

# First Glance 12L (1Q13)

## Banking Recovery Continues Despite Margin Pressures

A First Look at the Financial Performance of Banks\* Headquartered within "12L" (the 12th Federal Reserve District)

Based on Preliminary 1Q2013 Call & Income Report Data

May 22, 2013



12<sup>th</sup> District

\* The main section of this report addresses the performance and condition of 12<sup>th</sup> District commercial banks. District industrial banks and savings institutions are covered separately in Section 2.

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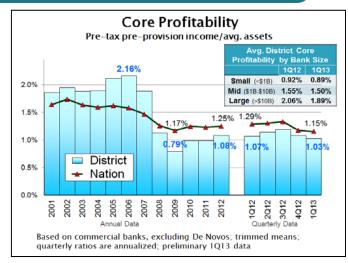
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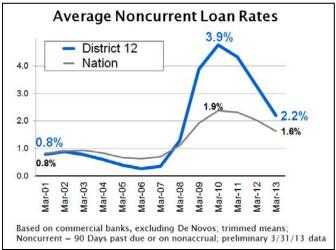
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## First Glance 12L - First Quarter 2013

### Banking Recovery Continues Despite Margin Pressures

- Core Profitability Edged Down Due to Margin Squeeze: Average District bank bottom-line profitability, while still weak, was near five-year highs in 1Q13 (ROAA of 0.72%) bolstered by improved overhead and sharply lower credit loss provisions (Slides 14, 18–19). Provisions averaged just 0.08% of assets (annualized), the lowest first quarter rate in over 12 years (Slide 17). However, core profitability (pre-tax pre-provision, at right and Slide 11) was off for the second consecutive quarter, equaling 1.03% of average assets. This is the lowest this ratio has been since 4Q11, as net interest margins dropped significantly (Slide 12). While funding costs edged down, loan yields fell more, particularly on consumer and C&l loans, and particularly at larger banks (assets over \$10B) that may be competing more aggressively for quality borrowers (Slide 13).
- Credit Quality-Steady Recovery: The 12<sup>th</sup> District bank average noncurrent loan rate has dropped for 12 consecutive quarters, reaching 2.2% as of 3/31/13 (at right and Slide 21). Small bank noncurrent rates remain highest on average; however, they've improved most over the past year. While the large bank average noncurrent rate ticked up in 1Q13 (Slide 22), other statistics suggest positive trends have not ended for this group as well. The recent declines in noncurrent rates span the major loan types, but with very slow improvement in C&I loans (Slide 23). Net charge-off rates continued to fall with the 1Q13 annualized rate of 0.18%, the lowest first quarter level in six years (Slide 27). Other Real Estate Owned levels remained elevated, but improved over the past three years (Slide 26).
- □ Upward Trend in Loan Growth: Year-over-year loan growth for District banks climbed to 4.8% on average, led by gains at mid-sized banks (Slide 28). The fastest growing loans, in percentage terms, were C&I (at large banks); multifamily (mid-sized banks), and all residential (small banks-Slide 30). The loans of broadest emphasis in the District, as measured by the percentage of banks with 20% annual loan growth or more, were 1-4 family residential (33% of banks) and C&I (22% of banks) (Slide 31).

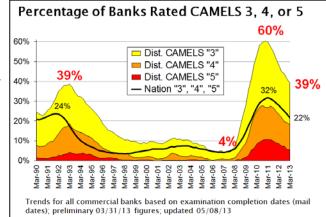




☐ Capital Ratios-Continued Strengthening: Bank capital ratios continued to increase, remaining well above pre-financial crisis levels (Slide 36-37) as earnings and earnings retention improved, while loan growth remained modest.

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- CAMELS Ratings-Slow Dig from Deep Recession Hole: The percentage of District banks with adverse CAMELS\* ratings has fallen for nine consecutive quarters. But at 39%, this percentage remains well above the national percentage of 22%, and far from a typical healthy banking environment where we would expect percentages of less than 10% (see at right and Slide 40). Relatively low percentages of District banks have adverse Consumer ratings (8%) or Community Reinvestment Act ratings (1.8%–Slide 42).
- Overall-Banks are Recovering, but with Earnings Pressures: Capital and liquidity metrics are very good; loan demand, loan quality, and earnings have improved dramatically over the past three years. Net interest margin challenges likely will remain in the intermediate-term, but the overall outlook for District banks is positive. Barring an unexpected shock, the last vestige of The Great Recession may be gone within two to three years.



\* CAMELS = rating system used by bank supervisors: Capital, Asset Quality, Management, Earnings, Liquidity, Sensitivity to Market Risk.

## **Bank Supervisors' Hot Topics**

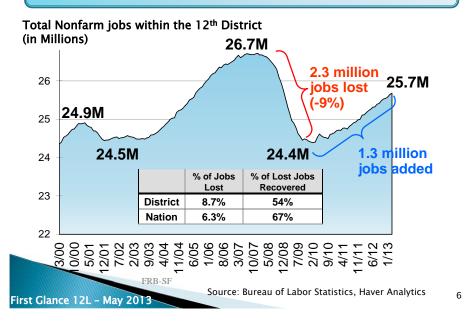
- Hot Topics: The following are some supervisory hot topics issues on bank supervisors' radar screens that tend to be a focus of attention during on-site examinations and off-site monitoring. These issues, starting on Slide 49, are similar to last quarter's. As in the past, this is not an exhaustive list of Hot Topics, and is not prioritized in any way.
  - <u>Earnings Challenges</u>: District banks' earnings will take time to fully recover, particularly given the low interest rate environment and will be challenged to return to the high profitability rates of the mid 2000s (Slide 49).
  - Expansion into New or Unfamiliar Lending Areas: Some banks are seeking to diversify and/or are otherwise expanding rapidly into areas such as C&I, 1-4 family first liens, and multifamily loans; banks need to maintain conservative underwriting practices, and prudent limits and controls (Slide 49).
  - <u>Interest Rate Risk:</u> With short-term interest rates near zero, many banks have extended the duration of their earning assets, potentially making them vulnerable to rising rates (Slide 50).
  - Residential Mortgage & Home Equity Lending: 1st lien mortgage problems of stressed homeowners will continue to trickle down to junior lien loans (Slide 51).
  - <u>CRE Income Property Loans Originated From 2005 to 2008:</u> Bank CRE loan concentrations remain high and commercial property markets have not fully recovered from The Recession; loans originated near market peaks may have little equity and weak cash flows. Low interest rates have supported CRE borrowers thus far (Slide 52).
  - Other Issues: (Slide 53).

# Section 1 Economic Highlights

Section provides a very high level look at economic conditions focusing on degree of recovery from the recession. It covers state by state job growth and home price changes, two key metrics that are correlated with banking conditions.

Additional 12<sup>th</sup> District economic trends: http://www.frbsf.org/publications/economics/et/index.pdf

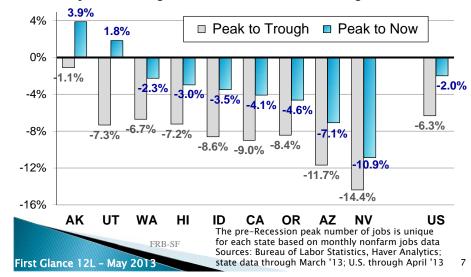
#### 12th District Nonfarm Jobs



#### Employment Situation in the 12th District

Slow Growth in Nonfarm Jobs – but Most States have Recovered at Least Half of the Jobs Lost; Jobs Now Surpass Pre-Recession Peaks in AK & UT

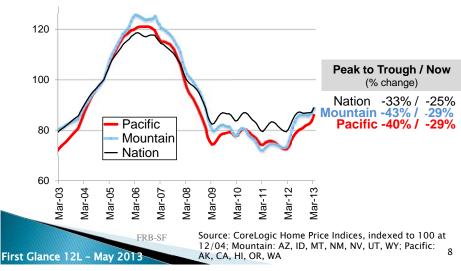
#### Nonfarm jobs - % Change from Pre-Recession Peaks through March 2013



#### Housing Recovery: Tailwind for District Banks

Mountain and Pacific Region Home Price Declines Were More Severe than the Nation, but Recovery is Gaining Momentum

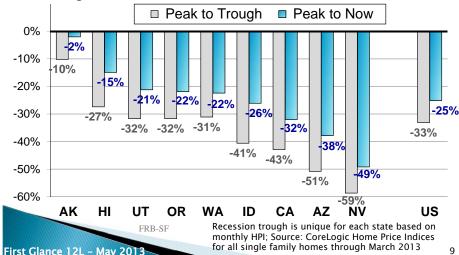
#### **Median Home Price Indices**



#### Housing Situation in the 12th District

Home Prices are Recovering Broadly, but Generally Remain Well Below 2006/2007 Peaks; Prices are Furthest from Peaks in NV and AZ

#### CoreLogic Home Price Indices- % Change from Each State's Pre-Recession Peak through March 2013



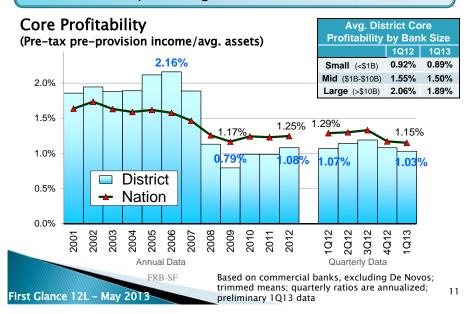
# Section 2 Commercial Bank Performance

Slides in this section focus on trends among the 397 commercial banks headquartered within the 12<sup>th</sup> Federal Reserve District.

See Section 3 for coverage of savings institutions and industrial banks.

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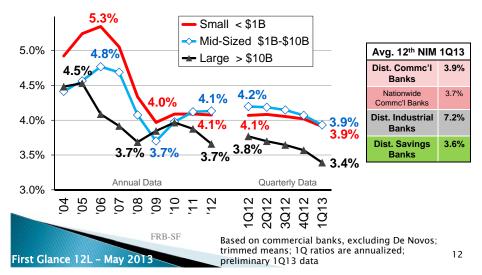
#### After Three Years of Improvement, Average Core Profitability Has Edged Lower for Two Quarters



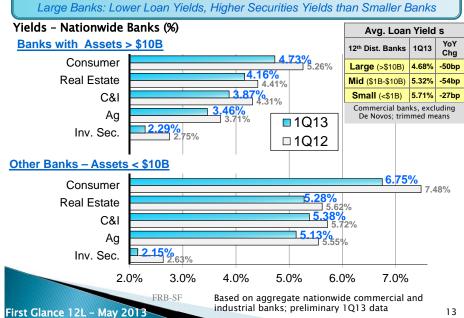
#### Core Earnings Hurt by Net Interest Margin Squeeze

Large Banks Most Impacted

Net interest income (tax equiv) / average earning assets (NIM) - 12th District Commercial Banks

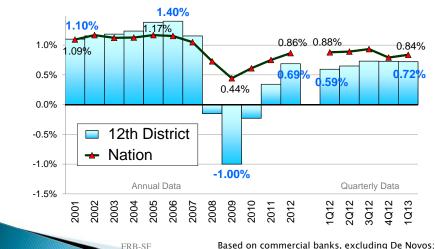


#### Average Yields Continued to Fall



#### However, 1Q Bottom Line Profitability Was Up Moderately from the Year Ago Period (from Lower Loss Provisions)

Average Return on Average Assets - YTD annual (%)



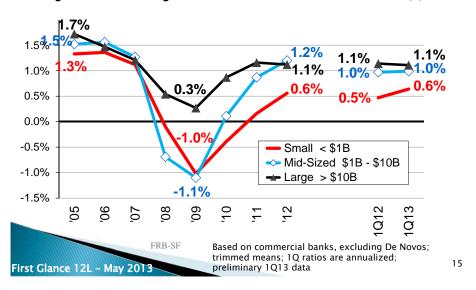
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#### Larger Banks Remained Most Profitable

Small Bank Profits Improved but Continued to Lag Behind Larger Banks

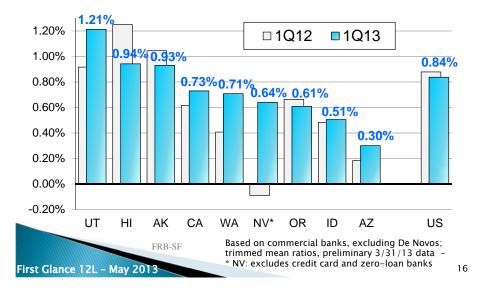
Average Return on Average Assets - 12th District Commercial Banks (%)



#### Avg. ROAAs - Returns Slip in Some States

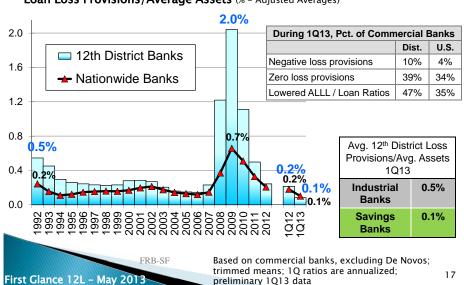
Banks in UT and WA were Most Improved vs. Last Year

Average Return on Average Assets 1-Quarter Annualized (%)



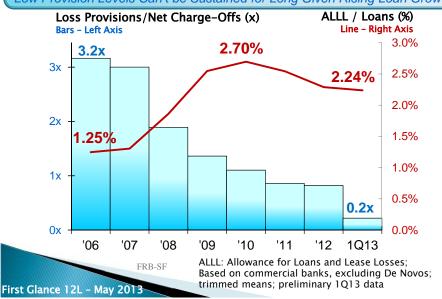
#### Boosting Bottom Lines, Loan Loss Provisions Dropped to 20+ Year Lows, on Average

Loan Loss Provisions/Average Assets (% - Adjusted Averages)



#### Loss Provisions Stopped Covering Net Charge-Offs, on Average, in 2011

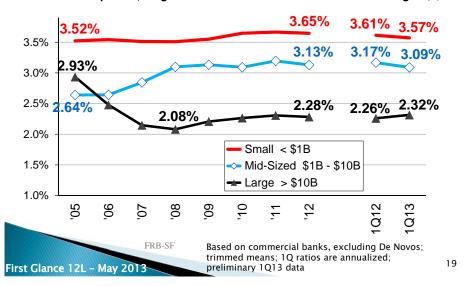
Low Provision Levels Can't be Sustained for Long Given Rising Loan Growth



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#### Overhead Expense Ratios Edged Down in 1Q13 for Small and Mid-Sized Banks

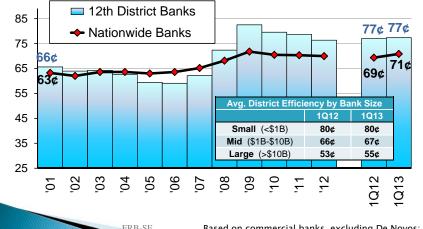
Noninterest Expense / Avg. Assets - District Commercial Bank Averages (%)



#### Average District Bank Efficiency Measures Remained Worse than the Nation in 1Q13

High ratios mainly due to depressed revenues (net interest, noninterest revenues)

District Banks' Efficiency Measures - overhead / (net interest income + noninterest income) (this metric measures the cost to produce \$1 of revenue)

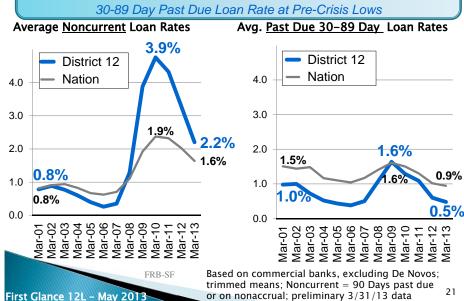


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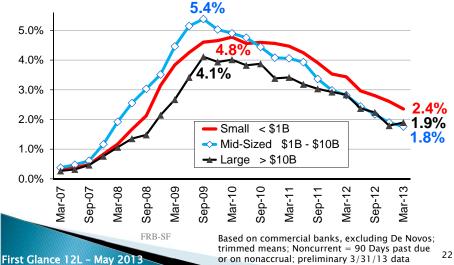
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#### Credit Quality: Average 12th District Bank Noncurrent Loan Rate Declined Further



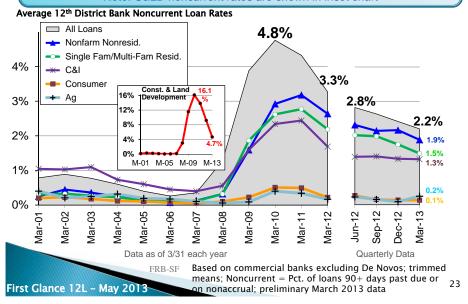
#### Noncurrent Rates Trending Down in All Size Groups; Small Banks Have Highest Rates

Average 12th District Bank Noncurrent Loan Rates

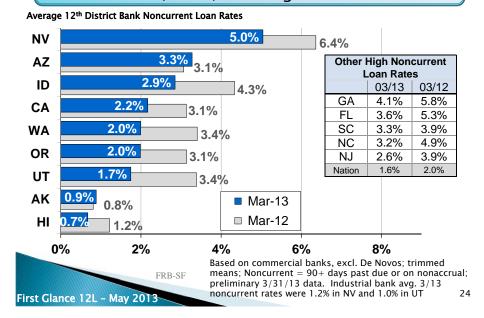


## Although the Overall Noncurrent Rate Improved Significantly, Recent Progress Has Slowed on C&I and Ag. Loans

Note: C&LD noncurrent rates are shown in inset chart



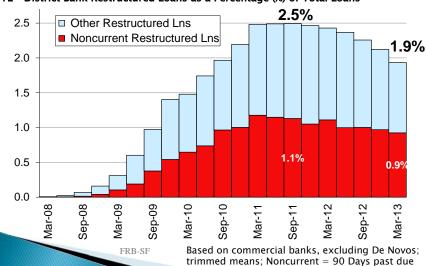
## By State: Noncurrent Loan Rates Dropped Most in Idaho, Utah, Washington & Nevada



## Troubled Debt Restructurings Continued to Decrease

12th District Bank Restructured Loans as a Percentage (%) of Total Loans

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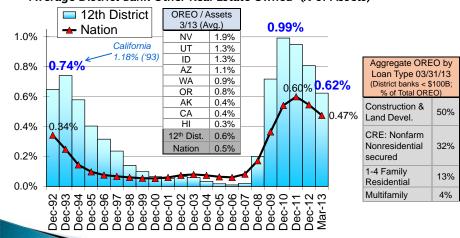


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#### Foreclosed Real Estate Trended Down as a Percentage of Assets

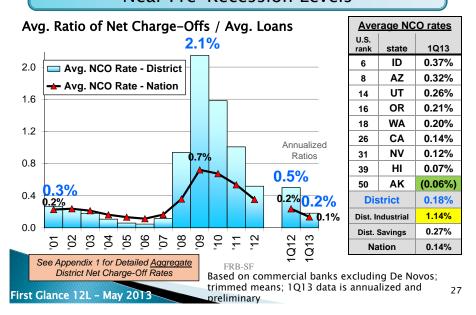
Average District Bank Other Real Estate Owned (% of Assets)

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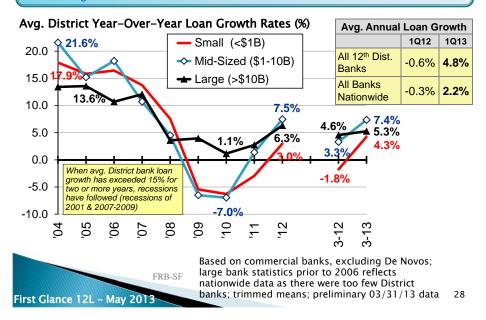
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## District Bank Net Charge-Off Rates Near Pre-Recession Levels



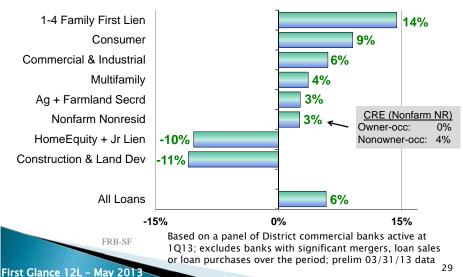
#### Loan Growth: Turnaround Continued

Avg. Loan Growth 4.8% YoY with Fastest Growth at Mid-Sized Banks



## Switching to Loan Growth <u>Aggregates</u>: 1-4 Family and Consumer Continued Strong YoY Growth; C&LD Continued to Decline

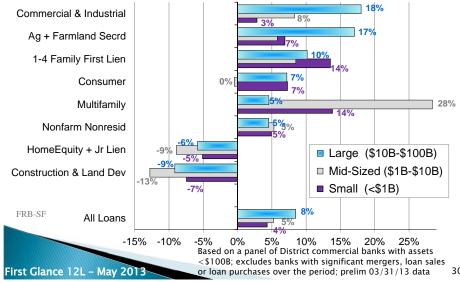
#### 12th District Bank Aggregate Loan Growth Rates - 1Q13 Year-over-Year



#### Loan Growth Emphasis Varied by Bank Size

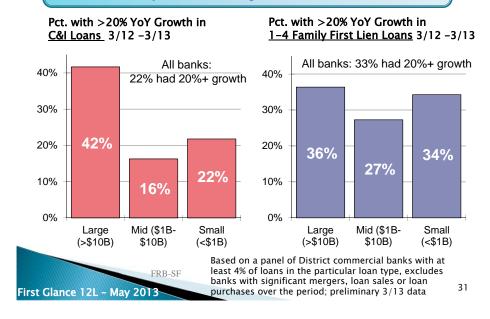
Main Emphasis of Large Banks: C&I and Ag; Mid-Sized Banks: Multifamily, C&I and 1-4 Family; Small Banks: 1-4 Family and Multifamily

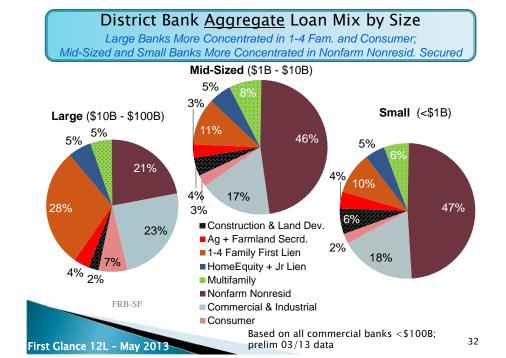
#### 12th District Bank Aggregate Loan Growth Rates - 1Q13 Year-over-Year



#### Focus: C&I and 1-4 Family First Lien Loans

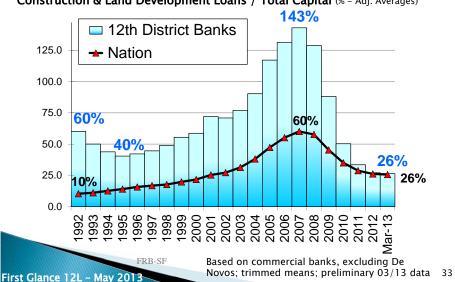
Many Banks had High Rates of Growth





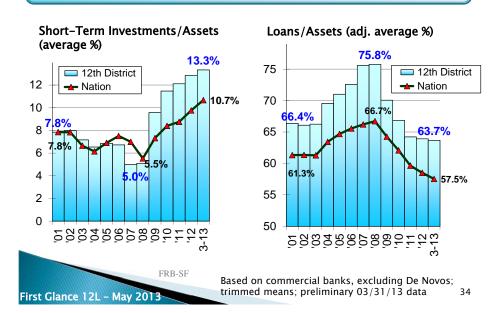
## District Bank Construction & Land Development Loans at 20+ Year Low Relative to Bank Capital

Construction & Land Development Loans / Total Capital (% - Adj. Averages)



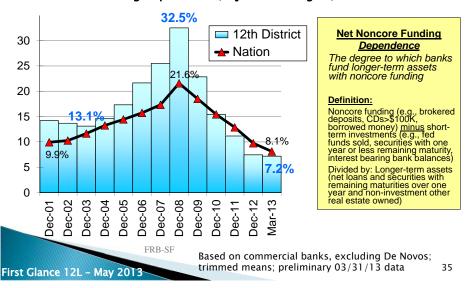
#### **Liquidity**: Banks Remain Flush with Short Term Assets

Average District Loans-to-Assets Ratio at the Lowest Level Since 1998



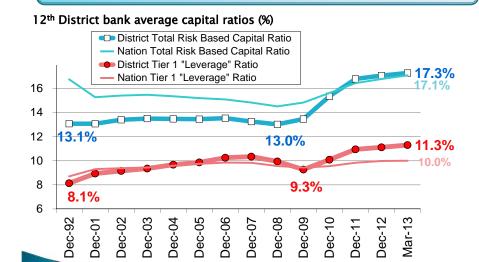
## Average District Bank Reliance on Noncore Funding Sources Down to 14-Year Low

Net Noncore Funding Dependence (Adjusted Average %)



#### <u>Capital Adequacy</u>: District Bank Ratios Rose Further

Strong Earnings Retention Rates Helped Boost Capital Ratios



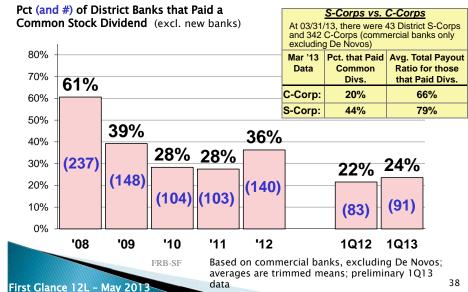
Number of District Banks Paying Common
Dividends on the Rise

Based on commercial banks, excluding De Novos;

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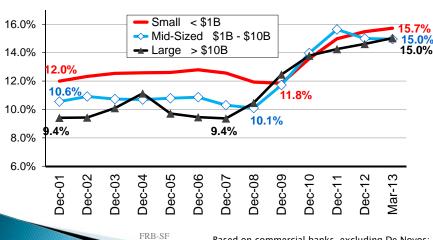
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#### Tier 1 Common Equity Ratios are Also Up Sharply from Pre-Crisis Levels at Banks of All Sizes

Average District Bank Tier 1 Common Equity / Risk Weighted Assets Ratios

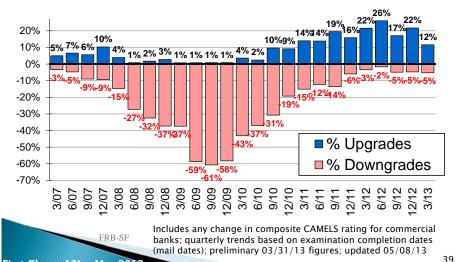


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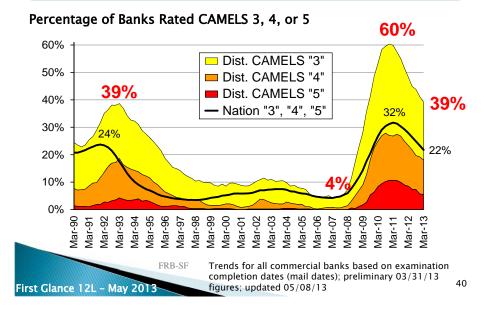
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#### Regulatory Ratings: CAMELS Upgrades Outpaced Downgrades for the Past 8 Quarters

Pct. of 12th District Exams Each Quarter that Resulted in CAMELS Composite **Rating Upgrade or Downgrade** (downgrades are shown as negative percentages)



#### Percentage of Banks Rated CAMELS 3, 4, or 5 Continued to Fall

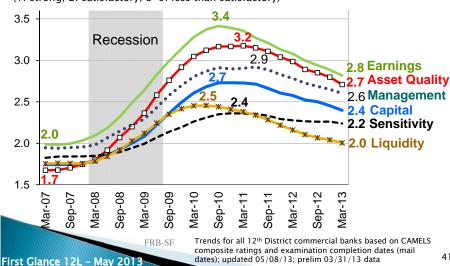


#### **CAMELS Rating Components Continue to Improve**

Earnings & Asset Quality Lag

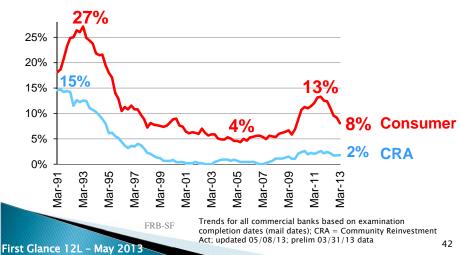
Average CAMELS Component Ratings for 12th District Banks (1: strong; 2: satisfactory; 3-5: less than satisfactory)

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#### District Bank Consumer and CRA Ratings Also are Improving

#### Percentage of District Banks with Less-than-Satisfactory Ratings



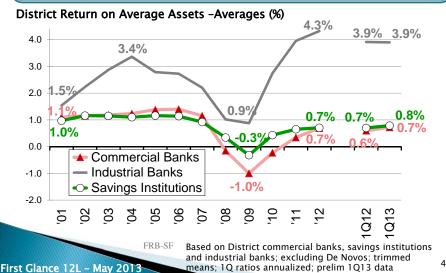
# Section 3 – Savings Institution and Industrial Bank Performance

Slides in this section focus on trends among the 47 savings institutions and 31 industrial banks headquartered within the 12<sup>th</sup> Federal Reserve District.

The savings institutions represent a combined population of District savings & loan associations plus savings banks – regardless of whether they filed the thrift Call Report or the bank Call Report. Starting March 2012, all savings institutions file the bank Call Report.

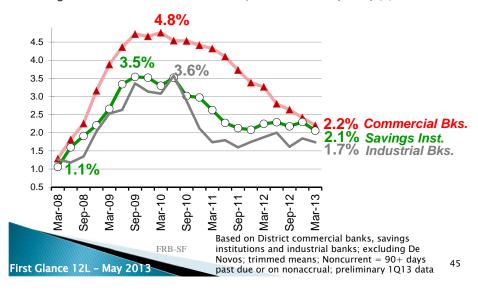
#### District Industrial Bank Profitability Remains Far Higher than that of Commercial Banks and Savings Institutions

Industrials Typically Conduct Nationwide Consumer or C&I Lending (contributing to strong loan yields) and from One Office (limiting overhead expenses)



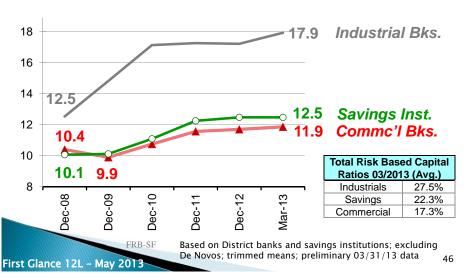
Loan Quality: District Industrial Bank Noncurrent Ratios Remain Lower than Commercial and Savings Institution Ratios on Avg.

Average 12th District Noncurrent loans / Total Loans - quarterly (%)



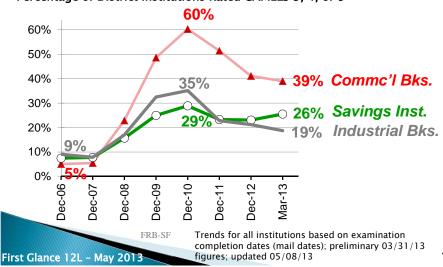
#### Equity/Assets Ratios Continued to Rise with Highest Ratios at Industrial Banks

Average 12th District Institution Equity/Assets Ratios



#### Percent Rated CAMELS 3, 4, or 5 Rose Moderately **Among District Savings Institutions**

Percentage of District Institutions Rated CAMELS 3, 4, or 5



# Section 4 Bank Supervisors' Hot Topics

Supervisory hot topics are a sampling of issues on bank supervisors' radar screens that tend to be a focus of attention during on-site examinations or off-site reviews.

## Appendices

#### Bank Supervisors' Hot Topics

#### **Earnings Challenges**

- Core earnings remain modest (see slide 11)
- Low interest rate environment narrow margins (see slide 12)
- Historically low yields on investment securities
- Loan growth goals may lead to aggressive loan pricing and relaxed underwriting
- Limited opportunities to grow fee income, especially for smaller banks
- Overhead expense headwinds (e.g. fraud prevention, compliance costs)
- Not likely to see high rates of Construction & Land Development lending anytime soon

#### Expansion into New or Unfamiliar Lending Areas \*

- Banks are seeing rapid loan growth in some lending areas (see slides 29-31)
  - o E.g. C&I: large banks; 1-4 family residential: mid-sized/small banks; multifamily: mid-sized hanks
- Concerns:
  - Expertise in new lending areas may be lacking
  - Competition / pricing pressures are leading to some easing of underwriting criteria / terms
  - Historical loss rates on C&I are higher than most other loan types
  - Management must maintain robust risk management processes around all products and credit concentrations

Also see recent Community Banking Connections article: http://communitybankingconnections.org/articles/2013/Q1/Consideration s-When-Introducing-A-New%20Product.cfr

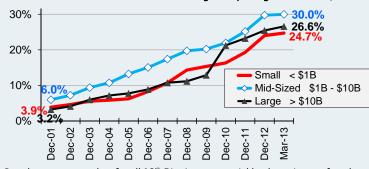
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#### Bank Supervisors' Hot Topics

#### Interest Rate Risk

- Given the low rate environment and challenges growing the loan portfolio, banks boosted investment in higher-yielding, longer-dated securities
- Some banks may be vulnerable to rising interest rates

#### 12th District Banks: Loans + Securities Maturing or Repricing in 5+ Years / Assets



Based on aggregate data for all 12th District commercial banks active as of, and grouped into peer groups as of 3/31/13, with their information back in time

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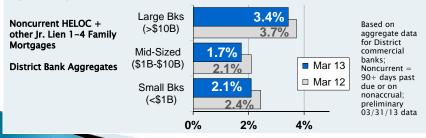
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#### Bank Supervisors' Hot Topics

#### Residential Mortgage & Home Equity Lending

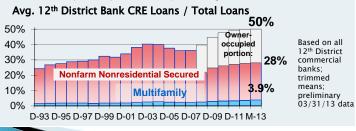
- Despite recent positive trends in housing markets, 18% of homeowners remain underwater on their mortgages (per Lender Processing Services, 1/2013)
- Often junior lien loans have kept current while first lien loans on same property defaulted
- In 2012, the national HELOC net charge-off rate of 2.1% was higher than any other loan category except credit cards, and about double the all-loan national NCO rate of 1.1%.
- Banks should ensure that their nonaccrual and charge-off policies on junior liens comply with recent regulatory guidance
- Sufficient information should be gathered to adequately assess the loss incurred within iunior lien portfolios



#### Bank Supervisors' Hot Topics

#### CRE Income Property Loans Originated from 2005 to 2008

- While most bank CRE are performing and collateralized adequately, concerns remain on loans originated near market peaks
- Bank exposure to CRE loans in general remains very significant (see chart below)
- Core sector property values are down over 30% from their peak (Moody's/RCA CPPI for core sectors in non-major markets), and some borrowers are left with little or no equity
- The average noncurrent rate of 1.9% exceeds any major loan category aside from C&LD loans (see slide 23)
- Concerns: maturing loans and matured loans extended but with weaknesses; extensions must be well-supported
- · Low interest rates have helped keep CRE loans performing



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#### Bank Supervisors' Hot Topics

#### Other Issues

- Capital planning / stress testing expectations of banks.
- Challenges with adjusting to new rules and regulations (e.g., new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau "Ability to Repay Rule" for mortgage lending).
- CyberSecurity issues e.g., distributed denial of service attacks.
- Model risk management with banks relying increasingly on complex models to manage risks and operations, there is significant risk of erroneous or misused model results that would have adverse consequences and/or cause financial loss.
- Sequestration / Debt Ceiling Impact on U.S. credit ratings & economy if fiscal situation remains continually uncertain.
- Vendor Management Financial institutions are outsourcing more activities to third-party service providers and vendors. Institutions need to have risk assessment processes for these providers and appropriate monitoring procedures.

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#### Appendix 1 12<sup>th</sup> District Bank <u>Aggregate</u> Net Charge-Off Rates

NCO rates declined year-over-year but remained at high levels

Aggregate District Commercial Bank Net Charge-Off Rates (%)								
	All Banks			Small Bks (<\$1 Billion)				
	1Q12	1Q13		1Q12	1Q13			
Construction & Land Development	1.37	(0.40)		1.54	0.53			
Residential Construction	0.82	(1.07)		1.92	0.31			
Other C&LD	1.48	(0.25)		1.43	0.60			
CRE - Nonfarm Nonresidential Loans	0.31	0.10		0.61	0.13			
Owner-Occupied	0.33	0.14		0.55	0.14			
Nonowner-Occupied	0.30	0.07		0.66	0.11			
Residential Closed-End Loans	0.98	0.57		0.73	0.22			
Home Equity Loans	2.29	1.37		0.64	(0.00)			
Multifamily Loans	0.10	0.16		0.25	0.06			
Commercial & Industrial Loans	0.53	0.23		0.82	0.50			
Agricultural Loans	0.65	(0.32)		(0.03)	0.37			
Credit Card Loans	4.51	4.04		1.84	1.39			
Installment Loans	0.88	0.83		0.52	0.41			
Total Loans	0.90	0.51		0.73	0.24			

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NCO rates for all District commercial banks; Red: >= 2%; Yellow: 0.75% to 2%; Green: net recovery

This data soon will be available at <a href="http://www.frbsf.org/banking/data/in">http://www.frbsf.org/banking/data/in</a>

- see Charge-Off Rates: 12th District (FRB SF)

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### Appendix 2 – Banks Covered in this Report

Geography	Commercial Banks (De Novos)		Industrial Banks (De Novos)		Savings Institutions (De Novos)	
	03-12	03-13	03-12	03-13	03-12	03-13
Alaska	4 (0)	4 (0)	-	-	2 (0)	2 (0)
Arizona	28 (0)	27 (0)	-	-	1 (0)	1 (0)
California	215 (8)	211 (6)	7 (0)	7 (0)	18 (2)	18 (1)
Guam	2 (0)	2 (0)	-	-	1 (0)	1 (0)
Hawaii	6 (0)	6 (0)	1 (0)	1 (0)	2 (0)	2 (0)
Idaho	15 (1)	15 (0)	-	-	1 (0)	1 (0)
Nevada	17 (2)	17 (1)	4 (0)	4 (0)	2 (0)	2 (0)
Oregon	29 (1)	28 (1)	-	-	3 (0)	3 (0)
Utah	32 (2)	32 (0)	19 (0)	19 (0)	4(0)	4 (0)
Washington	58 (2)	55 (1)	-		13 (0)	13 (0)
12 <sup>th</sup> District	406 (16)	397 (9)	31 (0)	31 (0)	47 (2)	47 (1)
Nation	6,036 (114)	5,980 (77)	33 (0)	33 (0)	1,011(8)	998 (6)

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Appendix 3 - Technical Information

This report focuses on the financial trends and performance of commercial banks headquartered within the 12<sup>th</sup> Federal Reserve District ("12L"). 12L includes 9 western states: AK, AZ, CA, HI, ID, NV, OR, UT, and WA, as well as Guam.

**De Novos:** Many of the charts exclude "De Novo" banks, or banks less than five years old.

**Trimmed Mean (also referred to as "adjusted average" or "average"):** Many of the charts present trends in ratio averages, adjusted for outliers. The method used is to eliminate or "trim" out the highest 10% and the lowest 10% of ratio values, and average the remaining values.

**Aggregate:** In some cases, the trimmed mean method is not appropriate (e.g., when many banks have zero values for a particular ratio, or, for example, for some growth rates where there may be many highly positive and highly negative values). In these cases, District aggregates sometimes are computed (i.e., summing numerator values across all District banks and dividing by the sum of all denominator values; as opposed to averaging individual bank ratios). When an aggregate is used, it is indicated on the chart.

**Industrial banks and savings institutions:** The main focus of this report is on commercial banks. Industrial banks and savings institutions have different operating characteristics so are highlighted separately in Section 3. There, the saving institution data include institutions that file the bank Call Report plus those that, up until recently, filed the thrift Call Report.

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