## TRENDS IN DELINQUENCIES AND FORECLOSURES IN NEVADA

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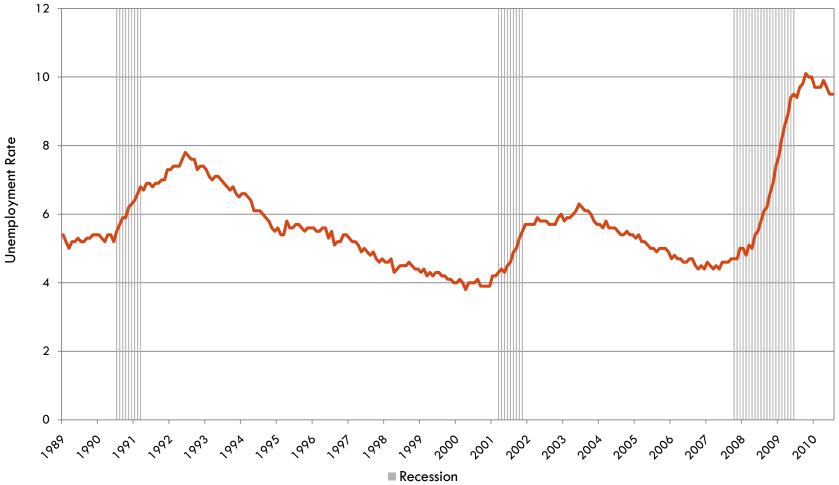
## National Trends

- According to John Williams, Director of Research at the FRBSF, the economic outlook is for a slow and modest recovery
  - Unemployment still a major concern, and unlikely to see significant drops in the unemployment rate in the next year
  - While the housing market appears to be stabilizing, recovery is muted, and construction starts and home sales are both down in the most recent period
  - Growth of real gross domestic product (GDP), the broadest measure of the strength of the economy, is hovering around 2 percent in the current quarter
- Large "shadow" inventory of properties in delinquency or some stage of the foreclosure process also remains a concern



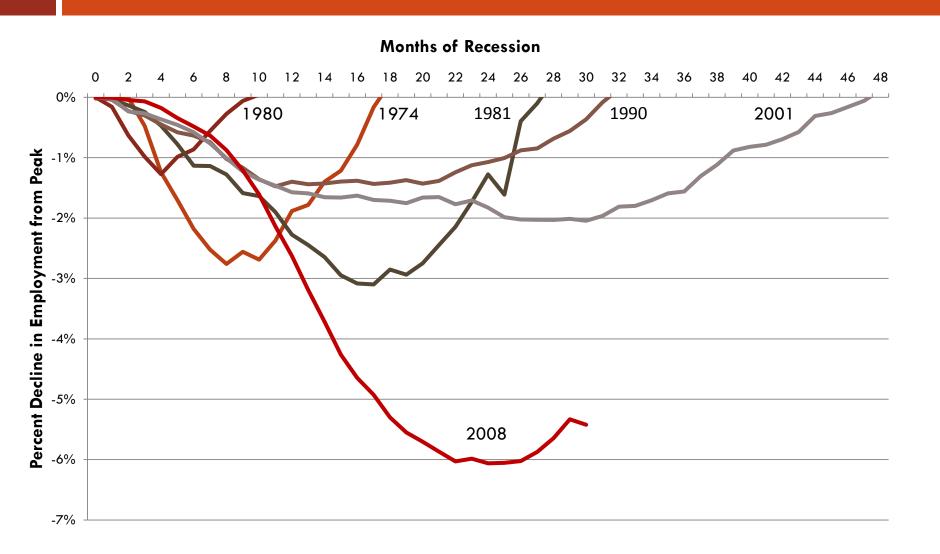
#### Unemployment continues to hover around 10%





Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, September 2010

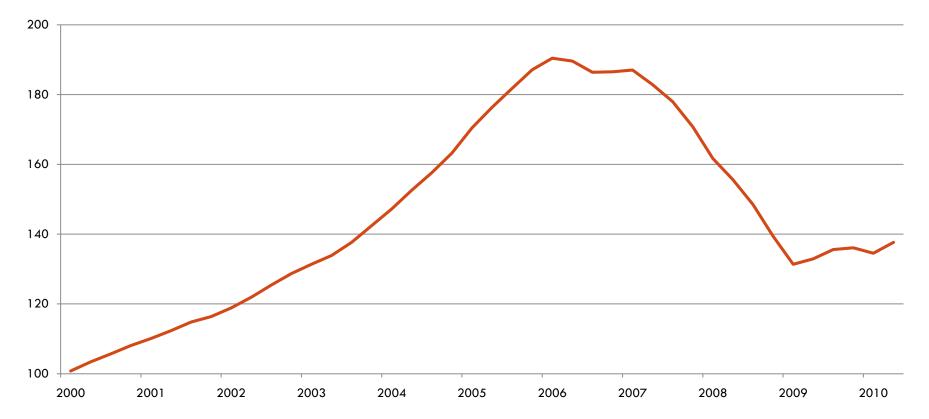
# Depth of this economic downturn eclipses past recessions



## Case-Shiller shows tepid housing recovery

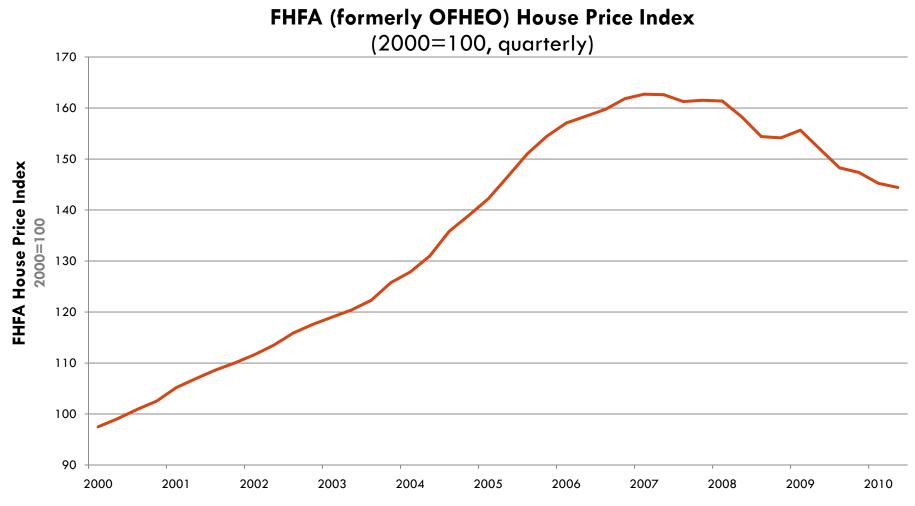
**Case-Shiller National House Price Index** 

(2000 = 100, Quarterly)



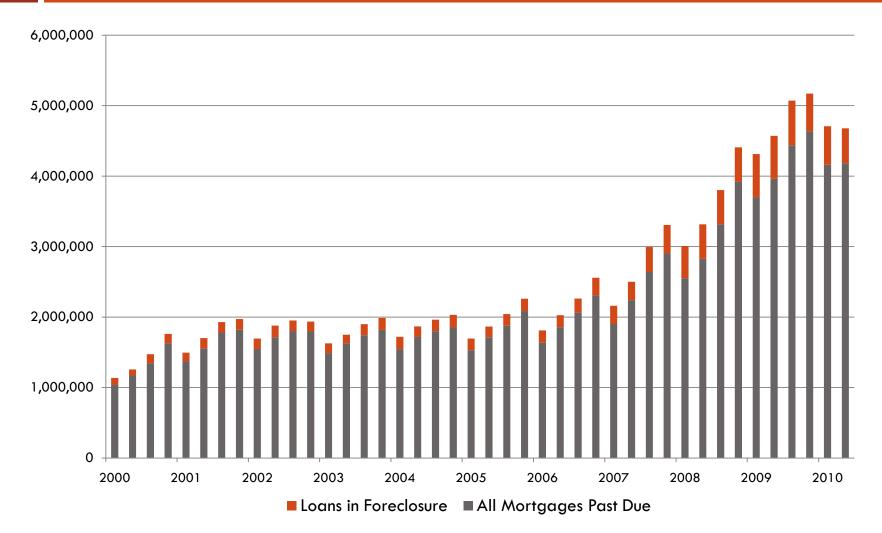
Source: Case - Shiller Home Price Index

FHFA House Price Index continues to fall, reflecting activity at lower end of market



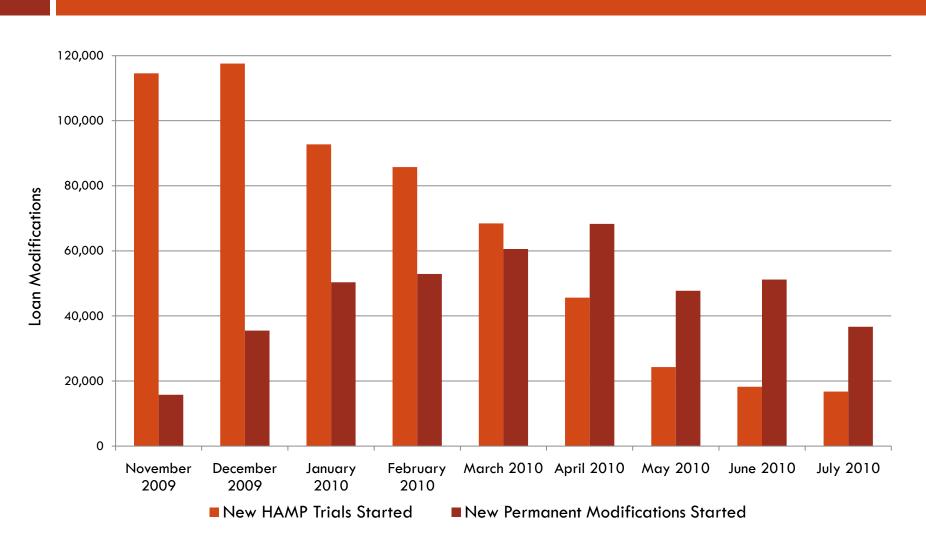
Source: Federal Housing Finance Agency (formerly OFHEO)

# Overall delinquencies drop, but still more than 4.5 million homes in distress



Source: Mortgage Bankers Association, National Delinquency Survey

HAMP modifications down slightly in July; borrowers still face challenges in obtaining permanent modifications



Source: HAMP Service Performance Report Through July 2010



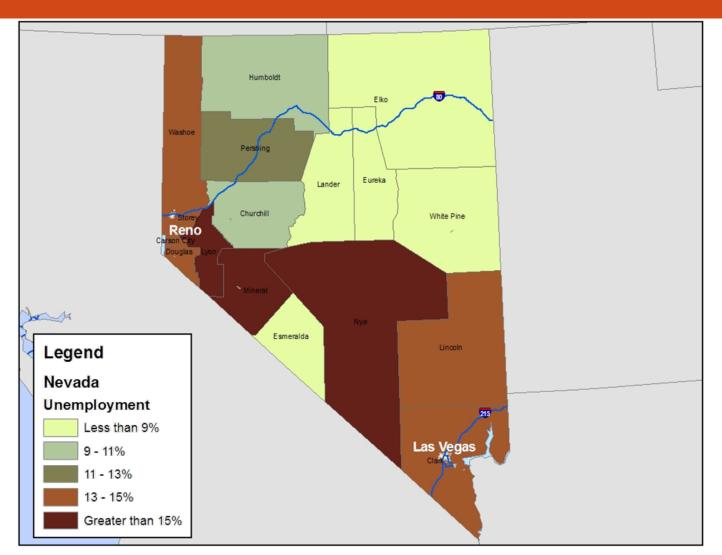
## Unemployment rate in Nevada continues to rise – hit 14.3 percent in July 2010



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

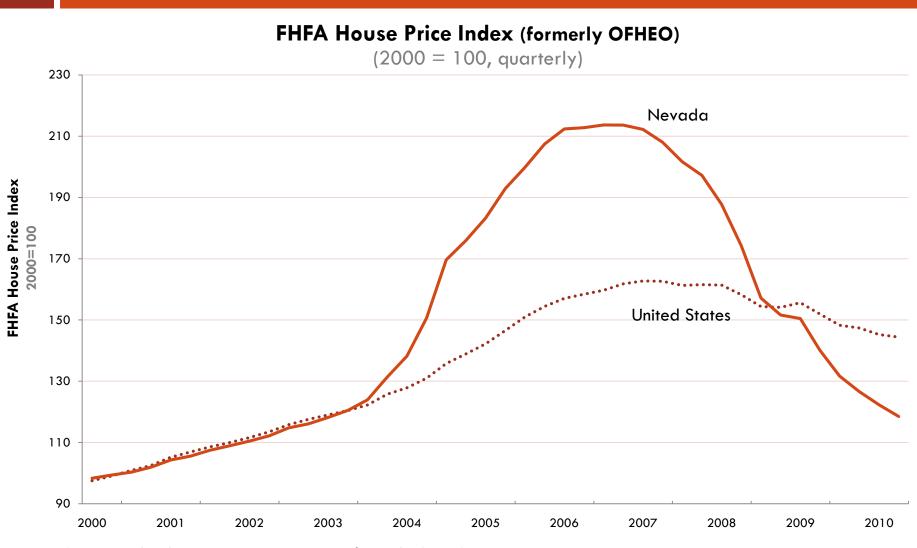
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## Unemployment in Nevada by county



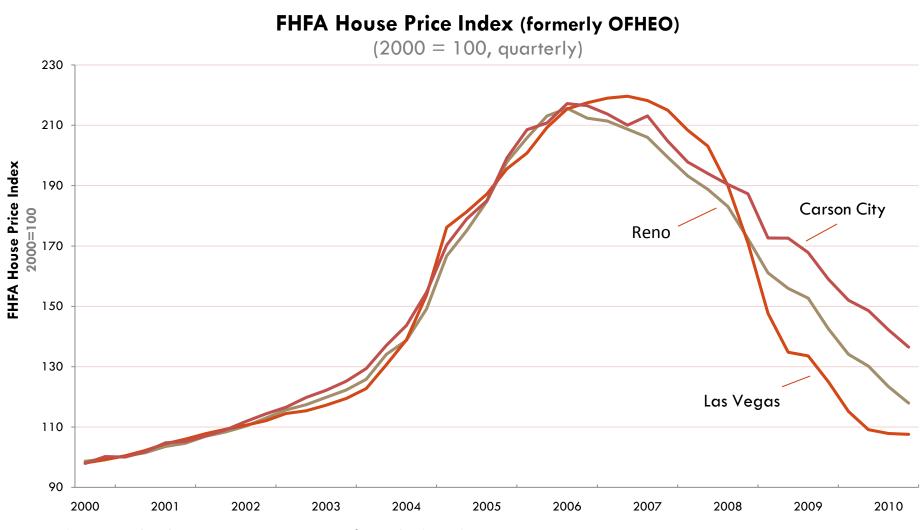
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Nevada house prices remain in steep decline



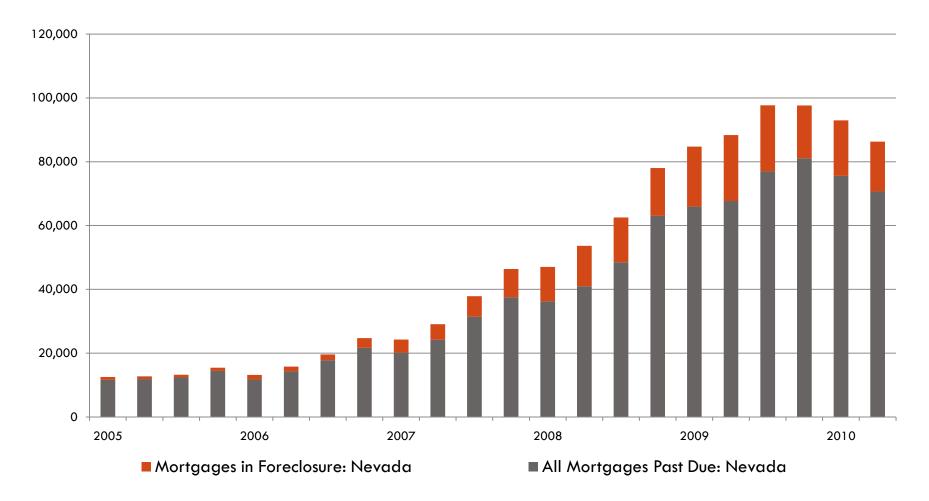
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#### Las Vegas House Price Index Down to 2001 Levels



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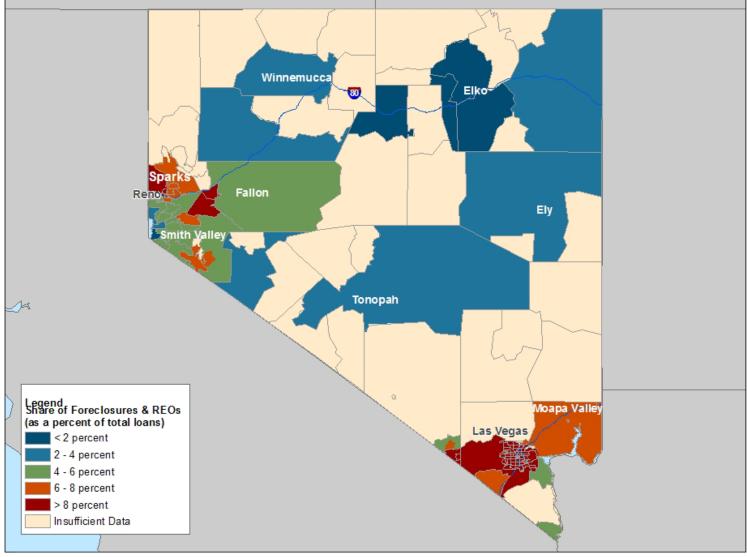
## The number of distressed properties – delinquent and in foreclosure – seems to be stabilizing



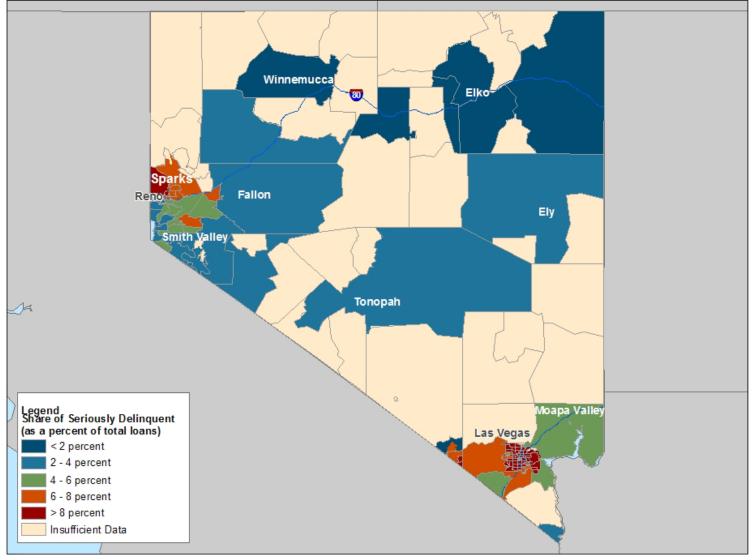
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## Nevada Foreclosure Data Maps

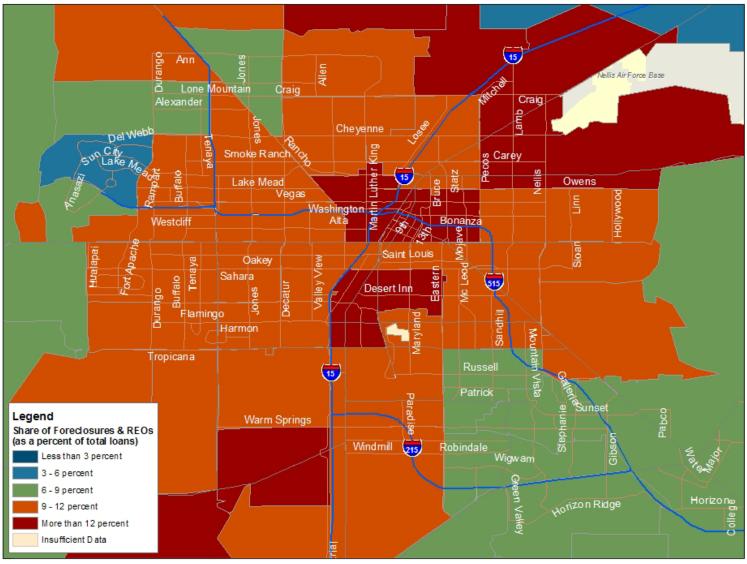
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#### Areas at Risk of Additional Foreclosures July 2010

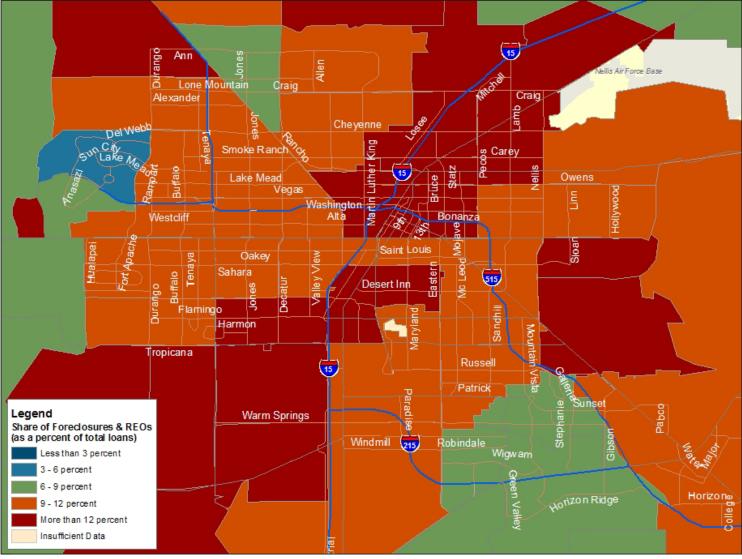


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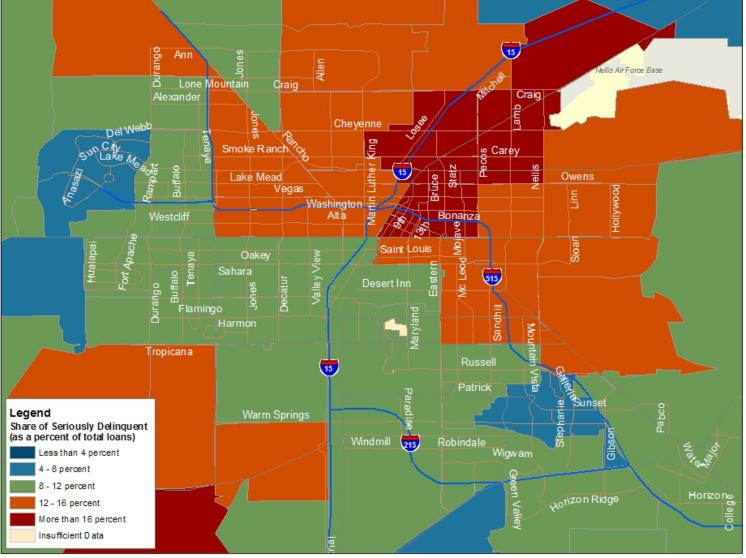
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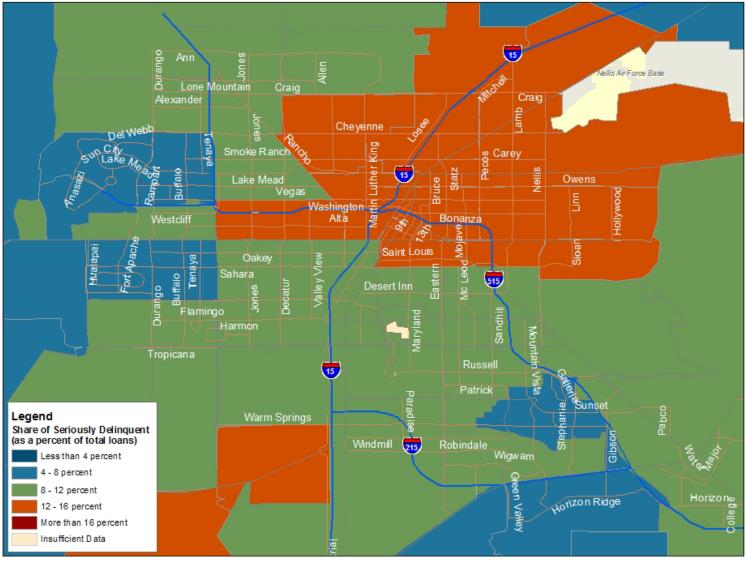


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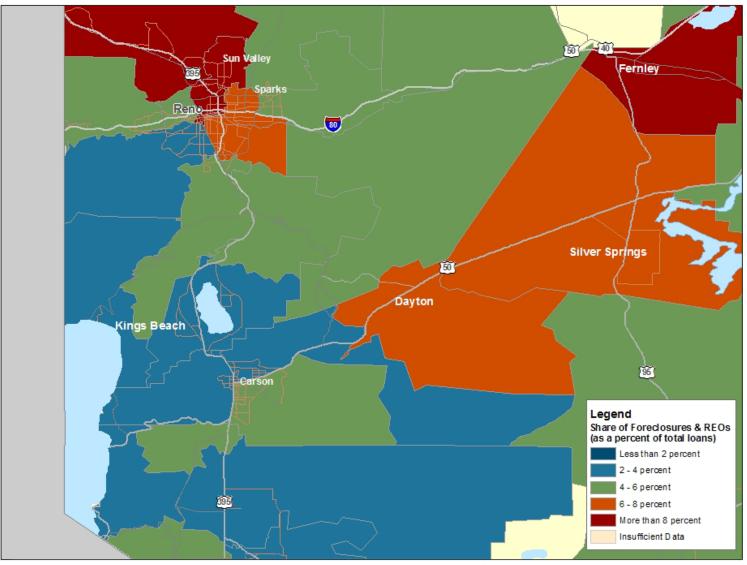
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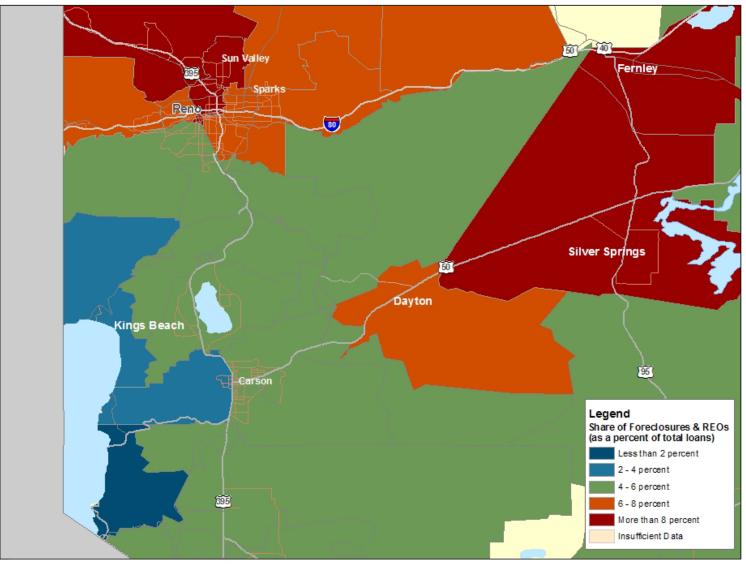
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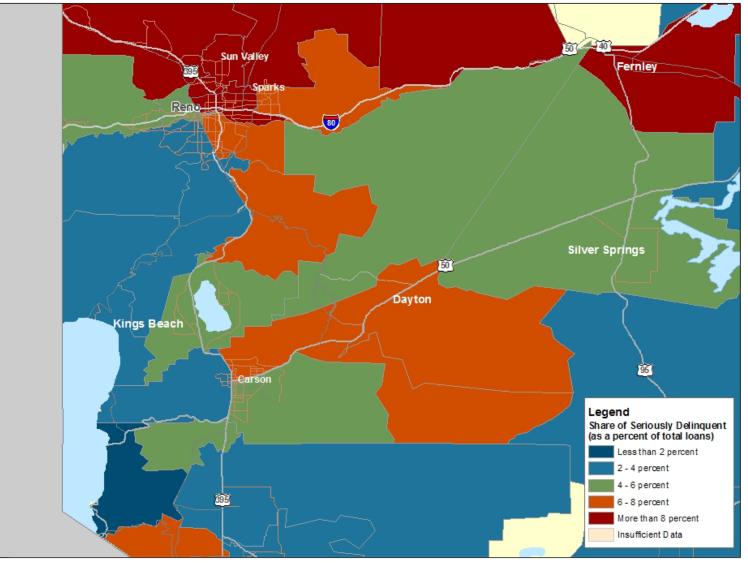
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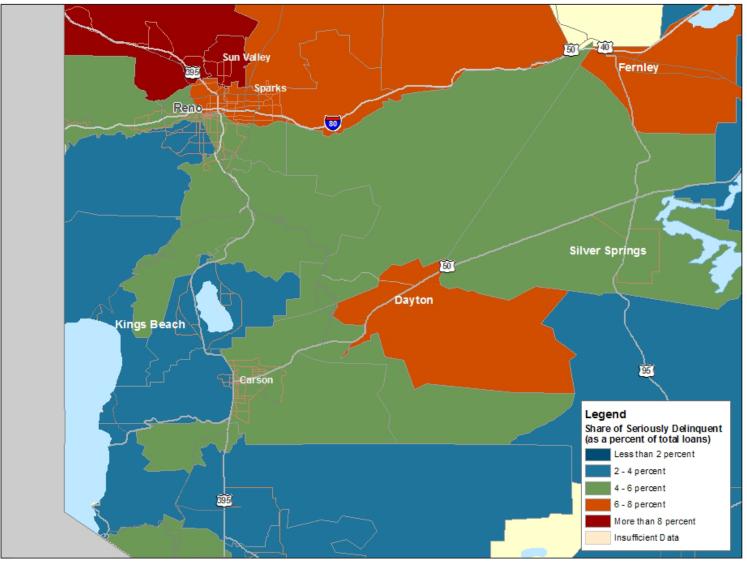
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## **Continued Need for Foreclosure Prevention**

- Important to reach borrowers with 'preventable' foreclosures
  - Borrower Outreach Events
    - Expand use of foreclosure information workbook <u>http://foreclosurehelp.nv.gov/Brochures/ForeclosureWorkbook.pdf</u>
  - 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
      - <u>http://makinghomeaffordable.gov/eligibility.html</u>

## 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: <u>http://www.federalreserveeducation.org/pfed/mediakit.cfm</u>
  - NeighborWorks PSA: <u>http://www.youtube.com/nwpad</u>
- 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

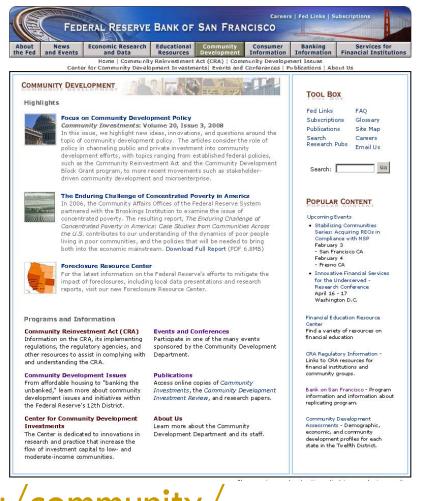
Develop service delivery and resources for families who go through foreclosure

- 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/