

MEYER ROBERT
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MEYER ROBERT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP
[VLY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1455 VALLEY ROAD

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/29/2008

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

WAYNE, NJ 07470-

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	07/29/2008		M	19,385 A \$ 14.0317	81,825 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock	07/29/2008	08/01/2008	S	5,369 D \$ 19.4044	76,456 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock	07/29/2008		F	14,016 D \$ 19.4044	62,440 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock -- (401K Plan)					2,700	D	

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Common
Stock
(with
Spouse)

137,330 D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option	\$ 13.932					11/23/2000 11/23/2009	Common Stock	18,4
Stock Option	\$ 15.9184					11/28/2001 11/28/2010	Common Stock	19,3
Stock Option	\$ 17.8095					02/12/2009 02/12/2018	Common Stock	17,3
Stock Option	\$ 18.7755					11/27/2002 11/27/2011	Common Stock	5,7
Stock Option	\$ 19.6544					11/18/2003 11/18/2012	Common Stock	16,0
Stock Option	\$ 21.3195					11/14/2006 11/14/2015	Common Stock	16,7
Stock Option	\$ 22.9205					11/17/2004 11/17/2013	Common Stock	15,3
Stock Option	\$ 23.011					11/16/2005 11/16/2014	Common Stock	14,3
Stock Option	\$ 23.3197					11/13/2007 11/13/2016	Common Stock	18,3
Stock Option	\$ 14.0317	07/29/2008		M	19,385	10/23/1999 10/23/2008	Common Stock	19,3

