# PREPAYMENT MONITORING REPORT

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### Introduction

On June 3, 2019, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac began issuing a new common mortgage-backed security, known as the Uniform Mortgage-Backed Securities or UMBS, through their jointly developed Common Securitization Platform, bringing to fruition important elements of FHFA's 2014 Strategic Plan for the Conservatorships of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. On March 12, 2019 forward trading of UMBS began in the "To-Be-Announced" (TBA) market<sup>1</sup>, with first settlements of the UMBS trades coinciding with their initial issuance by the Enterprises on June 3, 2019.

FHFA encouraged Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to develop this new security to broaden and enhance liquidity in the secondary market for residential mortgages and to reduce costs to taxpayers.<sup>2</sup> To address those goals, UMBS issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac trade in the TBA market without regard to which Enterprise is the issuer, effectively merging the formerly separate markets for mortgage-backed securities issued by each Enterprise. Consistency of prepayment rates is important to the success of UMBS and to the efficiency and liquidity of the secondary mortgage market. Some industry stakeholders have expressed concern that the rates of prepayment of the Enterprises' securities might materially diverge and undermine their fungibility. FHFA has taken a number of steps to promote the continued consistency of prepayment rates of Fannie Mae- and Freddie Mac-issued mortgage-backed securities (MBS). This quarterly report provides market participants additional transparency into a sample of the data FHFA receives and reviews on a monthly basis.

*Ex post* monitoring of prepayment rates is part of a broader effort to assure investors that cash flows from UMBS will be similar regardless of which Enterprise is the issuer. This report provides insight into how FHFA monitors the consistency of prepayment rates across cohorts of the Enterprises' TBA-eligible MBS,<sup>3</sup> where a



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The TBA market is a forward market for certain mortgage-backed securities, including those issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See <u>An Update on the Structure of the Single Security</u>, May 2015, p.
4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> To avoid double counting, only first-level securitizations are included in the analysis. Second-level securitizations (Megas, Giants, and Supers) are excluded, with the exception of fastest quartile analyses and Table 2 (Quartile Report). For those exceptions, Freddie Mac multi-lender second-level

cohort consists of those Enterprise TBA-eligible securities with the same coupon, maturity, and loan-origination year and total combined issuance across the Enterprises exceeds \$10 billion. A prepayment on a mortgage loan is the amount of principal paid in advance of the loan's scheduled payments. Full prepayment occurs when a borrower pays off the loan ahead of the scheduled maturity. If a borrower defaults on the mortgage loan, the Enterprise will pay investors the remaining principal balance and remove the loan from the MBS. That action has the same effect on investors as a full prepayment. Partial prepayment occurs when a borrower pays principal in addition to the regularly scheduled payment of principal and interest.

securitizations traded as a single security are included and the related firstlevel securitizations are excluded to avoid double counting.



#### **Alignment Requirements**

On March 5, 2019, FHFA published the Uniform Mortgage-Backed Security Final Rule (Final Rule). The Final Rule codified FHFA thresholds with respect to differences between the prepayment rates of corresponding cohorts of each Enterprises' TBA-eligible securities. The Final Rule uses three-month CPRs rather than one-month CPRs, and, in addition to measuring alignment with respect to entire cohorts, the Final Rule looks to the fastest paying quartile of each cohort. Generally, for the fastest paying quartile of a cohort, the Enterprises must report to FHFA differences between Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac prepayment rates when the divergence between threemonth CPRs exceeds five percentage points. For a divergence in three-month CPR in excess of eight percentage points, the Enterprises must provide a written report to FHFA on the causes of the divergence and submit a written remediation plan. In most instances, FHFA's UMBS Governance Committee reviews the reports and may recommend remedial actions.



#### **Prepayment Performance Charts and Tables**

FHFA uses the charts and data tables in this report to evaluate the alignment of loan attributes for newly issued Enterprise MBS and the prepayment performance of outstanding Enterprise MBS. These charts and tables have been abridged to improve readability by omitting coupons and years with lower volumes of outstanding securities. FHFA monitors similar information for both Enterprises, focusing primarily on coupons, maturities, and loanorigination years that have minimum combined outstanding principal balances in excess of \$10 billion and whose origination-years are not more than six calendar years prior to the current calendar year. Footnotes to the relevant charts and tables indicate cohorts that are below the \$10 billion threshold.

As mentioned previously, a prepayment on a mortgage loan is the amount of principal paid in advance of the loan's payment schedule. When a loan is prepaid, an MBS investor receives the payment as principal. If the investor paid a premium for the security, the prepayment reduces the investor's yield. Therefore, investors in premium securities look for MBS that are likely to prepay slower than other MBS.

For further descriptions of how FHFA uses this information, see *Update on the Single Security Initiative and Common Securitization Platform*, December 2017.



### Charts

Charts 1 and 2 illustrate alignment of entire cohorts, using one-month CPR. FHFA uses the one-month CPR in these charts to assess the alignment at the cohort level for past origination cycles and the general trend of alignment across loan-origination years on a more granular basis than the three-month CPR would afford.

Chart 1 compares one-month CPR for all Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac TBA-eligible 30-year securities for the current year and the prior six years.

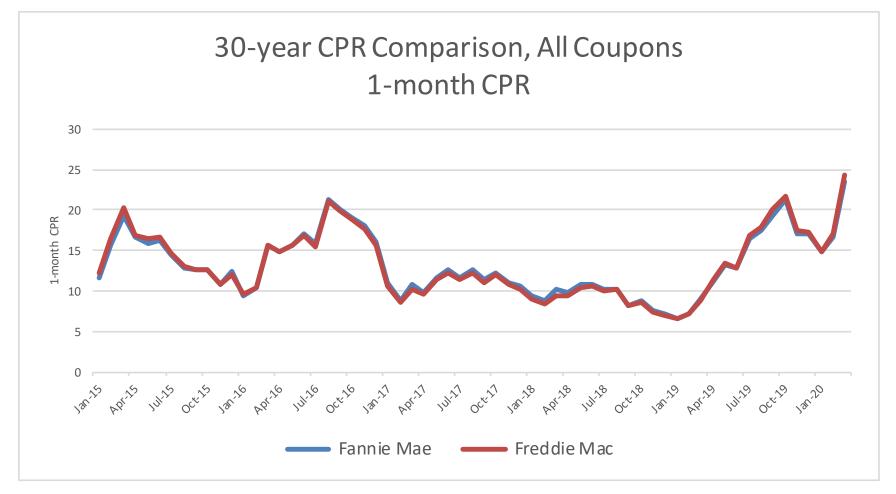
Chart 2 illustrates the comparison of pool loan-origination years for a given TBA-eligible MBS coupon. Chart 2 shows March 2020 one-month prepayment rates for entire cohorts each Enterprise's 30-year MBS for coupons with combined issuance volume outstanding in excess of \$10 billion (2.5%, 3%, 3.5%, 4%, 4.5%, and 5%) and the six loan-origination years prior to the current calendar year.

Charts 3a through 3g illustrate through line charts alignment with respect to all TBA and the fastest paying quartiles of each cohort. FHFA uses these charts to assess alignment with respect to the fastest paying quartiles of cohorts of the Enterprises' TBA-eligible MBS on a historical basis. Chart 3a illustrates alignment in one-month prepayment rates across the Enterprises for recent coupons with issuance greater than \$10 billion. For each coupon in Chart 3a, the illustrated one-month prepayment rates are calculated across all 30-year, TBA-eligible MBS at a given point in time. Charts 3b through 3g illustrate the degree of three-month prepayment rate alignment of the fastest paying quartile for each coupon-year cohort.

Chart 4 illustrates the spread between the weighted average loan rates (WACs) in mortgage pools to the coupon on the MBS backed by that pool for 30-year MBS issued by the Enterprises during the quarter. FHFA monitors this spread because differences in the spread between the Enterprises can lead to differences in prepayment rates as interest rates change. Securities with higher spreads are likely to experience faster prepayment rates as borrowers take advantage of opportunities to refinance due to their higher loan rates.









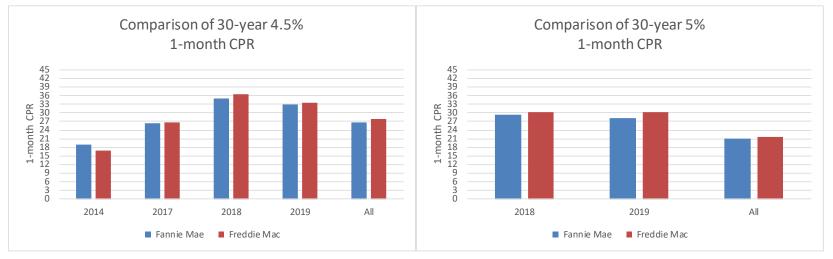
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#### Chart 2: March 2020 One-month CPR on All 30-year, TBA-eligible MBS by Coupon and Loan-Origination Year\*

\* The 2.5 percent coupon cohorts for 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018, and the 3 percent coupon cohorts for 2014 and 2018. are omitted because each has a combined UPB below the \$10 billion threshold.





#### Chart 2: March 2020 One-month CPR on All 30-year, TBA-eligible MBS by Coupon and Loan-Origination Year\*

\* The 4.5 percent coupon cohorts for 2015 and 2016, and the 5 percent coupon cohorts for 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017, are omitted because each has a combined UPB below the \$10 billion threshold.



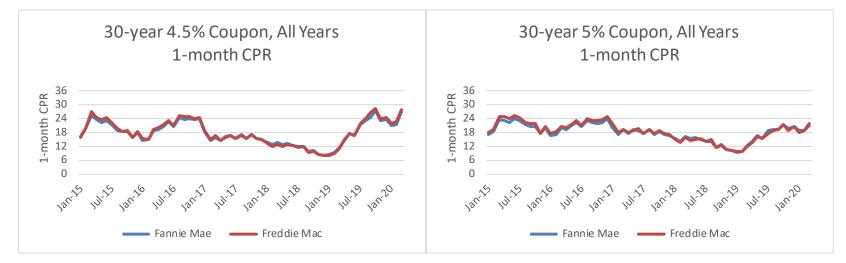






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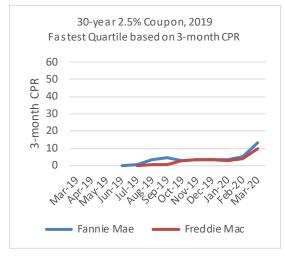
#### Chart 3a: One-month CPR on All 30-year, TBA-eligible MBS by Coupon





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#### Chart 3b: Three-month CPR on 30-year Fastest Paying Quartiles, 2.50 Percent Coupon TBA-eligible MBS by Loan-Origination Year\*

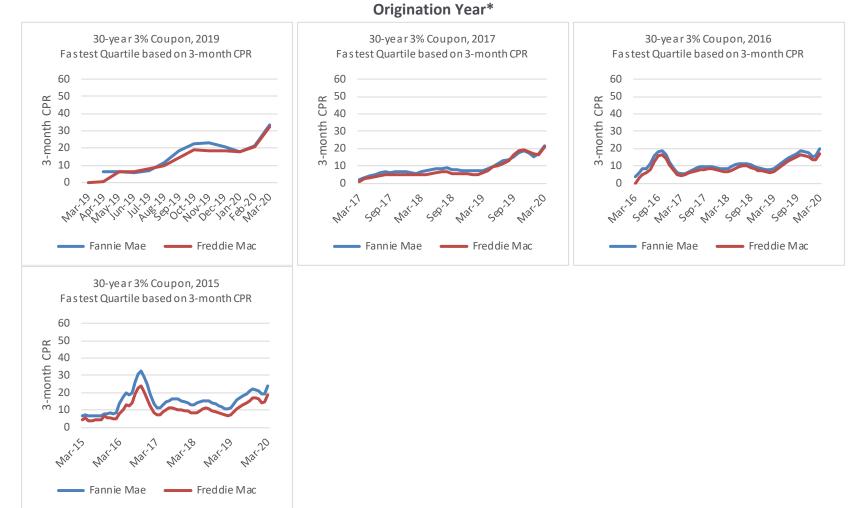


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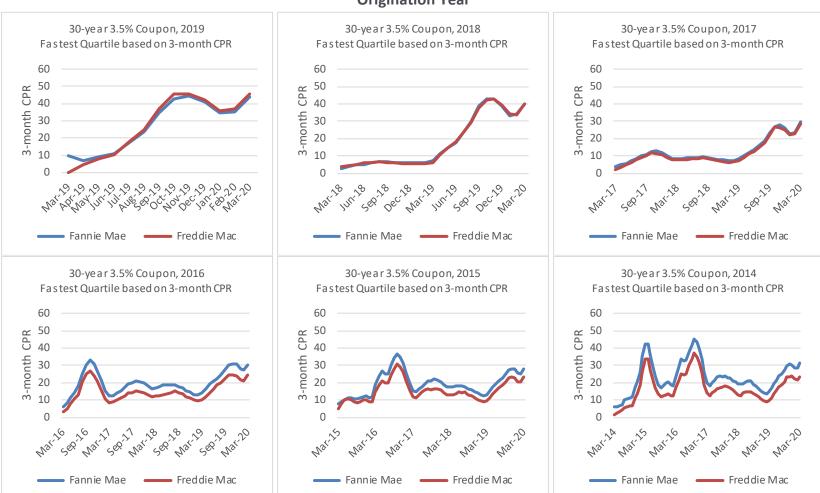
Chart 3c: Three-month CPR on 30-year Fastest Paying Quartiles, 3.00 Percent Coupon TBA-eligible MBS by Loan-



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#### Chart 3d: Three-month CPR on 30-year Fastest Paying Quartiles, 3.50 Percent Coupon TBA-eligible MBS by Loan-Origination Year



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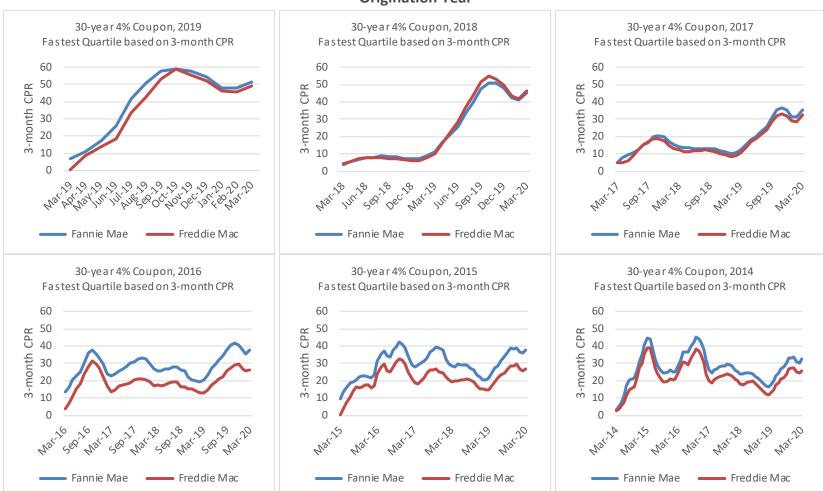


Chart 3e: Three-month CPR on 30-year Fastest Paying Quartiles, 4.00 Percent Coupon TBA-eligible MBS by Loan-Origination Year



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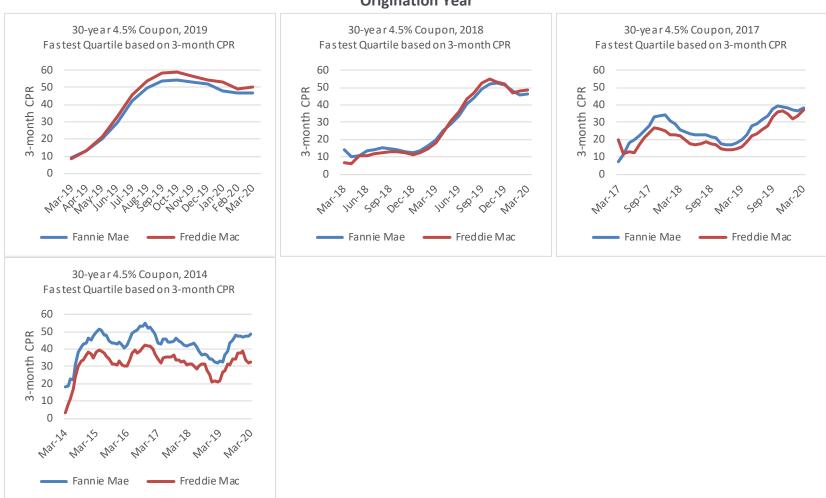


Chart 3f: Three-month CPR on 30-year Fastest Paying Quartiles, 4.50 Percent Coupon TBA-eligible MBS by Loan-Origination Year

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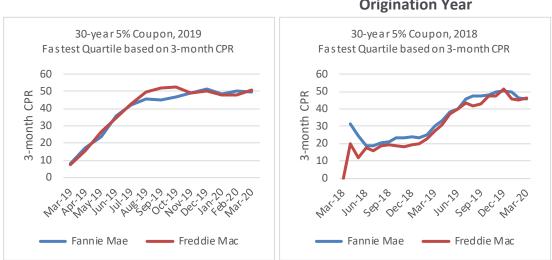
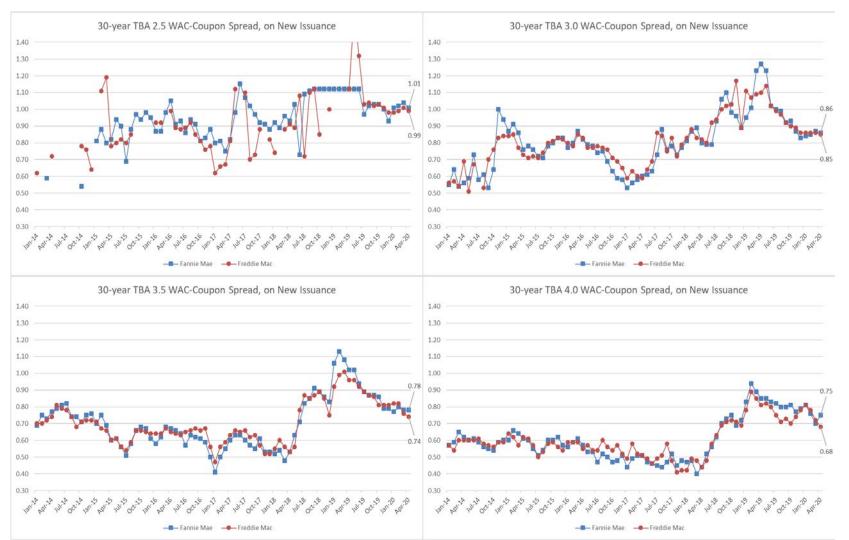


Chart 3g: Three-month CPR on 30-year Fastest Paying Quartiles, 5.00 Percent Coupon TBA-eligible MBS by Loan-Origination Year

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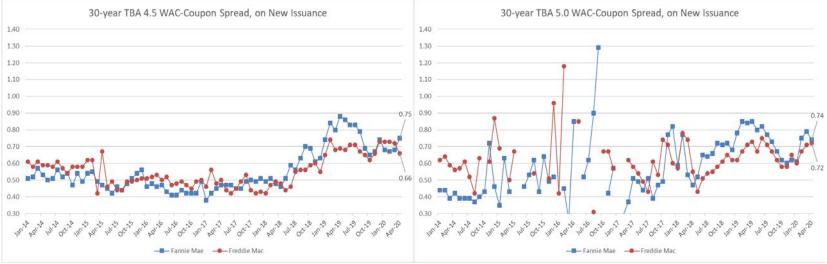
#### Chart 4: Comparison of Weighted Average Loan Rate to Coupon Spread on New 30-year MBS Issuance

Source: RiskSpan calculations from data available publicly as of April 2020. Gaps in data may occur in some months due to a lack of MBS issuance.



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### **Data Tables**

FHFA uses Table 1, the Fastest Quartile of the TBA-Eligible MBS Annual Vintage Report, to compare, at the fastest-quartile level, Fannie Mae's and Freddie Mac's three-month prepayment rates with quartile-level attributes, such as the weighted-average loan rate (WAC), the weighted-average loan maturity (WAM), the weighted-average loan age (WALA), and the unpaid principal balance (UPB). These comparisons provide context to understand better any significant differences in CPRs across the Enterprises.

Table 2, the Quartile Report, is used to compare the range of prepayment rates across all of the TBA-eligible MBS that have the same coupon issued by a given Enterprise. To do so, all of an Enterprise's TBA-eligible MBS pools outstanding in the month, excluding specified pools as defined in the glossary, and bearing the stated coupon are ranked by their three-month CPRs from fastest to slowest. The pools are then grouped into quartiles based on UPB. The Report presents the WALA, WAC, average loan size (ALS), and credit score (FICO) for each quartile. Quartile 1 in this table corresponds to the fastest paying quartile. Table 2 presents this information as of the end of the quarter.

Table 3, the Total Industry Issuance Report, provides a comparison, at the coupon cohort level, of Fannie Mae's and Freddie Mac's previous three months of issuance, with various key loan attributes that would affect the expectations of prepayments and delinquencies. FHFA uses this report to identify any differences in loan attributes that may cause a divergence in prepayment rates. The attributes that generally create faster prepayments, such as high credit score and low loan-to-value (LTV) ratio, also generally lower defaults. Analyzing new issuance data allows FHFA and the Enterprises to make timely adjustments to business practices to reduce potential misalignments in future prepayment rates.



		Weighted	d Average	Weighted	Average	Weighted	d Average	Unpaid	Principal	Thre	ee Month Co	onditional P	repayment	Rates (perc	ent)
		Coupon (	(percent)	Maturity	(months)	Loan Age	(months)	Balance (	\$ billions)	Ma	rch	Febr	ruary	Jan	uary
Coupon	Year	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE
2.5	2019	3.53	3.52	349	350	7	7	10.3	9.3	13.00	9.50	5.10	3.90	3.30	2.90
	2015	3.79	3.82	290	291	59	59	10.2	9.7	23.70	18.90	19.60	14.80	19.10	14.30
	2016	3.73	3.75	306	306	45	45	36.8	29.4	19.70	17.30	15.80	13.70	15.50	13.40
3	2017	3.76	3.94	322	324	30	29	2.9	3.4	21.70	20.90	17.20	16.50	15.40	16.90
	2019	4.01	3.99	348	347	9	9	32.4	29.1	33.10	32.60	21.50	21.60	17.90	17.60
	2020	3.86	3.80	355	354	3	2	4.4	0.4	4.30	7.70				
	2014	4.25	4.25	282	280	67	67	7.1	5.8	31.20	23.50	28.30	21.60	28.40	22.10
	2015	4.15	4.15	294	295	57	56	19.8	14.6	27.80	23.10	25.30	20.40	25.40	20.70
	2016	4.17	4.17	305	306	47	47	10.7	8.8	30.40	24.50	27.10	21.30	27.70	21.60
3.5	2017	4.11	4.15	319	319	34	34	24.4	19.4	29.50	28.70	23.40	22.90	23.00	22.40
	2018	4.42	4.39	335	334	20	20	9.9	7.4	39.70	40.00	33.90	33.50	33.00	34.00
	2019	4.48	4.45	345	345	11	12	18.7	14.1	44.00	45.50	35.30	37.00	34.60	35.70
	2014	4.57	4.60	281	281	69	69	7.3	5.5	32.30	25.90	30.50	24.40	30.90	25.40
	2015	4.64	4.61	297	297	56	56	2.2	1.6	37.80	27.40	35.90	26.00	36.70	26.70
	2016	4.57	4.62	306	303	47	50	1.5	1.5	38.00	26.20	35.60	25.90	37.70	27.10
4	2017	4.46	4.49	319	319	34	35	12.4	8.7	35.40	32.50	31.30	28.70	31.50	28.90
	2018	4.75	4.76	337	338	18	17	24.4	16.4	45.40	46.20	41.30	42.00	42.20	43.10
	2019	4.94	4.86	341	344	14	12	8.7	5.2	51.20	49.50	47.90	46.00	47.90	46.00
	2014	5.11	5.08	280	279	71	72	0.3	0.2	48.00	32.70	46.90	32.10	47.20	33.70
	2017	5.00	4.96	322	322	33	34	1.7	1.3	38.00	36.90	36.60	33.80	37.00	32.30
4.5	2018	5.25	5.23	339	339	17	16	6.4	5.3	46.30	48.80	45.60	47.80	48.10	46.80
	2019	5.39	5.34	343	343	13	13	2.6	1.4	47.00	49.90	46.90	49.30	47.90	53.00
_	2018	5.77	5.74	339	338	17	18	1.1	0.6	45.90	46.10	46.50	45.80	49.70	45.60
5	2019	5.79	5.79	345	345	11	11	0.7	0.6	49.70	50.80	50.00	48.70	48.70	48.20

#### Table 1: 30-year, Fastest Quartile of TBA-eligible MBS Vintage Report

Source: RiskSpan calculations from data available publicly as of April 2020. Calculations exclude pools with pool age equal to two or less, and exclude specified pools (see appendix for definition). The balances displayed on the table are beginning-of-quarter balances for the population included in the fastest quartile for each cohort.



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#### Table 2: 30-year TBA-eligible, less Specified Pools, Cohort Quartile Report for Qualifying Cohorts

30-year, 2.5	Quar	tile 1	Quar	tile 2	Quar	tile 3	Quartile 4			
Fannie Mae	13	.0	5.	7	3.	2	2.2			
Freddie Mac	10	.3	5.	6	3.	4	2.5			
Difference	2.	7	0.	1	-0	.2	-0.3			
Attributes	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE		
WALA	14	20	9	7	5	5	7	5		
WAC	3.51	3.47	3.49	3.49	3.46	3.48	3.50	3.48		
ALS	329	328	347	340	354	345	340	346		
FICO	768	770	768	768	768	768	766	769		

30-year, 4.0	Quar	tile 2	Quar	tile 3	Quartile 4					
Fannie Mae	45	.7	37	.6	29	.7	16.7			
Freddie Mac	45	.9	37	.8	27	.8	18.2			
Difference	-0	.2	-0	.2	1.	9	-1.5			
Attributes	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE		
WALA	18	17	22	24	34	33	48	54		
WAC	4.80	4.79	4.66	4.63	4.50	4.54	4.60	4.59		
ALS	301	310	301	301	290	289	260	264		
FICO	743	747	746	750	739	736	734	734		

30-year, 3.0	Quar	tile 1	Quar	tile 2	Quar	tile 3	Quartile 4			
Fannie Mae	26	.7	15	.2	11	.7	4.4			
Freddie Mac	25	.0	15	.8	13	.5	5.9			
Difference	1.	7	-0	.6	-1	.8	-1.5			
Attributes	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE		
WALA	23	22	46	47	36	39	13	12		
WAC	3.91	3.92	3.72	3.76	3.67	3.71	3.82	3.84		
ALS	317	323	299	299	305	303	308	313		
FICO	762	763	764	762	763	760	758	758		

30-year, 4.5	Quart	tile 1	Quar	tile 2	Quar	tile 3	Quartile 4			
Fannie Mae	46	.6	38	.3	33	.9	19.7			
Freddie Mac	48	.4	39	.5	34	.4	21.2			
Difference	-1	.8	-1	.2	-0	.5	-1.5			
Attributes	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE		
WALA	17	16	19	20	24	25	29	29		
WAC	5.30	5.26	5.25	5.13	5.15	5.05	5.09	5.07		
ALS	293	306	301	300	293	285	270	268		
FICO	715	726	711	722	712	721	711	711		

30-year, 3.5	Quart	tile 1	Quart	tile 2	Quar	tile 3	Quart	uartile 4		30-year, 5.0	Quart	Quartile 1		tile 2	Quartile 3		Quartile 4	
Fannie Mae	38	.5	25	.0	20	.6	12	12.4		Fannie Mae	47.3		39.9		35.3		20.3	
Freddie Mac	38	.5	25	.1	20	.9	15	15.3 Fi		Freddie Mac	48.5		40.0		34.0		17.0	
Difference	0.	0	-0.	.1	-0	.3	-2	.9		Difference	-1.2		-0.1		1.3		3.	3
Attributes	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE		Attributes	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE
WALA	21	18	36	34	47	51	42	45		WALA	15	14	16	17	19	17	19	16
WAC	4.37	4.36	4.10	4.11	4.10	4.15	4.14	4.14		WAC	5.79	5.75	5.82	5.76	5.74	5.69	5.71	5.65
ALS	306	313	299	303	288	283	276	279		ALS	287	290	286	279	273	279	262	265
FICO	751	754	757	756	755	752	750	752		FICO	684	700	687	702	681	700	691	699

\* FHFA omits the average prepayment speeds of pools with the age less than 3m and coupon cohorts with a combined UPB less than \$10b.

\* The weighted-average statistics that are published in this table use beginning-of-quarter balances and end-of-quarter WAC, WALA, and FICO. ALS statistics represent a simple average of all loans in the cohort.



#### Table 3: Q1 2020 30-year, TBA-eligible MBS Total Industry Quarterly Issuance Report\*

	2.00%		2.5	0%	3.00	0%	3.5	0%	4.0	0%	4.5	0%	5.0	0%	5.5	0%	6.0	0%	All Lo	bans
	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE	FNM	FRE
Loan Count	188	71	103,244	57,982	281,816	228,344	82,758	55,896	35,280	26,921	14,730	13,966	2,432	3,482	94	43	64	11	520,606	386,716
UPB (billions)	0.06	0.00	35.21	19.22	81.42	64.04	18.50	11.87	7.26	4.90	2.63	2.13	0.45	0.50	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	145.54	102.68
% of Production Volume	0.00	0.00	24.20	18.70	56.00	62.30	12.70	11.50	5.00	4.80	1.80	2.10	0.30	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
WA Note Rate (%)	3.07	3.09	3.52	3.49	3.86	3.86	4.29	4.28	4.74	4.73	5.19	5.21	5.76	5.70	6.02	6.18	6.35	6.37	3.91	3.92
WA Loan Age (mos.)	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	14	10	4	1	2
WA FICO	766	777	767	766	754	754	731	732	716	722	710	717	694	702	683	702	675	685	751	751
WALTV	0.73	0.68	0.73	0.74	0.76	0.78	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.76	0.78	0.77	0.79	0.78	0.79	0.86	0.79	0.77	0.76	0.77
%FICO<680	3.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	12.00	12.00	26.00	22.00	32.00	27.00	45.00	42.00	58.00	33.00	56.00	76.00	6.00	6.00
%FICO>740	81.00	88.00	80.00	80.00	66.00	67.00	43.00	44.00	34.00	38.00	31.00	36.00	22.00	26.00	14.00	17.00	15.00	3.00	64.00	64.00
%LTV>80	28.00	14.00	27.00	28.00	35.00	36.00	31.00	31.00	25.00	21.00	26.00	22.00	23.00	19.00	19.00	54.00	30.00	7.00	32.00	33.00
%FICO<680 & LTV>80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	4.00	3.00	8.00	5.00	9.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	6.00	11.00	9.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
%DTI>40	24.00	13.00	30.00	34.00	37.00	37.00	44.00	43.00	46.00	44.00	46.00	43.00	49.00	44.00	51.00	58.00	37.00	35.00	37.00	38.00
%Purchase	44.00	28.00	36.00	40.00	43.00	49.00	45.00	48.00	45.00	44.00	52.00	51.00	45.00	45.00	38.00	69.00	54.00	30.00	42.00	47.00
%Rate/Term	44.00	68.00	49.00	51.00	36.00	34.00	22.00	20.00	14.00	13.00	9.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	2.00	1.00	9.00	0.00	36.00	34.00
%Cash out	12.00	4.00	15.00	9.00	21.00	17.00	34.00	32.00	41.00	42.00	39.00	41.00	48.00	49.00	60.00	30.00	36.00	70.00	23.00	19.00
%Owner Occupied	97.00	96.00	96.00	96.00	94.00	95.00	85.00	86.00	73.00	67.00	61.00	52.00	59.00	52.00	57.00	76.00	42.00	51.00	92.00	92.00
%Second Home	3.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	3.00	4.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	4.00	4.00
%Investor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	1.00	12.00	10.00	25.00	31.00	36.00	46.00	39.00	47.00	43.00	24.00	56.00	49.00	5.00	5.00

\*Numbers in the table represent end of quarter, not at-securitization, values. UPB = unpaid principal balance; WA = weighted average; WAC = weighted average coupon; WALA = weighted average loan age; LTV = loan-to-value ratio; DTI = debt-to-income ratio.

Source: RiskSpan calculations from data available publicly as of April 2020.



### Glossary

- Average loan size (ALS) refers to the average dollar amount of the loans as stated on the notes at the time the loans were originated or modified.
- **Cohort** refers to those Enterprise TBA-eligible securities with the same coupon, maturity, and loan-origination year where the combined unpaid principal balance of such securities exceeds \$10 billion. The loan-origination year is calculated as the value-weighted average of the origination years of the mortgages collateralizing a security.
- **Conditional prepayment rate (CPR)**, also known as the constant prepayment rate, measures prepayments as a percentage of the current outstanding principal balance of the pool of loans backing a mortgage-backed security or cohort of those securities. The CPR is expressed as a compound annual rate.
- **Debt-to-income (DTI) ratio** is the ratio obtained by dividing the total monthly debt expense by the total monthly income of the borrower at the time the loan was originated or modified.
- **Fastest paying quartile of a cohort** means the quartile of a cohort that has the fastest prepayment speeds as measured by the three-month CPR. The quartiles shall be determined by ranking outstanding TBA-eligible securities with the same coupon, maturity, and loan-origination year by the three-month CPR, excluding specified pools, and dividing each cohort into four parts such that the total unpaid principal balance of the pools included in each part is equal.

FICO refers to a credit score produced by FICO and used in the mortgage underwriting process.

- **Loan-to-value** (**LTV**) **ratio** is the ratio, expressed as a percentage, obtained by dividing the amount of the loan at origination by the value of the property.
- **Specified pools** for the purpose of this report, are those pools with one or more of the following characteristics at issuance: a maximum loan size of \$200,000, a loan-to-value ratio at the time of loan origination of greater than 80 percent, a FICO score



of less than 700, where all loans finance investor-owned properties, or where all loans finance properties in the states of New York or Texas or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

- **To-be-announced (TBA) market** is a forward market for certain mortgage-backed securities, including those issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.
- **Uniform Mortgage-Backed Security (UMBS)** is the new single, common mortgage-backed security that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac issues, which replaced their previous offerings of TBA-eligible single class, fixed-rate mortgage backed securities.

Unpaid principal balance (UPB) is the portion of a loan that the borrower has not yet paid back to the lender.

- Weighted average coupon (WAC) refers to the average gross interest rates owed on the mortgages underlying the security weighted by the percentage of the security's unpaid principal balance that each mortgage represents.
- Weighted average loan age (WALA) refers to the average number of months since the date of origination of mortgages underlying the security weighted by the percentage of the security's unpaid principal balance that each mortgage represents.
- Weighted average maturity (WAM) refers to the average number of months remaining until the final payment is due on mortgages underlying the security weighted by the percentage of the security's unpaid principal balance that each mortgage represents.

