

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.  
Form 11-K  
June 28, 2016

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 11-K

ý ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE  
ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015

OR

o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from to

Commission File Number 001-34582

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below:

Northwest Savings Bank 401(k) Plan  
100 Liberty Street  
Warren, Pennsylvania 16365

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office:

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.  
100 Liberty Street  
Warren, Pennsylvania 16365

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