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## Section 1 - Background

Congress established the Federal Home Loan Bank System (System) under the Federal Home Loan Bank Act of 1932 (the Bank Act). The Federal Home Loan Banks (Banks) provide liquidity to their members and eligible non-member housing associates by making loans to them, referred to as advances.<sup>1,2</sup> Consistent with the provisions of the Bank Act, the Banks require their members to pledge collateral in the form of mortgages and other eligible assets to secure their advances and other collateralized products offered by the Banks to their members.

The Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA) requires the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) to submit an annual report to Congress on the collateral pledged to the FHLBanks, including an analysis of collateral by type and by Bank district.<sup>3</sup> FHFA's Report on Collateral Pledged to Federal Home Loan Banks provides the required information as well as additional analysis of data on the types and amounts of collateral pledged to the Banks to secure advances and other collateralized products offered by the Banks to their members. The information in this report uses data collected through a quarterly data collection conducted by FHFA's Division of Federal Home Loan Bank Regulation (DBR), and most charts and graphs report data on the unpaid principal balance of eligible collateral pledged by Bank members as of December 31, 2019.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Members of the FHLBanks include commercial banks, savings banks and savings associations, credit unions, insurance companies, and community development financial institutions (CDFIs). The Bank Act, at 12 U.S.C. § 1424(a), and FHFA regulations, at 12 CFR § 1263.6, set forth the eligibility requirements for Bank membership. The regulations of the Department of Treasury, at 12 CFR § 1805.200-,201, outline eligibility requirements for certification as a CDFI.

<sup>2</sup> Non-member entities, such as state housing finance agencies, that meet certain requirements may obtain advances if they are designated as FHLBank "housing associates." Housing associates must also provide a more limited range of collateral to secure their advances. For the purposes of this report, any reference to members includes non-member housing associates.

<sup>3</sup> 12 U.S.C. § 1430(j)(12)(C).

<sup>4</sup> This report defines eligible collateral as the total unpaid principal balance of collateral pledged by a member and deemed eligible by the FHLBank. Eligible collateral is a "pre-haircut" measure. This definition of eligible collateral excludes ineligible collateral (the difference between the pledged and eligible collateral values) pledged by members. However, this may or may not account for ineligibility factors Banks incorporate based on their collateral reviews as some Banks may impose the ineligibility factor as part of the haircut. The Banks will have ineligible collateral pledged as part of the blanket lien agreements with members.



## Collateral at the FHLBanks

The Bank Act and FHFA regulations require the FHLBanks to obtain at the time the borrower originates or renews an advance, and thereafter maintain, a security interest in eligible collateral from their borrowers or their affiliates that is sufficient to fully secure the advances.<sup>5</sup> In general, the Banks comply with this requirement by requiring each member or housing associate to sign a collateral security agreement that gives the Bank a security interest in some or all of its assets in an amount that exceeds the amount of advances outstanding to the member. The most commonly used agreement is a blanket lien, under which the Bank's security interest attaches to all of a member's assets or, in some cases, to specified categories of a member's assets. Under a blanket lien, the Bank has a security interest in the member's assets that are subject to the lien, but it does not necessarily have detailed information about the specific assets covered by the lien.

The board of directors of each FHLBank establishes its Bank's collateral policy, consistent with statutory and regulatory requirements. Each Bank's collateral policy identifies the types and amounts of eligible collateral it will accept, and each Bank specifies its own method to establish collateral discounts, or "haircuts," on various types of collateral. To determine the lending value or borrowing capacity of the collateral, each Bank discounts, or gives a "haircut" to, the reported market or par value of pledged collateral to ensure that the liquidation value of pledged collateral exceeds the value of the product it is securing.<sup>6</sup>

Collateral policies differ across FHLBanks, often reflecting differences in the types of members served by each Bank, the risk tolerances of each Bank, and the methods and vendors used by each Bank to determine collateral lendable values. Key collateral policy differences include the various types of eligible collateral each Bank will accept, the levels of collateral discount required, and the conditions under which a member must deliver its collateral to the Bank in order to be able to borrow against it.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> 12 U.S.C. § 1430(a)(1); 12 CFR § 1266.2(c)(1). The Bank Act, at 12 U.S.C. § 1430(a)(3), and FHFA regulations, at 12 CFR § 1266.7(a), specify the types of collateral that are eligible to secure advances. In addition to advances, the Banks also require members to pledge collateral to secure other products offered by the Banks to their members. *See e.g.*, 12 CFR § 1269.5(b) (authorizing Banks to require collateral to secure standby letters of credit).

<sup>6</sup> The haircuts depend on many factors and may differ by FHLBank for similar collateral. These factors typically include the specific type of collateral pledged, the quality of the member's credit underwriting policies and practices, the method of securing the collateral pledged, the financial condition of the member, recent trends in asset values, and estimated losses under adverse macroeconomic conditions.

<sup>7</sup> Each Bank has a set of criteria under which it requires a member to deliver collateral to the Bank in order to protect itself. For example, having a Bank member credit rating fall below a specific level can trigger delivery by the member.



Section 2 of this report provides an overview and analysis of the System’s collateral by composition, collateral type, and other relevant categories. This section includes graphs and tables reporting collateral data for both the System and for individual FHLBanks. Section 3 provides a glossary and definitions of terms used throughout the report.

**Section 2 – Analysis**

Total advances at the FHLBanks as of year-end 2019 were \$641.5 billion, a decrease of about 12 percent from \$728.8 billion as of year-end 2018.<sup>8</sup> Over the same period, the total book value of the Bank’s eligible collateral decreased to \$3.16 trillion from \$3.2 trillion, a decrease of about one percent.<sup>9</sup> The total book value of pledged collateral also decreased. The reported borrowing capacity of that collateral was \$2.45 trillion, up from \$2.37 trillion as of year-end 2018.

**Table 1: System Collateral (\$Trillions)**

	2018	2019	Volume Change	Percent Change <sup>10</sup>
System Book Value (BV) Pledged	\$3.50	\$3.48	-\$0.02	-0.68%
System Book Value (BV) Eligible	\$3.20	\$3.16	-\$0.04	-1.20%
System Borrowing Capacity (BC)	\$2.37	\$2.45	\$0.08	3.38%

FHLBank members pledge various types of collateral to the Banks to secure advances and other Bank products. This report aggregates collateral into five general categories based on the most common collateral types. We further split several of these categories into more granular subcategories. Categories (and subcategories) include:

- Single-family (SF) 1-4 unit residential first liens;<sup>11</sup>
- Securities:

<sup>8</sup> Advances information is based on data from the FHFA Call Report System (CRS). Unless otherwise noted, all other data is based on the Quarterly Collateral Survey. All volume changes and percentages are calculated prior to rounding.

<sup>9</sup> The book value of eligible collateral excludes any known ineligible collateral and may account for ineligibility factors extrapolated from collateral reviews. Unless otherwise specified, reported collateral values reflect all eligible collateral pledged by all members and housing associates, including non-members.

<sup>10</sup> We calculated percent change numbers using unrounded figures.

<sup>11</sup> Single-family indicates fully disbursed, 1-4 unit first mortgage loans on improved residential property, including non-traditional loans, subprime loans, and government-guaranteed loans.



- Agency mortgage backed securities (MBS)/collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs);<sup>12</sup>
- Non-MBS agency securities;
- Private-label Commercial MBS (CMBS);
- Private-label MBS (PLMBS); and
- All other authorized securities (Other Securities);<sup>13</sup>
- Multifamily (MF) first and second liens;
- Other real estate related collateral (ORERC):
  - Commercial real estate (CRE) first and second liens;
  - Closed-end SF second liens (SF second liens, home equity loans) and open-ended SF first and second liens (home equity lines of credit (HELOCS));
  - Land loans; and
  - Other ORERC.<sup>14</sup>
- Community financial institution (CFI) collateral<sup>15</sup>
  - Small business loans/securities;
  - Small farm loans/securities;
  - Small agribusiness loans/securities;
  - Community development loans/securities; and
  - Not specified.<sup>16</sup>

Single-family loan collateral remained the largest single collateral category at year-end 2019, accounting for approximately 49 percent of all eligible collateral pledged across the FHLBanks. Table 2 shows the composition of collateral pledged to the Banks based on the categories above. The amount of SF loan collateral pledged decreased by \$135 billion or approximately 9 percent from year-end 2018 to year-end 2019. Most other categories of collateral also experienced decreases year-over-year except for CRE, MF, Land, Other ORERC, and PLMBS. The largest increase occurred in Other ORERC, where the amount of Other ORERC loan collateral pledged

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<sup>12</sup> Includes all Agency mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations, e.g., Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Ginnie Mae, etc.

<sup>13</sup> Other Securities include (among others) U.S. treasuries, eligible municipal bonds, cash, and certificates of deposit.

<sup>14</sup> Other ORERC includes (among others) real estate construction loans, participation loans, and loans covered by a loss sharing agreement.

<sup>15</sup> For 2019, a CFI is a FHLBank member whose deposits are insured under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and has average total assets less than \$1.199 billion. 84 FR 2225 (Feb. 6, 2019). The FHLBanks are authorized to accept from CFI members (and their affiliates) additional types of collateral that would not otherwise be considered eligible as security for advances, including small business loans, small farm loans, small agribusiness loans, community development loans, and securities representing a whole interest in such loans. 12 U.S.C. § 1430(a)(3)(E); 12 CFR § 1266.7(b)(1).

<sup>16</sup> CFI collateral: Not specified is a catch-all category for any Banks not reporting the level of granularity in the above categories.



increased by over 270 percent from year-end 2018, an increase of almost \$103 billion. This is largely the result of the reclassification of some SF loan collateral as SF participation loan collateral.

**Table 2: System Eligible Collateral by Category (\$B)**

Collateral Category	2018	2019	Change in Eligible Collateral (Volume)	Change in Eligible Collateral (Percent) <sup>17</sup>
SF 1st lien	\$1,670.3	\$1,535.5	-\$134.8	-8.1%
MF	\$260.8	\$275.0	\$14.2	5.4%
ORERC: CRE	\$634.1	\$650.7	\$16.7	2.6%
ORERC: HELOCS and SF 2nd lien	\$223.1	\$205.8	-\$17.2	-7.7%
ORERC: Land	\$58.3	\$60.0	\$1.7	3.0%
Other ORERC	\$37.5	\$140.3	\$102.8	273.9%
CFI	\$49.7	\$48.6	-\$1.1	-2.2%
Agency MBS/CMOs	\$165.5	\$158.2	-\$7.4	-4.5%
Non-MBS Agency Securities	\$20.9	\$17.5	-\$3.4	-16.1%
CMBS	\$25.5	\$22.0	-\$3.5	-13.6%
PLMBS	\$8.6	\$9.0	\$0.4	4.2%
Other Securities	\$47.0	\$40.3	-\$6.7	-14.3%
Total	\$3,201.3	\$3,162.8	-\$38.5	-1.2%

## I. Distribution of Collateral by Type and Bank

The distribution of eligible collateral varied across the FHLBanks. Mirroring the System, SF first lien loan collateral was the largest collateral category at 10 of the Banks. The FHLBank of Dallas was the only Bank that reported having more eligible CRE loan collateral (\$118 billion) pledged than SF loan collateral (\$107 billion). CRE loan collateral was the second largest collateral category at six Banks, MF loan collateral was the second largest category at two Banks (FHLBanks of New York and Cincinnati), Other ORERC was the second largest category at the FHLBank of Des Moines, and CFI loan collateral was the second largest category at the FHLBank of Topeka. Four Banks – Atlanta, Boston, Cincinnati, and New York – reported having no eligible CFI collateral pledged by their members. Table 3 provides more detail on the distribution of collateral at each of the 11 Banks.

<sup>17</sup> We calculated percent change numbers using unrounded figures.



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**Table 3: Book Value of Eligible Collateral by Bank (\$B)<sup>18</sup>**

Collateral Category	BOS	NYK	PIT	ATL	CIN	IND	CHI	DSM	DAL	TOP	SFR	Total
SF 1st lien	\$104	\$166	\$137	\$269	\$210	\$40	\$98	\$151	\$107	\$50	\$205	\$1,535
MF	\$5	\$69	\$26	\$15	\$70	\$8	\$12	\$18	\$13	\$4	\$36	\$275
ORERC: CRE	\$19	\$61	\$94	\$78	\$48	\$21	\$32	\$77	\$118	\$18	\$85	\$651
ORERC: HELOCS and SF 2nd lien	\$15	\$12	\$37	\$34	\$30	\$3	\$8	\$23	\$13	\$4	\$25	\$206
ORERC: Land	-	-	\$3	\$0	\$1	-	\$1	\$13	\$41	\$2	-	\$60
Other ORERC	\$1	\$4	\$0	-	-	-	\$0	\$114	\$18	\$3	\$1	\$140
CFI	-	-	\$3	-	-	\$0	\$7	\$5	\$8	\$19	\$6	\$49
Agency MBS/CMOs	\$15	\$26	\$2	\$20	\$4	\$6	\$6	\$13	\$11	\$12	\$42	\$158
Non-MBS Agency Securities	\$1	\$3	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1	\$4	\$2	\$1	\$1	\$4	\$18
CMBS	\$0	\$3	\$2	\$2	\$2	\$4	\$1	\$7	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$22
PLMBS	\$1	-	\$2	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$1	\$3	\$0	\$0	\$9
Other Securities	\$3	\$15	\$1	\$6	\$3	\$1	\$4	\$3	\$2	\$0	\$2	\$40
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$162</b>	<b>\$360</b>	<b>\$308</b>	<b>\$425</b>	<b>\$369</b>	<b>\$84</b>	<b>\$174</b>	<b>\$427</b>	<b>\$337</b>	<b>\$113</b>	<b>\$405</b>	<b>\$3,163</b>

<sup>18</sup> For the purposes of this report, a dash (“-”) indicates no reported information, while a zero (“\$0”) indicates reported collateral that rounds to zero.



## II. Member Lien and Collateral Reporting Status

FHLBanks secure advances and other collateralized products to a member through a lien agreement. There are two primary types of lien agreements:

- A blanket lien agreement occurs when the written agreement that creates the Bank's security interest provides that it applies to all of a member's assets or to all of a member's specific categories of assets.
- A specific lien agreement occurs when the Bank's written agreement that creates the Bank's security interest describes the specific assets that the member has pledged to the Bank as collateral.

When a Bank obtains a security interest in the assets described in the agreement, it acquires the right to liquidate any of those assets should the member default on its repayment obligation.<sup>19</sup>

In addition to the lien agreements, the FHLBanks use different methods of collateral control (collateral reporting status) to protect themselves further. These methods of collateral control are summary reporting, listing, and delivery. Summary reporting is only available to members under a blanket lien agreement. Under summary reporting, a Bank has little information about the individual loans that secure the advances. A listing arrangement differs in that a member provides loan-level details about the collateral pledged. A listing arrangement can occur under either a blanket or specific lien agreement. A Bank may require a member to list collateral when the borrower's creditworthiness may be an issue, or a member may elect to list collateral with the Bank for another reason.

A delivery arrangement differs from both summary report and listing in that the Bank has possession of the collateral. A delivery arrangement requires that the member deliver to the Bank or the Bank's custodian some or all of the assets covered by the Bank's lien agreement. A Bank often requires delivery of collateral that is readily transferrable by the member or if the

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<sup>19</sup> FHFA regulations require each FHLBank to execute a written security agreement with each borrowing member that, at a minimum, gives the FHLBank a "perfectible" security interest in the pledged collateral. 12 CFR § 1266.2(c)(3). Under the regulations an FHLBank may perfect its security interest in advances collateral at any time. 12 CFR § 1266.9(a)(3). These and other provisions of the regulations recognize that each FHLBank generally may determine how and when to perfect its security interest. The manner in which an FHLBank obtains and perfects its security interest is governed by the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC), as enacted by the laws of the appropriate state. Regardless of the collateral pledge method, an FHLBank can perfect its security interest in any securities collateral or loan collateral by filing a UCC-1 financing statement in the appropriate jurisdiction, or by other methods that would give it a higher-priority perfected security interest than would perfection by filing (see FHFA Advisory Bulletin 2013-10 for further details).



Bank believes the member presents a heightened credit risk. A delivery arrangement can occur under a blanket or specific lien. Delivery may result in a Bank obtaining “possession” of tangible collateral such as mortgage loan notes or “control” of securities that exist only in electronic format, both of which give the Bank a first priority perfected security interest in the collateral (that is superior to security interests perfected by filing a UCC-1) under the UCC.

Members may receive greater borrowing capacity when they agree to provide a listing of collateral (either under a blanket or specific lien) or delivery of collateral because these methods provide specific information about the collateral pledged to the FHLBank. This allows the Bank to make a more precise determination of the value of the collateral.

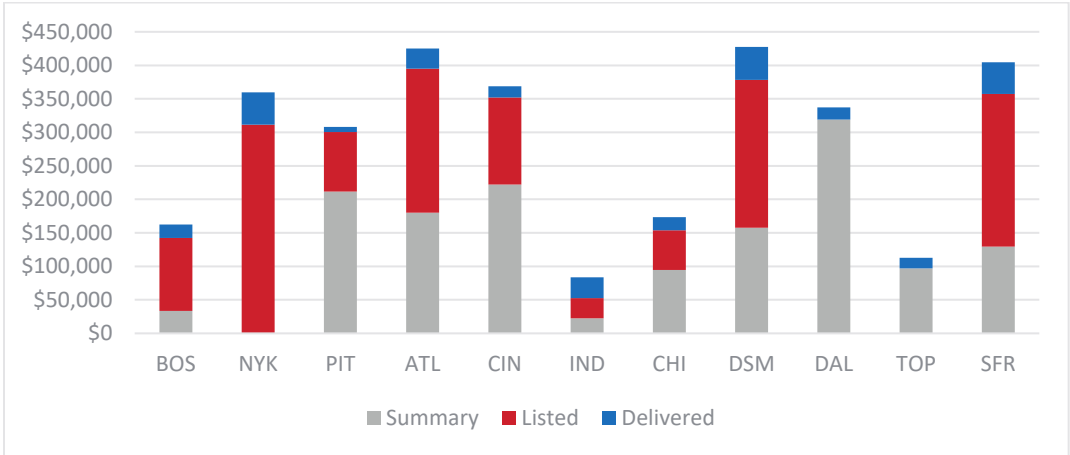
Figure 1 shows the distribution of collateral for each FHLBank by the collateral reporting status (i.e., summary reporting, listing, or delivery) rather than by member lien. As of year-end 2019, the FHLBanks of Dallas and Topeka reported that 85 percent or more of the book value of eligible collateral their members reported is under summary reporting, while the FHLBank of New York only reported listed and delivered collateral, which is consistent with its practices. In addition to New York, the FHLBanks of Atlanta, Boston, Des Moines, and San Francisco also reported that members listed over 50 percent of these Banks’ eligible collateral. The FHLBank of Indianapolis reported the highest percentage of eligible collateral delivered, 37 percent. No other Bank reported having delivered collateral comprise more than 15 percent. The FHLBank of Indianapolis’s higher than average share of securities as a percentage of total collateral pledged resulted in a higher proportion of delivered collateral, as all Banks generally require members to provide securities under delivery.<sup>20</sup>

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<sup>20</sup> The FHLBank of Indianapolis also has a higher level of CRE collateral – about \$12.4 billion – pledged under delivery arrangements (including from insurance companies), further increasing its delivery percentage.



Figure 1: Distribution of Book Value Eligible Collateral by Collateral Reporting Status (\$M)



III. Haircuts

Generally, the FHLBanks apply a haircut to either the market value of eligible collateral or the book value of eligible collateral. However, the Banks have different collateral practices regarding eligibility, market valuations, and valuation caps, which affect each Bank’s effective haircut differently. For the purposes of this report, we calculate the effective haircut as:

$$1 - \frac{\text{Borrowing capacity}}{\text{Unpaid principal balance of Pledged Collateral}}$$

This definition of a haircut identifies the difference between the reported book value pledged of collateral and the borrowing capacity reported by the Bank for a collateral line item. The borrowing capacity is the amount each Bank is willing to lend to that member for that collateral type. When aggregating by category, we weight each of the line-item haircuts by its share of the book value of pledged collateral within that collateral category.

The haircuts applied by the FHLBanks varied substantially based on the type of collateral pledged. Table 4 provides details on the haircuts for collateral categories. Securities generally have the lowest weighted average haircuts, ranging from about 1 to 17 percent. However, PLMBS have a higher weighted average haircut of about 35 percent. Loan collateral has weighted average haircuts ranging from 18 percent for SF first liens to 50 percent for ORERC land loans (both farm and non-farm). Overall, the weighted average haircuts generally increase with the perceived risk of the collateral type. The weighted average haircut for Other ORERC decreased since 2018, largely the result of the reclassification of some SF loan collateral as SF participation loan collateral.



**Table 4: Weighted Haircuts by Collateral Type**

Collateral Category	Weighted Average Effective Haircut
SF 1st lien	17.8%
MF	23.6%
ORERC: CRE	29.7%
ORERC: HELOCS and SF 2nd lien	38.3%
ORERC: Land	50.4%
Other ORERC	25.3%
CFI	45.7%
Agency MBS/CMOs	2.5%
Non-MBS Agency Securities	1.2%
CMBS	11.3%
PLMBS	35.3%
Other Securities	16.9%

**IV. Single-Family Collateral**

Single-family loan collateral includes a wide variety of residential loan types including traditional, subprime, nontraditional, held for sale, government guaranteed loans (e.g., FHA, VA, etc.). While the Quarterly Collateral Survey includes several subtypes for SF loan collateral (traditional, subprime, nontraditional, subprime and nontraditional, and other residential loans), not all FHLBanks segment their pledged collateral at this level of granularity.<sup>21</sup> For the purposes of this report, we combine all of these subtypes of SF loan collateral into a single SF category for comparison purposes.

Single-family loan collateral represents the majority of eligible collateral pledged to the FHLBanks at 49 percent of all eligible collateral pledged to the Banks in 2019, a decrease over year-end 2018. SF loan collateral decreased in absolute terms by about eight percent in the System. Table 5 provides more information on the eligible book value of SF loan collateral.

Single-family loan collateral is the single largest collateral source at every Bank except the FHLBank of Dallas. As a percent of all eligible collateral, it ranges from 32 percent at the FHLBank of Dallas to 64 percent at the FHLBank of Boston as of year-end 2019. The amount of SF loan collateral as a percentage of all eligible collateral changed little year-over-year at all

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<sup>21</sup> For example, one Bank may report subprime loan collateral separately while another Bank may report subprime along with other SF subtypes together.



but one Bank, where the share of SF loan collateral decreased by about 23 percentage points. This decrease is due to reclassification of some SF loans as SF participations.

**Table 5: Single Family Book Value Eligible by Bank (\$M)**

Bank	2018	2019	Change in Eligible Collateral (Volume)	Change in Eligible Collateral (Percent) <sup>22</sup>
BOS	\$101,930.3	\$103,672.7	\$1,742.4	1.7%
NYK	\$161,044.1	\$165,894.1	\$4,850.0	3.0%
PIT	\$138,732.7	\$137,310.1	-\$1,422.6	-1.0%
ATL	\$273,441.1	\$269,045.0	-\$4,396.1	-1.6%
CIN	\$265,980.5	\$209,575.0	-\$56,405.5	-21.2%
IND	\$36,782.8	\$39,799.9	\$3,017.1	8.2%
CHI	\$99,628.2	\$97,847.6	-\$1,780.6	-1.8%
DSM	\$262,711.9	\$150,818.6	-\$111,893.3	-42.6%
DAL	\$97,581.4	\$106,574.2	\$8,992.8	9.2%
TOP	\$45,930.9	\$49,515.6	\$3,584.7	7.8%
SFR	\$186,529.5	\$205,417.4	\$18,887.8	10.1%
Total	\$1,670,293.6	\$1,535,470.3	-\$134,823.3	-8.1%

**Table 6: Single Family Percentage of Eligible Collateral**

Bank	2018	2019	Change <sup>23</sup>
BOS	66.2%	63.8%	-2.4
NYK	46.3%	46.1%	-0.1
PIT	43.4%	44.5%	1.1
ATL	62.8%	63.3%	0.5
CIN	63.2%	56.9%	-6.3
IND	42.3%	47.5%	5.2
CHI	58.5%	56.4%	-2.1
DSM	58.5%	35.3%	-23.2
DAL	30.3%	31.6%	1.3
TOP	43.1%	43.9%	0.8
SFR	48.0%	50.8%	2.8

<sup>22</sup> We calculated percent change numbers using unrounded figures.

<sup>23</sup> *ibid*



**V. Multifamily Collateral**

System-wide, multifamily loans accounted for nine percent of eligible collateral pledged at year-end 2019, up slightly from year-end 2018. However, the volume of eligible multifamily loan collateral increased about five percent year over year. The FHLBank of Chicago saw the largest percentage increase in eligible MF loan collateral at 20 percent while the FHLBank of San Francisco saw the largest volume increase. The FHLBanks of Atlanta and Des Moines were the only Banks where eligible MF loan collateral decreased. Table 7 provides more detail on MF loan collateral at the FHLBanks.

Additionally, the FHLBanks of Cincinnati and New York both reported MF loan collateral of 19 percent or more of eligible collateral, more than double the percentage of any other FHLBank in the System. Table 8 provides more detail on the percentage of MF loan collateral at each of the Banks.

**Table 7: Multifamily Book Value Eligible by Bank (\$M)**

Bank	2018	2019	Change in Eligible Collateral (Volume)	Change in Eligible Collateral (Percent) <sup>24</sup>
BOS	\$4,820.8	\$5,149.9	\$329.1	6.8%
NYK	\$66,744.6	\$69,216.7	\$2,472.1	3.7%
PIT	\$24,874.6	\$25,816.6	\$942.0	3.8%
ATL	\$15,502.2	\$14,859.5	-\$642.7	-4.1%
CIN	\$65,401.2	\$69,600.6	\$4,199.4	6.4%
IND	\$7,548.0	\$7,567.9	\$20.0	0.3%
CHI	\$9,697.7	\$11,671.9	\$1,974.2	20.4%
DSM	\$19,689.4	\$17,941.7	-\$1,747.6	-8.9%
DAL	\$11,673.7	\$13,007.7	\$1,334.0	11.4%
TOP	\$4,104.2	\$4,413.6	\$309.4	7.5%
SFR	\$30,784.2	\$35,754.0	\$4,969.7	16.1%
Total	\$260,840.7	\$275,000.3	\$14,159.5	5.4%

<sup>24</sup> We calculated percent change numbers using unrounded figures.



Table 8: Multifamily Percentage of Eligible Collateral

Bank	2018	2019	Change <sup>25</sup>
BOS	3.1%	3.2%	0.0
NYK	19.2%	19.2%	0.1
PIT	7.8%	8.4%	0.6
ATL	3.6%	3.5%	-0.1
CIN	15.5%	18.9%	3.3
IND	8.7%	9.0%	0.4
CHI	5.7%	6.7%	1.0
DSM	4.4%	4.2%	-0.2
DAL	3.6%	3.9%	0.2
TOP	3.8%	3.9%	0.1
SFR	7.9%	8.8%	0.9

**VI. Other Real Estate Related Collateral (ORERC)**

ORERC collateral includes all real-estate related, non-residential whole loans, including CRE as well as participation loans and residential loans not included in the SF first liens and MF loan categories (e.g., HELOCs). To qualify as ORERC, by statute, an asset must have a readily ascertainable value, and a FHLBank must be able to perfect a security interest in the collateral.<sup>26</sup> FHFA regulations further require that the ascertainable value must be such that a Bank can reliably discount the item to account for liquidation and other risks and to allow for liquidation in due course.<sup>27</sup> Among the eligible collateral types accepted by the Banks, the Banks generally apply larger haircuts to the value of ORERC to secure advances relative to securities and SF loans. All Banks report ORERC securing advances.

Overall, the amount of ORERC collateral increased in the System by 11 percent between 2018 and 2019. Table 9 provides more details on the ORERC collateral at each Bank. The FHLBank of Des Moines saw the largest increase in ORERC collateral because of the reclassification of some loans mentioned previously. All FHLBanks report that ORERC represents 30 percent or less of eligible collateral except Dallas, Des Moines, and Pittsburgh, which reported that ORERC

<sup>25</sup> We calculated percent change numbers using unrounded figures.

<sup>26</sup> 12 U.S.C. § 1430(a)(3)(D).

<sup>27</sup> 12 CFR § 1266.7(a)(4)(i)(A).



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collateral represented 57, 53, and 44 percent of all eligible collateral pledged as of year-end 2019, respectively. Table 10 provides more details.

**Table 9: ORERC Book Value Eligible by Bank (\$M)**

Bank	2018	2019	Change in Eligible Collateral (Volume)	Change in Eligible Collateral (Percent) <sup>28</sup>
BOS	\$31,859.7	\$34,285.8	\$2,426.1	7.6%
NYK	\$73,773.5	\$77,276.8	\$3,503.3	4.7%
PIT	\$135,638.8	\$134,098.4	-\$1,540.4	-1.1%
ATL	\$115,119.4	\$111,857.0	-\$3,262.5	-2.8%
CIN	\$78,272.3	\$78,575.8	\$303.5	0.4%
IND	\$26,709.9	\$23,754.8	-\$2,955.1	-11.1%
CHI	\$37,572.7	\$41,407.4	\$3,834.7	10.2%
DSM	\$133,312.9	\$226,945.3	\$93,632.4	70.2%
DAL	\$178,183.1	\$191,024.6	\$12,841.5	7.2%
TOP	\$26,991.3	\$27,024.6	\$33.3	0.1%
SFR	\$115,502.8	\$110,585.8	-\$4,917.0	-4.3%
Total	\$952,936.6	\$1,056,836.4	\$103,899.9	10.9%

**Table 10: ORERC Percentage of Eligible Collateral**

Bank	2018	2019	Change
BOS	20.7%	21.1%	0.4
NYK	21.2%	21.5%	0.3
PIT	42.5%	43.5%	1.0
ATL	26.5%	26.3%	-0.1
CIN	18.6%	21.3%	2.7
IND	30.7%	28.4%	-2.3
CHI	22.1%	23.9%	1.8
DSM	29.7%	53.1%	23.4
DAL	55.3%	56.7%	1.4
TOP	25.3%	24.0%	-1.3
SFR	29.7%	27.3%	-2.4

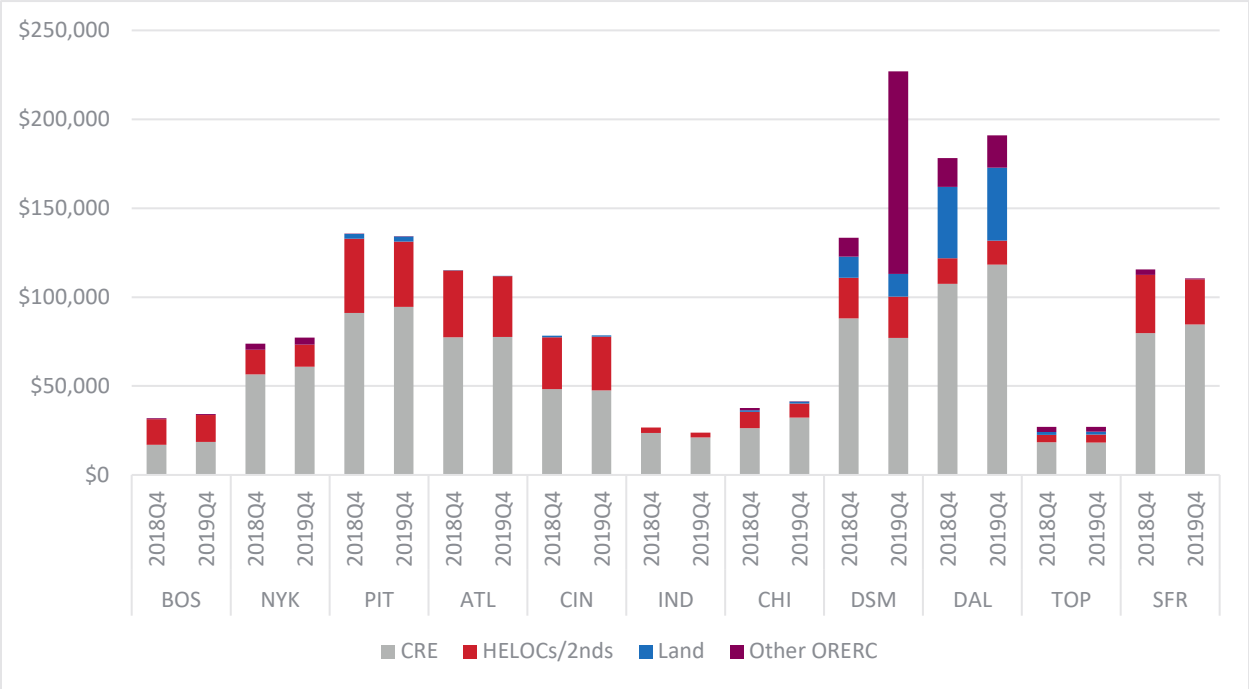
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CRE loans remain the largest single ORERC collateral category and second largest collateral category System-wide as of year-end 2019. HELOCs and SF second liens remain the second largest category of ORERC collateral and fourth largest category of collateral System-wide. Figure 2 provides details on the breakdown of ORERC collateral by FHLBank and the year-over-year change.

**Figure 2: Types of ORERC Collateral by Bank - 2018 Q4 vs 2019 Q4 (\$M)**



CRE loans are also the largest ORERC collateral category at most FHLBanks, with six Banks reporting \$50 billion or more in eligible CRE collateral. The FHLBanks of Pittsburgh, Atlanta, and Cincinnati account for almost half of the System’s eligible HELOC and SF second lien collateral. Land loans represented a noteworthy amount of collateral at only two Banks: Des Moines and Dallas. These two Banks account for almost 90 percent of all land loan collateral System wide.<sup>29</sup>

<sup>29</sup> ORERC: Land collateral is loans secured by unimproved or agricultural land (non-CFI). This includes farm real estate loans not provided as community investment loans.



**VII. CFI Collateral**

The FHLBanks accept from CFI members (and their affiliates) additional types of collateral that would otherwise not be eligible collateral as security for advances, including small business loans, small farm loans, small agribusiness loans and community development loans, and securities representing a whole interest in such loans.<sup>30</sup> Overall, the Banks reported approximately \$49 billion in eligible CFI collateral pledged, less than two percent of the total book value of eligible collateral System wide. Eligible CFI collateral pledged to the Banks decreased year over year. Table 11 provides more details on the CFI collateral pledged in the System.

Typically, the FHLBanks require larger haircuts for CFI collateral and four of the Banks – Atlanta, Boston, Cincinnati, and New York – reported no eligible CFI collateral pledged as of year-end 2019. The FHLBanks of Topeka, Dallas, and Chicago reported approximately \$19 billion, \$8 billion, and \$7 billion in eligible CFI collateral pledged, respectively, and accounted for 70 percent of all eligible CFI collateral pledged to the System. No other Bank held more than \$6 billion of eligible CFI collateral in its collateral portfolio. The FHLBank of Indianapolis saw the largest percentage decrease in eligible CFI collateral at 35 percent, although the volume change was small. The FHLBank of Dallas saw a large decrease in eligible CFI collateral with a percentage decrease of 19 percent and a volume decrease of \$1.9 billion.

The FHLBank of Topeka has the largest percentage of eligible collateral in the CFI category at 17 percent. No other FHLBank has CFI collateral as a percentage of eligible collateral larger than five percent. Table 12 provides more detail on CFI as a percentage of eligible collateral at each Bank.

**Table 11: CFI Book Value Eligible by Bank (\$M)**

Bank	2018	2019	Change in Eligible Collateral (Volume)	Change in Eligible Collateral (Percent) <sup>31</sup>
BOS	-	-	-	-
NYK	-	-	-	-
PIT	\$3,252.9	\$3,112.4	-\$140.5	-4.3%
ATL	-	-	-	-
CIN	-	-	-	-

<sup>30</sup> Several Banks also accept farmland loans from non-CFI members, which is included in the ORERC category.

<sup>31</sup> We calculated percent change numbers using unrounded figures.



Bank	2018	2019	Change in Eligible Collateral (Volume)	Change in Eligible Collateral (Percent) <sup>31</sup>
IND	\$299.1	\$194.4	-\$104.7	-35.0%
CHI	\$6,964.1	\$7,183.5	\$219.4	3.2%
DSM	\$5,088.6	\$5,248.1	\$159.5	3.1%
DAL	\$10,172.2	\$8,262.1	-\$1,910.1	-18.8%
TOP	\$18,163.2	\$18,680.6	\$517.5	2.8%
SFR	\$5,739.8	\$5,885.0	\$145.2	2.5%
Total	\$49,679.9	\$48,566.2	-\$1,113.7	-2.2%

Table 12: CFI Percentage of Eligible Collateral

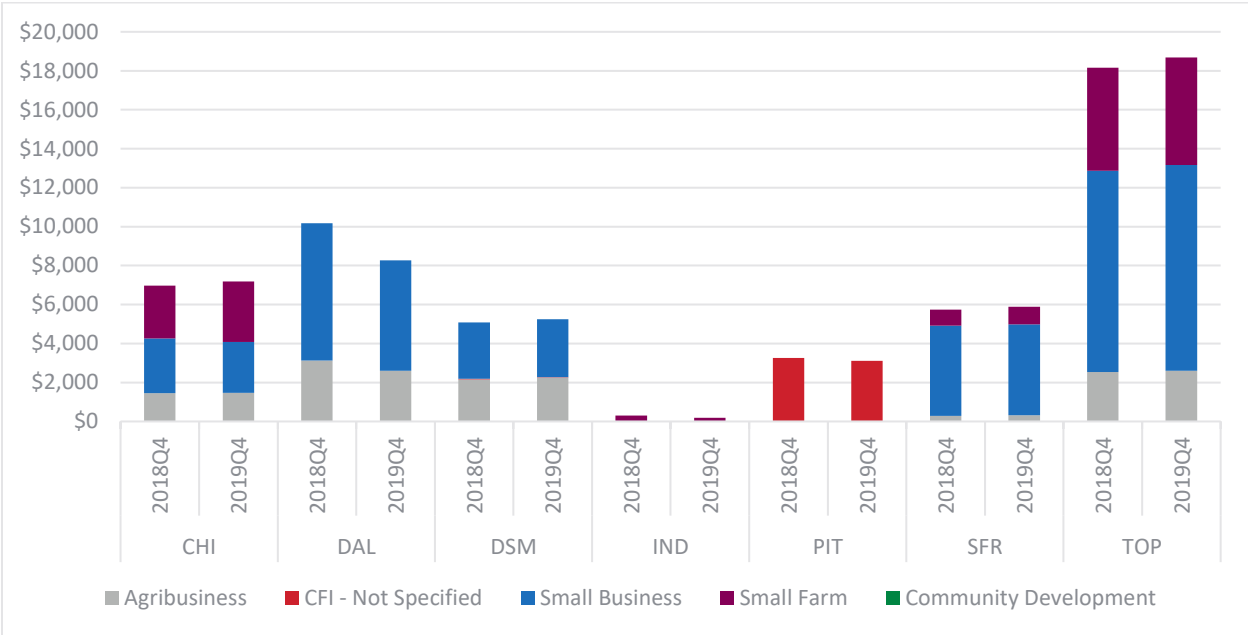
Bank	2018	2019	Change <sup>32</sup>
BOS	-	-	-
NYK	-	-	-
PIT	1.0%	1.0%	0.0
ATL	-	-	-
CIN	-	-	-
IND	0.3%	0.2%	-0.1
CHI	4.1%	4.1%	0.1
DSM	1.1%	1.2%	0.1
DAL	3.2%	2.5%	-0.7
TOP	17.0%	16.6%	-0.5
SFR	1.5%	1.5%	0.0

The largest category of CFI collateral is small business loans, which represented approximately 55 percent of all eligible CFI collateral as of year-end 2018. While small business loans are also the largest CFI collateral category at most FHLBanks, the FHLBank of Pittsburgh reports all of its CFI collateral in aggregate (CFI - not specified) rather than segmenting it out. Across the System, agribusiness and small farm accounted for approximately 19 percent and 20 percent of CFI collateral, respectively. The Banks did not report any collateral in the community development category. Figure 3 provides details on the breakdown of CFI collateral by Bank and the year-over-year change.

<sup>32</sup> ibid



Figure 3: Types of CFI Collateral by Bank – 2018 Q4 vs 2019 Q4 (\$M)<sup>33</sup>



VIII. Securities Collateral

Members pledge many different types of securities to the FHLBanks as collateral for advances and other collateralized products, which includes Cash and Certificates of Deposit, Treasuries, Agency MBS/CMOs, Non-MBS Agency securities, CMBS, PLMBS, and others. System-wide, eligible securities collateral decreased in total book value by almost 8 percent from 2018 to 2019. The decreases by Bank ranged from 3 percent to almost 53 percent. Only three Banks saw an increase in the dollar value of eligible securities collateral (Boston, New York, and Topeka). Table 13 provides more detail on the securities collateral pledged in the System and at each Bank.

While securities represented approximately eight percent of eligible collateral across the System as a whole, they represented a larger percentage of collateral at two FHLBanks. The FHLBanks of Indianapolis and New York reported that securities – primarily Agency MBS – represented 13 percent or more of the book value of their eligible collateral portfolio. Table 14 provides more details.

<sup>33</sup> We excluded the Banks with no reported CFI collateral from this figure.



**Table 13: Securities Book Value Eligible by Bank (\$M)**

Bank	2018	2019	Change in Eligible Collateral (Volume)	Change in Eligible Collateral (Percent) <sup>34</sup>
BOS	\$15,380.7	\$19,295.1	\$3,914.4	25.4%
NYK	\$46,562.0	\$47,181.2	\$619.2	1.3%
PIT	\$16,843.8	\$7,982.3	-\$8,861.6	-52.6%
ATL	\$31,085.5	\$29,234.0	-\$1,851.5	-6.0%
CIN	\$11,232.3	\$10,881.9	-\$350.4	-3.1%
IND	\$15,647.1	\$12,450.1	-\$3,197.0	-20.4%
CHI	\$16,514.7	\$15,403.1	-\$1,111.5	-6.7%
DSM	\$28,208.0	\$26,280.0	-\$1,928.0	-6.8%
DAL	\$24,630.8	\$18,203.0	-\$6,427.8	-26.1%
TOP	\$11,413.4	\$13,085.0	\$1,671.5	14.6%
SFR	\$50,013.5	\$46,956.0	-\$3,057.4	-6.1%
Total	\$267,531.8	\$246,951.7	-\$20,580.2	-7.7%

**Table 14: Securities Percentage of Eligible Collateral**

Bank	2018	2019	Change <sup>35</sup>
BOS	10.0%	11.9%	1.9
NYK	13.4%	13.1%	-0.3
PIT	5.3%	2.6%	-2.7
ATL	7.1%	6.9%	-0.3
CIN	2.7%	3.0%	0.3
IND	18.0%	14.9%	-3.1
CHI	9.7%	8.9%	-0.8
DSM	6.3%	6.2%	-0.1
DAL	7.6%	5.4%	-2.2
TOP	10.7%	11.6%	0.9
SFR	12.9%	11.6%	-1.3

Within securities collateral, Agency MBS/CMOs constitutes 64 percent of all eligible securities pledged to the FHLBanks as of year-end 2019. Agency MBS/CMOs includes all Agency mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations (e.g., GNMA, FNMA,

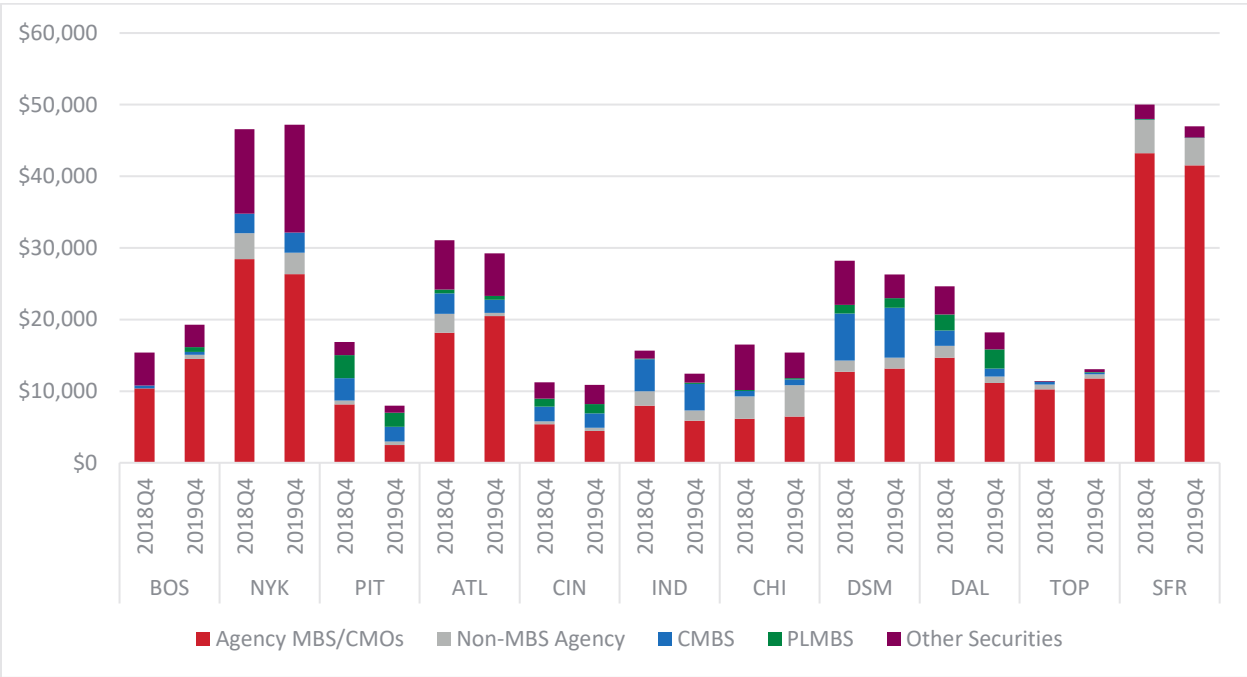
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<sup>35</sup> *ibid*



etc.).<sup>36</sup> Non-MBS agency securities are an additional seven percent of all eligible securities pledged to the Banks, representing the fourth largest category. Other securities, the second largest category, represent 16 percent of eligible securities pledged to the Banks.<sup>37</sup> The third largest category, CMBS, represents nine percent of all eligible securities pledged as collateral. PLMBS is the fifth largest category, and represents under four percent of all eligible securities pledged as collateral. Figure 4 provides more detail on the securities collateral breakdown by type of securities.

**Figure 4: Types of Securities Collateral by Bank - 2018 Q4 vs 2019 Q4 (\$M)**



<sup>36</sup> This includes Agency MF MBS.

<sup>37</sup> Other Securities include (among others) U.S. treasuries, eligible municipal bonds, cash, and certificates of deposit.



## Section 3 – Glossary

**Advance** – A secured extension of credit or loan from a FHLBank to a member or housing associate.

**Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) and Collateralized Mortgage Obligations (CMOs)** – MBS and CMOs issued, insured, or guaranteed by the U.S. Government or a U.S. Agency thereof, including Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

**Blanket lien** – A form of collateral security agreement under which the member grants a FHLBank a security interest in all or most of its assets, or one or more broad categories of assets, to secure advances.

**Book value of eligible collateral** – The total book value or unpaid principal balance of all collateral pledged and eligible. This definition excludes any ineligible collateral and accounts for any ineligibility factors determined from collateral reviews by the FHLBanks.

**Borrowing capacity** – The lendable value of collateral pledged based on member and collateral type, net of haircuts and all other adjustments.

**Community Financial Institution (CFI)** – A member, the deposits of which are insured under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, that has average total assets of \$1 billion or less, based on an average of total assets over the last 3 years. FHFA is required to adjust the \$1 billion asset threshold annually, based on the rate of inflation. For 2019, the threshold was \$1.199 billion. FHLBank members that are CFIs may pledge small business loans, small farm loans, small agribusiness loans, and community development loans, all of which may be fully secured by collateral other than real estate, and securities representing a whole interest in such loans.

**Housing Associate** – A housing associate is a non-member entity to which a FHLBank may make advances if it meets specific requirements in FHFA regulations. Housing associates are often state housing finance agencies.

**Market value of eligible collateral** – The total market value of all collateral pledged and eligible. If market value is not available or the collateral was not priced, the value defaults to the book value.

**Member** – A financial institution that has been approved for membership and has purchased stock in a FHLBank.

**Nontraditional Mortgage Loans** – Nontraditional mortgage loans include those that allow negative amortization or the deferment of payments of principal or interest.



**Other Real Estate Related Collateral (ORERC)** – As defined under 12 CFR § 1266.7(a)(4). ORERC eligible collateral may include, but is not limited to: PLMBS not otherwise eligible; second mortgage loans including home equity loans; commercial real estate loans; and mortgage loan participations. Such collateral may be eligible provided that it has a readily ascertainable value, can be reliability discounted to account for liquidation and other risks, can be liquidated in due course, and the FHLBank can perfect a security interest in such collateral. For purposes of this report, the ORERC section focuses on loan collateral while any ORERC securities are included in the Securities section.

**Specific lien** – A form of collateral security agreement under which the member grants a FHLBank a security interest in a specific set or list of assets, to secure advances.

**Subprime Mortgage Loan** – A subprime loan generally is a loan to a borrower having a credit score below a threshold level. Because there is not standard threshold score that defines a subprime loan, threshold levels may vary within limits from lender to lender.

