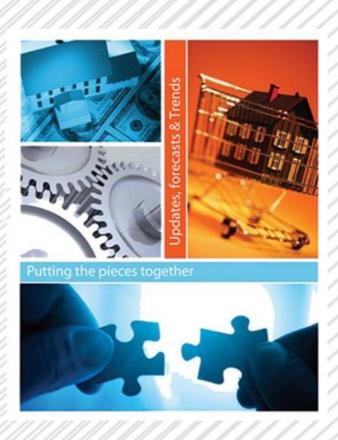
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### **Anthony Hutchinson**

Director of Government & Industry Relations, Freddie Mac

Prior to joining Freddie Mac, Mr. Hutchinson was the Senior Policy Representative for Financial Services at the National Association of REALTORS. He is an expert on financial policies and has helped shaped public policies critical to the housing industry, including the Dodd-Frank Financial Reform Law and the Qualified Mortgage rulings.









### Russell T. Valone II

President/CEO
Market Pointe Realty Advisors

Mr. Valone is an expert in economic real estate market analysis for Southern California. With over 30 years of experience, he has earned an outstanding reputation as an expert market research analyst and real estate consultant, as well as being a leading authority on the Southern California housing market.





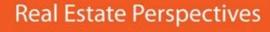


### Robert Young, Ph.D.

Managing Director
Citigroup Global Markets

Dr. Young has been a part of the Mortgage Analysis group at Citi since 1991. His focus is on home prices and prepayments. His experience includes mortgage credit modeling, and he was the Chair of the Bond Market Association MBS Research, Strategy, and Analysis Committee.











### Michael Lea, Ph.D.

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Dr. Lea is an internationally known authority on housing and mortgage finance. With over 25 years of finance experience, he is a trusted advisor to international development agencies, government-sponsored enterprises, trade groups, regulatory agencies and major private sector financial institutions in Europe and the U.S.









### **Dan McAllister**

Treasurer – Tax Collector San Diego County

Mr. McAllister is currently serving his third term as San Diego County's Treasurer - Tax Collector. He is responsible for the collection of more than \$4.6 billion in property taxes each year and also manages approximately \$6.5 billion in the county's investment pool, ensuring that these funds are safeguarded for programs throughout the county.











### **Leslie Appleton-Young**

Vice President & Chief Economist, California Association of REALTORS®

Mrs. Appleton-Young helps provide economic insight to over 150,000 members of C.A.R. She oversees the analysis of housing market and brokerage industry trends, and broker relations. She is also closely involved in the C.A.R.'s strategic planning efforts and is a sought after speaker throughout California's real estate community.



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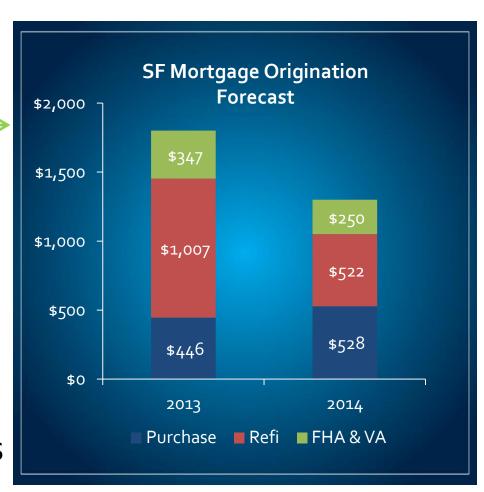
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## WHERE ARE WE IN THE CURRENT HOUSING CYCLE?



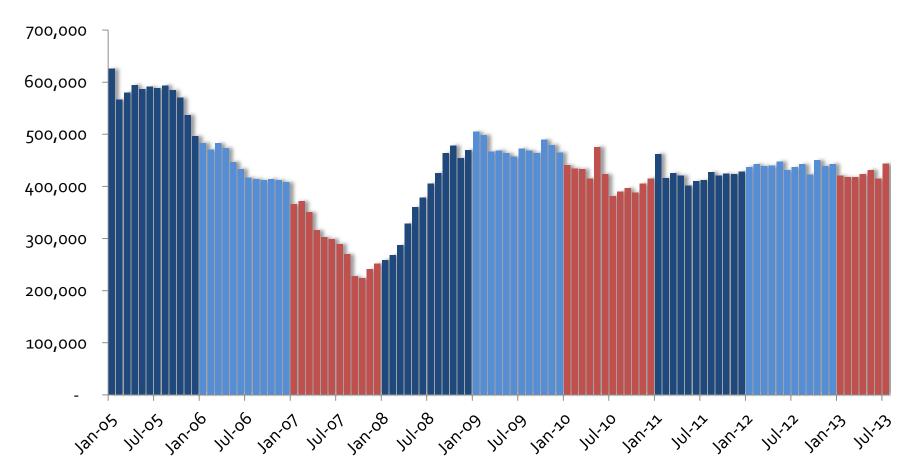
### Four Years After the Housing Crisis

- House prices rising
- Purchase market emerging
- Affordability high; interest rates still low
- Delinquencies lower
- Private capital still on the sidelines
- Housing reform proposals moving to legislation



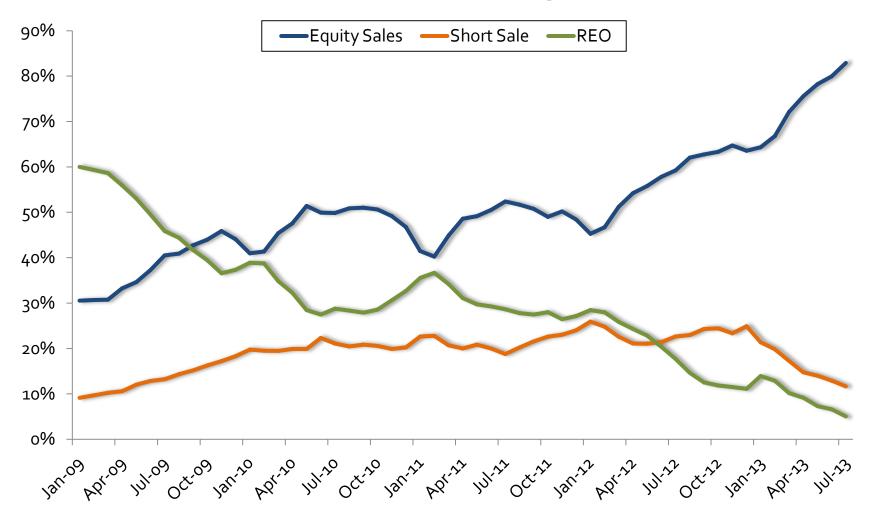
### Existing Home Sales Constrained by Supply

California, July 2013 Sales: 443,520 Units, -3.4%YTD, +1.5%YTY





## CA Distressed Market is Fast Disappearing 4½ Years of CA Housing Recovery

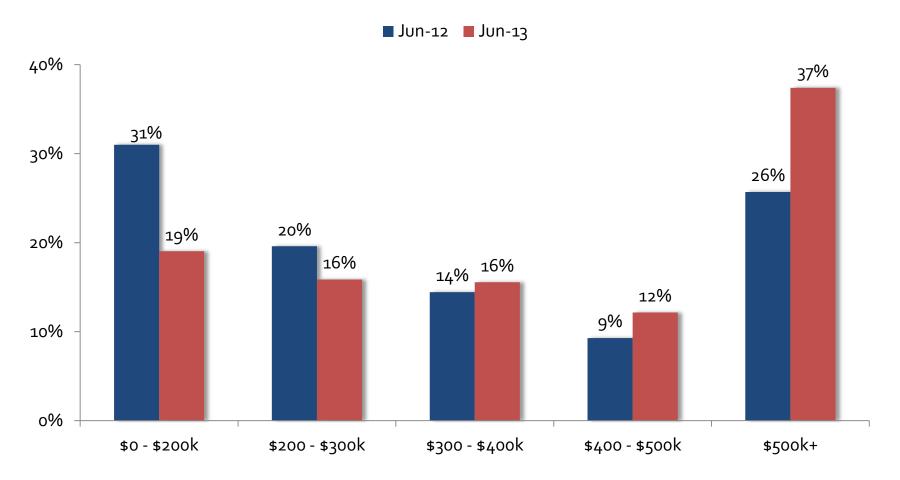


**SERIES: Distressed Sales** 

SOURCE: CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®



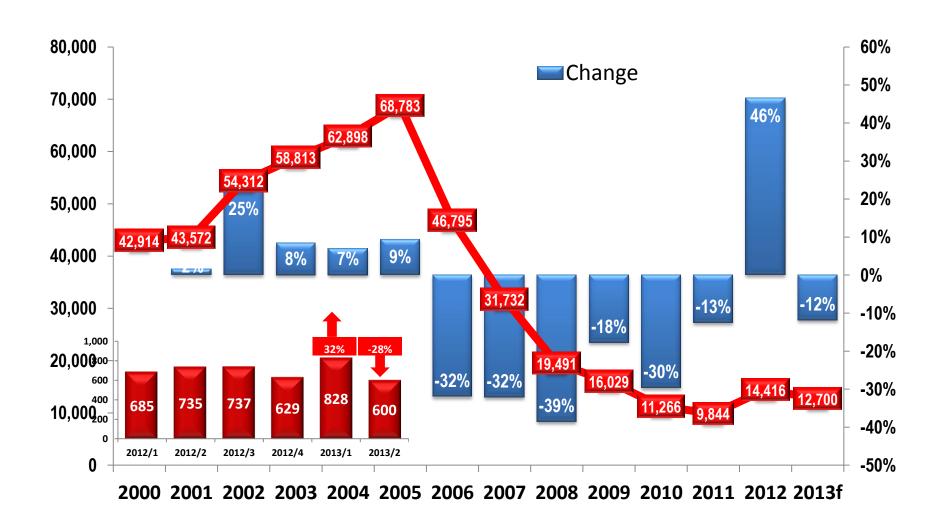
## Upper End Sales Now Dominate the Market Significant One Year Shift





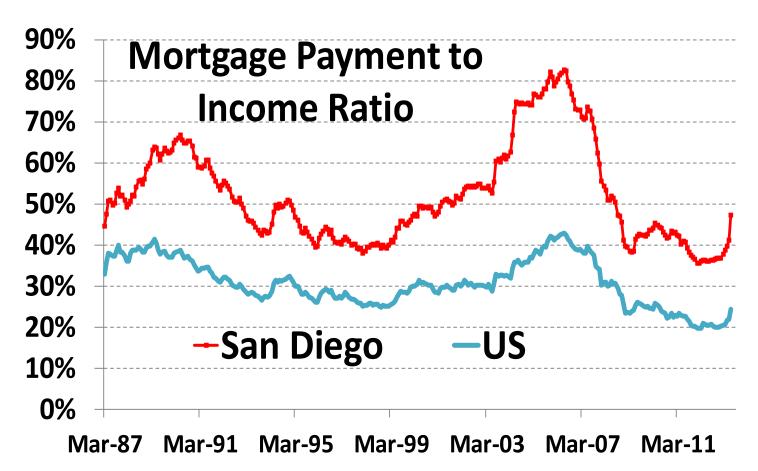


### The 46% Jump in New Home Sales Activity Noted Throughout the Southland in 2012 Does Appear to be Holding in 2013 as Forecasts Indicate a 12% Reduction



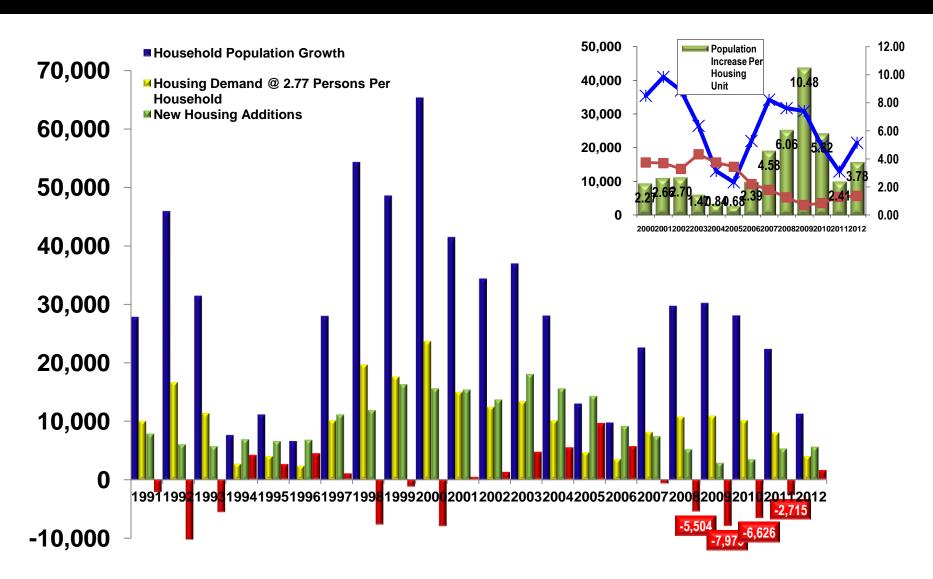


## Housing Affordability – Mortgage Payment Up, But Still Affordable



- San Diego monthly mtg payment has risen from 36% to 47% of income over past year
- 60% of 11 point rise due to higher home prices, 40% due to higher mortgage rates

### Strong Population Growth is Creating A Pent-up Demand Condition

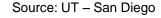






### 2013 MARKET FORECAST

- San Diego home prices in June rose 19% from a year ago, largest year-over-year hike since March 2005.
- San Diego is outpacing national home-price growth, which was 12% when tallying all 20 areas in the index.
- Foreclosure resales made up 7% of home sales in June, down from 20%.
- Home prices are rising due to an increasing number of real estate investors, typically refurbished and going at a higher price.
- Affordability continues to be a problem for first-time buyers being hit with rising interest rates and prices.





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# WHY IS INVENTORY SO LOW?



### Inventory Low but Moving Slightly Higher

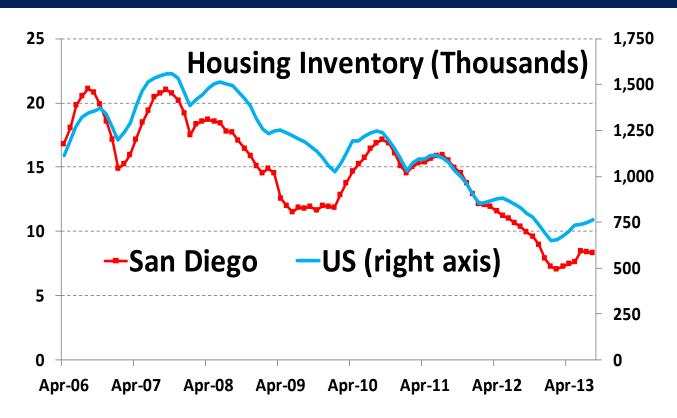


Note: "Unsold Inventory Index" represents the number of months it would take to sell the remaining inventory for the month in question. The remaining inventory for the month is defined as the number of properties that were "Active", "Pending", and "Contingent" (when available) and divide the sum by the number of "Sold" properties for the month in question.

SERIES: Unsold Inventory Index of Existing Single Family Homes SOURCE: CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®

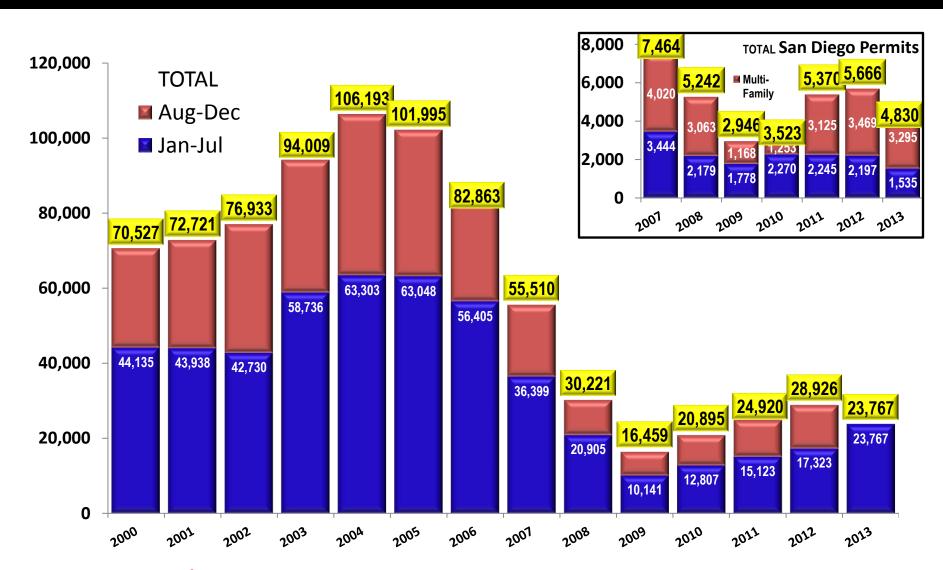


## Constrained Supply Led Recovery – Demand Not That Strong



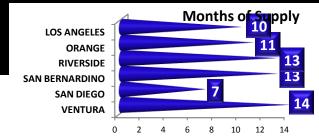
- US household formation +750K per yr vs expectations of +1.2 million+
- First-time homebuyer share of sales 29% versus past "normal" levels of 40%
- 25-34 yr olds living with parents still high (~14% in 2012) student loan debt
- · Weak income growth, high unemployment, tight underwriting

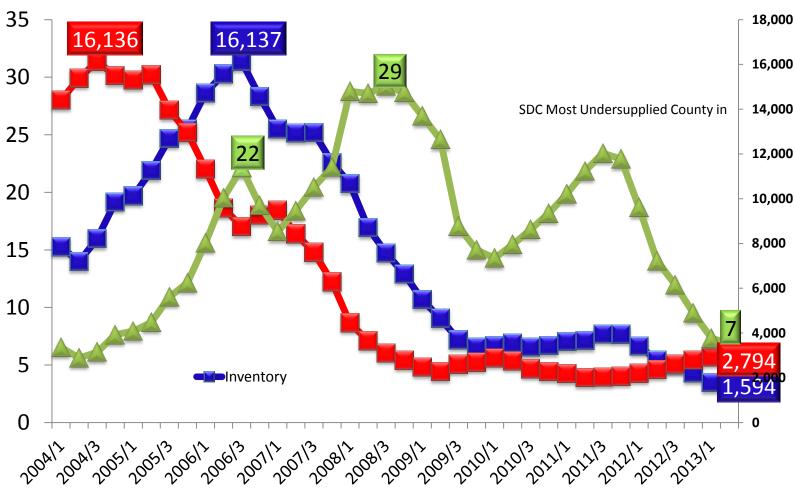
## SoCal Permit Activity Continues to Surge into 2013 as Permit Authorizations Are Up 37%, the Best Since 2008





## **Inventory Will be Big Driver of New Home Sales Volumes in 2013 in SD**











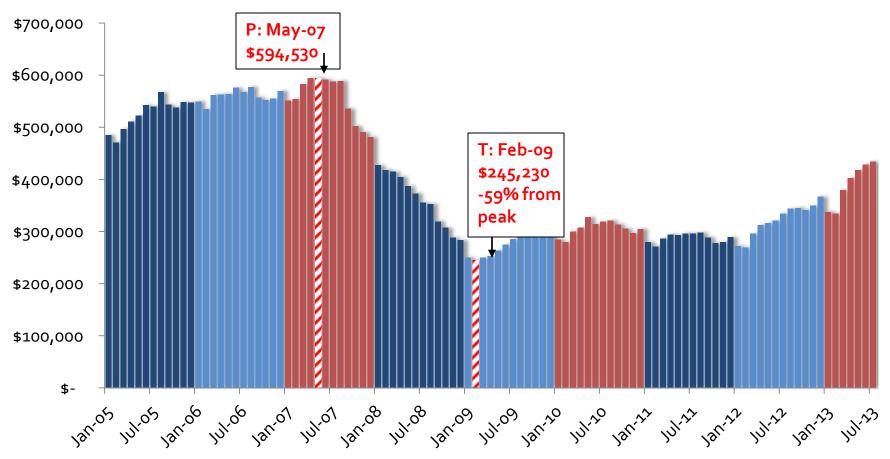


# HOUSING PRICES: HOW WORRIED SHOULD WE BE?



### Median Prices Up Sharply since Feb 2012

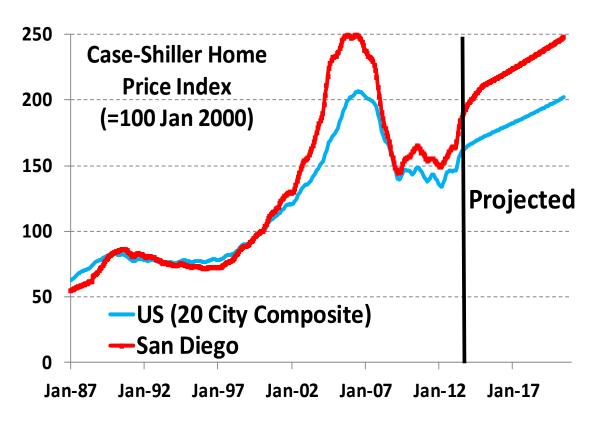
California, July 2013: \$433,760, Up 29.8% YTY



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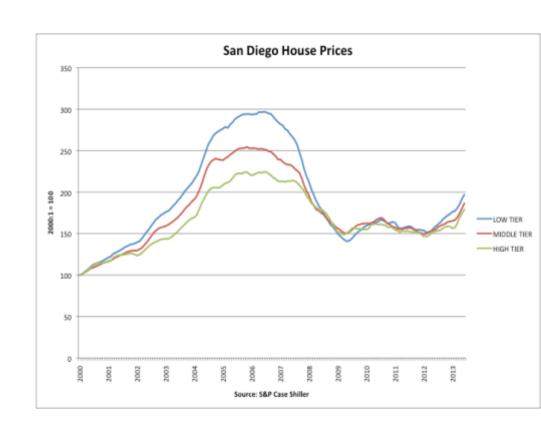
### **Housing Price Outlook – Positive on Land Scarcity**



- Home Price Appreciation in Q2: (1) San Diego +34% vs 20 City Composite +15%
- Projecting +13% for US in 2013, +4% in 2014, +3% after
- Assume San Diego outperformance shrinks: ~ +19% 2013, +7% 2014, +3% after
- Home prices might rise more than inflation Land scarcity Micro-apartments

### Is There a Bubble in House Prices?

- Recent upturn is partly artificial
- What happens when mortgage rates rise?
- Falling % of underwater borrowers => greater inventory and existing sales
- Affordability constraints





### 2012-2013 SECURED TAX BILL



- 980,654 property tax bills
- Expected to generate: \$4,557,465,193
- Collection to date: 98.91%



### **Proposition 13**

Under State law (June 1978), real property is reappraised only when a change-in-ownership occurs, or upon completion of new construction. Except for these two instances, property assessments cannot be increased by more than 2% annually, based on the California Consumer Price Index.

## FIGHT AHEAD TO KEEP PROPOSITION 13 IN PLACE!



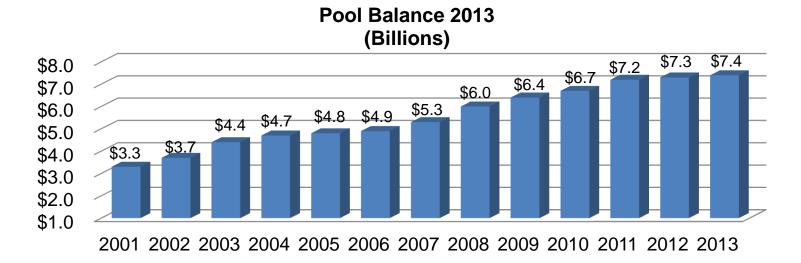
## SAN DIEGO COUNTY INVESTMENT POOL

#### Pool is currently rated "AAAf" by Standard and Poor's

#### **Goals of the Pool**

- Safeguard the principal of the Pool
- Meet liquidity needs of the participants
- Achieve a return on the funds within the parameters of prudent risk management

### On April 30, 2013 the Pool reached a new record high balance of \$7.4 billion









### **HOUSING FINANCE:**

WHERE ARE RATES HEADED?
REFORM TIMETABLE & OUTCOMES
FUTURE OF THE 30 YEAR FRM?

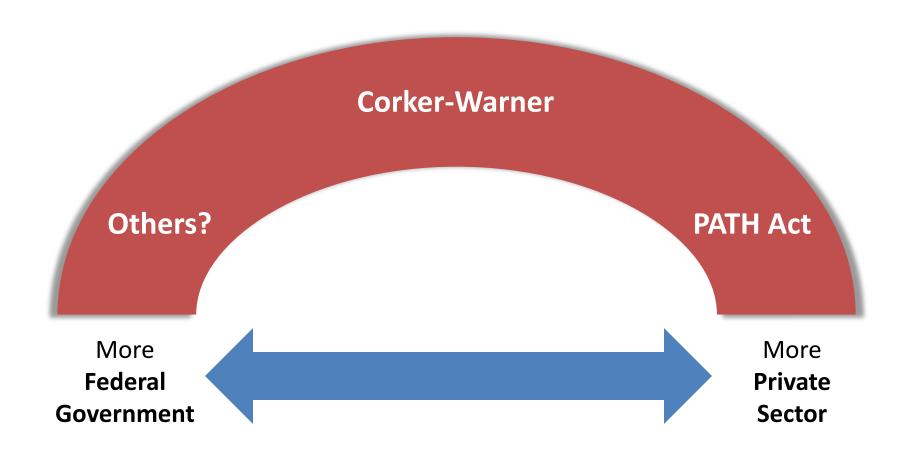


### Where Are Mortgage Rates Headed?

- Effect of ending QE
- Will money creation lead to inflation?
- Concentration, cost and spreads
- Phase out of the GSEs?
- Future of the 30 year fixed rate mortgage

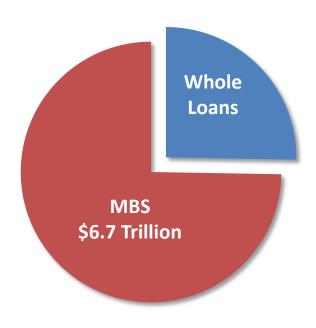


### **Housing Finance Reform Bills**



### **Key Questions for U.S. Policymakers**

- Is there sufficient private capital to fund mortgage demand?
- Will foreign central banks buy MBS & debt without a Government Guarantee?
- Would capital markets buy MBS from new issuers or should we migrate to a fungible TBA security?



Outside of FHA, will borrowers still have the widespread option to obtain a 30-year fixed-rate pre-payable mortgage?

### The Role of the 30-Year Fixed-Rate Mortgage

Maintain	Eliminate
<ul> <li>Insulates borrowers from payment shock</li> <li>Lower delinquency rates for investors</li> <li>Provides more home price stability</li> <li>Funds majority of loans for first-time buyers and minorities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Greater taxpayer risk</li> <li>Other products to fill gap –         i.e., fixed-rate jumbo</li> <li>30-year protection         irrelevant given average         mortgage payoff &lt;7 years</li> <li>Higher costs for borrowers         than ARMs</li> </ul>

## What's So Special About the 30 Year Fixed Rate Mortgage?

### Benefits to the consumer

- Payment stability avoidance of interest rate risk
  - o But why 30 years?
- Penalty free refinance
  - But lock-in effect if rates and house prices fall
     Simplicity

### Costs to the lender/investor

- Interest rate risk difficult to hedge or match fund
- Difficult price and manage the prepayment option
- Higher rates for consumer (long term for fixed rate; prepayment option priced in rate)
  - Less affordable with inflation
- Taxpayer risk



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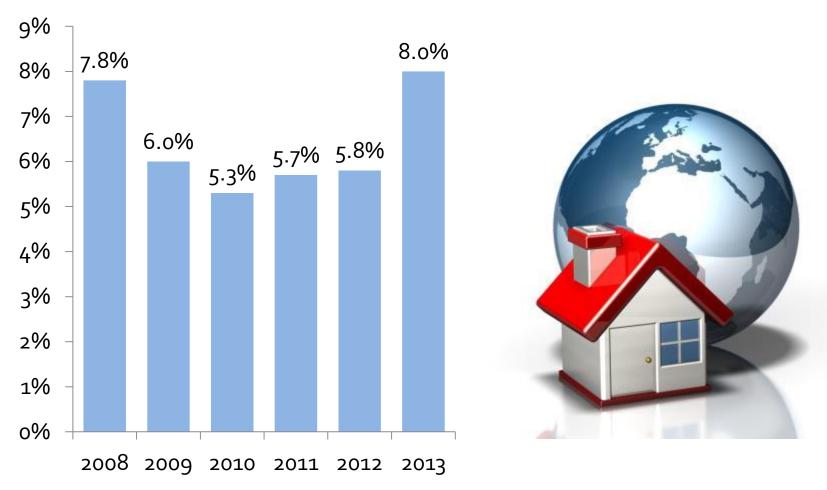


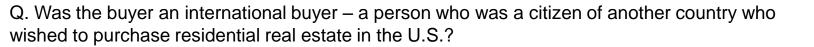


## CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES



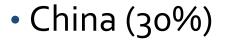
## International Buyers: Growing Impact on the CA Housing Market







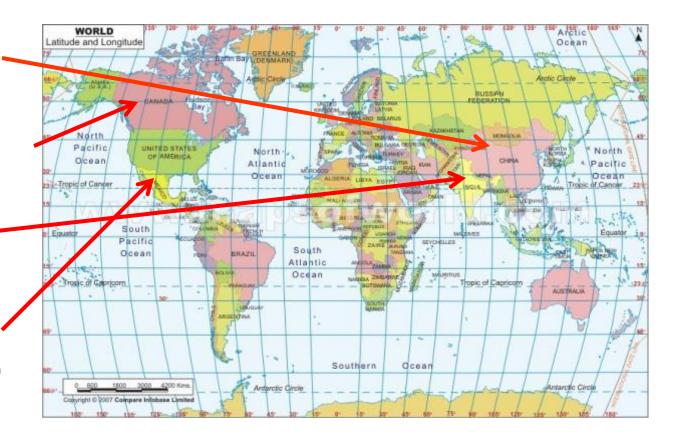
### **Country of International Buyer**



• Canada (9%)

• India (6%)

Mexico (13%)





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