

# SUNTRUST BANKS INC

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Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) September 8, 2008

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**SunTrust Banks, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Georgia**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-08918**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**58-1575035**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**303 Peachtree St., N.E., Atlanta, Georgia**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**30308**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (404) 588-7711**

**Not Applicable**

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

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

SunTrust Banks, Inc. (the "Registrant", "SunTrust", or the "Company") is scheduled to make a presentation at the Lehman Brothers Financial Services Conference in New York on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at approximately 9:45 AM Eastern Time. Mark A. Chancy, Corporate Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, will make SunTrust's presentation. A copy of the slide package to be used by the Registrant at this conference is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein. Such slide package will also be available on the Registrant's web site at [www.suntrust.com](http://www.suntrust.com). Information contained on the Registrant's website expressly is not incorporated by reference into this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in the preceding paragraph, as well as Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. It may only be incorporated by reference into another filing under the Exchange Act or Securities Act of 1933 if such subsequent filing specifically references Section 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K. All information in the slide package speaks as of the date thereof and the Registrant does not assume any obligation to update said information in the future. In addition, the Registrant disclaims any inference regarding the materiality of such information which otherwise may arise as a result of its furnishing such information under Item 7.01 of this report on Form 8-K.

**Item 8.01 Other.**

In addition to the slide presentation referenced above and furnished as an exhibit to this report, SunTrust is expected to comment on the following items during its presentation at the Lehman Brothers Financial Services Conference in New York on Wednesday, September 10, 2008:

Third Quarter Events

As previously disclosed, a tax benefit of \$69 million will be reflected in the Company's tax provision during the third quarter related to the charitable contribution of 3.6 million shares of common stock of The Coca-Cola Company.

On September 2, 2008, SunTrust sold its fuel card business, TransPlatinum, and a gain on sale will be recorded in the third quarter.

SunTrust is engaged in discussions with regulators concerning the underwriting and sale of certain auction rate securities ("ARS") by SunTrust. If a settlement of these inquiries is reached, it may involve SunTrust repurchasing some ARS from certain customers. Based on the scope of the settlements that other financial institutions have reached with regulators and which are available in published reports, SunTrust has approximately \$500 million par amount of ARS presently held by similar SunTrust investors. Depending on the actual settlement that SunTrust may agree to, this amount is subject to change. If SunTrust were to repurchase these securities, then market valuation losses would be incurred by SunTrust. SunTrust expects to reserve for amounts related to resolving these matters in the third quarter.

While any negative impact of ARS related charges in the quarter is not known with certainty at this time, management believes the positive impact on earnings from the TransPlatinum gain on sale and the tax benefit of the charitable contribution will offset the negative impact from ARS such that no material impact on third quarter results is expected.

Market Valuation

During July and August, securities markets and valuations have remained volatile. A moderate decline in the values of the portfolio of higher risk trading assets has occurred during the quarter. However, credit spreads on SunTrust issued debt carried at fair value have widened during the quarter as compared to the tightening experienced during the second quarter. Quarter-to-date, the declining value of the trading

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securities has been more than offset by the increasing value of our debt such that a net gain has been recorded through August. Additionally, the higher risk trading asset position has been significantly reduced from \$768 million at June 30 to approximately \$420 million quarter-to-date. The Company expects market valuations to remain volatile during September and therefore the results through August could change materially during the final month of the quarter.

#### Capital and Dividends

As mentioned during the second quarter earnings call, the Company's capital levels are believed to be sufficient based on our current view of the credit environment. However, the future is uncertain and the capital markets will be monitored for an opportunity to issue non-dilutive capital enhancing securities. Capacity to issue trust preferred securities and other Tier 1 eligible securities that are restricted core capital elements without reaching regulatory limits exceeds \$500 million and, while not believed to be necessary at the present time, management believes raising additional capital in the current environment is prudent.

SunTrust currently has no plans to alter its dividend policy. The Company recognizes that the dividend represents an additional lever to build capital should circumstances change.

#### Credit Quality

Third quarter charge-offs are still expected to increase by 15%-20% over second quarter charge-offs. Observing credit trends during July and August, it is more likely that growth in charge-offs will approximate the high end of that range.

As for the fourth quarter, expectations continue to be that charge-offs will not be dramatically higher or lower than the third quarter. Additionally, the level of loan loss reserves is expected to increase, but at modest levels.

#### **Important Cautionary Statement**

The foregoing information should be read in conjunction with the financial statements, notes and other information contained in the Company's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and Current Reports on Form 8-K.

The foregoing information may contain forward-looking statements. Statements that do not describe historical or current facts, including statements about beliefs and expectations and the effect of any ARS settlements, changes in third quarter charge-offs and changes in third quarter credit spreads, are forward-looking statements. These statements often include the words "may," "could," "will," "should," "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "estimates," "intends," "plans," "targets," "initiatives," "potentially," "probably," "projects," "outlook" or similar expressions. Such statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of SunTrust's management and on information currently available to management. The forward looking statements are intended to be subject to the safe harbor provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such statements speak as of the date hereof, and SunTrust does not intend to update the statements made herein or to update the reasons why actual results could differ from those contained in such statements in light of new information or future events.

Forward looking statements are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Investors are cautioned against placing undue reliance on such statements. Actual results may differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause SunTrust's results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements can be found in the Company's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and in the Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and available at the Securities and Exchange Commission's internet site (<http://www.sec.gov>). Those factors include: (1) weakness in the economy and in the real estate market, including specific weakness within our geographic footprint, has adversely

affected us and may continue to adversely affect us; (2) weakness in the real estate market, including the secondary residential mortgage loan markets, has adversely affected us and may continue to adversely affect us; (3) as a financial services company, adverse changes in general business or economic conditions could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations (4) changes in market interest rates or capital markets could adversely affect our revenues and expenses, the value of assets and obligations, costs of capital, or liquidity; (5) the fiscal and monetary policies of the federal government and its agencies could have a material adverse effect on our earnings; (6) we may be required to repurchase mortgage loans or indemnify mortgage loan purchasers as a result of breaches of representations and warranties, borrower fraud, or certain borrower defaults, which could harm our liquidity, results of operations and financial condition; (7) clients could pursue alternatives to bank deposits, causing us to lose a relatively inexpensive source of funding; (8) consumers may decide not to use banks to complete their financial transactions, which could affect net income; (9) we have businesses other than banking, which subjects us to a variety of risks; (10) hurricanes and other natural disasters may adversely affect loan portfolios and operations and increase the cost of doing business; (11) negative public opinion could damage our reputation and adversely impact our business; (12) we rely on other companies for key components of our business infrastructure; (13) we rely on our systems, employees and certain counterparties, and certain failures could materially adversely affect our operations; (14) we depend on the accuracy and completeness of information about clients and counterparties; (15) regulation by federal and state agencies could adversely affect our business, revenues, and profit margins; (16) competition in the financial services industry is intense and could result in losing business or reducing profit margins; (17) future legislation could harm our competitive position; (18) maintaining or increasing market share depends on market acceptance and regulatory approval of new products and services; (19) our ability to receive dividends from our subsidiaries accounts for most of our revenues and could affect our liquidity and ability to pay dividends; (20) significant legal actions could subject us to substantial uninsured liabilities; (21) recently declining values of residential real estate may increase our credit losses, which would negatively affect our financial results; (22) deteriorating credit quality, particularly in real estate loans, has adversely impacted us and may continue to adversely impact us; (23) disruptions in our ability to access global capital markets may negatively affect our capital resources and liquidity; (24) we have in the past and may in the future pursue acquisitions, which could affect costs and from which we may not be able to realize anticipated benefits; (25) we depend on the expertise of key personnel without whom our operations may suffer; (26) we may not be able to hire or retain additional qualified personnel and recruiting and compensation costs may increase as a result of turnover, both of which may increase costs and reduce profitability and may adversely impact our ability to implement our business strategy; (27) our accounting policies and methods are key to how we report financial condition and results of operations, and may require management to make estimates about matters that are uncertain; (28) changes in our accounting policies or in accounting standards could materially affect how we report our financial results and condition; (29) our stock price can be volatile; (30) our disclosure controls and procedures may fail to prevent or detect all errors or acts of fraud; (31) our financial instruments carried at fair value expose the Company to certain market risks; (32) our revenues derived from our investment securities may be volatile and subject to a variety of risks; (33) we may enter into transactions with off-balance sheet entities affiliated with SunTrust or its subsidiaries which may cause us to recognize current or future losses and (34) we are subject to market risk associated with our asset management and commercial paper conduit businesses.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Slide package to be presented on September 10, 2008 (furnished with the Commission as a part of this Current Report on Form 8-K).

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

SUNTRUST BANKS, INC.  
(Registrant)

Date: September 8, 2008.

By: /s/ David A. Wisniewski  
David A. Wisniewski,  
Associate General Counsel and  
Group Vice President



**Lehman Brothers 2008 Financial Services Conference**  
September 10, 2008

**Mark A. Chancy**  
Chief Financial Officer



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This presentation includes non-GAAP financial measures to describe SunTrust's performance. The reconciliation of those measures to GAAP measures are provided in the appendix to this presentation. In this presentation, net interest income and net interest margin are presented on a fully taxable-equivalent ("FTE") basis, and ratios are presented on an annualized basis. The FTE basis adjusts for the tax-favored status of income from certain loans and investments. The Company believes this measure to be the preferred industry measurement of net interest income and provides relevant comparison between taxable and non-taxable amounts.

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# Investment Thesis

## Downside Protection

### Diversified Franchise

- Meaningful consumer and commercial platforms
- Attractive, diverse geographic profile
- Strong market share in core markets
- Significant fee-oriented activities complement spread-based business

### Solid Capital Structure and Balance Sheet

- Strengthened capital ratios through resolution of Coke holdings
- Attractive, long-term dividend growth
- Diversified sources of funding; large, stable deposit base is primary source of liquidity
- Diversified credit profile
- Aggressively managing risk positions

## Upside Potential

### Optimizing Results with Strategic Initiatives

- Ahead of plan on E<sup>2</sup> program
- Generating momentum with revenue initiatives
- Continue to optimize balance sheet and business mix

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## Diversified Franchise

# Diversified Franchise

## Meaningful Consumer and Commercial Platforms

	Retail & Commercial	Wholesale	Wealth & Investment Management	Mortgage
<b>Scope of Operations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SunTrust footprint</li> <li>- 1,699 branches</li> <li>- 2,506 ATMs</li> <li>- ~800 Relationship Managers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- National</li> <li>- ~200 Relationship Managers</li> <li>- Full line of investment banking products and services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- National</li> <li>- Full array of wealth management products and professional services</li> <li>- AUM = \$136.7B</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nationwide</li> <li>- Ranked #10 in total<sup>1</sup> originations in 2007</li> <li>- Mortgage servicing portfolio = \$158.8B</li> </ul>
<b>Market Focus</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Retail clients in SunTrust footprint</li> <li>- Business clients in SunTrust footprint with revenues &lt;\$100MM</li> <li>- Government and not-for-profit enterprises</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Middle Market: \$100MM-\$750MM</li> <li>- Corporate Banking: &gt;\$750MM</li> <li>- Commercial RE: commercial and residential developers &amp; investors</li> <li>- Investment banking sales to commercial and W&amp;IM clients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Institutions</li> <li>- Individuals in need of private wealth management services</li> <li>- Ultra high net worth individuals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prime based platform, ~98% of 2Q08 originations for sale were agency</li> <li>- 51% of 2Q08 production was retail originated</li> </ul>

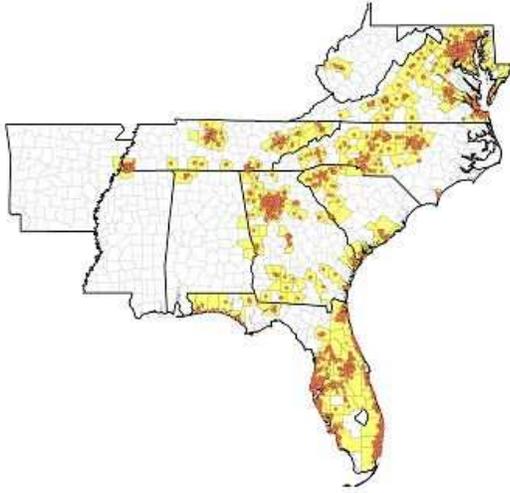
1. Inside Mortgage Finance ranking

# Diversified Franchise

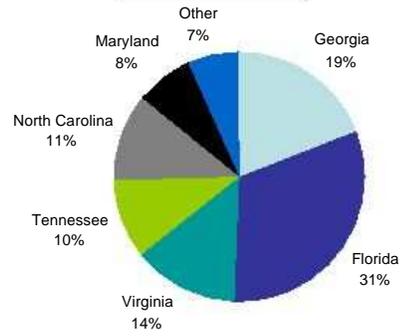
## Attractive, Diverse Geographic Profile

### SunTrust Footprint<sup>1</sup>

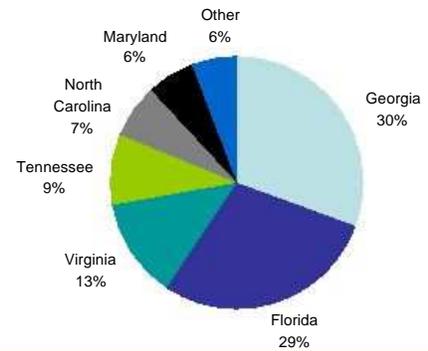
- 7.5% projected 5 year population growth vs. 4.6% U.S. average
- Projected household income growth is above the U.S. average
- Ranked top 3 in 18 of top 25 markets, representing 86% of total MSA deposits and average deposit market share of 18%



### 1,685 Branches<sup>2</sup>



### \$123 Billion in Deposits<sup>3</sup>



1. Deposit and share data from SNL. Deposits as of June 30, 2007 with acquisition of GB&T in 2008 included. Demographic information from Claritas.  
2. As of June 30, 2007, from SNL  
3. Deposit balances as of June 2007 from Company financial statements. State breakdown from SNL as of June 2007

## Diversified Franchise

### Strong Market Share in Core Markets

#### Top Deposit Markets

	Atlanta	DC	Miami	Orlando	Tampa
<b>% of STI Deposits</b>	26.2%	12.5%	7.3%	5.1%	5.0%
<b>Rank</b>	#1	#3	#5	#1	#3
<b>Market Share</b>	26.8%	13.3%	5.7%	18.8%	13.3%
<b>Branches</b>	216	181	102	73	106

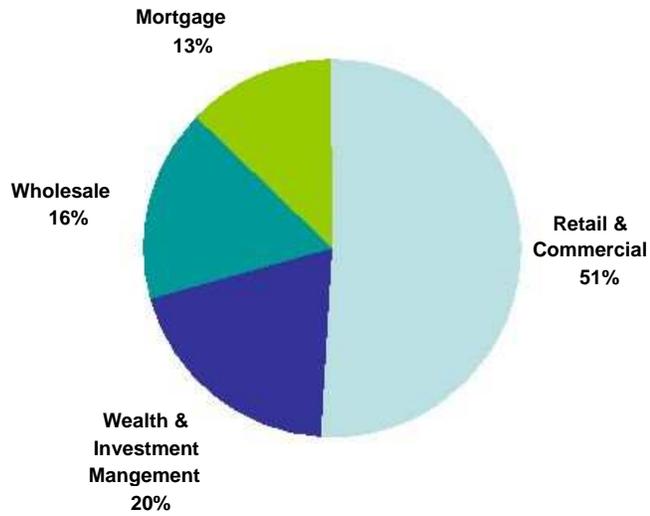
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# Diversified Franchise

## Significant Fee-Oriented Activities Complement Spread-Based Business

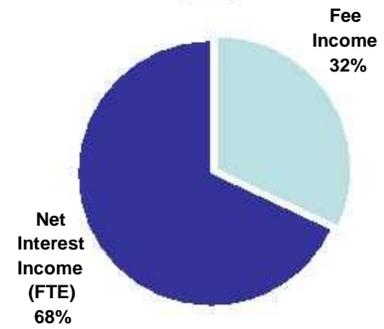
**Total Revenue FTE<sup>1</sup>**

**2008 YTD<sup>3</sup>**

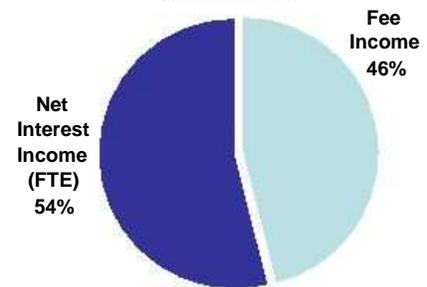


**Rising Contribution of Fee Income<sup>2</sup>**

**1997**



**2008 YTD<sup>3</sup>**



1. Excludes Corporate/Other and Reconciling Items, as defined in the Company's 10-K filing

2. Excludes Securities Gains/Losses

3. Year to date as of June 30, 2008

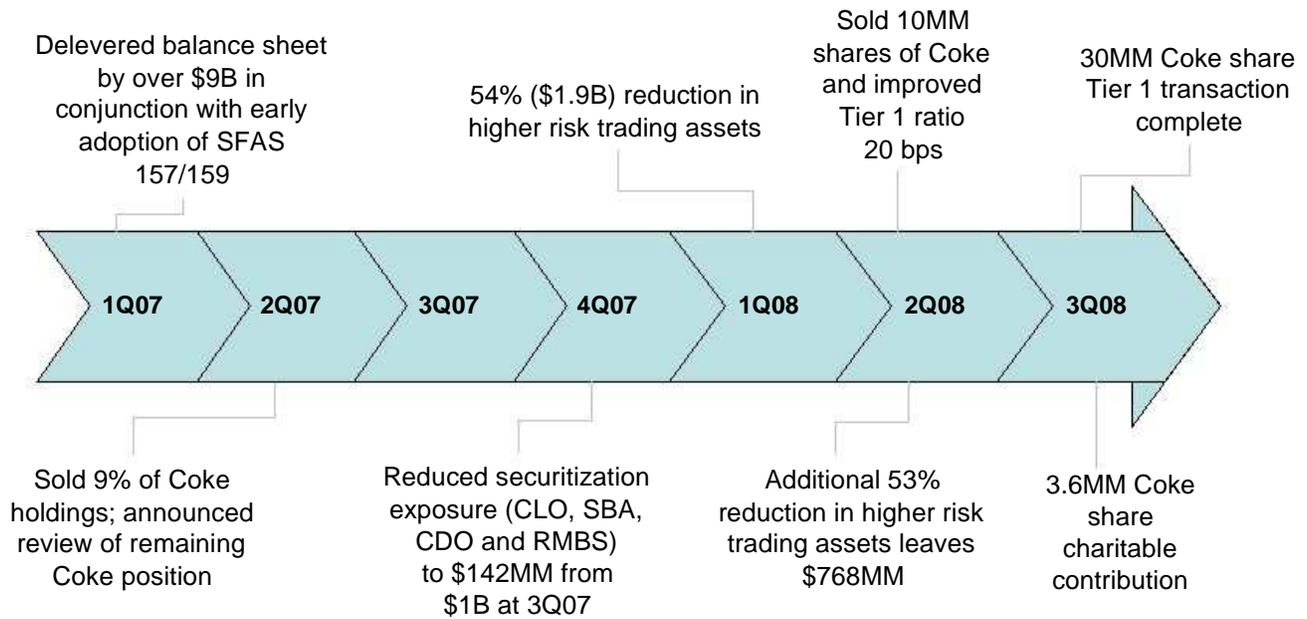
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## **Solid Capital and Balance Sheet**

# Solid Capital and Balance Sheet

## Proactively Reducing Risk Profile and Improving Capital Position



# Solid Capital and Balance Sheet

## Resolution of Coke Holdings

Action	Timing	Results	Rationale	Implications
<b>10 Million Share Sale</b>	2Q Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$549 million proceeds</li> <li>After-tax gain = \$345 million</li> <li>Tier 1 capital = 20 bps</li> <li>2Q EPS impact = \$0.99</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximize current capital contribution for this portion of the shares</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forgone dividend income of \$0.04 in annual EPS</li> </ul>
<b>30 Million Share Tier 1 Transaction</b>	3Q (July) Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$1,160 million in cash proceeds and \$728 million Tier 1 capital</li> <li>43 bps Tier 1 addition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximize shareholder value via tax deferral, retained dividend, and price appreciation potential</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retain dividend income of \$0.12 annual EPS</li> <li>Collar on KO stock provides upside to ~\$66 and downside to ~\$39</li> </ul>
<b>3.6 Million Share Charitable Foundation Contribution</b>	3Q (July) Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$183 million gain and equal offsetting expense</li> <li>Tax benefit of \$69 million = \$0.20 EPS impact</li> <li>4 bps Tier 1 addition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximize tax benefit</li> <li>Long-term community support</li> <li>Lower future annual charitable contribution expense</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forgone dividend income of \$0.01 in annual EPS</li> <li>Ongoing \$10 million expense reduction</li> </ul>

## Solid Capital and Balance Sheet

### Strengthened Capital Ratios

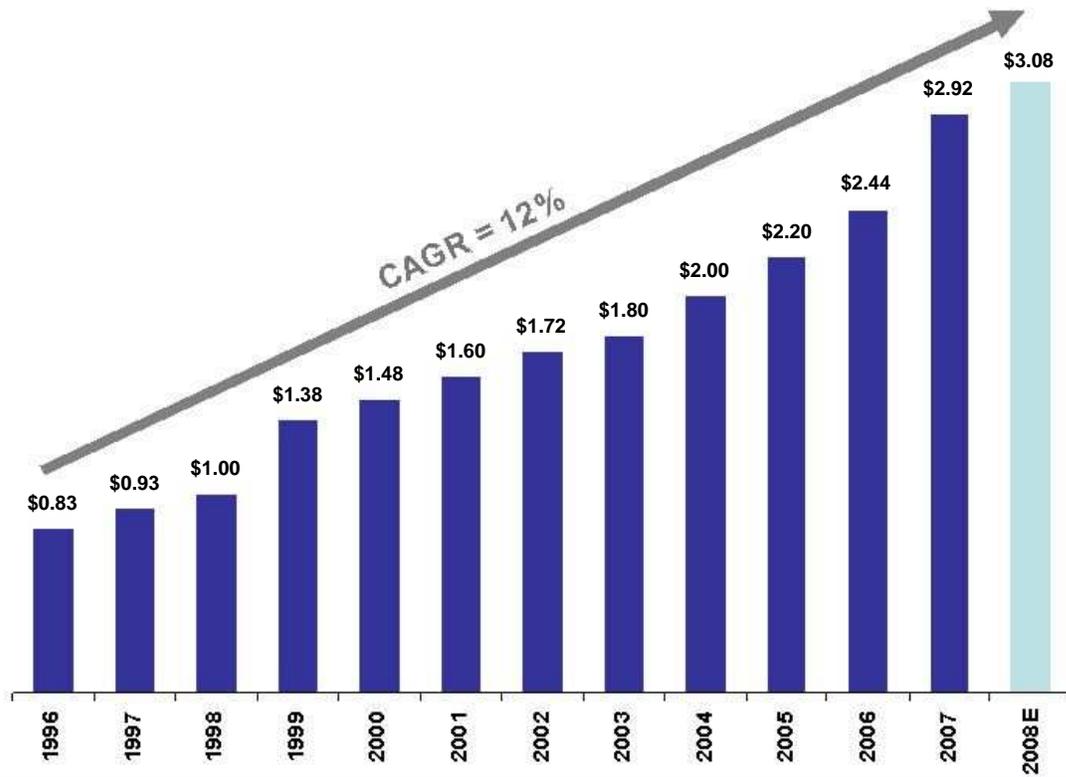
	<u>2Q 2008<sup>1</sup></u> <u>Proforma</u>	<u>2Q 2008</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>1Q 2008</u> <u>Actual</u>
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	7.94%	7.47%	7.23%
Total Capital Ratio	10.96%	10.85%	10.97%
Total Avg. Equity to Total Avg. Assets	10.29%	10.31%	10.21%
Tangible Equity to Tangible Assets	6.21%	6.24%	6.53%

- Solid capital foundation enhanced with Coke-related transactions
- Given current level of economic uncertainty, maintaining Tier 1 in excess of our stated goal of 7.50% is appropriate

1. Proforma ratios include estimated impact to June 2008 capital ratios of additional capital generated from transactions completed in July 2008. Estimated Tier 1 capital of \$12.5 billion + 3Q 2008 incremental transaction-related capital of \$797 million

## Solid Capital and Balance Sheet

*Attractive, Long-Term Dividend Growth*



# Solid Capital and Balance Sheet

*Diversified Sources of Funding; Large, Stable Deposit Base Primary Source of Liquidity*

June 30, 2006



\$174B

June 30, 2008



\$170B

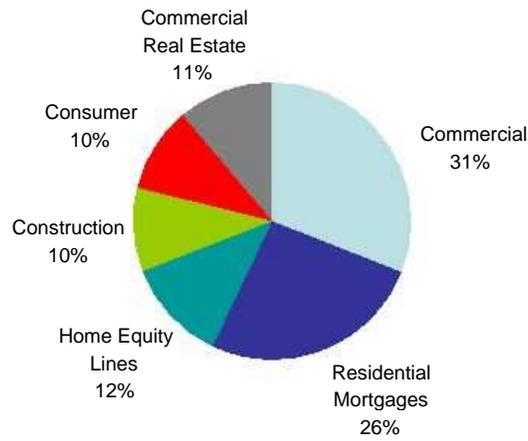
Funding Profile

1. Includes Fed Funds, Repos, and other short-term borrowings

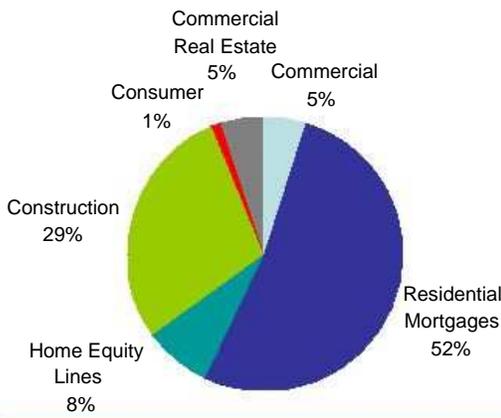
# Credit Perspective

## Diversified Credit Profile and Strong Credit Culture

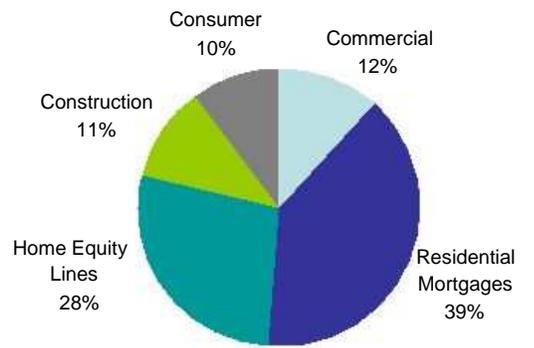
**Loan Portfolio 6/30/08**



**Nonaccrual Loans 6/30/08**



**2Q 2008 Net Charge-Offs**



## Credit Perspective

### Asset Quality Continued to Weaken, Although at a Slower Pace

(\$ in millions)	<u>2Q 2008</u>	<u>1Q 2008</u>	<u>4Q 2007</u>	<u>2Q 2008</u> vs. <u>1Q 2008</u>	<u>1Q 2008</u> vs. <u>4Q 2007</u>
Provision	\$448.0	\$560.0	\$356.8	\$(112.0)	\$203.2
Net Charge-Offs	\$322.6	\$297.2	\$168.0	\$25.4	\$129.2
Net Charge-Off Ratio	1.04%	0.97%	0.55%	7 bps	42 bps
Net ALLL Increase	\$284.1	\$262.8	\$188.8	\$21.3	\$74.0
Allowance to Loan Ratio	1.46%	1.25%	1.05%	21 bps	20 bps
Nonperforming Loan Ratio	2.22%	1.67%	1.19%	55 bps	48 bps
30 – 89 Days Past Due	1.48%	1.52%	1.53%	(4) bps	(1) bps

## Credit Perspective

**Commercial and Consumer Portfolios = 52% of Loans and are Performing Well Overall**

(\$ millions)	Balance 06/30/2008	% of Portfolio	C/O Ratio <sup>1</sup> 2Q08	C/O Ratio <sup>1</sup> 1Q08	30-89 DLQ% 2Q08	30-89 DLQ% 1Q08
Commercial	\$38,801	31%	0.42%	0.35%	0.36%	0.37%
Commercial Real Estate	13,694	11%	0.02%	0.00%	0.91%	0.55%
Consumer	12,552	10%	1.05%	1.22%	2.82%	2.52%
Real Estate: Home-Equity Lines	15,727	12%	2.40%	2.65%	1.19%	1.25%
Real Estate: 1-4 Family	32,509	26%	1.49%	1.29%	1.90%	1.74%
Real Estate: Construction	12,543	10%	1.16%	0.72%	3.52%	4.59%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$125,825</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1.04%</b>	<b>0.97%</b>	<b>1.48%</b>	<b>1.52%</b>

1. Annualized

## Credit Perspective

**The Subset of Portfolios That Are Under Stress Comprise 13% of the Total Loan Book and We Have Taken Aggressive Actions to Mitigate Risk**

(\$ in millions)	6/30/08 Balance	% of Total Portfolio	Original CLTV	Current FICO	Nonaccrual Loans		Actions
					Balance	% of Bal	
<b>Residential Mortgages</b>							
Lot Loans	\$1,520	1.2%	84%	729	\$157	10.3%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tightened underwriting on Lot loans</li> <li>• Eliminated Alt-A lending</li> <li>• Significantly increased reserves</li> </ul>
Alt-A 1 <sup>st</sup>	1,002	0.8%	77%	670	206	20.6%	
Alt-A 2 <sup>nd</sup>	458	0.4%	97%	634	58	12.7%	
<b>Home Equity Lines</b>							
3rd Party Originated	1,918	1.5%	86%	732	65	3.4%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eliminated &gt;90% LTV production from all channels</li> <li>• Added restrictions on LTVs, DTI, and FICO</li> <li>• Closed or reduced lines to high risk accounts (3<sup>rd</sup> party originated, high CLTV, high risk markets)</li> </ul>
CLTV > 90%	2,553	2.0%	95%	736	40	1.6%	
FL 81-90% CLTV	1,160	0.9%	86%	735	26	2.2%	
<b>Construction</b>							
Construction Perm	2,558	2.0%	na	na	204	8.0%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identified less well positioned builders and engaged in risk mitigation</li> <li>• Added controls, tightened underwriting, and implemented special guidelines for certain markets</li> <li>• Focused effort to reduce residential construction has reduced outstandings by \$2.3B during past year</li> <li>• More than 60% of residential builder balance reduction has occurred in Florida and Atlanta portfolios</li> </ul>
Residential Construction	2,456	2.0%	na	na	219	8.9%	
Residential A&D	2,140	1.7%	na	na	198	9.3%	
Residential Land	565	0.4%	na	na	60	10.6%	
GB&T	395	0.3%	na	na	69	17.5%	
<b>Stressed Total</b>	<b>16,725</b>	<b>13.3%</b>			<b>1,302</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	
<b>Remaining Portfolio</b>	<b>\$109,100</b>	<b>86.7%</b>			<b>\$1,323</b>	<b>1.2%</b>	

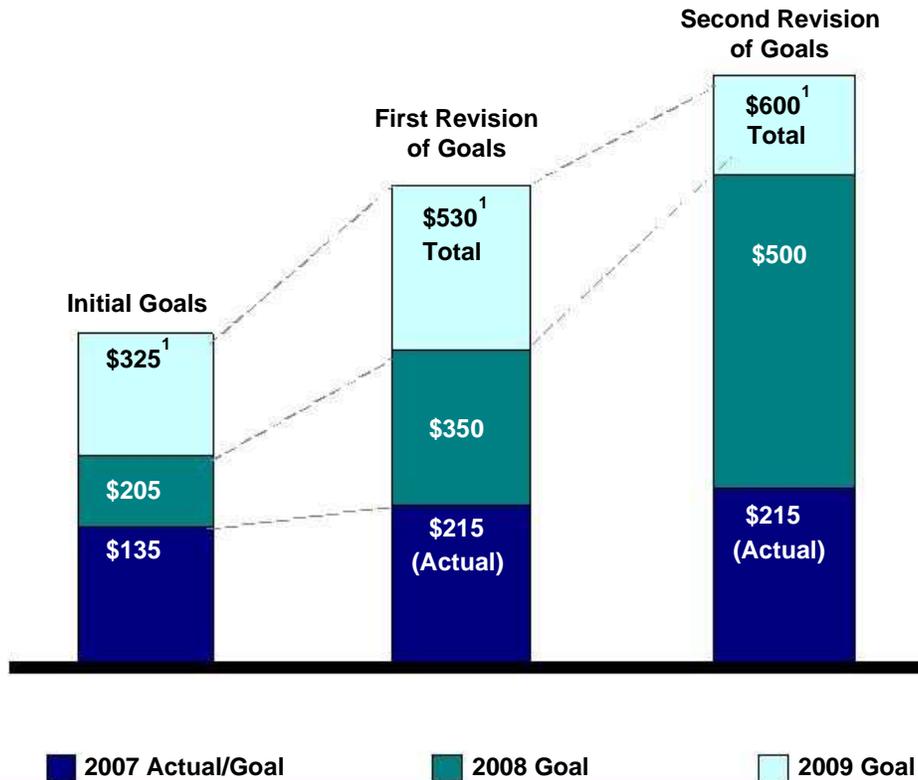
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## **Optimizing Results with Strategic Initiatives**

# Optimizing Results with Strategic Initiatives

## E<sup>2</sup> Program Goals Increased Twice

(\$ in millions)



- 2007 expense savings of \$215 million was **119% of goal**
- **Goals increased twice** since program inception
- 2009 gross expense savings represent **11%<sup>2</sup> of 2006 expense base<sup>2</sup>**

■ 2007 Actual/Goal

■ 2008 Goal

■ 2009 Goal

1. Gross cost savings goals include approximately \$50 million of interest expense savings related to reduced financing costs from disposition of corporate real estate, which will be fully realized beginning in 2Q 2008

2. Does not include initial costs, non-recurring expense reductions, and non-recurring gains associated with E<sup>2</sup> implementation

# Optimizing Results with Strategic Initiatives

## Ahead of Plan on E<sup>2</sup> Program

(\$ in millions)



2Q 2008 Savings \$135

2008 Run-Rate Savings \$518

2008 Goal \$500

Ahead of 2008 Goal \$18

## Optimizing Results with Strategic Initiatives

### Ongoing Effort to Generate Expense Savings and Invest for Growth

#### E<sup>2</sup> Expense Savings

- Previously announced elimination of approximately 2,400 primarily non-customer contact employee positions, or 7% of the workforce by year end 2008, including 1,600 completed in 2007
- Compressed and shed excess office space by approximately 25%; sold over \$1 billion of branch and office space
- Reduced approximately 10% of all supplier expenses through contract renegotiations, contract consolidations, and demand management
- Completed projects that save money and “ease doing business with SunTrust”, including implementation of a new credit support structure that streamlines routine decision process from one week to under three days

#### Investing For Growth

- Continue to invest in high growth markets with approximately 40 new branches in 2008
- Increase advertising and marketing expenditures to drive client and deposit acquisition
- Implement new technology to improve retail sales and service platforms
- Invest in the development of Treasury & Payment Solutions products

# Optimizing Results with Strategic Initiatives

## Generating Momentum with Revenue Initiatives

### Retail & Commercial

- Recent deposit initiatives contributed to an 85% increase in production and a 6% increase overall in new personal and business checking households in the first half of 2008 as compared to the same period in 2007
- Investments made to drive treasury and payment product growth are beginning to produce results; sales of these products improved 31% in 2Q 2008 over 1Q 2008

### Wholesale

- Focus on increasing cross-sales of capital markets products has resulted in significant revenue growth; revenue is up 15% over the first half of 2007
- Successful execution of integrated corporate banking has improved revenue growth; new business revenue is up 21% over the first half of 2007

### Wealth & Investment Management

- Recently licensed over 1,500 branch personnel to sell investment products; thus far, this has driven a 7% increase in overall retail investment income over the first half of 2007, in addition to a 22% increase in annuity revenue
- Centralization of trust account administration and risk management has enabled our client facing associates to more intensely focus on sales growth and retention

### Mortgage

- Recently launched initiative to drive increased checking account cross-sales by tying electronic mortgage payment drafting to the new account
- In the current environment, balancing production margins vs. market share goals to optimize revenue
- Significantly growing FHA volume, with more than a 400% increase in the second quarter versus the same quarter in 2007

## Optimizing Results with Strategic Initiatives

### *Continue to Optimize Balance Sheet and Business Mix*

#### Balance Sheet

##### Increase

- Commercial Lending
- Deposits (Improved Mix)
- Fee Income Businesses

##### Decrease

- Indirect Lending
- Construction Lending
- Brokered and Foreign Deposits

#### Business Mix

##### Investing in Core Businesses

- GB&T Bancshares, Inc.
- Inlign Wealth Management, LLC
- Alpha Asset Management
- TBK Investments, Inc.

##### Selectively Divesting

- First Mercantile Trust Co.
- Corporate Trust Business
- Stock Transfer Business
- Lighthouse (Fund of Funds Manager)
- TransPlatinum

## Downside Protection

### Diversified Franchise

- Meaningful consumer and commercial platforms
- Attractive, diverse geographic profile
- Strong market share in core markets
- Significant fee-oriented activities complement spread-based business

### Solid Capital Structure and Balance Sheet

- Strengthened capital ratios through resolution of Coke holdings
- Attractive, long-term dividend growth
- Diversified sources of funding; large, stable deposit base is primary source of liquidity
- Diversified credit profile
- Aggressively managing risk positions

## Upside Potential

### Optimizing Results with Strategic Initiatives

- Ahead of plan on E<sup>2</sup> program
- Generating momentum with revenue initiatives
- Continue to optimize balance sheet and business mix



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# Appendix

## Non GAAP Reconciliation

(\$ in millions)

	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2008</u>
Total Shareholders' Equity	\$17,907.1
Goodwill	(7,056.0)
Other Intangible Assets including MSRs	(1,442.1)
MSRs	1,193.5
<b>Tangible Equity</b>	<b>\$10,602.5</b>
Total Assets	\$177,232.7
Goodwill	(7,056.0)
Other Intangible Assets including MSRs	(1,442.1)
MSRs	1,193.5
<b>Tangible Assets</b>	<b>\$169,928.1</b>
<b>Tangible Equity to Tangible Assets</b>	<b>6.24%</b>