Return on tangible equity (3)	18.90%				19.41%		19.30%		
Return on assets	1.01	1.03	1.06	1.07	1.05		1.03	1.07	
Efficiency ratio	61.16	61.18	59.47	60.20	60.11		60.64	60.00	
Dividend payout ratio GAAP PERFORMANCE Per common share:	18.92	19.44	20.00	17.14	18.18		19.44	18.75	
Basic earnings	\$.37	\$.36	\$.35	\$.34	\$.33	12	\$ 1.08	\$.95	14
Diluted earnings	.36	.35	.34	.33	.32	13	1.05	.92	14
Cash dividends declared	.07	.07	.07	.06	.06	17	.21	.18	17
Book value	11.04	10.86	10.42	10.39	9.58	15	11.04	9.58	15
Tangible book value (3)	8.05	7.85	7.40	7.34	7.28	11	8.05	7.28	11
Key performance ratios: Return on equity (2)	13.42%	13.469	% 13.68%	6 14.15%	14.20%		13.51%	14.48%	
Return on assets	1.01	1.03	1.06	1.05	1.05		1.03	1.06	
Net interest margin	4.17	4.12	4.05	4.05	3.99		4.12	3.98	
Dividend payout ratio	18.92	19.44	20.00	17.65	18.18		19.44	18.95	
Equity to assets	7.46	7.65	7.71	7.54	7.50		7.60	7.42	
Tangible equity to assets									
(3)	5.53	5.62	5.58	5.75	5.76		5.57	5.79	
ASSET QUALITY									
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 51,888	\$ 49,873	\$ 48,453	\$ 47,196	\$ 43,548		\$ 51,888	\$ 43,548	
Non-performing assets	13,565	13,495	13,676	8,725	10,527		13,565	10,527	
Net charge-offs Allowance for loan losses to	1,385	1,380	1,143	1,183	1,010		3,908	2,434	
loans	1.22%	1.229	% 1.25%	6 1.26%	1.27%		1.22%	1.27%	
Non-performing assets to total assets	.24	.24	.26	.17	.23		.24	.23	
Net charge-offs to average	1		0	127			,	3	
loans	.13	.14	.12	.13	.12		.13	.10	
AVERAGE BALANCES									
Loans	\$ 4,169,170	\$ 3,942,077	\$ 3,797,479	\$ 3,572,824	\$ 3,384,281	23	\$ 3,970,937	\$ 3,239,005	23
Investment securities	1,008,687	996,096	946,194	805,766	762,994	32	983,889	710,674	38
Earning assets	5,239,195	4,986,339	4,819,961	4,456,403	4,215,472	24	5,016,702	4,006,149	25
Total assets	5,608,158	5,338,398	5,164,464	4,781,018	4,521,842	24	5,371,966	4,294,555	25
Stockholders' equity	4,078,437 418,459	3,853,884 408,352	3,717,916 398,164	3,500,842 360,668	3,351,188	22 23	3,884,733 408,399	3,162,588	23 28
Common shares outstanding:	410,439	400,332	390,104	200,008	338,913	23	400,399	510,000	20
Basic	38,345	38,270	38,198	37,056	36,254		38,272	35,738	
Diluted	39,670	39,436	39,388	38,329	37,432		39,499	36,917	
AT PERIOD END	,	22,.30					22,.30	,	
Loans	\$ 4,254,051	\$ 4,072,811	\$ 3,877,575	\$ 3,734,905	\$ 3,438,417	24	\$ 4,254,051	\$ 3,438,417	24
Investment securities	945,922	990,500	928,328	879,978	726,734	30	945,922	726,734	30
Earning assets	5,302,532	5,161,067	4,907,743	4,738,389	4,280,643	24	5,302,532	4,280,643	24
Total assets	5,709,666	5,540,242	5,265,771	5,087,702	4,592,655	24	5,709,666	4,592,655	24
Deposits	4,196,369	3,959,226	3,780,521	3,680,516	3,341,525	26	4,196,369	3,341,525	26
Stockholders' equity	424,000	415,994	398,886	397,088	347,795	22	424,000	347,795	22
Common shares outstanding	38,383	38,283	38,249	38,168	36,255		38,383	36,255	

⁽¹⁾ Excludes pre-tax merger-related charges totaling \$406,000 or \$.01 per diluted common share and \$464,000 or \$.01 per diluted common share in the fourth and second quarters of 2004, respectively.

⁽²⁾ Net income available to common stockholders divided by average realized common equity which excludes accumulated other comprehensive income.

³⁾ Excludes effect of acquisition related intangibles and associated amortization.

⁽⁴⁾ Annualized.

		Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
in thousands, except per share data)	2005	2004	2005	2004	
Interest revenue:	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited	
Loans, including fees	\$ 77,470°	\$ 53,023	\$ 210,383	\$ 149,771	
Federal funds sold and deposits in banks	253	181	662	358	
Investment securities:					
Taxable	10,340	7,254	29,544	19,662	
Tax exempt	520	514	1,573	1,625	
Total interest revenue	88,583	60,972	242,162	171,410	
nterest expense:					
Deposits:					
Demand	5,187	2,151	13,093	5,86	
Savings	223	98	565	27	
Time	17,653	10,608	45,680	29,67	
Federal funds purchased	1,407	573	3,384	1,34	
Other borrowings	9,563	5,712	26,128	16,18	
Total interest expense	34,033	19,142	88,850	53,34	
Net interest revenue	54,550	41,830	153,312	118,07	
rovision for loan losses	3,400	2,000	8,600	5,60	
Net interest revenue after provision for loan losses	51,150	39,830	144,712	112,47	
Fee revenue:				'	
Service charges and fees	6,627	5,559	18,521	15,89	
Mortgage loan and other related fees	2,367	1,747	5,592	4,61	
Consulting fees	1,777	1,426	4,944	3,95	
Brokerage fees	571	377	1,781	1,60	
Securities (losses) gains, net	(153)	398	(155)	39	
Loss on prepayments of borrowings	_	(391)	_	(39	
Other	1,207	741	4,092	2,71	
Total fee revenue	12,396	9,857	34,775	28,78	
Total revenue	63,546	49,687	179,487	141,25	
Operating expenses:					
Salaries and employee benefits	26,334	19,636	73,843	56,42	
Occupancy	2,743	2,352	8,129	6,90	
Communications and equipment	3,484	2,828	9,581	8,05	
Postage, printing and supplies	1,426	1,214	4,146	3,42	
Professional fees	1,174	1,035	3,283	2,66	
Advertising and public relations	1,683	1,123	4,745	2,87	
Amortization of intangibles	503	442	1,509	1,20	
Merger-related charges	_	_	_	46	
Other	3,947	2,666	9,645	7,27	
Total operating expenses	41,294	31,296	114,881	89,29	
Income before income taxes	22,252	18,391	64,606	51,95	
ncome taxes	7,954	6,436	23,094	18,01	
Net income	\$ 14,298	\$ 11,955	\$ 41,512	\$ 33,94	
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 14,293	\$ 11,955	\$ 41,494	\$ 33,92	
Carnings per common share:		- ,		+,-	
Basic	\$.37	\$.33	\$ 1.08	\$.9	
Diluted	.36	.32	1.05	.9	
Veighted average common shares outstanding (in thousands):	.50	.52	2.05	,	
Basic	38,345	36,254	38,272	35,73	
Diluted	39,670	37,432	39,499	36,91	

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

Consolidated Balance Sheet

For the period ended

(\$ in thousands)	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004	September 30, 2004
ASSETS	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)
Cash and due from banks	\$ 139,147	\$ 99,742	\$ 102,457
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	28,935	35,098	57,465
Cash and cash equivalents	168,082	134,840	159,922
Securities available for sale	945,922	879,978	726,734
Mortgage loans held for sale	28,539	37,094	19,189
Loans, net of unearned income	4,254,051	3,734,905	3,438,417
Less — allowance for loan losses	51,888	47,196	43,548
Loans, net	4,202,163	3,687,709	3,394,869
Premises and equipment, net	109,468	103,679	92,918
Interest receivable	36,108	27,923	28,108
Intangible assets	119,154	121,207	87,381
Other assets	100,230	95,272	83,534
Total assets	\$ 5,709,666	\$ 5,087,702	\$ 4,592,655
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Liabilities:			
Deposits:			
Demand	\$ 637,296	\$ 532,879	\$ 491,123
Interest-bearing demand	1,180,125	1,055,192	910,699
Savings	175,864	171,898	166,184
Time	2,203,084	1,920,547	1,773,519
Total deposits	4,196,369	3,680,516	3,341,525
Federal funds purchased and repurchase agreements	157,347	130,921	178,335
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	775,251	737,947	585,513
Other borrowings	118,168	113,879	113,878
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	38,531	27,351	25,609
Total liabilities	5,285,666	4,690,614	4,244,860
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred stock, \$1 par value; \$10 stated value; 10,000,000 shares authorized;			
37,200, 44,800 and 44,800 shares issued and outstanding	372	448	448
Common stock, \$1 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 38,407,874,			
38,407,874 and 36,620,754 shares issued	38,408	38,408	36,621
Capital surplus	153,712	155,076	116,075
Retained earnings	238,144	204,709	194,350
Treasury stock; 24,449, 240,346 and 366,112 shares, at cost	(671)	(4,413)	(6,251)
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income	(5,965)	2,860	6,552
Total stockholders' equity	424,000	397,088	347,795
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 5,709,666	\$ 5,087,702	\$ 4,592,655