

CNA Surety Corporation
 Press Release Investor Data
 (Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Years Ended December 31,	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Operating Results:				
Gross written premiums	<u>\$ 105,828</u>	<u>\$ 103,758</u>	<u>\$ 467,127</u>	<u>\$ 471,660</u>
Net written premiums	<u>\$ 98,053</u>	<u>\$ 89,322</u>	<u>\$ 431,679</u>	<u>\$ 428,289</u>
Revenues:				
Net earned premiums	\$ 110,882	\$ 103,899	\$ 431,696	\$ 421,506
Net investment income	12,010	11,844	47,302	44,636
Net realized investment (losses) gains	(1,167)	41	(1,374)	(445)
Total revenues	<u>\$ 121,725</u>	<u>\$ 115,784</u>	<u>\$ 477,624</u>	<u>\$ 465,697</u>
Expenses:				
Net losses and loss adjustment expenses ⁽¹⁾	\$ 18,741	27,492	\$ 80,844	103,124
Net commissions, brokerage and other underwriting expenses	60,614	56,542	235,420	227,412
Interest expense	489	724	2,148	2,918
Total expenses	<u>\$ 79,844</u>	<u>\$ 84,758</u>	<u>\$ 318,412</u>	<u>\$ 333,454</u>
Income before income taxes	41,881	31,026	159,212	132,243
Income tax expense	<u>12,763</u>	<u>9,170</u>	<u>48,809</u>	<u>39,747</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 29,118</u>	<u>\$ 21,856</u>	<u>\$ 110,403</u>	<u>\$ 92,496</u>
Basic earnings per common share	<u>\$ 0.66</u>	<u>\$ 0.50</u>	<u>\$ 2.50</u>	<u>\$ 2.10</u>
Diluted earnings per common share	<u>\$ 0.66</u>	<u>\$ 0.49</u>	<u>\$ 2.49</u>	<u>\$ 2.09</u>
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	<u>44,160</u>	<u>44,006</u>	<u>44,145</u>	<u>44,000</u>
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	<u>44,266</u>	<u>44,259</u>	<u>44,260</u>	<u>44,267</u>

⁽¹⁾ See notes to Press Release Investor Data on page 3.

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Underwriting Results:				
Gross written premiums:				
Contract	\$ 66,470	\$ 65,227	\$ 300,236	\$ 305,624
Commercial	32,807	31,780	135,999	134,828
Fidelity and other	6,551	6,751	30,892	31,208
	<u>\$ 105,828</u>	<u>\$ 103,758</u>	<u>\$ 467,127</u>	<u>\$ 471,660</u>
Net written premiums:				
Contract	\$ 59,595	\$ 52,405	\$ 268,085	\$ 266,749
Commercial	31,907	30,166	132,702	130,332
Fidelity and other	6,551	6,751	30,892	31,208
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Net commissions, brokerage and other underwriting expenses	60,614	56,542	235,420	227,412
Underwriting income	31,527	19,865	115,432	90,970
Net investment income	12,010	11,844	47,302	44,636
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Interest expense	489	724	2,148	2,918
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Income tax expense	12,763	9,170	48,809	39,747
Net income	<u>\$ 29,118</u>	<u>\$ 21,856</u>	<u>\$ 110,403</u>	<u>\$ 92,496</u>
Loss ratio ⁽¹⁾	16.9%	26.5%	18.7%	24.5%
Expense ratio	54.7%	54.4%	54.5%	54.0%
Combined ratio ⁽¹⁾	71.6%	80.9%	73.2%	78.5%

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Cash Flow Data:				
Net cash provided by operations	\$ 38,968	\$ 37,885	\$ 124,212	\$ 129,206
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:				
			December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007
Invested assets and cash			\$ 1,126,079	\$ 1,024,826
Intangible assets, net			138,785	138,785
Total assets			1,565,519	1,507,654
Insurance reserves			687,548	731,772
Debt			30,892	30,791
Total stockholders' equity			767,295	667,705
Book value per share			\$ 17.37	\$ 15.13
Outstanding shares			44,168	44,121

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(1) Includes the effect of recording revisions of prior year reserves, known as loss development. The dollar amount and percentage point effect of these reserve reductions were \$20.5 million, or 18.5 percentage points, for the three months ended December 31, 2008. Nominal revisions of prior year reserves for the three months ended December 31, 2007 resulted in a 0.1 percentage point increase of the loss ratio. The dollar amount of these revisions were reductions of \$45.5 million, or 10.6 percentage points, and \$5.1 million, or 1.2 percentage points, for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.