3rd Quarter, 2011

Overall consumer debt in Hawaii continued to decline in the third quarter of 2011, consistent with national trends (Fig.1). The average debt per consumer (excluding first mortgages) in Hawaii was close to $17,400 for Q3, which was similar to the national average of roughly $17,200. Average revolving debt per consumer in Hawaii, which includes balances related to bank cards, revolving home equity, and retail, was roughly $9,500 for Q3, higher than the national figure of about $7,800. Total consumer debt and revolving debt have fallen since their peaks in 2009, but debt levels remain above those from the earlier part of the decade.

For the third quarter, the average outstanding student and auto debt balances for Hawaii consumers were roughly $7,800 and $13,700, respectively (Fig. 2). Average bank card debt for Hawaii consumers was $2,000, which was on par with the U.S. average of just over $2,000.

Average delinquency rates (loans that are at least 30 days past due) varied across trade lines, as shown in Fig. 3. About 9.6 percent of outstanding student loans in Hawaii were delinquent in Q3, which was lower than the national average of just over 11 percent. Approximately 3.8 percent of auto loans and 1.6 percent of bank card loans were past due in Hawaii, compared to the national rates of 3.8 percent and 1.9 percent, respectively.
As shown in Fig. 4, ten percent of outstanding mortgages in Hawaii were past due (30 days or more delinquent) and 7.3 percent were seriously delinquent (more than 90 days past due). Nationally, these figures were 11.1 percent and 6.9 percent, respectively. For the 12th District as a whole, 9.8 percent of mortgages were past due, and 6.6 percent were seriously delinquent.

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Figure 4: Mortgage Delinquencies in the 12th District

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