## Please tell us about your recent <br> RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE OR REFINANCE EXPERIENCE

## A nationwide survey of mortgage borrowers throughout the United States

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# We are interested in learning about your experience purchasing or refinancing either a personal home or a home for someone else, including rental property. 

## We look forward to hearing from you.

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Thank you for helping us to learn more about your experience in getting or refinancing a mortgage.

1. Within the past $\mathbf{1 8}$ months or so, did you take out or co-sign for a mortgage loan including any refinance of an existing mortgage?Yes $\rightarrow$ If you took out or co-signed for more than one mortgage during this time, please refer to your experience with the most recent refinance or new mortgage.No $\rightarrow$ Please return the blank questionnaire so we know the survey does not apply to you. The money enclosed is yours to keep.
2. Did we mail this survey to the address of the house or property you financed with this mortgage?Yes No
3. Including you, how many people signed or cosigned for this mortgage?
14 or more

If this loan was co-signed by others, take into account all co-signers as best you can when answering the rest of the survey. Otherwise, it is your own situation that we want to know about.
4. When you began the process of getting this mortgage, how familiar were you (and any co-signers) with each of the following?

| The mortgage interest rates | Very |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Somewhat <br> available at that time | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Not All |  |  |  |
| The different types of <br> mortgages available | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| The mortgage process <br> The down payment needed to <br> qualify for a mortgage | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| The income needed to qualify <br> for a mortgage | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Your credit history or <br> credit score | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| The money needed at closing | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

5. When you began the process of getting this mortgage, how concerned were you about qualifying for a mortgage?Very
Somewhat
Not at all
6. How firm an idea did you (and any co-signers) have about the mortgage you wanted?Firm ideaSome ideaLittle idea
7. How much did you use each of the following sources to get information about mortgages or mortgage lenders?

|  | A <br> Lot | A <br> Little | Not <br> At All |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Your lender or broker | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Other lenders or brokers | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Real estate agents or builders | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Material in the mail | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Websites that provide information |  |  |  |
| on getting a mortgage | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Newspaper/TV/Radio | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Friends/relatives/co-workers | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Bankers or financial planners | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Housing counselors | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Other (specify) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

8. Which of the following best describes your shopping process?I picked the loan type first, and then I picked the lender/brokerI picked the lender/broker first, and then I picked the loan type
9. How did you apply for this mortgage? Mark one answer.Directly to a lender, such as a bank or credit union
Through a mortgage broker (someone who works with two or more lenders to get a loan)Other (specify)
10. How many different lenders/brokers did you seriously consider before choosing where to apply for this mortgage?
12$\square$45 or more
11. How many different lenders/brokers did you end up applying to?1
 34
5 or more
12. Did you apply to more than one lender/broker for any of the following reasons?

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Searching for better loan terms | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Concern over qualifying for a loan | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Information learned from the |  |  |
| "Good Faith Estimate" | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Turned down on earlier application | $\square$ | $\square$ |

13. How important were each of the following in choosing the lender/broker you used for the mortgage you took out?

|  | Important | Not <br> Important |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Having an established banking <br> relationship | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Having a local office or branch nearby | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Used previously to get a mortgage <br> Lender/broker is a personal friend <br> or relative | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Lender/broker operates online <br> Recommendation from a friend/ <br> relative/co-worker | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Recommendation from a real <br> estate agent/home builder | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Reputation of the lender/broker <br> Spoke my primary language, which is <br> not English | $\square$ | $\square$ |

14. Who initiated the first contact between you and the lender/broker you used for the mortgage you took out?I (or one of my co-signers) didThe lender/broker didWe were put in contact by a third party (such as a real estate agent or home builder)
15. How open were you to suggestions from your lender/broker about mortgages with different features or terms?
$\square$ SomewhatNot at all
16. How important were each of the following in determining the mortgage you took out?

|  | Not <br> Important |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Lower interest rate | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Lower APR (Annual Percentage Rate) | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Lower closing fees | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Lower down payment | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Lower monthly payment | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| An interest rate fixed for the life | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| $\quad$of the loan |  |  |
| A term of 30 years <br> No mortgage insurance | $\square$ | $\square$ |

17. Was the "Good Faith Estimate" you received from your lender/broker...

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Easy to understand | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Valuable information | $\square$ | $\square$ |

18. Did the "Good Faith Estimate" lead you to...

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ask questions of your lender/broker | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Seek a change in your loan or closing | $\square$ | $\square$ |

19. In the process of getting this mortgage from your lender/broker, did you...

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Have to add another co-signer to qualify | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Resolve credit report errors or problems | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Answer follow-up requests for more <br> information about income or assets | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Have more than one appraisal <br> Redo/refile paperwork due to processing <br> delays | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Delay or postpone closing date | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Have your "Good Faith Estimate" revised <br> to reflect changes in your loan terms | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| End up with better mortgage terms than <br> you were originally offered | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Check other sources to confirm that <br> terms of this mortgage were reasonable | $\square$ | $\square$ |

20. Your lender may have given you a "Shopping for your home loan: Settlement cost booklet", did you receive a copy?
$\square$ No Skip to Q22YesDon't know
21. If you received a copy of the Settlement cost booklet, did the booklet lead you to ask additional questions about your mortgage terms?YesNo
22. During the application process were you told about mortgages with any of the following?

| An interest rate that is fixed for the | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| life of the loan | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| An interest rate that could change over <br> the life of the loan | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| A term of less than 30 years | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| A higher interest rate in return for lower <br> closing costs | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| A lower interest rate in return for paying <br> higher closing costs (discount points) | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Interest-only monthly payments <br> An escrow account for taxes and/or <br> homeowner insurance | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| A prepayment penalty (fee if the mortgage <br> is paid off early) | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Reduced documentation or "easy" <br> approval | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| An FHA, VA, USDA or Rural Housing |  |  |
| $\quad$loan | $\square$ | $\square$ |

23. In selecting your settlement agent did you...

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Use an agent recommended by the  $\square$ <br> lender/broker $\square$ $\square$ <br> Use an agent you had used previously $\square$ $\square$ <br> Shop around $\square$ $\square$ ( |  |  |

24. Did your lender require you to get title insurance on this mortgage?

25. Which best describes how you picked the title insurance?Reissued previous title insuranceUsed title insurance recommended by lender/broker or settlement agent$\square$ Shopped around
26. Overall, how satisfied are you that the mortgage you got was the one with the...

|  |  | Not <br> Nery |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat All |  |  |

27. Overall, how satisfied are you with the...

| Nery |  | Not <br> Somewhat <br> At All |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lender/broker you used <br> Application process <br> Documentation process <br> required for the loan | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Loan closing process | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Information in mortgage <br> disclosure documents | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Timeliness of mortgage <br> disclosure documents | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Settlement agent | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

28. Did you take a course about home-buying or talk to a housing counselor?No Skip to Q32Yes $\downarrow$
29. How was the home-buying course or counseling provided?

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| In person, one-on-one | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| In person, in a group | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Over the phone | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Online | $\square$ | $\square$ |

30. How many hours was the home-buying course or counseling?Less than 3 hours
$\square 3-6$ hours
$\square 7-12$ hours
$\square$ More than 12 hours
31. Overall, how helpful was the home-buying course or counseling?
$\square$ VerySomewhatNot at all
32. What was the primary purpose for this most recent mortgage? If you refinanced an existing mortgage for any reason, please select refinance below. Mark one answer.

33. When did you do the following, before or after you made an offer on this house or property?

|  | Before | After | Did <br> Not Do |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Contacted a lender to explore <br> mortgage options | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Got a pre-approval or pre- <br> qualification from a lender | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Decided on the type of loan <br> Made a decision on which <br> lender to use | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Submitted an official loan <br> application | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

34. What percent down payment did you make on this property?
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\square 0 \%
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```Less than 5\%
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```\(5 \%\) to less than \(10 \%\)
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```\(10 \%\) to less than \(20 \%\)
\(\square 20 \%\) or more
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35. Did you use any of the following sources of funds to purchase this property?

|  |  | Not <br> Used <br> Used |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Proceeds from the sale of another property | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Savings, retirement account, inheritance, <br> or other assets | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Assistance or loan from a nonprofit or <br> government agency | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| A second lien, home equity loan, or home <br> equity line of credit (HELOC) | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Gift or loan from family or friend <br> Seller contribution | $\square$ | $\square$ |

36. If a refinance, construction loan, or new loan on a mortgage free property, how important were the following in your decision to refinance, modify or obtain a new mortgage?

|  | Not <br> Important <br> Important |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Change to a fixed-rate loan | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| Get a lower interest rate | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| Get a lower monthly payment | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| Consolidate or pay down other debt | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| Repay the loan more quickly | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| Take out cash | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

37. Approximately how much was owed, in total, on the old mortgage(s) and loan(s) you refinanced?
\$ $\qquad$ .00
$\square$ Zero (the property was mortgage-free)
38. How does the total amount of your new mortgage(s) compare to the total amount of the old mortgage(s) and loan(s) you paid off (include any new second liens, home equity loans, or a home equity line of credit (HELOC))?New amount is lower Skip to Q40New amount is about the same Skip to Q40New amount is higherProperty was mortgage-free
39. Did you use the money you got from this new mortgage for any of the following?


## This Mortgage

40. When you took out this most recent mortgage or refinance, what was the loan amount (the dollar amount you borrowed)?
\$ $\qquad$ .00
41. What is the monthly payment, including the amount paid to escrow for taxes and insurance?
\$ $\qquad$ .00Don't know
42. What is the interest rate on this mortgage?
$\qquad$ \%Don't know
43. Is this an adjustable-rate mortgage (one that allows the interest rate to change over the life of the loan)?YesNoDon't know
44. At the time of application, did the lender give you the option to set/lock the interest rate so that it would not change before closing?YesNoDon't know
45. When was the interest rate set/locked on this loan?At applicationBetween application and closingAround closing
46. Does this mortgage have any of the following features?

47. The closing disclosure statement you received at closing shows the loan costs and other closing costs separately. What were the loan closing costs you paid on this loan?
\$ $\qquad$ .00Don't know
48. How were the total closing costs (loan costs and other costs) for this loan paid?

|  | Yes | NoDon't <br> Know |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| By me or a co-signer (check or <br> $\quad$ wire transfer) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| By lender/broker | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| By seller/builder | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Added to the mortgage amount | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

Other (specify)
49. Did you compare the final loan costs to the final Good Faith Estimate you received from your lender?No Skip to Q51Yes $\downarrow$
50. Did you find any significant differences between the two?

51. Did you seek input about your closing documents from any of the following people?

| Lender/broker | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Settlement agent | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Real estate agent | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Personal attorney | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Title agent | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Trusted friend or relative who is not | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| $\quad$a co-signer on the mortgage | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Housing counselor | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Other (specify) |  |  |

52. Did you face any unpleasant "surprises" at your loan closing?No Skip to Q54Yes $\downarrow$
53. What unpleasant surprises did you face?

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Different loan terms | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Higher monthly payment | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Higher interest rate | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Unexpected fees | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Higher amount of money needed <br> at closing | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Asked to sign blank documents <br> Rushed at closing or not given time <br> to read documents | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Other (specify) | $\square$ | $\square$ |

54. At the same time you took out this mortgage, did you also take out another loan on the property you financed with this mortgage ( $a$ second lien, home equity loan, or home equity line of credit (HELOC))?

55. What was the amount of this loan?
\$ $\qquad$ .00

## Don't know

56. How well could you explain to someone the...

|  | Very |  | Somewhat |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Not All |  |  |  |

## This Mortgaged Property

57. When did you buy or acquire this property? If you refinanced, the date you originally acquired the property?

58. What was the purchase price of this property, or if you built it, the construction and land cost?
\$ $\qquad$ .00
59. How did you acquire this property?

Mark one answer.
$\square$ Purchased an existing homePurchased a newly-built home from a builderHad or purchased land and built a house
$\square$ Received as a gift or inheritance
$\square$ Other (specify) $\qquad$
60. What type of house is on this property?

Mark one answer.

61. Does this mortgage cover more than one unit?Yes
No
62. About how much do you think this property is worth in terms of what you could sell it for now?
\$ $\qquad$ .00Don't know
63. Do you rent out all or any portion of this property?No Skip to Q65Yes $\downarrow$
64. How much rent do you receive annually?
\$ $\qquad$ .00 per year
65. Besides you, the mortgage co-signers, and renters, does anyone else help pay the expenses for this property?
$\square$ No
66. Which of the following best describes how you use this property?Primary residence (where you spend the majority of your time)
$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\square \text { It will be my primary residence soon } \\ \square \text { Seasonal or second home } \\ \square \text { Home for other relatives } \\ \square \text { Rental or investor property } \\ \square \text { Other (specify) }\end{array}\right\}$ Skip to Q68
67. If primary residence, when did you move into this property?

68. In the last couple years, how has the following changed in the neighborhood where this property is located?

|  | Significant <br> Increase | Little/No <br> Change | Significant <br> Decrease |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of homes for sale | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Number of vacant homes | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Number of homes for rent | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Number of foreclosures or <br> short sales | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| House prices <br> Overall desirability of <br> living there | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

69. What do you think will happen to the prices of homes in this neighborhood over the next couple of years?
$\square$ Increase a lotIncrease a littleRemain about the sameDecrease a littleDecrease a lot
70. In the next couple of years, how do you expect the overall desirability of living in this neighborhood to change?Become more desirableStay about the sameBecome less desirable
71. How likely is it that in the next couple of years you will...

|  | Very | Somewhat | $\begin{gathered} \text { Not } \\ \text { At All } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sell this property | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Move but keep this property | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Refinance the mortgage on this property | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Pay off this mortgage and own the property mortgage-free | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

## Your Household

72. What is your current marital status?

73. Do you have a partner who shares the decision-making and responsibilities of running your household but is not your legal spouse?
$\square$ YesNo

Please answer the following questions for you and your spouse or partner, if applicable.
74. Age at last birthday:

75. Sex:

| Male | You | Spouse/ <br> Partner |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Female | $\square$ | $\square$ |

76. Highest level of education achieved:

|  | You | Spouse/ <br> Partner |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Some schooling | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| High school graduate | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Technical school | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Some college | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| College graduate | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Postgraduate studies | $\square$ | $\square$ |

## 77. Hispanic or Latino:

| Yes | Spouse/ <br> Partner |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| You | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| No | $\square$ | $\square$ |

78. Race: Mark all that apply.

| White | You |
| :--- | :---: |
| Black or African American | $\square$ |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | $\square$ |
| Asian | $\square$ |
| Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander | $\square$ |


79. Current work status: Mark all that apply.

|  | You | Spouse/ <br> Partner |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Self-employed/work for self | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Employed full time | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Employed part time | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Retired | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Temporarily laid-off or on leave | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Not working for pay (student, <br> homemaker, disabled, unemployed) | $\square$ | $\square$ |

80. Have you ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces? (Active duty includes serving in the U.S. Armed Forces as well as activation from the Reserves or National Guard).

| Yes, now on active duty | $\square$ | Spouse/ <br> Partner |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Yes, on active duty in the past, but <br> not now | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| No, never on active duty except for <br> initial/basic training | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| No, never served in the U.S. <br> Armed Forces | $\square$ | $\square$ |

81. Besides you (and your spouse/partner) who else lives in your household? Mark all that apply.Children/grandchildren under age 18Children/grandchildren age 18-22Children/grandchildren age 23 or olderParents of you or your spouse or partnerOther relatives like siblings or cousinsNon-relatives
82. Approximately how much is your total annual household income from all sources (wages, salaries, tips, interest, child support, investment income, retirement, social security, and alimony)?Under \$35,000\$35,000 to \$49,999\$50,000 to \$74,999\$75,000 to \$99,999
$\square$ \$100,000 to \$174,999
$\square \$ 175,000$ or more
83. How does this total annual household income compare to what it is in a "normal" year?Higher than normalNormalLower than normal
84. Does your total annual household income include any of the following sources?

| Wages or salary | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Business or self-employment | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Interest or dividends | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Alimony or child support | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Social Security benefits | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | $\square$ | $\square$ |

85. Does anyone in your household have any of the following?

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 401(k), 403(b), IRA, or pension plan | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Stocks, bonds, or mutual funds (not in |  |  |
| $\quad$ retirement accounts or pension plans) | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Certificates of deposit | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Investment real estate | $\square$ | $\square$ |

86. Which one of the following statements best describes the amount of financial risk you are willing to take when you make investments?Take substantial financial risks expecting to earn substantial returnsTake above-average financial risks expecting to earn above-average returns
$\square$ Take average financial risks expecting to earn average returnsNot willing to take any financial risks

## 87. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

| Owning a home is a good financial | Agree Disagree |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| investment | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Mortgage lenders generally treat <br> borrowers well | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Mortgage lenders would offer me <br> roughly the same rates and fees | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Late payments will lower my <br> credit rating | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Lenders shouldn't care about any late <br> payments, only whether loans are <br> fully repaid | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| It is okay to default or stop making <br> mortgage payments if it is in the <br> borrower's financial interest | $\square$ | $\square$ |

88. In the last couple of years, have any of the following happened to you?

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Separated or divorced | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Married/remarried/new partner | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Death of a household member <br> Addition to your household <br> (not including spouse/partner) | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Person leaving your household <br> (not including spouse/partner) | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Disability or serious illness of <br> household member | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Disaster affecting a property you own <br> Disaster affecting your (or your <br> spouse/partner's) work | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Moved within the area (less than 50 miles) <br> Moved to a new area (50 miles or more) | $\square$ | $\square$ |

89. In the last couple of years, have any of the following happened to you (or your spouse/partner)?

| Layoff, unemployment or reduced | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\quad$ hours of work | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Retirement | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Promotion | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Starting a new job | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Starting a second job | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Business failure | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| A personal financial crisis | $\square$ | $\square$ |

90. In the last couple years, how have the following changed for you (and your spouse/partner)?

|  | Significant <br> Increase | Little/No <br> Change | Significant <br> Decrease |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Household income | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Housing expenses | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Non-housing expenses | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

91. In the next couple of years, how do you expect the following to change for you (and your spouse/partner)?

|  | Significant <br> Increase | Little/No <br> Change | Significant <br> Decrease |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Household income | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Housing expenses | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Non-housing expenses | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

92. How likely is it that in the next couple of years you (or your spouse/partner) will face...

|  |  |  | Not |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rery | Somewhat |  |  |
| At All |  |  |  |

93. If your household faced an unexpected personal financial crisis in the next couple of years, how likely is it you could...

Very Somewhat At All
Pay your bills for the next 3 months without borrowing
Get significant financial help from family or friends
Borrow enough money from a bank or credit union
Significantly increase your income

## The Federal Housing Finance Agency and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau thank you for completing this survey.

We have provided the space below if you wish to share additional comments or further explain any of your answers. Please do not put your name or address on the questionnaire.

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