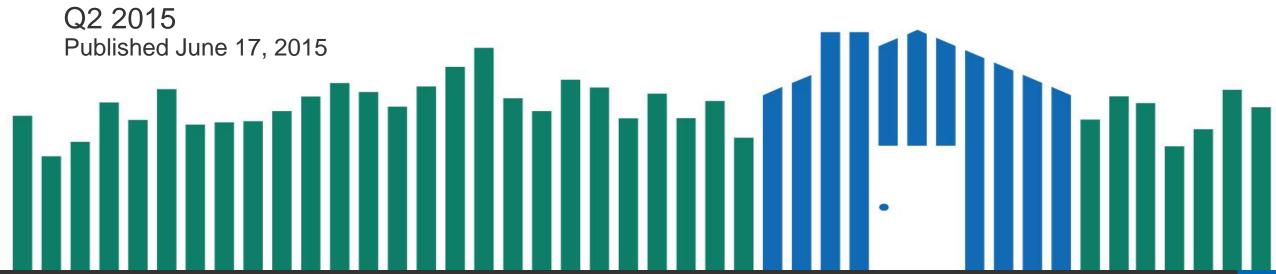


## Mortgage Lender Sentiment Survey™

# **Providing Insights Into Current Lending Activities and Market Expectations**





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## **Summary of Key Findings: A Positive Demand Outlook**

Housing Sentiment

Senior mortgage executives are increasingly optimistic, and significantly more optimistic than the general population of consumers about future home prices. This quarter, the share of lenders expecting home prices to go up over the next 12 months reached a survey high of 70%.

Consumer Demand

The share of lenders reporting increased mortgage purchase demand over the prior three months climbed again this quarter, reaching a survey high for GSE-eligible and government loans (77% and 65%, respectively). For the next three months, the share of lenders reporting increased demand expectations fell this quarter from last quarter, but remains at a high level, above the 2014 readings, and may reflect some seasonality influences.

Credit Standards

Credit tightening observed last year has continued to gradually trend down. The positive gap grows between lenders reporting loosening or maintaining existing credit standards, relative to those reporting tightening.

Mortgage Execution Most institutions reported that they expect to maintain their strategy in relation to secondary market outlets over the next 12 months. More lenders expect to increase rather than to decrease the shares of loans originated and then sold to GSEs.

Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSR)

The majority of institutions expect their current mortgage servicing rights (MSR) execution strategies to stay about the same over the next 12 months.

Profit Margin Outlook

Although lenders' profit margin outlook across institution sizes fell slightly this quarter from last quarter (Q1) with more lenders reporting decreased profit margin expectations over the next three months, it remains similar to the 2014 readings.



## **Research Objectives**

- Previously, there was no broad-based industry survey to track lenders' expectations for the mortgage industry.
- The Mortgage Lender Sentiment Survey™, which debuted in March 2014, is a quarterly online survey among senior executives in the mortgage industry, designed to:

# Track insights and provide benchmarks into current and future mortgage lending activities and practices.

#### **Quarterly Regular Questions**

- Consumer Mortgage Demand
- Credit Standards
- Mortgage Execution
- Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSR) Execution
- Profit Margin Outlook

#### **Featured Specific-Topic Questions**

- Impact of Regulatory Compliance
- GSEs' 97% LTV products and the FHA's
   Mortgage Insurance Premium Reduction
- Credit Overlays (expected release in July 2015)

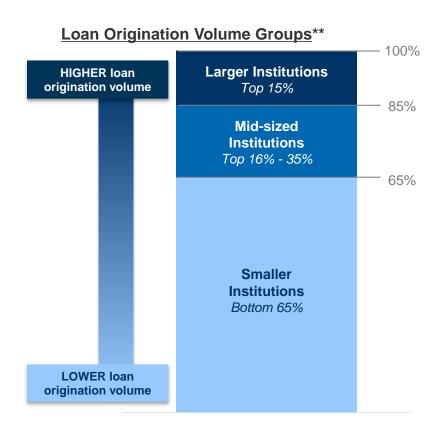
### **Methodology**

- A quarterly 10-15 minute online survey of senior executives, such as CEOs and CFOs, of Fannie Mae's lending institution customers.
- The results are reported at the lending institution parent-company level. If more than one individual from the same institution completes the survey, their responses are averaged to represent their parent company.



## **Q2 2015 Respondent Sample and Groups**

For Q2 2015, a total of 258 senior executives completed the survey from May 7 -17, representing 238 lending institutions.\*



Sample Q2-2015		Sample Size
<b>Total Lending</b> The "Total" data to loan origination v	238	
Loan Origination Volume Groups	Larger Institutions Fannie Mae's customers whose 2013 total industry loan origination volume was in the top 15% (above \$965 million)	55
	Mid-sized Institutions Fannie Mae's customers whose 2013 total industry loan origination volume was in the next 20% (16%- 35%) (between \$269 million to \$965 million)	68
	Smaller Institutions Fannie Mae's customers whose 2013 total industry loan origination volume was in the bottom 65% (less than \$269 million)	115
Institution Type***	Mortgage Banks (non-depository)	71
	Depository Institutions	105
	Credit Unions	52

<sup>\*</sup> The results of the Mortgage Lender Sentiment Survey are reported at the lending institutional parent-company level. If more than one individual from the same institution completes the survey, their responses are averaged to represent their parent institution.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The 2013 total loan volume per lender used here includes the best available annual origination information from sources such as Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA), Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and Marketrac. The most recent loan volume data available when the survey was conducted was 2013.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Lenders that are not classified into mortgage banks or depository institutions or credit unions are mostly housing finance agencies.



## **Loan Type Definition**

Questions about consumer mortgage demand and credit standards are asked across three loan types: GSE eligible, Non-GSE eligible, and Government loans.

Loan Type Definition Used in the Survey				
Loan Type	Definition			
GSE Eligible Loans	GSE Eligible Mortgages are defined as mortgages meeting the underwriting guidelines, including loan limit amounts, of the Government-Sponsored Enterprises (GSEs) (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac). Government loans are excluded from this category.			
Non-GSE Eligible Loans	Non-GSE Eligible Mortgages are defined as mortgages that do not meet the GSE guidelines for purchase. These loans typically require larger down payments and typically carry higher interest rates than GSE loans. Government loans are excluded from this category.			
Government Loans	Government Mortgages primarily include Federal Housing Administration (FHA) and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) insured loans but also include other programs such as Rural Housing Guaranteed and Direct loans.			



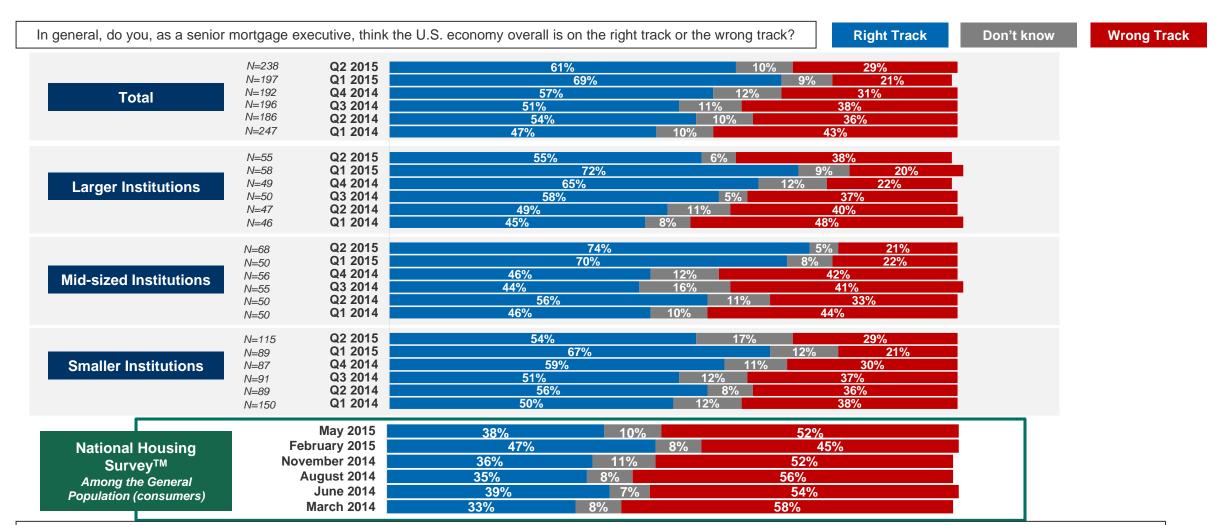
## **ECONOMIC AND HOUSING SENTIMENT**

- Compared with the general population of consumers, senior mortgage executives continue
  to be more optimistic about the economy and more pessimistic about consumers' ability to
  get a mortgage today.
- Across all lender sizes, the share of lenders expecting home prices to go up over the next
   12 months reached a survey high of 70%.



## **U.S. Economy Overall**

Senior mortgage executives at institutions of all sizes continue to be more optimistic than the general population of consumers about the economy.

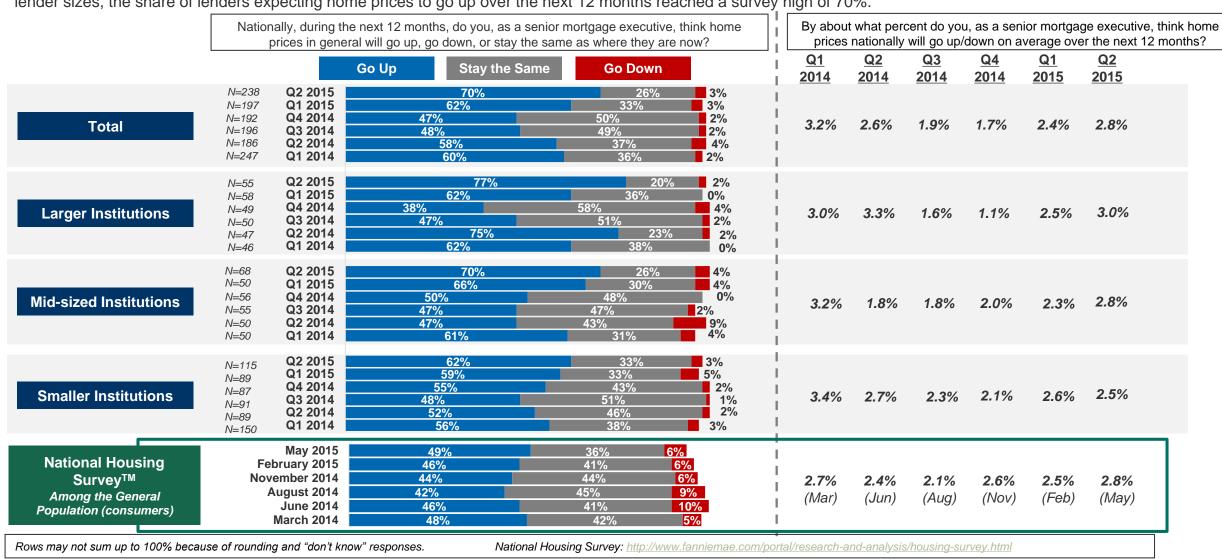


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#### **Home Prices – Next 12 Months**

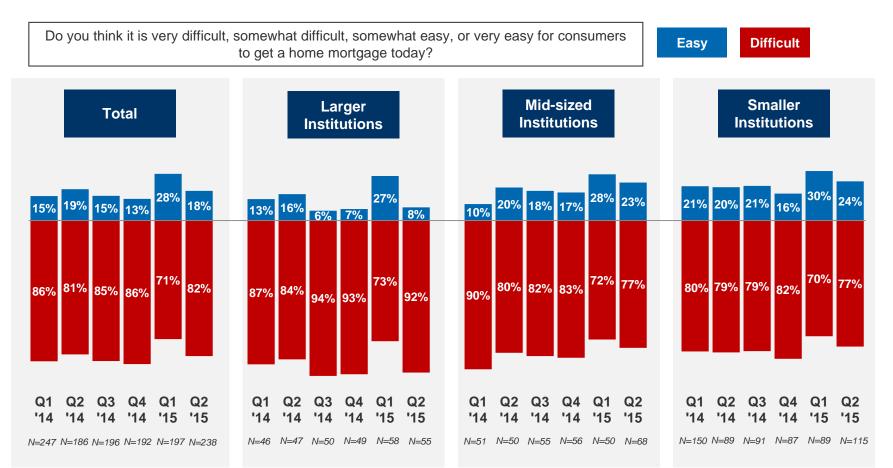
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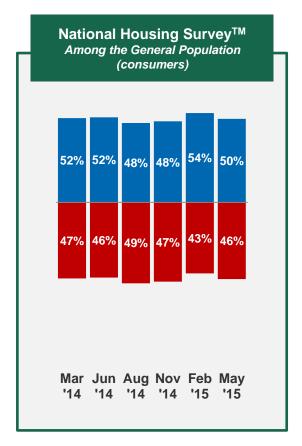




## **Difficulty of Getting a Mortgage**

Senior mortgage executives continue to believe it would be more difficult for consumers to get a mortgage than the general population of consumers, in particular among larger institutions.





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National Housing Survey: http://www.fanniemae.com/portal/research-and-analysis/housing-survey.html

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<sup>&</sup>quot;Easy" = Very easy + Somewhat easy; "Difficult" = Very difficult + Somewhat difficult



## **CONSUMER DEMAND**

## (PURCHASE MORTGAGES)

- The share of lenders reporting increased purchase mortgage demand over the prior three months climbed again this quarter, across all loan types.
- In particular, the share of lenders reporting increased demand over the prior three months for GSE eligible and government loans reached a survey high this quarter (77% and 65%, respectively).
- The share of lenders reporting increased demand for government loans over the prior three months has reached a survey high this quarter among mortgage banks and depository institutions (80% and 50%, respectively).
- For the mortgage demand outlook over the next three months, the share of lenders reporting increased demand expectations fell this quarter from last quarter (Q1), but remains at a high level, above the 2014 readings, and may reflect some seasonality influences.



## Purchase Mortgage Demand: GSE Eligible

The share of lenders reporting increased demand for GSE eligible loans over the prior three months has been in a steady climb since Q4 2014, reaching a survey high of 77%. Lenders' upward demand expectations for the next three months fell from last quarter, but remain at a high level, above the 2014 readings.





Q: Over the <u>past three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, did your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>purchase</u> mortgages go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Went up significantly + Went up somewhat, "Down" = Went down significantly + Went down somewhat

Q: Over the <u>next three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>purchase</u> mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Go up significantly + Go up somewhat, "Down" = Go down significantly + Go down somewhat



## Purchase Mortgage Demand: GSE Eligible (by institution type)

The share of lenders reporting increased demand for GSE eligible loans over the prior three months has reached a survey high this guarter across all lender types. Lenders' upward demand expectations for the next three months fell from last quarter, but remain higher than the records seen in 2014.

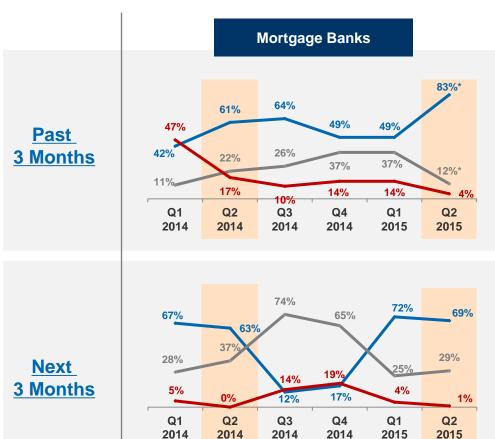
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Q1

2014

Q2

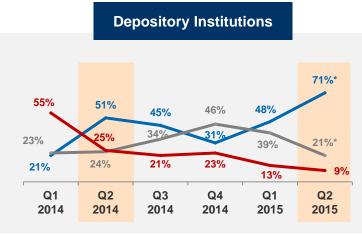
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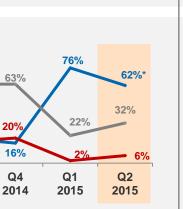


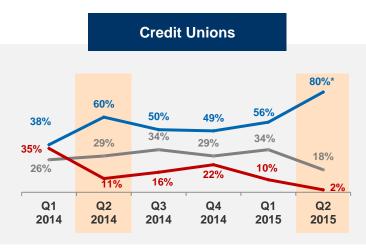
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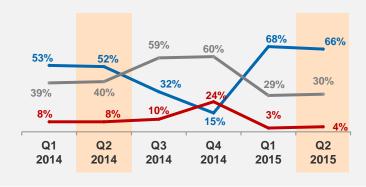
2014

2015











2014

63%

20%

17%

Q3

2014

209

Q: Over the past three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, did your firm's consumer demand for single-family purchase mortgages go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Went up significantly + Went up somewhat. "Down" = Went down significantly + Went down somewhat

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## Purchase Mortgage Demand: Non-GSE Eligible

The share of lenders reporting increased demand for non-GSE eligible loans over the prior three months has been in a steady climb since Q4 2014.

Lenders' upward demand expectations for the next three months experienced a small drop from last quarter, in particular among larger lenders, but remain at levels similar to 2014 highs.





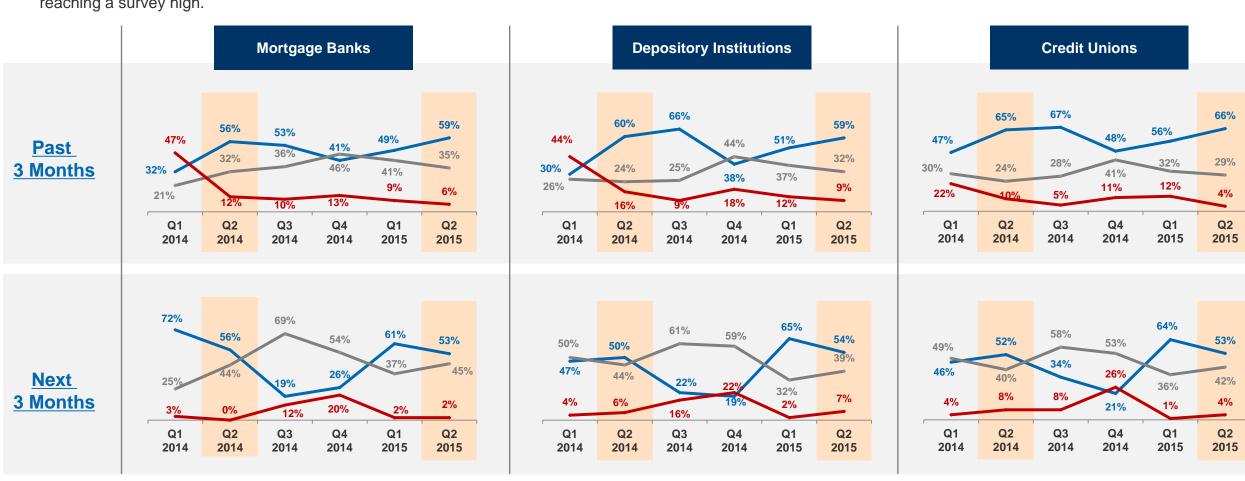
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## Purchase Mortgage Demand: Non-GSE Eligible (by institution type)

The share of lenders reporting increased demand for non-GSE eligible loans over the prior three months has been in a steady climb since Q4, with mortgage banks reaching a survey high.



The same

Down

Q: Over the <u>past three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, did your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>purchase</u> mortgages go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Went up significantly + Went up somewhat, "Down" = Went down significantly + Went down somewhat

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## **Purchase Mortgage Demand: Government**

The share of lenders reporting increased demand for government loans over the prior three months has been in a steady climb since Q4 last year, reaching a survey high this quarter. Lenders' upward demand expectations experienced a small drop from last quarter, but remain at a high level and generally above the 2014 readings.





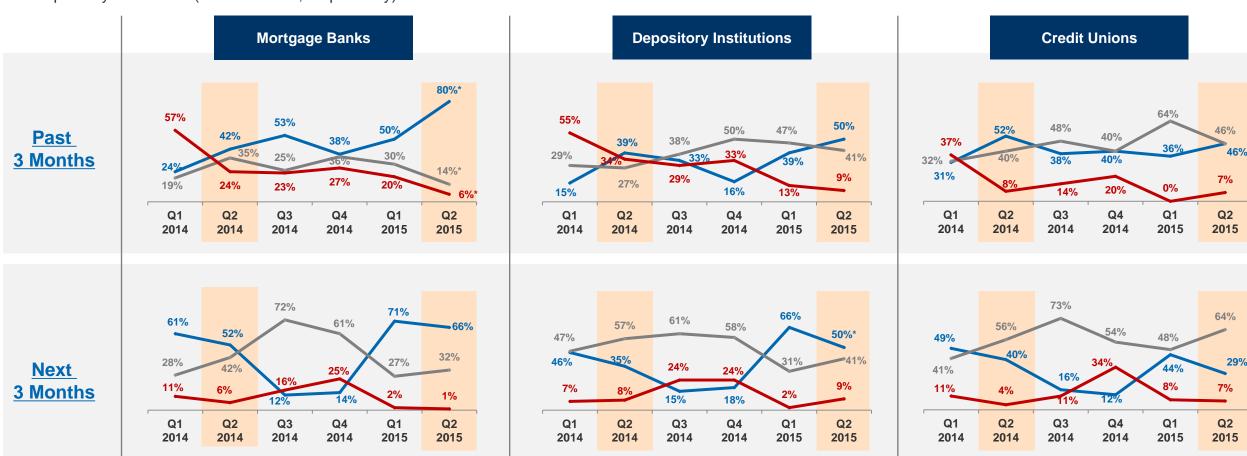
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## **CREDIT STANDARDS**

- Credit tightening observed last year has continued to gradually trend down. The positive gap grows between lenders reporting loosening or maintaining existing credit standards, relative to those reporting tightening.
- The share of lenders reporting credit standards to remain unchanged for the prior three months has been in a steady climb for the 6<sup>th</sup> straight quarter since Q1 2014.
- Mortgage banks continue to be more likely than depository institutions to report credit easing across all loan types.
- Smaller institutions are more likely than larger and mid-sized institutions to report easing for GSE and non-GSE eligible loans.



## **Credit Standards: GSE Eligible**

Credit tightening reported for GSE eligible loans over the prior three months has continued its gradual trend down across all lender sizes. At the same time, the share of lenders reporting credit standards to remain unchanged for the prior three months has been in a steady climb since Q1 2014.





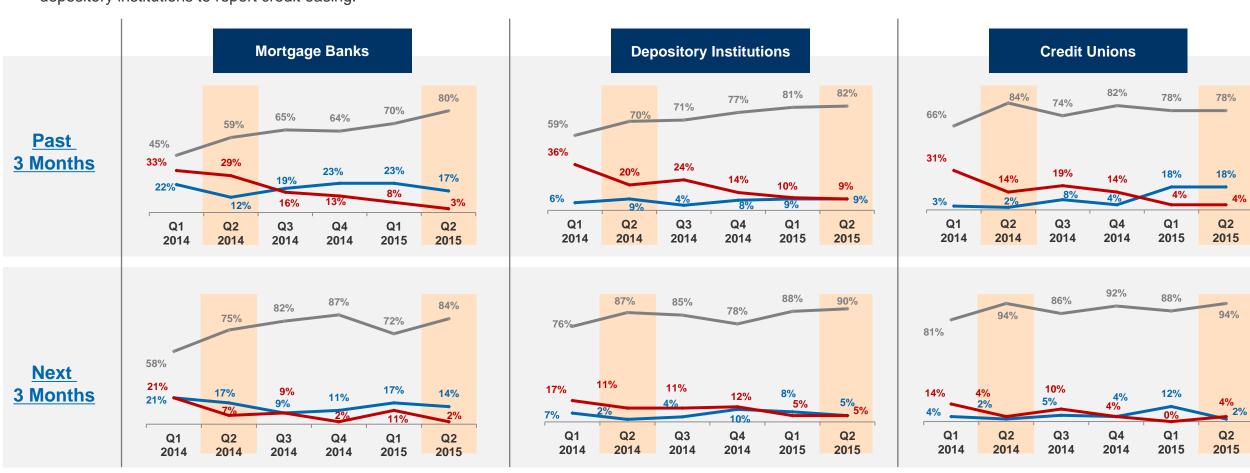
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Q: Over the <u>next three months</u>, how do you expect your firm's credit standards for approving applications from individuals for mortgage loans to change (across purchase mortgages and refinance mortgages)? "Ease" = Ease considerably + Ease somewhat, "Tighten" = Tighten somewhat + Tighten considerably



## **Credit Standards: GSE Eligible (by institution type)**

Credit tightening reported for GSE eligible loans over the prior three months has gradually trended down. Mortgage banks and credit unions continue to be more likely than depository institutions to report credit easing.





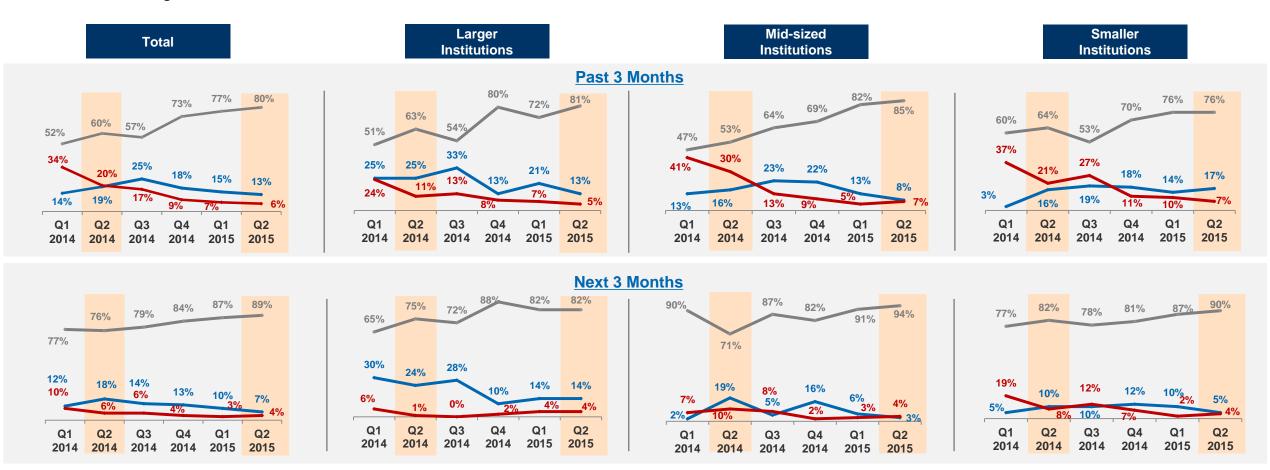
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Ease
Remain Unchanged
Tighten

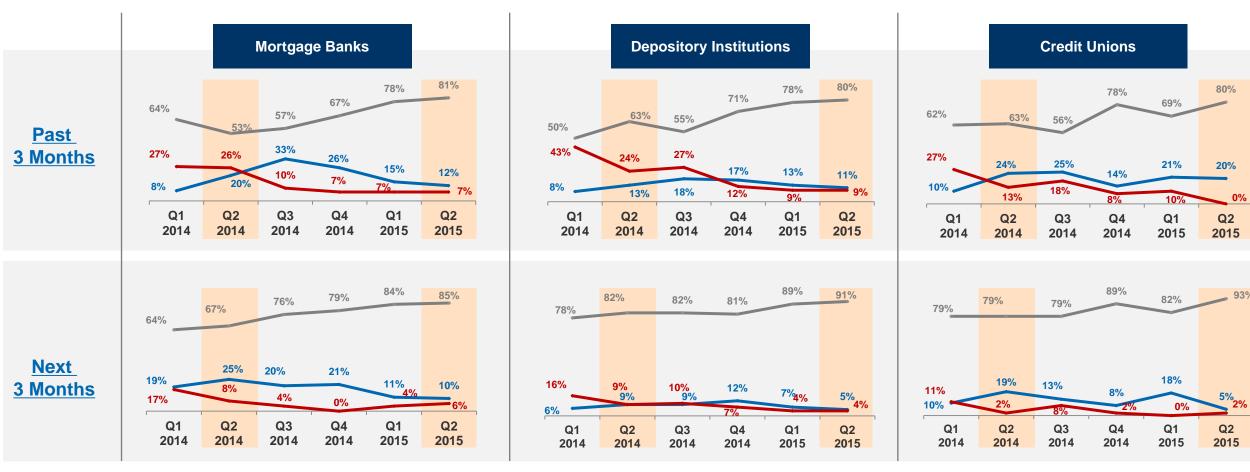
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## **Credit Standards: Non-GSE Eligible (by institution type)**

Reported credit tightening for non-GSE eligible loans over the prior three months has gradually trended down while increasingly more lenders say their credit standards have remained unchanged. Credit unions are more likely than depository institutions and mortgage banks to report credit easing.



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Remain Unchanged
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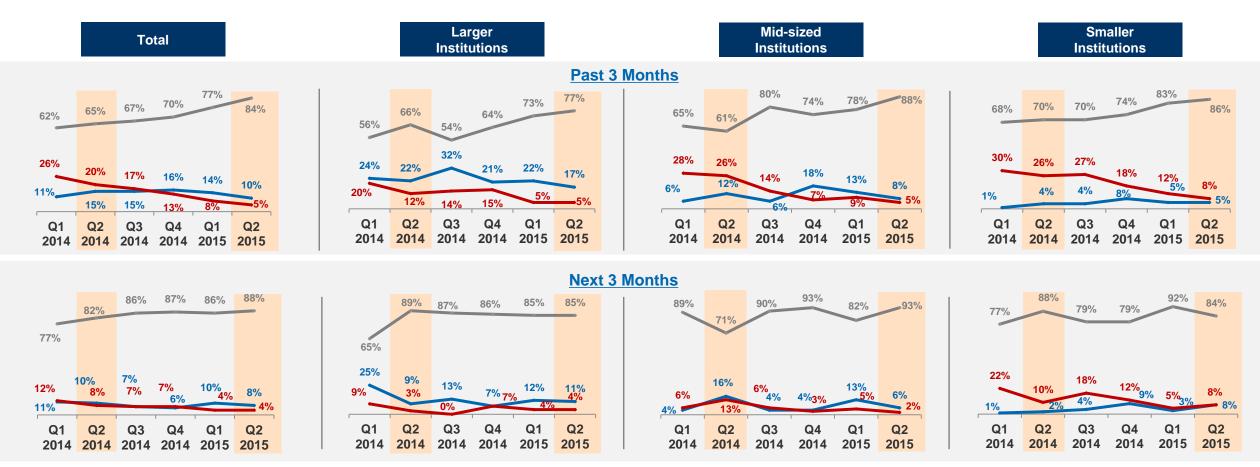
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## **Credit Standards: Government**

Reported credit tightening for government loans over the prior three months has gradually trended down while increasingly more lenders say their credit standards have remained unchanged. Among larger and mid-sized institutions, more lenders continue to report credit easing than tightening.



Ease
Remain Unchanged
Tighten

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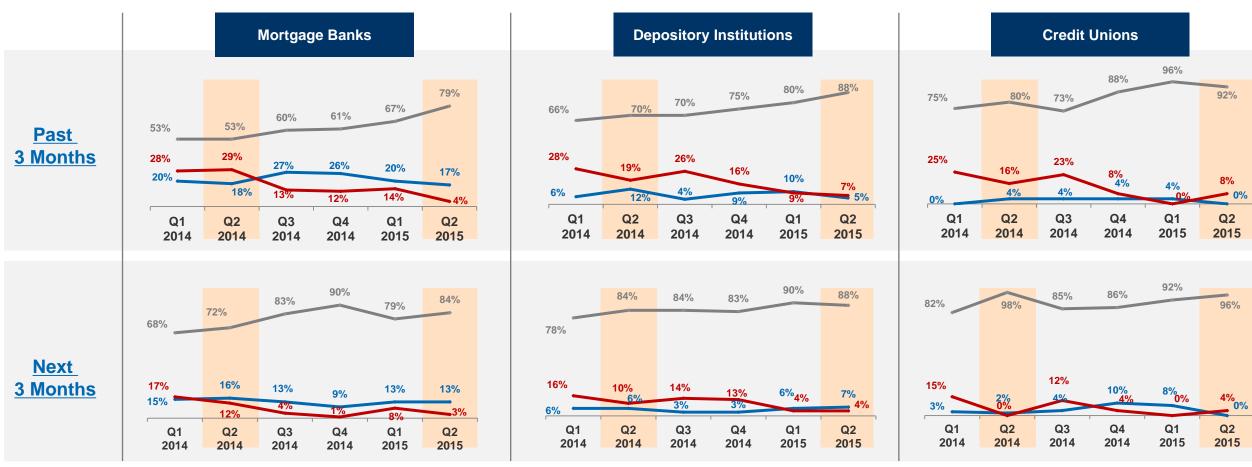
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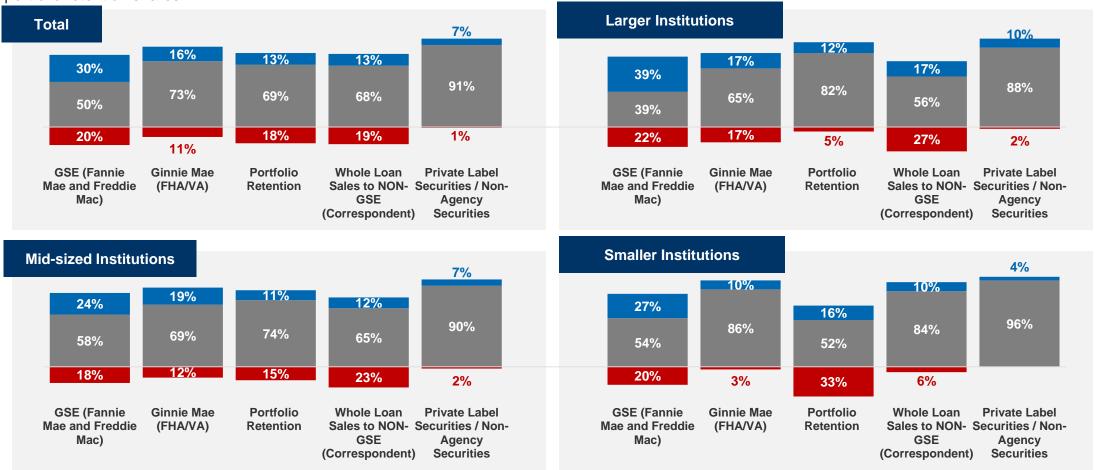
## MORTGAGE EXECUTION OUTLOOK

- Most institutions reported that they expect to maintain their strategy in relation to secondary market outlets
  over the next 12 months.
  - Among all institution sizes and types, more lenders reported expectations to increase rather than to decrease the shares of loans originated and then sold to GSEs.
  - Among depository institutions and credit unions, more lenders reported expectations to decrease rather than to increase portfolio-retention shares.



## **Mortgage Execution Outlook – Over Next 12 Months**

Most institutions reported that they expect to maintain their strategy in relation to secondary market outlets over the next 12 months. Overall, more lenders reported expectations to increase rather than to decrease the shares sold to GSEs. Among smaller institutions, more reported expectations to decrease rather than to increase portfolio retention shares.



About the same

Whether an institution reported increase/decrease/stay the same was based on the difference to their responses to the following 2 questions:

Q: Approximately, what percent of your firm's total mortgage originations goes to each of the following categories?

Q: Looking forward, what percent of your firm's total mortgage originations over the next year will go to each of the following categories?



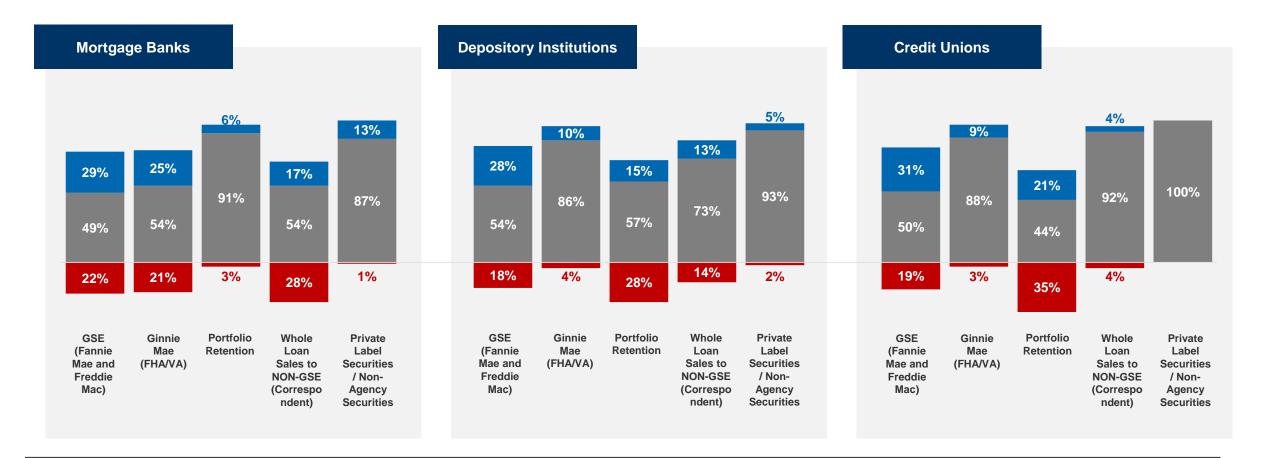
## Mortgage Execution Outlook – Over Next 12 Months (by institution type)

Increase

About the same

Decrease

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# MORTGAGE SERVICING RIGHTS (MSR) EXECUTION OUTLOOK

The majority of institutions reported that they expect their current MSR execution strategies to stay
about the same over the next 12 months.



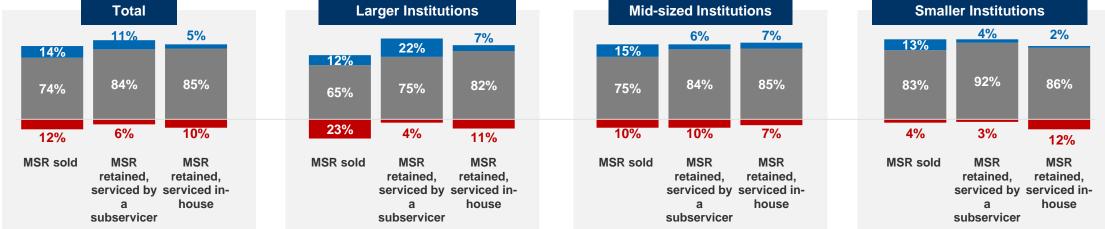
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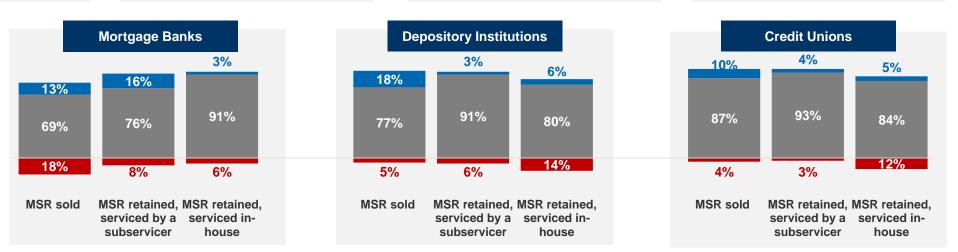
Increase

About the same

Decrease







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Q: Approximately, what percent of your mortgage servicing rights (MSR) goes to each of the following categories?

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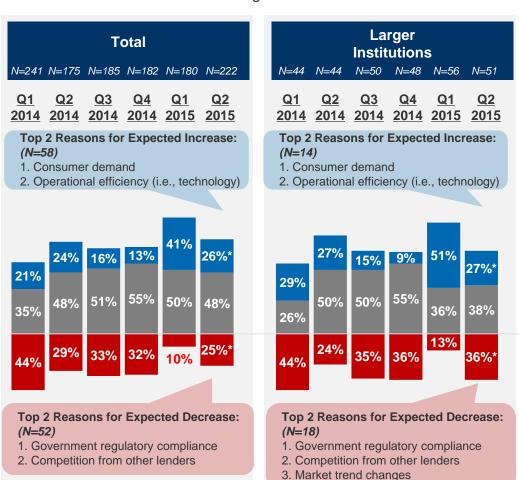
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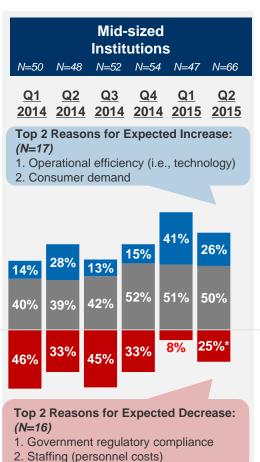
- Although lenders' profit margin outlook over the next three months across institution sizes fell slightly this
  quarter from last quarter, with more lenders reporting decreased profit margin expectations, it remains similar
  to the 2014 readings.
- Larger institutions continue to be more likely than mid-sized and smaller institutions to report decreased profit margin expectations.
- "Consumer demand" and "operational efficiency" are the most cited reasons for increased profit margin expectations over the next three months.
- "Government regulatory compliance" and "competition from other lenders" are the most popular reasons given in driving the expectation of a decrease in profit margin over the next three months.

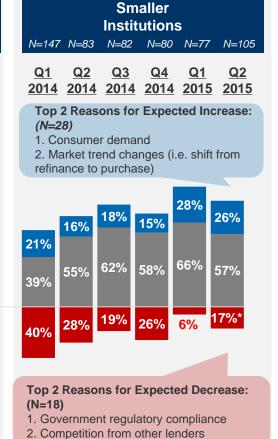


## **Profit Margin Outlook – Next 3 Months**

Although lenders' profit margin outlook across institution sizes fell slightly this quarter from last quarter, with more lenders reporting decreased profit margin expectations, it remains similar to the 2014 readings.









Q: Over the next three months, how much do you expect your firm's profit margin to change for its single-family mortgage production? [Showing: (Substantially Increase (25+ basis points) + Moderately Increase (5 - 25 basis points)), About the same (0 - 5 basis points), (Moderately Decrease (5 - 25 basis points) + Substantially Decrease (25+ basis points))]

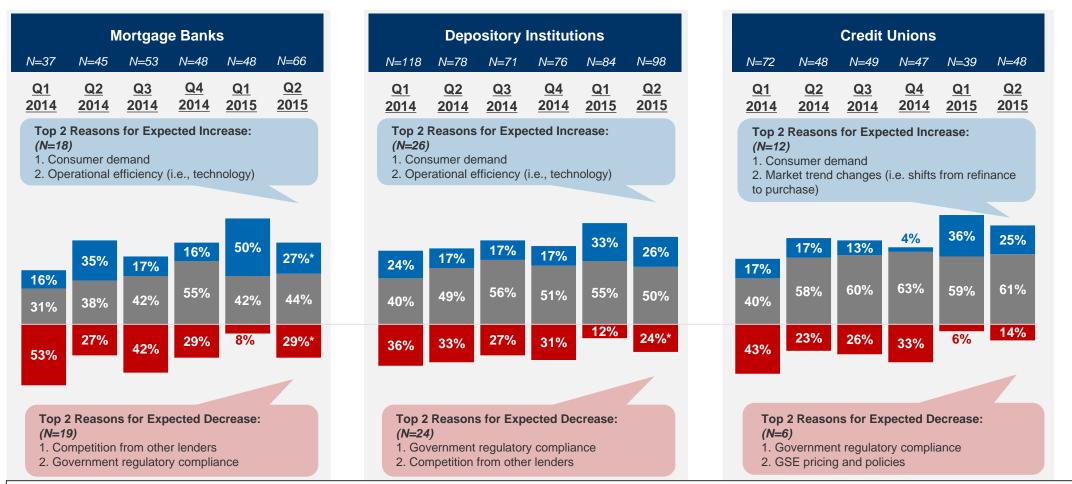
Q: What do you think will drive the increase (decrease) in your firm's profit margin over the next three months? Please select up to two of the most important reasons.

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015



## **Profit Margin Outlook – Next 3 Months (by institution type)**

Although lenders' profit margin outlook across institution types declined this quarter from last quarter, with more lenders reporting decreased profit margin expectations, it remains more positive compared to the 2014 readings.



About the same

Decrease

Q: Over the next three months, how much do you expect your firm's profit margin to change for its single-family mortgage production? [Showing: (Substantially Increase (25+ basis points) + Moderately Increase (5 - 25 basis points)), About the same (0 - 5 basis points), (Moderately Decrease (5 - 25 basis points) + Substantially Decrease (25+ basis points))]

Q: What do you think will drive the increase/decrease in your firm's profit margin over the next three months? Please select up to two of the most important reasons.

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## **Survey Methodology Details**



## Mortgage Lender Sentiment Survey™

#### **Background**

The Fannie Mae Mortgage Lender Sentiment Survey is a quarterly online survey of senior executives of Fannie Mae's lending institution partners to
provides insights and benchmarks that help mortgage industry professionals understand industry and market trends and assess their own business
practices.

#### **Survey Methodology**

- To ensure that the survey results represent the behavior and output of organizations rather than individuals, the Fannie Mae Mortgage Lender Sentiment Survey is structured and conducted as an establishment survey. The results are reported at the lending institutional level. If more than one individual from the same institution complete the survey, their responses are averaged to represent their institution.
- Each respondent is asked 40-75 questions.

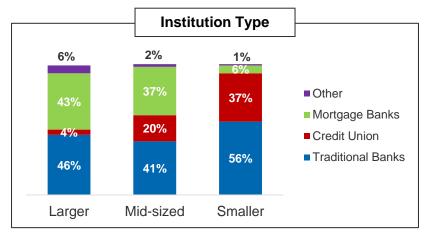
#### **Sample Design**

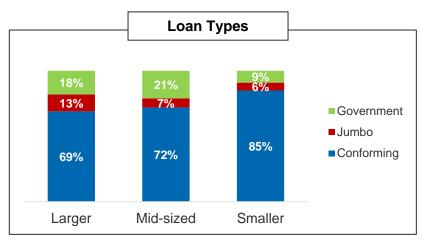
• Each quarter a random selection of approximately 2,000 senior executives among Fannie Mae's approved lenders are invited to participate in the study.

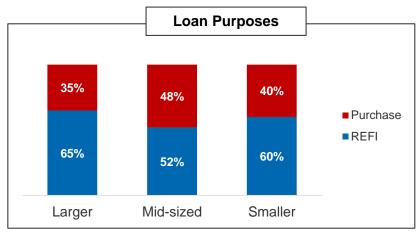


#### **Lending Institution Characteristics**

Fannie Mae's customers invited to participate in the Mortgage Lender Sentiment Survey represent a broad base of different lending institutions that conducted business with Fannie Mae in 2013. Institutions were divided into three groups based on their 2013 total industry loan volume – Larger (top 15%), Mid-sized (top 16%-35%), and Smaller (bottom 65%). The data below further describe the compositions and loan characteristics of the three groups of institutions.









#### **Sample Sizes**

		Q1 2014		Q2 2014		Q3	2014	Q4	2014	Q1 :	2015	Q2 2015		
		Sample Size	Margin of Error											
Total Lending Institutions  Larger		247	±5.65%	186	±6.69%	196	±6.48%	192	±6.56%	197	±6.51%	238	±6.22%	
Loan	Larger Institutions	46	±12.77%	47	±12.60%	50	±12.10%	49	±12.11%	58	±11.11%	55	±12.91%	
Origination Volume	Mid-sized Institutions	51	±12.41%	50	±12.56%	55	±11.84%	56	±11.70%	50	±12.68%	68	±11.55%	
Groups	Smaller Institutions	150	±7.31%	89	±9.86%	91	±9.74%	87	±9.98%	89	±9.91%	115	±8.97%	
	Mortgage Banks	38	±14.61%	47	±12.84%	57	±11.34%	48	±12.66%	53	±12.07%	71	±11.22%	
Institution Type	Depository Institutions	121	±8.14%	84	±10.07%	75	±10.73%	83	±10.13%	95	±9.43%	105	±9.39%	
	Credit Unions	72	±10.39%	50	±12.91%	52	±12.62%	49	±13.07%	40	±14.77%	52	±13.35%	

#### 2014

Q1 was fielded between March 4, 2014 and March 18, 2014

Q2 was fielded between May 28, 2014 and June 8, 2014

Q3 was fielded between August 6, 2014 and August 23, 2014

Q4 was fielded between November 5, 2014 and November 24, 2014

#### <u>2015</u>

Q1 was fielded between February 4, 2015 and February 16, 2015 Q2 was fielded between May 6, 2015 and May 17, 2015



# 2015 Q2 Cross-Subgroup Sample Sizes

	Total	Larger Lenders	Mid-Sized Lenders	Smaller Lenders
Total	238	55	68	115
Mortgage Banks (non-depository)	71	27	33	11
Depository Institutions	105	20	24	61
Credit Unions	52	1	10	41



# 2015 Q2 Sample Sizes: Consumer Demand

#### Purchase Mortgages:

	Pa	ast 3 Mont	hs	Ne	ext 3 Mont	hs
	GSE Eligible	(46		GSE Eligible	Non-GSE Eligible	Government
Total Lending Institutions	237	207	184	237	209	186
Larger Institutions	55	49	48	55	50	48
Mid-sized Institutions	68	54	63	68	55	63
Smaller Institutions	114	104	73	114	104	75

#### Refinance Mortgages:

	Pa	ast 3 Mont	hs	Next 3 Months						
	GSE Eligible	-		GSE Eligible	Non-GSE Eligible	Government				
Total Lending Institutions	233	203	173	233	204	174				
Larger Institutions	53	48	47	53	48	47				
Mid-sized Institutions	66	52	60	66	52	60				
Smaller Institutions	114	102	66	114	104	67				



# 2015 Q2 Sample Sizes: Credit Standards

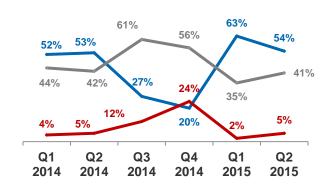
	Pa	Ne	Next 3 Months							
	GSE Eligible	Non-GSE Eligible	Government	GSE Eligible	Non-GSE Eligible	Government				
Total Lending Institutions	236	207	180	236	206	182				
Larger Institutions	54	48	48	54	47	48				
Mid-sized Institutions	68	55	63	68	55	63				
Smaller Institutions	114	104	69	114	104	71				



#### Calculation of the "Total"

The "**Total**" data presented in this report are an average of the means of the three loan origination volume groups (Table below illustrates the Total calculation). Please note that percentages are based on the number of financial institutions that gave responses other than "Not Applicable." Percentages may add to under or over 100% due to rounding.

Over the next three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family purchase mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the same? Non-GSE Eligible (Q2 2015)	Larger Institutions	Mid-sized Institutions	Smaller Institutions	Q2 "Total"
Go up	50%	57%	54%	54% [(50% + 57% + 54%)/3]
Stayed the same	43%	39%	41%	41%
Go down	7%	4%	5%	5%





#### **Appendix**

# **Consumer Demand** (Purchase Mortgages)

- Senior mortgage executives' views about demand drivers are very different from consumers':
  - The primary factors in driving upward demand chosen by lenders center around favorable mortgage rates (44%) and favorable economic conditions (42%). Low home prices is cited as the primary reason by only 3% of lenders. In contrast, the primary factors chosen by consumers range more widely from favorable mortgage rates (35%), availability of homes (22%), low home prices (22%), to favorable economic conditions (13%).
  - Senior mortgage executives seem to be more sensitive to the impact of economic conditions on housing demand, whereas consumers appear to be more sensitive to the impact of home prices and availability of homes.



#### Purchase Mortgage Demand: Drivers of Change (selected verbatim)

## Past 3 Months

- Low Interest Rates
- Improving Economy
- FHA Premium Reductions
- Pent Up Demand

Drivers of Demand Up

**Drivers of Demand Down** 

Q: What do you think drove the change in your firm's consumer demand for single-family purchase mortgages over the **past three months**? Please be as specific as possible. (Optional)

"Low interest rates and increased confidence in the economy" "Interest rates in general; reduced MIP; tight inventory" - Larger Institutions

"Threat of increasing rates, plus limited inventory in our trade area is creating a sense of urgency to purchase" – Mid-sized Institution

"Pent up demand over last 3 years; limited supply of housing; steadily increasing rents year-over-year" – Smaller Institution

"Lack of inventory and increased refinances" - Larger Institution

"We are small community bank and can't afford to staff for pre-qualifying applicants. Also realtors have their own mortgage companies now and they push buyers into them." – Smaller Institution

"Home prices, underwriting requirements, more people opting to rent or delay home purchases" – Smaller Institution



## Purchase Mortgage Demand: Drivers of Change (GSE Eligible)

You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for GSE eligible loans will go up over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand to go up? Please select up to two of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1)	Total	Larger Institutions	Mid-sized Institutions	Smaller Institutions	National Housing Survey  Among the General Population  (consumers)*			
N=	153	36	44	73				
Mortgage rates are favorable	44%	41%	43%	49%	35%			
Economic conditions (e.g., employment) overall are favorable	42%	52%	39%	34%	13%			
There are many homes available on the market	5%	1%	6%	7%	22%			
Home prices are low	3%	0%	5%	4%	17%			
It is easy to qualify for a mortgage	1%	0%	0%	3%	4%			
You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for GSE eligible loans will go down over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand down? Please select up to two of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1)	Total	Larger Institutions	Mid-sized Institutions	Smaller Institutions	National Housing Survey  Among the General Population (consumers)**			
N=	40				(consumers)			
N=	12	4	3	4				
Mortgage rates are not favorable	30%	22%	3 67%	<i>4</i> 0%	5%			
		·	·	·	5% 37%			
Mortgage rates are not favorable	30%	22%	67%	0%				
Mortgage rates are not favorable  Economic conditions (e.g., employment) overall are not favorable	30% 22%	22% 22%	67% 0%	0% 50%	37%			

<sup>\*</sup>Q: Please tell me the primary reason why you think this is a good time to buy a house.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Q: Please tell me the primary reason why you think this is a bad time to buy a house.



# Purchase Mortgage Demand: Drivers of Change (Non-GSE Eligible)

You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for Non-GSE eligible loans will go up over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand to go up? Please select up to two of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1)	Total	Larger Institutions	Mid-sized Institutions	Smaller Institutions	National Housing Survey Among the General Population (consumers)*
N=	113	25	32	56	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Economic conditions (e.g., employment) overall are favorable	39%	36%	45%	35%	13%
Mortgage rates are favorable	36%	38%	28%	40%	35%
Home prices are low	6%	4%	6%	9%	17%
There are many homes available on the market	5%	6%	6%	2%	22%
It is easy to qualify for a mortgage	4%	2%	6%	4%	4%

You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for Non-GSE eligible loans will go down over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand down? Please select up to two of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1)	Total	Larger Institutions	Mid-sized Institutions	Smaller Institutions	National Housing Survey Among the General Population (consumers)**
N=	11	4	2	5	(55115311515)
It is difficult to qualify for a mortgage	36%	48%	0%	40%	16%
There are not many homes available on the market	23%	26%	50%	0%	5%
Economic conditions (e.g., employment) overall are not favorable	19%	26%	0%	20%	37%
Mortgage rates are not favorable	16%	0%	50%	20%	5%
Home prices are high	0%	0%	0%	0%	27%

<sup>\*</sup>Q: Please tell me the primary reason why you think this is a good time to buy a house.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Q: Please tell me the primary reason why you think this is a bad time to buy a house.



## **Purchase Mortgage Demand: Drivers of Change (Government)**

You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for government loans will go up over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand to go up? Please select up to two of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1)	Total	Larger Institutions	Mid-sized Institutions	Smaller Institutions	National Housing Survey Among the General Population (consumers)*
N=	99	30	38	32	(oorioarrioro)
Mortgage rates are favorable	44%	45%	39%	54%	35%
Economic conditions (e.g., employment) overall are favorable	42%	43%	44%	33%	13%
It is easy to qualify for a mortgage	6%	3%	9%	3%	4%
Home prices are low	3%	3%	3%	3%	17%
There are many homes available on the market	2%	2%	1%	3%	22%

You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for government loans will go down over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand down? Please select up to two of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1)	Total	Larger Institutions	Mid-sized Institutions	Smaller Institutions	National Housing Survey  Among the General Population (consumers)**
N=	11	2	3	6	(553355555)
It is difficult to qualify for a mortgage	33%	0%	0%	83%	16%
Mortgage rates are not favorable	25%	50%	33%	0%	5%
Economic conditions (e.g., employment) overall are not favorable	20%	50%	0%	17%	37%
There are not many homes available on the market	11%	0%	33%	0%	5%
Home prices are high	0%	0%	0%	0%	27%

<sup>\*</sup>Q: Please tell me the primary reason why you think this is a good time to buy a house.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Q: Please tell me the primary reason why you think this is a bad time to buy a house.



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# **Consumer Demand** (Refinance Mortgages)



#### Refinance Mortgage Demand: GSE Eligible



The same

Down

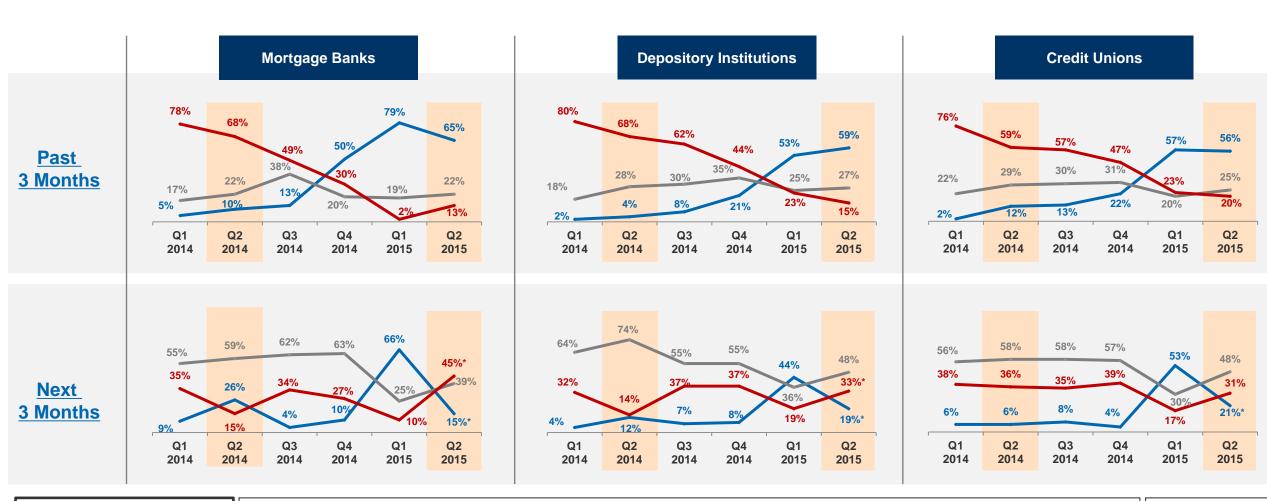
\* Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015

Q: Over the past three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, did your firm's consumer demand for single-family refinance mortgages go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Went up significantly + Went up somewhat, "Down" = Went down significantly + Went down somewhat

Q: Over the <u>next three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>refinance</u> mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Go up significantly + Go up somewhat, "Down" = Go down significantly + Go down somewhat



### Refinance Mortgage Demand: GSE Eligible (by institution type)



The same

Down

\* Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015

Q: Over the past three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, did your firm's consumer demand for single-family refinance mortgages go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Went up significantly + Went up somewhat, "Down" = Went down significantly + Went down somewhat

Q: Over the <u>next three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>refinance</u> mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Go up significantly + Go up somewhat, "Down" = Go down significantly + Go down somewhat



The same

Down

#### Refinance Mortgage Demand: Non-GSE Eligible

Went up significantly + Went up somewhat. "Down" = Went down significantly + Went down somewhat

same? "Up" = Go up significantly + Go up somewhat. "Down" = Go down significantly + Go down somewhat



Q: Over the next three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family refinance mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the

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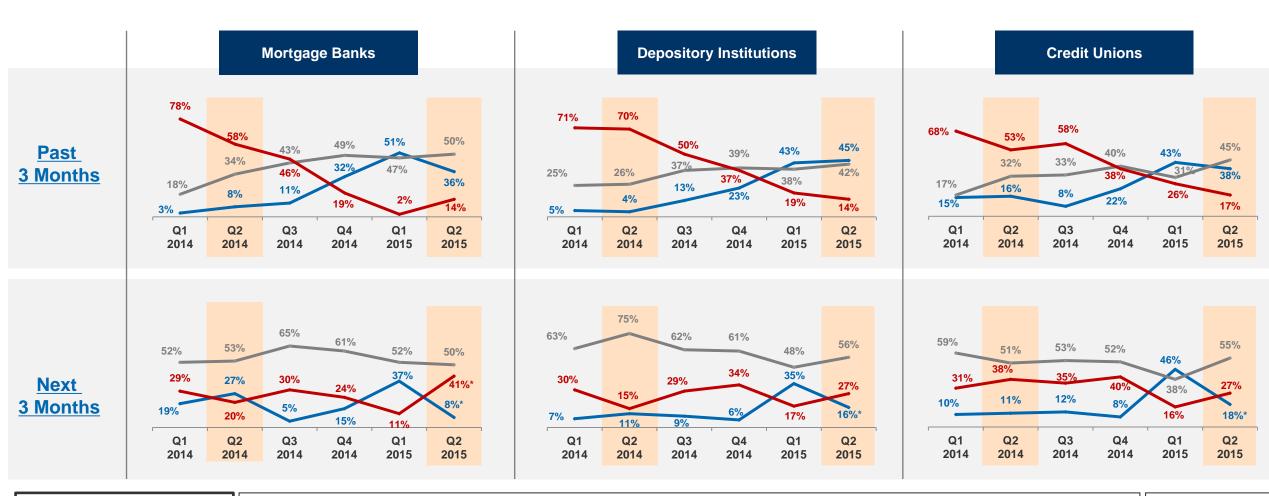
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#### Refinance Mortgage Demand: Non-GSE Eligible (by institution type)



The same

\* Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015

Q: Over the <u>past three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, did your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>refinance</u> mortgages go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Went up significantly + Went up somewhat, "Down" = Went down significantly + Went down somewhat

Q: Over the <u>next three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>refinance</u> mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the same? "Up" = Go up significantly + Go up somewhat, "Down" = Go down significantly + Go down somewhat



The same

Down

#### **Refinance Mortgage Demand: Government**



Q: Over the next three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family refinance mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the

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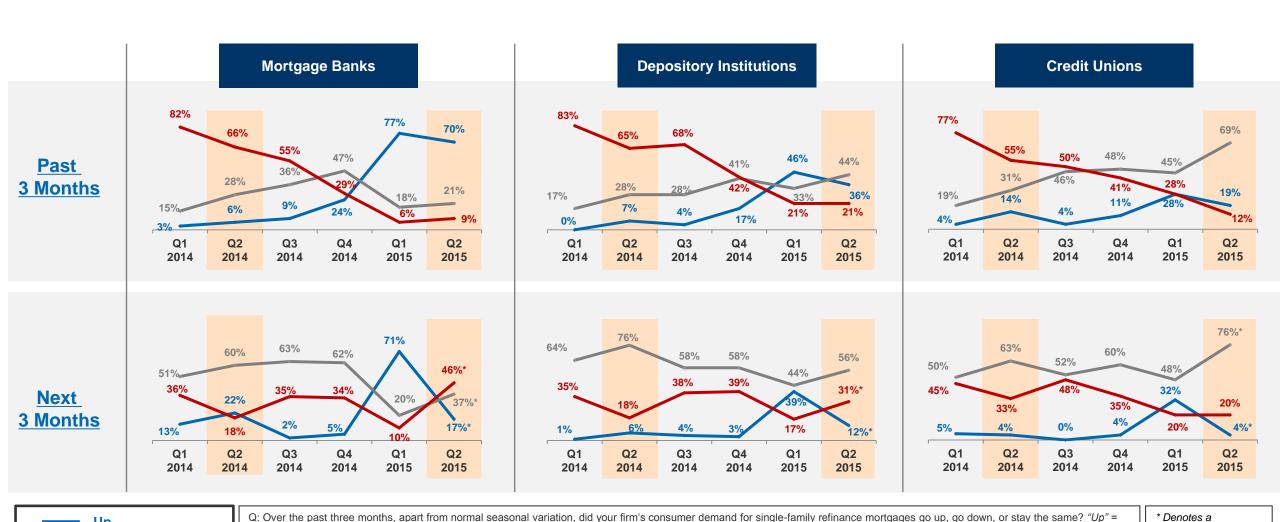
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#### Refinance Mortgage Demand: Government (by institution type)

Went up significantly + Went up somewhat. "Down" = Went down significantly + Went down somewhat

same? "Up" = Go up significantly + Go up somewhat. "Down" = Go down significantly + Go down somewhat



Q: Over the next three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family refinance mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the

statistically significant

change since Q1

2015



Appendix

# **Credit Standards**



## **Credit Standards: Drivers of Change (selected verbatim)**

Drivers of Loosening Change

**Drivers of Tightening Change** 

#### **Past 3 Months**

N=54

- Regulations
- Rollback of Overlays
- New 97% LTV

Q: What do you think drove the change in your firm's credit standards for approving consumer applications for purchase mortgage loans over the **last three months**? Please be as specific as possible. (Optional)

"Concerns over compliance and activities related to regulatory actions" – Larger Institution

"Regulatory concerns" - Mid-sized Institution

"We also became more stringent due to the increased level of scrutiny by the GSEs" – Smaller Institution

"Overall market change of credit criteria from competition. Forcing us to at least look at expanding our credit criteria (pressure from realtors-loan officers)" – Larger Institution

"Aggregators adhering more closely to FNMA and agency standards, easing of credit requirements for non-agency programs" – *Mid-sized Institution* 

"FNMA 97 and MI acceptability with DU findings, and easing a little on DTI requirements for QM-ATR" – Smaller Institution

Next 3 Months

- Regulations
- Rollback of Overlays
- New 97% LTV

Q: What do you think will drive the change in your firm's credit standards for approving consumer applications for purchase mortgage loans over the **next three months**? Please be as specific as possible. (Optional)

"Large monetary penalties" - Larger Institution

"Compliance Changes and TRID " - Mid-sized Institution

"We sell direct to FNMA and with their increased scrutiny on underwriting, we will continue to tighten down to produce a good file." – *Smaller Institution* 

"The relaxation of the documentation requirements from the Borrower"— *Larger Institution* 

"Further GSE credit guideline changes" "More investors are coming into the non-GSE markets with expanded guidelines". – *Mid-sized Institutions* 

"It is not so much the standards are easing as the required documentation. We are easing off of requesting 2 year full tax returns on salaried employees." – Smaller Institution



Appendix

# **Mortgage Execution**



# **Mortgage Execution Share – Current**

What is your firm's approximate total mortgage business share for each of the following post mortgage-origination execution categories? Please enter a percent in each box below.	Total							Larger Institutions					Mid-sized Institutions						Smaller Institutions					
If a category is not applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.  Showing Mean %	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	247	186	196	192	197	238	46	47	50	49	58	55	51	50	55	56	50	68	150	89	91	87	89	115
GSE (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac)	49%	49%	51%	49%	47%	46%	51%	48%	52%	50%	48%	43%	47%	51%	47%	47%	42%	44%	49%	48%	53%	49%	51%	52%
Portfolio Retention	24%	22%	20%	23%	21%	22%	19%	13%	8%	14%	13%	15%	21%	18%	18%	19%	16%	17%	32%	37%	34%	36%	34%	34%
Whole Loan Sales to NON-GSE (Correspondent)	13%	13%	12%	12%	17%	16%	12%	16%	18%	15%	17%	18%	19%	14%	14%	13%	25%	23%	9%	8%	5%	8%	8%	8%
Ginnie Mae (FHA/VA)	11%	14%	14%	13%	12%	13%	15%	20%	19%	19%	20%	20%	11%	16%	15%	16%	13%	14%	6%	5%	7%	5%	5%	5%
Private Label Securities / Non- Agency Securities	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	4%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Other	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%



### **Mortgage Execution Share – Over Next 12 Months**

What is your firm's approximate total mortgage business share for each of the following post mortgage-origination execution categories? Please enter a percent in each box below. If a category is	То	tal	Lar Institu		77	sized utions	Sma Institu	
not applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%. Showing Mean %	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	197	238	58	55	50	68	89	115
GSE (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac)	47%	47%	47%	44%	43%	45%	50%	53%
Portfolio Retention	21%	21%	13%	15%	15%	17%	33%	31%
Whole Loan Sales to NON-GSE (Correspondent)	16%	15%	16%	17%	24%	20%	8%	8%
Ginnie Mae (FHA/VA)	13%	14%	21%	20%	14%	16%	5%	6%
Private Label Securities / Non-Agency Securities	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	1%	0%
Other	19%	16%	7%	26%*	26%	13%	20%	14%

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015



## **Mortgage Execution Share – Current (by institution type)**

What is your firm's approximate total mortgage business share for each of the following post mortgage-origination execution categories? Please enter a percent in each box below. If a category is not applicable to				gage nks						sitory utions					Cre Uni	edit ons		
your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.  Showing Mean %	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	38	47	57	48	53	71	121	84	75	83	95	105	72	50	52	49	40	52
GSE (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac)	43%	48%	50%	46%	40%	40%	49%	50%	52%	49%	54%	52%	52%	46%	50%	53%	47%	48%
Portfolio Retention	3%	1%	0%	1%	4%	3%	29%	29%	28%	32%	25%	29%	42%	44%	45%	42%	46%	46%
Whole Loan Sales to NON-GSE (Correspondent)	30%	23%	21%	26%	30%	29%	11%	10%	10%	9%	11%	11%	3%	4%	1%	1%	2%	3%
Ginnie Mae (FHA/VA)	22%	22%	25%	24%	22%	24%	7%	9%	8%	8%	8%	6%	2%	4%	2%	3%	3%	1%
Private Label Securities / Non- Agency Securities	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
Other	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%



#### **Mortgage Execution Share – Next 12 Months (by institution type)**

What is your firm's approximate total mortgage business share for each of the following post mortgage-origination execution categories? Please enter a percent in each box below. If a category is not	Mort Baı	gage nks	Depos Institu		Cre Uni	***
applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.  Showing Mean %	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	53	71	95	105	40	52
GSE (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac)	39%	41%	54%	54%	47%	51%
Portfolio Retention	6%	3%	24%	27%	44%	44%
Whole Loan Sales to NON-GSE (Correspondent)	26%	27%	11%	11%	3%	3%
Ginnie Mae (FHA/VA)	24%	25%	8%	7%	4%	2%
Private Label Securities / Non-Agency Securities	4%	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Other	24%	24%	18%	9%	8%	45%*

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015



**Appendix** 

# MORTGAGE SERVICING RIGHTS (MSR) EXECUTION



# **Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSR) Execution Share – Current**

Approximately what percent of your mortgage servicing rights (MSR) goes to each of the following categories? Please enter a percent in each box below. If a			То	tal						ger utions						sized utions					Sma Institu	aller utions		
category is not applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.  Showing Mean %	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	247	186	196	192	197	238	46	47	50	49	58	55	51	50	55	56	50	68	150	89	91	87	89	115
MSR retained, serviced in-house	54%	51%	46%	54%	48%	45%	47%	40%	30%	42%	39%	29%	48%	42%	40%	45%	35%	39%	67%	72%	69%	75%	71%	68%
MSR retained, serviced by a subservicer	23%	21%	22%	18%	17%	24%	24%	23%	29%	28%	21%	25%	30%	25%	23%	21%	22%	33%	15%	13%	14%	7%	10%	13%
MSR sold	23%	28%	32%	27%	34%	31%	29%	37%	41%	30%	40%	46%	21%	33%	37%	34%	44%	28%*	18%	15%	17%	18%	19%	19%

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015



### **Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSR) Execution Share – Next 12 Months**

Looking forward, what percent of your firm's mortgage servicing rights (MSR) over the next year will go to each of the following categories? Please enter a percent for each category. If a category is	То	tal	Lar Institu		Mid-: Institu	sized utions	Sma Institu	_
not applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%. Showing Mean %	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	197	238	58	55	50	68	89	115
MSR retained, serviced in-house	48%	44%	40%	28%	35%	40%	70%	66%
MSR retained, serviced by a subservicer	17%	24%	19%	26%	21%	31%	10%	14%
MSR sold	35%	32%	41%	46%	44%	29%	20%	21%



# Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSR) Execution Share – Current (by institution type)

Approximately what percent of your mortgage servicing rights (MSR) goes to each of the following categories? Please enter a percent in each box below. If a category is not applicable				gage nks						sitory utions						edit ons		
to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%. Showing Mean %	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	38	47	57	48	53	71	121	84	<i>7</i> 5	83	95	105	72	50	52	49	40	52
MSR retained, serviced inhouse	18%	17%	15%	18%	12%	18%	64%	65%	63%	70%	65%	63%	74%	80%	77%	85%	80%	76%
MSR retained, serviced by a subservicer	43%	33%	30%	27%	29%	36%	12%	15%	16%	11%	9%	12%	20%	15%	18%	10%	14%	21%
MSR sold	39%	50%	55%	55%	59%	46%	24%	21%	21%	18%	27%	25%	6%	6%	5%	5%	6%	3%



# Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSR) Execution Share – Next 12 Months (by institution type)

Looking forward, what percent of your firm's mortgage servicing rights (MSR) over the next year will go to each of the following categories? Please enter a percent for each category. If a category is not		gage nks	Depos Institu			edit ons
applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.  Showing Mean %	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	53	71	95	105	40	52
MSR retained, serviced in-house	14%	18%	64%	62%	79%	74%
MSR retained, serviced by a subservicer	28%	37%	9%	11%	13%	22%
MSR sold	59%	46%	27%	27%	8%	4%



#### Appendix

# **Profit Margin Outlook**

- Increased Profit Margin Outlook:
  - The importance of "consumer demand" and "market trend changes such as from refinance to purchase" in driving lenders' increased profit margin outlook has gradually increased.
  - The most common strategies cited by lenders to achieve their increased profit margin have continued to be "operational efficiency" and "price adjustments." In addition, the share of lenders citing "marketing outreach expansion/contraction" as a strategy has been in a steady climb.
- Decreased Profit Margin Outlook:
  - The importance of "government regulatory compliance" in driving lenders' decreased profit margin outlook has gradually trended down.
  - The most common strategies cited by lenders to address their decreased profit margin are "operational efficiency," "marketing outreach expansion/contraction," and "price adjustments." In particular, the share of lenders citing "operational efficiency" as a strategy has been in a steady climb.



## **Increased Profit Margin – Drivers**

What do you think will drive the increase in your firm's profit margin over the next three months? Please			Total				ln	Larger stitutio	ns				/lid-size stitutio					Smaller stitutio		
select the two most important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1 + 2)*	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	38	30	24	70	58	12	8	4	29	14	14	7	8	19	17	14	15	12	22	28
Consumer demand	56%	46%	54%	68%	70%	61%	34%	22%	72%	75%	49%	43%	62%	60%	52%	63%	60%	67%	77%	82%
Operational efficiency (i.e., technology)	44%	34%	38%	41%	42%	56%	54%	44%	29%	45%	30%	36%	62%	65%	50%	48%	13%	8%	28%	29%
Market trend changes (i.e. shift from refinance to purchase)	20%	29%	21%	20%	37%*	0%	7%	22%	13%	39%	33%	50%	24%	22%	30%	26%	33%	16%	30%	44%
Staffing (personnel costs) reduction	14%	14%	7%	10%	14%	9%	7%	22%	11%	11%	26%	14%	6%	13%	25%	0%	20%	0%	5%	4%
Non-GSE (other investors) pricing and policies	14%	22%	17%	5%	12%	34%	26%	22%	7%	7%	0%	29%	12%	0%	12%	7%	13%	16%	10%	15%
GSE pricing and policies	13%	9%	17%	15%	7%	0%	0%	33%	14%	7%	14%	7%	0%	15%	3%	34%	20%	25%	19%	9%
Less competition from other lenders	14%	13%	18%	16%	5%	13%	20%	22%	20%	0%	22%	14%	0%	10%	9%	4%	7%	34%	16%	7%
Marketing expense reduction	5%	13%	9%	5%	4%	0%	13%	0%	6%	7%	7%	7%	6%	5%	6%	7%	20%	17%	0%	0%
Government monetary or fiscal policy	8%	2%	6%	9%	2%	9%	0%	11%	14%	7%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	7%	8%	12%	0%
Government regulatory compliance	7%	4%	5%	2%	1%	9%	13%	0%	3%	0%	7%	0%	12%	0%	3%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Servicing cost reduction	0%	2%	3%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	8%	5%	0%

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## **Increased Profit Margin – Drivers (by institution type)**

What do you think will drive the increase in your firm's profit margin over the next three months? Please select the two most		Моі	tgage Ba	nks			Depos	itory Insti	tutions			Cı	redit Unio	ns	
important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1 + 2)*	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	16	9	8	24	18	14	12	14	28	26	9	6	2	14	12
Consumer demand	56%	22%	80%	70%	75%	55%	55%	37%	72%	61%	61%	77%	100%	78%	83%
Operational efficiency (i.e., technology)	31%	22%	40%	46%	44%	52%	47%	33%	29%	42%	55%	0%	0%	43%	16%
Market trend changes (i.e. shift from refinance to purchase)	25%	39%	0%	4%	31%*	11%	20%	37%	36%	43%	28%	30%	0%	28%	46%
Staffing (personnel costs) reduction	19%	28%	0%	16%	15%	11%	8%	11%	10%	16%	0%	15%	0%	0%	0%
Non-GSE (other investors) pricing and policies	18%	28%	26%	4%	6%	7%	28%	14%	4%	16%	11%	0%	0%	7%	16%
GSE pricing and policies	6%	11%	20%	21%	9%	33%	8%	22%	21%	8%	11%	23%	0%	0%	4%
Less competition from other lenders	12%	17%	13%	4%	3%	22%	8%	22%	16%	8%	0%	15%	50%	14%	8%
Marketing expense reduction	6%	22%	13%	8%	12%	0%	8%	0%	0%	0%	11%	23%	50%	7%	0%
Government monetary or fiscal policy	12%	0%	7%	12%	6%	0%	0%	7%	9%	0%	11%	15%	0%	7%	0%
Government regulatory compliance	6%	11%	0%	4%	3%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Servicing cost reduction	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	7%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	0%

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### **Increased Profit Margin – Strategies**

What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to achieve your increased profit margin? Please select the two			Total				ln	Larger stitutio					lid-size stitutio					Smaller stitutio		
most important strategies and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1 + 2)*	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	38	30	24	70	58	12	8	4	29	14	14	7	8	19	17	14	15	12	22	28
Operational efficiency (i.e. technology)	37%	34%	31%	49%	43%	56%	39%	11%	61%	63%	30%	35%	50%	49%	37%	18%	26%	25%	28%	27%
Price adjustments	28%	30%	22%	40%	36%	26%	33%	33%	55%	43%	37%	21%	12%	31%	40%	15%	34%	23%	30%	23%
Marketing outreach expansion/contraction	16%	30%	19%	23%	31%	9%	17%	22%	8%	28%	7%	50%	12%	31%	33%	45%	26%	25%	39%	33%
Loan officer staffing adjustments	16%	15%	33%	16%	20%	4%	4%	67%	9%	14%	22%	28%	18%	26%	19%	22%	14%	25%	14%	29%
New or reallocation of mortgage product offerings	14%	29%	28%	9%	17%	9%	33%	22%	10%	11%	7%	28%	37%	5%	6%	34%	27%	23%	12%	35%
New borrower segments	12%	8%	15%	7%	16%	9%	4%	0%	3%	15%	7%	14%	25%	5%	18%	22%	7%	15%	19%	15%
Back-office staffing adjustments	16%	2%	0%	4%	13%	18%	0%	0%	3%	19%	19%	0%	0%	3%	12%	11%	7%	0%	7%	9%
Investor outlet expansion/contraction	16%	9%	18%	9%	7%	18%	20%	22%	10%	7%	18%	0%	25%	5%	6%	7%	7%	8%	12%	8%
New or reallocation of origination channels (i.e. retail or online or third-party channels)	30%	27%	17%	18%	6%	34%	37%	0%	17%	0%	33%	14%	12%	15%	12%	15%	27%	32%	21%	7%
Business acquisition/merger/divestment	3%	4%	9%	11%	3%	0%	0%	0%	10%	0%	7%	7%	0%	13%	5%	0%	7%	25%	9%	4%
MSR (Mortgage Servicing Rights) sales	7%	9%	8%	6%	3%	18%	13%	22%	5%	0%	0%	0%	25%	5%	3%	4%	13%	8%	10%	7%
Underwriting standard changes	5%	2%	0%	2%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	0%	0%	5%	6%	7%	7%	0%	0%	4%

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2014 question text: What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to achieve your increased profit margin? Please select up to three of the most important strategies and rank them in order of importance.



### **Increased Profit Margin – Strategies (by institution type)**

What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to achieve your increased profit margin? Please select		Mor	tgage Ba	nks			Deposi	tory Insti	tutions			Cr	edit Unic	ons	
the two most important strategies and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1 + 2)*	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	16	9	8	24	18	14	12	14	28	26	9	6	2	14	12
Operational efficiency (i.e. technology)	40%	50%	20%	58%	50%	48%	24%	34%	32%	38%	0%	0%	0%	50%	24%
Price adjustments	38%	50%	33%	29%	35%	22%	33%	22%	58%	33%	11%	8%	0%	21%	29%
Marketing outreach expansion/contraction	9%	11%	13%	12%	24%	22%	27%	22%	25%	28%	39%	53%	0%	50%	46%
Loan officer staffing adjustments	16%	0%	13%	14%	29%	14%	27%	41%	18%	20%	22%	15%	50%	14%	25%
New or reallocation of mortgage product offerings	12%	22%	13%	8%	11%	0%	29%	37%	9%	22%	50%	46%	50%	14%	34%
New borrower segments	6%	0%	40%	8%	17%	7%	3%	7%	4%	12%	33%	30%	0%	21%	16%
Back-office staffing adjustments	9%	11%	0%	8%	9%	26%	0%	0%	4%	22%	11%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Investor outlet expansion/contraction	18%	12%	27%	8%	6%	18%	12%	14%	9%	8%	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%
New or reallocation of origination channels (i.e. retail or online or third-party channels)	31%	17%	26%	25%	11%	30%	43%	7%	20%	4%	17%	0%	50%	7%	0%
Business acquisition/merger/divestment	0%	6%	13%	12%	5%	7%	0%	7%	9%	0%	0%	15%	50%	14%	8%
MSR (Mortgage Servicing Rights) sales	12%	22%	0%	6%	3%	4%	0%	7%	4%	4%	0%	15%	0%	7%	8%
Underwriting standard changes	6%	0%	0%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	11%	15%	0%	0%	0%

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### **Decreased Profit Margin – Drivers**

What do you think will drive the decrease in your firm's profit margin over the next three months? Please select			Total				In	Larger stitutio	ns				/lid-size stitutio					Smaller stitutio		
the two most important reasons and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1 + 2)*	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	50	57	56	16	52	10	17	17	7	18	16	24	18	4	16	24	16	22	5	18
Government regulatory compliance	57%	55%	60%	55%	48%	62%	48%	53%	55%	42%	47%	51%	62%	52%	53%	66%	81%	67%	60%	54%
Competition from other lenders	42%	42%	34%	49%	35%	58%	71%	50%	59%	33%	41%	30%	34%	26%	28%	30%	18%	14%	60%	52%
Market trend changes (i.e. shift from refinance to purchase)	24%	6%	17%	4%	25%	31%	0%	15%	0%	33%	18%	4%	14%	0%	15%	23%	24%	24%	20%	23%
Government monetary or fiscal policy	15%	13%	7%	0%	19%	0%	9%	6%	0%	25%	24%	18%	8%	0%	12%	17%	12%	10%	0%	17%
Staffing (personnel costs)	10%	19%	20%	14%	18%	20%	18%	24%	14%	14%	3%	29%	17%	22%	31%	9%	0%	18%	0%	6%
Consumer demand	14%	26%	34%	25%	18%	10%	24%	36%	41%	28%	19%	28%	28%	0%	6%	13%	31%	42%	20%	15%
GSE pricing and policies	29%	18%	13%	21%	16%	12%	17%	6%	5%	6%	41%	22%	17%	48%	24%	30%	12%	16%	20%	23%
Operational efficiency (i.e. technology)	3%	6%	8%	14%	11%	0%	6%	12%	14%	14%	6%	9%	12%	26%	12%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Servicing costs	1%	3%	4%	7%	4%	0%	0%	0%	14%	0%	0%	2%	11%	0%	9%	4%	12%	0%	0%	6%
Marketing expenses	0%	6%	0%	0%	3%	0%	9%	0%	0%	6%	0%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%
Non-GSE (other investors) pricing and policies	4%	2%	3%	12%	2%	10%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%	26%	6%	4%	0%	9%	20%	0%

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### **Decreased Profit Margin – Drivers (by institution type)**

What do you think will drive the decrease in your firm's profit margin over the next three months? Please select the two most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.  (Showing % rank 1 + 2)*		Mor	tgage Ba	nks			Depos	itory Insti	tutions		Credit Unions					
	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	
N=	12	22	14	4	19	26	19	24	10	24	11	13	16	2	6	
Government regulatory compliance	67%	45%	53%	50%	40%	59%	54%	71%	58%	57%	54%	92%	52%	50%	54%	
Competition from other lenders	50%	45%	43%	50%	40%	40%	47%	21%	52%	38%	27%	12%	36%	50%	30%	
Market trend changes (i.e. shift from refinance to purchase)	8%	0%	18%	0%	24%	30%	16%	18%	10%	26%	27%	16%	19%	0%	15%	
Government monetary or fiscal policy	0%	16%	14%	0%	24%	12%	5%	6%	0%	13%	36%	15%	0%	0%	15%	
Staffing (personnel costs)	0%	28%	14%	0%	27%	10%	11%	25%	20%	9%	18%	8%	19%	0%	15%	
Consumer demand	17%	32%	28%	25%	10%	12%	19%	25%	29%	24%	18%	38%	52%	0%	15%	
GSE pricing and policies	42%	9%	7%	25%	11%	26%	26%	21%	13%	18%	18%	16%	9%	50%	46%	
Operational efficiency (i.e. technology)	8%	10%	14%	25%	16%	4%	5%	4%	10%	4%	0%	0%	6%	0%	0%	
Servicing costs	0%	0%	7%	0%	0%	4%	11%	4%	10%	9%	0%	4%	0%	0%	8%	
Marketing expenses	0%	16%	0%	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Non-GSE (other investors) pricing and policies	8%	0%	0%	25%	5%	4%	5%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	50%	0%	

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### **Decreased Profit Margin – Strategies**

What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to address your decreased profit margin? Please select the two most important strategies and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1 + 2)*	Total				Larger Institutions							/lid-size stitutio			Smaller Institutions					
	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	50	57	56	16	52	10	17	17	7	18	16	24	18	4	16	24	16	22	5	18
Operational efficiency (i.e. technology) investments	38%	36%	40%	52%	51%	38%	38%	47%	46%	66%	40%	39%	39%	100%	47%	34%	25%	28%	0%	23%
Marketing outreach expansion/contraction	27%	25%	39%	27%	29%	41%	25%	27%	14%	33%	12%	23%	50%	22%	25%	32%	31%	44%	60%	26%
Price adjustments	21%	17%	19%	31%	25%	39%	17%	15%	55%	19%	6%	16%	27%	0%	25%	26%	18%	14%	20%	34%
Back-office staffing adjustments	24%	21%	26%	14%	19%	31%	28%	44%	28%	25%	28%	17%	17%	0%	18%	13%	12%	14%	0%	6%
New or re-allocation of origination channels (i.e. retail or online or third-party channels)	15%	8%	8%	0%	15%	20%	12%	6%	0%	17%	6%	8%	6%	0%	18%	21%	0%	14%	0%	6%
New or re-allocation of mortgage product offerings	14%	21%	12%	9%	13%	0%	31%	6%	0%	11%	25%	19%	6%	0%	6%	13%	6%	33%	40%	29%
MSR (Mortgage Servicing Rights) sales	7%	8%	0%	7%	10%	10%	9%	0%	14%	12%	12%	9%	0%	0%	12%	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%
Investor outlet expansion/contraction	12%	10%	9%	35%	9%*	0%	12%	12%	32%	0%*	18%	9%	0%	52%	12%	13%	12%	14%	20%	26%
Loan officer staffing adjustments	21%	27%	22%	4%	9%	14%	24%	24%	0%	0%	21%	26%	23%	0%	21%	24%	37%	18%	20%	12%
Business acquisition/merger/divestment	4%	11%	11%	17%	6%	0%	6%	9%	0%	6%	3%	13%	17%	26%	6%	9%	18%	7%	40%	6%*
New borrower segments	10%	4%	10%	0%	6%	10%	0%	12%	0%	0%	12%	4%	6%	0%	6%	8%	12%	14%	0%	17%
Underwriting standard changes	6%	6%	2%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	12%	11%	6%	0%	0%	4%	6%	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015

Question was changed to only allow up to two answer choices In Q1 2015.

<sup>2014</sup> question text: What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to address your decreased profit margin? Please select up to three of the most important strategies and rank them in order of importance.



#### **Decreased Profit Margin – Strategies (by institution type)**

What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to address your decreased profit margin? Please		Mor	tgage Ba	ınks			Deposi	tory Insti	tutions	Credit Unions					
select the two most important strategies and rank them in order of importance. (Showing % rank 1 + 2)*	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015
N=	12	22	14	4	19	26	19	24	10	24	11	13	16	2	6
Operational efficiency (i.e. technology) investments	25%	29%	53%	50%	61%	37%	27%	27%	52%	26%	45%	50%	46%	0%	54%
Marketing outreach expansion/contraction	16%	32%	35%	25%	29%	38%	17%	35%	29%	23%	18%	34%	55%	50%	39%
Price adjustments	25%	5%	7%	50%	14%	23%	32%	27%	19%	34%	18%	16%	19%	50%	30%
Back-office staffing adjustments	33%	20%	29%	0%	37%	22%	18%	27%	20%	4%	9%	16%	12%	0%	0%
New or re-allocation of origination channels (i.e. retail or online or third-party channels)	34%	10%	7%	0%	16%	12%	8%	8%	0%	13%	9%	4%	12%	0%	15%
New or re-allocation of mortgage product offerings	8%	29%	7%	0%	5%	8%	16%	12%	10%	21%	36%	12%	32%	50%	30%
MSR (Mortgage Servicing Rights) sales	0%	12%	0%	25%	16%	8%	5%	0%	0%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Investor outlet expansion/contraction	8%	14%	7%	50%	5%*	16%	0%	12%	33%	23%	9%	16%	0%	0%	0%
Loan officer staffing adjustments	25%	32%	28%	0%	8%	14%	35%	25%	0%	18%	36%	20%	6%	50%	0%
Business acquisition/merger/divestment	0%	14%	11%	0%	5%	6%	16%	8%	29%	8%	9%	8%	10%	0%	0%
New borrower segments	17%	5%	14%	0%	5%	8%	5%	12%	0%	9%	9%	8%	6%	0%	15%
Underwriting standard changes	8%	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	11%	0%	0%	4%	0%	12%	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a statistically significant change since Q1 2015

Question was changed to only allow up to two answer choices In Q1 2015.

2014 question text: What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to address your decreased profit margin? Please select up to three of the most important strategies and rank them in order of importance.



Appendix

**Survey Question Text** 



#### **Question Text**

#### **Economic and Housing Sentiment**

- q1. In general, do you, as a senior mortgage executive, think the U.S. economy overall is on the right track or the wrong track?
- q1a. Do you think it is very difficult, somewhat difficult, somewhat easy, or very easy for consumers to get a home mortgage today?
- q2. Nationally, during the next 12 months, do you, as a senior mortgage executive, think home prices in general will go up, go down, or stay the same as where they are now?
- q4a. By about what percent do you, as a senior mortgage executive, think home prices nationally will go up on average over the next 12 months?
- q5a. By about what percent do you, as a senior mortgage executive, think home prices nationally will go down on average over the next 12 months?

#### **Consumer Demand**

- q6. Over the <u>past three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, did your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>purchase</u> mortgages go up, go down, or stay the same? Please answer for GSE eligible mortgages, non-GSE eligible mortgages, and Government mortgages.
- q7. What do you think drove the change in your firm's consumer demand for single family <u>purchase</u> mortgages over the past three months? Please be as specific as possible. (Optional)
- q14. Over the <u>next three months</u>, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>purchase</u> mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the same? Please answer for GSE eligible mortgages, non-GSE eligible mortgages, and Government mortgages.
- q46. You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for GSE eligible loans will go up over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand to go up? Please select **up to two** of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.
- q47. You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for GSE eligible loans will go down over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand down? Please select **up to two** of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.
- q49. You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for Non-GSE eligible loans will go up over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand to go up? Please select **up to two** of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.
- q50. You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for Non-GSE eligible loans will go down over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand down? Please select **up to two** of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.
- q51. You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for government loans will go up over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand to go up? Please select **up to two** of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.
- q52. You mentioned that you expect your firm's consumer demand for government loans will go down over the next three months. Which of the following housing marketplace factors do you think will drive the demand down? Please select **up to two** of the most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.



#### **Question Text Continued**

- q10. Over the past three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, did your firm's consumer demand for single-family refinance mortgages go up, go down, or stay the same? Please answer for GSE eligible mortgages, non-GSE eligible mortgages, and Government mortgages.
- q18. Over the next three months, apart from normal seasonal variation, do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family refinance mortgages to go up, go down, or stay the same? Please answer for GSE eligible mortgages, non-GSE eligible mortgages, and Government mortgages.
- q20. You indicated that you expect your firm's demand to **go down** for the following types of mortgages. By about what percent do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>refinance</u> mortgages to go down over the <u>next three months</u>?
- q21. You said that you expect your firm's demand to **go up** for the following types of mortgages. By about what percent do you expect your firm's consumer demand for single-family <u>refinance</u> mortgages to go up over the <u>next three months</u>?

#### **Profit Margin**

- q22. Over the next three months, how much do you expect your firm's profit margin to change for its single-family mortgage production?
- q23. What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to address your decreased profit margin? Please select the two most important strategies and rank them in order of importance.
- q24. What do you think will drive the decrease in your firm's profit margin over the next three months? Please select the two most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.
- q25. What primary strategies, if any, is your firm planning to use to achieve your increased profit margin? Please select the two most important strategies and rank them in order of importance.
- q26. What do you think will drive the increase in your firm's profit margin over the next three months? Please select the two most important reasons and rank them in order of importance.

#### **Credit Standards**

- q27. Over the past three months, how did your firm's credit standards for approving consumer applications for mortgage loans change (across both purchase mortgages and refinance mortgages)? Please answer for GSE eligible mortgages, non-GSE eligible mortgages, and Government mortgages.
- q28. What do you think drove the change in your firm's credit standards for approving consumer applications for purchase and refinance mortgage loans over the last three months? Please be as specific as possible. (Optional)
- q31. Over the next three months, how do you expect your firm's credit standards for approving applications from individuals for mortgage loans to change (across purchase mortgages and refinance mortgages)? Please answer for GSE eligible mortgages, non-GSE eligible mortgages, and government mortgages.
- q32. What do you think will drive the change in your firm's credit standards for approving consumer applications for purchase and refinance mortgage loans over the next three months? Please be as specific as possible. (Optional)



#### **Question Text Continued**

#### **Mortgage Execution Share**

- q35. Approximately, what percent of your firm's total mortgage originations goes to each of the following categories? Please enter a percent in each box below. If a category is not applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.
- q44. Looking forward, what percent of your firm's total mortgage originations over the next year will go to each of the following categories? Please enter a percent for each category. If a category is not applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.

#### **Mortgage Servicing Rights**

- q38. Approximately what percent of your mortgage servicing rights (MSR) goes to each of the following categories? Please enter a percent in each box below. If a category is not applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.
- q45. Looking forward, what percent of your firm's mortgage servicing rights (MSR) over the next year will go to each of the following categories? Please enter a percent for each category. If a category is not applicable to your firm, please enter 0. The percentages below must add up to 100%.