PEOPLES BANCORP INC Form 8-K January 26, 2018

### 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): January 26, 2018 (January 23, 2018)

PEOPLES BANCORP INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio0-1677231-0987416(State or other jurisdiction<br/>of incorporation)(Commission File<br/>Number)(I.R.S. Employer<br/>Identification Number)

138 Putnam Street, PO Box 738Marietta, Ohio45750-0738(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (740) 373-3155

Not applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

x Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

oPre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

oPre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 23, 2018, management of Peoples Bancorp Inc. ("Peoples") conducted a facilitated conference call at approximately 11:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, to discuss results of operations for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2017. A replay of the conference call audio will be available on Peoples' website, www.peoplesbancorp.com, in the "Investor Relations" section for one year. A copy of the transcript of the conference call is included as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99 included with this Current Report on Form 8-K, is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall such information be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as otherwise stated in such filing.

During the conference call, management referred to non-Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") financial measures that are used by management to provide information useful to investors in understanding Peoples' operating performance and trends, and to facilitate comparisons with the performance of Peoples' peers. The following tables show the differences between the non-GAAP financial measures referred to during the conference call and the most directly comparable GAAP-based financial measures.

### NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

The following non-GAAP financial measures used by Peoples provide information useful to investors in understanding Peoples' operating performance and trends, and facilitate comparisons with the performance of Peoples' peers. The following tables summarize the non-GAAP financial measures derived from amounts reported in Peoples' consolidated financial statements:

### NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (Unaudited)

The following non-GAAP financial measures used by Peoples provide information useful to investors in understanding Peoples' operating performance and trends, and facilitate comparisons with the performance of Peoples' peers. The following tables summarize the non-GAAP financial measures derived from amounts reported in Peoples' consolidated financial statements:

(in \$000's)		cemb	onths End e <b>S∂p</b> tembe 2017		Decembe 2016	er 31,	Year Dece 2017	embe	
Core non-interest income:									
Total non-interest income	\$1	3 1 1 9	\$ 12,610		\$ 12,111		\$52	653	\$51,070
Plus: System upgrade revenue wa		5,117	φ 12,010 —		\$ 12,111 85		φ <i>52</i> ,	055	85
Core non-interest income		3,119	\$ 12,610	)	\$ 12,196		\$52,	653	\$51,155
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	Three M	Three Months Ended Y					ar Ended		
	Decemb	eB8pt,	ember 30,	Dece	ember 31,	Dece	ember	31,	
(in \$000's)	2017	2017	7	2016	)	2017	,	201	6
Core non-interest expenses:									
Total non-interest expense	\$27,406	\$ 26	5,558	\$ 27	,282	\$107	7,975	\$10	6,911
Less: system upgrade costs				746				1,25	59
Less: acquisition-related costs	341					341			
Less: pension settlement charges	242					242			

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 Core non-interest expenses
 \$26,823 \$ 26,558
 \$ 26,536
 \$107,392 \$105,652

(in \$000's)			Three Months En December 3Septe 2017 2017				er 31	Year End r 31, Decembe 2017			
Efficiency ratio: Total non-interest expense Less: Amortization of other intangible asso Adjusted non-interest expense	ets	\$27,4 913 26,49		\$ 26,558 869 25,689		\$ 27,282 1,007 26,275		\$107,97 3,516 104,459	5	\$106,91 4,030 102,881	
Total fee-based income		13,11	9	12,610		12,111		52,653		51,070	
Net interest income Add: Fully tax-equivalent adjustment Net interest income on a fully taxable-equivalent		29,12 440 29,56		29,220 460 29,680		26,667 517 27,184		113,377 1,913 115,290		104,865 2,027 106,892	
basis											
Adjusted revenue		\$42,6	581	\$ 42,290		\$ 39,295		\$167,94	3	\$157,96	52
Efficiency ratio		62.07	%	60.74	%	66.87	%	62.20	%	65.13	%
Efficiency ratio adjusted for non-core items: Core non-interest expenses Less: Amortization of other intangible assets Adjusted non-interest expense		\$26,8 913 25,91		\$ 26,558 869 25,689		\$ 26,536 1,007 25,529		\$107,39 3,516 103,876	2	\$105,65 4,030 101,622	
Total fee-based income Net interest income on a fully taxable-equivalent basis		\$13,1 29,56		\$ 12,610 29,680		\$ 12,196 27,184		\$52,653 115,290		\$51,155 106,892	
Adjusted revenue			581	\$ 42,290		\$ 39,380		\$167,943		\$ \$158,047	
Efficiency ratio adjusted for non-core item	IS	60.71	%	60.74	%	64.83	%	61.85	%	64.30	%
	At or F	or the	Three	e Months E	Endec	1					
	Decem	ber 31,	er 31, September 30,		June 30,		March 31,		December 31,		
(in \$000's)	2017		2017		2017		2017		2016		
Tangible Equity: Total stockholders' equity, as reported Less: goodwill and other intangible assets Tangible equity	\$458,592 144,576 \$314,016		\$457,386 143,859 \$313,527		\$451,353 144,692 \$306,661		\$443,009 145,505 \$297,504		\$435,261 146,018 \$289,243		
Tangible Assets: Total assets, as reported Less: goodwill and other intangible assets Tangible assets	\$3,581,686 144,576 \$3,437,110		143,859		144,692		\$3,459,276 145,505 \$3,313,771		\$3,432,348 146,018 \$3,286,330		

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Tangible Book Value per Common Share:					
Tangible equity	\$314,016	\$313,527	\$306,661	\$297,504	\$289,243
Common shares outstanding	18,287,449	18,281,194	18,279,036	18,270,508	18,200,067
Tangible book value per common share	\$17.17	\$17.15	\$16.78	\$16.28	\$15.89
Tangible Equity to Tangible Assets Ratio:					
Tangible equity	\$314,016	\$313,527	\$306,661	\$297,504	\$289,243
Tangible assets	\$3,437,110	\$3,408,553	\$3,380,434	\$3,313,771	\$3,286,330
Tangible equity to tangible assets	9.14 %	6 9.20 %	% 9.07 %	8.98 %	8.80 %

		nths Ended <b>39</b> eptember 30	Year Ende		
(in \$000's)	2017	2017	2016	2017	2016
Pre-Provision Net Revenue:					
Income before income taxes	\$14,340	\$ 16,022	\$ 10,744	\$57,203	\$45,282
Add: provision for loan losses	1,115	1,086	711	3,772	3,539
Add: loss on debt extinguishment					707
Add: net loss on OREO	105		33	129	34
Add: net loss on other assets	39	38	76	105	392
Less: net gain on OREO		13		13	
Less: net gain on investment securities	764	1,861	68	2,983	930
Less: net gain on other assets				158	
Pre-provision net revenue	\$14,835	\$ 15,272	\$ 11,496	\$58,055	\$49,024
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Total average assets	3,562,267	3,541,220	3,386,519	3,510,288	-
Pre-provision net revenue to total average assets (annualized)	1.65 %	1.71 %	1.35 %	1.65 %	1.48 %
Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits					

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a) - c) Not applicable.

d) Exhibits See Index to Exhibits below.

### 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.

### PEOPLES BANCORP INC.

### Date: January 26, 2018 By:/s/JOHN C. ROGERS John C. Rogers

### Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

# INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number Description

<u>99</u> Transcript of conference call conducted by management of Peoples Bancorp Inc. on January 23, 2018 to discuss results of operations for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2017.