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Consumer banking charges

Typical annual costs for regular and interest bearing checking accounts having average balances of less than \$200 in their regular checking accounts and less than \$500 in interest-bearing checking accounts. The survey also assumed each account would have two bad checks per year, four automatic teller withdrawals and one returned deposit.

	Regular checking	Interest-bearing*
Detroit banks		
Comerica	\$132.48	\$163.98
First of America	\$131.40	\$124.40
First Independence	\$159.62	\$212.90
Manufacturers	\$124.40	\$148.65
Michigan National	\$157.68	\$150.25
NBD	\$100.20	\$126.00
Colonial Federal	NO**	\$125.00
Detroit Federal	NO**	\$98.79
Empire of America	NO**	\$100.00
Standard Federal	\$66.00	\$66.25
Bank One	\$120.00	\$105
First of America	\$113.60	\$109.50
Manufacturers	\$102.00	\$77.00
Michigan National	\$132.20	\$168.45
NBD Commerce	\$96.00	\$91.40
Capitol Federal	NO**	+\$4.20***
First Federal	NO**	\$78.25
Great Lakes Federal	NO**	\$66.25
Union Federal	\$35.00	\$59.25

* Net costs for interest-bearing accounts, subtracting earned interest from service charges.

** Not offered

*** Account would gain \$4.20 with interest

SOURCE: Michigan Citizens Lobby

dwindling bank profits due to stepped-up competition in the financial services industry

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Looks like a lot of people could be paying less for their checking account.

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