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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, 2014 Commission file number: 1-15731

EVEREST RE GROUP, LTD. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 98-0365432 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive office)

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 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.

Large	Х	Accelerated
accelerated filer		filer

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

YES

NO X

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class Common Shares, \$0.01 par value Number of Shares Outstanding At November 1, 2014 45,246,968

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## PART I

#### ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### EVEREST RE GROUP, LTD. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars and share amounts in thousands, except par value per share) ASSETS:	September 30, 14 (unaudited)	December 31, 113
Fixed maturities - available for sale, at market value	\$ 13,643,326	\$ 12,636,907
(amortized cost: 2014, \$13,327,754; 2013, \$12,391,164)		
Fixed maturities - available for sale, at fair value	18,426	19,388
Equity securities - available for sale, at market value (cost: 2014, \$147,068;		
2013, \$148,342)	146,135	144,081
Equity securities - available for sale, at fair value	1,341,111	1,462,079
Short-term investments	1,496,739	1,214,199
Other invested assets (cost: 2014, \$551,179; 2013, \$508,447)	551,179	508,447
Cash	401,803	611,382
Total investments and cash	17,598,719	16,596,483
Accrued investment income	115,326	119,058
Premiums receivable	1,705,394	1,453,114
Reinsurance receivables	776,465	540,883
Funds held by reinsureds	234,825	228,000
Deferred acquisition costs	393,191	363,721
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	180,737	81,779
Income taxes	186,924	178,334
Other assets	295,632	246,664
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 21,487,213	\$ 19,808,036
LIABILITIES:		
Reserve for losses and loss adjustment expenses	\$ 9,795,429	\$ 9,673,240
Future policy benefit reserve	57,633	59,512
Unearned premium reserve	1,831,831	1,579,945
Funds held under reinsurance treaties	3,506	2,692
Commission reserves	70,168	66,160
Other net payable to reinsurers	216,031	116,387
Losses in course of payment	497,727	332,631
4.868% Senior notes due 6/1/2044	400,000	-
5.4% Senior notes due 10/15/2014	249,998	249,958
6.6% Long term notes due 5/1/2067	238,363	238,361
Accrued interest on debt and borrowings	18,312	4,781
Equity index put option liability	31,455	35,423
Unsettled securities payable	97,059	53,867
Other liabilities	193,103	333,425
Total liabilities	13,700,615	12,746,382

#### NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS:

Redeemable noncontrolling interests - Mt. Logan Re	404,411	93,378
Commitments and contingencies (Note 9)		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Preferred shares, par value: \$0.01; 50,000 shares authorized;		
no shares issued and outstanding	-	-
Common shares, par value: \$0.01; 200,000 shares authorized; (2014) 68,309		
and (2013) 67,965 outstanding before treasury shares	683	680
Additional paid-in capital	2,059,956	2,029,774
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of deferred income tax		
expense		
(benefit) of \$63,790 at 2014 and \$57,661 at 2013	185,397	157,728
Treasury shares, at cost; 23,060 shares (2014) and 20,422 shares (2013)	(2,385,815)	(1,985,873)
Retained earnings	7,521,966	6,765,967
Total shareholders' equity attributable to Everest Re Group	7,382,187	6,968,276
TOTAL LIABILITIES, NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS AND		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 21,487,213	\$ 19,808,036
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial		
statements.		

### EVEREST RE GROUP, LTD. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	20	Se 014	pter	nbei	s Ended r 30, )13 ed)		20	Se )14	Mon ptem unau	iber 20	)13	
REVENUES:	ሰ	1 200 00	0	¢	1 005 75	-	ሰ	2 000 00	~	¢	2 166 04	17
Premiums earned	\$	1,389,99	8	\$	1,225,75	5	\$	3,806,80	5	\$	3,466,04	
Net investment income		142,143			127,872			396,524			422,382	
Net realized capital gains (losses):												
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed												
maturity securities		(106	)		-			(495	)		(191	)
Other-than-temporary impairments on fixed												
maturity securities												
transferred to other comprehensive income (loss)		-			-			-			-	
Other net realized capital gains (losses)		(9,342	)		44,958			71,189			205,789	
Total net realized capital gains (losses)		(9,448	)		44,958			70,694			205,598	
Net derivative gain (loss)		1,855			5,639			3,968			33,005	
Other income (expense)		11,332			(2,726	)		(5,835	)		(3,318	)
Total revenues		1,535,88	0		1,401,498	8		4,272,15	6		4,123,71	4
CLAIMS AND EXPENSES:												
Incurred losses and loss adjustment expenses		837,757			770,102			2,192,86	3		2,074,33	36
Commission, brokerage, taxes and fees		290,519			248,587			820,208			723,700	
Other underwriting expenses		63,113			59,860			172,165			167,707	
Corporate expenses		9,958			4,758			18,802			16,643	
Interest, fees and bond issue cost amortization												
expense		12,424			7,637			28,970			38,480	
Total claims and expenses		1,213,77	1		1,090,944	4		3,233,00	8		3,020,86	56
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INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE TAXES		322,109			310,554			1,039,14	8		1,102,84	18
Income tax expense (benefit)		20,856			72,027			137,948			204,336	
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NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	301,253		\$	238,527		\$	901,200		\$	898,512	
Net (income) loss attributable to noncontrolling		,			)			- ,		,		
interests		(26,337	)		(3,768	)		(42,167	)		(3,768	)
NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO		( -)	,		(-)	/		( )	/		(-)	
EVEREST RE GROUP	\$	274,916		\$	234,759		\$	859,033		\$	894,744	
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Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:												
Unrealized appreciation (depreciation)												
("URA(D)") on securities arising during the period		(74,074	)		(20,925	)		65,318			(340,267	7)
Reclassification adjustment for realized losses		(, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,		(	)					( ,	
(gains) included in net income (loss)		(5,684	)		(1,592	)		(1,641	)		(7,511	)
Total URA(D) on securities arising during the		(2,001	,		(1,2)2	,		(1,011	,		(,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,
period		(79,758	)		(22,517	)		63,677			(347,778	3)
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Foreign currency translation adjustments	(34,974	)	(5,913	)	(38,374	)	(13,228	)
Benefit plan actuarial net gain (loss) for the period	-		-		-		-	
Reclassification adjustment for amortization of net								
(gain) loss included in net income (loss)	825		1,470		2,366		4,161	
Total benefit plan net gain (loss) for the period	825		1,470		2,366		4,161	
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of								
tax	(113,907	)	(26,960	)	27,669		(356,845	)
Other comprehensive (income) loss attributable to								
noncontrolling interests	-		-		-		-	
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of								
tax attributable to Everest Re Group	(113,907	)	(26,960	)	27,669		(356,845	)
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 161,009		\$ 207,799		\$ 886,702		\$ 537,899	
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE								
ATTRIBUTABLE TO EVEREST RE GROUP:								
Basic	\$ 6.05		\$ 4.85		\$ 18.64		\$ 18.09	
Diluted	6.00		4.81		18.47		17.94	
Dividends declared	0.75		0.48		2.25		1.44	
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the								
consolidated financial statements.								

## EVEREST RE GROUP, LTD. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

		Three Months EndedNine MonthSeptember 30,September								
(Dollars in thousands, except share and	20	)14	20	)13	20	)14	2	013		
dividends per share amounts)	20	(unauc		-	20	J14 (unau				
COMMON SHARES (shares outstanding):		(unauc	unu	eu)		(ullat	iun	eu)		
Balance, beginning of period		45,691,015		48,588,040		47,543,132		51,417,962		
Issued during the period, net		29,622		51,018		344,761		758,110		
Treasury shares acquired		(470,807)		(724,654)		(2,638,063)		(4,261,668)		
Balance, end of period		45,249,830		47,914,404		45,249,830		47,914,404		
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COMMON SHARES (par value):										
Balance, beginning of period	\$	683	\$	678	\$	680	\$	671		
Issued during the period, net	Ψ	-	Ψ	1	Ψ	3	Ψ	8		
Balance, end of period		683		679		683		679		
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ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL:										
Balance, beginning of period		2,052,682		2,003,166		2,029,774		1,946,439		
Share-based compensation plans		7,274		10,025		30,182		66,752		
Balance, end of period		2,059,956		2,013,191		2,059,956		2,013,191		
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ACCUMULATED OTHER										
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS),										
NET OF DEFERRED INCOME TAXES:										
Balance, beginning of period		299,304		207,164		157,728		537,049		
Net increase (decrease) during the period		(113,907)		(26,960)		27,669		(356,845)		
Balance, end of period		185,397		180,204		185,397		180,204		
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RETAINED EARNINGS:										
Balance, beginning of period		7,281,023		6,225,705		6,765,967		5,613,266		
Net income (loss) attributable to Everest Re										
Group		274,916		234,759		859,033		894,744		
Dividends declared (\$0.75 per share in third										
quarter 2014 and \$2.25 year-to-date										
per share in 2014 and \$0.48 per share in third										
quarter 2013 and \$1.44										
year-to-date per share in 2013)		(33,973)		(23,174)		(103,034)		(70,720)		
Balance, end of period		7,521,966		6,437,290		7,521,966		6,437,290		
TREASURY SHARES AT COST:										
Balance, beginning of period		(2,310,824)		(1,813,913)		(1,985,873)		(1,363,958)		
Purchase of treasury shares		(74,991)		(100,001)		(399,942)		(549,956)		
Balance, end of period		(2,385,815)		(1,913,914)		(2,385,815)		(1,913,914)		

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TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY, END OF PERIOD	\$ 7,382,187	\$ 6,717,450	\$ 7,382,187	\$ 6,717,450
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## EVEREST RE GROUP, LTD. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Dollars in thousands)	Three Sej 2014	eptembe	Months Ended ptember 30, 2013				
(Donars in thousands)		۔ inaudit	2013 ed)	2014	unaudi		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	(	inuuun	(1)		unuuu	iou)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 301,253	\$	5 238,527	\$ 901,200	\$	898,512	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:							
Decrease (increase) in premiums receivable Decrease (increase) in funds held by reinsureds,	(157,818	)	(181,317)	(255,645	)	(401,623	)
net	(9,077	)	12,729	(6,929	)	485	
Decrease (increase) in reinsurance receivables	(119,381	)	(11,187)	(256,458	)	(77,165	)
Decrease (increase) in income taxes	(29,953	)	73,279	(14,696	)	130,008	
Decrease (increase) in prepaid reinsurance							
premiums	(33,132	)	(14,605)	(101,478	)	(21,513	)
Increase (decrease) in reserve for losses and loss							
adjustment expenses	164,456		(100,751)	172,511		(275,893	)
Increase (decrease) in future policy benefit							
reserve	(735	)	(285)	(1,879	)	(852	)
Increase (decrease) in unearned premiums	158,734		178,193	255,537		304,728	
Increase (decrease) in other net payable to							
reinsurers	1,438		33,937	101,984		63,702	
Increase (decrease) in losses in course of payment	3,115		174,701	165,105		404,836	
Change in equity adjustments in limited							
partnerships	(21,238	)	(4,343)	(24,438	)	(40,693	)
Distribution of limited partnership income	27,735		5,638	41,165		48,733	
Change in other assets and liabilities, net	24,758		6,754	(32,114	)	(68,112	)
Non-cash compensation expense	4,952		4,923	14,720		15,088	
Amortization of bond premium (accrual of bond	10.040		14 770	20.010		50.000	
discount)	10,942		14,773	38,010		50,280	
Amortization of underwriting discount on senior	15		1.4	42		4.1	
notes	15		14	43	)	41	
Net realized capital (gains) losses	9,448		(44,958)	(70,694	)	(205,598	)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	335,512		386,022	925,944		824,964	
activities	555,512		380,022	923,944		024,904	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING							
ACTIVITIES:							
Proceeds from fixed maturities matured/called -							
available for sale, at market value	590,769		594,260	1,638,27	8	1,912,978	2
Proceeds from fixed maturities matured/called -	570,707		071,200	1,000,27		1,712,770	
available for sale, at fair value	_		-	875		7,213	
Proceeds from fixed maturities sold - available for	r			0.0		.,_10	
sale, at market value	443,606		214,173	1,050,08	2	845,357	

Proceeds from fixed maturities sold - available for					
sale, at fair value	3,093		1,056	23,856	18,398
Proceeds from equity securities sold - available					
for sale, at market value	2,502		326	11,174	45,749
Proceeds from equity securities sold - available					
for sale, at fair value	147,622		101,176	452,514	459,945
Distributions from other invested assets	36,744		5,236	59,264	79,689
Cost of fixed maturities acquired - available for					
sale, at market value	(1,270,70	0)	(671,876)	(3,729,423)	(2,794,035)
Cost of fixed maturities acquired - available for					
sale, at fair value	(22,375	)	(2,092)	(23,684)	(4,798)
Cost of equity securities acquired - available for					
sale, at market value	(1,254	)	(1,097)	(11,873)	(54,584)
Cost of equity securities acquired - available for					
sale, at fair value	(79,557	)	(180,308)	(262,871)	(424,252)
Cost of other invested assets acquired	(86,523	)	(3,762)	(120,911)	(15,063)
Net change in short-term investments	138,855		(139,544)	(284,822)	(7,408)
Net change in unsettled securities transactions	(7,137	)	(70,186)	13,496	(14,518)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(104,355	)	(152,638)	(1,184,045)	54,671
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING					
ACTIVITIES:					
Common shares issued during the period, net	2,322		5,103	15,465	51,672
Purchase of treasury shares	(74,991	)	(100,001)	(399,942)	(549,956)
Revolving credit borrowings	-		(40,000)	-	-
Net cost of junior subordinated debt securities					
redemption	-		-	-	(329,897)
Net proceeds from issuance of senior notes	-		-	400,000	-
Third party investment in redeemable					
noncontrolling interest	(65,000	)	87,500	136,200	87,500
Dividends paid to shareholders	(33,973	)	(23,174)	(103,034 )	(70,720)
Dividends paid on third party investment in					
redeemable noncontrolling interest	(10,334	)	-	(10,334)	-
Net cash provided by (used in) financing					
activities	(181,976	)	(70,572)	38,355	(811,401)
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES					
ON CASH	11,052		(12,414)	10,167	(15,750)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	60,233		150,398	(209,579)	52,484
Cash, beginning of period	341,570		439,136	611,382	537,050
Cash, end of period	6 401,803	9	\$ 589,534 \$	6 401,803	\$ 589,534
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW					
INFORMATION:					
Income taxes paid (recovered)	5 49,319	5	\$ (1,820 ) \$	6 146,560	\$ 64,918
Interest paid	132		243	15,150	23,524

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

For the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014 and 2013

#### 1. GENERAL

Everest Re Group, Ltd. ("Group"), a Bermuda company, through its subsidiaries, principally provides reinsurance and insurance in the U.S., Bermuda and international markets. As used in this document, "Company" means Group and its subsidiaries.

Effective February 27, 2013, the Company established a new subsidiary, Mt. Logan Re Ltd. ("Mt. Logan Re") and effective July 1, 2013, Mt. Logan Re established separate segregated accounts and issued non-voting redeemable preferred shares to capitalize the segregated accounts. Accordingly, the financial position and operating results for Mt. Logan Re are consolidated with the Company and the non-controlling interests in Mt. Logan Re's operating results and equity are presented as separate captions in the Company's financial statements.

#### 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 include all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair statement of the results on an interim basis. Certain financial information, which is normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), has been omitted since it is not required for interim reporting purposes. The December 31, 2013 consolidated balance sheet data was derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by GAAP. The results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results for a full year. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011 included in the Company's most recent Form 10-K filing.

All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Certain reclassifications and format changes have been made to prior years' amounts to conform to the 2014 presentation. One reclassification relates to a correction in the manner in which the Company reports distributions received from limited partnership investments in the consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. Prior to the fourth quarter of 2013, the Company incorrectly reflected all distributions as cash flows from investing activities in its Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. Starting with the fourth quarter of 2013, cash distributions from the limited partnerships that represent net investment income are reflected as cash flows from operating activities and distributions that represent the return of capital contributions are reflected as cash flows from investing activities. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, \$5,638 thousand and \$48,733 thousand, respectively, have been reclassified from "Distributions from other invested assets" included in cash flows from investing activities to "Distribution of limited partnership income" included in cash flows from operations. The Company has determined that this error is not material to the financial statements of any prior period.

Application of Recently Issued Accounting Standard Changes.

Presentation of Comprehensive Income. In June 2011, FASB issued amendments to existing guidance to provide two alternatives for the presentation of comprehensive income. Components of net income and comprehensive income can either be presented within a single, continuous financial statement or be presented in two separate but consecutive financial statements. The Company has chosen to present the components of net income and comprehensive income in a single, continuous financial statement. The guidance is effective for reporting periods beginning after December

15, 2011. The Company implemented this guidance as of January 1, 2012. In February, 2013, the FASB issued an additional amendment for the presentation of amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component. The Company implemented the proposed guidance as of January 1, 2013.

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Treatment of Insurance Contract Acquisition Costs. In October 2010, the FASB issued authoritative guidance for the accounting for costs associated with acquiring or renewing insurance contracts. The guidance identifies the incremental direct costs of contract acquisition and costs directly related to acquisition activities that should be capitalized. This guidance is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The Company implemented this guidance as of January 1, 2012 and determined that \$13,492 thousand of previously deferrable acquisition costs would be expensed, including \$10,876 thousand and \$2,616 thousand expensed in the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2013, respectively. No additional expense will be incurred related to this guidance implementation in future periods.

#### 3. INVESTMENTS

The amortized cost, market value and gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation of available for sale, fixed maturity and equity security investments, carried at market value, are as follows for the periods indicated:

(Dollars in thousands) Fixed maturity securities U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of	Amortized Cost	U	At Septemb nrealized preciation	U	0, 2014 nrealize preciatio		Market Value
U.S. government agencies and corporations	\$ 716,191	\$	5,513	\$	(830	)	\$ 720,874
Obligations of U.S. states and political							
subdivisions	792,193		43,524		(994	)	834,723
Corporate securities	4,594,903		144,022		(30,854	4)	4,708,071
Asset-backed securities	311,772		1,950		(519	)	313,203
Mortgage-backed securities							
Commercial	216,264		12,385		(686	)	227,963
Agency residential	2,156,374		37,989		(17,15	1)	2,177,212
Non-agency residential	2,982		54		(69	)	2,967
Foreign government securities	1,532,505		63,180		(15,85)	3)	1,579,832
Foreign corporate securities	3,004,570		95,383		(21,472	2)	3,078,481
Total fixed maturity securities	\$ 13,327,754	\$	404,000	\$	(88,42	8)	\$ 13,643,326
Equity securities	\$ 147,068	\$	5,419	\$	(6,352	)	\$ 146,135

	At December 31, 2013					
	Amortized	Amortized Unrealized		Market		
(Dollars in thousands)	Cost	Appreciation	Depreciation	Value		
Fixed maturity securities						
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of						
U.S. government agencies and corporations	\$ 160,013	\$ 2,690	\$ (1,678 )	\$ 161,025		
Obligations of U.S. states and political						
subdivisions	970,735	40,815	(9,022)	1,002,528		
Corporate securities	3,950,887	155,619	(27,090)	4,079,416		
Asset-backed securities	169,980	3,485	(422)	173,043		
Mortgage-backed securities						
Commercial	254,765	16,683	(1,007)	270,441		
Agency residential	2,294,719	34,509	(50,175)	2,279,053		
Non-agency residential	4,816	229	(226)	4,819		
Foreign government securities	1,740,337	69,779	(29,347)	1,780,769		
Foreign corporate securities	2,844,912	86,529	(45,628)	2,885,813		

Total fixed maturity securities	\$ 12,391,164	\$ 410,338	\$ (164,595)	\$ 12,636,907
Equity securities	\$ 148,342	\$ 4,336	\$ (8,597)	\$ 144,081

The \$1,579,832 thousand of foreign government securities at September 30, 2014 included \$672,976 thousand of European sovereign securities. Approximately 59.3%, 17.6% and 6.2% of European sovereign securities represented securities held in the governments of the United Kingdom, France and the Netherlands, respectively. No other countries represented more than 5% of the European sovereign securities. The Company held no sovereign securities of Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Greece or Spain at September 30, 2014.

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In accordance with FASB guidance, the Company reclassified the non-credit portion of other-than-temporary impairments from retained earnings into accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), on April 1, 2009. The table below presents the pre-tax cumulative unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on those corporate securities, for the periods indicated:

	At September 30,	At December 31,
(Dollars in thousands)	2014	2013
Pre-tax cumulative unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	\$ 2,989	\$ 3,169

The amortized cost and market value of fixed maturity securities are shown in the following table by contractual maturity. Mortgage-backed securities are generally more likely to be prepaid than other fixed maturity securities. As the stated maturity of such securities may not be indicative of actual maturities, the totals for mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities are shown separately.

	At Septemb	per 30, 2014	At December 31, 2013		
	Amortized	Market	Amortized	Market	
(Dollars in thousands)	Cost	Value	Cost	Value	
Fixed maturity securities – available for sale:					
Due in one year or less	\$ 1,231,500	\$ 1,238,990	\$ 1,059,052	\$ 1,067,799	
Due after one year through five years	6,155,821	6,283,753	5,565,112	5,740,662	
Due after five years through ten years	2,309,641	2,353,164	2,081,908	2,101,234	
Due after ten years	943,400	1,046,074	960,812	999,856	
Asset-backed securities	311,772	313,203	169,980	173,043	
Mortgage-backed securities:					
Commercial	216,264	227,963	254,765	270,441	
Agency residential	2,156,374	2,177,212	2,294,719	2,279,053	
Non-agency residential	2,982	2,967	4,816	4,819	
Total fixed maturity securities	\$ 13,327,754	\$ 13,643,326	\$ 12,391,164	\$ 12,636,907	

The changes in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for the Company's investments are derived from the following sources for the periods indicated:

		Three Months Ended September 30,				nths Ended nber 30,
(Dollars in thousands)	2014	_		2013	2014	2013
Increase (decrease) during the period between the of investments carried at market value, and deferred taxes thereon:	e market va	lue and cost				
Fixed maturity securities	\$	(87,859	)	\$ (26,106)	\$ 70,010	\$ (385,727)
Fixed maturity securities,						
other-than-temporary impairment		(261	)	(144 )	(180)	(1,516)
Equity securities		(3,287	)	(1,447)	3,327	(15,522)
Change in unrealized appreciation						
(depreciation), pre-tax		(91,407	)	(27,697)	73,157	(402,765)
Deferred tax benefit (expense)		11,649		5,180	(9,480)	54,847
Deferred tax benefit (expense),						
other-than-temporary impairment		-		-	-	140

Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation),				
net of deferred taxes, included in shareholders' equity	\$ (79,758	)	\$ (22,517) \$ 63,677	\$ (347,778)

The Company frequently reviews all of its fixed maturity, available for sale securities for declines in market value and focuses its attention on securities whose fair value has fallen below 80% of their amortized cost at the time of review. The Company then assesses whether the decline in value is temporary or other-than-temporary. In making its assessment, the Company evaluates the current market and interest rate environment as well as specific issuer information. Generally, a change in a security's value caused by a change in the market, interest rate or foreign exchange environment does not constitute an other-than-temporary impairment, but rather a temporary decline in market value. Temporary declines in market value are recorded as unrealized losses in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). If the Company determines that the decline is other-than-temporary and the Company does not have the intent to sell the security; and it is more likely than not that the Company will not have to sell the security before recovery of its cost basis, the carrying value of the investment is written down to fair value. The fair value adjustment that is credit or foreign exchange related is recorded in net realized capital gains (losses) in the Company's consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss). The fair value adjustment that is non-credit related is recorded as a component of other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, and is included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

The Company's assessments are based on the issuers current and expected future financial position, timeliness with respect to interest and/or principal payments, speed of repayments and any applicable credit enhancements or breakeven constant default rates on mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities, as well as relevant information provided by rating agencies, investment advisors and analysts.

The majority of the Company's equity securities available for sale at market value are primarily comprised of mutual fund investments whose underlying securities consist of fixed maturity securities. When a fund's value reflects an unrealized loss, the Company assesses whether the decline in value is temporary or other-than-temporary. In making its assessment, the Company considers the composition of its portfolios and their related markets, reports received from the portfolio managers and discussions with portfolio managers. If the Company determines that the declines are temporary and it has the ability and intent to continue to hold the investments, then the declines are recorded as unrealized losses in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). If declines are deemed to be other-than-temporary, then the carrying value of the investment is written down to fair value and recorded in net realized capital gains (losses) in the Company's consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss).

Retrospective adjustments are employed to recalculate the values of asset-backed securities. All of the Company's asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities have a pass-through structure. Each acquisition lot is reviewed to recalculate the effective yield. The recalculated effective yield is used to derive a book value as if the new yield were applied at the time of acquisition. Outstanding principal factors from the time of acquisition to the adjustment date are used to calculate the prepayment history for all applicable securities. Conditional prepayment rates, computed with life to date factor histories and weighted average maturities, are used in the calculation of projected prepayments for pass-through security types.

The tables below display the aggregate market value and gross unrealized depreciation of fixed maturity and equity securities, by security type and contractual maturity, in each case subdivided according to length of time that individual securities had been in a continuous unrealized loss position for the periods indicated:

	Duration of Unrealized Loss at September 30, 2014 By Security Type							
	Less than	12 months	Greater that	an 12 months	Total			
		Gross		Gross		Gross		
		Unrealized		Unrealized		Unrealized		
	Market		Market		Market			
(Dollars in thousands)	Value	Depreciation	Value	Depreciation	Value	Depreciation		
Fixed maturity securities -				•		•		
available for sale								
U.S. Treasury securities and								
obligations of								
U.S. government agencies and								
corporations	\$ 35,516	\$ (190 )	\$ 25,462	\$ (640 )	\$ 60,978	\$ (830 )		
Obligations of U.S. states and								
political subdivisions	18,198	(426)	36,680	(568)	54,878	(994)		
Corporate securities	1,533,633	(21,194)	371,829	(9,660)	1,905,462	(30,854)		
Asset-backed securities	159,751	(519)	-	-	159,751	(519)		
Mortgage-backed securities								
Commercial	15,440	(27)	10,962	(659)	26,402	(686)		
Agency residential	157,297	(563)	829,667	(16,588)	986,964	(17,151)		
Non-agency residential	-	-	1,362	(69)	1,362	(69)		
Foreign government securities	284,210	(4,567)	213,313	(11,286)	497,523	(15,853)		
Foreign corporate securities	478,718	(5,997)	410,294	(15,475)	889,012	(21,472)		

Total fixed maturity securities	\$ 2,682,763	\$ (33,483)	\$ 1,899,569	\$ (54,945) \$ 4,582,332	\$ (88,428)
Equity securities	41,908	(1,794)	76,821	(4,558) 118,729	(6,352)
Total	\$ 2,724,671	\$ (35,277)	\$ 1,976,390	\$ (59,503) \$ 4,701,061	\$ (94,780)

	Dura	Duration of Unrealized Loss at September 30, 2014 B					
	Less than	12 months	Greater that	Greater than 12 months T			
		Gross		Gross		Gross	
		Unrealized		Unrealized		Unrealized	
	Market		Market		Market		
(Dollars in thousands)	Value	Depreciation	Value	Depreciation	Value	Depreciation	
Fixed maturity securities							
Due in one year or less	\$84,658	\$ (1,512)	\$107,000	\$ (8,116 )	\$191,658	\$ (9,628)	
Due in one year through five years	1,446,131	(17,614)	617,461	(15,101)	2,063,592	(32,715)	
Due in five years through ten years	772,425	(11,162)	244,999	(10,019)	1,017,424	(21,181)	
Due after ten years	47,061	(2,086)	88,118	(4,393)	135,179	(6,479)	
Asset-backed securities	159,751	(519)	-	-	159,751	(519)	
Mortgage-backed securities	172,737	(590)	841,991	(17,316)	1,014,728	(17,906)	
Total fixed maturity securities	\$2,682,763	\$ (33,483)	\$1,899,569	\$ (54,945)	\$4,582,332	\$ (88,428)	

The aggregate market value and gross unrealized losses related to investments in an unrealized loss position at September 30, 2014 were \$4,701,061 thousand and \$94,780 thousand, respectively. The market value of securities for the single issuer whose securities comprised the largest unrealized loss position at September 30, 2014, did not exceed 1.1% of the overall market value of the Company's fixed maturity securities. In addition, as indicated on the above table, there was no significant concentration of unrealized losses in any one market sector. The \$33,483 thousand of unrealized losses related to fixed maturity securities that have been in an unrealized loss position for less than one year were generally comprised of foreign and domestic corporate securities, as well as foreign government securities. Of these unrealized losses, \$13,870 thousand were related to securities that were rated investment grade by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The \$54,945 thousand of unrealized losses related to fixed maturity securities in an unrealized loss position for more than one year related primarily to agency residential mortgage-backed securities, domestic and foreign corporate securities and foreign government securities. Of these unrealized losses, \$51,746 thousand related to securities that were rated investment grade by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The gross unrealized depreciation for mortgage-backed securities included \$28 thousand related to sub-prime and alt-A loans. In all instances, there were no projected cash flow shortfalls to recover the full book value of the investments and the related interest obligations. The mortgage-backed securities still have excess credit coverage and are current on interest and principal payments.

The Company, given the size of its investment portfolio and capital position, does not have the intent to sell these securities; and it is more likely than not that the Company will not have to sell the security before recovery of its cost basis. In addition, all securities currently in an unrealized loss position are current with respect to principal and interest payments.

The tables below display the aggregate market value and gross unrealized depreciation of fixed maturity and equity securities, by security type and contractual maturity, in each case subdivided according to length of time that individual securities had been in a continuous unrealized loss position for the periods indicated:

Less than 12 monthsGreater than 12 monthsTotalGrossGrossGrossUnrealizedUnrealizedUnrealizedMarketMarketMarket	
Unrealized Unrealized Unrealized	
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(Dollars in thousands) Value Depreciation Value Depreciation Value Depreciation	
Fixed maturity securities - available	
for sale	
U.S. Treasury securities and	
obligations of	
U.S. government agencies and	
corporations\$74,847\$ (1,033\$ 8,751\$ (645\$ 83,598\$ (1,678	)
Obligations of U.S. states and	
political subdivisions 92,760 (4,852 ) 39,689 (4,170 ) 132,449 (9,022	)
Corporate securities 959,396 (22,331) 75,946 (4,759) 1,035,342 (27,090	)
Asset-backed securities 5,494 (6 ) 1,128 (416 ) 6,622 (422	)
Mortgage-backed securities	
Commercial 51 - 11,353 (1,007) 11,404 (1,007	)
Agency residential1,220,845(40,420264,640(9,7551,485,485(50,175	)
Non-agency residential1,758(22)1,541(204)3,299(226	)
Foreign government securities 409,252 (20,350) 85,029 (8,997) 494,281 (29,347	)
Foreign corporate securities 872,907 (34,819) 151,748 (10,809) 1,024,655 (45,628	)
Total fixed maturity securities \$3,637,310 \$ (123,833 ) \$639,825 \$ (40,762 ) \$4,277,135 \$ (164,59	5)
Equity securities 127,030 (8,597) 127,030 (8,597	)
Total \$3,764,340 \$ (132,430 ) \$639,825 \$ (40,762 ) \$4,404,165 \$ (173,19	2)

	Dura	2013 By Ma	turity			
	Less than	12 months	Greater that	Greater than 12 months Te		
		Gross		Gross		
		Unrealized		Unrealized		Unrealized
	Market		Market		Market	
(Dollars in thousands)	Value	Depreciation	Value	Depreciation	Value	Depreciation
Fixed maturity securities						
Due in one year or less	\$143,098	\$ (3,503)	\$46,691	\$ (5,330 ) \$	189,789	\$ (8,833 )
Due in one year through five years	1,125,680	(25,365)	204,779	(11,279)	1,330,459	(36,644 )
Due in five years through ten years	810,969	(35,169)	48,064	(3,844)	859,033	(39,013)
Due after ten years	329,415	(19,348)	61,629	(8,927)	391,044	(28,275)
Asset-backed securities	5,494	(6)	1,128	(416)	6,622	(422)
Mortgage-backed securities	1,222,654	(40,442)	277,534	(10,966)	1,500,188	(51,408)
Total fixed maturity securities	\$3,637,310	\$ (123,833)	\$639,825	\$ (40,762) \$	4,277,135	\$ (164,595)

The aggregate market value and gross unrealized losses related to investments in an unrealized loss position at December 31, 2013 were \$4,404,165 thousand and \$173,192 thousand, respectively. The market value of securities

for the single issuer whose securities comprised the largest unrealized loss position at December 31, 2013, did not exceed 0.4% of the overall market value of the Company's fixed maturity securities. In addition, as indicated on the above table, there was no significant concentration of unrealized losses in any one market sector. The \$123,833 thousand of unrealized losses related to fixed maturity securities that have been in an unrealized loss position for less than one year were generally comprised of domestic and foreign corporate securities, foreign government securities and agency residential mortgage-backed securities. Of these unrealized losses, \$112,658 thousand were related to securities that were rated investment grade by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The \$40,762 thousand of unrealized losses related to fixed maturity securities, foreign government securities, municipal securities and agency residential mortgage-backed securities. Of these unrealized losses, \$38,964 thousand related to securities that were rated investment grade by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The \$40,762 thousand of unrealized losses related to fixed maturity securities. Of these unrealized losses, \$38,964 thousand related to securities that were rated investment grade by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The gross unrealized depreciation for mortgage-backed securities included \$273 thousand related to sub-prime and alt-A loans. In all instances, there were no projected cash flow shortfalls to recover the full book value of the investments and the related interest obligations. The mortgage-backed securities still have excess credit coverage and are current on interest and principal payments.

The components of net investment income are presented in the table below for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(Dollars in thousands)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Fixed maturities	\$ 115,057	\$ 117,814	\$ 348,872	\$ 358,824
Equity securities	11,086	10,337	36,111	32,873
Short-term investments and cash	295	339	1,202	819