

# FINANCING VEHICLES AND THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE

This chapter contains descriptions of and data on financing vehicles and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve listed below.

- The Financing Corporation functions as a financing vehicle for the FSLIC Resolution Fund. It operates under the supervision and control of the Federal Housing Finance Board.
- The Resolution Funding Corporation provided financing for the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) and is subject to the general oversight and direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System's transactions are not included in the budget because of its unique status in the conduct of monetary policy. The Board provides data on its administrative budget on a calendar year basis, which is included here for information. Its budget schedules and statements are not subject to review by the President.

## FINANCING VEHICLES

### FINANCING CORPORATION

The Financing Corporation (FICO) is a mixed-ownership government corporation, chartered by the Federal Home Loan Bank Board pursuant to the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation Recapitalization Act of 1987, as amended (the "Act"). FICO's sole purpose was to function as a financing vehicle for the FSLIC Resolution Fund, formerly the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation (FSLIC). FICO operates under the supervision and control of the Federal Housing Finance Board (the "Finance Board"). Pursuant to the Act, FICO was authorized to issue debentures, bonds and other obligations subject to limitations contained in the Act, the net proceeds of which were to be used solely to purchase capital certificates issued by the FSLIC Resolution Fund, or to refund any previously issued obligations. The Resolution Trust Corporation Refinancing, Restructuring, and Improvement Act of 1991 terminated the FICO's borrowing authority.

The Act provided formulas pursuant to which the Federal Home Loan Banks made capital contributions to FICO at the direction of the Finance Board for the purchase of FICO capital stock. FICO used the proceeds received from the sales of such capital stock to purchase non-interest bearing securities for deposit in a segregated account as required by the Act. The non-interest bearing securities held in the segregated account will be the primary source of repayment of the principal of the FICO obligations. Securities in the segregated account are kept separate from other FICO accounts and funds but are not specifically pledged as collateral for the payment of obligations. The primary source of payment of interest on the obligations is the receipt of assessments imposed on and collected from institutions' accounts which are insured by the Bank Insurance Fund (the "BIF") and the Savings Association Insurance Fund (the "SAIF").

### Balance Sheet (in millions of dollars)

Identification code 99-4033-0-3-373	2002 actual	2003 actual	2004 est.	2005 est.
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Investments in US securities:				
1102 Segregated accounts investment, net	2,307	2,459		
1206 Receivables, net	91			
1801 Cash, cash equivalents	66	281		
1901 Other assets	9	8		
1999 Total assets	2,473	2,748		
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
2202 Interest payable	157	235		
2203 Debt	8,150	8,151		
2207 Other	28	73		
2999 Total liabilities	8,335	8,459		
<b>NET POSITION:</b>				
3100 FICO capital stock purchased by FHLBanks	680	680		
3300 Cumulative results of operations	1,628	1,779		
3300 FSLIC capital certificates	-8,170	-8,170		
3999 Total net position	-5,862	-5,711		
4999 Total liabilities and net position	2,473	2,748		

Note: Consistent with Government-wide practice, information for 2004 and 2005 was not required to be collected.

### RESOLUTION FUNDING CORPORATION

The Resolution Funding Corporation (the "REFCORP") is a mixed-ownership government corporation established by Title V of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA). The sole purpose of REFCORP was to provide financing for the Resolution Trust Corporation (the "RTC"). Pursuant to FIRREA, REFCORP was authorized to issue debentures, bonds, and other obligations, subject to limitations contained in the Act and regulations established by the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board. The proceeds of the debt (less any discount, plus any premium, net of issuance cost) were used solely to purchase nonredeemable capital certificates of the RTC or to refund any previously issued obligations.

Until October 29, 1998, REFCORP was subject to the general oversight and direction of the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board. At that time, the Oversight Board was abolished and its authority and duties were transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury. The day-to-day operations of REFCORP are under the management of a three-member Directorate comprised of the Director of the Office of Finance of the Federal Home Loan Banks and two members selected from among the presidents of the twelve Federal Home Loan Banks ("the FHLBanks"). Members of the Directorate serve without compensation, and REFCORP is not permitted to have any paid employees.

FIRREA, as amended, and the regulations adopted by the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board and the Secretary of the Treasury provide formulas pursuant to which the Federal Home Loan Banks made capital contributions to REFCORP's Principal Fund and continue to make interest payments on outstanding REFCORP obligations. FIRREA also provides that the U.S. Treasury cover any interest shortfall.

RESOLUTION FUNDING CORPORATION—Continued

Funds designated for the Principal Funds were used to purchase zero-coupon bonds. The zero-coupon bonds will be held in the Principal Fund and are the primary source of repayment of the principal of the obligations at maturity.

Balance Sheet (in millions of dollars)

Identification code 99-4029-0-3-373	2002 actual	2003 actual	2004 est.	2005 est.
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Investments in US securities:				
1102 Principal fund account investment, net	6,270	6,646		
1206 Assessments receivable for interest expense	887	888		
1999 Total assets	7,157	7,534		
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
2202 Accrued interest payable on long-term obligations	886	888		
2203 Debt	30,059	30,058		
2999 Total liabilities	30,945	30,946		
<b>NET POSITION:</b>				
3100 Nonvoting capital stock issued to FHLBanks	2,513	2,513		
3300 Cumulative results of operations	3,928	4,304		
3300 RTC nonredeemable capital certificates	-31,286	-31,286		
3300 Contributed capital—principal fund assessments	1,057	1,057		
3999 Total net position	-23,788	-23,412		
4999 Total liabilities and net position	7,157	7,534		

Note: Consistent with Government-wide practice, information for 2004 and 2005 was not required to be collected.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Program and Financing (in millions of dollars)

Identification code 99-4450-0-3-803	2002 actual	2003 est.	2004 est.
<b>Obligations by program activity:</b>			
09.01 Monetary and economic policy	102	111	116
09.02 Services to financial institutions and the public	5	5	6
09.03 Supervision and regulation of financial institutions	96	105	110
09.04 System policy direction and oversight	38	41	43
09.09 Subtotal: Board operating expenses	241	262	275
09.10 Office of Inspector General operating expenses	4	4	4
10.00 Total new obligations	245	266	279
<b>Budgetary resources available for obligation:</b>			
22.00 New budget authority (gross)	245	266	279
23.95 Total new obligations	-245	-266	-279
<b>New budget authority (gross), detail:</b>			
Mandatory:			
69.00 Offsetting collections (cash)	245	266	279
<b>Change in obligated balances:</b>			
72.40 Obligated balance, start of year	26	26	26
73.10 Total new obligations	245	266	279
73.20 Total outlays (gross)	-245	-266	-279
74.40 Obligated balance, end of year	26	26	26
<b>Outlays (gross), detail:</b>			
86.97 Outlays from new mandatory authority	229	251	264

86.98 Outlays from mandatory balances	16	15	15
87.00 Total outlays (gross)	245	266	279
<b>Offsets:</b>			
Against gross budget authority and outlays:			
88.40 Offsetting collections (cash) from: Non-Federal sources	-245	-266	-279
<b>Net budget authority and outlays:</b>			
89.00 Budget authority			
90.00 Outlays			

The figures presented may differ from other Board financial material because they are prepared in accordance with OMB guidelines which vary from the Board's budget and accounting procedures.

The Federal Reserve System operates under the provisions of the Federal Reserve Act of 1913, as amended, and other acts of Congress.

**Program.**—To carry out its responsibilities under the Act, the Board determines general monetary, credit, and operating policies for the System as a whole and formulates the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of the Federal Reserve Act. The Board's principal duties consist of exerting an influence over credit conditions and supervising the Federal Reserve banks and member banks.

**Financing.**—Under the provisions of section 10 of the Federal Reserve Act, the Board of Governors levies upon the Federal Reserve banks, in proportion to their capital and surplus, an assessment sufficient to pay its estimated expenses. The Board, under the Act, determines and prescribes the manner in which its obligations are incurred and its expenses paid. Funds derived from assessments are deposited in the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, and the Act provides that such funds "shall not be construed to be Government funds or appropriated moneys." No Government appropriation is required to support operations of the Board.

The information presented pertains to Board operations only. Expenditures made on behalf of the Federal Reserve banks for production, issuance, retirement, and shipment of Federal Reserve notes are not included, since they are reimbursed in full by the Federal Reserve banks.

Object Classification (in millions of dollars)

Identification code 99-4450-0-3-803	2003 actual	2004 est.	2005 est.
<b>Personnel compensation:</b>			
11.1 Full-time permanent	138	146	155
11.3 Other than full-time permanent	3	3	3
11.5 Other personnel compensation	2	2	2
11.9 Total personnel compensation	143	151	160
12.1 Civilian personnel benefits	25	27	28
21.0 Travel and transportation of persons	5	6	5
22.0 Transportation of things	1	2	2
23.3 Communications, utilities, and miscellaneous charges	8	9	9
24.0 Printing and reproduction	2	3	2
25.1 Advisory and assistance services	5	5	5
25.2 Other services	4	4	4
25.2 Other services	23	26	35
26.0 Supplies and materials	9	9	9
31.0 Equipment	20	24	20
99.0 Reimbursable obligations	245	266	279
99.9 Total new obligations	245	266	279