

# 1st Financial Services Corporation Fundamental Company Report Including Financial, SWOT, Competitors and Industry Analysis

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# **Abstracts**

1st Financial Services Corporation Fundamental Company Report provides a complete overview of the company's affairs. All available data is presented in a comprehensive and easily accessed format. The report includes financial and SWOT information, industry analysis, opinions, estimates, plus annual and quarterly forecasts made by stock market experts. The report also enables direct comparison to be made between 1st Financial Services Corporation and its competitors. This provides our Clients with a clear understanding of 1st Financial Services Corporation position in the Industry.

The report contains detailed information about 1st Financial Services Corporation that gives an unrivalled in-depth knowledge about internal businessenvironment of the company: data about the owners, senior executives, locations, subsidiaries, markets, products, and company history.

Another part of the report is a SWOT-analysis carried out for 1st Financial Services Corporation. It involves specifying the objective of the company's business and identifies the different factors that are favorable and unfavorable to achieving that objective. SWOT-analysis helps to understand company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and possible threats against it.

The 1st Financial Services Corporation financial analysis covers the income statement and ratio trend-charts with balance sheets and cash flows presented on an annual and quarterly basis. The report outlines the main financial ratios pertaining to profitability, margin analysis, asset turnover, credit ratios, and



company's long-term solvency. This sort of company's information will assist and strengthen your company's decision-making processes.

In the part that describes 1st Financial Services Corporation competitors and the industry in whole, the information about company's financial ratios is compared to those of its competitors and to the industry. The unique analysis of the market and company's competitors along with detailed information about the internal and external factors affecting the relevant industry will help to manage your business environment. Your company's business and sales activities will be boosted by gaining an insight into your competitors' businesses.

Also the report provides relevant news, an analysis of PR-activity, and stock price movements. The latter are correlated with pertinent news and press releases, and annual and quarterly forecasts are given by a variety of experts and market research firms. Such information creates your awareness about principal trends of 1st Financial Services Corporation business.

### **About 1st Financial Services Corporation**

1st Financial Services Corporation operates as the holding company for Mountain 1st Bank & Trust Company, which provides general commercial and consumer banking products and services to small and medium-sized businesses and individuals in North Carolina.

The company engages in general commercial banking primarily in 10 western North Carolina counties, including Buncombe, Catawba, Cleveland, Haywood, Henderson, McDowell, Polk, Rutherford, Transylvania, and Watauga. The company's primary market area is southwestern North Carolina. Its main office and Hendersonville South office are located in Hendersonville, North Carolina. As of December 31, 2009, the company had full service branch offices in Arden, Asheville, Boone, Brevard, Columbus, Etowah, Forest City, Fletcher, Hickory, Marion, Lake Lure, Shelby, and Waynesville, North Carolina.

### Lending Activities

The company provides various commercial and consumer lending products to small to medium-sized businesses and individuals for various business and personal purposes, including term and installment loans, business and personal lines of credit, equity lines



of credit, and overdraft checking credit. These lending products are offered through both conventional avenues, as well as government guaranteed lending programs, such as small business administration (SBA) and U.S. department of agriculture loans. Its loan portfolio is divided into real estate loans, consumer installment loans, commercial and industrial loans (including agricultural production loans), and revolving consumer related plans.

Real Estate Loans: The company's real estate loan classification includes loans secured by real estate. Real estate loans include loans made to purchase, refinance, construct, or improve residential or commercial real estate, for real estate development purposes, and for various other commercial, agricultural, and consumer purposes. Real estate loans also include home equity lines of credit that generally are used for consumer purposes and are secured by junior liens on residential real property.

Commercial and Industrial Loans: The company's commercial and industrial loan classification includes loans to small to medium-sized businesses and individuals for working capital, equipment purchases, and various other business and agricultural purposes. These loans generally are secured by business assets, such as inventory, accounts receivable, equipment, or similar assets.

### **Investment Activities**

As of December 31, 2009, the company's investment portfolio included mortgagebacked securities guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA) or issued by the Federal National Mortgage Corporation (FNMA), and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC), including collateralized mortgage obligations. Also included debt instruments issued by U.S. governmental agencies or by government sponsored enterprises, including FNMA, FHLMC, and SBA.

### Deposits

The company attracts short and long-term deposits from the general public by offering various accounts and rates. In addition to noninterest bearing checking accounts, it offers statement savings accounts, negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, money market demand accounts, fixed interest rate certificates with varying maturities, and IRA deposit accounts.

History



1st Financial Services Corporation was founded in 2004.

The above Company Fundamental Report is a half-ready report and contents are subject to change.

It means that we have all necessary data in our database to prepare the report but need **2-3 days** to complete it. During this time we are also updating the report with respect to the current moment. So, you can get all the most recent data available for the same price. Please note that preparation of additional types of analyses requires extra time.



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# **ANALYSIS FEATURES**

### **SWOT Analysis**

SWOT, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, is an analytical framework that identifies the internal and external factors that are favorable and unfavorable for a company.

### **Enhanced SWOT Analysis**

Enhanced SWOT is a 3×3 grid that arranges strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats into one scheme:

How to use the strengths to take advantage of the opportunities?

How to use the strengths to reduce likelihood and impact of the threats?

How to overcome the weaknesses that obstruct taking advantage of the opportunities?

How to overcome the weaknesses that can make the threats a reality?

Upon answering these questions a company can develop a project plan to improve its business performance.

### **PESTEL Analysis**

PESTEL (also termed as PESTLE) is an ideal tool to strategically analyze what influence different outside factors – political, economic, sociocultural, technological, environmental and legal – exert on a business to later chart its long term targets.

Being part of the external analysis when carrying out a strategic assessment or performing a market study, PESTEL gives an overview of diverse macro-environmental factors that any company should thoughtfully consider. By perceiving these outside environments, businesses can maximally benefit from the opportunities while minimizing the threats to the organization.

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Key Factors Examined by PESTEL Analysis:

Political – What opportunities and pressures are brought by political bodies and what is the degree of public regulations' impact on the business?

Economic – What economic policies, trends and structures are expected to affect the organization, what is this influence's degree?

Sociological – What cultural and societal aspects will work upon the demand for the business's products and operations?

Technological – What impact do the technological aspects, innovations, incentives and barriers have on the organization?

Environmental – What environmental and ecological facets, both locally and farther afield, are likely to predetermine the business?

Legal – What laws and legislation will exert influence on the style the business is carried out?

### IFE, EFE, IE Matrices

The Internal Factor Evaluation matrix (IFE matrix) is a strategic management tool helping audit or evaluate major weaknesses and strengths in a business's functional areas. In addition, IFE matrix serves as a basis for identifying and assessing relationships amongst those areas. The IFE matrix is utilised in strategy formulation.

The External Factor Evaluation matrix (EFE matrix) is a tool of strategic management that is typically utilised to assess current market conditions. It is an ideal instrument for visualising and prioritising the threats and opportunities a firm is facing.

The essential difference between the above mentioned matrices lies in the type of factors incorporated in the model; whilst the latter is engaged in internal factors, the former deals exceptionally with external factors – those exposed to social, political, economic, legal, etc. external forces.

Being a continuation of the EFE matrix and IFE matrix models, the Internal External matrix (IE matrix) rests upon an investigation of external and internal business factors



integrated into one suggestive model.

#### **Porter Five Forces Analysis**

The Porter's five forces analysis studies the industry of operation and helps the company find new sources of competitive advantage. The analysis surveys an industry through five major questions:

What composes a threat of substitute products and services?

Is there a threat of new competitors entering the market?

What is the intensity of competitive rivalry?

How big is the bargaining power of buyers?

How significant is the bargaining power of suppliers?

#### **VRIO** Analysis

VRIO stands for Value, Rarity, Imitability, Organization. This analysis helps to evaluate all company's resources and capabilities and bring them together into one aggregate table that includes:

Tangible resources Financial

Physical

Technological

Organizational

Intangible resources Human

Innovation and Creativity



Reputation

Organizational capabilities

The result of the analysis gives a clear picture of company's competitive and economic implications, answering the questions if the resources mentioned above are:

Valuable?

Rare?

Costly to imitate?

Organized properly?



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