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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 2, 2009

# **SVB Financial Group**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-15637 (Commission File Number) 3003 Tasman Drive, Santa Clara, CA 95054-1191 91-1962278 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (408) 654-7400

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#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 2, 2009, SVB Financial Group (the Company) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 ( 10-K ). The financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2008 reported in the 10-K reflects a decrease in net income of \$1.2 million since January 22, 2009, the date on which the Company issued its press release announcing its preliminary financial results ( Press Release ). The decrease in net income was due to an increase to the Company s allowance for loan losses as of December 31, 2008, which had an impact on the Company s provision for loan losses, incentive compensation expense, income tax expense, overall net income and earnings per share, as well as related earnings and asset quality ratios. The following table highlights certain revised items related to this change in our overall consolidated statements of income and balance sheets for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2008:

	Three months ended December 31, 2008				Year ended December 31, 2008				
(Dollars in thousands, except EPS)		As reported in Press Release		As reported in 10-K report		As reported in Press Release		As reported in 10-K report	
INCOME STATEMENT									
Provision for loan losses	\$	67,257	\$	70,957	\$	97,013	\$	100,713	
Compensation and benefits expense		24,977		23,877		178,415		177,315	
Net income		3,638		2,422		79,844		78,628	
Net income available to common stockholders		2,931		1,715		79,137		77,921	
Earnings per common share diluted		0.09		0.05		2.33		2.29	
BALANCE SHEET									
Allowance for loan losses	\$	103,696	\$	107,396	\$	103,696	\$	107,396	
Total assets		10,023,208		10,020,892	1	0,023,208	1	0,020,892	

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#### **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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 2, 2009 SVB FINANCIAL GROUP

By: /s/ MICHAEL DESCHENEAUX

Name: Michael Descheneaux

Title: Chief Financial Officer