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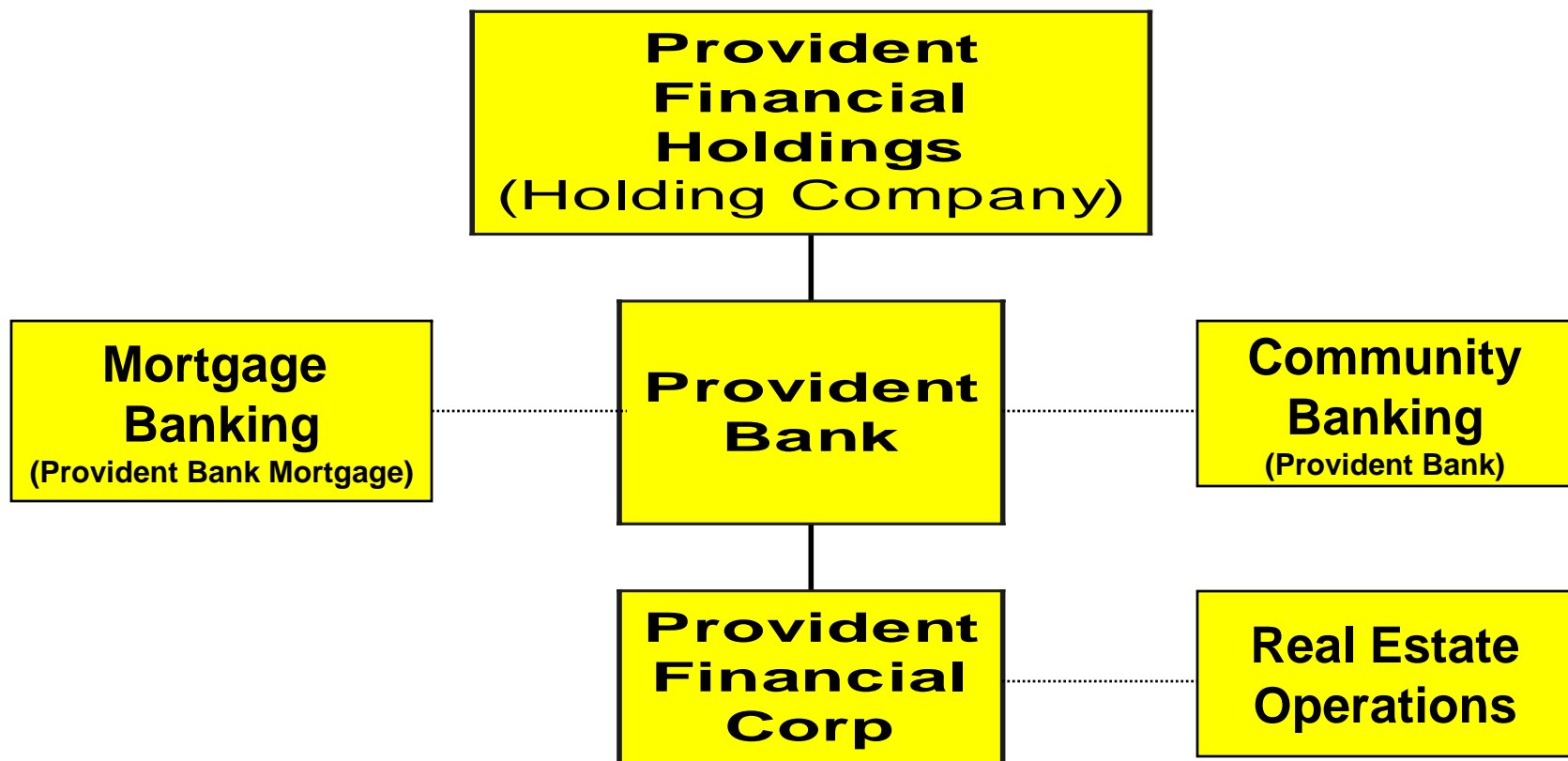
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## Market Highlights

| <b>Provident Financial Holdings, Inc.</b> |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Nasdaq NM:                                | PROV              |
| Share price:                              | \$32.60           |
| 52-week range:                            | \$25.04 - \$32.69 |
| Shares outstanding                        | 7,089,006 shares  |
| Market cap:                               | \$231.1 million   |
| P/E (ttm):                                | 10.48             |
| EPS (ttm):                                | \$3.11            |
| Annual div & yield:                       | \$0.60 (1.84%)    |
| Div distribution date:                    | 13-Mar-06         |
| Div record date:                          | 17-Feb-06         |
| As of March 31, 2006.                     |                   |

# Organizational Chart





# PROV Overview

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## **Regional Banking Services Company Based in the Inland Empire Area of Southern California**

- Strong organic growth rate
- Expanding customer base and market
- Strong mortgage operations
- Outstanding asset quality
- Largest independent community bank headquartered in Riverside County, California

# PROV Overview

## Southern California



### Provident Bank

#### Full Service Offices:

- ★ Blythe
- ★ Canyon Crest, Riverside
- ★ Corona
- ★ Corporate Office, Riverside
- ★ Downtown, Riverside
- ★ Hemet
- ★ La Sierra, Riverside
- (Fall 2006)
- ★ Moreno Valley
- ★ Orangecrest, Riverside
- ★ Rancho Mirage
- ★ Redlands
- ★ Sun City
- ★ Temecula

### Provident Bank Mortgage

#### Wholesale Offices:

- ★ Rancho Cucamonga
- ★ San Diego

#### Retail Offices:

- ★ Call Center, Riverside
- ★ Carlsbad
- ★ Corona
- ★ Diamond Bar
- ★ Glendora
- ★ Huntington Beach
- ★ La Quinta
- ★ Rancho Mirage
- ★ Riverside
- ★ Temecula
- ★ Torrance
- ★ Vista

## Attractive Inland Empire Market

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- “From 1990 to 2005, the Inland Empire added 500,192 jobs, that is 46% of the 1,086,141 job growth in Southern California. In 2005 alone, the region’s 56,658 new jobs exceeded the combined growth of Orange County (32,717) and San Diego County (21,058).”

*Source: 2006 Husing Report.*

- “People are moving to the Inland Empire due to the huge median home price advantage. Its \$386,000 median price saved families: \$124,000 (Los Angeles), \$156,000 (San Diego), and \$284,000 (Orange County).”

*Source: 2006 Husing Report.*

- “The Inland Empire will add 1.76 million people from 2000 to 2020, more than all but seven U.S. states.”

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- “Office absorption has reached record levels as some coastal firms have realized they need to be located in the midst of the Inland Empire’s 3.9 million people and 1.2 million job economy.”

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# Business Strategy

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## Holding Company

- Prudent share repurchase program
- Prudent cash dividend policy

## Provident Bank

- Asset growth - loans vs. investments
- Loan portfolio mix - “preferred loans” vs. single-family loans
- Deposit growth vs. wholesale funding

## Provident Bank Mortgage

- Loan origination mix - purchase vs. refinance
- High margin products - e.g. seconds, alt-A fixed and alt-A adjustable loans vs. all other loans

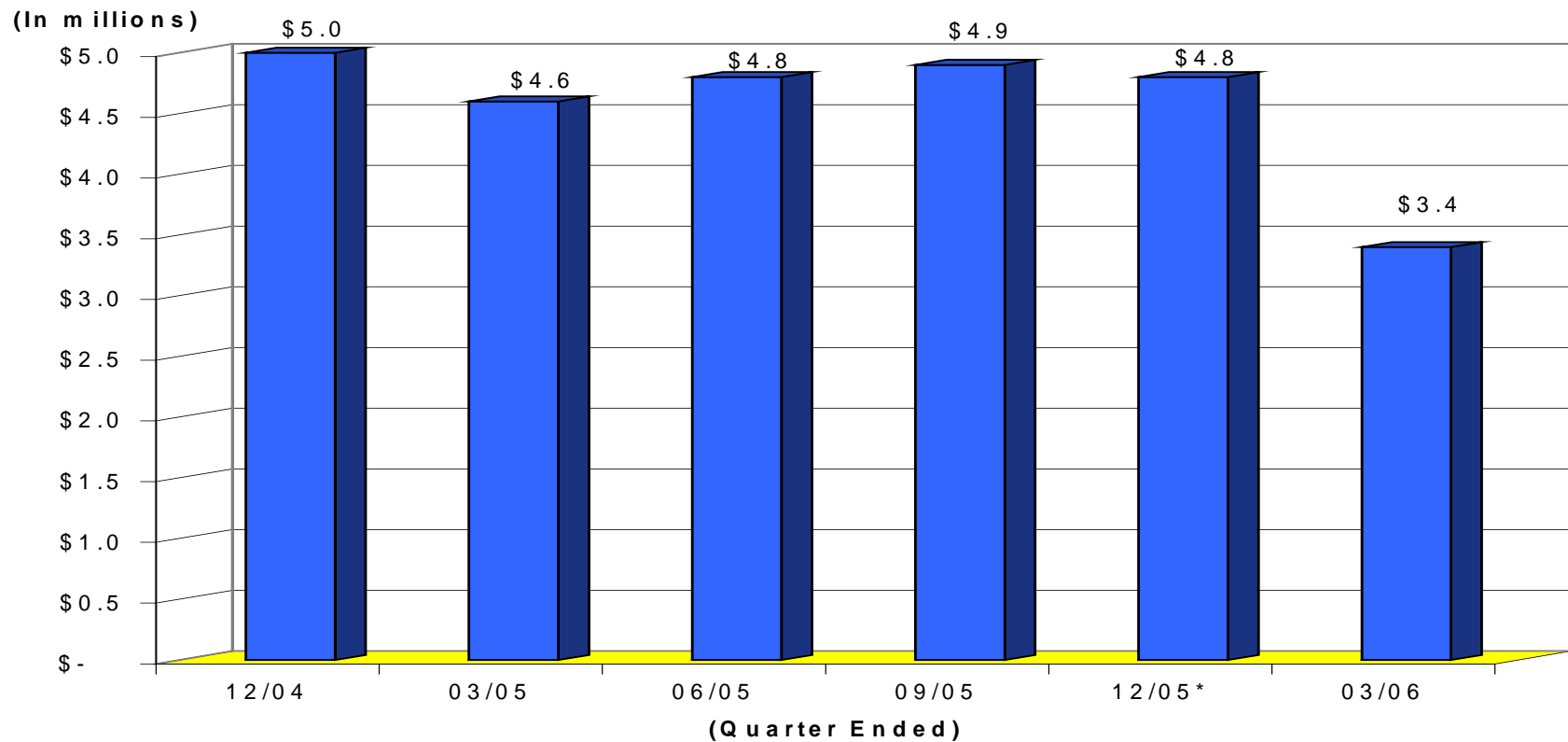


# PROV Highlights

| <b>Financial Position:</b>      | <b>As of<br/>03/31/2006</b> | <b>As of<br/>12/31/2004</b> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total assets .....              | \$ 1.56 billion             | \$ 1.52 billion             |
| Loans held for investment ..... | \$ 1.21 billion             | \$ 1.04 billion             |
| Deposits .....                  | \$ 932.2 million            | \$ 911.4 million            |
| Equity .....                    | \$ 136.9 million            | \$ 116.4 million            |
| Tangible equity .....           | \$ 136.9 million            | \$ 116.3 million            |

| <b>Financial Results:</b>      | <b>Quarter Ended<br/>03/31/2006</b> | <b>Quarter Ended<br/>12/31/2004</b> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Net income .....               | \$ 3.4 million                      | \$ 5.0 million                      |
| Return on average equity ..... | 10.17%                              | 17.60%                              |
| Return on average assets ..... | 0.89%                               | 1.37%                               |
| Net interest margin .....      | 3.00%                               | 2.93%                               |
| Efficiency ratio .....         | 52.19%                              | 47.65%                              |
| Total loan originations .....  | \$ 401.0 million                    | \$ 527.0 million                    |
| Provident Bank .....           | \$ 108.6 million                    | \$ 62.0 million                     |
| Provident Bank Mortgage ....   | \$ 292.4 million                    | \$ 465.0 million                    |

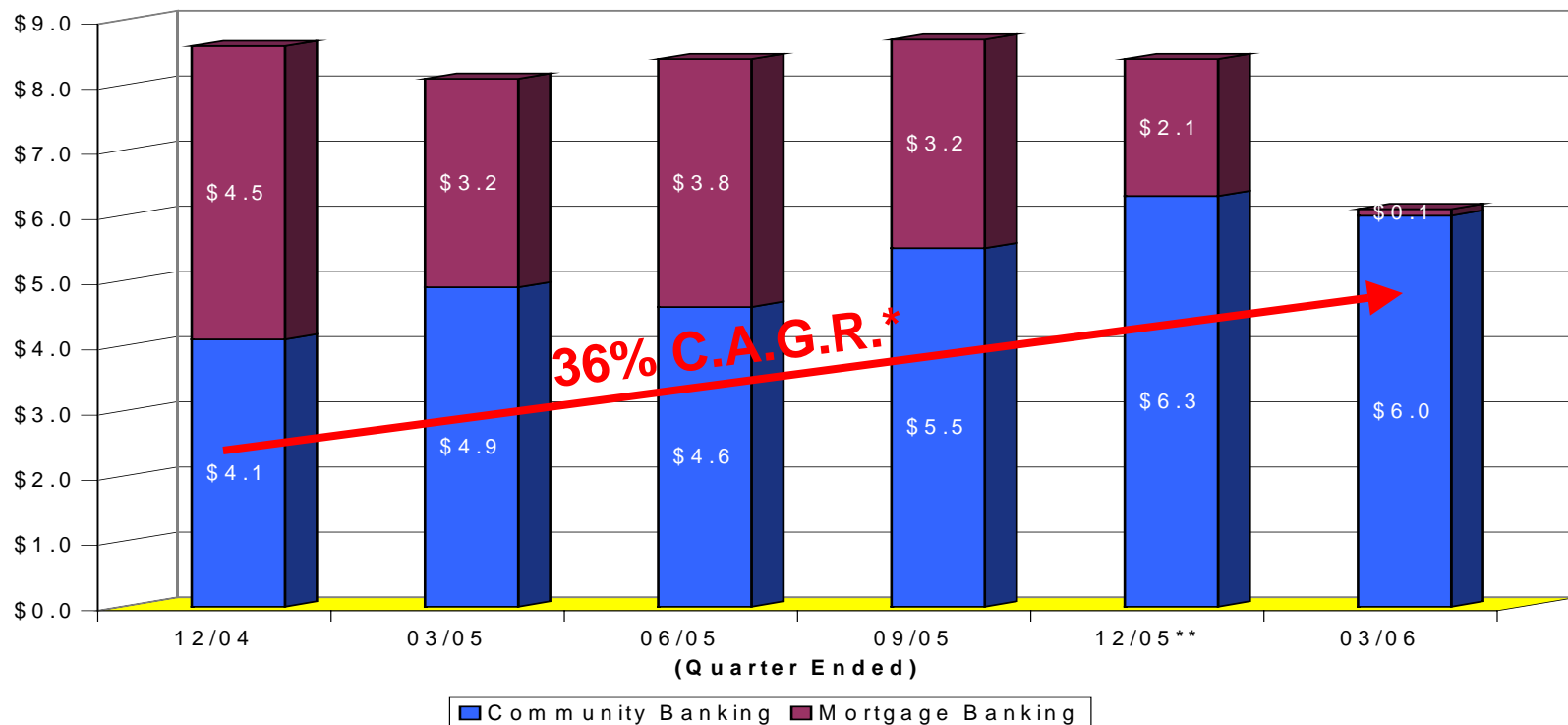
## Quarterly Net Income



\* Excluding the gain on sale of real estate of \$6.3 million. On a GAAP basis, Net Income was \$8.4 million as described in the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2005.

## Pre-Tax Income - Operating Segments

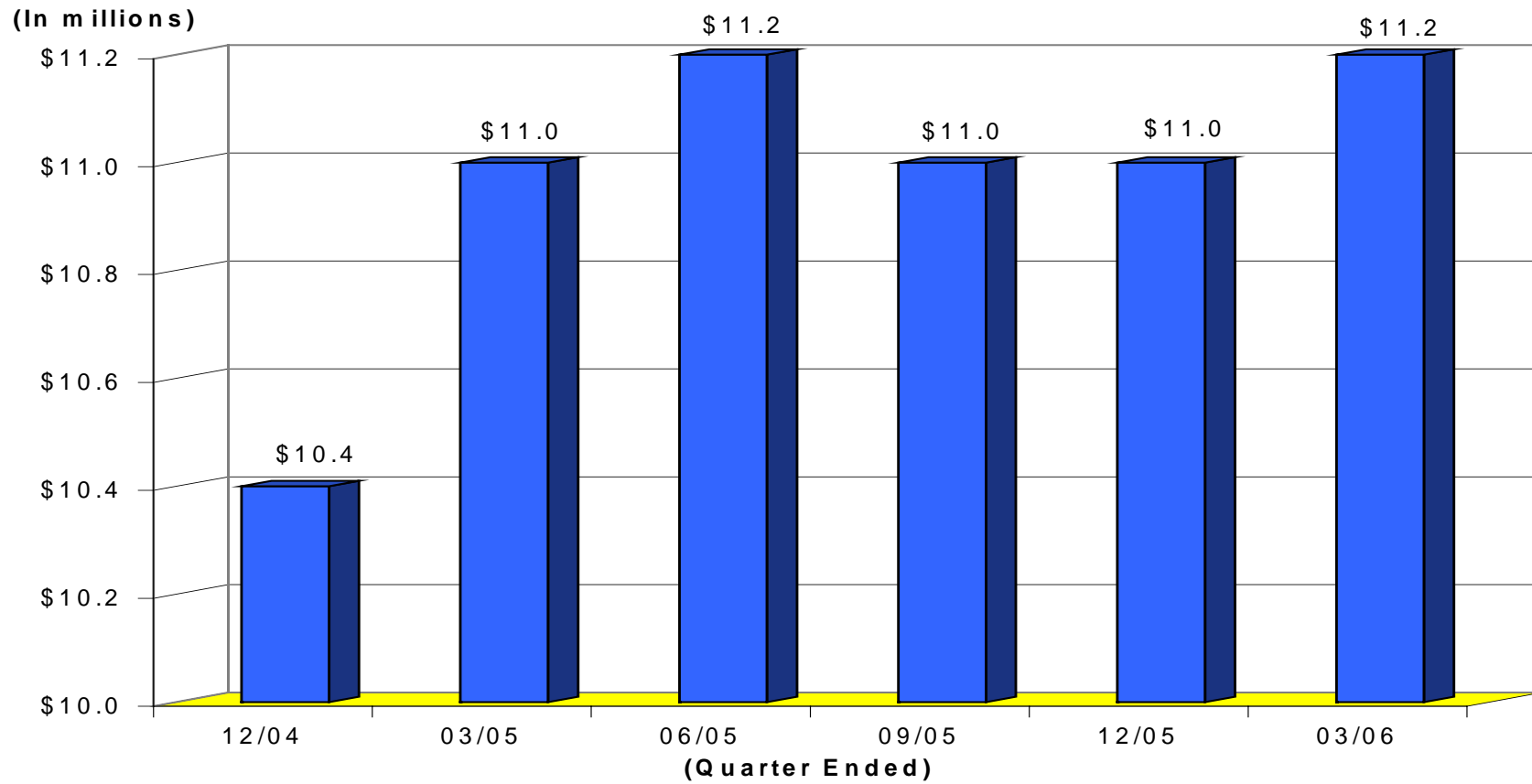
(In millions)



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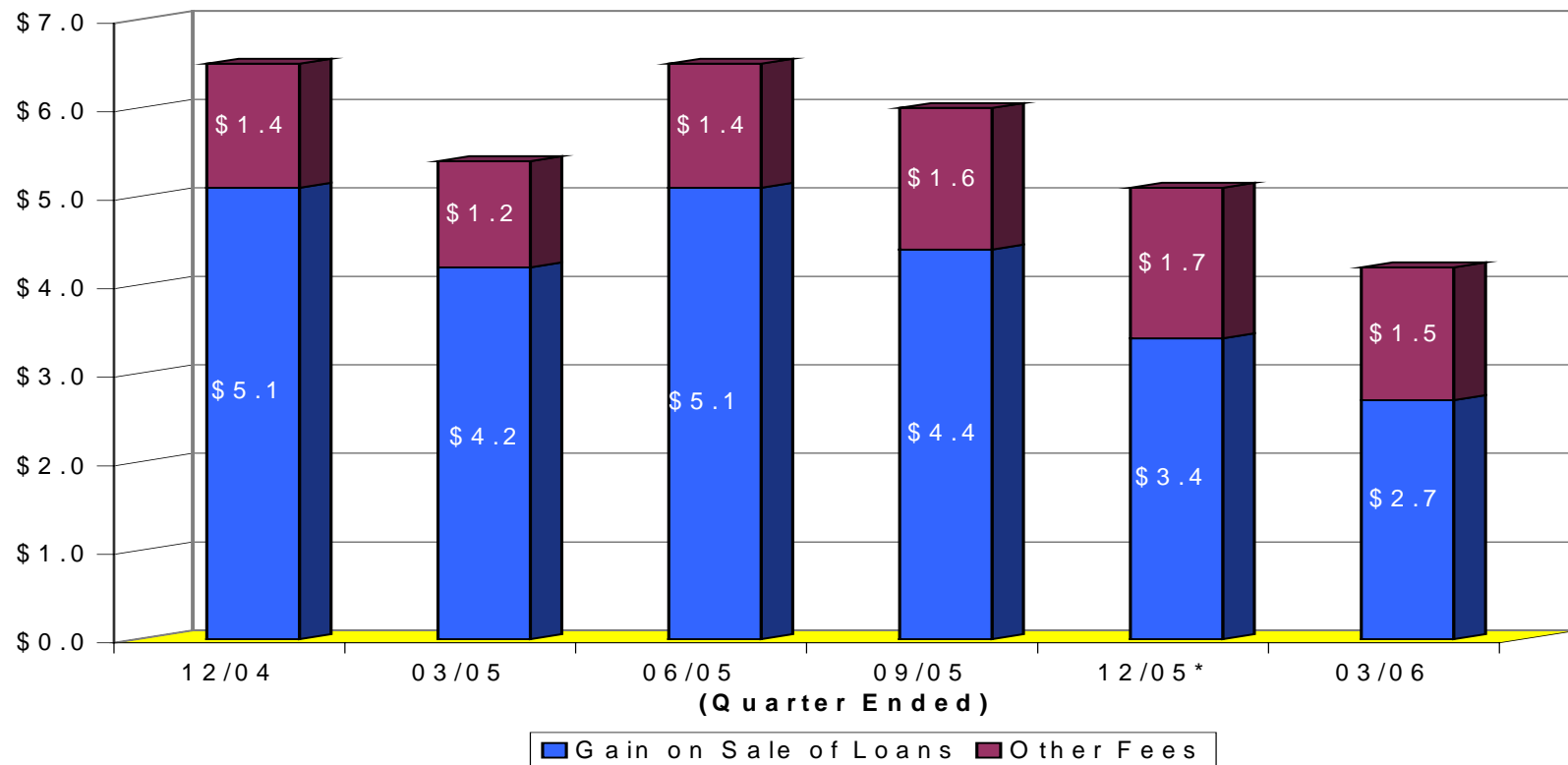
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## Quarterly Net Interest Income



# Non-Interest Income

(In millions)

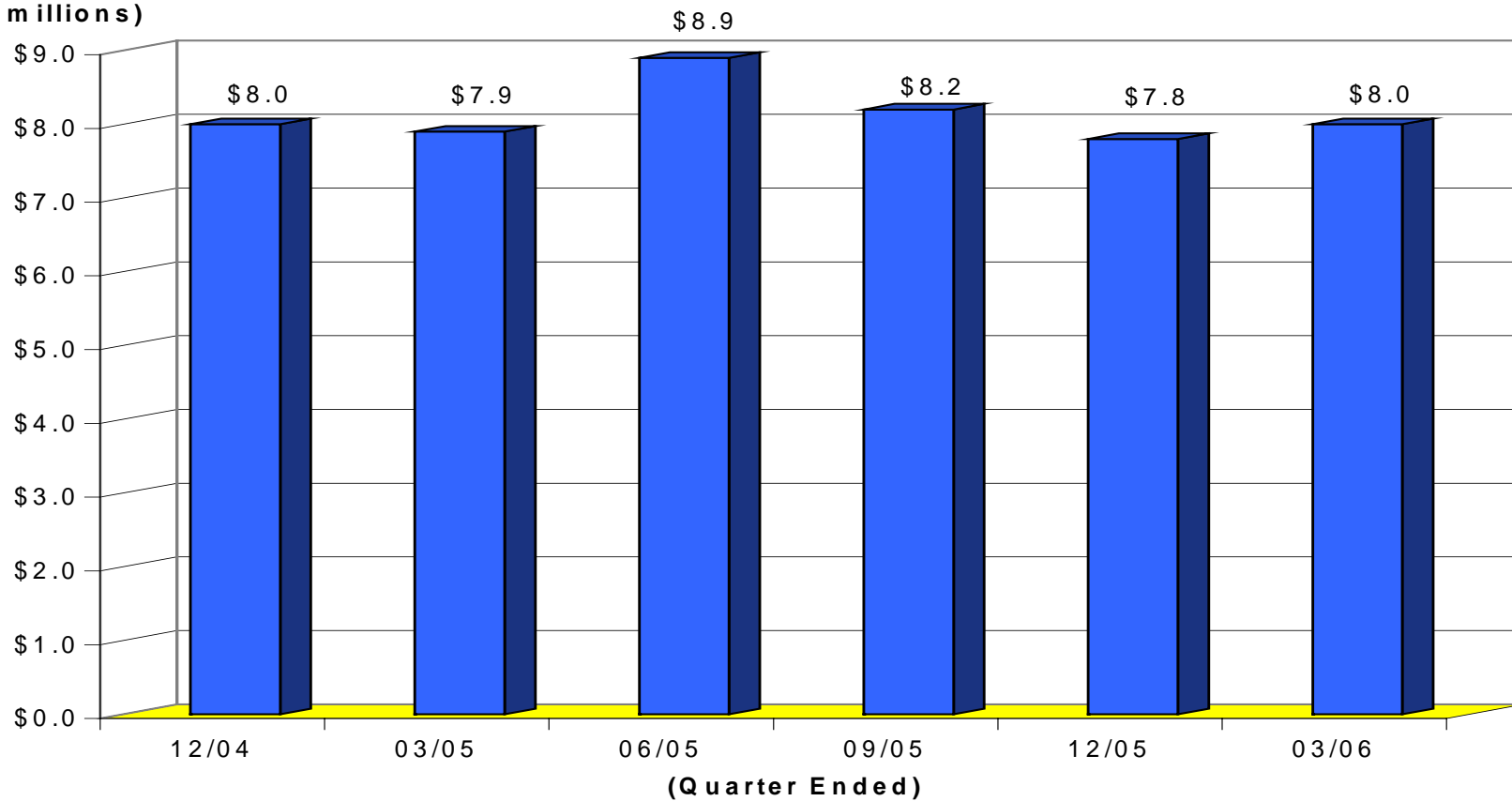


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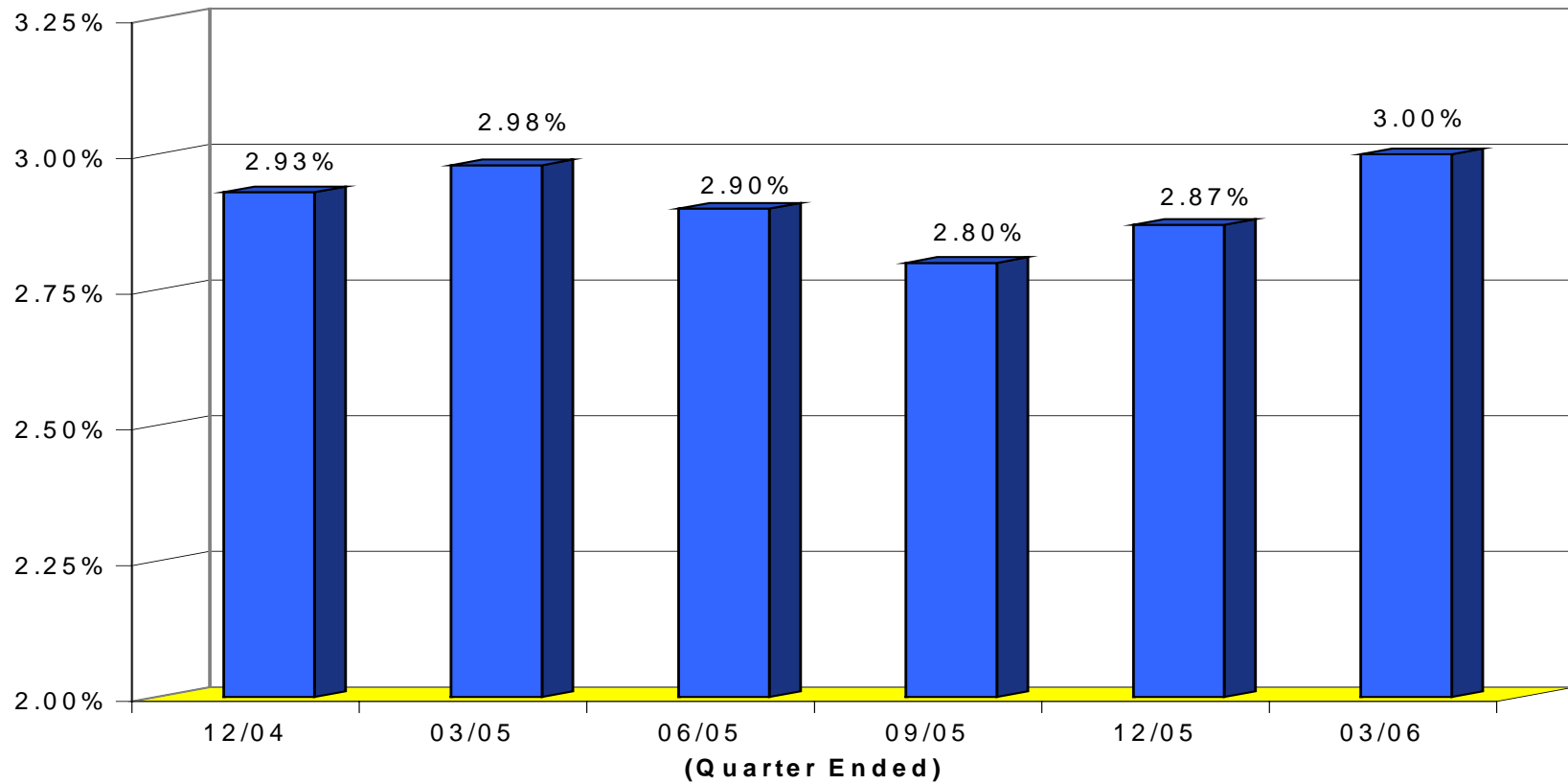


# Operating Expenses

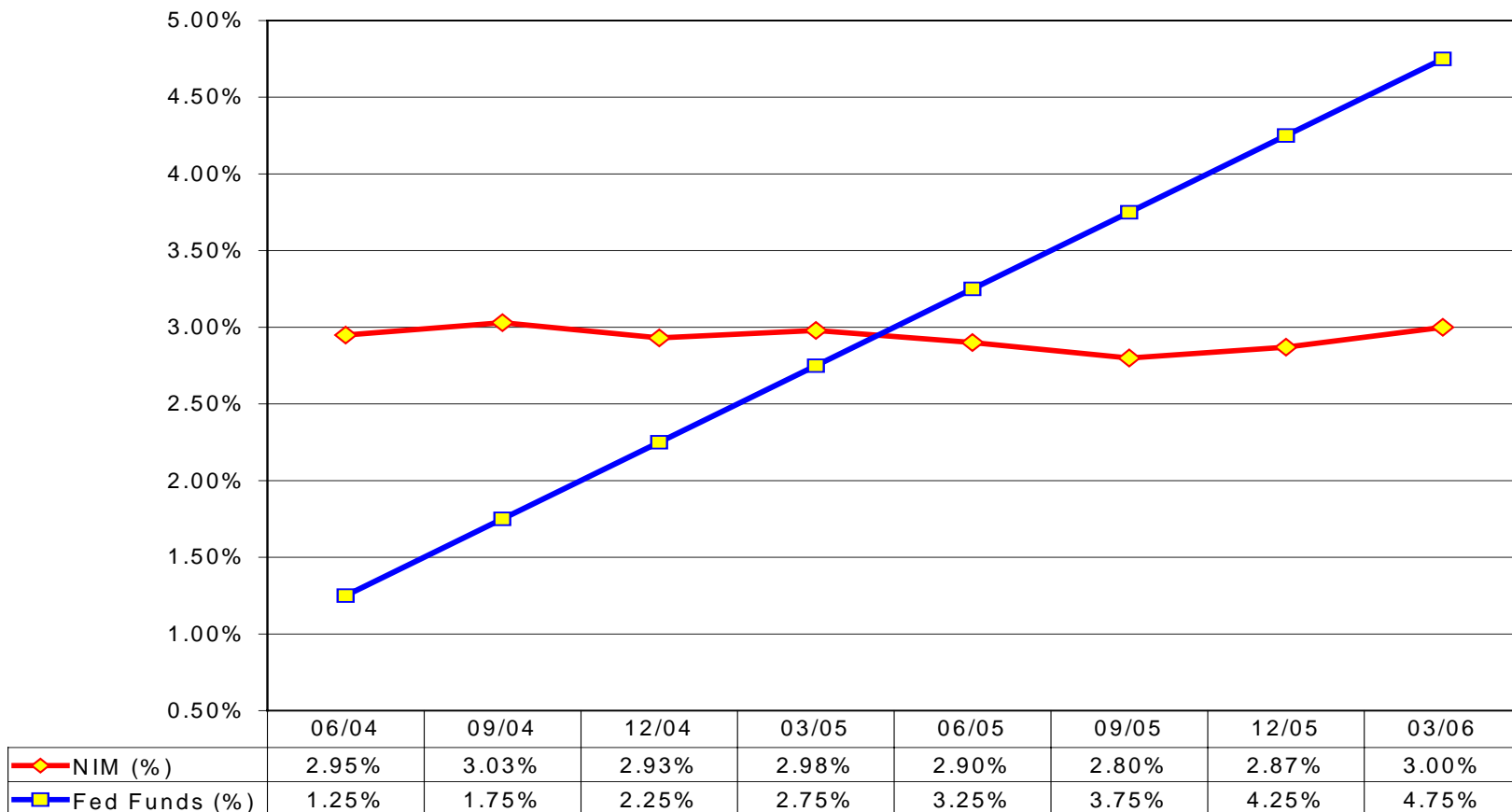
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## Net Interest Margin

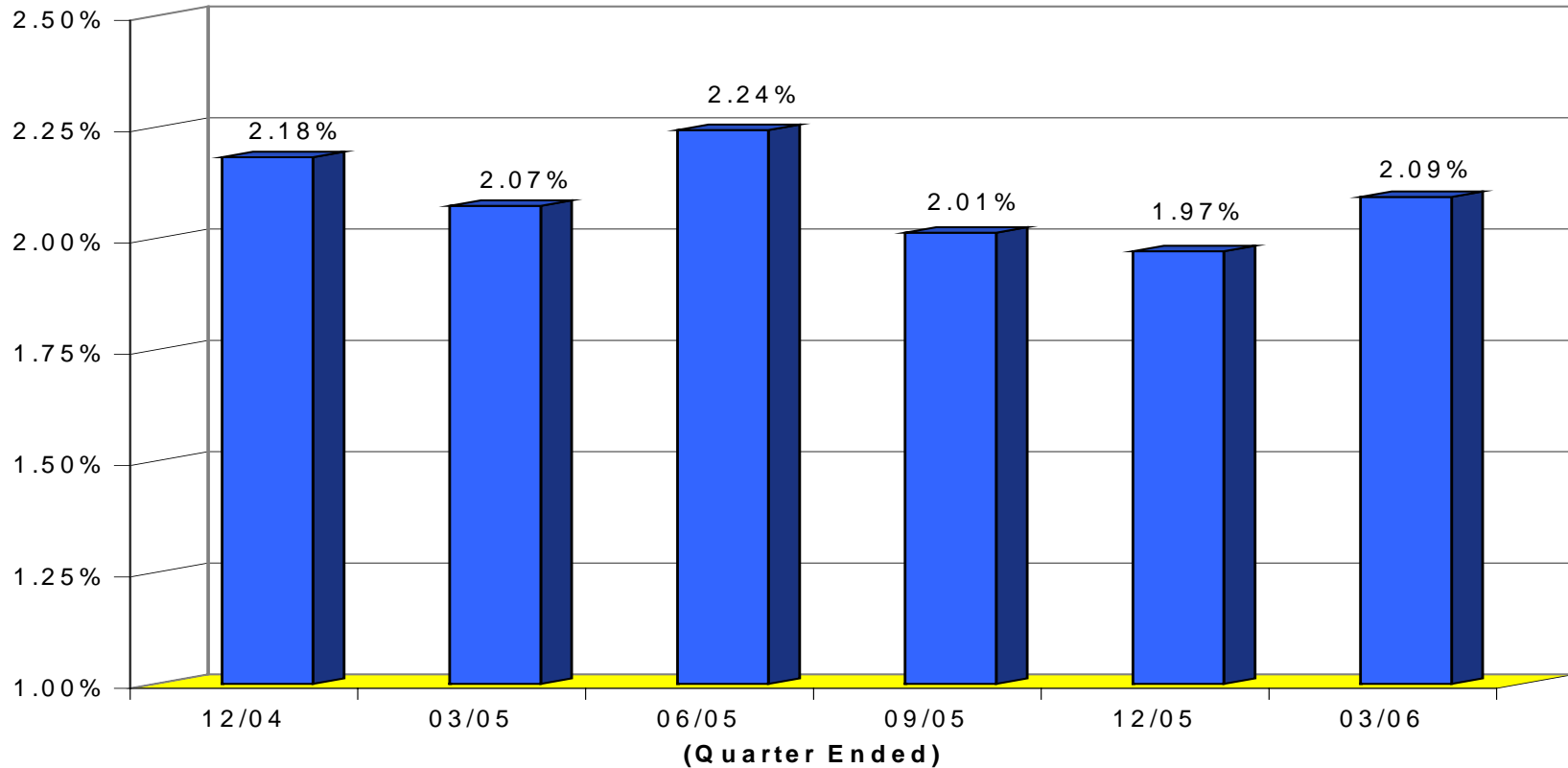


## Net Interest Margin vs. Fed Funds

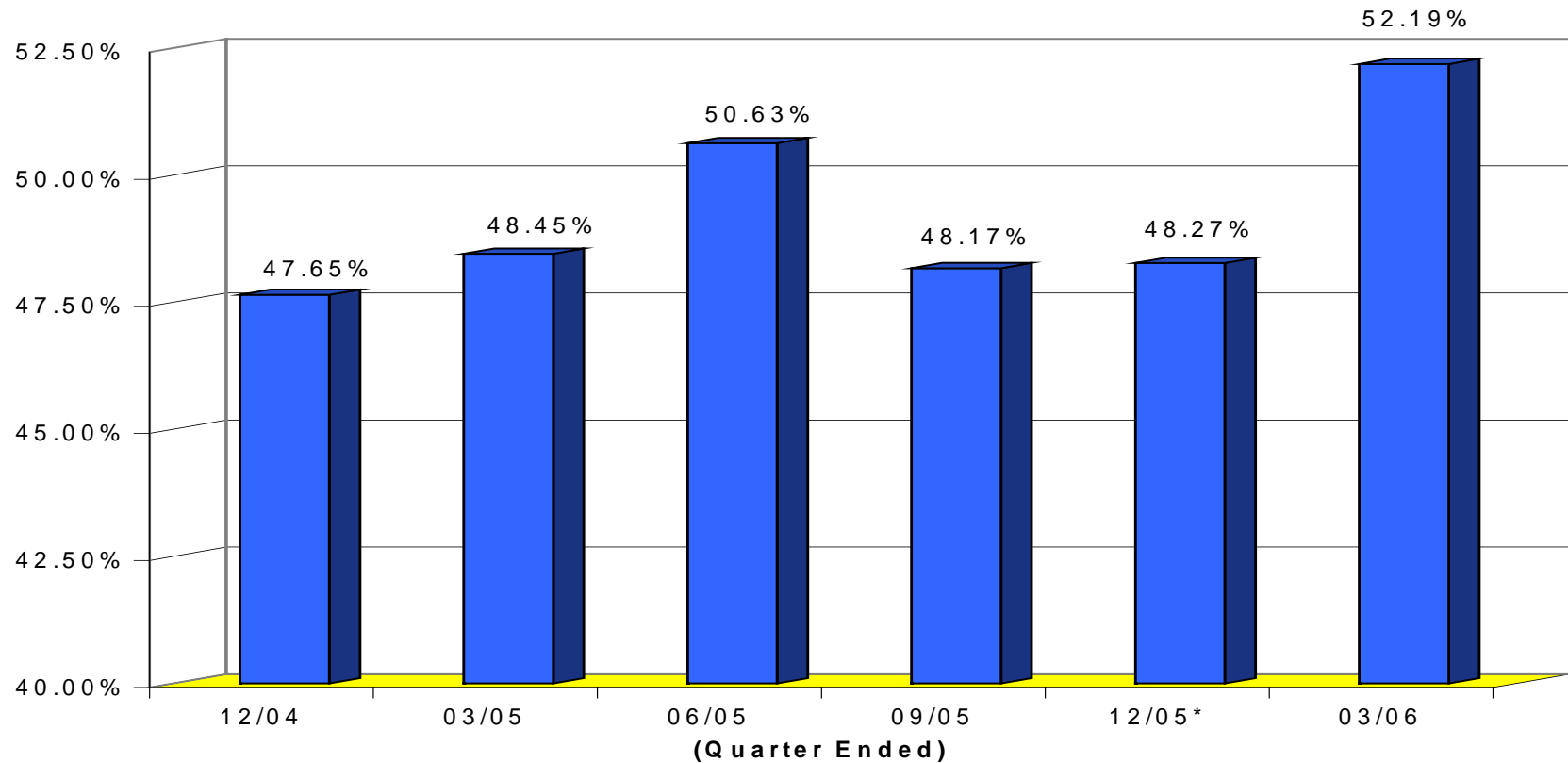




## G&A to Average Assets

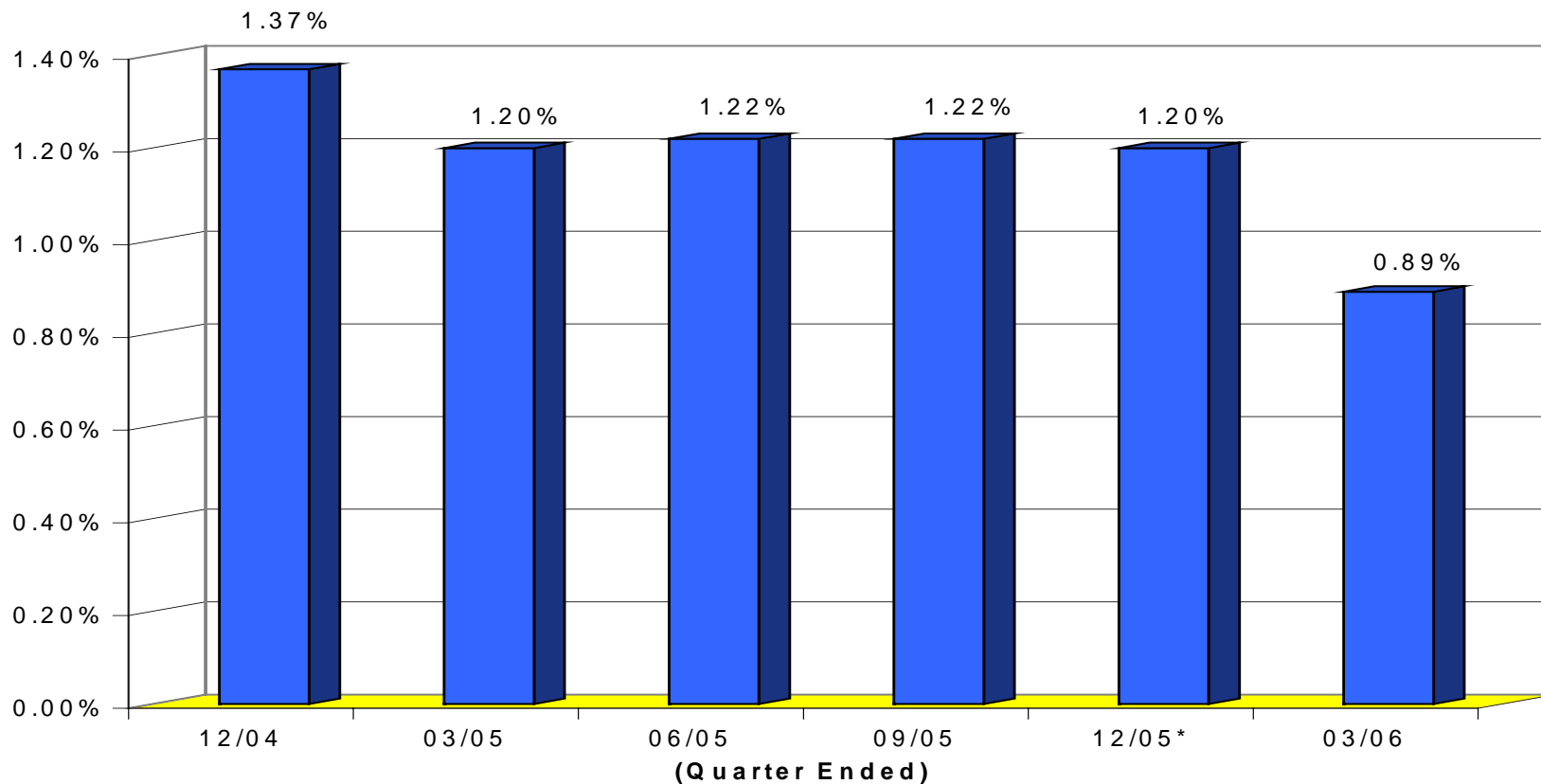


## Efficiency Ratio



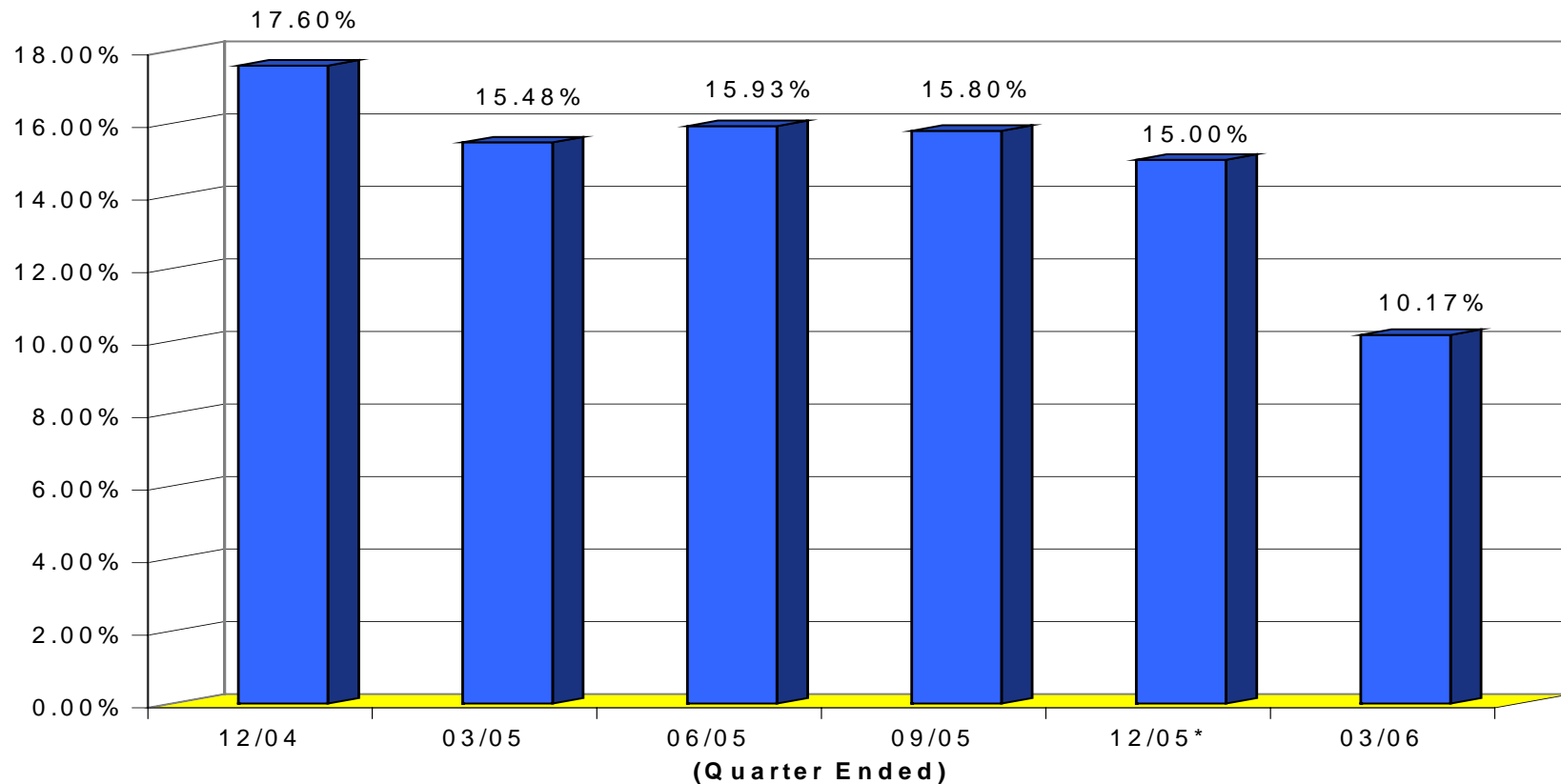
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## Return on Average Assets



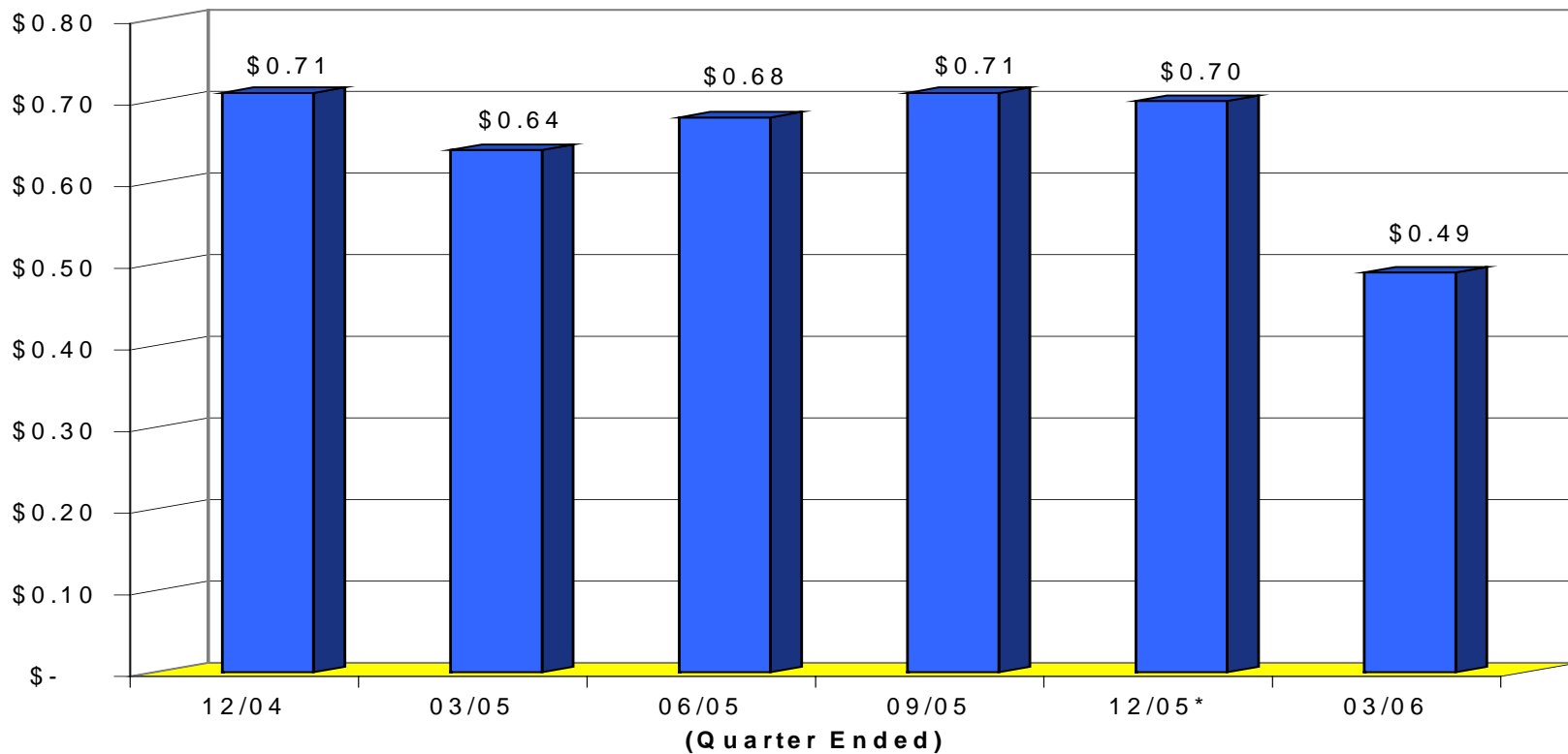
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## Return on Average Equity



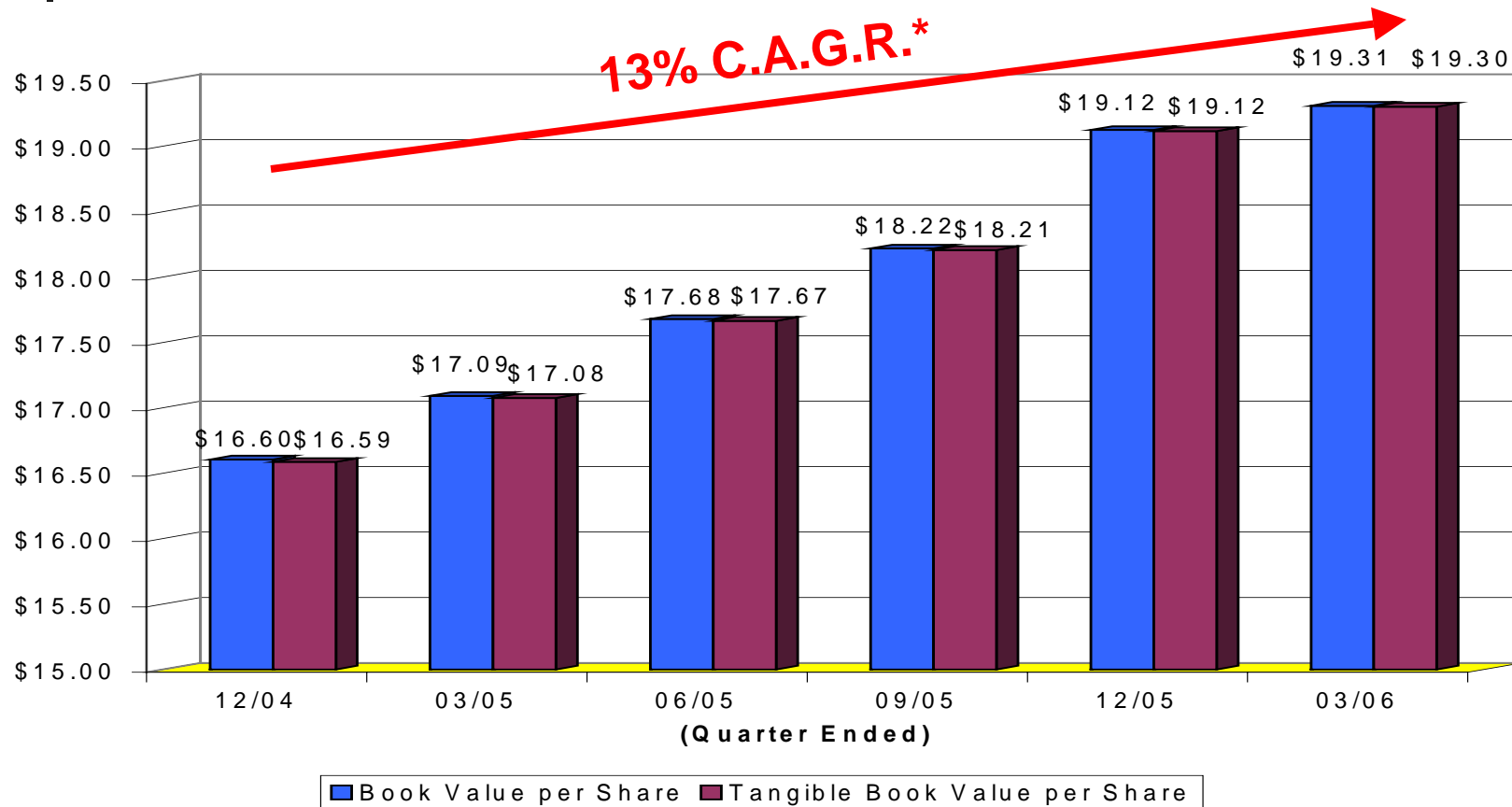
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# Diluted Earnings per Share

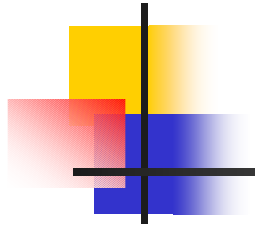


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# Book Value per Share



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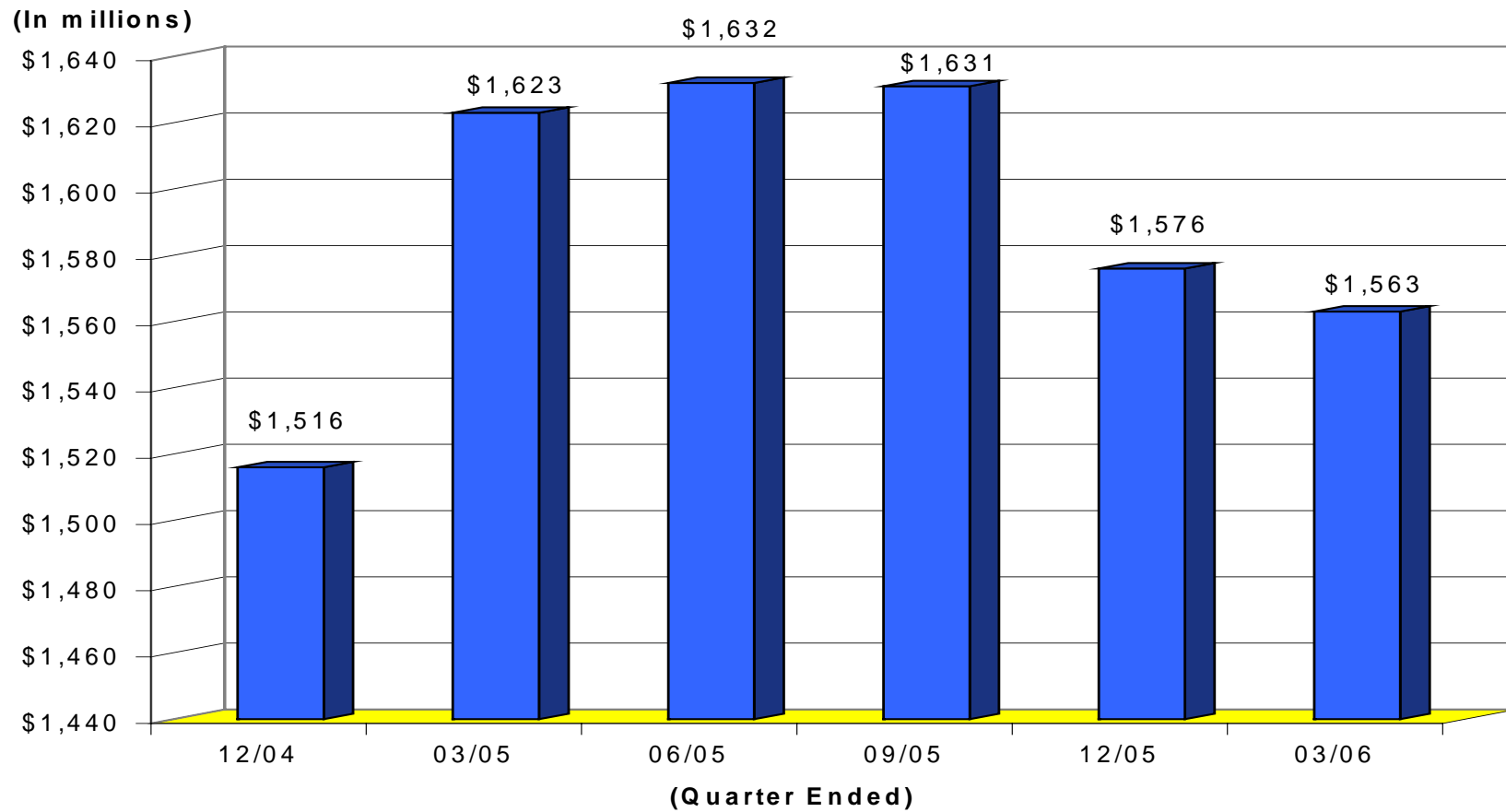
## Community Banking

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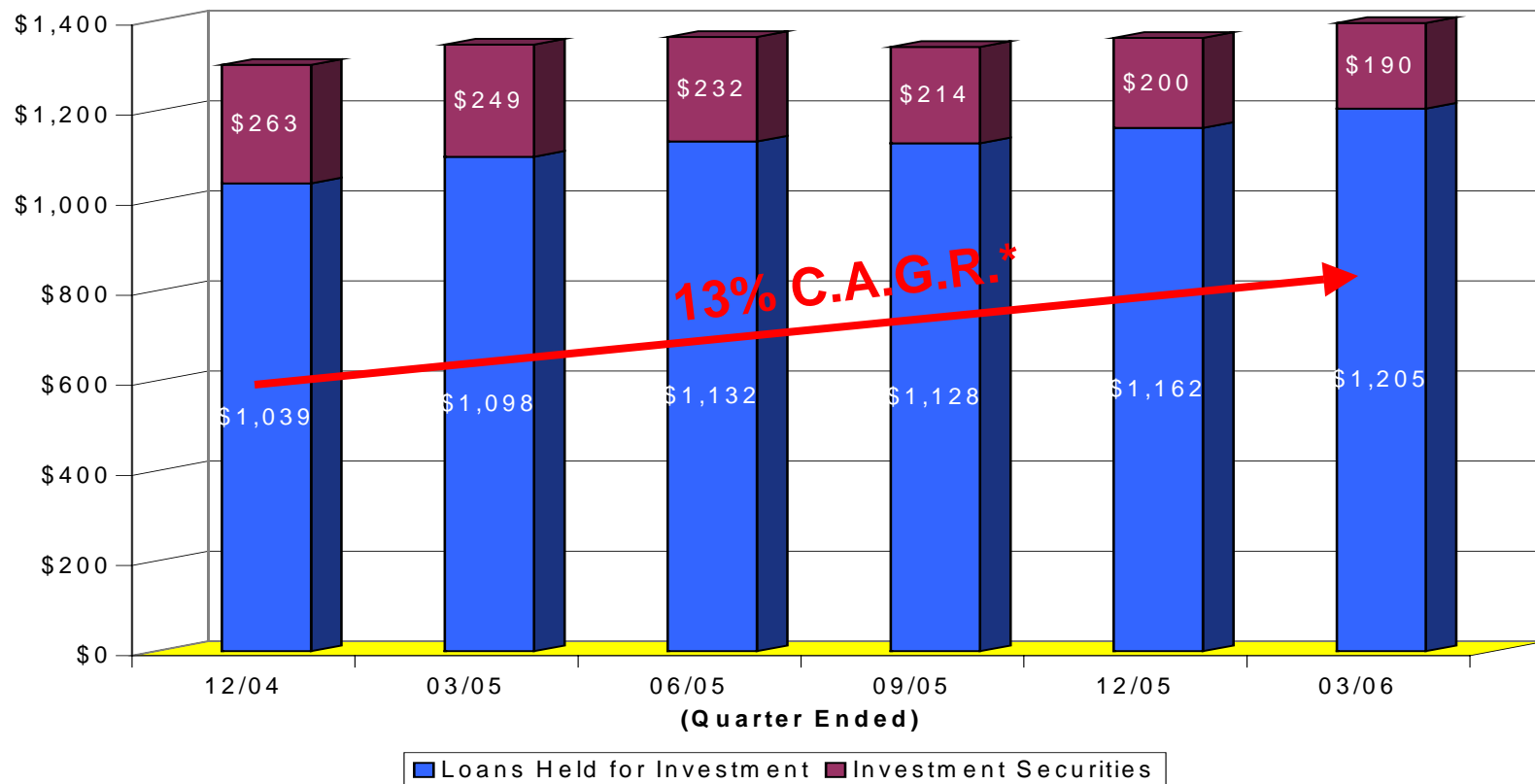
## Total Assets





## Loan to Investment Mix

(In millions)

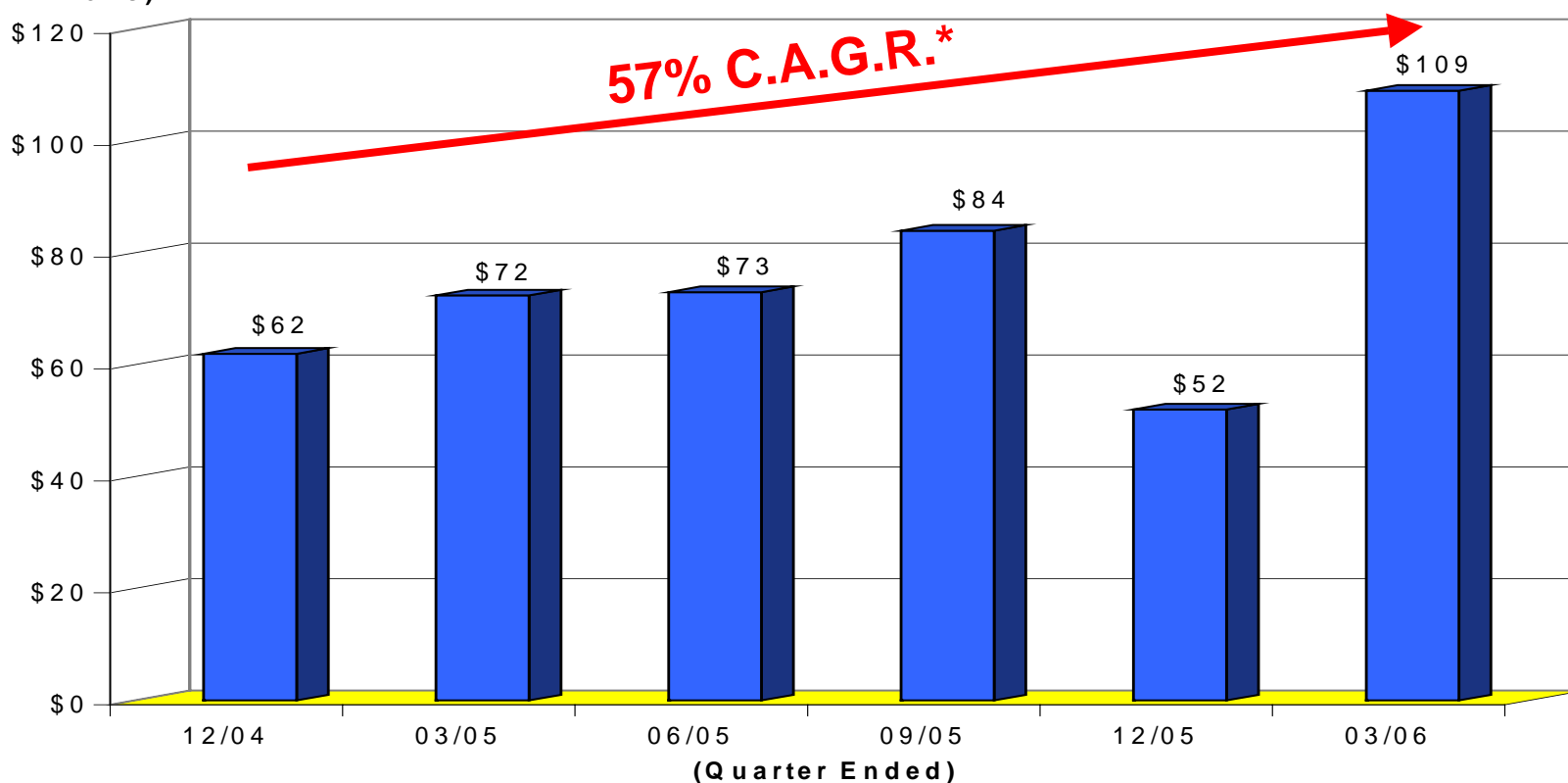


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## Provident Bank Loan Originations (Primarily “Preferred Loans”)

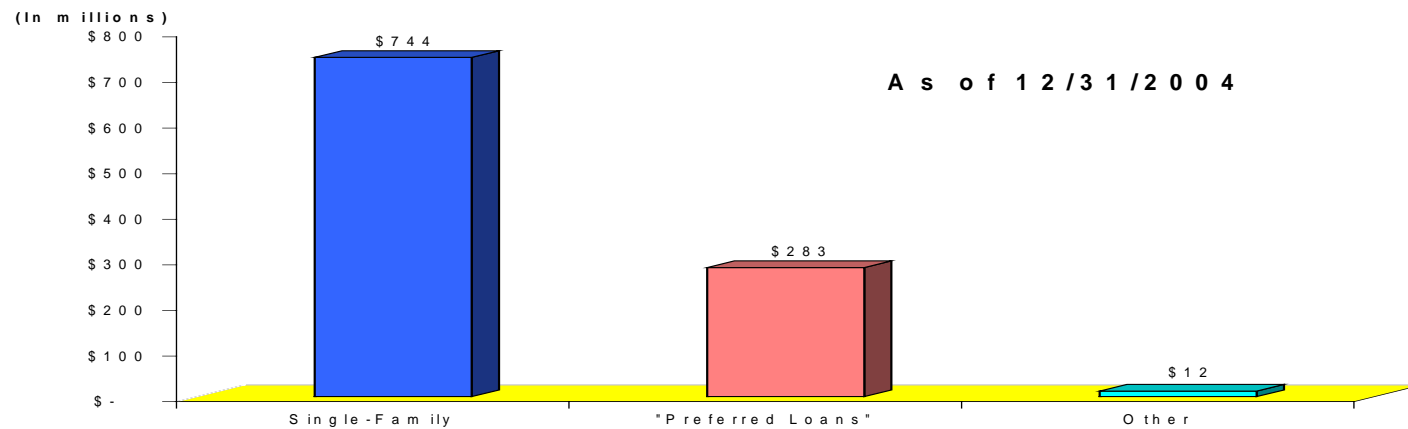
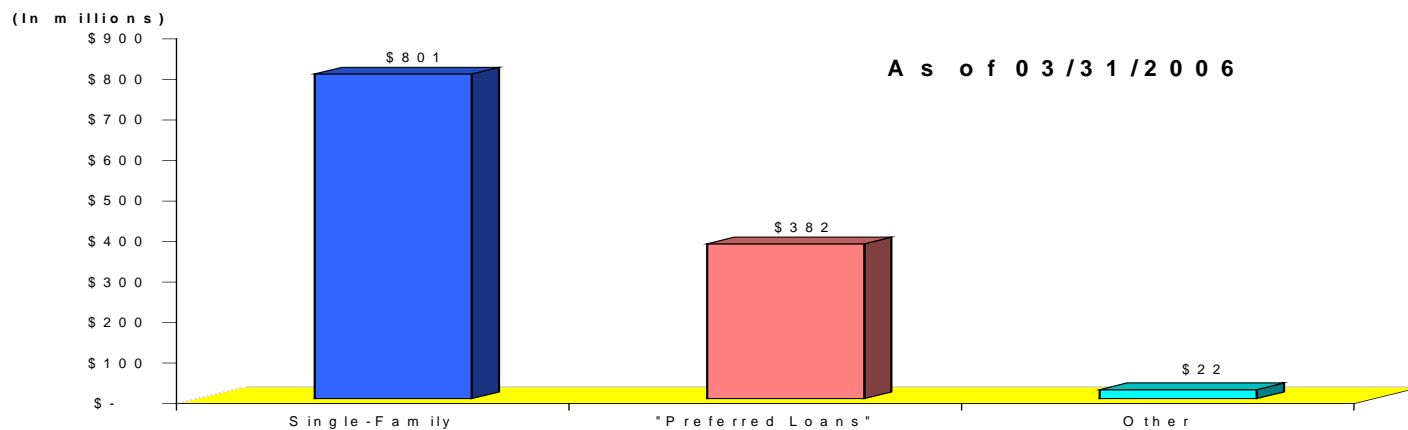


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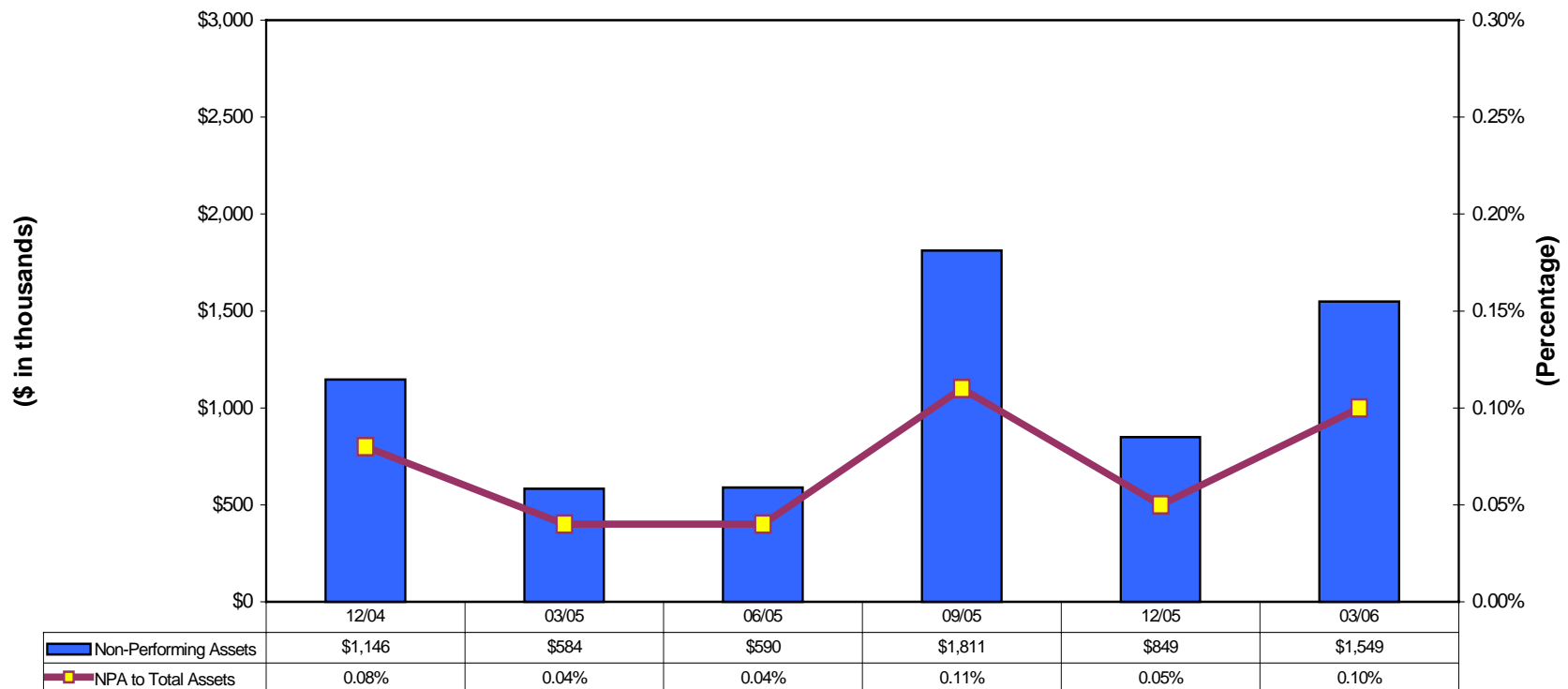
## Loan Portfolio Mix (Loans Held for Investment)



"Preferred Loans" - Multi-Family, Commercial RE, Construction and Commercial Business loans.

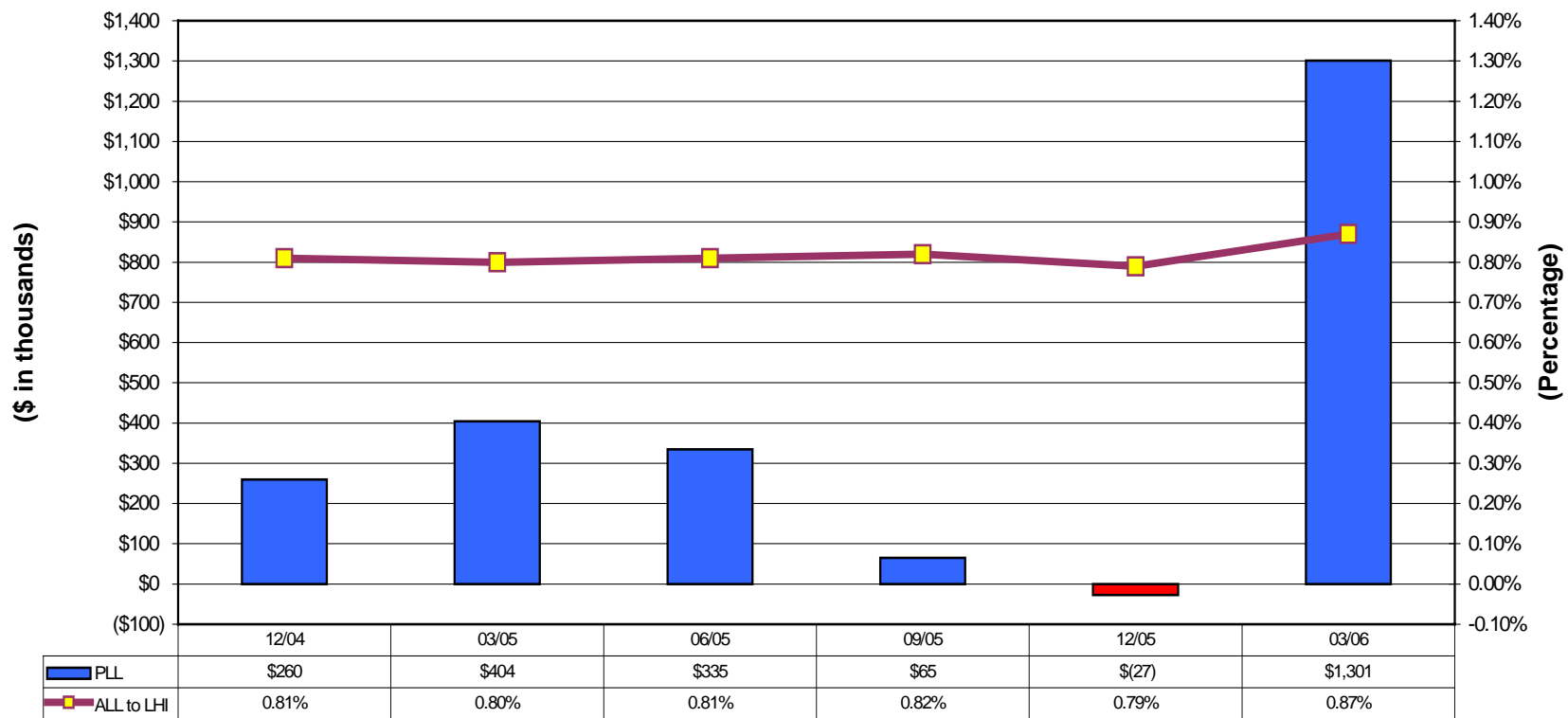
# Asset Quality

## Non-Performing Assets ("NPA") & NPA to Total Assets



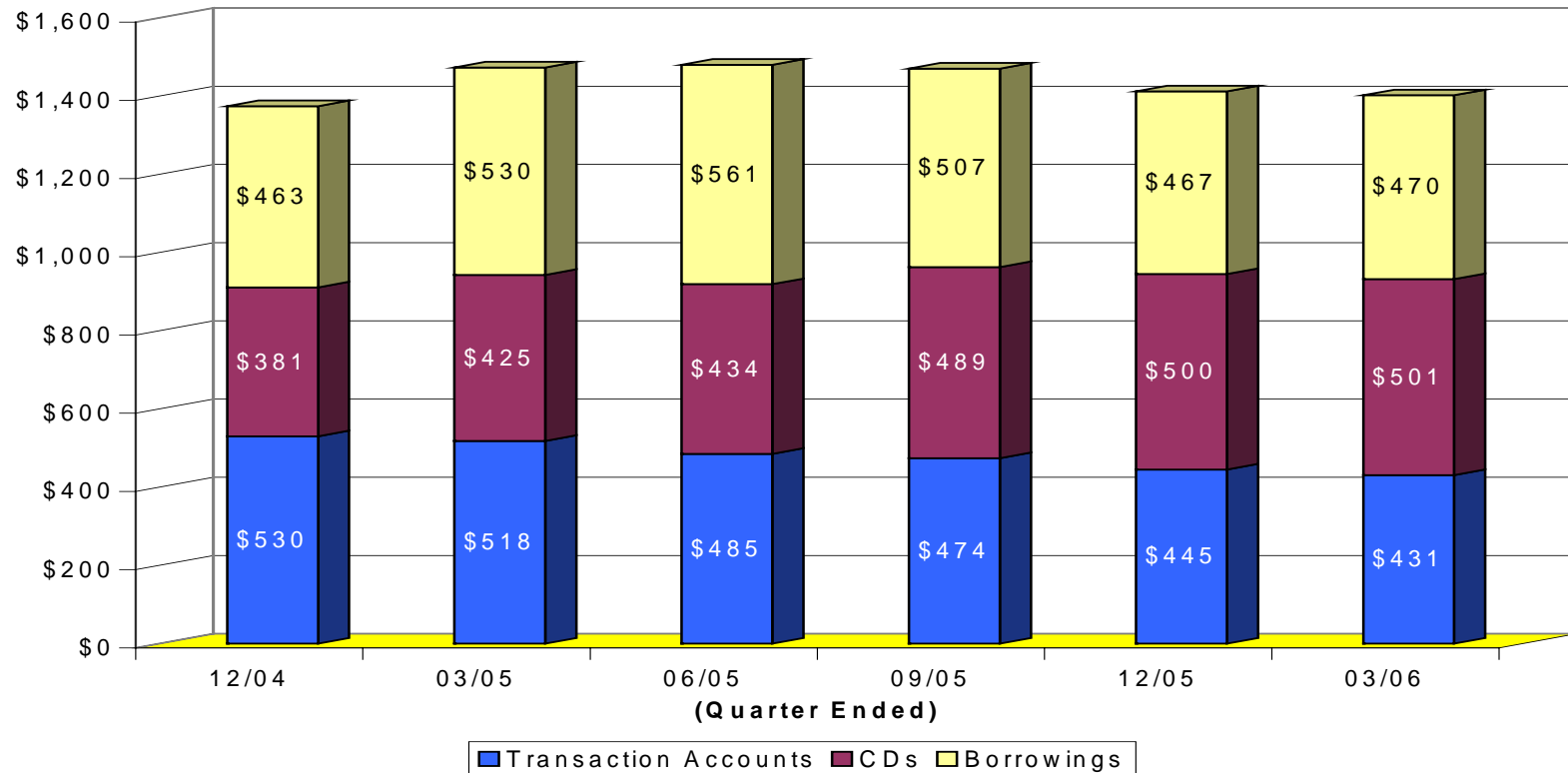
# Asset Quality

## Provision for Loan Losses (PLL) & Allowance for Loan Losses to Loans Held for Investment (ALL to LHI)

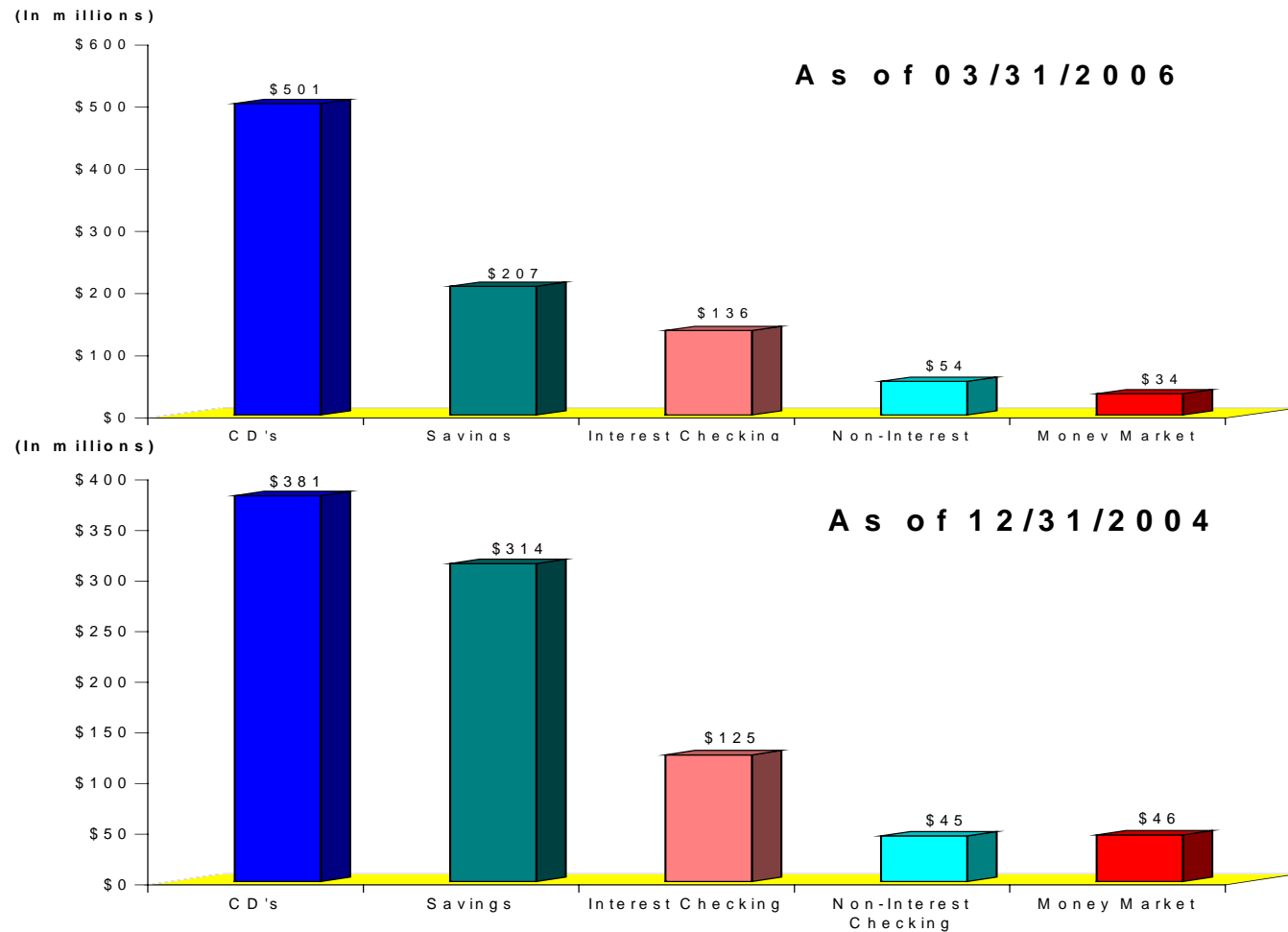


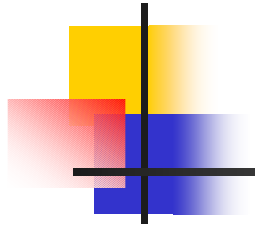
## Transaction Accounts, CDs & Borrowings

(In millions)



# Deposit Composition





## Mortgage Banking

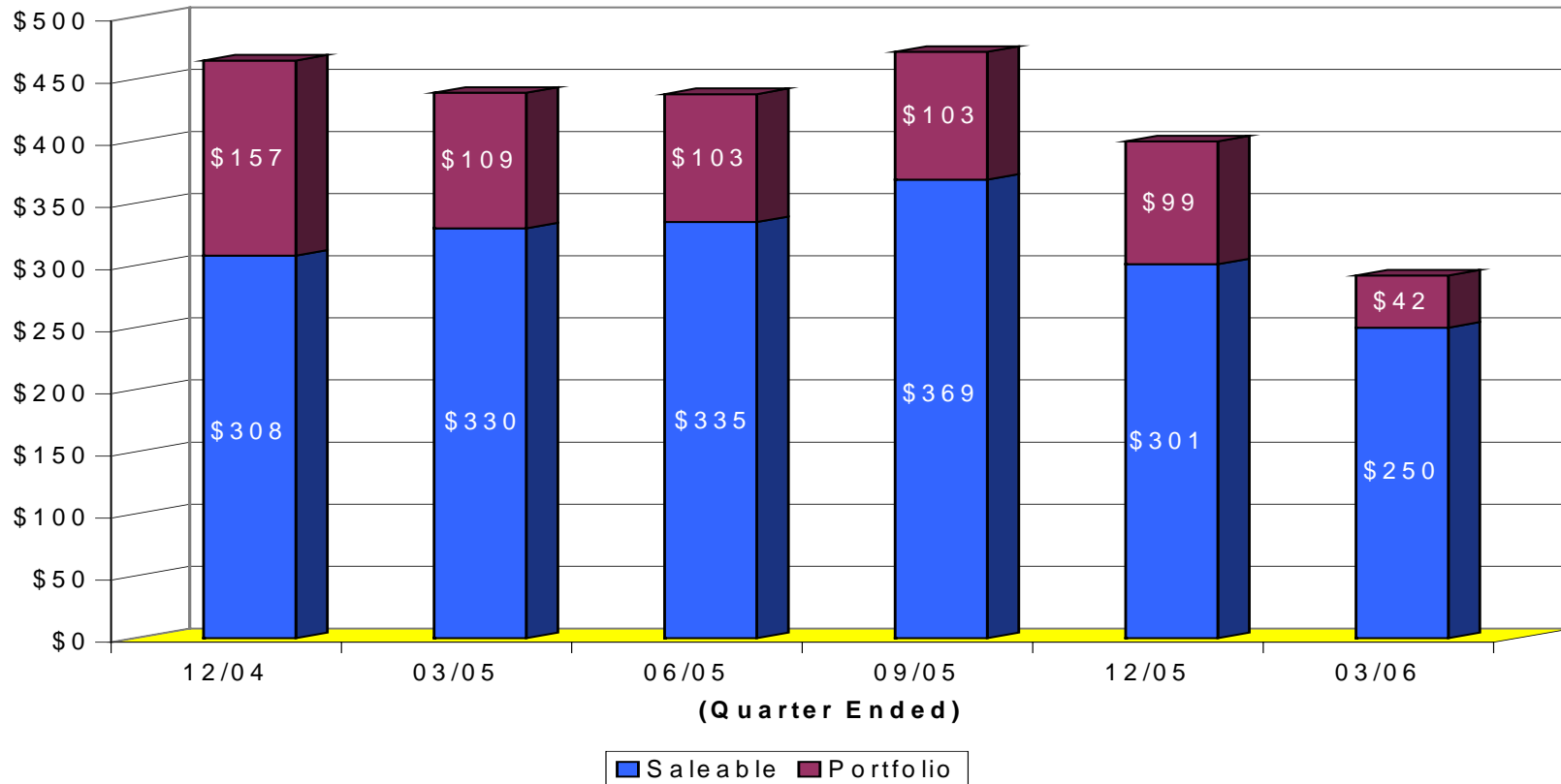


**Faster funded home loans.**

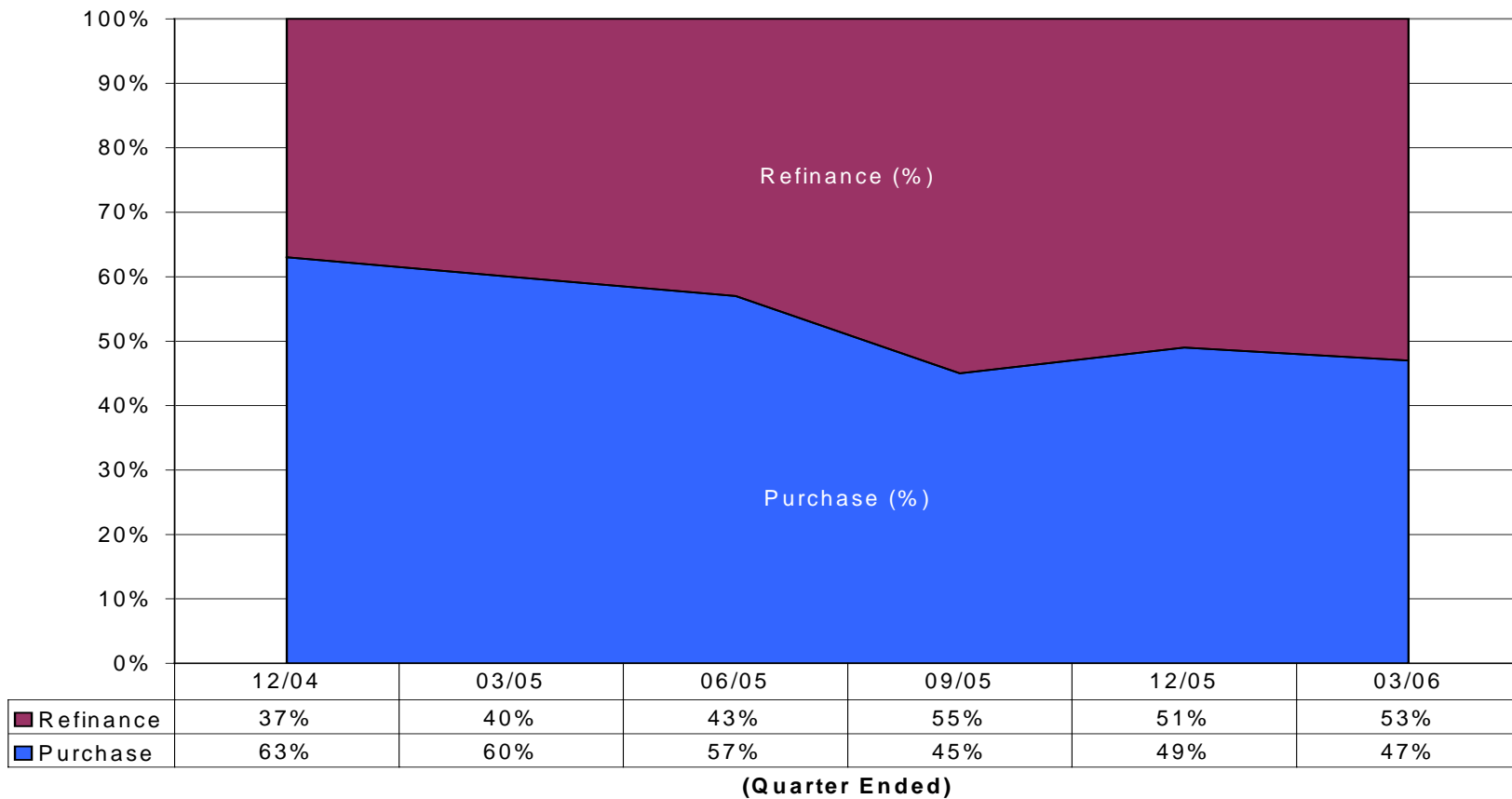


## Provident Bank Mortgage Loan Originations

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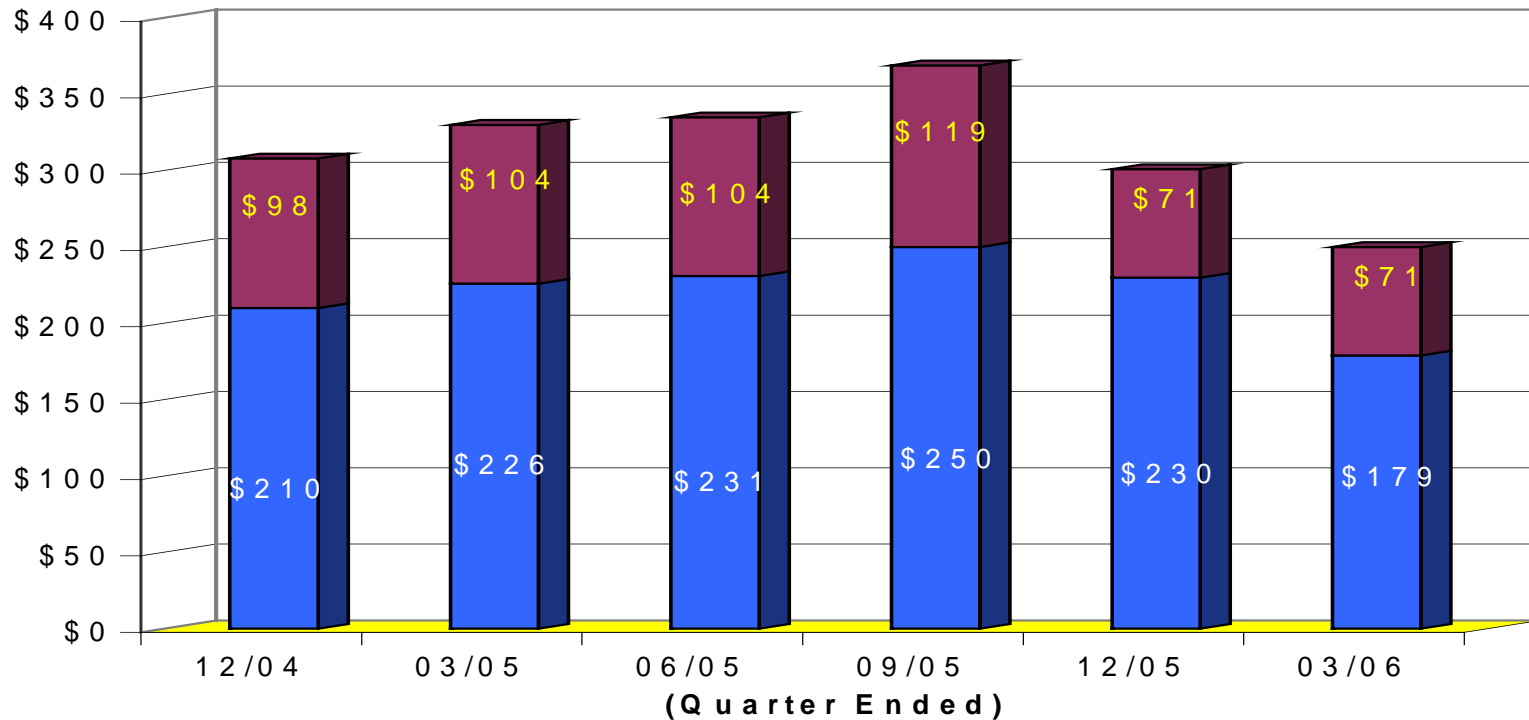


## PBM Purchase vs. Refinance



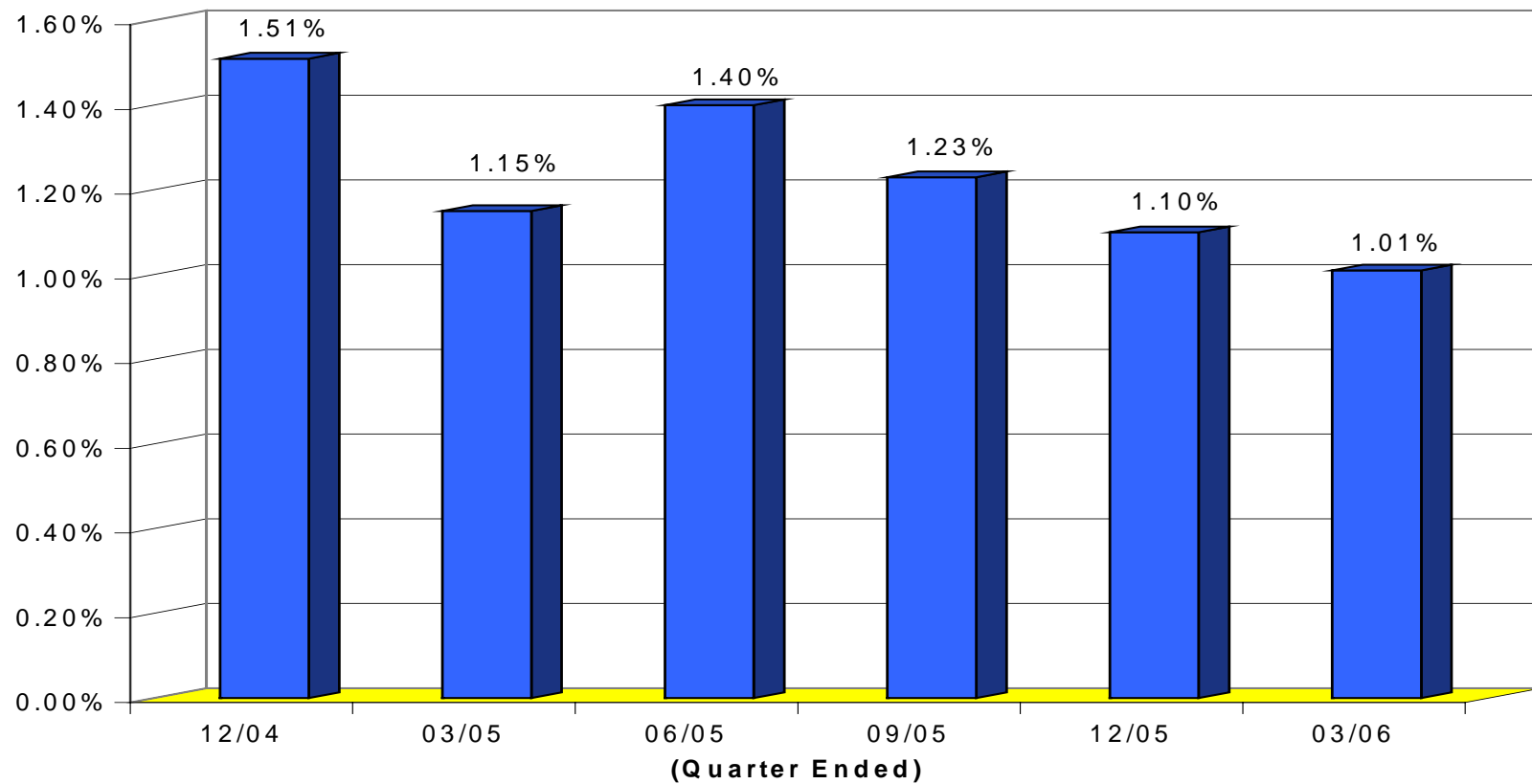
## “High Margin” vs. “Low Margin” Products

(In millions)



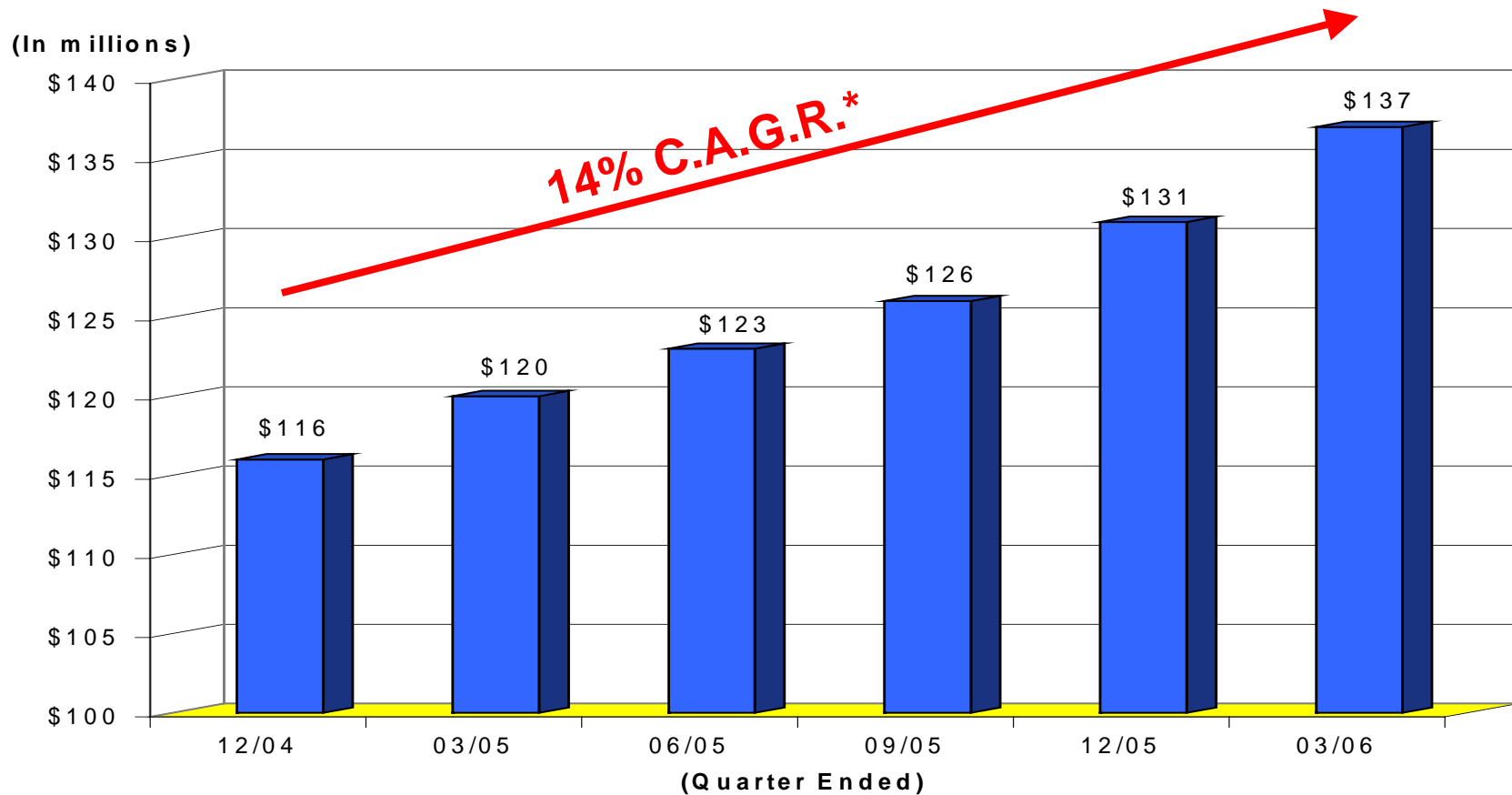
■ "High Margin" Products ■ "Low Margin" Products

## Gain on Sale Margin



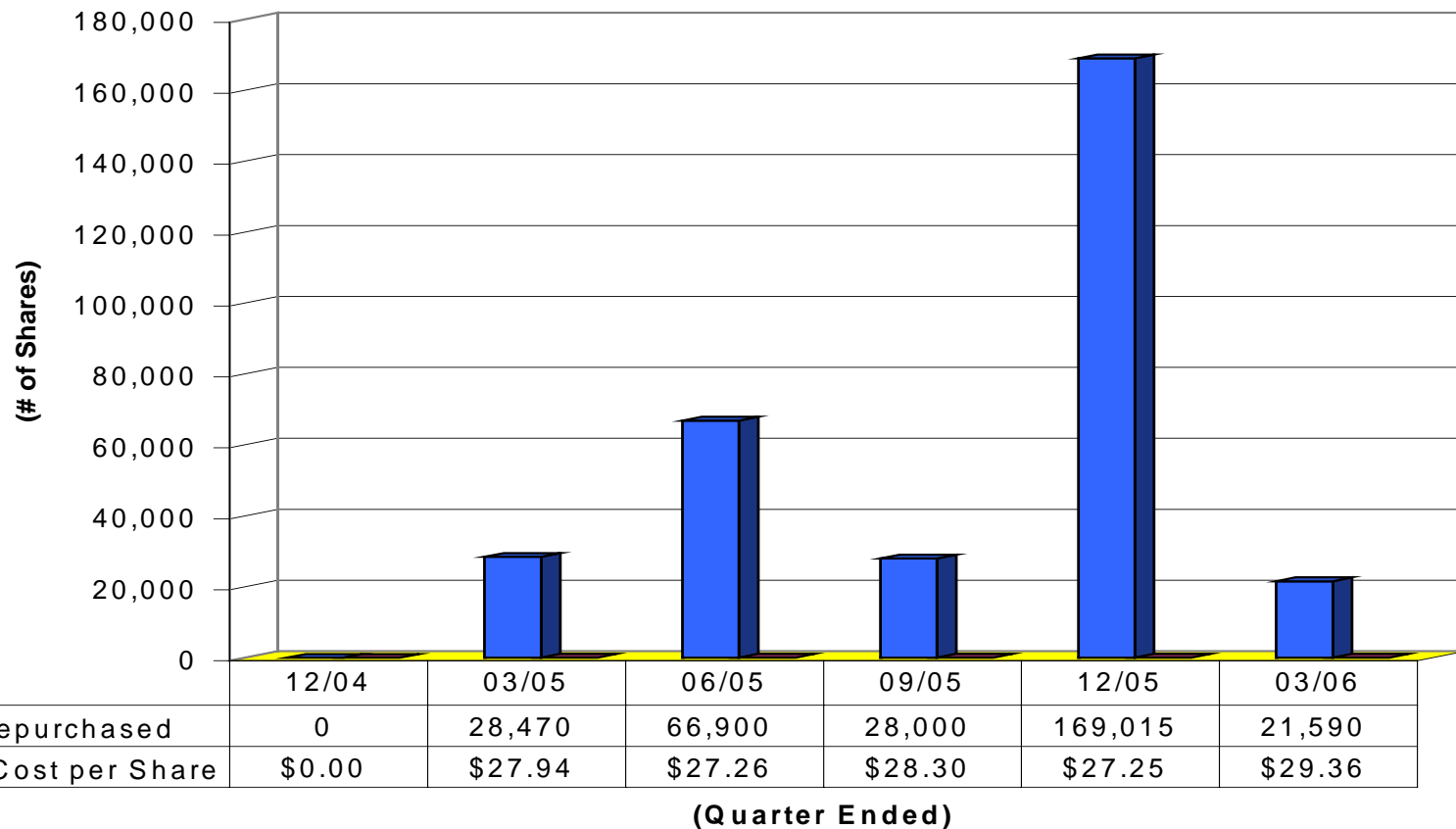
# Capital Management

## Stockholders' Equity

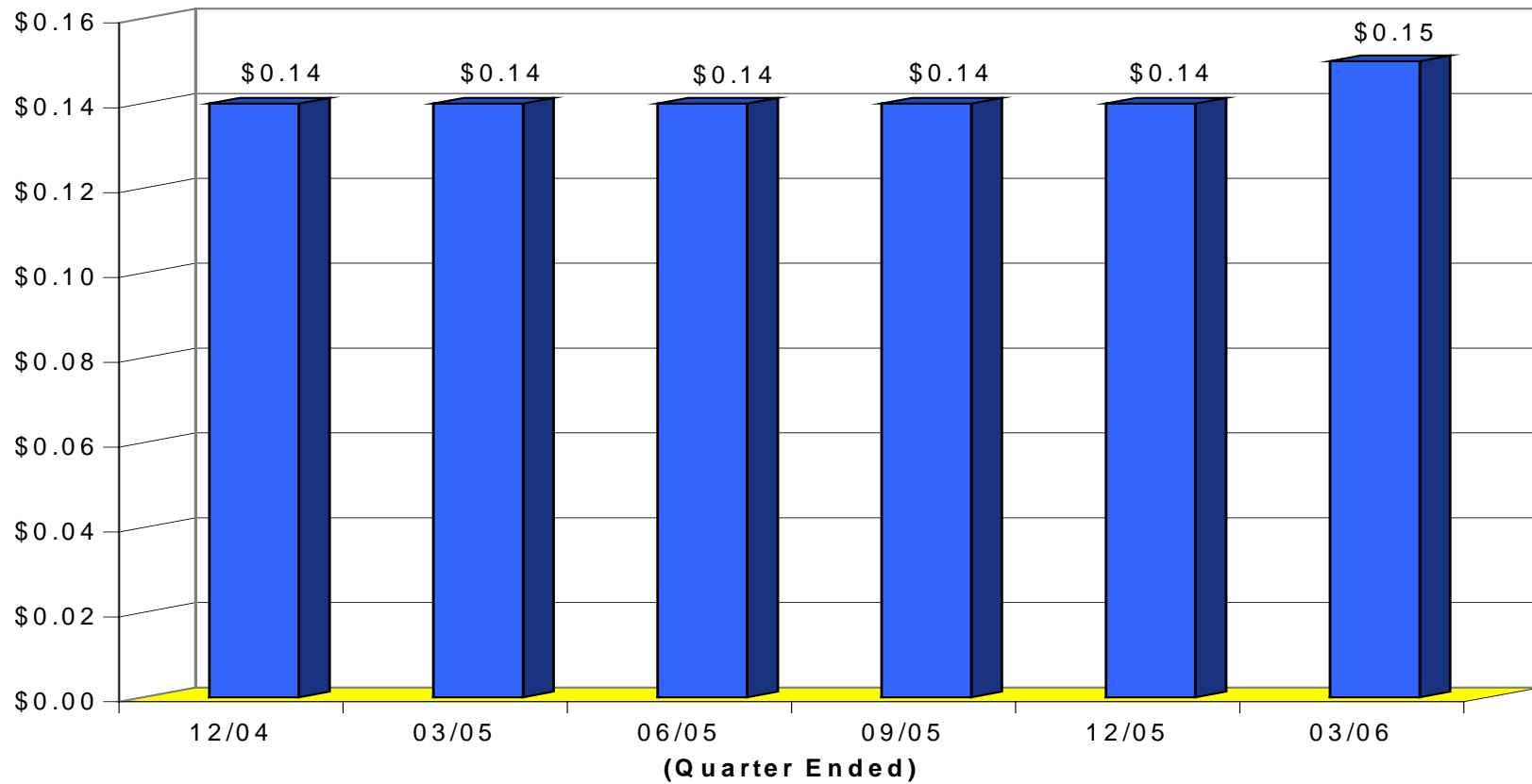


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# Share Repurchase Program

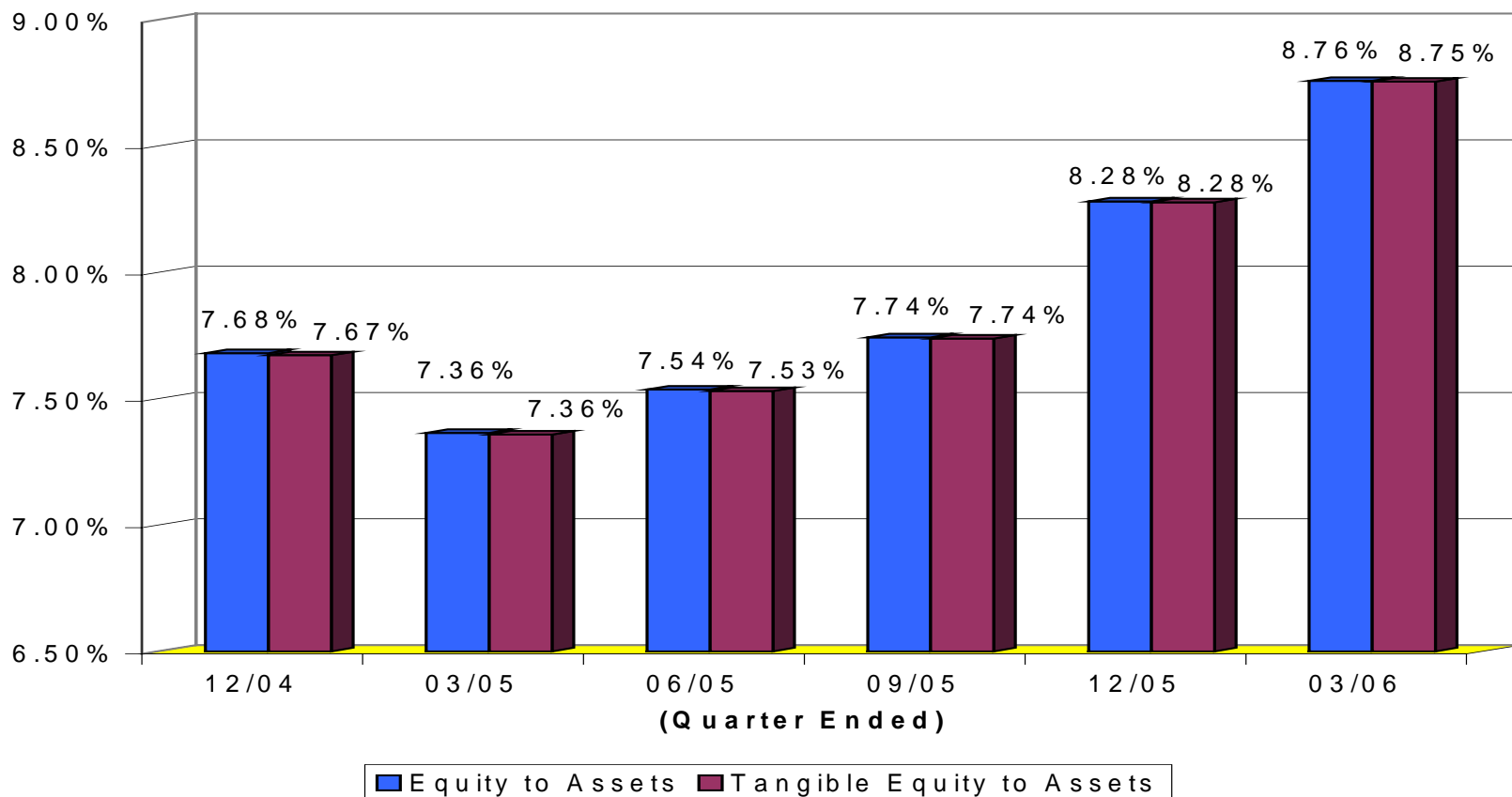


## Cash Dividend per Share



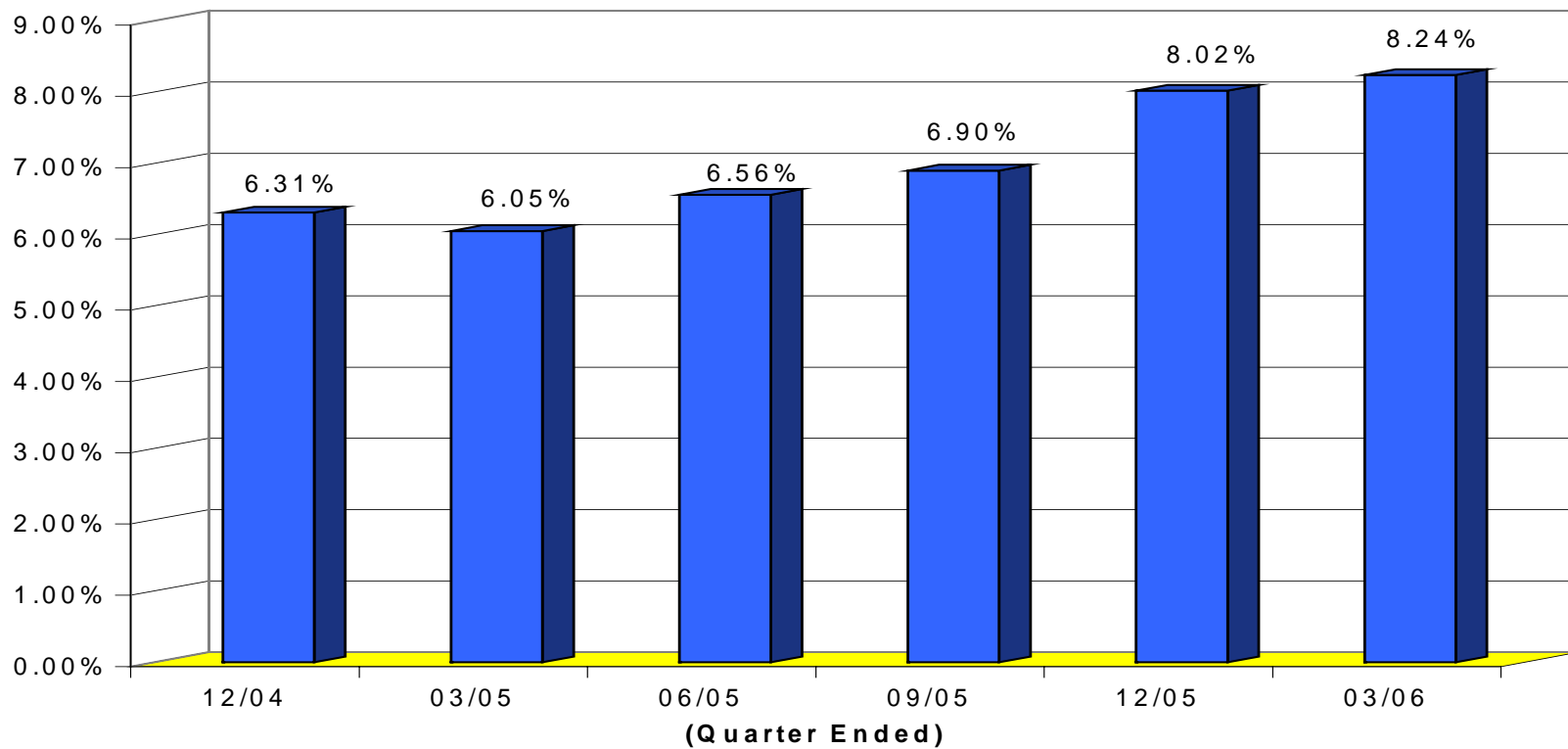


# Consolidated Capital Ratio

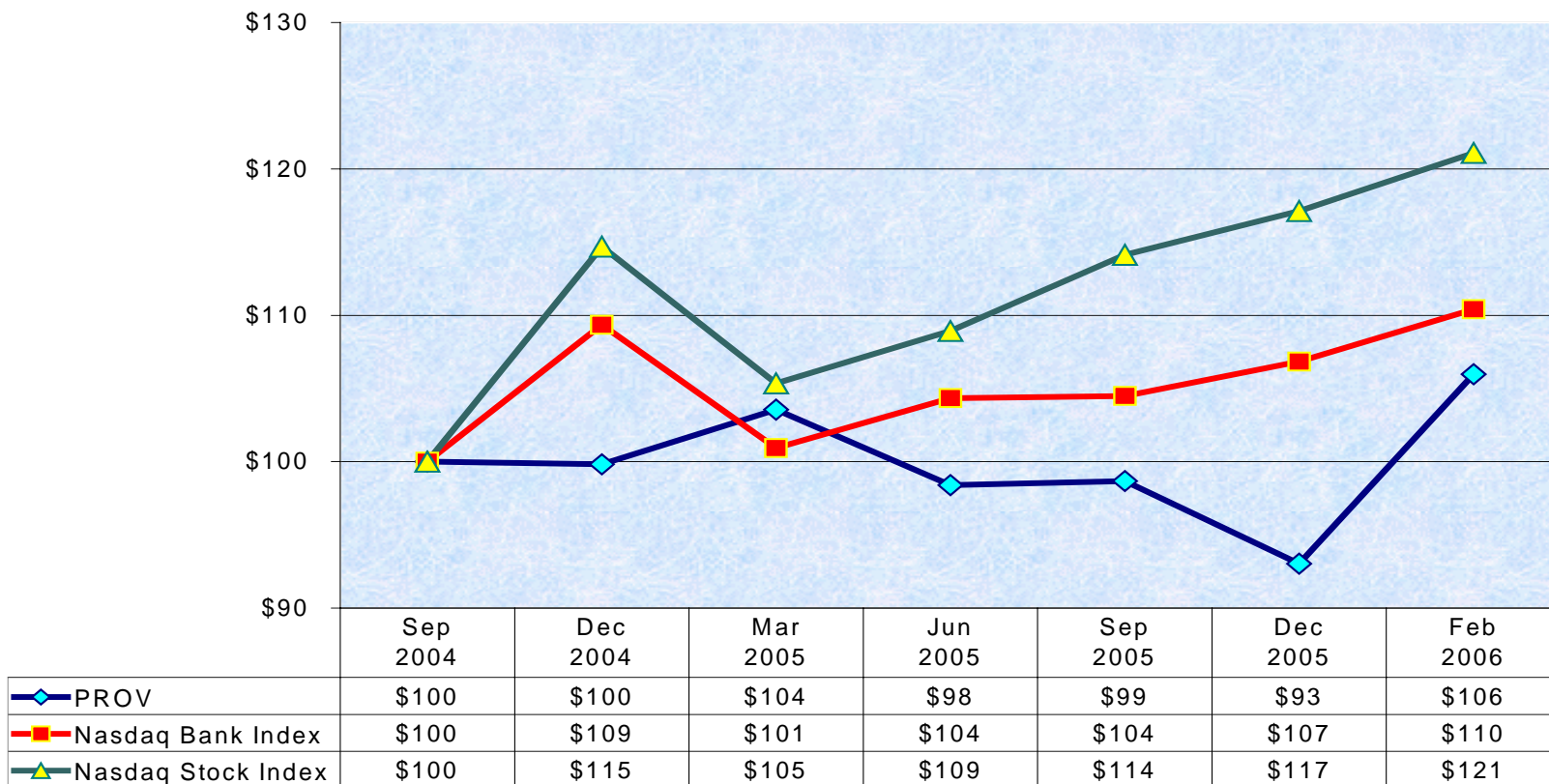


# Bank Capital Ratio

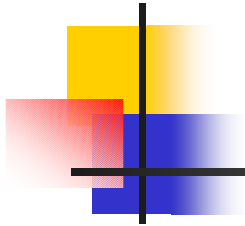
## Tier 1 Core Capital Ratio



# Stock Performance



Assumes that the value of the investment in the Company's Common Stock and in each Index was \$100 on September 30, 2004 and that all dividends were reinvested.



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