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QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2013

OR

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TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File Number 1-11848

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

MISSOURI
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

43-1627032
(IRS employer
identification number)

1370 Timberlake Manor Parkway
Chesterfield, Missouri 63017
(Address of principal executive offices)
(636) 736-7000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes X No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes X No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer X Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes No X

As of October 31, 2013, 70,586,106 shares of the registrant's common stock were outstanding.

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
	(Dollars in thousands, except share data)	
Assets		
Fixed maturity securities:		
Available-for-sale at fair value (amortized cost of \$19,917,350 and \$19,559,432)	\$ 21,289,108	\$ 22,291,614
Mortgage loans on real estate (net of allowances of \$7,669 and \$11,580)	2,488,582	2,300,587
Policy loans	1,244,878	1,278,175
Funds withheld at interest	5,739,872	5,594,182
Short-term investments	44,192	288,082
Other invested assets	1,116,391	1,159,543
Total investments	31,923,023	32,912,183
Cash and cash equivalents	1,423,235	1,259,892
Accrued investment income	262,330	201,344
Premiums receivable and other reinsurance balances	1,252,610	1,356,087
Reinsurance ceded receivables	592,948	620,901
Deferred policy acquisition costs	3,533,932	3,619,274
Other assets	538,477	390,757
Total assets	\$ 39,526,555	\$ 40,360,438
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Future policy benefits	\$ 11,873,306	\$ 11,372,856
Interest-sensitive contract liabilities	12,868,425	13,353,502
Other policy claims and benefits	3,440,371	3,160,250
Other reinsurance balances	264,023	233,630
Deferred income taxes	1,975,819	2,120,501
Other liabilities	510,079	742,249
Long-term debt	2,214,170	1,815,253
Collateral finance facility	484,712	652,010
Total liabilities	33,630,905	33,450,251
Commitments and contingent liabilities (See Note 8)		
Stockholders' Equity:		
Preferred stock - par value \$.01 per share, 10,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued or outstanding	—	—
Common stock - par value \$.01 per share, 140,000,000 shares authorized, 79,137,758 shares issued at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012	791	791
Additional paid-in-capital	1,778,307	1,755,421
Retained earnings	3,544,632	3,357,255
Treasury stock, at cost - 8,594,734 and 5,210,427 shares	(528,081)	(312,182)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	1,100,001	2,108,902
Total stockholders' equity	5,895,650	6,910,187
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 39,526,555	\$ 40,360,438

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)				
Revenues:				
Net premiums	\$ 2,026,180	\$ 1,912,746	\$ 6,041,029	\$ 5,726,889
Investment income, net of related expenses	369,366	396,781	1,238,731	1,066,055
Investment related gains (losses), net:				
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities	(391)	(1,996)	(10,396)	(11,562)
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income	59	(559)	(247)	(7,618)
Other investment related gains (losses), net	(76,133)	78,608	76,792	162,554
Total investment related gains (losses), net	(76,465)	76,053	66,149	143,374
Other revenues	70,734	63,501	235,650	181,491
Total revenues	2,389,815	2,449,081	7,581,559	7,117,809
Benefits and Expenses:				
Claims and other policy benefits	1,714,899	1,662,625	5,434,383	4,868,220
Interest credited	59,939	130,341	303,767	285,080
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	268,081	318,106	995,943	961,679
Other operating expenses	111,672	103,786	344,581	319,425
Interest expense	30,831	29,749	89,235	76,431
Collateral finance facility expense	2,698	2,995	7,886	8,840
Total benefits and expenses	2,188,120	2,247,602	7,175,795	6,519,675
Income before income taxes	201,695	201,479	405,764	598,134
Provision for income taxes	63,740	57,004	131,886	189,230
Net income	\$ 137,955	\$ 144,475	\$ 273,878	\$ 408,904
Earnings per share:				
Basic earnings per share	\$ 1.95	\$ 1.96	\$ 3.79	\$ 5.55
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 1.93	\$ 1.95	\$ 3.76	\$ 5.52
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.60

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Comprehensive income (loss)				
Net income	\$ 137,955	\$ 144,475	\$ 273,878	\$ 408,904
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:				
Change in foreign currency translation adjustments	27,139	36,248	(75,798)	43,463
Change in net unrealized gains and losses on investments	(112,035)	315,501	(938,216)	483,242
Change in other-than-temporary impairment losses on fixed maturity securities	2,246	364	2,896	4,952
Changes in pension and other postretirement plan adjustments	517	336	2,217	1,837
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(82,133)	352,449	(1,008,901)	533,494
Total comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 55,822	\$ 496,924	\$ (735,023)	\$ 942,398

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 273,878	\$ 408,904
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accrued investment income	(63,339)	(60,684)
Premiums receivable and other reinsurance balances	81,189	(102,447)
Deferred policy acquisition costs	56,286	(70,107)
Reinsurance ceded receivable balances	49,286	2,240
Future policy benefits, other policy claims and benefits, and other reinsurance balances	1,005,756	1,406,844
Deferred income taxes	276,372	(99,200)
Other assets and other liabilities, net	(293,106)	225,749
Amortization of net investment premiums, discounts and other	(70,687)	(61,644)
Investment related gains, net	(66,149)	(143,374)
Gain on repurchase of collateral finance facility securities	(46,506)	—
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangement	(2,410)	262
Other, net	50,460	22,533
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,251,030	1,529,076
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Sales of fixed maturity securities available-for-sale	2,838,099	3,970,569
Maturities of fixed maturity securities available-for-sale	118,951	122,405
Purchases of fixed maturity securities available-for-sale	(3,496,639)	(4,660,131)
Cash invested in mortgage loans	(467,429)	(350,823)
Cash invested in policy loans	—	(8,032)
Cash invested in funds withheld at interest	(70,753)	(81,602)
Principal payments on mortgage loans on real estate	262,226	85,921
Principal payments on policy loans	33,314	24,934
Purchase of a business, net of cash acquired of \$9,709	(2,805)	—
Change in short-term investments	235,260	98,007
Change in other invested assets	35,341	(227,881)
Net cash used in investing activities	(514,435)	(1,026,633)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
Dividends to stockholders	(56,465)	(44,220)
Repurchase and repayment of collateral finance facility securities	(119,255)	—
Proceeds from long-term debt issuance	398,492	400,000
Debt issuance costs	(3,400)	(6,255)
Purchases of treasury stock	(269,204)	(6,924)
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangement	2,410	(262)
Exercise of stock options, net	9,212	4,096
Change in cash collateral for derivatives and other arrangements	(68,635)	(62,896)
Deposits on universal life and other investment type policies and contracts	120,250	89,458
Withdrawals on universal life and other investment type policies and contracts	(550,122)	(249,190)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(536,717)	123,807
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(36,535)	14,610
Change in cash and cash equivalents	163,343	640,860
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	1,259,892	962,870
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 1,423,235	\$ 1,603,730
Supplementary information:		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 75,003	\$ 76,514
Cash paid for income taxes, net of refunds	\$ 100,429	\$ 81,391
Business purchase information - See Note 12 - "Financing and Other Activities"		
Non-cash supplementary information - See Note 4 - "Investments"		

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES
Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements
(Unaudited)

1. Organization and Basis of Presentation

Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated (“RGA”) is an insurance holding company that was formed on December 31, 1992. The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of RGA and its subsidiaries (collectively, the “Company”) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, these financial statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Results for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2013. There were no subsequent events that would require disclosure or adjustments to the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements through the date the financial statements were issued. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of RGA and its subsidiaries, all intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. They should be read in conjunction with the Company’s 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K (“2012 Annual Report”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) on March 1, 2013.

2. Earnings Per Share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share on net income (in thousands, except per share information):

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Earnings:				
Net income (loss) (numerator for basic and diluted calculations)	\$ 137,955	\$ 144,475	\$ 273,878	\$ 408,904
Shares:				
Weighted average outstanding shares (denominator for basic calculation)	70,865	73,776	72,342	73,690
Equivalent shares from outstanding stock options	526	362	498	388
Denominator for diluted calculation	71,391	74,138	72,840	74,078
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 1.95	\$ 1.96	\$ 3.79	\$ 5.55
Diluted	\$ 1.93	\$ 1.95	\$ 3.76	\$ 5.52

The calculation of common equivalent shares does not include the impact of options having a strike or conversion price that exceeds the average stock price for the earnings period, as the result would be antidilutive. The calculation of common equivalent shares also excludes the impact of outstanding performance contingent shares, as the conditions necessary for their issuance have not been satisfied as of the end of the reporting period. For the three months ended September 30, 2013, no stock options and approximately 0.7 million performance contingent shares were excluded from the calculation. For the three months ended September 30, 2012, approximately 0.7 million stock options and approximately 0.7 million performance contingent shares were excluded from the calculation. Year-to-date amounts for equivalent shares from outstanding stock options and performance contingent shares are the weighted average of the individual quarterly amounts.

3. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

The balance of and changes in each component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) (“AOCI”) for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), Net of Income Tax			
	Accumulated Currency Translation Adjustments	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) of Investments ⁽¹⁾	Pension and Postretirement Benefits	Total
Balance, December 31, 2012	\$ 267,475	\$ 1,877,657	\$ (36,230)	\$ 2,108,902
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(75,798)	(936,847)	(82)	(1,012,727)
Amounts reclassified to AOCI	—	1,527	2,299	3,826
Net current-period other comprehensive income (loss)	(75,798)	(935,320)	2,217	(1,008,901)
Balance, September 30, 2013	\$ 191,677	\$ 942,337	\$ (34,013)	\$ 1,100,001

	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), Net of Income Tax			
	Accumulated Currency Translation Adjustments	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) of Investments ⁽¹⁾	Pension and Postretirement Benefits	Total
Balance, December 31, 2011	\$ 229,795	\$ 1,419,318	\$ (30,960)	\$ 1,618,153
Change in component during the period	43,463	488,194	1,837	533,494
Balance, September 30, 2012	\$ 273,258	\$ 1,907,512	\$ (29,123)	\$ 2,151,647

(1) Includes cash flow hedges. See Note 5 - “Derivative Instruments” for additional information on cash flow hedges.

The following table presents the amounts of AOCI reclassifications for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 (dollars in thousands):

Details about AOCI Components	Amount Reclassified from AOCI		Affected Line Item in Statement of Income
	Three months ended September 30, 2013	Nine months ended September 30, 2013	
Unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities	\$ (12,736)	\$ 11,122	Investment related gains (losses), net
Gains and losses on cash flow hedge - interest rate swap	291	796	Investment income
Deferred policy acquisition costs attributed to unrealized gains and losses ⁽¹⁾	(602)	(15,433)	
	(13,047)	(3,515)	Total before tax
	5,009	1,988	Tax expense
	\$ (8,038)	\$ (1,527)	Net of tax
Amortization of unrealized pension and postretirement benefits:			
Prior service cost ⁽²⁾	\$ (152)	\$ (459)	
Actuarial gains/(losses) ⁽²⁾	(1,087)	(3,078)	
	(1,239)	(3,537)	Total before tax
	434	1,238	Tax benefit
	\$ (805)	\$ (2,299)	Net of tax
Total reclassifications for the period	\$ (8,843)	\$ (3,826)	Net of tax

(1) This AOCI component is included in the computation of the deferred policy acquisition cost. See Note 8 – “Deferred Policy Acquisition Costs” of the 2012 Annual Report for additional details.

(2) These AOCI components are included in the computation of the net periodic pension cost. See Note 9 – “Employee Benefit Plans” for additional details.

4. Investments

Fixed Maturity and Equity Securities Available-for-Sale

The following tables provide information relating to investments in fixed maturity and equity securities by sector as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

September 30, 2013:	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total	Other-than- temporary impairments in AOCI
Available-for-sale:						
Corporate securities	\$ 11,505,673	\$ 637,691	\$ 208,802	\$ 11,934,562	56.1%	\$ —
Canadian and Canadian provincial governments	2,719,147	785,840	13,831	3,491,156	16.4	—
Residential mortgage-backed securities	922,581	44,948	15,691	951,838	4.5	(300)
Asset-backed securities	883,495	19,264	17,481	885,278	4.1	(2,259)
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	1,371,473	102,207	20,566	1,453,114	6.8	(1,609)
U.S. government and agencies	413,254	20,412	2,819	430,847	2.0	—
State and political subdivisions	288,757	22,626	13,654	297,729	1.4	—
Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises	1,812,970	50,246	18,632	1,844,584	8.7	—
Total fixed maturity securities	\$ 19,917,350	\$ 1,683,234	\$ 311,476	\$ 21,289,108	100.0%	\$ (4,168)
Non-redeemable preferred stock	\$ 80,985	\$ 5,187	\$ 3,333	\$ 82,839	56.4%	
Other equity securities	68,123	—	4,052	64,071	43.6	
Total equity securities	\$ 149,108	\$ 5,187	\$ 7,385	\$ 146,910	100.0%	

December 31, 2012:	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total	Other-than- temporary impairments in AOCI
Available-for-sale:						
Corporate securities	\$ 11,333,431	\$ 1,085,973	\$ 39,333	\$ 12,380,071	55.5%	\$ —
Canadian and Canadian provincial governments	2,676,777	1,372,731	174	4,049,334	18.2	—
Residential mortgage-backed securities	969,267	76,520	3,723	1,042,064	4.7	(241)
Asset-backed securities	700,455	19,898	28,798	691,555	3.1	(2,259)
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	1,608,376	142,369	51,842	1,698,903	7.6	(6,125)
U.S. government and agencies	231,256	33,958	24	265,190	1.2	—
State and political subdivisions	270,086	38,058	5,646	302,498	1.4	—
Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises	1,769,784	94,929	2,714	1,861,999	8.3	—
Total fixed maturity securities	\$ 19,559,432	\$ 2,864,436	\$ 132,254	\$ 22,291,614	100.0%	\$ (8,625)
Non-redeemable preferred stock	\$ 68,469	\$ 6,542	\$ 170	\$ 74,841	33.6%	
Other equity securities	148,577	416	1,134	147,859	66.4	
Total equity securities	\$ 217,046	\$ 6,958	\$ 1,304	\$ 222,700	100.0%	

The Company enters into various collateral arrangements that require both the pledging and acceptance of fixed maturity securities as collateral. The Company pledged fixed maturity securities as collateral to derivative and reinsurance counterparties with an amortized cost of \$53.8 million and \$16.9 million, and an estimated fair value of \$54.5 million and \$17.0 million, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 respectively. The pledged fixed maturity securities are included in fixed maturity securities, available-for-sale in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2013, and are included in other invested assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2012. Securities with an amortized cost of \$7,954.6 million and \$7,549.0 million, and an estimated fair value of \$8,260.6 million and \$7,913.8 million, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, were held in trust to satisfy collateral requirements under certain third-party reinsurance treaties.

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The Company received fixed maturity securities as collateral from derivative and reinsurance counterparties with an estimated fair value of \$92.2 million and \$95.6 million, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The collateral is held in separate custodial accounts and is not recorded on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. Subject to certain constraints, the Company is permitted by contract to sell or re-pledge this collateral; however, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, none of the collateral had been sold or re-pledged.

As of September 30, 2013, the Company held securities with a fair value of \$1,238.5 million that were guaranteed or issued by the Canadian province of Ontario and \$1,479.4 million that were guaranteed or issued by the Canadian province of Quebec, both of which exceeded 10% of total stockholders' equity. As of December 31, 2012, the Company held securities with a fair value of \$1,400.0 million that were guaranteed or issued by the Canadian province of Ontario and \$1,785.0 million that were guaranteed or issued by the Canadian province of Quebec, both of which exceeded 10% of total stockholders' equity.

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of fixed maturity securities available-for-sale at September 30, 2013 are shown by contractual maturity in the table below. Actual maturities can differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Asset and mortgage-backed securities are shown separately in the table below, as they are not due at a single maturity date. At September 30, 2013, the contractual maturities of investments in fixed maturity securities were as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Available-for-sale:		
Due in one year or less	\$ 416,152	\$ 421,874
Due after one year through five years	3,712,227	3,890,251
Due after five years through ten years	6,800,712	7,027,350
Due after ten years	5,810,710	6,659,403
Asset and mortgage-backed securities	3,177,549	3,290,230
Total	\$ 19,917,350	\$ 21,289,108

The tables below show the major industry types of the Company's corporate fixed maturity holdings as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

September 30, 2013:

	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
Finance	\$ 3,728,120	\$ 3,870,583	32.4%
Industrial	5,926,283	6,125,796	51.3
Utility	1,829,273	1,916,477	16.1
Other	21,997	21,706	0.2
Total	\$ 11,505,673	\$ 11,934,562	100.0%

December 31, 2012:

	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
Finance	\$ 3,619,455	\$ 3,900,152	31.5%
Industrial	5,881,967	6,443,846	52.0
Utility	1,799,658	2,002,611	16.2
Other	32,351	33,462	0.3
Total	\$ 11,333,431	\$ 12,380,071	100.0%

Other-Than-Temporary Impairments

As discussed in Note 2 – “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” of the 2012 Annual Report, a portion of certain other-than-temporary impairment (“OTTI”) losses on fixed maturity securities are recognized in AOCI. For these securities the net amount recognized in earnings (“credit loss impairments”) represents the difference between the amortized cost of the security and the net present value of its projected future cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate implicit in the debt security prior to impairment. Any remaining difference between the fair value and amortized cost is recognized in AOCI. The following table sets forth the amount of pre-tax credit loss impairments on fixed maturity securities held by the Company as of the dates indicated, for which a portion of the OTTI loss was recognized in AOCI, and the corresponding changes in such amounts (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 13,324	\$ 45,903
Initial impairments - credit loss OTTI recognized on securities not previously impaired	—	—
Additional impairments - credit loss OTTI recognized on securities previously impaired	134	1,306
Credit loss OTTI previously recognized on securities impaired to fair value during the period	—	(2,622)
Credit loss OTTI previously recognized on securities which matured, paid down, prepaid or were sold during the period	(1,762)	(20,725)
Balance, end of period	\$ 11,696	\$ 23,862

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 16,675	\$ 63,947
Initial impairments - credit loss OTTI recognized on securities not previously impaired	—	1,962
Additional impairments - credit loss OTTI recognized on securities previously impaired	134	10,187
Credit loss OTTI previously recognized on securities impaired to fair value during the period	(1,449)	(22,291)
Credit loss OTTI previously recognized on securities which matured, paid down, prepaid or were sold during the period	(3,664)	(29,943)
Balance, end of period	\$ 11,696	\$ 23,862

Purchased Credit Impaired Fixed Maturity Securities Available-for-Sale

Securities acquired with evidence of credit quality deterioration since origination and for which it is probable at the acquisition date that the Company will be unable to collect all contractually required payments are classified as purchased credit impaired securities. For each security, the excess of the cash flows expected to be collected as of the acquisition date over its acquisition date fair value is referred to as the accretable yield and is recognized as net investment income on an effective yield basis. At the date of acquisition, the timing and amount of the cash flows expected to be collected was determined based on a best estimate using key assumptions, such as interest rates, default rates and prepayment speeds. If subsequently, based on current information and events, it is probable that there is a significant increase in cash flows previously expected to be collected or if actual cash flows are significantly greater than cash flows previously expected to be collected, the accretable yield is adjusted prospectively. The excess of the contractually required payments (including interest) as of the acquisition date over the cash flows expected to be collected as of the acquisition date is referred to as the nonaccretable difference, and this amount is not expected to be realized as net investment income. Decreases in cash flows expected to be collected can result in OTTI.

The following tables present information on the Company’s purchased credit impaired securities, which are included in fixed maturity securities available-for-sale (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Outstanding principal and interest balance ⁽¹⁾	\$ 186,379	\$ 108,831
Carrying value, including accrued interest ⁽²⁾	\$ 135,862	\$ 84,765

(1) Represents the contractually required payments which is the sum of contractual principal, whether or not currently due, and accrued interest.

(2) Estimated fair value plus accrued interest.

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The following table presents information about purchased credit impaired investments acquired during the periods, as of their acquisition dates (dollars in thousands).

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Contractually required payments (including interest)	\$ 126,869	\$ 50,268
Cash flows expected to be collected ⁽¹⁾	101,205	42,316
Fair value of investments acquired	66,880	30,853

(1) Represents undiscounted principal and interest cash flow expectations at the date of acquisition.

The following table presents activity for the accretable yield on purchased credit impaired securities for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 66,269	\$ —	\$ 39,239	\$ —
Investments purchased	4,374	11,463	34,325	11,463
Accretion	(1,952)	(6)	(5,774)	(6)
Disposals	—	—	(832)	—
Reclassification from nonaccretable difference	1,388	—	3,121	—
Balance, end of period	\$ 70,079	\$ 11,457	\$ 70,079	\$ 11,457

Unrealized Losses for Fixed Maturity and Equity Securities Available-for-Sale

The following table presents the total gross unrealized losses for the 1,397 and 567 fixed maturity and equity securities as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, where the estimated fair value had declined and remained below amortized cost by the indicated amount (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Gross Unrealized Losses	% of Total	Gross Unrealized Losses	% of Total
Less than 20%	\$ 286,594	89.9%	\$ 54,951	41.2%
20% or more for less than six months	6,325	2.0	734	0.5
20% or more for six months or greater	25,942	8.1	77,873	58.3
Total	\$ 318,861	100.0%	\$ 133,558	100.0%

The Company's determination of whether a decline in value is other-than-temporary includes analysis of the underlying credit and the extent and duration of a decline in value. The Company's credit analysis of an investment includes determining whether the issuer is current on its contractual payments, evaluating whether it is probable that the Company will be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the security and analyzing the overall ability of the Company to recover the amortized cost of the investment. In the Company's impairment review process, the duration and severity of an unrealized loss position for equity securities are given greater weight and consideration given the lack of contractual cash flows or deferability features.

The following tables present the estimated fair values and gross unrealized losses, including other-than-temporary impairment losses reported in AOCI, for 1,397 and 567 fixed maturity and equity securities that have estimated fair values below amortized cost as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively (dollars in thousands). These investments are presented by class and grade of security, as well as the length of time the related fair value has remained below amortized cost.

September 30, 2013:	Less than 12 months		12 months or greater		Total	
		Gross		Gross		Gross
	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
Investment grade securities:						
Corporate securities	\$ 3,158,429	\$ 168,659	\$ 130,027	\$ 20,031	\$ 3,288,456	\$ 188,690
Canadian and Canadian provincial governments	140,648	12,530	6,898	1,301	147,546	13,831
Residential mortgage-backed securities	207,602	11,909	18,997	2,257	226,599	14,166
Asset-backed securities	270,863	4,602	53,786	5,571	324,649	10,173
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	188,153	6,565	22,435	5,968	210,588	12,533
U.S. government and agencies	72,032	2,658	3,958	161	75,990	2,819
State and political subdivisions	95,935	8,776	14,981	4,878	110,916	13,654
Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises	644,427	17,479	10,589	1,153	655,016	18,632
Total investment grade securities	4,778,089	233,178	261,671	41,320	5,039,760	274,498
Non-investment grade securities:						
Corporate securities	311,613	12,155	42,024	7,957	353,637	20,112
Residential mortgage-backed securities	53,633	1,068	2,254	457	55,887	1,525
Asset-backed securities	29,043	467	30,901	6,841	59,944	7,308
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	971	25	10,905	8,008	11,876	8,033
Total non-investment grade securities	395,260	13,715	86,084	23,263	481,344	36,978
Total fixed maturity securities	\$ 5,173,349	\$ 246,893	\$ 347,755	\$ 64,583	\$ 5,521,104	\$ 311,476
Non-redeemable preferred stock	\$ 42,338	\$ 3,331	\$ 1	\$ 2	\$ 42,339	\$ 3,333
Other equity securities	47,151	2,619	17,028	1,433	64,179	4,052
Total equity securities	\$ 89,489	\$ 5,950	\$ 17,029	\$ 1,435	\$ 106,518	\$ 7,385

December 31, 2012:	Less than 12 months		12 months or greater		Total	
		Gross		Gross		Gross
	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
Investment grade securities:						
Corporate securities	\$ 786,203	\$ 13,276	\$ 108,187	\$ 17,386	\$ 894,390	\$ 30,662
Canadian and Canadian provincial governments	12,349	174	—	—	12,349	174
Residential mortgage-backed securities	22,288	97	19,394	3,199	41,682	3,296
Asset-backed securities	59,119	449	96,179	9,508	155,298	9,957
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	89,507	797	29,181	7,974	118,688	8,771
U.S. government and agencies	7,272	24	—	—	7,272	24
State and political subdivisions	20,602	1,514	11,736	4,132	32,338	5,646
Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises	244,817	1,953	7,435	761	252,252	2,714
Total investment grade securities	1,242,157	18,284	272,112	42,960	1,514,269	61,244
Non-investment grade securities:						
Corporate securities	181,168	3,170	39,123	5,501	220,291	8,671
Residential mortgage-backed securities	15,199	80	2,633	347	17,832	427
Asset-backed securities	3,421	26	31,938	18,815	35,359	18,841
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	3,317	764	68,405	42,307	71,722	43,071
Total non-investment grade securities	203,105	4,040	142,099	66,970	345,204	71,010
Total fixed maturity securities	\$ 1,445,262	\$ 22,324	\$ 414,211	\$ 109,930	\$ 1,859,473	\$ 132,254
Non-redeemable preferred stock	\$ 5,577	\$ 52	\$ 5,679	\$ 118	\$ 11,256	\$ 170
Other equity securities	85,374	1,134	—	—	85,374	1,134
Total equity securities	\$ 90,951	\$ 1,186	\$ 5,679	\$ 118	\$ 96,630	\$ 1,304

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As of September 30, 2013, the Company does not intend to sell these fixed maturity securities and does not believe it is more likely than not that it will be required to sell these fixed maturity securities before the recovery of the fair value up to the current amortized cost of the investment, which may be maturity. As of September 30, 2013, the Company has the ability and intent to hold the equity securities until the recovery of the fair value up to the current cost of the investment. However, unforeseen facts and circumstances may cause the Company to sell fixed maturity and equity securities in the ordinary course of managing its portfolio to meet certain diversification, credit quality, asset-liability management and liquidity guidelines.

Unrealized losses on non-investment grade securities are principally related to high-yield corporate securities due to interest rate movements during the first nine months of 2013. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, approximately \$20.1 million and \$8.7 million, respectively, of gross unrealized losses were associated with non-investment grade corporate securities. Unrealized losses on non-investment grade securities related to asset and mortgage-backed securities decreased significantly during 2013 driven principally by commercial mortgage-backed securities. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, approximately \$15.3 million and \$61.5 million, respectively, of gross unrealized losses greater than 12 months were associated with non-investment grade asset and mortgage-backed securities. During the first nine months of 2013, commercial mortgage-backed securities benefited from improvement in delinquency rates and the Company sold several non-investment grade commercial mortgage-backed securities.

Investment Income, Net of Related Expenses

Major categories of investment income, net of related expenses, consist of the following (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Fixed maturity securities available-for-sale	\$ 243,938	\$ 221,212	\$ 723,772	\$ 633,110
Mortgage loans on real estate	33,013	26,938	89,618	67,258
Policy loans	15,743	16,519	49,103	49,637
Funds withheld at interest	80,024	127,855	376,495	305,861
Short-term investments	374	960	1,609	3,027
Investment receivable	—	—	—	—
Other invested assets	9,411	13,117	36,712	35,803
Investment revenue	382,503	406,601	1,277,309	1,094,696
Investment expense	(13,137)	(9,820)	(38,578)	(28,641)
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ 369,366	\$ 396,781	\$ 1,238,731	\$ 1,066,055

Investment Related Gains (Losses), Net

Investment related gains (losses), net consist of the following (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Fixed maturities and equity securities available for sale:				
Other-than-temporary impairment losses on fixed maturities	\$ (391)	\$ (1,996)	\$ (10,396)	\$ (11,562)
Portion of loss recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income (before taxes)	59	(559)	(247)	(7,618)
Net other-than-temporary impairment losses on fixed maturities recognized in earnings	(332)	(2,555)	(10,643)	(19,180)
Impairment losses on equity securities	—	—	—	(3,025)
Gain on investment activity	21,560	53,173	70,085	102,078
Loss on investment activity	(30,434)	(6,668)	(48,406)	(23,090)
Other impairment losses and change in mortgage loan provision	233	(10,301)	(1,268)	(14,382)
Derivatives and other, net	(67,492)	42,404	56,381	100,973
Total investment related gains (losses), net	\$ (76,465)	\$ 76,053	\$ 66,149	\$ 143,374

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The other-than-temporary impairment losses on fixed maturity securities in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013 were primarily due to the decision to sell certain subordinated commercial mortgage-backed securities. The other-than-temporary impairments in the first nine months of 2012 were primarily due to a decline in value of structured securities with exposure to commercial mortgages and general credit deterioration in select corporate and foreign securities. The decrease in derivatives and other in the third quarter was primarily due to a decrease in the fair value of embedded derivatives. The decrease in derivatives and other for the first nine months was primarily due to decreases in the fair value of free-standing interest rate swap derivatives due to the rising interest rate environment.

During the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, the Company sold fixed maturity and equity securities with fair values of \$410.4 million and \$220.5 million at losses of \$30.4 million and \$6.7 million, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, the Company sold fixed maturity and equity securities with fair values of \$872.2 million and \$622.1 million at losses of \$48.4 million and \$23.1 million, respectively. The Company generally does not engage in short-term buying and selling of securities.

Securities Borrowing and Other

The Company participates in a securities borrowing program whereby securities, which are not reflected on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets, are borrowed from a third party. The Company is required to maintain a minimum of 100% of the fair value of the borrowed securities as collateral, which consists of rights to reinsurance treaty cash flows. The Company had borrowed securities with an amortized cost of \$87.5 million as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, which was equal to the fair value in both periods. The borrowed securities are used to provide collateral under an affiliated reinsurance transaction.

The Company also participates in a repurchase/reverse repurchase program in which securities, reflected as investments on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets, are pledged to a third party. In return, the Company receives securities from the third party with an estimated fair value equal to a minimum of 100% of the securities pledged. The securities received are not reflected on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of September 30, 2013 the Company had pledged securities with an amortized cost of \$292.4 million and an estimated fair value of \$307.0 million, and in return the Company received securities with an estimated fair value of \$347.5 million. As of December 31, 2012 the Company had pledged securities with an amortized cost of \$290.2 million and an estimated fair value of \$305.9 million, and in return the Company received securities with an estimated fair value of \$342.0 million.

Mortgage Loans on Real Estate

Mortgage loans represented approximately 7.8% and 7.0% of the Company's total investments as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. The Company makes mortgage loans on income producing properties, such as apartments, retail and office buildings, and light industrial facilities. Loan-to-value ratios at the time of loan approval are 75% or less. The distribution of mortgage loans, gross of valuation allowances, by property type is as follows as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Recorded Investment	% of Total	Recorded Investment	% of Total
Apartment	\$ 290,678	11.7%	\$ 229,266	9.9%
Retail	796,144	31.9	669,958	29.0
Office building	854,870	34.2	825,406	35.7
Industrial	444,186	17.8	455,682	19.7
Other commercial	110,373	4.4	131,855	5.7
Total	\$ 2,496,251	100.0%	\$ 2,312,167	100.0%

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As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company's mortgage loans, gross of valuation allowances, were distributed throughout the United States as follows (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Recorded Investment	% of Total	Recorded Investment	% of Total
Pacific	\$ 658,054	26.4%	\$ 593,589	25.7%
South Atlantic	581,781	23.3	477,068	20.5
Mountain	260,794	10.4	233,174	10.1
Middle Atlantic	269,602	10.8	300,475	13.0
West North Central	181,937	7.3	168,063	7.3
East North Central	239,997	9.6	224,122	9.7
West South Central	155,061	6.2	161,451	7.0
East South Central	67,155	2.7	62,789	2.7
New England	81,870	3.3	91,436	4.0
Total	\$ 2,496,251	100.0%	\$ 2,312,167	100.0%

The maturities of the mortgage loans, gross of valuation allowances, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Recorded Investment	% of Total	Recorded Investment	% of Total
Due within five years	\$ 1,024,065	41.0%	\$ 1,187,387	51.3%
Due after five years through ten years	963,479	38.6	776,655	33.6
Due after ten years	508,707	20.4	348,125	15.1
Total	\$ 2,496,251	100.0%	\$ 2,312,167	100.0%

Information regarding the Company's credit quality indicators for its recorded investment in mortgage loans, gross of valuation allowances, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Recorded Investment	% of Total	Recorded Investment	% of Total
Internal credit risk grade:				
High investment grade	\$ 1,556,974	62.4%	\$ 1,235,605	53.5%
Investment grade	754,369	30.2	834,494	36.1
Average	106,912	4.3	132,607	5.7
Watch list	49,173	2.0	76,463	3.3
In or near default	28,823	1.1	32,998	1.4
Total	\$ 2,496,251	100.0%	\$ 2,312,167	100.0%

The age analysis of the Company's past due recorded investment in mortgage loans, gross of valuation allowances, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
31-60 days past due	\$ —	\$ 7,504
61-90 days past due	—	—
Greater than 90 days	3,046	16,886
Total past due	3,046	24,390
Current	2,493,205	2,287,777
Total	\$ 2,496,251	\$ 2,312,167

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The following table presents the recorded investment in mortgage loans, by method of measuring impairment, and the related valuation allowances as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Mortgage loans:		
Individually measured for impairment	\$ 32,624	\$ 39,956
Collectively measured for impairment	2,463,627	2,272,211
Mortgage loans, gross of valuation allowances	2,496,251	2,312,167
Valuation allowances:		
Individually measured for impairment	4,691	6,980
Collectively measured for impairment	2,978	4,600
Total valuation allowances	7,669	11,580
Mortgage loans, net of valuation allowances	\$ 2,488,582	\$ 2,300,587

Information regarding the Company's loan valuation allowances for mortgage loans for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 7,903	\$ 11,011
Charge-offs	—	(526)
Provision (release)	(234)	2,848
Balance, end of period	\$ 7,669	\$ 13,333

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 11,580	\$ 11,793
Charge-offs	(2,148)	(4,595)
Provision (release)	(1,763)	6,135
Balance, end of period	\$ 7,669	\$ 13,333

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Information regarding the portion of the Company's mortgage loans that were impaired as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 is as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Unpaid Principal Balance	Recorded Investment	Related Allowance	Carrying Value
September 30, 2013:				
Impaired mortgage loans with no valuation allowance recorded	\$ 11,762	\$ 11,157	\$ —	\$ 11,157
Impaired mortgage loans with valuation allowance recorded	21,536	21,467	4,691	16,776
Total impaired mortgage loans	\$ 33,298	\$ 32,624	\$ 4,691	\$ 27,933
December 31, 2012:				
Impaired mortgage loans with no valuation allowance recorded	\$ 13,039	\$ 12,496	\$ —	\$ 12,496
Impaired mortgage loans with valuation allowance recorded	27,527	27,460	6,980	20,480
Total impaired mortgage loans	\$ 40,566	\$ 39,956	\$ 6,980	\$ 32,976

The Company's average investment in impaired mortgage loans and the related interest income are reflected in the table below for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,			
	2013		2012	
	Average Investment ⁽¹⁾	Interest Income	Average Investment ⁽¹⁾	Interest Income
Impaired mortgage loans with no valuation allowance recorded	\$ 13,631	\$ 349	\$ 11,054	\$ 109
Impaired mortgage loans with valuation allowance recorded	21,490	266	35,047	461
Total	\$ 35,121	\$ 615	\$ 46,101	\$ 570

	Nine months ended September 30,			
	2013		2012	
	Average Investment ⁽¹⁾	Interest Income	Average Investment ⁽¹⁾	Interest Income
Impaired mortgage loans with no valuation allowance recorded	\$ 13,504	\$ 533	\$ 16,312	\$ 305
Impaired mortgage loans with valuation allowance recorded	24,337	801	36,178	1,180
Total	\$ 37,841	\$ 1,334	\$ 52,490	\$ 1,485

(1) Average recorded investment represents the average loan balances as of the beginning of period and all subsequent quarterly end of period balances.

The Company did not acquire any impaired mortgage loans during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012. The Company had \$3.0 million and \$16.9 million of mortgage loans, gross of valuation allowances, that were on nonaccrual status at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

Policy Loans

Policy loans comprised approximately 3.9% of the Company's total investments as of both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, substantially all of which are associated with one client. These policy loans present no credit risk because the amount of the loan cannot exceed the obligation due to the ceding company upon the death of the insured or surrender of the underlying policy. The provisions of the treaties in force and the underlying policies determine the policy loan interest rates. As policy loans represent premature distributions of policy liabilities, they have the effect of reducing future disintermediation risk. In addition, the Company earns a spread between the interest rate earned on policy loans and the interest rate credited to corresponding liabilities.

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Funds Withheld at Interest

Funds withheld at interest comprised approximately 18.0% and 17.0% of the Company's total investments as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, approximately 70.0% and 69.7%, respectively, of the Company's funds withheld at interest balance, net of embedded derivatives, was associated with one client. For reinsurance agreements written on a modified coinsurance basis and certain agreements written on a coinsurance funds withheld basis, assets equal to the net statutory reserves are withheld and legally owned and managed by the ceding company and are reflected as funds withheld at interest on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. In the event of a ceding company's insolvency, the Company would need to assert a claim on the assets supporting its reserve liabilities. However, the risk of loss to the Company is mitigated by its ability to offset amounts it owes the ceding company for claims or allowances with amounts owed to the Company from the ceding company. The Company is subject to the investment performance on the withheld assets, although it does not directly control them. These assets are primarily fixed maturity investment securities and pose risks similar to the fixed maturity securities the Company owns. To mitigate this risk, the Company helps set the investment guidelines followed by the ceding company and monitors compliance.

Other Invested Assets

Other invested assets include equity securities, limited partnership interests, real estate joint ventures, structured loans, derivative contracts, Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines ("FHLB") common stock (included in other), investments supporting unit-linked variable annuity type liabilities, which do not qualify as separate account assets (included in other), and real estate held-for-investment (included in other). Other invested assets represented approximately 3.5% of the Company's total investments as of both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. Carrying values of these assets as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Equity securities	\$ 146,910	\$ 222,700
Limited partnerships and real estate joint ventures	417,761	356,419
Structured loans	245,404	306,497
Derivatives	87,421	168,208
Other	218,895	105,719
Total other invested assets	\$ 1,116,391	\$ 1,159,543

Investments Transferred to the Company

During the second quarter of 2012, the Company added a large fixed deferred annuity reinsurance transaction in its U.S. Asset-Intensive sub-segment. This transaction increased the Company's invested asset base by approximately \$5.4 billion which was reflected on the condensed consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2012 as an investment receivable. In satisfaction of this investment receivable, the Company received the following on July 31, 2012 and August 3, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

	Amortized Cost/ Recorded Investment	Estimated Fair Value
Fixed maturity securities - available for sale:		
Corporate securities	\$ 2,585,095	\$ 2,606,816
Asset-backed securities	137,251	138,918
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	703,313	704,065
U.S. Government and agencies securities	240,952	256,168
State and political subdivision securities	27,297	27,555
Other foreign government, supranational, and foreign government-sponsored enterprises	56,776	55,437
Total fixed maturity securities - available for sale	3,750,684	3,788,959
Mortgage loans on real estate	1,009,454	1,021,661
Short-term investments	101,428	101,338
Cash and cash equivalents	501,593	501,593
Accrued interest	43,739	43,739
Total	\$ 5,406,898	\$ 5,457,290

5. Derivative Instruments

Derivatives, except embedded derivatives, are carried on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets in other invested assets or other liabilities, at fair value. Embedded derivative liabilities on modified coinsurance or funds withheld arrangements are included on the condensed consolidated balance sheets with the host contract in funds withheld at interest, at fair value. Embedded derivative liabilities on indexed annuity and variable annuity products are included on the condensed consolidated balance sheets with the host contract in interest-sensitive contract liabilities, at fair value. Embedded derivative assets are included on the condensed consolidated balance sheets in reinsurance ceded receivables. The following table presents the notional amounts and gross fair value of derivative instruments prior to taking into account the netting effects of master netting agreements as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013			December 31, 2012		
	Notional	Carrying Value/Fair Value		Notional	Carrying Value/Fair Value	
	Amount	Assets	Liabilities	Amount	Assets	Liabilities
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:						
Interest rate swaps	\$ 1,510,467	\$ 45,280	\$ 15,694	\$ 2,195,059	\$ 123,085	\$ 17,867
Interest rate options	240,000	5,699	—	—	—	—
Financial futures	84,192	—	—	127,877	—	—
Foreign currency forwards	79,618	—	8,928	74,400	1,017	2,105
Consumer price index swaps	76,306	131	19	85,135	1,446	—
Credit default swaps	689,700	5,744	3,810	714,000	2,228	5,922
Equity options	704,402	43,621	—	696,776	62,514	—
Synthetic guaranteed investment contracts	3,978,244	—	—	2,018,073	—	—
Embedded derivatives in:						
Modified coinsurance or funds withheld arrangements	—	—	175,933	—	—	243,177
Indexed annuity products	—	—	760,746	—	—	740,256
Variable annuity products	—	—	65,153	—	—	172,105
Total non-hedging derivatives	7,362,929	100,475	1,030,283	5,911,320	190,290	1,181,432
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:						
Interest rate swaps	51,335	—	2,770	57,275	344	786
Foreign currency swaps	780,274	9,344	4,325	629,512	—	27,398
Total hedging derivatives	831,609	9,344	7,095	686,787	344	28,184
Total derivatives	\$ 8,194,538	\$ 109,819	\$ 1,037,378	\$ 6,598,107	\$ 190,634	\$ 1,209,616

Netting Arrangements

Certain of the Company's derivatives are subject to enforceable master netting arrangements and reported as a net asset or liability in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. The Company nets all derivatives that are subject to such arrangements.

The Company has elected to include all derivatives, except embedded derivatives, in the tables below, irrespective of whether they are subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or a similar agreement. See Note 4 – "Investments" for information regarding the Company's securities borrowing and repurchase/reverse repurchase programs. See "Embedded Derivatives" below for information regarding the Company's bifurcated embedded derivatives.

The following table provides information relating to the Company's derivative instruments as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

				Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Balance Sheet		
	Gross Amounts Recognized	Gross Amounts Offset in the Balance Sheet	Net Amounts Presented in the Balance Sheet	Financial Instruments	Cash Collateral Pledged/ Received	Net Amount
September 30, 2013:						
Derivative assets	\$ 109,819	\$ (22,398)	\$ 87,421	\$ (10,624)	\$ (64,027)	\$ 12,770
Derivative liabilities	35,546	(22,398)	13,148	(15,238)	(8,150)	(10,240)
December 31, 2012:						
Derivative assets	\$ 190,634	\$ (22,426)	\$ 168,208	\$ (22,458)	\$ (136,414)	\$ 9,336
Derivative liabilities	54,078	(22,426)	31,652	(1,565)	(27,867)	2,220

Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company does not enter into derivative instruments for speculative purposes. As discussed below under “Non-qualifying Derivatives and Derivatives for Purposes Other Than Hedging,” the Company uses various derivative instruments for risk management purposes that either do not qualify or have not been qualified for hedge accounting treatment, including derivatives used to economically hedge changes in the fair value of liabilities associated with the reinsurance of variable annuities with guaranteed living benefits. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company held interest rate swaps that were designated and qualified as cash flow hedges of interest rate risk, held foreign currency swaps that were designated and qualified as hedges of a portion of its net investment in its foreign operations and had derivative instruments that were not designated as hedging instruments. See Note 2 – “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report for a detailed discussion of the accounting treatment for derivative instruments, including embedded derivatives. Derivative instruments are carried at fair value and generally require an insignificant amount of cash at inception of the contracts.

Cash Flow Hedges

The Company designates and accounts for certain interest rate swaps, in which the cash flows are denominated in different currencies, commonly referred to as cross-currency swaps, as cash flow hedges when they meet the requirements of the general accounting principles for *Derivatives and Hedging*.

The following table presents the components of AOCI, before income tax, and the condensed consolidated income statement classification where the gain or loss is recognized related to cash flow hedges for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), balance beginning of period	\$ (5,037)	\$ (719)
Gains (losses) deferred in other comprehensive income (loss) on the effective portion of cash flow hedges	2,583	(2,831)
Amounts reclassified to investment income	(291)	(351)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), balance end of period	\$ (2,745)	\$ (3,901)

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), balance beginning of period	\$ 403	\$ (828)
Gains (losses) deferred in other comprehensive income (loss) on the effective portion of cash flow hedges	(2,352)	(2,044)
Amounts reclassified to investment income	(796)	(1,029)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), balance end of period	\$ (2,745)	\$ (3,901)

As of September 30, 2013, the before-tax deferred net gains on derivative instruments recorded in AOCI that are expected to be reclassified to earnings during the next twelve months are \$0.6 million. This expectation is based on the anticipated interest payments on hedged investments in fixed maturity securities that will occur over the next twelve months, at which time the Company will recognize the deferred net gains (losses) as an adjustment to investment income over the term of the investment cash flows. There were no hedged forecasted transactions, other than the receipt or payment of variable interest payments on existing financial instruments, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012.

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The following table presents the effects of derivatives in cash flow hedging relationships on the condensed consolidated statements of income and AOCI for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (dollars in thousands):

Derivatives in Cash Flow Hedging Relationships	Amount of Gains (Losses) Deferred in AOCI on Derivatives	Amount and Location of Gains (Losses) Reclassified from AOCI into Income (Loss)			Amount and Location of Gains (Losses) Recognized in Income (Loss) on Derivatives		
	(Effective Portion)	(Effective Portion)			(Ineffective Portion and Amounts Excluded from Effectiveness Testing)		
		Investment Related Gains (Losses)		Investment Income	Investment Related Gains (Losses)		Investment Income
For the three months ended September 30, 2013:							
Interest rate swaps	\$ 2,583	\$ —		\$ 291	\$ (3)	\$ —	
For the three months ended September 30, 2012:							
Interest rate swaps	\$ (2,831)	\$ —		\$ 351	\$ (3)	\$ —	
For the nine months ended September 30, 2013:							
Interest rate swaps	\$ (2,352)	\$ —		\$ 796	\$ 11	\$ —	
For the nine months ended September 30, 2012:							
Interest rate swaps	\$ (2,044)	\$ —		\$ 1,029	\$ —	\$ —	

Hedges of Net Investments in Foreign Operations

The Company uses foreign currency swaps to hedge a portion of its net investment in certain foreign operations against adverse movements in exchange rates. The following table illustrates the Company's net investments in foreign operations ("NIFO") hedges for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (dollars in thousands):

Type of NIFO Hedge ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Derivative Gains (Losses) Deferred in AOCI			
	For the three months ended September 30,		For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Foreign currency swaps	\$ (14,600)	\$ (19,454)	\$ 20,235	\$ (23,457)

(1) There were no sales or substantial liquidations of net investments in foreign operations that would have required the reclassification of gains or losses from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) into investment income during the periods presented.

(2) There was no ineffectiveness recognized for the Company's hedges of net investments in foreign operations.

The cumulative foreign currency translation gain (loss) recorded in AOCI related to these hedges was \$3.8 million and \$(16.4) million at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. If a foreign operation was sold or substantially liquidated, the amounts in AOCI would be reclassified to the condensed consolidated statements of income. A pro rata portion would be reclassified upon partial sale of a foreign operation.

Non-qualifying Derivatives and Derivatives for Purposes Other Than Hedging

The Company uses various derivative instruments for risk management purposes that either do not qualify or have not been qualified for hedge accounting treatment, including derivatives used to economically hedge changes in the fair value of liabilities associated with the reinsurance of variable annuities with guaranteed living benefits. The gain or loss related to the change in fair value for these derivative instruments is recognized in investment related gains (losses), in the condensed consolidated statements of income, except where otherwise noted. The Company recognized investment related losses of \$24.5 million and \$20.6 million, for the three months, and \$137.2 million and \$31.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, related to derivatives (not including embedded derivatives) that do not qualify or have not been qualified for hedge accounting.

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A summary of the effect of non-hedging derivatives, including embedded derivatives, on the Company's income statement for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 is as follows (dollars in thousands):

Type of Non-hedging Derivative	Income Statement Location of Gain (Loss)	Gain (Loss) for the three months ended September 30,	
		2013	2012
Interest rate swaps	Investment related gains (losses), net	\$ (8,221)	\$ (1,437)
Interest rate options	Investment related gains (losses), net	(2,374)	—
Financial futures	Investment related gains (losses), net	(1,140)	(3,977)
Foreign currency forwards	Investment related gains (losses), net	629	519
CPI swaps	Investment related gains (losses), net	(39)	422
Credit default swaps	Investment related gains (losses), net	10,807	7,817
Equity options	Investment related gains (losses), net	(24,113)	(23,916)
Embedded derivatives in:			
Modco or funds withheld arrangements	Investment related gains (losses), net	(67,461)	54,836
Indexed annuity products	Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	(224)
Indexed annuity products	Interest credited	28,379	(33,597)
Variable annuity products	Investment related gains (losses), net	19,829	2,579
Total non-hedging derivatives		<u>\$ (43,704)</u>	<u>\$ 3,022</u>

Type of Non-hedging Derivative	Income Statement Location of Gain (Loss)	Gain (Loss) for the nine months ended September 30,	
		2013	2012
Interest rate swaps	Investment related gains (losses), net	\$ (68,900)	\$ 24,553
Interest rate options	Investment related gains (losses), net	(8,373)	—
Financial futures	Investment related gains (losses), net	(7,306)	(10,312)
Foreign currency forwards	Investment related gains (losses), net	(7,988)	(574)
CPI swaps	Investment related gains (losses), net	(2,027)	(1,811)
Credit default swaps	Investment related gains (losses), net	17,138	14,835
Equity options	Investment related gains (losses), net	(59,784)	(58,532)
Embedded derivatives in:			
Modco or funds withheld arrangements	Investment related gains (losses), net	70,514	40,955
Indexed annuity products	Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	(363)
Indexed annuity products	Interest credited	(32,637)	(26,059)
Variable annuity products	Investment related gains (losses), net	106,952	74,025
Total non-hedging derivatives		<u>\$ 7,589</u>	<u>\$ 56,717</u>

Types of Derivatives Used by the Company

Interest Rate Swaps

Interest rate swaps are used by the Company primarily to reduce market risks from changes in interest rates and to alter interest rate exposure arising from mismatches between assets and liabilities (duration mismatches). With an interest rate swap, the Company agrees with another party to exchange, at specified intervals, the difference between two rates, which can be either fixed-rate or floating-rate interest amounts, tied to an agreed-upon notional principal amount. These transactions are executed pursuant to master agreements that provide for a single net payment or individual gross payments at each due date.

Interest Rate Options

Interest rate options, commonly referred to as swaptions, are used by the Company primarily to hedge living benefit guarantees embedded in certain variable annuity products. A swaption, used to hedge against adverse changes in interest rates, is an option to enter into a swap with a forward starting effective date. The Company pays an upfront premium for the right to exercise this option in the future.

Financial Futures

Exchange-traded futures are used primarily to economically hedge liabilities embedded in certain variable annuity products. With exchange-traded futures transactions, the Company agrees to purchase or sell a specified number of contracts, the value of which is determined by the relevant indices, and to post variation margin on a daily basis in an amount equal to the difference between the daily estimated fair values of those contracts. The Company enters into exchange-traded futures with regulated futures commission merchants that are members of the exchange.

Equity Options

Equity index options are used by the Company primarily to hedge minimum guarantees embedded in certain variable annuity products. To hedge against adverse changes in equity indices volatility, the Company buys put options. The contracts are net settled in cash based on differentials in the indices at the time of exercise and the strike price.

Consumer Price Index Swaps

Consumer price index ("CPI") swaps are used by the Company primarily to economically hedge liabilities embedded in certain insurance products where value is directly affected by changes in a designated benchmark consumer price index. With a CPI swap transaction, the Company agrees with another party to exchange the actual amount of inflation realized over a specified period of time for a fixed amount of inflation determined at inception. These transactions are executed pursuant to master agreements that provide for a single net payment or individual gross payments to be made by the counterparty at each due date. Most of these swaps will require a single payment to be made by one counterparty at the maturity date of the swap.

Foreign Currency Swaps

Foreign currency swaps are used by the Company to reduce the risk from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates associated with its assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies. With a foreign currency swap transaction, the Company agrees with another party to exchange, at specified intervals, the difference between one currency and another at a forward exchange rate calculated by reference to an agreed upon principal amount. The principal amount of each currency is exchanged at the termination of the currency swap by each party.

Foreign Currency Forwards

Foreign currency forwards are used by the Company to reduce the risk from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates associated with its assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies. With a foreign currency forward transaction, the Company agrees with another party to deliver a specified amount of an identified currency at a specified future date. The price is agreed upon at the time of the contract and payment for such a contract is made in a different currency at the specified future date.

Credit Default Swaps

The Company sells protection under single name credit default swaps and credit default swap index tranches to diversify its credit risk exposure in certain portfolios and, in combination with purchasing securities, to replicate characteristics of similar investments based on the credit quality and term of the credit default swap. Credit default triggers for indexed reference entities and single name reference entities are defined in the contracts. The Company's maximum exposure to credit loss equals the notional value for credit default swaps. In the event of default for credit default swaps, the Company is typically required to pay the protection holder the full notional value less a recovery rate determined at auction.

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The following table presents the estimated fair value, maximum amount of future payments and weighted average years to maturity of credit default swaps sold by the Company at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

Rating Agency Designation of Referenced Credit Obligations ⁽¹⁾	September 30, 2013			December 31, 2012		
	Estimated Fair Value of Credit Default Swaps	Maximum Amount of Future Payments under Credit Default Swaps ⁽²⁾	Weighted Average Years to Maturity ⁽³⁾	Estimated Fair Value of Credit Default Swaps	Maximum Amount of Future Payments under Credit Default Swaps ⁽²⁾	Weighted Average Years to Maturity ⁽³⁾
AAA/AA-/A+/A/A-						
Single name credit default swaps	\$ (80)	\$ 112,500	5.2	\$ (2,077)	\$ 124,500	5.9
Credit default swaps referencing indices	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	(80)	112,500	5.2	(2,077)	124,500	5.9
BBB+/BBB/BBB-						
Single name credit default swaps	(1,734)	144,200	5.0	(2,345)	135,500	5.5
Credit default swaps referencing indices	3,936	415,000	4.2	937	430,000	5.0
Subtotal	2,202	559,200	4.4	(1,408)	565,500	5.1
BB+						
Single name credit default swaps	—	—	—	(222)	6,000	4.5
Credit default swaps referencing indices	—	—	—	—	—	—
Subtotal	—	—	—	(222)	6,000	4.5
Total	\$ 2,122	\$ 671,700	4.6	\$ (3,707)	\$ 696,000	5.2

(1) The rating agency designations are based on ratings from Standard and Poor's ("S&P").

(2) Assumes the value of the referenced credit obligations is zero.

(3) The weighted average years to maturity of the credit default swaps is calculated based on weighted average notional amounts.

The Company also purchases credit default swaps to reduce its risk against a drop in bond prices due to credit concerns of certain bond issuers. If a credit event, as defined by the contract, occurs, the Company is able to put the bond back to the counterparty at par.

Synthetic Guaranteed Investment Contracts

The Company sells fee-based synthetic guaranteed investment contracts which include investment-only, stable value contracts, to retirement plans. The assets are owned by the trustees of such plans, who invest the assets under the terms of investment guidelines agreed to with the Company. The contracts contain a guarantee of a minimum rate of return on participant balances supported by the underlying assets, and a guarantee of liquidity to meet certain participant-initiated plan cash flow requirements. These contracts are accounted for as derivatives, recorded at fair value and classified as interest rate derivatives.

Embedded Derivatives

The Company has certain embedded derivatives which are required to be separated from their host contracts and reported as derivatives. Host contracts include reinsurance treaties structured on a modified coinsurance ("modco") or funds withheld basis. Changes in fair values of embedded derivatives on modco or funds withheld treaties are net of an increase (decrease) in investment related gains (losses), net of \$1.0 million and \$(6.2) million for the three months, and \$(1.0) million and \$(63.4) million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, associated with the Company's own credit risk. Changes in fair values of embedded derivatives on variable annuity contracts are net of an increase (decrease) in investment related gains (losses), net of \$(3.7) million and \$(28.3) million for the three months, and \$(8.6) million and \$23.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, associated with the Company's own credit risk. Additionally, the Company reinsures equity-indexed annuity and variable annuity contracts with benefits that are considered embedded derivatives, including guaranteed minimum withdrawal benefits, guaranteed minimum accumulation benefits, and guaranteed minimum income benefits. The related gains (losses) and the effect on net income after amortization of deferred acquisition costs ("DAC") and income taxes for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 are reflected in the following table (dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Embedded derivatives in modco or funds withheld arrangements included in investment related gains	\$ (67,461)	\$ 54,836	\$ 70,514	\$ 40,955
After the associated amortization of DAC and taxes, the related amounts included in net income	(15,693)	11,228	19,842	10,563
Embedded derivatives in variable annuity contracts included in investment related gains	19,829	2,579	106,952	74,025
After the associated amortization of DAC and taxes, the related amounts included in net income	11,052	1,588	52,326	494
Amounts related to embedded derivatives in equity-indexed annuities included in benefits and expenses	28,379	(33,821)	(32,637)	(26,422)
After the associated amortization of DAC and taxes, the related amounts included in net income	6,622	(22,529)	(53,772)	6,465

Credit Risk

The Company manages its credit risk related to over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives by entering into transactions with creditworthy counterparties, maintaining collateral arrangements and through the use of master netting agreements that provide for a single net payment to be made by one counterparty to another at each due date and upon termination.

The credit exposure of the Company's OTC derivative transactions is represented by the contracts with a positive fair value (market value) at the reporting date. To reduce credit exposures, the Company seeks to (i) enter into OTC derivative transactions pursuant to master netting agreements that provide for a netting of payments and receipts with a single counterparty, and (ii) enter into agreements that allow the use of credit support annexes, which are bilateral rating-sensitive agreements that require collateral postings at established threshold levels. Certain of the Company's OTC derivatives are cleared derivatives, which are bilateral transactions between the Company and a counterparty where the transactions are cleared through a clearinghouse, such that each derivative counterparty is only exposed to the default of the clearinghouse. These cleared transactions require initial and daily variation margin collateral postings and include certain interest rate swaps and credit default swaps entered into on or after June 10, 2013, related to new guidelines implemented under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Also, the Company enters into exchange-traded futures through regulated exchanges and these transactions are settled on a daily basis, thereby reducing credit risk exposure in the event of non-performance by counterparties to such financial instruments.

The Company enters into various collateral arrangements, which require both the posting and accepting of collateral in connection with its derivative instruments. Collateral agreements contain attachment thresholds that may vary depending on the posting party's ratings. Additionally, a decline in the Company's or the counterparty's credit ratings to specified levels could result in potential settlement of the derivative positions under the Company's agreements with its counterparties. The Company also has exchange-traded futures, which require the maintenance of a margin account. As exchange-traded futures are affected through regulated exchanges, and positions are marked to market on a daily basis, the Company has minimal exposure to credit-related losses in the event of nonperformance by counterparties.

The Company's credit exposure related to derivative contracts is generally limited to the fair value at the reporting date plus or minus any collateral posted or held by the Company. Information regarding the Company's credit exposure related to its over-the-counter derivative contracts and margin account for exchange-traded futures at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 are reflected in the following table (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Estimated fair value of derivatives in net asset position	\$ 74,273	\$ 136,558
Cash provided as collateral ⁽¹⁾	8,150	27,867
Securities pledged to counterparties as collateral ⁽²⁾	15,238	1,565
Cash pledged from counterparties as collateral ⁽³⁾	(64,027)	(136,414)
Securities pledged from counterparties as collateral ⁽⁴⁾	(10,624)	(22,458)
Initial margin for cleared derivatives	(10,869)	—
Net credit exposure	\$ 12,141	\$ 7,118
Margin account related to exchange-traded futures ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 3,833	\$ 5,605

(1) Consists of receivable from counterparty, included in other assets.

(2) Included in other invested assets, primarily consists of U.S. Treasury securities.

(3) Included in cash and cash equivalents, with obligation to return cash collateral recorded in other liabilities.

(4) Consists of U.S. Treasury securities.

(5) Included in cash and cash equivalents.

6. Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities

Fair Value Measurement

General accounting principles for *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* define fair value as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. These principles also establish a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value and describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Active markets are defined as having the following characteristics for the measured asset/liability: (i) many transactions, (ii) current prices, (iii) price quotes not varying substantially among market makers, (iv) narrow bid/ask spreads and (v) most information publicly available. The Company's Level 1 assets and liabilities include investment securities that are traded in exchange markets.

Level 2 - Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or market standard valuation techniques and assumptions with significant inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities. Such observable inputs include benchmarking prices for similar assets in active, liquid markets, quoted prices in markets that are not active and observable yields and spreads in the market. The Company's Level 2 assets and liabilities include investment securities with quoted prices that are traded less frequently than exchange-traded instruments and derivative contracts whose values are determined using market standard valuation techniques. This category primarily includes corporate securities, Canadian and Canadian provincial government securities, and residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities, among others. Level 2 valuations are generally obtained from third party pricing services for identical or comparable assets or liabilities or through the use of valuation methodologies using observable market inputs. Prices from services are validated through analytical reviews and assessment of current market activity.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the related assets or liabilities. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose value is determined using market standard valuation techniques described above. When observable inputs are not available, the market standard techniques for determining the estimated fair value of certain securities that trade infrequently, and therefore have little transparency, rely on inputs that are significant to the estimated fair value and that are not observable in the market or cannot be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data. These unobservable inputs can be based in large part on management judgment or estimation and cannot be supported by reference to market activity. Even though unobservable, management believes these inputs are based on assumptions deemed appropriate given the circumstances and consistent with what other market participants would use when pricing similar assets and liabilities. For the Company's invested assets, this category generally includes corporate securities (primarily private placements and bank loans), asset-backed securities (including those with exposure to subprime mortgages), and to a lesser extent, certain residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities, among others. Prices are determined using valuation methodologies such as discounted cash flow models and other similar techniques. Non-binding broker quotes, which are utilized when pricing service information is not available, are reviewed for reasonableness based on the Company's understanding of the market, and are generally considered Level 3. Under certain circumstances, based on its observations of transactions in active markets, the Company may conclude the prices received from independent third party pricing services or brokers are not reasonable or reflective of market activity. In those instances, the Company would apply internally developed valuation techniques to the related assets or liabilities. Additionally, the Company's embedded derivatives, all of which are associated with reinsurance treaties, are classified in Level 3 since their values include significant unobservable inputs.

When inputs used to measure fair value fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the level within which the fair value measurement is categorized is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For example, a Level 3 fair value measurement may include inputs that are observable (Levels 1 and 2) and unobservable (Level 3). Therefore, gains and losses for such assets and liabilities categorized within Level 3 may include changes in fair value that are attributable to both observable inputs (Levels 1 and 2) and unobservable inputs (Level 3).

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Assets and Liabilities by Hierarchy Level

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 are summarized below (dollars in thousands):

September 30, 2013:

September 30, 2013:		Fair Value Measurements Using:						
		Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3			
Assets:								
Fixed maturity securities – available-for-sale:								
Corporate securities	\$	11,934,562	\$	58,111	\$	10,356,155	\$	1,520,296
Canadian and Canadian provincial governments		3,491,156		—		3,491,156		—
Residential mortgage-backed securities		951,838		—		818,567		133,271
Asset-backed securities		885,278		—		457,198		428,080
Commercial mortgage-backed securities		1,453,114		—		1,328,173		124,941
U.S. government and agencies securities		430,847		362,269		65,156		3,422
State and political subdivision securities		297,729		—		253,688		44,041
Other foreign government supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises		1,844,584		302,997		1,514,427		27,160
Total fixed maturity securities – available-for-sale		21,289,108		723,377		18,284,520		2,281,211
Funds withheld at interest – embedded derivatives		(175,933)		—		—		(175,933)
Cash equivalents		671,999		671,999		—		—
Short-term investments		19,436		12,761		6,675		—
Other invested assets:								
Non-redeemable preferred stock		82,839		75,279		2,735		4,825
Other equity securities		64,071		64,071		—		—
Derivatives:								
Interest rate swaps		29,102		—		29,102		—
Interest rate options		5,699		—		5,699		—
Foreign currency forwards		—		—		—		—
CPI swaps		112		—		112		—
Credit default swaps		1,764		—		1,764		—
Equity options		43,482		—		43,482		—
Foreign currency swaps		7,262		—		7,262		—
Other		15,514		15,514		—		—
Total other invested assets		249,845		154,864		90,156		4,825
Total	\$	22,054,455	\$	1,563,001	\$	18,381,351	\$	2,110,103
Liabilities:								
Interest sensitive contract liabilities – embedded derivatives	\$	825,899	\$	—	\$	—	\$	825,899
Other liabilities:								
Derivatives:								
Interest rate swaps		2,286		—		2,286		—
Foreign currency forwards		8,928		—		8,928		—
Credit default swaps		(170)		—		(170)		—
Equity options		(139)		—		(139)		—
Foreign currency swaps		2,243		—		2,243		—
Total	\$	839,047	\$	—	\$	13,148	\$	825,899

December 31, 2012:

December 31, 2012:		Fair Value Measurements Using:						
		Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3			
Assets:								
Fixed maturity securities – available-for-sale:								
Corporate securities	\$	12,380,071	\$	43,544	\$	10,667,964	\$	1,668,563
Canadian and Canadian provincial governments		4,049,334		—		4,049,334		—
Residential mortgage-backed securities		1,042,064		—		948,133		93,931
Asset-backed securities		691,555		—		459,164		232,391
Commercial mortgage-backed securities		1,698,903		—		1,531,897		167,006
U.S. government and agencies securities		265,190		192,780		67,872		4,538
State and political subdivision securities		302,498		—		259,286		43,212
Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises		1,861,999		297,025		1,536,694		28,280
Total fixed maturity securities – available-for-sale		22,291,614		533,349		19,520,344		2,237,921
Funds withheld at interest – embedded derivatives		(243,177)		—		—		(243,177)
Cash equivalents		575,864		575,864		—		—
Short-term investments		239,131		178,923		38,177		22,031
Other invested assets:								
Non-redeemable preferred stock		74,841		64,268		10,573		—
Other equity securities		147,859		147,859		—		—
Derivatives:								
Interest rate swaps		104,972		—		104,972		—
Foreign currency forwards		1,017		—		1,017		—
CPI swaps		1,446		—		1,446		—
Credit default swaps		(1,741)		—		(1,741)		—
Equity options		62,514		—		62,514		—
Collateral		17,002		1,323		15,679		—
Other		11,951		11,951		—		—
Total other invested assets		419,861		225,401		194,460		—
Total	\$	23,283,293	\$	1,513,537	\$	19,752,981	\$	2,016,775
Liabilities:								
Interest sensitive contract liabilities – embedded derivatives	\$	912,361	\$	—	\$	—	\$	912,361
Other liabilities:								
Derivatives:								
Interest rate swaps		196		—		196		—
Foreign currency forwards		2,105		—		2,105		—
Credit default swaps		1,953		—		1,953		—
Foreign currency swaps		27,398		—		27,398		—
Total	\$	944,013	\$	—	\$	31,652	\$	912,361

The Company may utilize information from third parties, such as pricing services and brokers, to assist in determining the fair value for certain assets and liabilities; however, management is ultimately responsible for all fair values presented in the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements. This includes responsibility for monitoring the fair value process, ensuring objective and reliable valuation practices and pricing of financial instruments, and approving changes to valuation methodologies and pricing sources. The selection of the valuation technique(s) to apply considers the definition of an exit price and the nature of the asset or liability being valued and significant expertise and judgment is required.

The Company performs initial and ongoing analysis and review of the various techniques utilized in determining fair value to ensure that the valuation approaches utilized are appropriate and consistently applied, and that the various assumptions are reasonable. The Company also performs ongoing analysis and review of the information and prices received from third parties to ensure that the prices represent a reasonable estimate of the fair value and to monitor controls around pricing, which includes quantitative and qualitative analysis and is overseen by the Company's investment and accounting personnel. Examples of procedures performed include, but are not limited to, review of pricing trends, comparison of a sample of executed prices of securities sold to the fair value estimates, comparison of fair value estimates to management's knowledge of the current market, and ongoing confirmation that third party pricing services use, wherever possible, market-based parameters for valuation. In addition, the Company utilizes both internal and external cash flow models to analyze the reasonableness of fair values utilizing credit spread and other market assumptions, where appropriate. As a result of the analysis, if the Company determines there is a more appropriate fair value based upon the available market data, the price received from the third party is adjusted accordingly. The Company also determines if the inputs used in estimated fair values received from pricing services are observable by assessing whether these inputs can be corroborated by observable market data.

The fair value of embedded derivative liabilities, including those calculated by third parties, are monitored through the use of attribution reports to quantify the effect of underlying sources of fair value change, including capital market inputs based on policyholder account values, interest rates and short-term and long-term implied volatilities, from period to period. Actuarial assumptions are based on experience studies performed internally in combination with available industry information and are reviewed on a periodic basis, at least annually.

For assets and liabilities reported at fair value, the Company utilizes when available, fair values based on quoted prices in active markets that are regularly and readily obtainable. Generally, these are very liquid investments and the valuation does not require management judgment. When quoted prices in active markets are not available, fair value is based on market valuation techniques, market comparable pricing and the income approach. The use of different techniques, assumptions and inputs may have a material effect on the estimated fair values of the Company's securities holdings. For the quarters ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, the application of market standard valuation techniques applied to similar assets and liabilities has been consistent.

The methods and assumptions the Company uses to estimate the fair value of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below.

Fixed Maturity Securities – The fair values of the Company's publicly-traded fixed maturity securities are generally based on prices obtained from independent pricing services. Prices from pricing services are sourced from multiple vendors, and a vendor hierarchy is maintained by asset type based on historical pricing experience and vendor expertise. The Company generally receives prices from multiple pricing services for each security, but ultimately uses the price from the pricing service highest in the vendor hierarchy based on the respective asset type. To validate reasonableness, prices are periodically reviewed as explained above. Consistent with the fair value hierarchy described above, securities with validated quotes from pricing services are generally reflected within Level 2, as they are primarily based on observable pricing for similar assets and/or other market observable inputs. If the pricing information received from third party pricing services is not reflective of market activity or other inputs observable in the market, the Company may challenge the price through a formal process with the pricing service.

If the Company ultimately concludes that pricing information received from the independent pricing service is not reflective of market activity, non-binding broker quotes are used, if available. If the Company concludes the values from both pricing services and brokers are not reflective of market activity, it may override the information from the pricing service or broker with an internally developed valuation; however, this occurs infrequently. Internally developed valuations or non-binding broker quotes are also used to determine fair value in circumstances where vendor pricing is not available. These estimates may use significant unobservable inputs, which reflect the Company's assumptions about the inputs that market participants would use in pricing the asset. Circumstances where observable market data are not available may include events such as market illiquidity and credit events related to the security. Pricing service overrides, internally developed valuations and non-binding broker quotes are generally based on significant unobservable inputs and are reflected as Level 3 in the valuation hierarchy.

The inputs used in the valuation of corporate and government securities include, but are not limited to standard market observable inputs which are derived from, or corroborated by, market observable data including market yield curve, duration, call provisions, observable prices and spreads for similar publicly traded or privately traded issues that incorporate the credit quality and industry sector of the issuer. For structured securities, valuation is based primarily on matrix pricing or other similar techniques using standard market inputs including spreads for actively traded securities, spreads off benchmark yields, expected prepayment speeds and volumes, current and forecasted loss severity, rating, weighted average coupon, weighted average maturity, average delinquency rates, geographic region, debt-service coverage ratios and issuance-specific information including, but not limited to: collateral type, payment terms of the underlying assets, payment priority within the tranche, structure of the security, deal performance and vintage of loans.

When observable inputs are not available, the market standard valuation techniques for determining the estimated fair value of certain types of securities that trade infrequently, and therefore have little or no price transparency, rely on inputs that are significant to the estimated fair value that are not observable in the market or cannot be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data. These unobservable inputs can be based in large part on management judgment or estimation, and cannot be supported by reference to market activity. Even though unobservable, these inputs are based on assumptions deemed appropriate given the circumstances and are believed to be consistent with what other market participants would use when pricing such securities.

The fair values of private placement securities are primarily determined using a discounted cash flow model. In certain cases these models primarily use observable inputs with a discount rate based upon the average of spread surveys collected from private market intermediaries who are active in both primary and secondary transactions, taking into account, among other factors, the credit quality and industry sector of the issuer and the reduced liquidity associated with private placements. Generally, these securities have been reflected within Level 3. For certain private fixed maturities, the discounted cash flow model may also incorporate significant unobservable inputs, which reflect the Company's own assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the security. To the extent management determines that such unobservable inputs are not significant to the price of a security, a Level 2 classification is made. Otherwise, a Level 3 classification is used.

Embedded Derivatives – For embedded derivative liabilities associated with the underlying products in reinsurance treaties, primarily equity-indexed and variable annuity treaties, the Company utilizes a discounted cash flow model, which includes an estimate of future equity option purchases and an adjustment for the Company's own credit risk. The variable annuity embedded derivative calculations are performed by third parties based on methodology and input assumptions provided by the Company. To validate the reasonableness of the resulting fair value, the Company's internal actuaries perform reviews and analytical procedures on the results. The capital market inputs to the model, such as equity indexes, short-term equity volatility and interest rates, are generally observable. The valuation also requires certain significant inputs, which are generally not observable and accordingly, the valuation is considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy, see "Level 3 Measurements and Transfers" below for a description.

The fair value of embedded derivatives associated with funds withheld reinsurance treaties is determined based upon a total return swap technique with reference to the fair value of the investments held by the ceding company that support the Company's funds withheld at interest asset with an adjustment for the Company's own credit risk. The fair value of the underlying assets is generally based on market observable inputs using industry standard valuation techniques. The valuation also requires certain significant inputs, which are generally not observable and accordingly, the valuation is considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy, see "Level 3 Measurements and Transfers" below for a description.

Company's Own Credit Risk – The Company uses a structural default risk model to estimate its own credit risk. The input assumptions are a combination of externally derived and published values (default threshold and uncertainty), market inputs (interest rate, Company equity price per share, Company debt per share, Company equity price volatility) and insurance industry data (Loss Given Default), adjusted for market recoverability.

Cash Equivalents and Short-Term Investments – Cash equivalents and short-term investments include money market instruments, commercial paper and other highly liquid debt instruments. Money market instruments are generally valued using unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible for identical assets and are primarily classified as Level 1. The fair value of certain other short-term investments, such as floating rate notes and bonds with original maturities less than twelve months, are based upon other market observable data and are typically classified as Level 2. However, certain short-term investments may incorporate significant unobservable inputs resulting in a Level 3 classification. Various time deposits carried as cash equivalents or short-term investments are not measured at estimated fair value and therefore are excluded from the tables presented.

Equity Securities – Equity securities consist principally of exchange-traded funds and preferred stock of publicly and privately traded companies. The fair values of publicly traded equity securities are primarily based on quoted market prices in active markets and are classified within Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. The fair values of preferred equity securities, for which quoted market prices are not readily available, are based on prices obtained from independent pricing services and these securities are generally classified within Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. Non-binding broker quotes for equity securities are generally based on significant unobservable inputs and are reflected as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

Derivative Assets and Derivative Liabilities – All of the derivative instruments utilized by the Company are classified within Level 2 on the fair value hierarchy. These derivatives are principally valued using an income approach. Valuations of interest rate contracts are based on present value techniques, which utilize significant inputs that may include the swap yield curve, LIBOR basis curves, and repurchase rates. Valuations of foreign currency contracts, non-option-based, are based on present value techniques, which utilize significant inputs that may include the swap yield curve, LIBOR basis curves, currency spot rates, and cross currency basis curves. Valuations of credit contracts, non-option-based, are based on present value techniques, which utilize significant inputs that may include the swap yield curve, credit curves, and recovery rates. Valuations of equity market contracts, non-option-based, are based on present value techniques, which utilize significant inputs that may include the swap yield curve, spot equity index levels, and dividend yield curves. Valuations of equity market contracts, option-based, are based on option pricing models, which utilize significant inputs that may include the swap yield curve, spot equity index levels, dividend yield curves, and equity volatility. The Company does not currently have derivatives included in Level 3 measurement.

Level 3 Measurements and Transfers

As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, the Company classified approximately 10.7% and 10.0% of its fixed maturity securities in the Level 3 category. These securities primarily consist of private placement corporate securities and bank loans with inactive trading markets. Additionally, the Company has included asset-backed securities with subprime exposure and mortgage-backed securities with below investment grade ratings in the Level 3 category due to market uncertainty associated with these securities and the Company's utilization of unobservable information from third parties for the valuation of these securities.

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Company's corporate, sovereign, government-backed, other political subdivision and short-term investments are probability of default, liquidity premium and subordination premium. Significant increases (decreases) in any of those inputs in isolation would result in a significantly lower (higher) fair value measurement. Generally, a change in the assumption used for the probability of default is accompanied by a directionally similar change in the assumptions used for the liquidity premium and subordination premium. For securities with a fair value derived using the market comparable pricing valuation technique, liquidity premium is the only significant unobservable input.

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Company's asset and mortgage-backed securities are prepayment rates, probability of default, liquidity premium and loss severity in the event of default. Significant increases (decreases) in any of those inputs in isolation would result in a significantly lower (higher) fair value measurement. Generally, a change in the assumption used for the probability of default is accompanied by a directionally similar change in the assumption used for the liquidity premium and loss severity and a directionally opposite change in the assumption used for prepayment rates.

The actuarial assumptions used in the fair value of embedded derivatives which include assumptions related to lapses, withdrawals, and mortality, are based on experience studies performed by the Company in combination with available industry information and are reviewed on a periodic basis, at least annually. The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of embedded derivatives are assumptions associated with policyholder experience and selected capital market assumptions for equity-indexed and variable annuities. The selected capital market assumptions, which include long-term implied volatilities, are projections based on short-term historical information. Changes in interest rates, equity indices, equity volatility, the Company's own credit risk, and actuarial assumptions regarding policyholder experience may result in significant fluctuations in the value of embedded derivatives.

Fair value measurements associated with funds withheld reinsurance treaties are generally not materially sensitive to changes in unobservable inputs associated with policyholder experience. The primary drivers of change in these fair values are related to movements of credit spreads, which are generally observable. Increases (decreases) in market credit spreads tend to decrease (increase) the fair value of embedded derivatives. Increases (decreases) in the own credit assumption tend to decrease (increase) the magnitude of the fair value of embedded derivatives.

Fair value measurements associated with variable annuity treaties are sensitive to both capital markets inputs and policyholder experience inputs. Increases (decreases) in lapse rates tend to decrease (increase) the value of the embedded derivatives associated with variable annuity treaties. Increases (decreases) in the long-term volatility assumption tend to increase (decrease) the fair value of embedded derivatives. Increases (decreases) in the own credit assumption tend to decrease (increase) the magnitude of the fair value of embedded derivatives.

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The following table presents quantitative information about significant unobservable inputs used in Level 3 fair value measurements developed by the Company, which does not include unobservable Level 3 asset and liability measurements provided by third parties, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

September 30, 2013:

	Fair Value	Valuation Technique(s)	Unobservable Input	Range (Weighted Average)
Assets:				
State and political subdivision securities	\$ 5,032	Market comparable securities	Liquidity premium	1%
Corporate securities	366,372	Market comparable securities	Liquidity premium	0-2% (1%)
Funds withheld at interest- embedded derivatives	(175,933)	Total return swap	Mortality	0-100% (1%)
			Lapse	0-35% (6%)
			Withdrawal	0-5% (3%)
			Own Credit	0-1% (1%)
			Crediting rate	2-4% (3%)
Liabilities:				
Interest sensitive contract liabilities- embedded derivatives- indexed annuities	760,746	Discounted cash flow	Mortality	0-100% (1%)
			Lapse	0-35% (6%)
			Withdrawal	0-5% (3%)
			Option budget projection	2-4% (3%)
Interest sensitive contract liabilities- embedded derivatives- variable annuities	65,153	Discounted cash flow	Mortality	0-100% (2%)
			Lapse	0-25% (5%)
			Withdrawal	0-7% (3%)
			Own Credit	0-1% (1%)
			Long-term volatility	0-27% (13%)

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December 31, 2012:	Fair Value	Valuation Technique(s)	Unobservable Input	Range (Weighted Average)
Assets:				
State and political subdivision securities	\$ 5,451	Market comparable securities	Liquidity premium	1%
Corporate securities	450,177	Market comparable securities	Liquidity premium	0-2% (1%)
Short-term investments	22,031	Market comparable securities	Liquidity premium	1%
Funds withheld at interest- embedded derivatives	(243,177)	Total return swap	Mortality	0-100% (1%)
			Lapse	0-35% (6%)
			Withdrawal	0-5% (3%)
			Own Credit	0-1% (1%)
			Crediting Rate	2-4% (3%)
Liabilities:				
Interest sensitive contract liabilities- embedded derivatives- indexed annuities	740,256	Discounted cash flow	Mortality	0-100% (1%)
			Lapse	0-35% (6%)
			Withdrawal	0-5% (3%)
			Option budget projection	2-4% (3%)
Interest sensitive contract liabilities- embedded derivatives- variable annuities	172,105	Discounted cash flow	Mortality	0-100% (2%)
			Lapse	0-25% (5%)
			Withdrawal	0-7% (3%)
			Own Credit	0-1% (1%)
			Long-term volatility	0-27% (14%)

The Company recognizes transfers of financial instruments into and out of levels within the fair value hierarchy at the beginning of the quarter in which the actual event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer occurs. Financial instruments transferred into Level 3 are due to a lack of observable market transactions and price information. Financial instruments are transferred out of Level 3 when circumstances change such that significant inputs can be corroborated with market observable data. This may be due to a significant increase in market activity for the financial instrument, a specific event, one or more significant input(s) becoming observable. Transfers out of Level 3 were primarily the result of the Company using observable pricing information or a third party pricing quotation that appropriately reflects the fair value of those financial instruments, without the need for adjustment based on the Company's own assumptions regarding the characteristics of a specific financial instrument or the current liquidity in the market. In addition, certain transfers out of Level 3 were also due to increased observations of market transactions and price information for those financial instruments.

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Transfers from Level 1 to Level 2 are due to the lack of observable market data when pricing these securities, while transfers from Level 2 to Level 1 are due to an increase in the availability of market observable data in an active market. The following tables present the transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (dollars in thousands):

Three months ended September 30,				
	2013		2012	
	Transfers from Level 1 to Level 2	Transfers from Level 2 to Level 1	Transfers from Level 1 to Level 2	Transfers from Level 2 to Level 1
Fixed maturity securities - available-for-sale:				
Corporate securities	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 11,777	\$ —
Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises	—	—	2,163	—
Total fixed maturity securities	—	—	13,940	—
Non-redeemable preferred stock	—	—	9,646	11,068
Total	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 23,586	\$ 11,068

Nine months ended September 30,				
	2013		2012	
	Transfers from Level 1 to Level 2	Transfers from Level 2 to Level 1	Transfers from Level 1 to Level 2	Transfers from Level 2 to Level 1
Fixed maturity securities - available-for-sale:				
Corporate securities	\$ —	\$ 14,012	\$ 14,773	\$ 4
U.S. government and agencies securities	—	—	—	11,152
State and political subdivision securities	—	—	12,794	—
Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises	—	—	3,222	—
Total fixed maturity securities	—	14,012	30,789	11,156
Non-redeemable preferred stock	—	—	9,646	11,068
Total	\$ —	\$ 14,012	\$ 40,435	\$ 22,224

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The tables below provide a summary of the changes in fair value of Level 3 assets and liabilities for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as well as the portion of gains or losses included in income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 attributable to unrealized gains or losses related to those assets and liabilities still held at September 30, 2013 (dollars in thousands):

For the three months ended September 30, 2013:

	Fixed maturity securities - available-for-sale				
	Corporate securities	Residential mortgage-backed securities	Asset-backed securities	Commercial mortgage-backed securities	U.S. Government and agencies securities
Fair value, beginning of period	\$ 1,592,005	\$ 140,054	\$ 352,606	\$ 180,982	\$ —
Total gains/losses (realized/unrealized)					
Included in earnings, net:					
Investment income, net of related expenses	(2,254)	24	2,314	466	—
Investment related gains (losses), net	(924)	(419)	53	(6,864)	—
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—
Included in other comprehensive income	587	122	370	8,998	(40)
Purchases ⁽¹⁾	80,644	2,623	91,675	19,420	—
Sales ⁽¹⁾	(53,052)	(1,116)	(8,659)	(81,253)	—
Settlements ⁽¹⁾	(90,493)	(8,017)	(4,812)	(233)	—
Transfers into Level 3	2,760	—	—	3,425	3,462
Transfers out of Level 3	(8,977)	—	(5,467)	—	—
Fair value, end of period	\$ 1,520,296	\$ 133,271	\$ 428,080	\$ 124,941	\$ 3,422

Unrealized gains and losses recorded in earnings for the period relating to those Level 3 assets and liabilities that were still held at the end of the period

Included in earnings, net:					
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ (2,096)	\$ 24	\$ 2,314	\$ 301	\$ —
Investment related gains (losses), net	—	—	—	(134)	—
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—

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For the three months ended September 30, 2013 (continued):

	Fixed maturity securities available-for-sale		Funds withheld at interest- embedded derivative	Other invested assets- non- redeemable preferred stock	Interest sensitive contract liabilities embedded derivatives
	State and political subdivision securities	Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises			
Fair value, beginning of period	\$ 41,275	\$ 26,830	\$ (108,473)	\$ —	\$ (878,568)
Total gains/losses (realized/unrealized)					
Included in earnings, net:					
Investment income, net of related expenses	9	(77)	—	—	—
Investment related gains (losses), net	(4)	—	(67,460)	—	19,829
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	28,378
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—
Included in other comprehensive income	1,844	407	—	186	—
Purchases ⁽¹⁾	—	—	—	—	(16,082)
Sales ⁽¹⁾	—	—	—	—	—
Settlements ⁽¹⁾	(62)	—	—	—	20,544
Transfers into Level 3	979	—	—	4,639	—
Transfers out of Level 3	—	—	—	—	—
Fair value, end of period	\$ 44,041	\$ 27,160	\$ (175,933)	\$ 4,825	\$ (825,899)
Unrealized gains and losses recorded in earnings for the period relating to those Level 3 assets and liabilities that were still held at the end of the period					
Included in earnings, net:					
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ 9	\$ (77)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Investment related gains (losses), net	—	—	(67,460)	—	19,326
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	7,834
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2013:

	Fixed maturity securities - available-for-sale					
	Corporate securities	Residential mortgage-backed securities	Asset-backed securities	Commercial mortgage-backed securities	U.S. Government and agencies securities	State and political subdivision securities
Fair value, beginning of period	\$ 1,668,563	\$ 93,931	\$ 232,391	\$ 167,006	\$ 4,538	\$ 43,212
Total gains/losses (realized/unrealized)						
Included in earnings, net:						
Investment income, net of related expenses	(6,594)	18	4,719	1,548	—	27
Investment related gains (losses), net	(1,837)	(394)	(1,468)	(16,726)	—	(12)
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	—	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—
Included in other comprehensive income	(36,123)	(78)	15,007	36,943	(40)	204
Purchases ⁽¹⁾	256,006	54,543	220,098	19,420	—	—
Sales ⁽¹⁾	(109,123)	(3,733)	(24,951)	(83,974)	—	—
Settlements ⁽¹⁾	(236,392)	(20,307)	(16,248)	(2,701)	—	(369)
Transfers into Level 3	10,906	14,631	8,305	3,425	3,462	979
Transfers out of Level 3	(25,110)	(5,340)	(9,773)	—	(4,538)	—
Fair value, end of period	\$ 1,520,296	\$ 133,271	\$ 428,080	\$ 124,941	\$ 3,422	\$ 44,041
Unrealized gains and losses recorded in earnings for the period relating to those Level 3 assets and liabilities that were still held at the end of the period						
Included in earnings, net:						
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ (6,313)	\$ 17	\$ 4,711	\$ 1,382	\$ —	\$ 27
Investment related gains (losses), net	(202)	—	—	(10,243)	—	—
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	—	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2013 (continued):

	Fixed maturity securities available-for-sale					
	Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government- sponsored enterprises	Funds withheld at interest- embedded derivative	Short-term investments	Other invested assets- non- redeemable preferred stock	Interest sensitive contract liabilities embedded derivatives	
Fair value, beginning of period	\$ 28,280	\$ (243,177)	\$ 22,031	\$ —	\$ (912,361)	
Total gains/losses (realized/unrealized)						
Included in earnings, net:						
Investment income, net of related expenses	(227)	—	(3)	—	—	
Investment related gains (losses), net	—	67,244	—	—	106,952	
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—	
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	(32,637)	
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—	
Included in other comprehensive income	(893)	—	(28)	186	—	
Purchases ⁽¹⁾	—	—	—	—	(44,707)	
Sales ⁽¹⁾	—	—	—	—	—	
Settlements ⁽¹⁾	—	—	(22,000)	—	56,854	
Transfers into Level 3	—	—	—	4,639	—	
Transfers out of Level 3	—	—	—	—	—	
Fair value, end of period	\$ 27,160	\$ (175,933)	\$ —	\$ 4,825	\$ (825,899)	
Unrealized gains and losses recorded in earnings for the period relating to those Level 3 assets and liabilities that were still held at the end of the period						
Included in earnings, net:						
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ (227)	\$ —	\$ (4)	\$ —	\$ —	
Investment related gains (losses), net	—	67,244	—	—	104,237	
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—	
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	(89,491)	
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—	

(1) The amount reported within purchases, sales and settlements is the purchase price (for purchases) and the sales/settlement proceeds (for sales and settlements) based upon the actual date purchased or sold/settled. Items purchased and sold/settled in the same period are excluded from the rollforward. The Company had no issuances during the period.

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The tables below provide a summary of the changes in fair value of Level 3 assets and liabilities for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, as well as the portion of gains or losses included in income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 attributable to unrealized gains or losses related to those assets and liabilities still held at September 30, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

For the three months ended September 30, 2012:

	Fixed maturity securities - available-for-sale					
	Corporate securities	Residential mortgage-backed securities	Asset-backed securities	Commercial mortgage-backed securities	U.S. Government and agencies securities	State and political subdivision securities
Fair value, beginning of period	\$ 994,014	\$ 49,591	\$ 128,358	\$ 115,733	\$ —	\$ 14,486
Total gains/losses (realized/unrealized)						
Included in earnings, net:						
Investment income, net of related expenses	(4,846)	114	54	446	(59)	1
Investment related gains (losses), net	(1,059)	(187)	(3)	(2,088)	—	(4)
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	—	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—
Included in other comprehensive income	22,280	479	7,658	6,188	(15)	3,433
Purchases ⁽¹⁾	556,031	31,020	62,109	21,092	4,640	—
Sales ⁽¹⁾	(18,548)	(24,566)	(3,725)	—	—	—
Settlements ⁽¹⁾	(31,448)	(1,437)	(4,407)	(511)	—	(116)
Transfers into Level 3	1,293	1,804	5,006	26,208	—	29,150
Transfers out of Level 3	(10,444)	(7,459)	(5,460)	—	—	—
Fair value, end of period	\$ 1,507,273	\$ 49,359	\$ 189,590	\$ 167,068	\$ 4,566	\$ 46,950

Unrealized gains and losses recorded in earnings for the period relating to those Level 3 assets and liabilities that were still held at the end of the period

Included in earnings, net:						
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ (4,861)	\$ 28	\$ 40	\$ 446	\$ (59)	\$ 1
Investment related gains (losses), net	(223)	—	(242)	(2,088)	—	—
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	—	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—

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For the three months ended September 30, 2012 (continued):

	Funds withheld at interest- embedded derivatives	Short-term investments	Other invested assets- other equity securities	Reinsurance ceded receivable- embedded derivatives	Interest sensitive contract liabilities embedded derivatives
Fair value, beginning of period	\$ (375,337)	\$ —	\$ 3,227	\$ 4,416	\$ (938,927)
Total gains/losses (realized/unrealized)					
Included in earnings, net:					
Investment income, net of related expenses	—	(7)	—	—	—
Investment related gains (losses), net	54,836	—	—	—	2,579
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	213
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	(33,980)
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	(124)	—
Included in other comprehensive income	—	54	—	—	—
Purchases ⁽¹⁾	—	22,014	—	—	(8,502)
Sales ⁽¹⁾	—	—	—	—	—
Settlements ⁽¹⁾	—	—	—	(100)	24,813
Transfers into Level 3	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers out of Level 3	—	—	(3,227)	—	—
Fair value, end of period	\$ (320,501)	\$ 22,061	\$ —	\$ 4,192	\$ (953,804)
Unrealized gains and losses recorded in earnings for the period relating to those Level 3 assets and liabilities that were still held at the end of the period					
Included in earnings, net:					
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ —	\$ (7)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Investment related gains (losses), net	54,836	—	—	—	427
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	(23)
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	(58,621)
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	13	—

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012:

Fixed maturity securities - available-for-sale

	Corporate securities	Residential mortgage-backed securities	Asset-backed securities	Commercial mortgage-backed securities	U.S. Government and agencies securities	State and political subdivision securities
Fair value, beginning of period	\$ 974,169	\$ 81,655	\$ 193,492	\$ 115,976	\$ —	\$ 10,373
Total gains/losses (realized/unrealized)						
Included in earnings, net:						
Investment income, net of related expenses	(4,738)	413	497	1,579	(59)	5
Investment related gains (losses), net	(2,339)	(223)	(510)	(13,771)	—	(12)
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	—	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—
Included in other comprehensive income	31,940	1,886	16,135	17,436	(15)	4,666
Purchases (1)	645,466	31,602	64,121	21,092	4,640	—
Sales(1)	(45,833)	(40,790)	(11,627)	(1,552)	—	—
Settlements(1)	(84,819)	(5,139)	(11,510)	(568)	—	(162)
Transfers into Level 3	18,738	8,979	6,086	37,054	—	37,588
Transfers out of Level 3	(25,311)	(29,024)	(67,094)	(10,178)	—	(5,508)
Fair value, end of period	\$ 1,507,273	\$ 49,359	\$ 189,590	\$ 167,068	\$ 4,566	\$ 46,950
Unrealized gains and losses recorded in earnings for the period relating to those Level 3 assets and liabilities that were still held at the end of the period						
Included in earnings, net:						
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ (4,747)	\$ 283	\$ 440	\$ 1,579	\$ (59)	\$ 5
Investment related gains (losses), net	(1,329)	(269)	(849)	(14,163)	—	—
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	—	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 (continued):

	Funds withheld at interest- embedded derivatives	Short-term investments	Other invested assets- other equity securities	Reinsurance ceded receivable-embedded derivatives	Interest sensitive contract liabilities embedded derivatives
Fair value, beginning of period	\$ (361,456)	\$ —	\$ 11,489	\$ 4,945	\$ (1,028,241)
Total gains/losses (realized/unrealized)					
Included in earnings, net:					
Investment income, net of related expenses	—	(7)	—	—	—
Investment related gains (losses), net	40,955	—	1,098	—	74,025
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	770
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	(27,348)
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	(449)	—
Included in other comprehensive income	—	54	843	—	—
Purchases ⁽¹⁾	—	22,014	108	—	(48,199)
Sales ⁽¹⁾	—	—	(3,788)	—	—
Settlements ⁽¹⁾	—	—	—	(304)	75,189
Transfers into Level 3	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers out of Level 3	—	—	(9,750)	—	—
Fair value, end of period	\$ (320,501)	\$ 22,061	\$ —	\$ 4,192	\$ (953,804)
Unrealized gains and losses recorded in earnings for the period relating to those Level 3 assets and liabilities that were still held at the end of the period					
Included in earnings, net:					
Investment income, net of related expenses	\$ —	\$ (7)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Investment related gains (losses), net	40,955	—	(183)	—	68,315
Claims & other policy benefits	—	—	—	—	56
Interest credited	—	—	—	—	(102,017)
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	—	—	—	(33)	—

(1) The amount reported within purchases, sales and settlements is the purchase price (for purchases) and the sales/settlement proceeds (for sales and settlements) based upon the actual date purchased or sold/settled. Items purchased and sold/settled in the same period are excluded from the rollforward. The Company had no issuances during the period.

Nonrecurring Fair Value Measurements

The following table presents information for assets measured at estimated fair value on a nonrecurring basis during the periods presented; that is, they are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis but are subject to fair value adjustments only in certain circumstances (for example, when there is evidence of impairment). The estimated fair values for these assets were determined using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3).

(dollars in thousands)	Three months ended September 30,					
	2013			2012		
	Carrying Value Prior to Measurement	Estimated Fair Value After Measurement	Net Investment Gains (Losses)	Carrying Value Prior to Measurement	Estimated Fair Value After Measurement	Net Investment Gains (Losses)
Mortgage loans ⁽¹⁾	\$ 13,528	\$ 13,575	\$ 47	\$ 25,092	\$ 23,467	\$ (1,625)
Limited partnership interests ⁽²⁾	—	—	—	23,012	15,558	(7,454)
	Nine months ended September 30,					
	2013			2012		
	Carrying Value Prior to Measurement	Estimated Fair Value After Measurement	Net Investment Gains (Losses)	Carrying Value Prior to Measurement	Estimated Fair Value After Measurement	Net Investment Gains (Losses)
Mortgage loans ⁽¹⁾	\$ 13,436	\$ 13,575	\$ 139	\$ 27,836	\$ 23,467	\$ (4,369)
Limited partnership interests ⁽²⁾	11,590	9,161	(2,429)	25,191	16,944	(8,247)
Real estate ⁽³⁾	4,736	4,136	(600)	—	—	—

(1) Mortgage loans — The impaired mortgage loans presented above were written down to their estimated fair values at the date the impairments were recognized and are reported as losses above. Subsequent improvements in estimated fair value on previously impaired loans recorded through a reduction in the previously established valuation allowance are reported as gains above. Nonrecurring fair value adjustments on mortgage loans are based on the fair value of underlying collateral or discounted cash flows.

(2) Limited partnership interests — The impaired investments presented above were accounted for using the cost method. Impairments on these cost method investments were recognized at estimated fair value determined using the net asset values of the Company's ownership interest as provided in the financial statements of the investees. The market for these investments has limited activity and price transparency.

(3) Real estate investment - The impaired real estate investments presented above were written down to their estimated fair value at the date of impairment and are reported as losses above. The impairments were based on third-party appraisal values obtained and reviewed by the Company.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company is required by general accounting principles for *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* to disclose the fair value of certain financial instruments including those that are not carried at fair value. The following table presents the carrying amounts and estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments, which were not measured at fair value on a recurring basis, at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

September 30, 2013

September 30, 2013	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value	Fair Value Measurement Using:		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:					
Mortgage loans on real estate	\$ 2,488,582	\$ 2,515,250	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,515,250
Policy loans	1,244,878	1,244,878	—	1,244,878	—
Funds withheld at interest ⁽¹⁾	5,917,002	6,144,891	—	—	6,144,891
Cash and cash equivalents ⁽²⁾	751,236	751,236	751,236	—	—
Short-term investments ⁽²⁾	24,756	24,756	24,756	—	—
Other invested assets ⁽²⁾	652,759	694,909	4,956	31,436	658,517
Accrued investment income	262,330	262,330	—	262,330	—
Liabilities:					
Interest-sensitive contract liabilities ⁽¹⁾	\$ 11,104,386	\$ 10,923,043	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 10,923,043
Long-term debt	2,214,170	2,348,049	—	—	2,348,049
Collateral finance facility	484,712	365,307	—	—	365,307

December 31, 2012:

December 31, 2012:	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value	Fair Value Measurement Using:		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:					
Mortgage loans on real estate	\$ 2,300,587	\$ 2,426,688	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,426,688
Policy loans	1,278,175	1,278,175	—	1,278,175	—
Funds withheld at interest ⁽¹⁾	5,837,359	6,362,324	—	—	6,362,324
Cash and cash equivalents ⁽²⁾	684,028	684,028	684,028	—	—
Short-term investments ⁽²⁾	48,951	48,951	48,951	—	—
Other invested assets ⁽²⁾	596,336	626,358	—	32,250	594,108
Accrued investment income	201,344	201,344	—	201,344	—
Liabilities:					
Interest-sensitive contract liabilities ⁽¹⁾	\$ 11,566,962	\$ 11,926,339	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 11,926,339
Long-term debt	1,815,253	2,014,062	—	—	2,014,062
Collateral finance facility	652,010	456,050	—	—	456,050

(1) Carrying values presented herein differ from those presented in the condensed consolidated balance sheets because certain items within the respective financial statement caption are embedded derivatives and are measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

(2) Carrying values presented herein differ from those presented in the condensed consolidated balance sheets because certain items within the respective financial statement caption are measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

Mortgage Loans on Real Estate – The fair value of mortgage loans on real estate is estimated by discounting cash flows, both principal and interest, using current interest rates for mortgage loans with similar credit ratings and similar remaining maturities. As such, inputs include current treasury yields and spreads, which are based on the credit rating and average life of the loan, corresponding to the market spreads. The valuation of mortgage loans on real estate is considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

Policy Loans – Policy loans typically carry an interest rate that is adjusted annually based on an observable market index and therefore carrying value approximates fair value. The valuation of policy loans is considered Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

Funds Withheld at Interest – The carrying value of funds withheld at interest approximates fair value except where the funds withheld are specifically identified in the agreement. When funds withheld are specifically identified in the agreement, the fair value is based on the fair value of the underlying assets which are held by the ceding company. Ceding companies use a variety of sources and pricing methodologies, which are not transparent to the Company and may include significant unobservable inputs, to value the securities that are held in distinct portfolios, therefore the valuation of these funds withheld assets are considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Short-term Investments – The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments approximates fair values due to the short-term maturities of these instruments and are considered Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy.

Other Invested Assets – This primarily includes limited partnership interests accounted for using the cost method, structured loans, investments supporting unit-linked variable annuity type liabilities, FHLB common stock and cash collateral. The fair value of limited partnerships and other investments accounted for using the cost method is determined using the net asset values of the Company's ownership interest as provided in the financial statements of the investees. The valuation of these investments is considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy due to the limited activity and price transparency inherent in the market for such investments. The fair value of structured loans is estimated based on a discounted cash flow analysis using discount rates applicable to each structured loan, this is considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value of the investments supporting unit-linked variable annuity type liabilities is considered to be the carrying value and it is considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value of the Company's common stock investment in the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines is considered to be the carrying value and it is considered Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value of the Company's cash collateral is considered to be the carrying value and considered to be Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy.

Accrued Investment Income – The carrying value for accrued investment income approximates fair value as there are no adjustments made to the carrying value. This is considered Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

Interest-Sensitive Contract Liabilities – The carrying and fair values of interest-sensitive contract liabilities reflected in the table above exclude contracts with significant mortality risk. The fair value of the Company's interest-sensitive contract liabilities utilizes a market standard technique with both capital market inputs and policyholder behavior assumptions, as well as cash values adjusted for recapture fees. The capital market inputs to the model, such as interest rates, are generally observable. Policyholder behavior assumptions are generally not observable and may require use of significant management judgment. The valuation of interest-sensitive contract liabilities is considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

Long-term Debt and Collateral Finance Facility – The fair value of the Company's long-term debt and collateral finance facility is generally estimated by discounting future cash flows using market rates currently available for debt with similar remaining maturities and reflecting the credit risk of the Company, including inputs when available, from actively traded debt of the Company or other companies with similar credit quality. The valuation of long-term debt and collateral finance facility are generally obtained from brokers and are considered Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

7. Segment Information

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in Note 2 of the consolidated financial statements accompanying the 2012 Annual Report. The Company measures segment performance primarily based on profit or loss from operations before income taxes. There are no intersegment reinsurance transactions and the Company does not have any material long-lived assets. Investment income is allocated to the segments based upon average assets and related capital levels deemed appropriate to support the segment business volumes.

The Company allocates capital to its segments based on an internally developed economic capital model, the purpose of which is to measure the risk in the business and to provide a basis upon which capital is deployed. The economic capital model considers the unique and specific nature of the risks inherent in the Company's businesses. As a result of the economic capital allocation process, a portion of investment income and investment related gains and losses are attributed to the segments based on the level of allocated capital. In addition, the segments are charged for excess capital utilized above the allocated economic capital basis. This charge is included in policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses.

The Company's reportable segments are strategic business units that are primarily segregated by geographic region. Information related to revenues, income (loss) before income taxes and total assets of the Company for each reportable segment are summarized below (dollars in thousands).

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Total revenues:				
U.S.	\$ 1,337,562	\$ 1,446,834	\$ 4,402,212	\$ 4,141,202
Canada	292,504	287,629	884,918	839,491
Europe & South Africa	358,796	323,225	1,036,935	955,505
Asia Pacific	376,929	364,516	1,134,071	1,101,934
Corporate and Other	24,024	26,877	123,423	79,677
Total	\$ 2,389,815	\$ 2,449,081	\$ 7,581,559	\$ 7,117,809

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Income (loss) before income taxes:				
U.S.	\$ 105,867	\$ 156,678	\$ 450,719	\$ 390,009
Canada	41,869	37,520	113,836	127,613
Europe & South Africa	41,553	32,166	74,756	58,363
Asia Pacific	17,112	(16,483)	(258,818)	39,443
Corporate and Other	(4,706)	(8,402)	25,271	(17,294)
Total	\$ 201,695	\$ 201,479	\$ 405,764	\$ 598,134

The loss before income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 in the Asia Pacific segment reflects an increase in Australian group claims liabilities related to total and permanent disability coverage and disability income benefits as well as poor claims experience in the Australian operation's individual lump sum and individual disability businesses.

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Total Assets:		
U.S.	\$ 24,601,693	\$ 24,924,363
Canada	4,065,475	3,764,002
Europe & South Africa	2,403,094	2,235,199
Asia Pacific	3,396,639	3,208,732
Corporate and Other	5,059,654	6,228,142
Total	\$ 39,526,555	\$ 40,360,438

8. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

At September 30, 2013, the Company's commitments to fund investments were \$241.9 million in limited partnerships, \$23.1 million in commercial mortgage loans and \$58.2 million in bank loans, including revolving credit agreements. At December 31, 2012, the Company's commitments to fund investments were \$176.7 million in limited partnerships, \$22.2 million in commercial mortgage loans and \$68.5 million in bank loans, including revolving credit agreements. The Company anticipates that the majority of its current commitments will be invested over the next five years; however, these commitments could become due any time at the request of the counterparties. Investments in limited partnerships and private placements are carried at cost or reported using the equity method and included in other invested assets in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. Bank loans are carried at fair value and included in fixed maturities available-for-sale.

The Company is subject to litigation in the normal course of its business. The Company currently has no material litigation. A legal reserve is established when the Company is notified of an arbitration demand or litigation or is notified that an arbitration demand or litigation is imminent, it is probable that the Company will incur a loss as a result and the amount of the probable loss is reasonably capable of being estimated.

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The Company has obtained bank letters of credit in favor of various affiliated and unaffiliated insurance companies from which the Company assumes business. These letters of credit represent guarantees of performance under the reinsurance agreements and allow ceding companies to take statutory reserve credits. Certain of these letters of credit contain financial covenant restrictions. At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, there were approximately \$223.7 million and \$45.4 million, respectively, of undrawn outstanding bank letters of credit in favor of third parties. Additionally, the Company utilizes letters of credit primarily to secure reserve credits when it retrocedes business to its subsidiaries, including Parkway Reinsurance Company (“Parkway Re”), Rockwood Reinsurance Company (“Rockwood Re”), Timberlake Financial L.L.C. (“Timberlake Financial”), RGA Americas Reinsurance, Ltd. (“RGA Americas”), RGA Reinsurance Company (Barbados) Ltd. (“RGA Barbados”) and RGA Atlantic Reinsurance Company, Ltd. (“RGA Atlantic”). The Company cedes business to its affiliates to help reduce the amount of regulatory capital required in certain jurisdictions such as the U.S. and the United Kingdom. The capital required to support the business in the affiliates reflects more realistic expectations than the original jurisdiction of the business, where capital requirements are often considered to be quite conservative. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, \$916.5 million and \$763.5 million, respectively, in undrawn letters of credit from various banks were outstanding, primarily backing reinsurance between the various subsidiaries of the Company. The banks providing letters of credit to the Company are included on the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (“NAIC”) list of approved banks.

The Company maintains seven credit facilities, a syndicated revolving credit facility with a capacity of \$850.0 million and six letter of credit facilities with a combined capacity of \$894.3 million. The Company may borrow cash and obtain letters of credit in multiple currencies under its syndicated revolving credit facility. The following table provides additional information on the Company’s credit facilities as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in millions):

Facility Capacity	Maturity Date	Amount Utilized ⁽¹⁾		Basis of Fees
		September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012	
\$ 850.0	December 2015	\$ 73.9	\$ 402.9	Senior unsecured long-term debt rating
200.0	September 2019	200.0	200.0	Fixed
120.0	May 2016	115.0	100.0	Fixed
270.0	November 2017	270.0	—	Fixed
100.0	June 2017	92.2	—	Fixed
52.9	November 2013	52.9	—	Fixed
151.4	March 2019	151.4	—	Fixed

(1) Represents issued but undrawn letters of credit. There was no cash borrowed for the periods presented.

RGA has issued guarantees to third parties on behalf of its subsidiaries for the payment of amounts due under certain reinsurance treaties, securities borrowing arrangements, financing arrangements and office lease obligations, whereby, if a subsidiary fails to meet an obligation, RGA or one of its other subsidiaries will make a payment to fulfill the obligation. In limited circumstances, treaty guarantees are granted to ceding companies in order to provide them additional security, particularly in cases where RGA’s subsidiary is relatively new, unrated, or not of a significant size, relative to the ceding company. Liabilities supported by the treaty guarantees, before consideration for any legally offsetting amounts due from the guaranteed party, totaled \$860.6 million and \$686.0 million as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, and are reflected on the Company’s condensed consolidated balance sheets in future policy benefits. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company’s exposure related to treaty guarantees, net of assets held in trust, was \$669.9 million and \$463.5 million, respectively. Potential guaranteed amounts of future payments will vary depending on production levels and underwriting results. Guarantees related to borrowed securities provide additional security to third parties should a subsidiary fail to return the borrowed securities when due. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, RGA’s obligation related to borrowed securities guarantees was \$87.5 million. There were no amounts guaranteed under financing arrangements as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

Manor Reinsurance, Ltd. (“Manor Re”), a subsidiary of RGA, has obtained \$300.0 million of collateral financing through 2020 from an international bank which enabled Manor Re to deposit assets in trust to support statutory reserve credits for an affiliated reinsurance transaction. The bank has recourse to RGA should Manor Re fail to make payments or otherwise not perform its obligations under this financing.

RGA, through wholly-owned subsidiaries, has committed to provide statutory reserve support to third-parties, in exchange for a fee, by funding loans if certain defined events occur. Such statutory reserves are required under the U.S. Valuation of Life Policies Model Regulation (commonly referred to as Regulation XXX for term life insurance policies and Regulation A-XXX for universal life secondary guarantees). The third-parties have recourse to RGA should the subsidiary fail to provide the required funding, however, as of September 30, 2013, the Company does not believe that it will be required to provide any funding under these commitments as the occurrence of the defined events is considered remote. The following table presents information about these commitments (dollars in millions):

Commitment Period	Maximum Potential Obligation
2033	\$ 1,350.0
2035	560.0

In addition, the Company indemnifies its directors and officers as provided in its charters and by-laws. Since this indemnity generally is not subject to limitation with respect to duration or amount, the Company does not believe that it is possible to determine the maximum potential amount due under this indemnity in the future.

9. Employee Benefit Plans

The components of net periodic benefit costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 were as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Pension Benefits		Other Benefits	
	Three months ended September 30,		Three months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Service cost	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,910	\$ 590	\$ 673
Interest Cost	1,017	1,065	392	418
Expected return on plan assets	(933)	(766)	—	—
Amortization of prior service cost	152	102	—	—
Amortization of prior actuarial loss	808	851	279	380
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 3,044	\$ 3,162	\$ 1,261	\$ 1,471

	Pension Benefits		Other Benefits	
	Nine months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Service cost	\$ 6,012	\$ 5,638	\$ 1,411	\$ 1,231
Interest Cost	3,055	3,135	1,015	935
Expected return on plan assets	(2,800)	(2,299)	—	—
Amortization of prior service cost	459	288	—	—
Amortization of prior actuarial loss	2,427	2,514	651	557
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 9,153	\$ 9,276	\$ 3,077	\$ 2,723

The Company has made pension contributions of \$6.8 million during the first nine months of 2013 and does not expect to make any additional pension contributions in 2013.

10. Equity Based Compensation

Equity compensation expense was \$5.5 million and \$3.7 million in the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, respectively. In the first quarter of 2013, the Company granted 0.7 million stock appreciation rights at \$58.77 weighted average exercise price per share and 0.3 million performance contingent units to employees. Additionally, non-employee directors were granted a total of 14,200 shares of common stock. As of September 30, 2013, 1.7 million share options at \$50.57 weighted average per share were vested and exercisable with a remaining weighted average exercise period of 4.9 years. As of September 30, 2013, the total compensation cost of non-vested awards not yet recognized in the condensed consolidated financial statements was \$32.7 million. It is estimated that these costs will vest over a weighted average period of 2.1 years.

11. Retrocession Arrangements and Reinsurance Ceded Receivables

The Company generally reports retrocession activity on a gross basis. Amounts paid or deemed to have been paid for reinsurance are reflected in reinsurance ceded receivables. The cost of reinsurance related to long-duration contracts is recognized over the terms of the reinsured policies on a basis consistent with the reporting of those policies. In the normal course of business, the Company seeks to limit its exposure to loss on any single insured and to recover a portion of benefits paid by ceding reinsurance to other insurance enterprises or reinsurers under excess coverage, quota share and coinsurance contracts.

Certain retrocessions are arranged through the Company's retrocession pools for amounts in excess of the Company's retention limit. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, all rated retrocession pool participants rated by the A.M. Best Company were rated "A- (excellent)" or better. The Company verifies retrocession pool participants' ratings on a quarterly basis. For a majority of the retrocessionaires that were not rated, security in the form of letters of credit or trust assets has been given as additional security in favor of RGA Reinsurance Company ("RGA Reinsurance"). In addition, the Company performs annual financial reviews of its retrocessionaires to evaluate financial stability and performance.

As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company had claims recoverable from retrocessionaires of \$132.4 million and \$156.0 million, respectively, which is included in reinsurance ceded receivables, in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. The Company considers outstanding claims recoverable in excess of 90 days to be past due. There were \$6.5 million and \$10.4 million of past due claims recoverable as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. Based on financial reviews of the counterparties, the Company has not established a valuation allowance for claims recoverable. The Company has never experienced a material default in connection with retrocession arrangements, nor has it experienced any difficulty in collecting claims recoverable from retrocessionaires; however, no assurance can be given as to the future performance of such retrocessionaires or as to recoverability of any such claims.

12. Financing and Other Activities

During the first quarter of 2013, the Company repurchased \$160.0 million face amount of its Series A Floating Rate Insured Notes issued by RGA's subsidiary, Timberlake Financial, L.L.C., for \$112.0 million, which was the market value at the date of the purchase. The notes were purchased by RGA Reinsurance Company, also a subsidiary of RGA. As a result, the Company recorded a pre-tax gain of \$46.5 million, after fees, in other revenues at that time.

On August 13, 2013, the Company completed its acquisition of the Dutch life insurance company Leidsche Verzekeringen Maatschappij N.V. for a total purchase price of \$12.5 million. The purchase price was allocated to \$147.3 million of assets and \$134.8 million of liabilities at the date of acquisition. The purchased life insurance company primarily sells term life and unit-linked variable annuity policies.

On September 19, 2013, RGA issued 4.70% Senior Notes due September 15, 2023 with a face amount of \$400.0 million. These senior notes have been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The net proceeds from the offering were approximately \$395.1 million and will be used for general corporate purposes. Capitalized issue costs were approximately \$3.4 million.

13. Stock Transactions

In January 2013, RGA's board of directors authorized a share repurchase program, with no expiration date, for up to \$200.0 million of RGA's outstanding common stock. In April 2013, RGA's board of directors authorized an increase of \$100.0 million to the share repurchase program previously authorized in January 2013. In July 2013, RGA's board of directors authorized an additional increase of \$100.0 million to the share repurchase program previously authorized in January 2013. With these authorizations, the total amount of the Company's outstanding common stock authorized for repurchase is \$400.0 million.

During the first quarter of 2013, RGA repurchased 815,011 shares of common stock under this program for \$47.6 million. During the second quarter of 2013, the Company repurchased 2,865,132 shares of common stock under the program for \$182.9 million. During the third quarter of 2013, the Company repurchased 471,169 shares of common stock under the program for \$30.8 million. The common shares repurchased have been placed into treasury to be used for general corporate purposes. As of September 30, 2013 there was \$138.7 million remaining under the board of directors authorized share repurchase program.

14. New Accounting Standards

Changes to the general accounting principles are established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") in the form of accounting standards updates to the FASB Accounting Standards Codification™. Accounting standards updates not listed below were assessed and determined to be either not applicable or are expected to have minimal impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Adoption of New Accounting Standards

Basis of Presentation

In December 2011, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Balance Sheet* as it relates to the disclosures about offsetting assets and liabilities. The amendment requires disclosures about the Company's rights of offset and related arrangements associated with its financial instruments and derivative instruments. This amendment also requires the disclosure of both gross and net information about both instruments and transactions eligible for offset in the balance sheet and instruments and transactions subject to an agreement similar to a master netting arrangement. In January 2013, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Balance Sheet* as it relates to the disclosures about offsetting assets and liabilities. This amendment clarifies that the scope of the Balance Sheet amendment made in December 2011 applies only to derivatives, including bifurcated embedded derivatives, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, and securities borrowing and lending transactions that are either offset or subject to an enforceable master netting agreement or a similar agreement. These amendments are effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013. The Company adopted these amendments and the required disclosures are provided in Note 5 — "Derivative Instruments".

Transfers and Servicing

In April 2011, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Transfers and Servicing* as it relates to the reconsideration of effective control for repurchase agreements. This amendment removes from the assessment of effective control the criterion requiring the transferor to have the ability to repurchase or redeem the financial assets and also removes the collateral maintenance implementation guidance related to that criterion. The amendment is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The adoption of this amendment did not have an impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures

In May 2011, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* as it relates to the measurement and disclosure requirements about fair value measurements. This amendment clarifies the FASB's intent about the application of existing fair value measurement requirements. It also changes particular principles and requirements for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements. The amendment is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The Company adopted this amendment and the required disclosures are provided in Note 6 — "Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities."

Deferred Policy Acquisition Costs

In October 2010, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Financial Services – Insurance* as it relates to accounting for costs associated with acquiring or renewing insurance contracts. This amendment clarifies that only those costs that result directly from and are essential to the contract transaction and that would not have been incurred had the contract transaction not occurred can be capitalized. It also defines acquisitions costs as costs that are related directly to the successful acquisitions of new or renewal insurance contracts. The amendment is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The retrospective adoption of this amendment on January 1, 2012, resulted in a reduction in the Company's deferred acquisition cost asset and a corresponding reduction to equity, reflected in the financial statements in all periods. There will be a decrease in amortization subsequent to adoption due to the reduced deferred acquisition cost asset. There has also been a reduction in the level of future costs the Company defers; thereby increasing expenses incurred in future periods. The cumulative effect of the adoption of this amendment was a decrease to total stockholders' equity of \$318.4 million and a decrease in the deferred policy acquisition costs balance of \$470.1 million on January 1, 2012.

Comprehensive Income

In February 2013, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Comprehensive Income* as it relates to the reporting of amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income. The amendment requires entities to provide information about the amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component. This amendment also requires entities to present, either on the face of the statement where net income is presented or in the notes, significant amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by the respective line items of net income. However, this is only necessary if the amount reclassified is required to be reclassified to net income in its entirety in the same reporting period. The amendment is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 31, 2012. The Company adopted this amendment and the required disclosures are provided in Note 3 — "Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income."

In June 2011, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Comprehensive Income* as it relates to the presentation of comprehensive income. This amendment requires entities to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income, and the components of other comprehensive income in either a continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. The amendment does not change the items that must be reported in other comprehensive income. In December 2011, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Comprehensive Income* as it relates to the presentation of comprehensive income. This amendment defers the requirement to present the effects of reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income on the Company's consolidated statements of income, which was required in the *Comprehensive Income* amendment made in June 2011. These amendments are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2011. The Company adopted these amendments and the required presentation is provided in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

Future Adoption of New Accounting Standards

Income Taxes

In July 2013, the FASB amended the general accounting principles for *Income Taxes* as it relates to the presentation of an unrecognized tax benefit when a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward exists. This amendment clarifies that an unrecognized tax benefit should be presented in the financial statements as a reduction to a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward. However, to the extent a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward is not available to settle any additional income taxes that would result from the disallowance of a tax position or the tax law of the applicable jurisdiction does not require the entity to use, and the entity does not intend to use, the deferred tax asset for such purpose, the unrecognized tax benefit should be presented in the financial statements as a liability and not combined with deferred tax assets. These amendments are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2013. The adoption of this amendment is not expected to have an impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Forward-Looking and Cautionary Statements

This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 including, among others, statements relating to projections of the strategies, earnings, revenues, income or loss, ratios, future financial performance, and growth potential of the Company. The words "intend," "expect," "project," "estimate," "predict," "anticipate," "should," "believe," and other similar expressions also are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, some of which cannot be predicted or quantified. Future events and actual results, performance, and achievements could differ materially from those set forth in, contemplated by, or underlying the forward-looking statements.

Numerous important factors could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements including, without limitation, (1) adverse capital and credit market conditions and their impact on the Company's liquidity, access to capital and cost of capital, (2) the impairment of other financial institutions and its effect on the Company's business, (3) requirements to post collateral or make payments due to declines in market value of assets subject to the Company's collateral arrangements, (4) the fact that the determination of allowances and impairments taken on the Company's investments is highly subjective, (5) adverse changes in mortality, morbidity, lapsation or claims experience, (6) changes in the Company's financial strength and credit ratings and the effect of such changes on the Company's future results of operations and financial condition, (7) inadequate risk analysis and underwriting, (8) general economic conditions or a prolonged economic downturn affecting the demand for insurance and reinsurance in the Company's current and planned markets, (9) the availability and cost of collateral necessary for regulatory reserves and capital, (10) market or economic conditions that adversely affect the value of the Company's investment securities or result in the impairment of all or a portion of the value of certain of the Company's investment securities, that in turn could affect regulatory capital, (11) market or economic conditions that adversely affect the Company's ability to make timely sales of investment securities, (12) risks inherent in the Company's risk management and investment strategy, including changes in investment portfolio yields due to interest rate or credit quality changes, (13) fluctuations in U.S. or foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates, or securities and real estate markets, (14) adverse litigation or arbitration results, (15) the adequacy of reserves, resources and accurate information relating to settlements, awards and terminated and discontinued lines of business, (16) the stability of and actions by governments and economies in the markets in which the Company operates, including ongoing uncertainties regarding the amount of United States sovereign debt and the credit ratings thereof, (17) competitive factors and competitors' responses to the Company's initiatives, (18) the success of the Company's clients, (19) successful execution of the Company's entry into new markets, (20) successful development and introduction of new products and distribution opportunities, (21) the Company's ability to successfully integrate and operate reinsurance business that the Company acquires, (22) action by regulators who have authority over the Company's reinsurance operations in the jurisdictions in which it operates, (23) the Company's dependence on third parties, including those insurance companies and reinsurers to which the Company cedes some reinsurance, third-party investment managers and others, (24) the threat of natural disasters, catastrophes, terrorist attacks, epidemics or pandemics anywhere in the world where the Company or its clients do business, (25) changes in laws, regulations, and accounting standards applicable to the Company, its subsidiaries, or its business, (26) the effect of the Company's status as an insurance holding company and regulatory restrictions on its ability to pay principal of and interest on its debt obligations, and (27) other risks and uncertainties described in this document and in the Company's other filings with the SEC.

Forward-looking statements should be evaluated together with the many risks and uncertainties that affect the Company's business, including those mentioned in this document and the cautionary statements described in the periodic reports the Company files with the SEC. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made. The Company does not undertake any obligations to update these forward-looking statements, even though the Company's situation may change in the future. The Company qualifies all of its forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements. For a discussion of these risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements, you are advised to see Item 1A – "Risk Factors" in the 2012 Annual Report.

Overview

RGA is an insurance holding company that was formed on December 31, 1992. The condensed consolidated financial statements include the assets, liabilities and results of operations of RGA, RGA Reinsurance, RCM, RGA Barbados, RGA Americas, RGA Atlantic, RGA Canada, RGA Australia and RGA International as well as other subsidiaries, which are primarily wholly owned (collectively, the Company).

The Company is primarily engaged in the reinsurance of individual and group coverages for traditional life and health, longevity, disability, annuity and critical illness products, and financial reinsurance. RGA and its predecessor, the Reinsurance Division of General American Life Insurance Company, a Missouri life insurance company, have been engaged in the business of life reinsurance since 1973. Approximately 66.3% of the Company's 2012 net premiums were from its operations in North America, represented by its U.S. and Canada segments.

The Company derives revenues primarily from renewal premiums from existing reinsurance treaties, new business premiums from existing or new reinsurance treaties and income earned on invested assets.

The Company's primary business is life and health reinsurance, which involves reinsuring life insurance policies that are often in force for the remaining lifetime of the underlying individuals insured, with premiums earned typically over a period of 10 to 30 years. Each year, however, a portion of the business under existing treaties terminates due to, among other things, lapses or voluntary surrenders of underlying policies, deaths of insureds, and the exercise of recapture options by ceding companies.

As is customary in the reinsurance business, clients continually update, refine, and revise reinsurance information provided to the Company. Such revised information is used by the Company in preparation of its financial statements and the financial effects resulting from the incorporation of revised data are reflected in the current period.

The Company's long-term profitability primarily depends on the volume and amount of death and health-related claims incurred and the ability to adequately price the risks assumed. While death claims are reasonably predictable over a period of many years, claims become less predictable over shorter periods and are subject to significant fluctuation from quarter to quarter and year to year. The maximum amount of individual life coverage the Company retains per life varies by market and can be as high as \$8.0 million. In certain limited situations the Company has retained more than \$8.0 million per individual life. Exposures in excess of these retention amounts are typically retroceded to retrocessionaires; however, the Company remains fully liable to the ceding company for the entire amount of risk it assumes. The Company believes its sources of liquidity are sufficient to cover potential claims payments on both a short-term and long-term basis.

The Company has five geographic-based or function-based operational segments, each of which is a distinct reportable segment: U.S., Canada, Europe & South Africa, Asia Pacific and Corporate and Other. The U.S. operations provide traditional life, long-term care, group life and health reinsurance, annuity and financial reinsurance products. The Canada operations reinsure traditional life products as well as creditor reinsurance, group life and health reinsurance, non-guaranteed critical illness products and longevity reinsurance. Europe & South Africa operations include a variety of life and health products, critical illness and longevity business throughout Europe and in South Africa, in addition to other markets the Company is developing. The principle types of reinsurance in Asia Pacific include life, critical illness, health, disability, superannuation and financial reinsurance. Corporate and Other includes results from, among others, RGA Technology Partners, Inc. ("RTP"), a wholly-owned subsidiary that develops and markets technology solutions for the insurance industry, interest expense related to debt and the investment income and expense associated with the Company's collateral finance facility. The Company measures segment performance based on profit or loss from operations before income taxes.

The Company allocates capital to its segments based on an internally developed economic capital model, the purpose of which is to measure the risk in the business and to provide a consistent basis upon which capital is deployed. The economic capital model considers the unique and specific nature of the risks inherent in RGA's businesses. As a result of the economic capital allocation process, a portion of investment income and investment related gains and losses is credited to the segments based on the level of allocated capital. In addition, the segments are charged for excess capital utilized above the allocated economic capital basis. This charge is included in policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses.

Results of Operations

Consolidated

Consolidated income before income taxes increased \$0.2 million, or 0.1%, and decreased \$192.4 million, or 32.2%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The slight increase in income before income taxes for the third quarter of 2013 was primarily due to an increase in net premiums in all segments and favorable mortality experience in most markets largely offset by decreased investment related gains. The decrease in income before income taxes for the first nine months of 2013 was primarily due to a significant loss in the Asia Pacific segment and a decrease in investment related gains partially offset by higher investment income and the recognition in other revenues of gains on the repurchase of collateral finance facility securities of \$46.5 million. The loss in the Asia Pacific segment reflects an increase in Australian group claims liabilities primarily related to total and permanent disability coverage and disability income benefits as well as poor claims experience in the Australian operation's individual lump sum and individual disability businesses, all in the second quarter of 2013. The decrease in investment related gains in the third quarter and first nine months reflects an unfavorable change in the value of embedded derivatives within the U.S. segment due largely to rising interest rates in the third quarter of 2013. Foreign currency fluctuations resulted in a decrease to income before income taxes of approximately \$6.1 million and an increase of approximately \$6.1 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

The Company recognizes in consolidated income, any changes in the value of embedded derivatives on modco or funds withheld treaties, equity-indexed annuity treaties ("EIAs") and variable annuity products. The combined changes in these three types of embedded derivatives, after adjustment for deferred acquisition costs and retrocession, resulted in a reduction of approximately \$13.6 million and increase of approximately \$126.7 million in consolidated income before income taxes in the third quarter and

first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012. These fluctuations do not affect current cash flows, crediting rates or spread performance on the underlying treaties. Therefore, management believes it is helpful to distinguish between the effects of changes in these embedded derivatives, net of related hedging activity, and the primary factors that drive profitability of the underlying treaties, namely investment income, fee income, and interest credited. The individual effect on income before income taxes for these three types of embedded derivatives is as follows:

The change in the value of embedded derivatives related to reinsurance treaties written on a modco or funds withheld basis are subject to the general accounting principles for derivatives and hedging related to embedded derivatives. The unrealized gains and losses associated with these embedded derivatives, after adjustment for deferred acquisition costs, reduced income before income taxes by \$41.4 million and increased it by \$14.3 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

Changes in risk-free rates used in the fair value estimates of embedded derivatives associated with EIAs affect the amount of unrealized gains and losses the Company recognizes. The unrealized gains and losses associated with EIAs, after adjustment for deferred acquisition costs and retrocession, increased income before income taxes by \$13.2 million and \$32.7 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

The change in the Company's liability for variable annuities associated with guaranteed minimum living benefits affects the amount of unrealized gains and losses the Company recognizes. The unrealized gains and losses associated with guaranteed minimum living benefits, after adjustment for deferred acquisition costs, increased income before income taxes by \$14.6 million and \$79.7 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

Consolidated net premiums increased \$113.4 million, or 5.9%, and \$314.1 million, or 5.5%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012, primarily due to growth in life reinsurance partially offset by foreign currency fluctuations. Foreign currency fluctuations unfavorably affected net premiums by approximately \$51.7 million and \$92.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Consolidated assumed insurance in force increased to \$2,903.8 billion as of September 30, 2013 from \$2,881.0 billion as of September 30, 2012 due to new business production. Foreign currency fluctuations offset the increase in assumed life insurance in force from September 30, 2012 by \$71.6 billion. The Company added new business production, measured by face amount of insurance in force, of \$91.6 billion and \$118.9 billion during the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, respectively, and \$291.5 billion and \$324.2 billion during the first nine months of 2013 and 2012, respectively. Management believes industry consolidation and the established practice of reinsuring mortality risks should continue to provide opportunities for growth, albeit at rates less than historically experienced in some markets.

Consolidated investment income, net of related expenses, decreased \$27.4 million, or 6.9%, and increased \$172.7 million, or 16.2%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The decrease in the third quarter was primarily due to a \$35.5 million decrease in market value changes related to the Company's funds withheld at interest investment associated with the reinsurance of certain EIAs. The increase in the first nine months was largely due to a \$78.2 million increase from market value changes related to the Company's funds withheld at interest investment associated with the reinsurance of certain EIAs. The effect on investment income of the EIAs market value changes is substantially offset by a corresponding change in interest credited to policyholder account balances resulting in an insignificant effect on net income. In addition, investment income associated with a large fixed annuity transaction executed in the third quarter of 2012 increased investment income by \$17.4 million and \$86.3 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively. The increase also reflects a larger average invested asset base, excluding funds withheld and other spread business, somewhat offset by lower effective investment portfolio yields. Average invested assets at amortized cost, excluding funds withheld and other spread business, for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 totaled \$17.9 billion, a 9.0% increase over September 30, 2012. The average yield earned on investments, excluding funds withheld and other spread business, was 4.75% and 4.98% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, respectively, and 4.78% and 5.03% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The average yield will vary from quarter to quarter and year to year depending on a number of variables, including the prevailing interest rate and credit spread environment, changes in the mix of the underlying investments and cash balances, and the timing of dividends and distributions on certain investments. While there has been some improvement in 2013, a continued low interest rate environment in the U.S. and Canada is expected to put downward pressure on this yield in future reporting periods.

Total investment related gains (losses), net reflect an unfavorable change of \$152.5 million and \$77.2 million, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The unfavorable change for the third quarter was primarily due to unfavorable changes in the embedded derivatives related to reinsurance treaties written on a modco or funds withheld basis of \$122.3 million. The unfavorable change for the first nine months is primarily due to a decrease in the fair value of derivatives used to hedge the embedded derivative liabilities associated with guaranteed minimum living benefits of \$95.7 million partially offset by a favorable change in the embedded derivatives related to guaranteed minimum living benefits of \$32.9 million. Investment impairments on fixed maturity and equity securities decreased by \$2.2 million and \$8.5 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively. See Note 4 - "Investments" and Note 5 - "Derivative Instruments" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on the impairment losses and derivatives. Investment

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income and investment related gains and losses are allocated to the operating segments based upon average assets and related capital levels deemed appropriate to support the segment operations.

The effective tax rate on a consolidated basis was 31.6% and 28.3% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, respectively, and 32.5% and 31.6% for the first nine months of 2013 and 2012, respectively. The third quarter and first nine months of 2013 effective tax rates were lower than the U.S. statutory rate of 35.0% primarily as a result of income in non-U.S. jurisdictions with lower tax rates than the U.S., differences in tax basis in foreign jurisdictions and an adjustment to reconcile the 2012 income tax provision to the 2012 federal income tax return, which was filed in the current quarter. The third quarter and first nine months of 2012 effective tax rate was lower than the U.S. statutory rate of 35.0% primarily as a result of income in non-U.S. jurisdictions with lower tax rates than the U.S. and differences in tax basis in foreign jurisdictions offset by a tax accrual of \$2.1 million related to business extender provisions that the U.S. Congress did not pass prior to the end of 2012.

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) requires the application of accounting policies that often involve a significant degree of judgment. Management, on an ongoing basis, reviews estimates and assumptions used in the preparation of financial statements. If management determines that modifications in assumptions and estimates are appropriate given current facts and circumstances, results of operations and financial position as reported in the condensed consolidated financial statements could change significantly.

Management believes the critical accounting policies relating to the following areas are most dependent on the application of estimates and assumptions:

- Deferred acquisition costs;
- Liabilities for future policy benefits and incurred but not reported claims;
- Valuation of investments and other-than-temporary impairments to specific investments;
- Valuation of embedded derivatives; and
- Income taxes.

A discussion of each of the critical accounting policies may be found in the Company’s 2012 Annual Report under “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Critical Accounting Policies.”

Further discussion and analysis of the results for 2013 compared to 2012 are presented by segment.

U.S. Operations

U.S. operations consist of two major sub-segments: Traditional and Non-Traditional. The Traditional sub-segment primarily specializes in individual mortality-risk reinsurance and to a lesser extent, group, health and long-term care reinsurance. The Non-Traditional sub-segment consists of Asset-Intensive and Financial Reinsurance. During 2012, the Asset-Intensive sub-segment issued its first fee-based synthetic guaranteed investment contracts which include investment-only, stable value contracts, to retirement plans.

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For the three months ended September 30, 2013

(dollars in thousands)

For the three months ended September 30, 2013		Non-Traditional			
(dollars in thousands)					
	Traditional	Asset-Intensive	Financial Reinsurance	Total U.S.	
Revenues:					
Net premiums	\$ 1,112,526	\$ 3,800	\$ —	\$ 1,116,326	
Investment income, net of related expenses	138,146	124,808	1,160	264,114	
Investment related gains (losses), net:					
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities	—	—	—	—	
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	
Other investment related gains (losses), net	(5,262)	(82,064)	(321)	(87,647)	
Total investment related gains (losses), net	(5,262)	(82,064)	(321)	(87,647)	
Other revenues	651	28,519	15,599	44,769	
Total revenues	1,246,061	75,063	16,438	1,337,562	
Benefits and expenses:					
Claims and other policy benefits	961,746	8,899	—	970,645	
Interest credited	13,659	45,805	—	59,464	
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	162,443	6,312	3,228	171,983	
Other operating expenses	23,397	4,198	2,008	29,603	
Total benefits and expenses	1,161,245	65,214	5,236	1,231,695	
Income before income taxes	\$ 84,816	\$ 9,849	\$ 11,202	\$ 105,867	

For the three months ended September 30, 2012

(dollars in thousands)

For the three months ended September 30, 2012		Non-Traditional		
(dollars in thousands)				
	Traditional	Asset-Intensive	Financial Reinsurance	Total U.S.
Revenues:				
Net premiums	\$ 1,045,767	\$ 3,623	\$ —	\$ 1,049,390
Investment income (loss), net of related expenses	135,532	160,441	364	296,337
Investment related gains (losses), net:				
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities	(557)	—	—	(557)
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income	(551)	—	—	(551)
Other investment related gains (losses), net	(819)	58,875	(146)	57,910
Total investment related gains (losses), net	(1,927)	58,875	(146)	56,802
Other revenues	764	31,976	11,565	44,305
Total revenues	1,180,136	254,915	11,783	1,446,834
Benefits and expenses:				
Claims and other policy benefits	917,264	2,828	—	920,092
Interest credited	14,637	115,478	—	130,115
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	156,995	56,027	2,012	215,034
Other operating expenses	20,684	2,596	1,635	24,915
Total benefits and expenses	1,109,580	176,929	3,647	1,290,156
Income before income taxes	\$ 70,556	\$ 77,986	\$ 8,136	\$ 156,678

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2013

(dollars in thousands)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2013		Non-Traditional			Total U.S.
(dollars in thousands)	Traditional	Asset-Intensive	Financial Reinsurance		
Revenues:					
Net premiums	\$ 3,282,867	\$ 18,767	\$ —	\$ 3,301,634	
Investment income, net of related expenses	403,694	505,014	2,576	911,284	
Investment related gains (losses), net:					
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities	(8,247)	—	—	(8,247)	
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income	(253)	—	—	(253)	
Other investment related gains (losses), net	14,235	49,583	(387)	63,431	
Total investment related gains (losses), net	5,735	49,583	(387)	54,931	
Other revenues	2,324	87,337	44,702	134,363	
Total revenues	3,694,620	660,701	46,891	4,402,212	
Benefits and expenses:					
Claims and other policy benefits	2,864,165	23,570	—	2,887,735	
Interest credited	43,399	258,853	—	302,252	
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	466,804	198,508	10,270	675,582	
Other operating expenses	69,144	11,189	5,591	85,924	
Total benefits and expenses	3,443,512	492,120	15,861	3,951,493	
Income before income taxes	\$ 251,108	\$ 168,581	\$ 31,030	\$ 450,719	

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012

(dollars in thousands)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012		Non-Traditional				
(dollars in thousands)		Traditional	Asset-Intensive	Financial Reinsurance	Total U.S.	
Revenues:						
Net premiums	\$	3,149,674	\$	10,574	\$	3,160,248
Investment income (loss), net of related expenses		401,601		365,675		767,983
Investment related gains (losses), net:						
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities		(8,409)		—		(8,409)
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income		(6,296)		—		(6,296)
Other investment related gains (losses), net		483		111,946		112,176
Total investment related gains (losses), net		(14,222)		111,946		97,471
Other revenues		2,168		81,123		115,500
Total revenues		3,539,221		569,318		4,141,202
Benefits and expenses:						
Claims and other policy benefits		2,759,532		9,832		2,769,364
Interest credited		44,246		240,154		284,400
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses		453,438		161,689		618,613
Other operating expenses		65,271		8,465		78,816
Total benefits and expenses		3,322,487		420,140		3,751,193
Income before income taxes	\$	216,734	\$	149,178	\$	390,009

Income before income taxes for the U.S. operations segment decreased by \$50.8 million, or 32.4%, and increased by \$60.7 million, or 15.6%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The decrease in income before income taxes in the third quarter can be largely attributed to the Asset-Intensive sub-segment. The decrease is primarily the result of rising interest rates during the quarter which reduced the fair value of embedded derivatives associated with treaties written on a modco or funds withheld basis. In addition, there was a decrease in investment related gains (losses), net due to the significant amount of investment related gains recognized in 2012 associated with the portfolio restructure of a new fixed annuity transaction. These decreases were somewhat offset by favorable mortality experience in the U.S. Traditional sub-segment. The increase in income for the first nine months can be attributed to an increase in investment related gains (losses), net in the U.S. Traditional sub-segment as well as slightly improved mortality. In addition, the first nine months reflects improved performance in the Asset-Intensive sub-segment mainly as a result of the aforementioned fixed annuity transaction that was recorded in the second quarter of 2012.

Traditional Reinsurance

The U.S. Traditional sub-segment provides life and health reinsurance to domestic clients for a variety of products through yearly renewable term, coinsurance and modco agreements. These reinsurance arrangements may involve either facultative or automatic agreements.

Income before income taxes for the U.S. Traditional sub-segment increased by \$14.3 million, or 20.2%, and \$34.4 million, or 15.9%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase in the third quarter was primarily due to favorable mortality compared to the same prior year period. The increase in the first nine months can be attributed to an increase in investment related gains (losses), net and slightly improved mortality compared to the same period in 2012.

Net premiums increased \$66.8 million, or 6.4%, and \$133.2 million, or 4.2%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase in net premiums was driven largely by growth in the health and group related coverages which contributed \$30.4 million and \$82.3 million to the increase for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively. This sub-segment added new individual life business production, measured by face amount of insurance in force, of \$22.0 billion and \$23.1 billion during the third quarters of 2013 and 2012, respectively, and \$69.4 billion and \$132.2 billion during the first nine months of 2013 and 2012, respectively. Approximately \$42.4 billion of the decrease in insurance in force for the first nine months as compared to the same period in 2012 relates to one large in force transaction recorded in the first quarter of 2012.

Net investment income increased \$2.6 million, or 1.9%, and \$2.1 million, or 0.5%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increases are due to an increase in the average invested asset base offset by lower yield rates. Investment related gains (losses), net decreased \$3.3 million and increased \$20.0 million, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase in the first nine months is primarily due to an increase in net investment gains. Investment income and investment related gains and losses are allocated to the various operating segments based on average assets and related capital levels deemed appropriate to support the segment business volumes. Investment performance varies with the composition of investments and the relative allocation of capital to the operating segments.

Claims and other policy benefits as a percentage of net premiums ("loss ratios") were 86.4% and 87.7% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, respectively, and 87.2% and 87.6% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively. The decrease in the percentages for the third quarter and first nine months was due to normal volatility in individual mortality claims and a decrease in group reinsurance claims associated with disability, medical and life coverages. Although reasonably predictable over a period of years, claims can be volatile over short-term periods.

Interest credited expense decreased \$1.0 million, or 6.7%, and \$0.8 million, or 1.9%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. This expense relates primarily to one treaty in which the related investment income decreased proportionately, resulting in minimal net income impact. Interest credited in this sub-segment relates to amounts credited on cash value products which also have a significant mortality component. Income before income taxes is affected by the spread between the investment income and the interest credited on the underlying products. Interest earned rates and related interest crediting rates are index driven. The spread remained relatively constant in both periods.

Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums were 14.6% and 15.0% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 14.2% and 14.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Overall, while these ratios are expected to remain in a predictable range, they may fluctuate from period to period due to varying allowance levels within coinsurance-type arrangements. In addition, the amortization pattern of previously capitalized amounts, which are subject to the form of the reinsurance agreement and the underlying insurance policies, may vary. Also, the mix of first year coinsurance business versus yearly renewable term business can cause the percentage to fluctuate from period to period.

Other operating expenses increased \$2.7 million, or 13.1%, and \$3.9 million, or 5.9%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Other operating expenses, as a percentage of net premiums were 2.1% and 2.0% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 2.1% for both nine month periods ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Asset-Intensive Reinsurance

The U.S. Asset-Intensive sub-segment primarily assumes investment risk within underlying annuities and corporate-owned life insurance policies. Most of these reinsurance agreements are coinsurance, coinsurance with funds withheld or modco whereby the Company recognizes profits or losses primarily from the spread between the investment income earned and the interest credited on the underlying deposit liabilities, as well as fees associated with variable annuity account values.

Impact of certain derivatives:

Income for the asset-intensive business tends to be volatile due to changes in the fair value of certain derivatives, including embedded derivatives associated with reinsurance treaties structured on a modco basis or funds withheld basis, as well as embedded derivatives associated with the Company's reinsurance of equity-indexed annuities and variable annuities with guaranteed minimum benefit riders. Fluctuations occur period to period primarily due to changing investment conditions including, but not limited to, interest rate movements (including risk-free rates and credit spreads), implied volatility and equity market performance, all of which are factors in the calculations of fair value. Therefore, management believes it is helpful to distinguish between the effects of changes in these derivatives, net of related hedging activity, and the primary factors that drive profitability of the underlying treaties, namely investment income, fee income (included in other revenues), and interest credited. These fluctuations are considered unrealized by management and do not affect current cash flows, crediting rates or spread performance on the underlying treaties.

The following table summarizes the asset-intensive results and quantifies the impact of these embedded derivatives for the periods presented. Revenues before certain derivatives, benefits and expenses before certain derivatives, and income before income taxes and certain derivatives, should not be viewed as substitutes for GAAP revenues, GAAP benefits and expenses, and GAAP income before income taxes.

(dollars in thousands)	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Revenues:				
Total revenues	\$ 75,063	\$ 254,915	\$ 660,701	\$ 569,318
Less:				
Embedded derivatives – modco/funds withheld treaties	(68,703)	54,258	67,824	40,278
Guaranteed minimum benefit riders and related free standing derivatives	(10,087)	(22,577)	(18,599)	44,220
Revenues before certain derivatives	153,853	223,234	611,476	484,820
Benefits and expenses:				
Total benefits and expenses	65,214	176,929	492,120	420,140
Less:				
Embedded derivatives – modco/funds withheld treaties	(43,317)	37,562	39,988	24,705
Guaranteed minimum benefit riders and related free standing derivatives	(6,646)	(15,816)	(11,091)	27,665
Equity-indexed annuities	(12,103)	1,062	(31,675)	1,019
Benefits and expenses before certain derivatives	127,280	154,121	494,898	366,751
Income before income taxes:				
Income before income taxes	9,849	77,986	168,581	149,178
Less:				
Embedded derivatives – modco/funds withheld treaties	(25,386)	16,696	27,836	15,573
Guaranteed minimum benefit riders and related free standing derivatives	(3,441)	(6,761)	(7,508)	16,555
Equity-indexed annuities	12,103	(1,062)	31,675	(1,019)
Income before income taxes and certain derivatives	\$ 26,573	\$ 69,113	\$ 116,578	\$ 118,069

Embedded Derivatives - Modco/Funds Withheld Treaties- Represents the change in the fair value of embedded derivatives on funds withheld at interest associated with treaties written on a modco or funds withheld basis. The fair value changes of embedded derivatives on funds withheld at interest associated with treaties written on a modco or funds withheld basis are reflected in revenues, while the related impact on deferred acquisition expenses is reflected in benefits and expenses. Changes in the fair value of the embedded derivative are driven by changes in investment credit spreads, including the Company's own credit risk. Generally, an increase in investment credit spreads, ignoring changes in the Company's own credit risk, will have a negative impact on the fair value of the embedded derivative (decrease in income). Changes in fair values of these embedded derivatives are net of an increase (decrease) in revenues of \$1.0 million and \$(6.2) million for the three months, and \$(1.0) million and \$(63.4) million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, associated with the Company's own credit risk. A 10% increase in the Company's own credit risk rate would have increased revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 by approximately \$0.2 million. Conversely, a 10% decrease in the Company's own credit risk rate would have decreased revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 by approximately \$0.2 million.

In the third quarter of 2013, the change in fair value of the embedded derivative decreased revenues by \$68.7 million and related deferred acquisition expenses decreased benefits and expenses by \$43.3 million, for a negative pre-tax income impact of \$25.4 million. During the third quarter of 2012, the change in fair value of the embedded derivative increased revenues by \$54.3 million and related deferred acquisition expenses increased benefits and expenses by \$37.6 million, for a positive pre-tax income impact of \$16.7 million. In the first nine months of 2013, the change in fair value of the embedded derivative increased revenues by \$67.8 million and related deferred acquisition expenses increased benefits and expenses by \$40.0 million, for a positive pre-tax income impact of \$27.8 million. During the first nine months of 2012, the change in fair value of the embedded derivative increased revenues by \$40.3 million and related deferred acquisition expenses increased benefits and expenses by \$24.7 million, for a positive pre-tax income impact of \$15.6 million.

Guaranteed Minimum Benefit Riders - Represents the impact related to guaranteed minimum benefits associated with the Company's reinsurance of variable annuities. The fair value changes of the guaranteed minimum benefits along with the changes in fair value of the free standing derivatives purchased by the Company to partially hedge the liability are reflected in revenues, while the related impact on deferred acquisition expenses is reflected in expenses. Changes in fair values of these embedded derivatives are net of an increase (decrease) in revenues of \$(3.7) million and \$(28.3) million for the three months, and \$(8.6) million and \$23.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, associated with the Company's own credit risk. A 10% increase in the Company's own credit risk rate would have increased revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 by approximately \$0.8 million. Conversely, a 10% decrease in the Company's own credit risk rate would have decreased revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 by approximately \$0.8 million.

In the third quarter of 2013, the change in the fair value of the guaranteed minimum benefits, after allowing for changes in the associated free standing derivatives, decreased revenues by \$10.1 million and deferred acquisition expenses decreased benefits and expenses by \$6.6 million for a negative pre-tax income impact of \$3.5 million. In the third quarter of 2012, the change in the fair value of the guaranteed minimum benefits after allowing for changes in the associated free standing derivatives decreased revenues by \$22.6 million and deferred acquisition expenses decreased benefits and expenses by \$15.8 million for a negative pre-tax income impact of \$6.8 million. In the first nine months of 2013, the change in the fair value of the guaranteed minimum benefits, after allowing for changes in the associated free standing derivatives, decreased revenues by \$18.6 million and deferred acquisition expenses decreased benefits and expenses by \$11.1 million for a negative pre-tax income impact of \$7.5 million. In the first nine months of 2012, the change in the fair value of the guaranteed minimum benefits after allowing for changes in the associated free standing derivatives increased revenues by \$44.2 million and deferred acquisition expenses increased benefits and expenses by \$27.7 million for a positive pre-tax income impact of \$16.6 million.

Equity-Indexed Annuities - Represents the impact of changes in the benchmark rate on the calculation of the fair value of embedded derivative liabilities associated with equity-indexed annuities, after adjustments for related deferred acquisition expenses. In the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, expenses decreased \$12.1 million and increased \$1.1 million, respectively. In the first nine months of 2013 and 2012, expenses decreased \$31.7 million and increased \$1.0 million, respectively.

The changes in derivatives discussed above are considered unrealized by management and do not affect current cash flows, crediting rates or spread performance on the underlying treaties. Fluctuations occur period to period primarily due to changing investment conditions including, but not limited to, interest rate movements (including benchmark rates and credit spreads), implied volatility and equity market performance, all of which are factors in the calculations of fair value. Therefore, management believes it is helpful to distinguish between the effects of changes in these derivatives and the primary factors that drive profitability of the underlying treaties, namely investment income, fee income (included in other revenues) and interest credited.

Discussion and analysis before certain derivatives:

Income before income taxes and certain derivatives decreased by \$42.5 million and \$1.5 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The decrease in the third quarter was largely a result of a higher level of investment related gains and corresponding changes in DAC in 2012. In the first nine months, these decreases were largely offset by the effect of a large deferred annuity coinsurance agreement entered into in the second quarter of 2012.

Revenue before certain derivatives decreased by \$69.4 million in the third quarter of 2013 compared to 2012. The negative variance was primarily a result of lower investment related gains and corresponding changes in DAC.

Revenue increased by \$126.7 million in the first nine months of 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. This variance was driven by a combination of changes in investment income related to equity options held in a funds withheld portfolio associated with equity-indexed annuity treaties and an increase in investment income attributed to the new coinsurance agreement mentioned above. The effect on investment income related to equity options is substantially offset by a corresponding change in interest credited expense.

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Benefits and expenses before certain derivatives decreased by \$26.8 million and increased by \$128.1 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. These variances were driven by a combination of changes in interest credited related to equity options held in funds withheld portfolio associated with equity-indexed annuity treaties and an increase in interest credited attributed to the new coinsurance agreement mentioned above. The effect on interest credited related to equity options is substantially offset by a corresponding change in investment income.

The invested asset base supporting this sub-segment decreased to \$11.0 billion in the third quarter of 2013 from \$11.6 billion in the third quarter of 2012. The decrease in the asset base was due primarily to one large closed-block transaction in which the business is beginning to run-off, as anticipated. As of September 30, 2013, \$4.2 billion of the invested assets were funds withheld at interest, of which 94.9% is associated with one client.

Financial Reinsurance

U.S. Financial Reinsurance sub-segment income before income taxes consists primarily of net fees earned on financial reinsurance transactions. Financial reinsurance risks are assumed by the U.S. segment and a portion is retroceded to other insurance companies or brokered business in which the Company does not participate in the assumption of risk. The fees earned from financial reinsurance contracts and brokered business are reflected in other revenues, and the fees paid to retrocessionaires are reflected in policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses.

Income before income taxes increased \$3.1 million, or 37.7%, and \$6.9 million, or 28.8%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase in the third quarter of 2013 was the result of additional surplus relief provided as compared to the same period in 2012. At September 30, 2013 and 2012, the amount of reinsurance assumed from client companies, as measured by pre-tax statutory surplus, risk based capital and other financial structures was \$3.4 billion and \$2.3 billion, respectively. The increase was primarily due to a number of new transactions entered into in the last half of 2012 and the first half of 2013. Fees earned from this business can vary significantly depending on the size of the transactions and the timing of their completion and therefore can fluctuate from period to period.

Canada Operations

The Company conducts reinsurance business in Canada primarily through RGA Life Reinsurance Company of Canada ("RGA Canada"), a wholly-owned subsidiary. RGA Canada assists clients with capital management activity and mortality and morbidity risk management, and is primarily engaged in traditional individual life reinsurance, as well as creditor, group life and health, critical illness, and longevity reinsurance. Creditor insurance covers the outstanding balance on personal, mortgage or commercial loans in the event of death, disability or critical illness and is generally shorter in duration than traditional life insurance.

(dollars in thousands)

	For the three months ended September 30,		For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Revenues:				
Net premiums	\$ 236,067	\$ 227,944	\$ 718,971	\$ 667,321
Investment income, net of related expenses	50,161	46,764	152,358	141,906
Investment related gains (losses), net:				
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities	—	—	—	—
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—
Other investment related gains (losses), net	6,472	9,633	13,275	23,801
Total investment related gains (losses), net	6,472	9,633	13,275	23,801
Other revenues	(196)	3,288	314	6,463
Total revenues	292,504	287,629	884,918	839,491
Benefits and expenses:				
Claims and other policy benefits	185,011	191,275	571,293	536,757
Interest credited	19	22	37	22
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	55,553	49,790	168,519	147,551
Other operating expenses	10,052	9,022	31,233	27,548
Total benefits and expenses	250,635	250,109	771,082	711,878
Income before income taxes	\$ 41,869	\$ 37,520	\$ 113,836	\$ 127,613

Income before income taxes increased by \$4.3 million, or 11.6%, and decreased \$13.8 million, or 10.8%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase in the third quarter was primarily due to better results on group creditor business in the third quarter of 2013, as compared to the third quarter of 2012. The decrease in income in the first nine months of 2013 was primarily due to better traditional individual life mortality experience in the prior year and a decrease of \$10.5 million in net investment related gains. In addition, the first nine months of 2012 included \$6.3 million of income from the recapture of a previously assumed block of individual life business recognized in the first quarter of 2012. A weaker Canadian dollar resulted in a decrease in income before income taxes of \$2.1 million and \$3.2 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

Net premiums increased \$8.1 million, or 3.6%, and \$51.7 million, or 7.7%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Foreign currency exchange fluctuation in the Canadian dollar resulted in a decrease in net premiums of approximately \$10.3 million and \$15.1 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Premiums increased in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013 due to new business from both new and existing treaties. Excluding the impact of foreign currency exchange, reinsurance in force at September 30, 2013 increased 6.5% over September 30, 2012. Also contributing to the increase in net premiums is an increase in premiums from creditor treaties of \$3.3 million and \$23.4 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Premium levels can be significantly influenced by currency fluctuations, large transactions, mix of business and reporting practices of ceding companies and therefore may fluctuate from period to period.

Net investment income increased \$3.4 million, or 7.3%, and \$10.5 million, or 7.4%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase in investment income, excluding the impact of foreign currency exchange, was mainly the result of an increase in the allocated asset base due to growth in the underlying business volume, offset by a lower investment yield. Foreign currency exchange fluctuation in the Canadian dollar resulted in a decrease to net investment income of approximately \$2.2 million and \$3.3 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Investment income and investment related gains and losses are allocated to the segments based upon average assets and related capital levels deemed appropriate to support the segment business volumes. Investment performance varies with the composition of investments and the relative allocation of capital to the operating segments.

Other revenues decreased by \$3.5 million, or 106.0%, and \$6.1 million, or 95.1%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The decrease in the third quarter of 2013 was primarily due to \$3.5 million in fees earned from the modification of an existing treaty in the third quarter of 2012. The decrease in the first nine months of 2013 as compared to 2012 is primarily due to \$3.5 million of fees earned from the modification of an existing treaty and \$3.1 million of fees earned in the prior year from the recapture of a previously assumed block of individual life business.

Loss ratios for this segment were 78.4% and 83.9% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 79.5% and 80.4%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Loss ratios for the traditional individual life mortality business were 95.3% and 97.1% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, respectively, and 94.7% and 93.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums were 23.5% and 21.8% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 23.4% and 22.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums for traditional individual life business were 12.5% and 11.1% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 12.6% and 12.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Overall, while these ratios are expected to remain in a predictable range, they may fluctuate from period to period due to varying allowance levels and product mix. In addition, the amortization pattern of previously capitalized amounts, which are subject to the form of the reinsurance agreement and the underlying insurance policies, may vary.

Other operating expenses increased by \$1.0 million, or 11.4%, and \$3.7 million, or 13.4%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Other operating expenses as a percentage of net premiums were 4.3% and 4.0% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 4.3% and 4.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Europe & South Africa Operations

The Europe & South Africa segment includes operations in the United Kingdom ("UK"), South Africa, France, Germany, India, Italy, Mexico, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates. The segment provides reinsurance for a variety of life and health products through yearly renewable term and coinsurance agreements, critical illness coverage and longevity risk related to payout annuities. Reinsurance agreements may be facultative or automatic agreements covering primarily individual risks and, in some markets, group risks.

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(dollars in thousands)

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Revenues:				
Net premiums	\$ 329,705	\$ 303,101	\$ 972,988	\$ 905,947
Investment income, net of related expenses	13,708	11,437	40,389	34,016
Investment related gains (losses), net:				
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities	—	—	—	—
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—
Other investment related gains (losses), net	1,350	7,111	3,630	10,249
Total investment related gains (losses), net	1,350	7,111	3,630	10,249
Other revenues	14,033	1,576	19,928	5,293
Total revenues	358,796	323,225	1,036,935	955,505
Benefits and expenses:				
Claims and other policy benefits	276,309	251,553	843,454	777,029
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	13,596	14,697	37,083	43,299
Other operating expenses	27,338	24,809	81,642	76,814
Total benefits and expenses	317,243	291,059	962,179	897,142
Income before income taxes	\$ 41,553	\$ 32,166	\$ 74,756	\$ 58,363

Income before income taxes increased by \$9.4 million, or 29.2%, and \$16.4 million, or 28.1%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increases in income before income taxes for the third quarter and first nine months were primarily due to increased business volumes, most notably in fee income treaties, partially offset by unfavorable claims experience. Unfavorable foreign currency exchange fluctuations contributed to the decrease in income before income taxes totaling \$0.4 million and \$2.3 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

Net premiums increased \$26.6 million, or 8.8%, and \$67.0 million, or 7.4%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Net premiums increased as a result of new business from both new and existing treaties including an increase associated with reinsurance of longevity risk in the UK of \$4.3 million and \$26.0 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively. During 2013, there were unfavorable foreign currency exchange fluctuations, particularly with the British pound and the South African rand weakening against the U.S. dollar which decreased net premiums by approximately \$8.3 million and \$28.2 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

A portion of the net premiums for the segment, in each period presented, relates to reinsurance of critical illness coverage, primarily in the UK. This coverage provides a benefit in the event of the diagnosis of a pre-defined critical illness. Net premiums earned from this coverage totaled \$62.5 million and \$58.8 million in the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, respectively, and \$190.1 million and \$182.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Premium levels can be significantly influenced by currency fluctuations, large transactions and reporting practices of ceding companies and therefore can fluctuate from period to period.

Net investment income increased \$2.3 million, or 19.9%, and \$6.4 million, or 18.7%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. These increases were primarily due to an increase in the invested asset base. Offsetting these increases were unfavorable changes in foreign currency exchange fluctuations of \$0.5 million and \$1.6 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Investment income and investment related gains and losses are allocated to the various operating segments based on average assets and related capital levels deemed appropriate to support the segment business volumes. Investment performance varies with the composition of investments and the relative allocation of capital to the operating segments.

Other revenues increased by \$12.5 million, or 790.4%, and \$14.6 million, or 276.5%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. These increases in other revenues relate to a single transaction in Continental Europe which resulted in fee income of \$11.0 million recognized in the third quarter of 2013. At September 30, 2013 and 2012, the amount of reinsurance assumed from client companies, as measured by pre-tax statutory surplus, risk based capital and other financial reinsurance structures was \$0.6 billion and \$0.3 billion, respectively. The increase was primarily due to the aforementioned transaction in Continental Europe. Fees earned from this business can vary significantly depending on the size of the transactions and the timing of their completion and, therefore, can fluctuate from period to period.

Loss ratios for this segment were 83.8% and 83.0% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 86.7% and 85.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The increase in the loss ratios is attributable to unfavorable individual life claims experience over the same prior periods primarily in the UK market. Although reasonably predictable over a period of years, claims can be volatile over shorter periods. Management views recent experience as normal short-term volatility that is inherent in the business.

Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums were 4.1% and 4.8% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 3.8% and 4.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. These percentages fluctuate due to timing of client company reporting, variations in the mixture of business and the relative maturity of the business. In addition, as the segment grows, renewal premiums, which have lower allowances than first-year premiums, represent a greater percentage of the total net premiums.

Other operating expenses increased \$2.5 million, or 10.2%, and \$4.8 million, or 6.3%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Other operating expenses as a percentage of net premiums totaled 8.3% and 8.2% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 8.4% and 8.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

While concerns continue in 2013 relating to the European sovereign debt and European economies, approximately 85.1% of revenues for the segment were earned outside of the eurozone, primarily the UK, in the third quarter of 2013. Approximately 7.2% of the segment's revenues were earned in Spain, Italy and Portugal over the same period.

Asia Pacific Operations

The Asia Pacific segment includes operations in Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, New Zealand, South Korea, Taiwan and mainland China. The principal types of reinsurance include life, critical illness, disability, superannuation, and financial reinsurance. Superannuation is the Australian government mandated compulsory retirement savings program. Superannuation funds accumulate retirement funds for employees, and, in addition, offer life and disability insurance coverage. Reinsurance agreements may be facultative or automatic agreements covering primarily individual risks and in some markets, group risks.

(dollars in thousands)

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Revenues:				
Net premiums	\$ 343,078	\$ 330,415	\$ 1,047,148	\$ 987,710
Investment income, net of related expenses	22,359	19,316	65,842	62,605
Investment related gains (losses), net:				
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities	(197)	—	(197)	—
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—
Other investment related gains (losses), net	5,280	4,733	(3,341)	10,050
Total investment related gains (losses), net	5,083	4,733	(3,538)	10,050
Other revenues	6,409	10,052	24,619	41,569
Total revenues	376,929	364,516	1,134,071	1,101,934
Benefits and expenses:				
Claims and other policy benefits	282,904	299,782	1,131,899	785,135
Interest credited	270	204	855	658
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses	47,303	52,779	169,529	193,622
Other operating expenses	29,340	28,234	90,606	83,076
Total benefits and expenses	359,817	380,999	1,392,889	1,062,491
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 17,112	\$ (16,483)	\$ (258,818)	\$ 39,443

Income before income taxes increased by \$33.6 million and decreased \$298.3 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase in income before income taxes for the third quarter is primarily attributable to both unfavorable claims experience and an increase in claim liabilities in Australia in the third quarter of 2012. The decrease in income before income taxes in the first nine months is primarily due to a \$274.1 million increase in Australian group claims liabilities related to total and permanent disability coverage and disability income benefits, as discussed further below, as well as poor claims experience in the Australian operation's individual lump sum and individual disability businesses. Other operations in this segment reported results in line with management's expectations. In total, the Australia operation reported a loss before income taxes of \$292.1 million for the first nine months of 2013, while the other operations in this segment reported income before income taxes of \$33.3 million for the same period. Additionally, foreign currency exchange fluctuations resulted in an increase (decrease) to income before income taxes totaling approximately \$(3.1) million and \$12.1 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

Net premiums increased \$12.7 million, or 3.8%, and \$59.4 million, or 6.0%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Premiums in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013 increased mainly in Hong Kong and South East Asia, and Australia with new treaties and growth in existing treaties, partially offset by a decrease in premiums in Japan and South Korea. Unfavorable changes in Asia Pacific segment currencies resulted in a decrease in net premiums of approximately \$33.0 million and \$49.2 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012.

A portion of the net premiums for the segment, in each period presented, relates to reinsurance of critical illness coverage. This coverage provides a benefit in the event of the diagnosis of a pre-defined critical illness. Reinsurance of critical illness in the Asia Pacific segment is offered primarily in South Korea, Australia and Hong Kong. Net premiums earned from this coverage totaled \$74.1 million and \$68.4 million in the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, respectively, and \$179.9 million and \$155.4 million for the first nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Premium levels can be significantly influenced by currency fluctuations, large transactions and reporting practices of ceding companies and can fluctuate from period to period.

Net investment income increased \$3.0 million, or 15.8%, and \$3.2 million, or 5.2%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. These increases can be primarily attributed to an increase in the invested asset base with the first nine months variance somewhat offset by lower investment yields. Offsetting these increases were unfavorable changes in foreign currency exchange fluctuations of \$2.5 million and \$3.7 million for the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Investment income and investment related gains and losses are allocated to the various operating segments based on average assets and related capital levels deemed appropriate to support the segment business volumes. Investment performance varies with the composition of investments and the relative allocation of capital to the operating segments.

Other revenues decreased by \$3.6 million, or 36.2%, and \$17.0 million, or 40.8%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. These decreases in other revenues relate to a reduction in the amount of financial reinsurance assumed. In addition, contributing to the decrease in the first nine months was a transaction with a client in Australia which resulted in a one-time fee of \$12.2 million recognized in 2012. The transaction did not have a significant impact on income before taxes because the amount was offset by additional amortization of deferred acquisition costs, net of the release of reserves. At September 30, 2013 and 2012, the amount of reinsurance assumed from client companies, as measured by pre-tax statutory surplus, risk based capital and other financial reinsurance structures was \$1.6 billion and \$2.5 billion, respectively. The decrease was primarily due to several financial reinsurance agreements, which are performing as expected, where the amount of reinsurance assumed from the client decreases over time. Fees earned from this business can vary significantly depending on the size of the transactions and the timing of their completion and, therefore, can fluctuate from period to period.

Loss ratios for this segment were 82.5% and 90.7% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 108.1% and 79.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The decrease in the loss ratio for the third quarter of 2013 was due to adverse individual and group claims experience in 2012 in Australia, as well as a \$27.9 million increase in claim liabilities for Australia's group life, and total and permanent disability reinsurance business. The increase in the loss ratio for the first nine months is primarily due to a \$274.1 million increase in Australian group claims liabilities as well as poor claims experience in the Australian operation's individual lump sum and individual disability businesses. The increase in liabilities is reflected in the table above in claims and other policy benefits. Excluding the Australia operation, loss ratio for this segment was 79.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, in line with management's expectations.

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The largest portion of the Australian liability increase relates to group total and permanent disability coverage, and to a lesser extent, group disability income benefits. Even though these group contracts are typically only three years in duration, the increase in loss ratios to this extent, compared to pricing, has created the need for this significant increase in claims liabilities. The Company completed a comprehensive claims analysis in the second quarter of 2013 that indicated an increase in claim incidences as well as an increase in claim lags throughout the claim reporting process and the additional liabilities reflect potential additional deterioration in the projection of future claims development. The Company believes a number of factors in the current Australian market are leading to a significant rise in claim levels and reporting lags and the Company is working with the ceding companies to better manage this business. The Company has suspended all new quoting activity in the Australian group total and permanent disability market indefinitely. Group premiums recognized in Australia for all group coverage types, including total and permanent disability, were \$88.6 million and \$274.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, and \$369.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums were 13.8% and 16.0% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012, and 16.2% and 19.4% for the first nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The ratio of policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses as a percentage of net premiums should generally decline as the business matures; however, the percentage does fluctuate periodically due to timing of client company reporting and variations in the mixture of business. Additionally, the prior year figure was affected by the aforementioned transaction with an Australian client.

Other operating expenses increased \$1.1 million, or 3.9%, and \$7.5 million, or 9.1%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. Other operating expenses as a percentage of net premiums totaled 8.6% and 8.5% for the third quarter of 2013 and 2012 and 8.7% and 8.4% for the first nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The timing of premium flows and the level of costs associated with the entrance into and development of new markets in the growing Asia Pacific segment may cause other operating expenses as a percentage of net premiums to fluctuate over periods of time.

Corporate and Other

Corporate and Other revenues include investment income and investment related gains and losses from unallocated invested assets. Corporate and Other expenses consist of the offset to capital charges allocated to the operating segments within the policy acquisition costs and other insurance expenses line item, unallocated overhead and executive costs, interest expense related to debt, and the investment income and expense associated with the Company's collateral finance facility. Additionally, Corporate and Other includes results from, among others, RTP, a wholly-owned subsidiary that develops and markets technology solutions for the insurance industry.

(dollars in thousands)

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Revenues:				
Net premiums	\$ 1,004	\$ 1,896	\$ 288	\$ 5,663
Investment income, net of related expenses	19,024	22,927	68,858	59,545
Investment related gains (losses), net:				
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities	(194)	(1,439)	(1,952)	(3,153)
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed maturity securities transferred to (from) accumulated other comprehensive income	59	(8)	6	(1,322)
Other investment related gains (losses), net	(1,588)	(779)	(203)	6,278
Total investment related gains (losses), net	(1,723)	(2,226)	(2,149)	1,803
Other revenues	5,719	4,280	56,426	12,666
Total revenues	24,024	26,877	123,423	79,677
Benefits and expenses:				
Claims and other policy benefits	30	(77)	2	(65)
Interest credited	186	—	623	—
Policy acquisition costs and other insurance income	(20,354)	(14,194)	(54,770)	(41,406)
Other operating expenses	15,339	16,806	55,176	53,171
Interest expenses	30,831	29,749	89,235	76,431
Collateral finance facility expense	2,698	2,995	7,886	8,840
Total benefits and expenses	28,730	35,279	98,152	96,971
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ (4,706)	\$ (8,402)	\$ 25,271	\$ (17,294)

Income before income taxes increased by \$3.7 million, or 44.0%, and by \$42.6 million, or 246.1%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The increase for the third quarter is primarily due to an increase in policy acquisition costs and other insurance income of \$6.2 million and a \$1.4 million increase to other revenue. The increase for the first nine months is primarily due to a \$43.8 million increase to other revenue partially offset by an increase in interest expense of \$12.8 million.

Total revenues decreased by \$2.9 million and increased by \$43.7 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The decrease for the third quarter is primarily due to a \$3.9 million decrease to net investment income due to a decrease in the investment yield. The increase for the first nine months was largely due to a \$46.5 million gain on repurchase of collateral finance facility securities in the first quarter of 2013, included in other revenues. Additionally, there was a \$9.3 million increase in investment income mainly due to a higher investment yield, primarily on limited partnership investments.

Total benefits and expenses decreased by \$6.5 million, or 18.6%, and increased \$1.2 million, or 1.2%, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the same periods in 2012. The decrease in the third quarter was primarily due to an increase of \$6.2 million in policy acquisition costs and other insurance income primarily related to the offset to capital charges allocated to the operating segments and a reduction in other operating expenses of \$1.5 million, offset by a \$1.1 million increase in interest expense due to a higher level of outstanding debt. The increase in the first nine months of 2013 was primarily due to an increase in interest expense of \$12.8 million, as a result of a higher level of outstanding debt, and an increase in other operating expenses of \$2.0 million primarily relating to employee compensation, largely offset by a \$13.4 million increase in policy acquisition and other insurance income primarily related to the offset to capital charges allocated to the operating segments.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Current Market Environment

The current interest rate environment in select markets, primarily the U.S., continues to negatively affect the Company's earnings. The average investment yield, excluding funds withheld and other spread business, has decreased 25 basis points for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012. In addition, the Company's insurance liabilities, in particular its annuity products, are sensitive to changing market factors. Results of operations in the first nine months of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012 include favorable changes in the value of embedded derivatives. The effect of tightening credit spreads in the U.S. markets generated an increase in revenue related to embedded derivatives to a greater extent in the first nine months of 2013 than 2012. This increase was partially offset by a rise in interest rates in 2013, which has also reduced gross unrealized gains on fixed maturity and equity securities available-for-sale, which were \$1,688.4 million and \$2,913.9 million at September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Gross unrealized losses totaled \$318.9 million and \$153.7 million at September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

The Company continues to be in a position to hold any investment security showing an unrealized loss until recovery, provided it remains comfortable with the credit of the issuer. As indicated above, gross unrealized gains on investment securities of \$1,688.4 million are well in excess of gross unrealized losses of \$318.9 million as of September 30, 2013. Historically low interest rates continued to put pressure on the Company's investment yield. In January 2012, U.S. Federal Reserve officials indicated that economic conditions in the U.S. would likely warrant exceptionally low federal funds rate through 2014. In September 2013, the U.S. Federal Reserve announced that it was not tapering its quantitative easing ("QE") program due to ongoing concerns with the U.S. economy and labor market. That announcement and the stability in the QE program will likely continue to put downward pressure on U.S. interest rates. The Company does not rely on short-term funding or commercial paper and to date it has experienced no liquidity pressure, nor does it anticipate such pressure in the foreseeable future.

The Company projects its reserves to be sufficient and it would not expect to write down deferred acquisition costs or be required to take any actions to augment capital, even if interest rates remain at current levels for the next five years, assuming all other factors remain constant. While the Company has felt the pressures of sustained low interest rates and volatile equity markets and may continue to do so, its business operations are not overly sensitive to these risks. Although management believes the Company's current capital base is adequate to support its business at current operating levels, it continues to monitor new business opportunities and any associated new capital needs that could arise from the changing financial landscape.

The Holding Company

RGA is an insurance holding company whose primary uses of liquidity include, but are not limited to, the immediate capital needs of its operating companies, dividends paid to its shareholders, repurchase of common stock and interest payments on its indebtedness. RGA recognized interest expense of \$117.7 million and \$104.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. RGA purchased a subsidiary for \$12.5 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013. RGA made capital contributions to subsidiaries of \$106.6 million and \$3.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Dividends to shareholders were \$56.5 million and \$44.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. There were no principal payments on RGA's debt for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012. The primary sources of RGA's liquidity include proceeds from its capital raising efforts, interest income on undeployed corporate investments, interest income received on surplus notes with its subsidiaries and dividends from operating subsidiaries. RGA recognized interest and dividend income of \$150.5 million and \$59.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Net proceeds from unaffiliated long-term debt issuance were \$395.1 million and \$393.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. As the Company continues its business operations, RGA will continue to be dependent upon these sources of liquidity. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, RGA held \$837.1 million and \$722.3 million, respectively, of cash and cash equivalents, short-term and other investments and fixed maturity investments.

RGA, through wholly-owned subsidiaries, has committed to provide statutory reserve support to third-parties, in exchange for a fee, by funding loans if certain defined events occur. Such statutory reserves are required under the U.S. Valuation of Life Policies Model Regulation (commonly referred to as Regulation XXX for term life insurance policies and Regulation A-XXX for universal life secondary guarantees). The third-parties have recourse to RGA should the subsidiary fail to provide the required funding, however, as of September 30, 2013, the Company does not believe that it will be required to provide any funding under these commitments as the occurrence of the defined events is considered remote. The following table presents information about these commitments (dollars in millions):

Commitment Period	Maximum Potential Obligation	
2033	\$	1,350.0
2035		560.0

RGA has established an intercompany revolving credit facility where certain subsidiaries can lend to or borrow from each other and from RGA in order to manage capital and liquidity more efficiently. The intercompany revolving credit facility, which is a series of demand loans among RGA and its affiliates, is permitted under applicable insurance laws. This facility reduces overall borrowing costs by allowing RGA and its operating companies to access internal cash resources instead of incurring third-party transaction costs. The statutory borrowing and lending limit for RGA's Missouri-domiciled insurance subsidiaries is currently 3% of the insurance company's admitted assets as of its most recent year-end. There was \$25.0 million outstanding under the intercompany revolving credit facility as of September 30, 2013 and none as of December 31, 2012. In addition to loans associated with the intercompany revolving credit facility, RGA and its subsidiary, RGA Capital LLC, each provided a loan to RGA Australian Holdings Pty Limited, another RGA subsidiary, with both loans having an outstanding balance of \$26.9 million as of September 30, 2013.

The Company believes that it has sufficient liquidity for the next 12 months to fund its cash needs under various scenarios that include the potential risk of early recapture of reinsurance treaties and higher than expected death claims. Historically, the Company has generated positive net cash flows from operations. However, in the event of significant unanticipated cash requirements beyond normal liquidity, the Company has multiple liquidity alternatives available based on market conditions and the amount and timing of the liquidity need. These options include borrowings under committed credit facilities, secured borrowings, the ability to issue long-term debt, preferred securities or common equity and, if necessary, the sale of invested assets subject to market conditions.

In July 2013, the Company's quarterly dividend was increased to \$0.30 per share from \$0.24 per share. All future payments of dividends are at the discretion of RGA's board of directors and will depend on the Company's earnings, capital requirements, insurance regulatory conditions, operating conditions, and other such factors as the board of directors may deem relevant. The amount of dividends that RGA can pay will depend in part on the operations of its reinsurance subsidiaries. See Note 13 - "Stock Transactions" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for information on the Company's share repurchase program.

Cash Flows

The Company's net cash flows provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 were \$1,251.0 million and \$1,529.1 million, respectively. Cash flows from operating activities are affected by the timing of premiums received, claims paid, and working capital changes. The Company believes the short-term cash requirements of its business operations will be sufficiently met by the positive cash flows generated. Additionally, the Company believes it maintains a high quality fixed maturity portfolio that can be sold, if necessary, to meet the Company's short- and long-term obligations.

Net cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 was \$514.4 million and \$1,026.6 million, respectively. Cash flows from investing activities primarily reflect the sales, maturities and purchases of fixed maturity securities related to the management of the Company's investment portfolios and the investment of excess cash generated by operating and financing activities. Cash flows from investing activities also include the investment activity related to mortgage loans, policy loans, funds withheld at interest, short-term investments, other invested assets and purchase of a business.

Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 was \$(536.7) million and \$123.8 million, respectively. Cash flows from financing activities primarily reflects the Company's capital management efforts, treasury stock activity, dividends to stockholders, changes in collateral for derivative positions and the activity related to universal life and other investment type policies and contracts.

Debt

Certain of the Company's debt agreements contain financial covenant restrictions related to, among others, liens, the issuance and disposition of stock of restricted subsidiaries, minimum requirements of consolidated net worth, maximum ratios of debt to capitalization and change of control provisions. The Company is required to maintain a minimum consolidated net worth, as defined in the debt agreements, of \$2.8 billion, calculated as of the last day of each fiscal quarter. Also, consolidated indebtedness, calculated as of the last day of each fiscal quarter, cannot exceed 35% of the sum of the Company's consolidated indebtedness plus adjusted consolidated net worth. A material ongoing covenant default could require immediate payment of the amount due, including principal, under the various agreements. Additionally, the Company's debt agreements contain cross-default covenants, which would make outstanding borrowings immediately payable in the event of a material uncured covenant default under any of the agreements, including, but not limited to, non-payment of indebtedness when due for an amount in excess of \$100.0 million, bankruptcy proceedings, or any other event which results in the acceleration of the maturity of indebtedness. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company had \$2,214.2 million and \$1,815.3 million, respectively, in outstanding borrowings under its debt agreements and was in compliance with all covenants under those agreements. The ability of the Company to make debt principal and interest payments depends on the earnings and surplus of subsidiaries, investment earnings on undeployed capital proceeds, and the Company's ability to raise additional funds. Scheduled repayments of debt over the next five years total \$300.0 million, all due in 2017.

The Company enters into derivative agreements with counterparties that reference either the Company's debt rating or its financial strength rating. If either rating is downgraded in the future, it could trigger certain terms in the Company's derivative agreements, which could negatively affect overall liquidity. For the majority of the Company's derivative agreements, there is a termination event should the long-term senior debt ratings drop below either BBB+ (S&P) or Baa1 (Moody's) or the financial strength ratings drop below either A- (S&P) or A3 (Moody's).

The Company may borrow up to \$850.0 million in cash and obtain letters of credit in multiple currencies on its revolving credit facility that expires in December 2015. As of September 30, 2013, the Company had no cash borrowings outstanding and \$73.9 million in issued, but undrawn, letters of credit under this facility. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the average interest rate on short-term and long-term debt outstanding was 5.76% and 5.99%, respectively.

On September 19, 2013, RGA issued 4.70% Senior Notes due September 15, 2023 with a face amount of \$400.0 million. These senior notes have been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The net proceeds from the offering were approximately \$395.1 million and will be used for general corporate purposes. Capitalized issue costs were approximately \$3.4 million.

Based on the historic cash flows and the current financial results of the Company, management believes RGA's cash flows will be sufficient to enable RGA to meet its obligations for at least the next 12 months.

Collateral Finance Facilities

In 2006, RGA's subsidiary, Timberlake Financial L.L.C. ("Timberlake Financial"), issued \$850.0 million of Series A Floating Rate Insured Notes due June 2036 in a private placement. The notes were issued to fund the collateral requirements for statutory reserves required by the U.S. Valuation of Life Policies Model Regulation (commonly referred to as Regulation XXX) on specified term life insurance policies reinsured by RGA Reinsurance and retroceded to Timberlake Reinsurance Company II ("Timberlake Re"). Proceeds from the notes, along with a \$112.8 million direct investment by the Company, were deposited into a series of accounts that collateralize the notes and are not available to satisfy the general obligations of the Company. Interest on the notes accrues at an annual rate of 1-month LIBOR plus a base rate margin, payable monthly. The payment of interest and principal on the notes is insured through a financial guaranty insurance policy by a monoline insurance company whose parent company emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy in 2013. The notes represent senior, secured indebtedness of Timberlake Financial without legal recourse to RGA or its other subsidiaries.

Timberlake Financial relies primarily upon the receipt of interest and principal payments on a surplus note and dividend payments from its wholly-owned subsidiary, Timberlake Re, a South Carolina captive insurance company, to make payments of interest and principal on the notes. The ability of Timberlake Re to make interest and principal payments on the surplus note and dividend payments to Timberlake Financial is contingent upon the South Carolina Department of Insurance's regulatory approval. As of September 30, 2013, Timberlake Re's capital and surplus totaled \$39.8 million. Timberlake Re's capital and surplus is expected to remain above \$35.0 million. Since Timberlake Re's capital and surplus previously fell below the minimum requirement in its licensing order of \$35.0 million, it has been required, since the second quarter of 2011, to request approval on a quarterly rather than annual basis and provide additional scenario testing results. Approval to pay interest on the surplus note was granted through December 30, 2013.

During the first quarter of 2013, the Company repurchased \$160.0 million face amount of the Timberlake Financial notes for \$112.0 million, which was the market value at the date of the purchase. The notes were purchased by RGA Reinsurance. As a result, the Company recorded a pre-tax gain of \$46.5 million, after fees, in other revenues at that time.

In 2010, Manor Re obtained \$300.0 million of collateral financing through 2020 from an international bank which enabled Manor Re to deposit assets in trust to support statutory reserve credit for an affiliated reinsurance transaction. The bank has recourse to RGA should Manor Re fail to make payments or otherwise not perform its obligations under this financing. Interest on the collateral financing accrues at an annual rate of 3-month LIBOR plus a base rate margin, payable quarterly.

Asset / Liability Management

The Company actively manages its cash and invested assets using an approach that is intended to balance quality, diversification, asset/liability matching, liquidity and investment return. The goals of the investment process are to optimize after-tax, risk-adjusted investment income and after-tax, risk-adjusted total return while managing the assets and liabilities on a cash flow and duration basis.

The Company has established target asset portfolios for each major insurance product, which represent the investment strategies intended to profitably fund its liabilities within acceptable risk parameters. These strategies include objectives and limits for effective duration, yield curve sensitivity and convexity, liquidity, asset sector concentration and credit quality.

The Company's asset-intensive products are primarily supported by investments in fixed maturity securities reflected on the Company's balance sheet and under funds withheld arrangements with the ceding company. Investment guidelines are established to structure the investment portfolio based upon the type, duration and behavior of products in the liability portfolio so as to achieve targeted levels of profitability. The Company manages the asset-intensive business to provide a targeted spread between the interest rate earned on investments and the interest rate credited to the underlying interest-sensitive contract liabilities. The Company periodically reviews models projecting different interest rate scenarios and their effect on profitability. Certain of these asset-intensive agreements, primarily in the U.S. operating segment, are generally funded by fixed maturity securities that are withheld by the ceding company.

The Company's liquidity position (cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments) was \$1,467.4 million and \$1,548.0 million at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. Cash and cash equivalents includes cash collateral received from derivative counterparties of \$64.0 million and \$136.4 million as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. This unrestricted cash collateral is included in cash and cash equivalents and the obligation to return it is included in other liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. Liquidity needs are determined from valuation analyses conducted by operational units and are driven by product portfolios. Periodic evaluations of demand liabilities and short-term liquid assets are designed to adjust specific portfolios, as well as their durations and maturities, in response to anticipated liquidity needs.

The Company also participates in a repurchase/reverse repurchase program in which securities, reflected as investments on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets, are pledged to a third party. In return, the Company receives securities from the third party with an estimated fair value equal to a minimum of 100% of the securities pledged. The securities received are not reflected on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. As of September 30, 2013 the Company had pledged securities with an amortized cost of \$292.4 million and an estimated fair value of \$307.0 million, and in return the Company received securities with an estimated fair value of \$347.5 million. As of December 31, 2012 the Company had pledged securities with an amortized cost of \$290.2 million and an estimated fair value of \$305.9 million, and in return the Company received securities with an estimated fair value of \$342.0 million. In addition to its security agreements with third parties, certain RGA's subsidiaries have entered into intercompany securities lending agreements to more efficiently source securities for lending to third parties and to provide for more efficient regulatory capital management.

RGA Reinsurance is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines ("FHLB") and holds \$31.4 million of FHLB common stock, which is included in other invested assets on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. Membership provides RGA Reinsurance access to borrowing arrangements with the FHLB ("advances") and funding agreements, discussed below. RGA Reinsurance did not have advances at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. RGA Reinsurance's average

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outstanding balance of advances was \$79.0 million and \$32.3 million during the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively. RGA Reinsurances's average outstanding balance of advances was \$24.1 million and \$8.1 million during the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, respectively. Interest on advances is reflected in interest expense on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of income.

In addition, RGA Reinsurance has also entered into funding agreements with the FHLB under guaranteed investment contracts whereby RGA Reinsurance has issued the funding agreements in exchange for cash and for which the FHLB has been granted a blanket lien on RGA Reinsurance's commercial and residential mortgage-backed securities and commercial mortgage loans used to collateralize RGA Reinsurance's obligations under the funding agreements. RGA Reinsurance maintains control over these pledged assets, and may use, commingle, encumber or dispose of any portion of the collateral as long as there is no event of default and the remaining qualified collateral is sufficient to satisfy the collateral maintenance level. The funding agreements and the related security agreements represented by this blanket lien provide that upon any event of default by RGA Reinsurance, the FHLB's recovery is limited to the amount of RGA Reinsurance's liability under the outstanding funding agreements. The amount of the RGA Reinsurance's liability for the funding agreements with the FHLB under guaranteed investment contracts was \$535.9 million and \$500.0 million at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, which is included in interest sensitive contract liabilities on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. The advances on these agreements are collateralized primarily by commercial and residential mortgage-backed securities and commercial mortgage loans. The amount of collateral exceeds the liability and is dependent on the type of assets collateralizing the guaranteed investment contracts.

Investments

Management of Investments

The Company's investment and derivative strategies involve matching the characteristics of its reinsurance products and other obligations and to seek to closely approximate the interest rate sensitivity of the assets with estimated interest rate sensitivity of the reinsurance liabilities. The Company achieves its income objectives through strategic and tactical asset allocations, security and derivative strategies within an asset/liability management and disciplined risk management framework. Derivative strategies are employed within the Company's risk management framework to help manage duration, currency, and other risks in assets and/or liabilities and to replicate the credit characteristics of certain assets. For a discussion of the Company's risk management process see "Market Risk" in the "Enterprise Risk Management" section below.

The Company's portfolio management groups work with the Enterprise Risk Management function to develop the investment policies for the assets of the Company's domestic and international investment portfolios. All investments held by the Company, directly or in a funds withheld at interest reinsurance arrangement, are monitored for conformance with the Company's stated investment policy limits as well as any limits prescribed by the applicable jurisdiction's insurance laws and regulations. See Note 4 – "Investments" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information regarding the Company's investments.

Portfolio Composition

The Company had total cash and invested assets of \$33.3 billion and \$34.2 billion at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, as illustrated below (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013	% of Total	December 31, 2012	% of Total
Fixed maturity securities, available-for-sale	\$ 21,289,108	63.8%	\$ 22,291,614	65.2%
Mortgage loans on real estate	2,488,582	7.5	2,300,587	6.7
Policy loans	1,244,878	3.7	1,278,175	3.7
Funds withheld at interest	5,739,872	17.2	5,594,182	16.4
Short-term investments	44,192	0.1	288,082	0.9
Other invested assets	1,116,391	3.4	1,159,543	3.4
Cash and cash equivalents	1,423,235	4.3	1,259,892	3.7
Total cash and invested assets	\$ 33,346,258	100.0%	\$ 34,172,075	100.0%

Investment Yield

The following table presents consolidated average invested assets at amortized cost, net investment income and investment yield, excluding funds withheld at interest and spread related business. Funds withheld at interest assets and other spread related business are primarily associated with the reinsurance of annuity contracts on which the Company earns an interest rate spread between assets and liabilities. Fluctuations in the yield on funds withheld assets and other spread related business are generally subject to varying degrees, by corresponding adjustments to the interest credited on the liabilities (dollars in thousands).

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2013	2012	Increase/ (Decrease)	2013	2012	Increase/ (Decrease)
Average invested assets at amortized cost	\$ 18,263,880	\$ 17,030,794	7.2%	\$ 17,910,062	\$ 16,432,165	9.0%
Net investment income	213,318	208,346	2.4	638,687	616,420	3.6
Investment yield (ratio of net investment income to average invested assets)	4.75%	4.98%	(23) bps	4.78%	5.03%	(25) bps

Investment yield decreased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 in comparison to the same periods in the prior year due to lower yields upon reinvestment. The lower yields are due primarily to a lower interest rate environment on a historical basis.

Fixed Maturity and Equity Securities Available-for-Sale

See “Fixed Maturity and Equity Securities Available-for-Sale” in Note 4 – “Investments” in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for tables that provide the amortized cost, unrealized gains and losses, estimated fair value of fixed maturity and equity securities, and other-than-temporary impairments in AOCI by sector as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

The Company’s fixed maturity securities are invested primarily in corporate bonds, mortgage- and asset-backed securities, and U.S. and Canadian government securities. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, approximately 93.7% and 94.2%, respectively, of the Company’s consolidated investment portfolio of fixed maturity securities were investment grade.

Important factors in the selection of investments include diversification, quality, yield, total rate of return potential and call protection. The relative importance of these factors is determined by market conditions and the underlying product or portfolio characteristics. Cash equivalents are primarily invested in high-grade money market instruments. The largest asset class in which fixed maturity securities were invested was corporate securities, which represented approximately 56.1% and 55.5% of total fixed maturity securities as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. See “Corporate Fixed Maturity Securities” in Note 4 – “Investments” in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for tables showing the major industry types, which comprise the corporate fixed maturity holdings at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

As of September 30, 2013, the Company’s investments in Canadian and Canadian provincial government securities represented 16.4% of the fair value of total fixed maturity securities compared to 18.2% of the fair value of total fixed maturity securities at December 31, 2012. These assets are primarily high quality, long duration provincial strips whose valuation is closely linked to the interest rate curve. The Company’s holdings in Canadian securities were one of the largest contributors to the decrease in net unrealized gain reported in the accumulated other comprehensive income reflected in the Company’s condensed consolidated balance sheets. These assets are longer in duration and held primarily for asset/liability management to meet Canadian regulatory requirements. See “Fixed Maturity and Equity Securities Available-for-Sale” in Note 4 – “Investments” in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for tables showing the various sectors as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

The creditworthiness of Greece, Ireland, Italy, Portugal and Spain, commonly referred to as “Europe’s peripheral region,” and Cyprus is under ongoing stress and uncertainty due to high debt levels and economic weakness. The Company did not have material exposure to sovereign fixed maturity securities, which includes global government agencies, from Europe’s peripheral region and Cyprus, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. In addition, the Company did not purchase or sell credit protection, through credit default swaps, referenced to sovereign entities of Europe’s peripheral region and Cyprus.

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The tables below show the Company's exposure to fixed maturity securities and equity securities, based on the security's country of issuance, from Europe's peripheral region and Cyprus as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

September 30, 2013:

	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
Sovereign:			
Ireland	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,640	3.3%
Spain	4,986	5,107	3.6
Total sovereign	9,986	9,747	6.9
Financial institutions:			
Ireland	7,258	7,497	5.3
Italy	13,825	13,875	9.9
Spain	31,201	33,245	23.6
Total financial institutions	52,284	54,617	38.8
Other:			
Ireland	39,874	41,168	29.2
Italy	8,796	9,006	6.4
Spain	24,753	26,274	18.7
Total other	73,423	76,448	54.3
Total	\$ 135,693	\$ 140,812	100.0%

December 31, 2012:

	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
Financial institutions:			
Ireland	\$ 4,093	\$ 4,520	3.8%
Spain	38,422	39,920	33.7
Total financial institutions	42,515	44,440	37.5
Other:			
Ireland	38,852	41,019	34.6
Italy	6,434	6,653	5.6
Spain	24,725	26,547	22.3
Total other	70,011	74,219	62.5
Total	\$ 112,526	\$ 118,659	100.0%

Strong improvement in European financial markets, as the governments of the European Union have demonstrated willingness to negotiate a solution to the region's debt problems during 2013, has resulted in unrealized gains in both financial institutions and all other fixed maturity and equity securities held by the Company that were issued within the region with the exception of the Company's sovereign exposure to Ireland which had fair values slightly below amortized cost.

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The tables below show the Company's exposure to sovereign fixed maturity securities originated in countries other than Europe's peripheral region, included in "Other foreign government, supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises," in Note 4 – "Investments" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

September 30, 2013:

	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
Australia	\$ 421,552	\$ 425,373	26.9%
Japan	297,576	302,997	19.1
United Kingdom	150,472	152,251	9.6
South Africa	81,548	80,384	5.1
New Zealand	67,078	66,178	4.2
Cayman Islands	53,508	56,549	3.6
South Korea	52,264	54,072	3.4
Germany	49,361	51,490	3.2
France	47,974	50,103	3.2
Other	336,378	343,801	21.7
Total	\$ 1,557,711	\$ 1,583,198	100.0%

December 31, 2012:

	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
Australia	\$ 472,188	\$ 483,629	30.9%
Japan	291,955	297,025	19.0
United Kingdom	130,792	139,826	8.9
Cayman Islands	69,172	77,912	5.0
South Africa	63,721	66,372	4.2
South Korea	52,613	55,563	3.5
Germany	51,413	54,602	3.5
New Zealand	53,593	54,092	3.5
France	45,342	48,761	3.1
Other	258,578	287,421	18.4
Total	\$ 1,489,367	\$ 1,565,203	100.0%

As of September 30, 2013, the Company's investment in sovereign fixed maturity securities represented 7.4% of the fair value of total fixed maturity securities compared to 7.0% of the fair value of total fixed maturity securities at December 31, 2012. The Company typically invests in sovereign fixed maturity securities to help mitigate exposure to foreign currency fluctuations from liabilities denominated in the same currencies.

The Company references rating agency designations in some of its investment disclosures. These designations are based on the ratings from nationally recognized rating organizations, primarily those assigned by S&P. In instances where a S&P rating is not available, the Company will reference the rating provided by Moody's and in the absence of both the Company will assign equivalent ratings based on information from the NAIC. The NAIC assigns securities quality ratings and uniform valuations called "NAIC Designations" which are used by insurers when preparing their statutory filings. The NAIC assigns designations to publicly traded as well as privately placed securities. The designations assigned by the NAIC range from class 1 to class 6, with designations in classes 1 and 2 generally considered investment grade (BBB or higher rating agency designation). NAIC designations in classes 3 through 6 are generally considered below investment grade (BB or lower rating agency designation).

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The quality of the Company's available-for-sale fixed maturity securities portfolio, as measured at fair value and by the percentage of fixed maturity securities invested in various ratings categories, relative to the entire available-for-sale fixed maturity security portfolio, at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 was as follows (dollars in thousands):

NAIC Designation	Rating Agency Designation	September 30, 2013			December 31, 2012		
		Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	% of Total
1	AAA/AA/A	\$ 12,460,380	\$ 13,643,495	64.1%	\$ 12,059,154	\$ 14,300,571	64.2%
2	BBB	6,117,081	6,298,628	29.6	6,186,536	6,692,929	30.0
3	BB	652,300	655,000	3.1	694,349	712,712	3.2
4	B	499,580	512,325	2.4	444,996	444,035	2.0
5	CCC and lower	87,364	86,644	0.4	118,738	95,906	0.4
6	In or near default	100,645	93,016	0.4	55,659	45,461	0.2
	Total	\$ 19,917,350	\$ 21,289,108	100.0%	\$ 19,559,432	\$ 22,291,614	100.0%

The Company's fixed maturity portfolio includes structured securities. The following table shows the types of structured securities the Company held at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2013		December 31, 2012	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Residential mortgage-backed securities:				
Agency	\$ 517,517	\$ 541,870	\$ 497,918	\$ 555,535
Non-agency	405,064	409,968	471,349	486,529
Total residential mortgage-backed securities	922,581	951,838	969,267	1,042,064
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	1,371,473	1,453,114	1,608,376	1,698,903
Asset-backed securities	883,495	885,278	700,455	691,555
Total	\$ 3,177,549	\$ 3,290,230	\$ 3,278,098	\$ 3,432,522

The residential mortgage-backed securities include agency-issued pass-through securities and collateralized mortgage obligations. A majority of the agency-issued pass-through securities are guaranteed or otherwise supported by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal National Mortgage Association, or the Government National Mortgage Association. The weighted average credit rating of residential mortgage-backed securities was "A+" as of both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. The principal risks inherent in holding mortgage-backed securities are prepayment and extension risks, which will affect the timing of when cash will be received and are dependent on the level of mortgage interest rates. Prepayment risk is the unexpected increase in principal payments, primarily as a result of owner refinancing. Extension risk relates to the unexpected slowdown in principal payments. In addition, non-agency mortgage-backed securities face credit risk should the borrower be unable to pay the contractual interest or principal on their obligation. The Company monitors its mortgage-backed securities to mitigate exposure to the cash flow uncertainties associated with these risks.

As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company had exposure to commercial mortgage-backed securities with amortized costs totaling \$1,755.8 million and \$1,969.4 million, and estimated fair values of \$1,847.5 million and \$2,090.0 million, respectively. Those amounts include exposure to commercial mortgage-backed securities held directly in the Company's investment portfolios within fixed maturity securities, as well as securities held by ceding companies that support the Company's funds withheld at interest investment. The securities are generally highly rated with weighted average S&P credit ratings of approximately "A+" at both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. Approximately 31.3% and 30.3%, based on estimated fair value, were classified in the "AAA" category at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The Company recorded \$10.1 million of other-than-temporary impairments in its direct investments in commercial mortgage-backed securities for the first nine months ended September 30, 2013. The Company recorded \$14.2 million of other-than-temporary impairments in its direct investments in commercial mortgage-backed securities for the first nine months ended September 30, 2012. The following tables summarize the commercial mortgage-backed securities by rating and underwriting year at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

September 30, 2013:

<u>Underwriting Year</u>	AAA		AA		A	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
2006 & Prior	\$ 264,408	\$ 283,885	\$ 173,645	\$ 184,540	\$ 139,814	\$ 148,634
2007	152,169	164,172	35,966	39,206	56,634	62,428
2008	—	—	53,930	62,831	18,097	19,583
2009	1,657	1,717	7,164	7,798	—	—
2010	28,002	29,332	45,744	48,286	19,215	19,961
2011	15,744	16,049	20,869	22,445	35,345	35,715
2012	39,141	37,763	50,331	49,327	27,942	27,076
2013	47,199	45,114	68,250	68,130	2,494	2,209
Total	\$ 548,320	\$ 578,032	\$ 455,899	\$ 482,563	\$ 299,541	\$ 315,606

<u>Underwriting Year</u>	BBB		Below Investment Grade		Total	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
2006 & Prior	\$ 127,685	\$ 131,482	\$ 79,225	\$ 83,315	\$ 784,777	\$ 831,856
2007	94,022	106,116	63,878	62,536	402,669	434,458
2008	—	—	3,116	5,013	75,143	87,427
2009	7,565	10,904	—	—	16,386	20,419
2010	—	—	—	—	92,961	97,579
2011	33,097	31,437	—	—	105,055	105,646
2012	43,416	40,504	—	—	160,830	154,670
2013	—	—	—	—	117,943	115,453
Total	\$ 305,785	\$ 320,443	\$ 146,219	\$ 150,864	\$ 1,755,764	\$ 1,847,508

December 31, 2012:

<u>Underwriting Year</u>	AAA		AA		A	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
2005 & Prior	\$ 69,810	\$ 75,706	\$ 129,430	\$ 141,189	\$ 99,840	\$ 103,112
2006	243,222	270,756	59,773	66,862	85,198	93,688
2007	182,456	201,131	32,810	37,542	69,266	77,657
2008	7,674	7,672	53,510	67,624	14,387	17,098
2009	1,655	1,820	17,399	19,483	3,463	5,599
2010	27,984	29,956	47,085	53,027	13,273	14,405
2011	15,748	16,411	16,069	18,184	40,546	42,726
2012	28,324	29,080	36,340	36,925	58,376	59,595
Total	\$ 576,873	\$ 632,532	\$ 392,416	\$ 440,836	\$ 384,349	\$ 413,880

<u>Underwriting Year</u>	BBB		Below Investment Grade		Total	
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value
2005 & Prior	\$ 110,887	\$ 113,801	\$ 42,838	\$ 37,720	\$ 452,805	\$ 471,528
2006	83,565	84,689	67,131	65,645	538,889	581,640
2007	93,414	108,902	115,028	91,505	492,974	516,737
2008	—	—	22,416	17,386	97,987	109,780
2009	3,880	5,547	—	—	26,397	32,449
2010	—	—	—	—	88,342	97,388
2011	33,242	33,757	—	—	105,605	111,078
2012	43,346	43,811	—	—	166,386	169,411
Total	\$ 368,334	\$ 390,507	\$ 247,413	\$ 212,256	\$ 1,969,385	\$ 2,090,011

Asset-backed securities include credit card and automobile receivables, sub-prime mortgage-backed securities, home equity loans, manufactured housing bonds and collateralized debt obligations. The Company's asset-backed securities are diversified by issuer and contain both floating and fixed rate securities and had a weighted average credit rating of "A+" and "AA-" at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The Company owns floating rate securities that represent approximately 15.3% and 15.0% of the total fixed maturity securities at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. These investments have a higher degree of income variability than the other fixed income holdings in the portfolio due to the floating rate nature of the interest payments. The Company holds these investments to match specific floating rate liabilities primarily reflected in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as collateral finance facility. In addition to the risks associated with floating rate securities, principal risks in holding asset-backed securities are structural, credit and capital market risks. Structural risks include the securities' cash flow priority in the capital structure and the inherent prepayment sensitivity of the underlying collateral. Credit risks include the adequacy and ability to realize proceeds from the collateral. Credit risks are mitigated by credit enhancements which include excess spread, over-collateralization and subordination. Capital market risks include general level of interest rates and the liquidity for these securities in the marketplace.

Since the financial crisis of 2008, the Company has continued to monitor its exposure in other structured security investments that includes subprime mortgage securities as well as Alt-A securities, a classification of mortgage loans where the risk profile of the borrower falls between prime and subprime. At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company directly held investments in asset-backed securities with subprime mortgage exposure and also within the portfolios supporting the Company's funds withheld at interest with amortized costs totaling \$113.9 million and \$122.6 million, and estimated fair values of \$108.6 million and \$103.0 million, respectively. While ratings and vintage year are important factors to consider, the tranche seniority and evaluation of forecasted future losses within a tranche is critical to the valuation of these types of securities. At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company's Alt-A securities had an amortized cost of \$177.3 million and \$169.0 million, and estimated fair values of \$182.0 million and \$174.4 million, respectively. The Alt-A securities are held directly as well as within the portfolios supporting the Company's funds withheld at interest. The Company did not record any other-than-temporary impairments in its direct subprime or Alt-A portfolios during the first nine months of 2013. During the first nine months of 2012, the Company recorded \$0.5 million in other-than-temporary impairments in its direct subprime and Alt-A portfolios.

The Company does not invest in the common equity securities of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, both of which are government sponsored entities. However, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company held in its direct portfolio \$46.3 million and \$64.7 million, respectively, at amortized cost with direct exposure in the form of senior unsecured agency and preferred securities. Additionally, as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the portfolios held by the Company's ceding companies that support its funds withheld asset contain approximately \$327.6 million and \$307.2 million, respectively, in amortized cost of unsecured agency bond holdings and no equity exposure. As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, indirect exposure in the form of secured, structured mortgaged securities issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac totaled approximately \$701.0 million and \$700.9 million, respectively, in amortized cost across the Company's direct and funds withheld portfolios.

The Company monitors its fixed maturity and equity securities to determine impairments in value and evaluates factors such as financial condition of the issuer, payment performance, the length of time and the extent to which the market value has been below amortized cost, compliance with covenants, general market and industry sector conditions, current intent and ability to hold securities, and various other subjective factors. See "Investments – Other-than-Temporary Impairment" in Note 2 – "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the 2012 Annual Report for additional information. The Company recorded \$0.3 million and \$10.6 million in other-than-temporary impairments in its fixed maturity securities, including \$0.1 million and \$10.2 million of other-than-temporary impairment losses on structured securities in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013, respectively. The Company recorded \$2.6 million and \$22.2 million in other-than-temporary impairments in its fixed maturity and equity securities, including \$2.3 million and \$15.3 million of other-than-temporary impairment losses on structured securities, in the third quarter and first nine months of 2012, primarily due to a decline in value of structured securities with exposure to mortgages and general credit deterioration in select corporate and foreign securities. The table below summarizes other-than-temporary impairments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (dollars in thousands).

Asset Class	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012	September 30, 2013	September 30, 2012
Structured securities	\$ 134	\$ 2,331	\$ 10,243	\$ 15,341
Corporate / Other fixed maturity securities	198	224	400	3,839
Equity securities	—	—	—	3,025
Other impairments (primarily mortgage loans and limited partnerships)	(233)	10,301	1,268	14,382
Total	\$ 99	\$ 12,856	\$ 11,911	\$ 36,587

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At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the Company had \$318.9 million and \$133.6 million, respectively, of gross unrealized losses related to its fixed maturity and equity securities. The distribution of the gross unrealized losses related to these securities is shown below.

	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Sector:		
Corporate securities	67.8%	30.4%
Canadian and Canada provincial governments	4.3	0.1
Residential mortgage-backed securities	4.9	2.8
Asset-backed securities	5.5	21.6
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	6.5	38.8
State and political subdivisions	4.3	4.3
U.S. government and agencies	0.9	—
Other foreign government supranational and foreign government-sponsored enterprises	5.8	2.0
Total	100.0%	100.0%
Industry:		
Finance	21.9%	18.0%
Asset-backed	5.5	21.6
Industrial	36.2	9.0
Mortgage-backed	11.4	41.6
Government	15.3	6.4
Utility	9.7	3.4
Total	100.0%	100.0%

See “Unrealized Losses for Fixed Maturity and Equity Securities Available-for-Sale” in Note 4 – “Investments” in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for a table that presents the total gross unrealized losses for fixed maturity and equity securities at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, where the estimated fair value had declined and remained below amortized cost by less than 20% or more than 20%.

The Company’s determination of whether a decline in value is other-than-temporary includes analysis of the underlying credit and the extent and duration of a decline in value. The Company’s credit analysis of an investment includes determining whether the issuer is current on its contractual payments, evaluating whether it is probable that the Company will be able to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the security and analyzing the overall ability of the Company to recover the amortized cost of the investment. In the Company’s impairment review process, the duration and severity of an unrealized loss position for equity securities are given greater weight and consideration given the lack of contractual cash flows and deferability features of these securities.

See “Unrealized Losses for Fixed Maturity and Equity Securities Available-for-Sale” in Note 4 – “Investments” in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for tables that present the estimated fair values and gross unrealized losses, including other-than-temporary impairment losses reported in AOCI, for fixed maturity and equity securities that have estimated fair values below amortized cost as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

As of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, the Company classified approximately 10.7% and 10.0% of its fixed maturity securities in the Level 3 category (refer to Note 6 – “Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities” in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information). These securities primarily consist of private placement corporate securities, below investment grade commercial and residential mortgage-backed securities and sub-prime asset-backed securities with inactive trading markets.

Mortgage Loans on Real Estate

Mortgage loans represented approximately 7.5% and 6.7% of the Company's cash and invested assets as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. The Company's mortgage loan portfolio consists principally of investments in U.S.-based commercial offices, light industrial properties and retail locations. The mortgage loan portfolio is diversified by geographic region and property type as discussed further in Note 4 – "Investments" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Valuation allowances on mortgage loans are established based upon losses expected by management to be realized in connection with future dispositions or settlement of mortgage loans, including foreclosures. The valuation allowances are established after management considers, among other things, the value of underlying collateral and payment capabilities of debtors. Any subsequent adjustments to the valuation allowances will be treated as investment gains or losses.

See "Mortgage Loans on Real Estate" in Note 4 – "Investments" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding for information regarding valuation allowances and impairments.

Policy Loans

Policy loans comprised approximately 3.7% of the Company's cash and invested assets as of both September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, substantially all of which are associated with one client. These policy loans present no credit risk because the amount of the loan cannot exceed the obligation due the ceding company upon the death of the insured or surrender of the underlying policy. The provisions of the treaties in force and the underlying policies determine the policy loan interest rates. Because policy loans represent premature distributions of policy liabilities, they have the effect of reducing future disintermediation risk. In addition, the Company earns a spread between the interest rate earned on policy loans and the interest rate credited to corresponding liabilities.

Funds Withheld at Interest

Funds withheld at interest comprised approximately 17.2% and 16.4% of the Company's cash and invested assets as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. For reinsurance agreements written on a modified coinsurance basis and certain agreements written on a coinsurance basis, assets equal to the net statutory reserves are withheld and legally owned and managed by the ceding company, and are reflected as funds withheld at interest on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. In the event of a ceding company's insolvency, the Company would need to assert a claim on the assets supporting its reserve liabilities. However, the risk of loss to the Company is mitigated by its ability to offset amounts it owes the ceding company for claims or allowances with amounts owed by the ceding company. Interest accrues to these assets at rates defined by the treaty terms. Additionally, under certain treaties the Company is subject to the investment performance on the withheld assets, although it does not directly control them. These assets are primarily fixed maturity investment securities and pose risks similar to the fixed maturity securities the Company owns. To mitigate the risk, the Company helps set the investment guidelines followed by the ceding company and monitors compliance. Ceding companies with funds withheld at interest had an average rating of "A" at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012. Certain ceding companies maintain segregated portfolios for the benefit of the Company.

Other Invested Assets

Other invested assets include equity securities, collateral, limited partnership interests, real estate joint ventures, real estate held-for-investment, structured loans, derivative contracts and investments supporting unit-linked variable annuity type liabilities, which do not qualify as separate accounts. Other invested assets represented approximately 3.3% and 3.4% of the Company's cash and invested assets as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. See "Other Invested Assets" in Note 4 – "Investments" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for a table that presents the carrying value of the Company's other invested assets by type as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

The Company did not record any other-than-temporary impairments on equity securities in the third quarter and first nine months of 2013. The Company recorded \$3.0 million of other-than-temporary impairments on equity securities in the first nine months of 2012. The Company did not record any other-than-temporary impairments in the third quarter on limited partnerships and \$2.4 million in the first nine months of 2013. The Company recorded \$7.5 million in other-than-temporary impairments on limited partnership interests in the third quarter of 2012, and \$8.2 million in the first nine months of 2012.

The Company may be exposed to credit-related losses in the event of non-performance by counterparties to derivative financial instruments. Generally, the credit exposure of the Company's derivative contracts is limited to the fair value at the reporting date plus or minus any collateral pledged to or from the Company. The Company had credit exposure related to its derivative contracts, excluding futures, of \$12.1 million and \$7.1 million at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. See "Credit Risk" in Note 5 – "Derivative Instruments" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

Contractual Obligations

The Company's obligation for long-term debt, including interest, increased by \$518.2 million since December 31, 2012 primarily related to the September 2013 issuance of senior notes as previously discussed. The Company's obligation related to its collateral finance facility, including interest, was reduced by \$183.3 million since December 31, 2012 primarily due to the repurchase of a portion of the outstanding notes as previously discussed. In addition, since December 31, 2012, the Company's obligation for payables for collateral received under derivative transactions decreased by \$72.4 million due to a reduction in cash received as collateral on derivative positions and the Company's obligation to fund limited partnerships increased by \$65.2 million. There were no other material changes in the Company's contractual obligations from those reported in the 2012 Annual Report.

Enterprise Risk Management

RGA maintains an Enterprise Risk Management ("ERM") program to consistently identify, assess, mitigate, monitor, and communicate all material risks facing the organization in order to effectively manage all risks, increasing protection of RGA's clients, shareholders, employees, and other stakeholders. RGA's ERM framework provides a platform to assess the risk / return profiles of risks throughout the organization, thereby enabling enhanced decision making. This includes development and implementation of mitigation strategies to reduce exposures to these risks to acceptable levels. Risk management is an integral part of the Company's culture and is interwoven in day to day activities. It includes guidelines, risk appetites, risk targets, risk limits, and other controls in areas such as mortality, morbidity, longevity, pricing, underwriting, currency, administration, investments, asset liability management, counterparty exposure, geographic exposure, financing, asset leverage, regulatory change, business continuity planning, human resources, liquidity, collateral, sovereign risks and information technology development.

The Chief Risk Officer ("CRO"), aided by the Risk Management Steering Committee ("RMSC"), Business Unit Chief Risk Officers, Risk Management Officers and a dedicated ERM function, is responsible for ensuring, on an ongoing basis, that objectives of the ERM framework are met; this includes ensuring proper risk controls are in place, risks are effectively identified, assessed and managed, and key risks to which the Company is exposed are disclosed to appropriate stakeholders. For each Business Unit and key risk, a Risk Management Officer is assigned. A Risk Officer is also assigned to take overall responsibility of a specific risk across all markets to monitor and assess this risk consistently. In addition to this network of Risk Management Officers, the Company also has risk focused committees such as the Business Continuity and Information Governance Steering Committee, Consolidated Investment Committee, Derivatives Risk Oversight Committee, Asset and Liability Management Committee, Hedging Oversight Committee, Collateral and Liquidity Committee, and the Currency Risk Management Committee. These committees are comprised of various risk experts and have overlapping membership, enabling consistent and holistic management of risks. These committees report directly or indirectly to the RMSC. The RMSC, which includes senior management executives, including the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Operating Officer ("COO") and the CRO, is the primary risk management oversight for the Company.

The RMSC approves both targets and limits for each material risk and reviews these limits annually. Exposure to these risks is calculated and presented to the RMSC at least quarterly. Any exception to established risk limits or waiver needs to be approved by the RMSC.

The CRO, reports regularly to the Finance, Investment and Risk Management ("FIRM") Committee, a sub-committee of the Board of Directors responsible, among other duties, for overseeing the management of RGA's ERM programs and policies. An extensive ERM report is presented to the FIRM quarterly. The report contains information on all risks as well as qualitative and quantitative assessments. A list of all breaches, exceptions and waivers is also included in the report. The Board of Directors has other committees, such as the Audit Committee, whose responsibilities include aspects of risk management. The CRO reports to the COO and has direct access to the RGA Board of Directors, through the FIRM Committee.

The Company has devoted significant resources to develop its ERM program, and expects continuing to do so in the future. Nonetheless, the Company's policies and procedures to identify, manage and monitor risks may not be fully effective. Many of the Company's methods for managing risk are based on historical information, which may not be a good predictor of future risk exposures, such as the risk of a pandemic causing a large number of deaths. Management of operational, legal and regulatory risk rely on policies and procedures which may not be fully effective under all scenarios.

The Company categorizes its main risks as follows:

Insurance Risk

Market Risk

Credit Risk

Operational Risk

Specific risk assessments and descriptions can be found below and in Item 1A – “Risk Factors” of the 2012 Annual Report.

Insurance Risk

The risk of loss due to experience deviating adversely from expectations for mortality, morbidity, and policyholder behavior or lost future profits due to treaty recapture by clients. This category is further divided into mortality, morbidity, longevity, policyholder behavior, and client recapture. The Company uses multiple approaches to managing insurance risk: active insurance risk assessment and pricing appropriately for the risks assumed, transferring undesired risks, and managing the retained exposure prudently. These strategies are explained below.

Insurance Risk Assessment and Pricing

The Company has developed extensive expertise in assessing insurance risks which ultimately forms an integral part of ensuring that it is compensated commensurately for the risks it assumes and that it does not overpay for the risks it transfers to third parties. This expertise includes a vast array of market and product knowledge supported by a large information database of historical experience which is closely monitored. Analysis and experience studies derived from this database help form the basis for the Company’s pricing assumptions which are used in developing rates for new risks. If actual mortality or morbidity experience is materially adverse, some reinsurance treaties allow for increases to future premium rates.

Misestimation of any key risk can threaten the long term viability of the enterprise. Further, the pricing process is a key operational risk and significant effort is applied to ensuring the appropriateness of pricing assumptions. Some of the safeguards the Company uses to ensure proper pricing are: experience studies, strict underwriting, sensitivity and scenario testing, pricing guidelines and controls, authority limits and internal and external pricing reviews. In addition, the Global ERM function provides additional pricing oversight which includes periodic pricing audits.

Risk Transfer

To minimize volatility in financial results and reduce the impact of large losses, the Company transfers some of its insurance risk to third parties using vehicles such as retrocession and catastrophe coverage.

Retrocession

In the normal course of business, the Company seeks to limit its exposure to loss on any single insured and to recover a portion of claims paid by ceding reinsurance to other insurance enterprises (or retrocessionaires) under excess coverage and coinsurance contracts. In individual life markets, the Company retains a maximum of \$8.0 million of coverage per individual life. In certain limited situations the Company has retained more than \$8.0 million per individual life. The Company enters into agreements with other reinsurers to mitigate the residual risk related to the over-retained policies. Additionally, due to some lower face amount reinsurance coverages provided by the Company in addition to individual life, such as group life, disability and health, under certain circumstances, the Company could potentially incur claims totaling more than \$8.0 million per individual life.

Catastrophe Coverage

The Company accesses the markets each year for annual catastrophic coverages and reviews current coverage and pricing of current and alternate designs. Purchases vary from year to year based on the Company’s perceived value of such coverages. The current policy covers events involving 10 or more insured deaths from a single occurrence and covers \$100 million of claims in excess of the Company’s \$50 million deductible.

Mitigation of Retained Exposure

The Company retains most of the inbound insurance risk. The Company manages the retained exposure proactively using various mitigating factors such as diversification and limits. Diversification is the primary mitigating factor of short term volatility risk, but it also mitigates adverse impacts of changes in long term trends and catastrophic events. The Company’s insured populations are dispersed globally, diversifying the insurance exposure because factors that cause actual experience to deviate materially from expectations do not affect all areas uniformly and synchronously or in close sequence. A variety of limits mitigate retained insurance risk. Examples of these limits include geographic exposure limits, which set the maximum amount of business that can be written in a given locale, and jumbo limits, which prevent excessive coverage on a given individual.

In the event that mortality or morbidity experience develops in excess of expectations, some reinsurance treaties allow for increases to future premium rates. Other treaties include experience refund provisions, which may also help reduce RGA’s mortality risk.

Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that net asset and liability values or revenue will be affected adversely by changes in market conditions such as market prices, exchange rates, and nominal interest rates. The Company is primarily exposed to interest rate, foreign currency, inflation and equity risks.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the potential for loss, on a net asset and liability basis, due to changes in interest rates, including both normal rate changes and credit spread changes. This risk arises from many of the Company's primary activities, as the Company invests substantial funds in interest-sensitive assets and also has certain interest-sensitive contract liabilities. The Company manages interest rate risk to maximize the return on the Company's capital effectively and to preserve the value created by its business operations. As such, certain management monitoring processes are designed to minimize the effect of sudden and/or sustained changes in interest rates on fair value, cash flows, and net interest income. The Company manages its exposure to interest rates principally by matching floating rate liabilities with corresponding floating rate assets and by matching fixed rate liabilities with corresponding fixed rate assets. On a limited basis, the Company uses equity options to minimize its exposure to movements in equity markets that have a direct correlation with certain of its reinsurance products.

The Company's exposure to interest rate price risk and interest rate cash flow risk is reviewed on a quarterly basis. Interest rate price risk exposure is measured using interest rate sensitivity analysis to determine the change in fair value of the Company's financial instruments in the event of a hypothetical change in interest rates. Interest rate cash flow risk exposure is measured using interest rate sensitivity analysis to determine the Company's variability in cash flows in the event of a hypothetical change in interest rates.

In order to reduce the exposure of changes in fair values from interest rate fluctuations, the Company has developed strategies to manage the interest rate sensitivity of its asset base. From time to time, the Company has utilized the swap market to manage the volatility of cash flows to interest rate fluctuations.

Foreign Currency Risk

The Company is subject to foreign currency translation, transaction, and net income exposure. The Company manages its exposure to currency principally by matching invested assets with the underlying liabilities to the extent possible. The Company has in place net investment hedges for a portion of its investments in its Canadian and Australian operations to reduce excess exposure to these currencies. Translation differences resulting from translating foreign subsidiary balances to U.S. dollars are reflected in stockholders' equity on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The Company generally does not hedge the foreign currency exposure of its subsidiaries transacting business in currencies other than their functional currency (transaction exposure). However, the Company has entered into certain interest rate swaps in which the cash flows are denominated in different currencies, commonly referred to as cross currency swaps. Those interest rate swaps have been designated as cash flow hedges. The majority of the Company's foreign currency transactions are denominated in Australian dollars, British pounds, Canadian dollars, Euros, Japanese yen, Korean won, and the South African rand. The maximum amount of assets held in a specific currency (with the exception of the U.S. Dollar) is measured relative to risk targets and is monitored regularly.

Inflation Risk

The primary direct effect on the Company of inflation is the increase in operating expenses. A large portion of the Company's operating expenses consists of salaries, which are subject to wage increases at least partly affected by the rate of inflation. The rate of inflation also has an indirect effect on the Company. To the extent that a government's policies to control the level of inflation result in changes in interest rates, the Company's investment income is affected.

The Company reinsures annuities with benefits indexed to the cost of living. These benefits are hedged with a combination of CPI swaps and indexed government bonds.

Equity Risk

Equity risk is the risk that net asset and liability (e.g. variable annuities or other equity linked exposures) values or revenues will be affected adversely by changes in equity markets. The Company assumes equity risk from embedded derivatives in alternative investments, fixed indexed annuities and variable annuities.

Alternative Investments

Alternative Investments are investments in non-traditional asset classes that are most commonly backing capital and surplus and not liabilities. The Company generally restricts the alternative investments portfolio to non-liability supporting assets: that is, free surplus. For (re)insurance companies, alternative investments generally encompass: hedge funds, owned commercial real estate, emerging markets debt, distressed debt, commodities, infrastructure, tax credits, and equities, both public and private. The Company mitigates its exposure to alternative investments by limiting the size of the alternative investments holding.

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Fixed Indexed Annuities

Credits for fixed indexed annuities are affected by changes in equity markets. Thus the fair value of the benefit is a function of primarily index returns and volatility. The Company hedges some of the underlying equity exposure.

Variable Annuities

The Company reinsures variable annuities including those with guaranteed minimum death benefits (“GMDB”), guaranteed minimum income benefits (“GMIB”), guaranteed minimum accumulation benefits (“GMAB”) and guaranteed minimum withdrawal benefits (“GMWB”). Strong equity markets, increases in interest rates and decreases in volatility will generally decrease the fair value of the liabilities underlying the benefits. Conversely, a decrease in the equity markets along with a decrease in interest rates and an increase in volatility will generally result in an increase in the fair value of the liabilities underlying the benefits, which has the effect of increasing reserves and lowering earnings. The Company maintains a customized dynamic hedging program that is designed to substantially mitigate the risks associated with income volatility around the change in reserves on guaranteed benefits, ignoring the Company’s own credit risk assessment. However, the hedge positions may not fully offset the changes in the carrying value of the guarantees due to, among other things, time lags, high levels of volatility in the equity and derivative markets, extreme swings in interest rates, unexpected contract holder behavior, and divergence between the performance of the underlying funds and hedging indices. These factors, individually or collectively, may have a material adverse effect on the Company’s net income, financial condition or liquidity. The table below provides a summary of variable annuity account values and the fair value of the guaranteed benefits as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

(dollars in millions)	September 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
No guarantee minimum benefits	\$ 950	\$ 948
GMDB only	83	79
GMIB only	6	6
GMAB only	52	54
GMWB only	1,704	1,662
GMDB / WB	459	455
Other	31	31
Total variable annuity account values	\$ 3,285	\$ 3,235
Fair value of liabilities associated with living benefit riders	\$ 65	\$ 172

There has been no significant change in the Company’s quantitative or qualitative aspects of market risk during the quarter ended September 30, 2013 from that disclosed in the 2012 Annual Report.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss due to counterparty (obligor, client, retrocessionaire, or partner) credit deterioration or unwillingness to meet its obligations. Credit risk has two forms: investment credit risk (asset default and credit migration) and insurance counterparty risk.

Investment Credit Risk

Investment credit risk, which includes default risk, is risk of loss due to credit quality deterioration of an individual financial investment, derivative or non-derivative contract or instrument. Credit quality deterioration may or may not be accompanied by a ratings downgrade. Generally, the investment credit exposure is limited to the fair value, net of any collateral received, at the reporting date.

The creditworthiness of Europe’s peripheral region is under ongoing stress and uncertainty due to high debt levels and economic weakness. The Company does not have material exposure to sovereign fixed maturity securities, which includes global government agencies, from Europe’s peripheral region and Cyprus. However, the Company does have exposure to non-sovereign fixed maturity and equity securities issued from Europe’s peripheral region. The Company increased its exposure to fixed maturity and equity securities in Europe’s peripheral region and Cyprus from an estimated fair value of \$118.7 million at December 31, 2012 to \$140.8 million as of September 30, 2013, primarily due to sovereign security investments in Ireland and Spain. The Company believes it has adequately evaluated and is appropriately managing this additional risk. See “Investments” above for additional information on the Company’s exposure related to investment securities.

The Company manages investment credit risk using per-issuer investments limits. In addition to per-issuer limits, the Company also limits the total amounts of investments per rating category. An automated compliance system checks for compliance for all investment positions and sends warning messages when there is a breach. The Company manages its credit risk related to over-the-counter derivatives by entering into transactions with creditworthy counterparties, maintaining collateral arrangements and through the use of master agreements that provide for a single net payment to be made by one counterparty to another at each due date and upon termination. Because exchange-traded futures are affected through regulated exchanges, and positions are marked to market on a daily basis, the Company has minimal exposure to credit-related losses in the event of nonperformance by counterparties to such derivative instruments.

The Company enters into various collateral arrangements, which require both the posting and accepting of collateral in connection with its derivative instruments. Collateral agreements contain attachment thresholds that vary depending on the posting party's financial strength ratings. Additionally, a decrease in the Company's financial strength rating to a specified level results in potential settlement of the derivative positions under the Company's agreements with its counterparties. The Collateral and Liquidity Committee sets rules, approves and oversees all deals requiring collateral. See "Credit Risk" in Note 5 – "Derivative Instruments" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on credit risk related to derivatives.

Insurance Counterparty Risk

Insurance counterparty risk is the potential for the Company to incur losses due to a client, retrocessionaire, or partner becoming distressed or insolvent. This includes run-on-the-bank risk and collection risk.

Run-on-the-Bank

The risk that a client's in force block incurs substantial surrenders and/or lapses due to credit impairment, reputation damage or other market changes affecting the counterparty. Severely higher than expected surrenders and/or lapses could result in inadequate in force business to recover cash paid out for acquisition costs.

Collection Risk

For clients and retrocessionaires, this includes their inability to satisfy a reinsurance agreement because the right of offset is disallowed by the receivership court; the reinsurance contract is rejected by the receiver, resulting in a premature termination of the contract; and/or the security supporting the transaction becomes unavailable to RGA.

The Company manages insurance counterparty risk by limiting the total exposure to a single counterparty and by only initiating contracts with creditworthy counterparties. In addition, some of the counterparties have set up trusts and letters of credit, reducing the Company's exposure to these counterparties.

Generally, RGA's insurance subsidiaries retrocede amounts in excess of their retention to RGA Reinsurance, Parkway Re, RGA Barbados, RGA Americas, Rockwood Re, Manor Re, RGA Worldwide or RGA Atlantic. External retrocessions are arranged through the Company's retrocession pools for amounts in excess of its retention. As of September 30, 2013, all retrocession pool members in this excess retention pool rated by the A.M. Best Company were rated "A-" or better. A rating of "A-" is the fourth highest rating out of fifteen possible ratings. For a majority of the retrocessionaires that were not rated, letters of credit or trust assets have been given as additional security. In addition, the Company performs annual financial and in force reviews of its retrocessionaires to evaluate financial stability and performance.

The Company has never experienced a material default in connection with retrocession arrangements, nor has it experienced any material difficulty in collecting claims recoverable from retrocessionaires; however, no assurance can be given as to the future performance of such retrocessionaires or as to the recoverability of any such claims.

Aggregate Counterparty Limits

In addition to investment credit limits and insurance counterparty limits, there are aggregate counterparty risk limits which include counterparty exposures from reinsurance, financing and investment activities at an aggregated level to control total exposure to a single counterparty. Counterparty risk aggregation is important because it enables the Company to capture risk exposures at a comprehensive level and under more extreme circumstances compared to analyzing the components individually.

All counterparty exposures are calculated on a quarterly basis, reviewed by management and monitored by the ERM function.

Operational Risk

Operational risk is the risk of loss due to inadequate or failed internal processes, people or systems, or external events. These risks are sometimes residual risks after insurance, market and credit risks have been identified. Operational risk is further divided into: Process, Legal/Regulatory, Financial, and Intangibles. The Company's financial risk includes liquidity risk, which is risk that cash resources are insufficient to meet the Company's cash demands without incurring unacceptable costs. Liquidity demands come primarily from payment of claims, expenses and investment purchases, all of which are known or can be reasonably forecasted. Contingent liquidity demands exist and require the Company to inventory and estimate likely and potential liquidity demands stemming from stress scenarios.

The Company maintains cash, cash equivalents, credit facilities, and short-term liquid investments to support its current and future anticipated liquidity requirements. The Company may also borrow via the reverse repo market, and holds a large pool of unrestricted, FHLB-eligible collateral that may be pledged to support any FHLB advances needed to provide additional liquidity.

The amount of liquidity available both within 24 hours and within 72 hours is reviewed and reported at least weekly.

In order to effectively manage operational risks, management primarily relies on:

Risk Culture

Risk management is embedded in RGA's business processes in accordance with RGA's risk philosophy. As the cornerstone of the ERM framework, risk culture plays a preeminent role in the effective management of risks assumed by RGA. At the heart of RGA's risk culture is prudent risk management. Senior management sets the tone for RGA risk culture, inculcating positive risk attitudes so as to entrench sound risk management practices into day-to-day activities.

Structural Controls

Structural controls provide additional safeguards against undesired risk exposures. Examples of structural controls include: pricing and underwriting reviews, standard treaty language, etc.

Risk Monitoring and Reporting

Proactive risk monitoring and reporting enable early detection and mitigation of emerging risks. For example, there is elevated regulatory activity in the wake of the global financial crisis and RGA is actively monitoring regulatory proposals in order to respond optimally. Risk escalation channels coupled with open communication lines enhance the mitigants explained above.

New Accounting Standards

See Note 14 — "New Accounting Standards" in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

See “Item 2 – Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Market Risk” which is included herein.

ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures

The Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer have evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer concluded that these disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

There was no change in the Company’s internal control over financial reporting as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f) during the quarter ended September 30, 2013, that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company’s internal control over financial reporting.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

The Company is subject to litigation in the normal course of its business. The Company currently has no material litigation. A legal reserve is established when the Company is notified of an arbitration demand or litigation or is notified that an arbitration demand or litigation is imminent, it is probable that the Company will incur a loss as a result and the amount of the probable loss is reasonably capable of being estimated.

ITEM 1A. Risk Factors

In the risk factor below, we refer to the Company as “we,” “us,” or “our”. Other than the risk factor listed below, there have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in the Company’s 2012 Annual Report.

The availability and cost of collateral, including letters of credit, asset trusts and other credit facilities, could adversely affect our operations and financial condition.

Regulatory reserve requirements in various jurisdictions in which we operate may be significantly higher than the reserves required under GAAP. Accordingly, we reinsure, or retrocede, business to affiliated and unaffiliated reinsurers to reduce the amount of regulatory reserves and capital we are required to hold in certain jurisdictions. A regulation in the United States, commonly referred to as Regulation XXX, requires a relatively high level of regulatory, or statutory, reserves that U.S. life insurance and life reinsurance companies must hold on their statutory financial statements for various types of life insurance business, primarily certain level term life products. The reserve levels required under Regulation XXX increase over time and are normally in excess of reserves required under GAAP. The degree to which these reserves will increase and the ultimate level of reserves will depend upon the mix of our business and future production levels in the United States. Based on the assumed rate of growth in our current business plan, and the increasing level of regulatory reserves associated with some of this business, we expect the amount of required regulatory reserves to grow significantly.

In order to reduce the effect of Regulation XXX, our principal U.S. operating subsidiary, RGA Reinsurance Company, has retroceded Regulation XXX-related reserves to affiliated and unaffiliated reinsurers, including affiliated insurers governed by captive insurance laws. Additionally, some of our reinsurance subsidiaries in foreign jurisdictions enter into various reinsurance arrangements with affiliated and unaffiliated reinsurers from time to time in order to reduce statutory capital and reserve requirements. We retrocede business to our affiliates to help reduce the amount of regulatory capital required by the laws of certain jurisdictions, including the U.S. and the UK.

State insurance regulators have been scrutinizing the use of affiliated captive reinsurers to satisfy certain reserve requirements. If a state insurance regulator that regulates any of our domestic insurance companies restricts the use of such captive reinsurers, our ability to reinsure certain products, maintain risk based capital ratios and deploy excess capital could be adversely affected. As a result, we may need to alter the type and volume of business we reinsure, increase prices on those products, and raise additional capital to support higher regulatory reserves or implement higher cost strategies, all of which could adversely impact our competitive position and our results of operations.

We believe that the capital required to support the business for our affiliated reinsurers reflects a more realistic expectation than the capital requirements of our insurance subsidiaries that are retroceding such policies, which have capital requirements that are often considered to be quite conservative. As a general matter, for us to reduce regulatory reserves on business that we retrocede, the affiliated or unaffiliated reinsurer must provide an equal amount of collateral. Such collateral may be provided through a capital markets securitization, in the form of a letter of credit from a commercial bank or through the placement of assets in trust for our benefit.

In connection with these reserve requirements, we face the following risks:

- The availability of collateral and the related cost of such collateral in the future could affect the type and volume of business we reinsure and could increase our costs.
- We may need to raise additional capital to support higher regulatory reserves, which could increase our overall cost of capital.
- If we, or our retrocessionaires, are unable to obtain or provide sufficient collateral to support our statutory ceded reserves, we may be required to increase regulatory reserves. In turn, this reserve increase could significantly reduce our statutory capital levels and adversely affect our ability to satisfy required regulatory capital levels, unless we are able to raise additional capital to contribute to our operating subsidiaries.
- Because term life insurance is a particularly price-sensitive product, any increase in insurance premiums charged on these products by life insurance companies, in order to compensate them for the increased statutory reserve requirements or higher costs of insurance they face, may result in a significant loss of volume in their life insurance operations, which could, in turn, adversely affect our life reinsurance operations.

We cannot assure you that we will be able to implement actions to mitigate the effect of increasing regulatory reserve requirements.

ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The following table summarizes RGA's repurchase activity of its common stock during the quarter ended September 30, 2013:

	Total Number of Shares Purchased (1)	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs (1)	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plan or Program
July 1, 2013 - July 31, 2013	129	\$ 69.70	—	\$ 169,543,044
August 1, 2013 - August 31, 2013	122,244	\$ 64.72	122,175	\$ 161,636,046
September 1, 2013 - September 30, 2013	349,032	\$ 65.67	348,994	\$ 138,719,222

- (1) RGA repurchased 122,175 and 348,994 shares of common stock under its share repurchase program for \$7.9 million and \$22.9 million during August and September 2013, respectively. The Company net settled - issuing 2,333, 2,289 and 1,409 shares from treasury and repurchasing from recipients 129, 69 and 38 shares in July, August and September 2013, respectively, in settlement of income tax withholding requirements incurred by the recipients of an equity incentive award.

In January 2013, RGA's board of directors authorized a share repurchase program for up to \$200.0 million of RGA's outstanding common stock. In April 2013, RGA's board of directors authorized an increase of \$100.0 million to the share repurchase program previously authorized in January 2013. In July 2013, RGA's board of directors authorized an additional increase of \$100.0 million to the share repurchase program previously authorized in January 2013. With these authorizations, the total amount of the Company's outstanding common stock authorized for repurchase is \$400.0 million.

ITEM 6. Exhibits

See index to exhibits.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated

Date: November 5, 2013

By: /s/ A. Greig Woodring
A. Greig Woodring
President & Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 5, 2013

By: /s/ Jack B. Lay
Jack B. Lay
Senior Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
3.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Current Report on Form 8-K filed November 25, 2008.
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of Current Report on Form 8-K filed November 25, 2008.
4.1	Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of September 24, 2013, between the Company and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 24, 2013.
4.2	Form of 4.70% Senior Note due 2023, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 24, 2013.
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document

CEO CERTIFICATION

I, A. Greig Woodring, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 5, 2013

/s/ A. Greig Woodring

A. Greig Woodring

President & Chief Executive Officer

CFO CERTIFICATION

I, Jack B. Lay, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 5, 2013

/s/ Jack B. Lay

Jack B. Lay

Senior Executive Vice President
& Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated and subsidiaries, (the “Company”), for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2013, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”), A. Greig Woodring, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certifies, to his best knowledge and belief, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 5, 2013

/s/ A. Greig Woodring

A. Greig Woodring

President & Chief Executive Officer

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In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated and subsidiaries, (the “Company”), for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2013, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”), Jack B. Lay, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certifies, to his best knowledge and belief, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 5, 2013

/s/ Jack B. Lay

Jack B. Lay

Chief Financial Officer

& Senior Executive Vice President

