# TRENDS IN DELINQUENCIES AND FORECLOSURES IN UTAH

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### Outline of Presentation

- National Trends
  - Recession and turmoil in financial markets has had broad repercussions, especially for lower-income households
    - Signs of stabilization in financial markets and consumer spending
- Utah
  - Rising unemployment across broad range of sectors
    - Ongoing weakness in the labor market may continue to push up foreclosures and poses risks to the recovery of the housing sector
  - Trends in foreclosures
    - Though slightly below US average, Utah is seeing a rising foreclosure rate
  - Utah seeing softening of real estate market



### Weakness in Labor Market Grave Concern

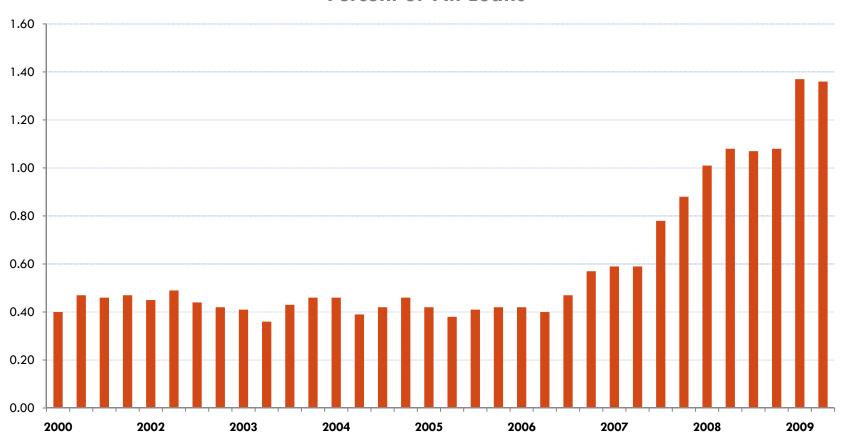


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

### National Foreclosure Starts Rose Sharply in 1st Quarter of 2009

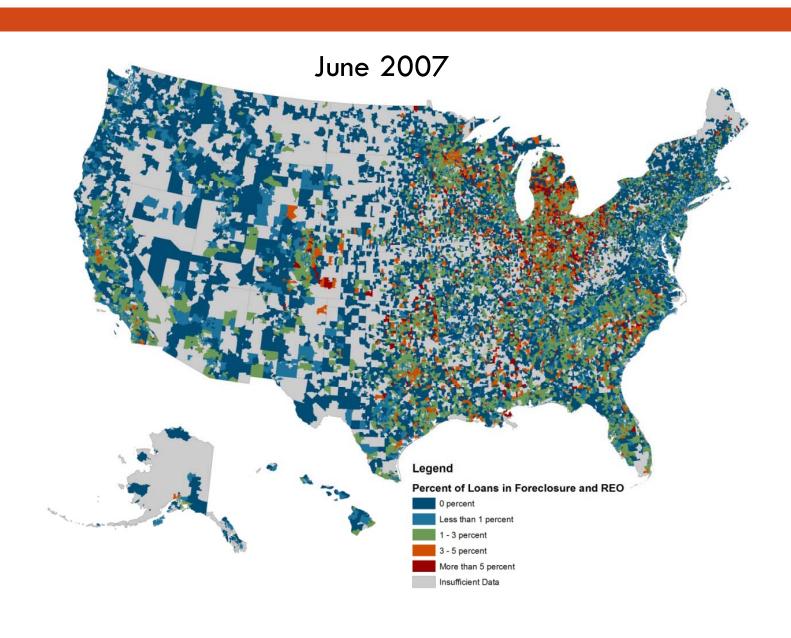
#### **National Foreclosures Starts**

**Percent of All Loans** 

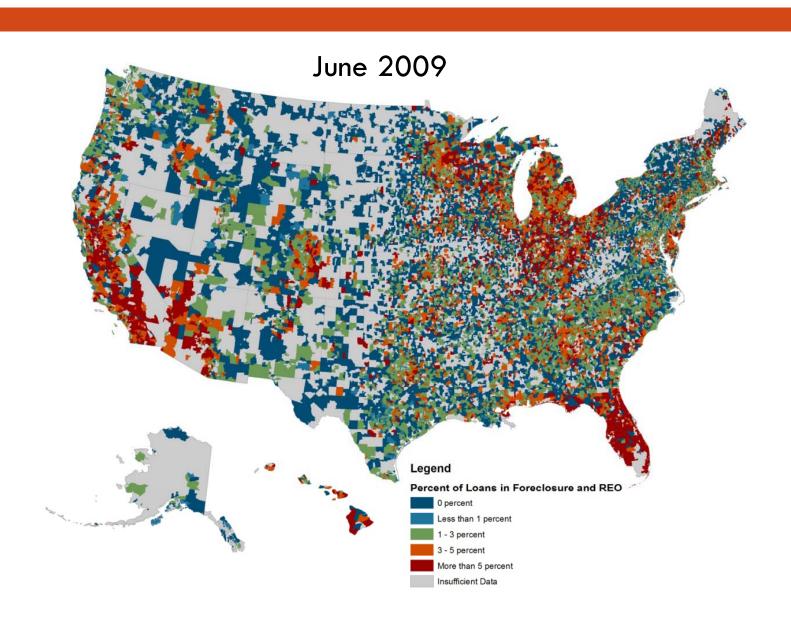


Source: Mortgage Bankers Association, National Delinquency Survey

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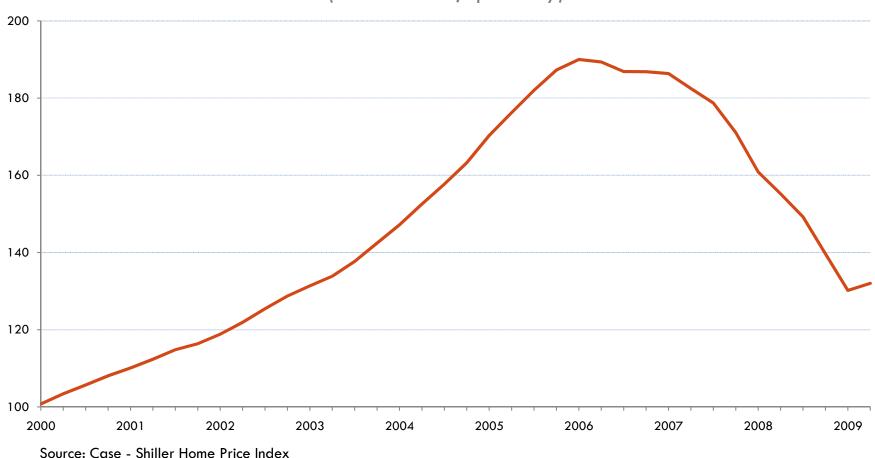
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### House Prices Rose Slightly in 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009

#### **Case-Shiller National House Price Index**

(2000 = 100, quarterly)



### How Does This Compare to Great Depression?

	Current Crisis	The Great Depression
GDP decline	3.9%	36%
Unemployment	9.4%	25%
Stock Market decline	48%	87%
Mortgage Delinquency	10.5%	50%
Bank Failures	100	Thousands

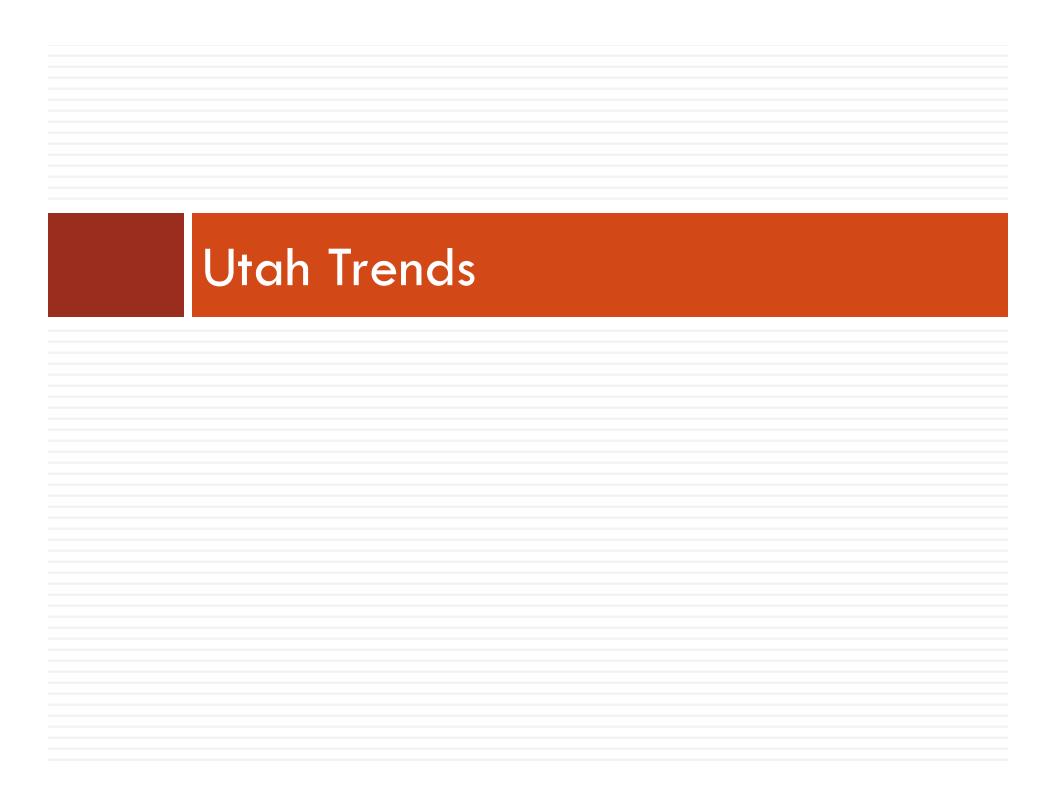
Source: FRBSF and Haver Analytics, as of July 2009.

### And Certain Market Indicators are Looking Up

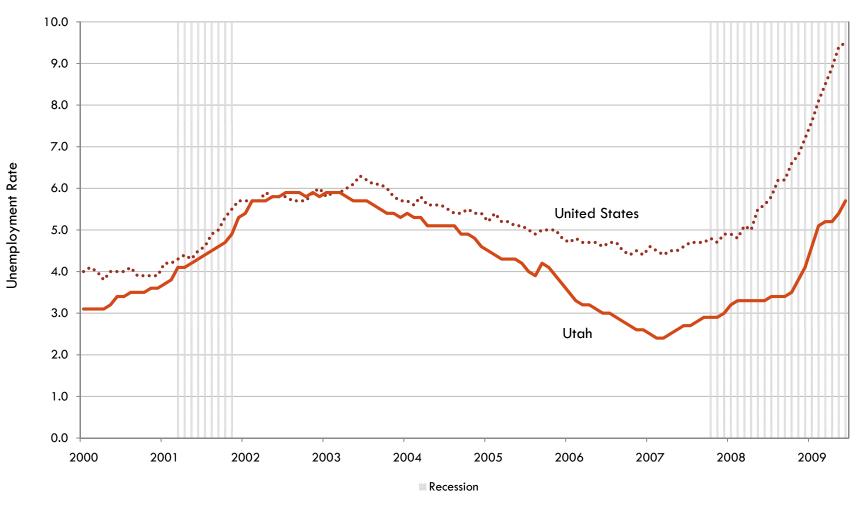
- □ Financial markets are improving, and the crisis mode that has characterized the past year is subsiding.
- The housing sector, which has been at the center of the economic and financial crisis, also looks to be stabilizing albeit, at a very depressed level. Housing starts and new home sales have leveled off, and existing home sales have edged up in recent months.
- Income from the federal fiscal stimulus, as well as some improvement in confidence, has helped stabilize consumer spending. Since consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of all economic activity, this is a key precondition for economic recovery.

## Nevertheless, Recession is Likely to Have Long-Lasting Impacts, Especially for Lower-Income Families

- 48 states face significant budget shortfalls, and are cutting public services such as health benefits for children and public education.
- Tightening lending standards will make it more difficult for families and small businesses to access credit: the Federal Reserve's quarterly Senior Loan Officer Opinion Survey on Bank Lending Practices found that 65 percent reported tightened standards for the fourth quarter of 2008.
- CDFIs are increasingly facing liquidity constraints; their borrowers are in more need of 'patient' capital at the same time it is becoming harder to provide it.



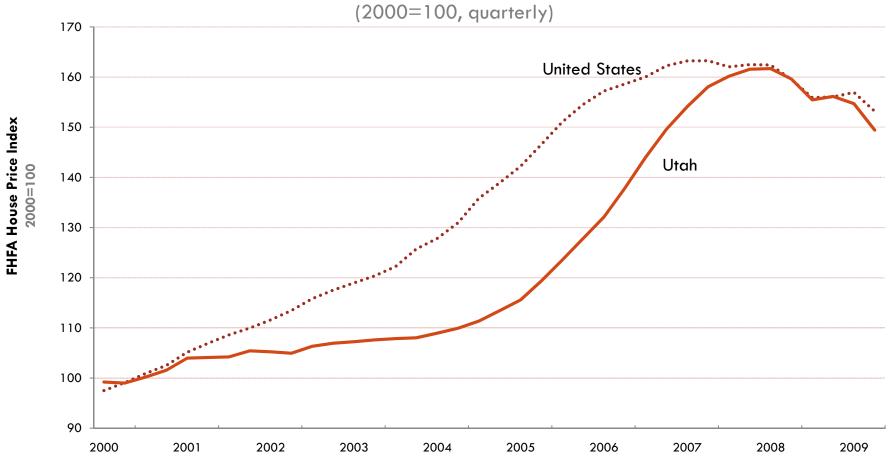
# Unemployment Rate in Utah also on the Rise, though Below US Average



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

### Utah Seeing Softening of Real Estate Market



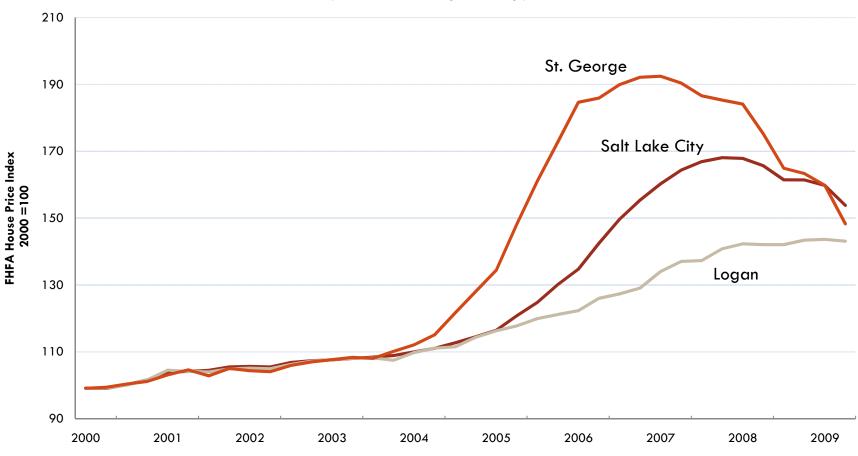


Source: Federal Housing Finance Agency (formerly OFHEO)

## St. George Experiencing Greatest Decline in House Values

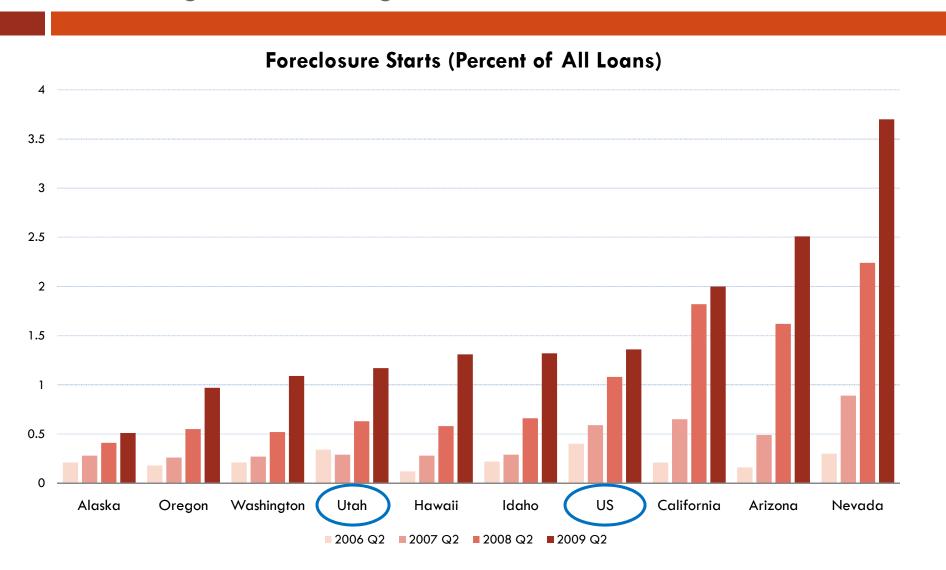
#### FHFA (formerly OFHEO) House Price Index

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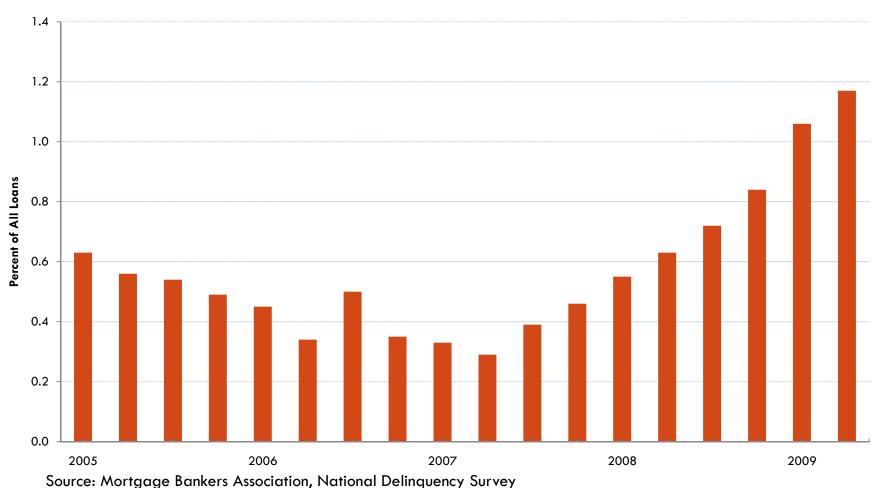
### Foreclosure Rate in Utah Has Risen Significantly, Nearing US Average



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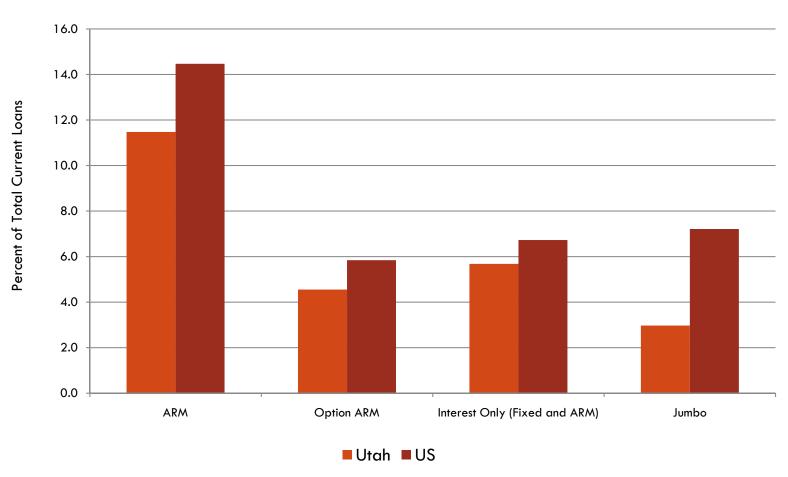
## Utah Saw a Continued Increase in Foreclosure Starts in 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009

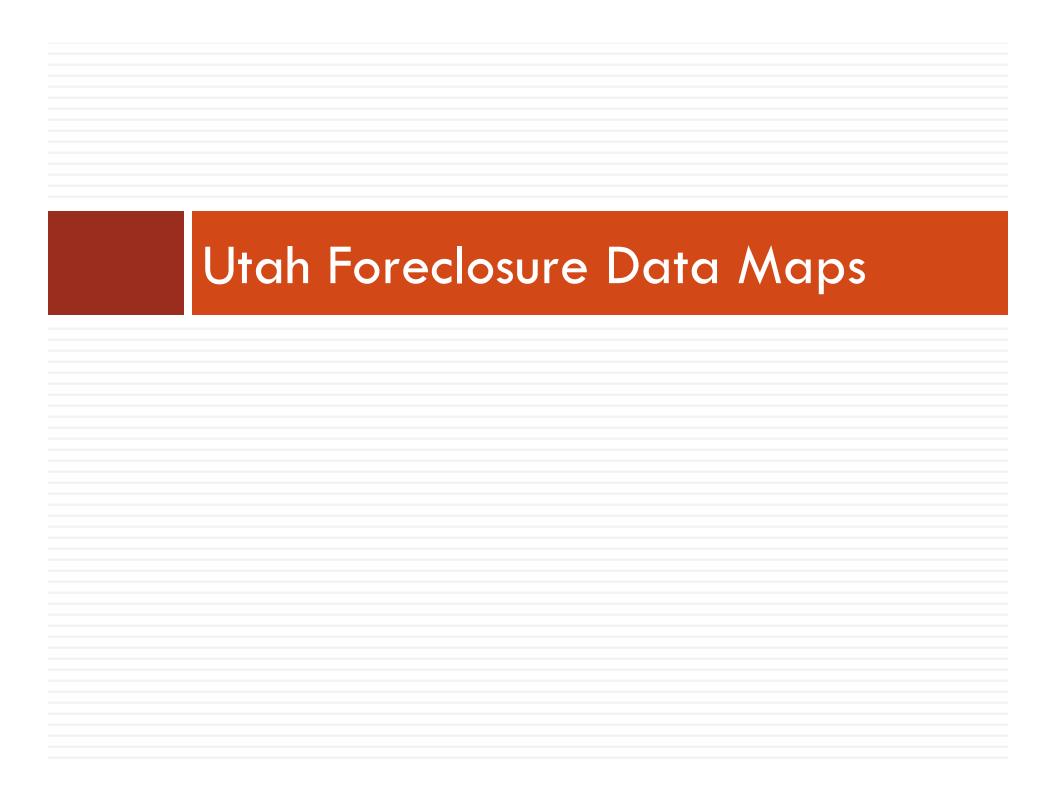
#### **Utah: Foreclosure Starts**



## Growing Concerns over Sustainability of Loans with Payment Options (in subprime, prime and Alt-A markets)

#### Characteristics of Remaining "Current" Loans

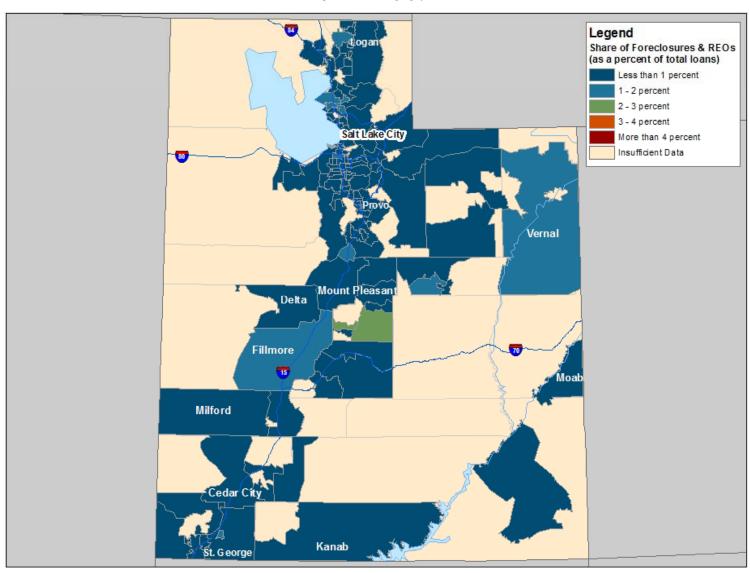




### Utah Data Maps

### **Areas Affected by Concentrated Foreclosures**

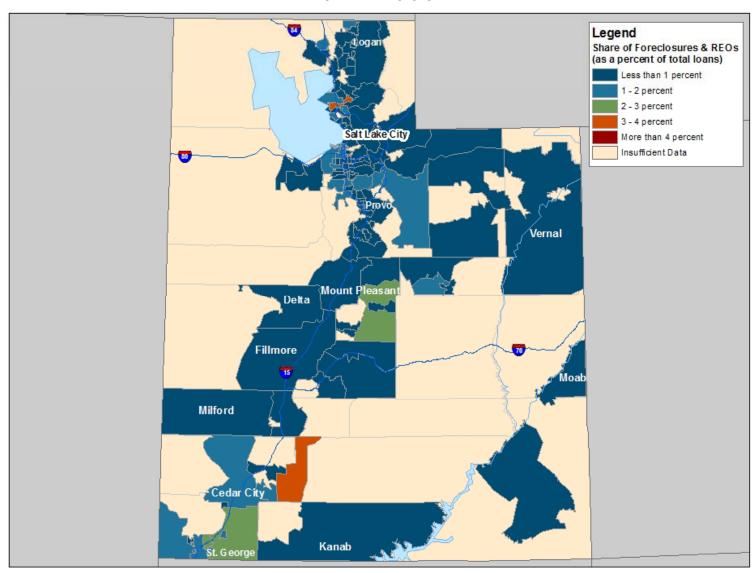
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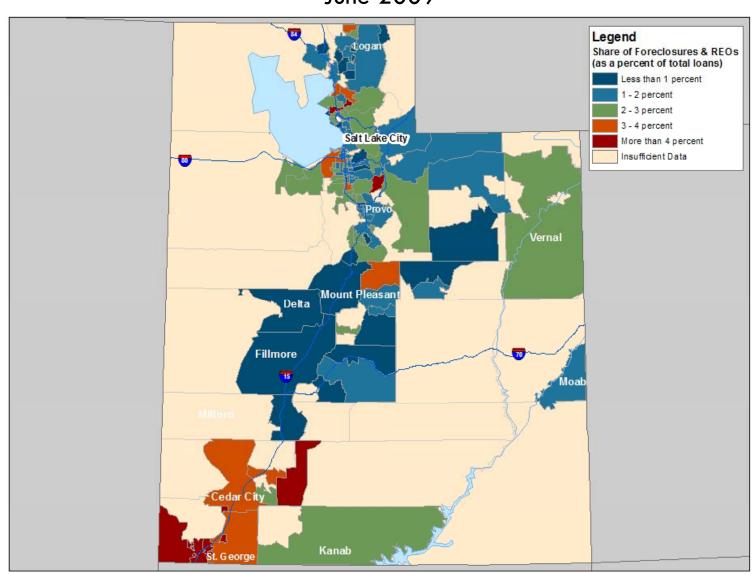
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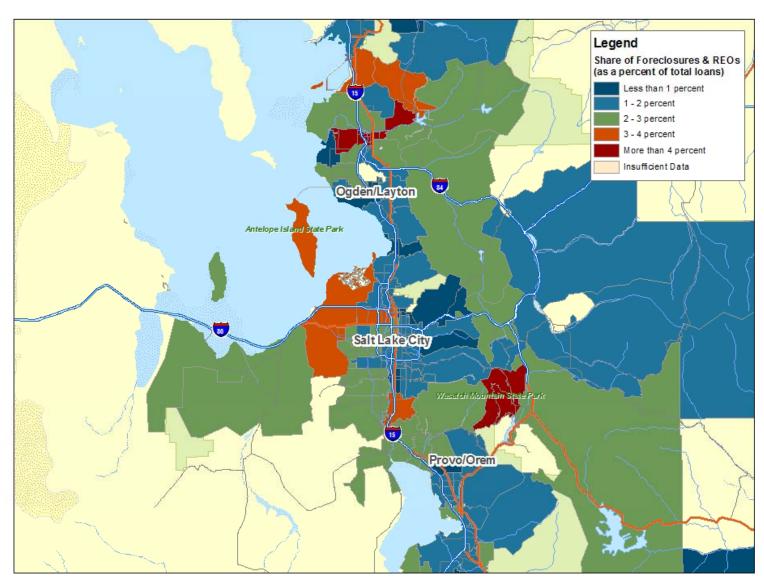
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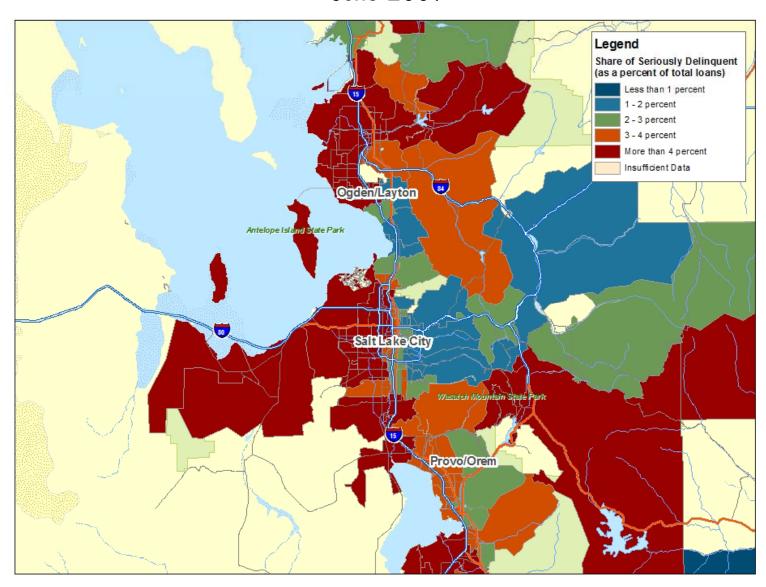
### Salt Lake City Data Maps

### Neighborhoods Affected by Concentrated Foreclosures June 2009



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### Neighborhoods at Risk for Additional Foreclosures June 2009





#### Continued Need for Foreclosure Prevention

- Important to reach borrowers with 'preventable' foreclosures
  - Borrower Outreach Events
    - Expand use of foreclosure prevention workbook

      <a href="http://www.utahhousing.org/documents/2008\_SEPForeclosureWorkbook\_English-1.pdf">http://www.utahhousing.org/documents/2008\_SEPForeclosureWorkbook\_English-1.pdf</a>
  - Making Homes Affordable
    - Federal program provides both loan modification and refinance options
    - Online form available that allows borrowers to assess if they qualify for the program
      - http://makinghomeaffordable.gov/eligibility.html

### Preventing Foreclosure Scams

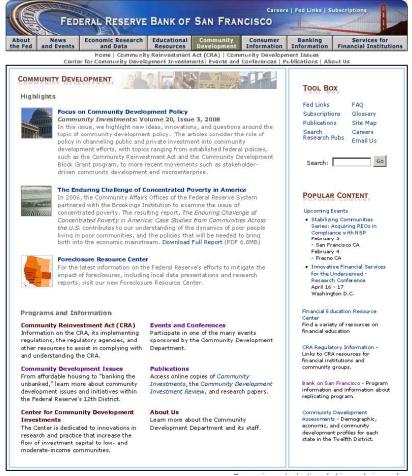
- Foreclosure scams are proliferating, especially in markets with investor interest
  - Some counties are sending notices to all delinquent borrowers to warn them about foreclosure scams
  - Free media kit available from the Federal Reserve which includes a PSA and other resources: <a href="http://www.federalreserveeducation.org/pfed/mediakit.cfm">http://www.federalreserveeducation.org/pfed/mediakit.cfm</a>
  - NeighborWorks PSA: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/nwpad">http://www.youtube.com/nwpad</a>
- Other 5 Tip brochures and resources available from the Federal Reserve
  - http://www.federalreserve.gov/consumerinfo/fivetips.htm

## Stabilizing Communities and Helping Families After Foreclosure

- Develop service delivery and resources for families who go through foreclosure
  - Rental housing assistance
  - Credit repair
  - Minimizing disruption for children (e.g. allowing them to finish the school year in their old school)
- Minimize negative spillover effects of vacant properties on surrounding neighborhood
  - Ensure servicer maintenance of REOs
  - Work with lenders/servicers to acquire and rehab foreclosures for affordable housing

# For More Information: FRBSF Community Development Website

- Links to other resources and research on foreclosure trends and mitigation strategies
- All publications,
   presentations available on our website
- Conference materials also posted shortly after events



http://www.frbsf.org/community/