Vincent G. Logan, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Jeffery S. Hall, Board Member Glen R. Smith, Board Member



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION BOARD June 8, 2023

These minutes reflect the business transacted at the June 8, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board (FCA Board) pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552b, and the regulations of the Farm Credit Administration (FCA) adopted thereunder.

The meeting was held at the FCA office in McLean, Virginia. The meeting began at 9:00 a.m. and concluded at 10:07 a.m.

Members of the Board present were:

Vincent G. Logan, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Jeffery S. Hall, Member Glen R. Smith, Member

The above named constitute the full Board.

Others present included **Ashley Waldron**, Secretary to the Board (Secretary); **Ward Griffin**, Acting General Counsel; and staff of the FCA and Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation (FCSIC). There were nine members of the general public registered to attend. (A list of Board and staff attendees is attached as Exhibit A.)

Chairman Logan announced that this meeting of the Board is a hybrid physical/virtual meeting.

Chairman Logan asked everyone to say the Pledge of Allegiance with him as the Flag was displayed on the presentation screen.

Chairman Logan asked the Secretary to address technical and protocol items.

The **Secretary** addressed technical and protocol items.

The **Secretary** read a statement that announced the meeting would be conducted according to the requirements of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Chairman Logan reviewed the published agenda. (A copy of the Public Announcement publishing the agenda for the meeting is attached as Exhibit B.)

Mr. Hall moved to adopt the agenda as published.

Mr. Smith seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, **Chairman Logan** called the question.

The **Secretary** polled the Board Members and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Smith noted that the agenda did not include portions of the meeting that should be closed to the public as permitted by the Government in the Sunshine Act and therefore moved that the entire meeting remain open.

Mr. Hall seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, **Chairman Logan** called the question.

The **Secretary** polled the Board Members and the motion carried unanimously.

OPEN SESSION

Approval of Minutes Minutes for May 11, 2023

(BM-8-JUN-23-01)

Mr. Hall moved to approve the minutes for the May 11, 2023, FCA Regular Board meeting.

Mr. Smith seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, **Chairman Logan** called the question.

The **Secretary** polled the Board Members and the motion carried unanimously. **(BM-8-JUN-23-01)**

(A copy of the official "Board Action Item" is attached as Exhibit C.)

Reports

Quarterly Report on Economic Conditions and Farm Credit System Condition and Performance

Yuri Katrinic of the Office of Data Analytics and Economics and Hal Johnson of the Office of Examination presented the Quarterly Report on Economic Conditions and Farm Credit System Condition and Performance.

Chairman Logan asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board.

There were no further questions or comments.

(A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is attached as Exhibit D.)

Semiannual Report on Office of Examination Operations

Dan Fennewald and **Angela Greenlee** of the **Office of Examination** presented the Semiannual Report on Office of Examination Operations.

Chairman Logan asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board.

There were no further questions or comments.

(A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is attached as Exhibit E.)

Chairman Logan expressed that he wanted to take a moment to recognize Pride Month, before moving the meeting to adjournment.

Chairman Logan read aloud a written statement in recognition of Pride Month and the recent flying of the Pride flag at FCA. **Chairman Logan** requested that the Secretary include this statement in the minutes. (Chairman Logan's statement is attached as Exhibit F.)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Chairman Logan** indicated he would entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Smith moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Mr. Hall seconded the motion.

Chairman Logan called the question.

The **Secretary** polled the Board Members and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

NOTATIONAL VOTE ACTIONS

There were three notational vote actions approved by the FCA Board from May 11, 2023, through June 7, 2023.

Item Number	Action Date	Voting Results	Subject
NV 23-11	05/12/2023	Approved	Farm Credit Administration Budget Reallocation for Office of Information Technology Labor
NV 23-12	05/22/2023	Approved	Appointment of Ward P. Griffin as Acting General Counsel
NV 23-13	05/31/2023	Approved	Farm Credit Administration 2023 Enhanced Workforce Benefits

The undersigned hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are the official minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board held on June 8, 2023.

/s/ // Vincent G. Logan Ashley Waldron
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Secretary to the Board

Approved: July 13, 2023

BOARD AND STAFF PRESENT AT THE FCA REGULAR BOARD MEETING June 8, 2023

Vincent G. Logan, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Jeffery S. Hall, Board Member Glen R. Smith, Board Member

ATTENDEES	OPEN SESSION
Office of the Board	
Logan, Vincent	X
Hall, Jeffery	X
Smith, Glen	X
Lund, Zachary	X
Donner, Mary Alice	X
Stokke, Michael	X
Greer, Kristin	X
Calhoun, Gaye	X
Lewandrowski, Barbara	X
Waldron, Ashley	X
OCoS	
Hoffman, Bill	X
Duran, Maribel	X
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Clark, Patrina	X
OEEOI	
Burlew, Thais	X
OIT	
Golley, Jerry	X
Versace, Jerry	X
Matos, Ricardo	X
Rana, Ben	X
ОСРА	
Reuschel, Trevor	X
Middleton, Russell	X
OGC	
Griffin, Ward	X
OE	
Duffy, Mike	X
Fennewald, Dan	X
Greenlee, Angela	X
Johnson, Hal	X
Yaddof, Nicole	X
ODAE	
D'Antoni, Jeremy	X
Katrinic, Yuri	X
OIG	
Laguarda, Wendy	X

ATTENDEES	OPEN SESSION
Miller, Kevin	X
OSMO	
Connor, Joe	X
Hudson, Bruce	X
Thomas, Elu	X
ORP	
Kramp, Kevin	X
Agans, Autumn	X
Suen, Vania	X
OCFO	
Walters, Sandi	X
Gandy, Doug	X
OAS	
Bell, Vonda	X
Keller, Joshua	X
FCSIC	
Grimaldi, Andrew	X
Wynn, Wade	X
Smith, Gregory	X
Morgan, Matthew	X
GENERAL PUBLIC	9

Farm Credit Administration

1501 Farm Credit Drive McLean, VA 22102-5090 (703) 883-4000



PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING SUBJECT TO THE GOVERNMENT IN THE SUNSHINE ACT

Farm Credit Administration Board Regular Meeting June 8, 2023

TIME AND DATE: 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 8, 2023.

PLACE: You may observe this meeting in person at 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102-5090, or virtually. If you would like to observe, at least 24 hours in advance, visit FCA.gov, select "Newsroom," then select "Events." From there, access the linked "Instructions for board meeting visitors" and complete the described registration process.

STATUS: This meeting will be open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The following matters will be considered:

- Approval of May 11, 2023, Minutes
- Quarterly Report on Economic Conditions and Farm Credit System Condition and Performance
- Semiannual Report on Office of Examination Operations

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: If you need more information or assistance for accessibility reasons, or have questions, contact Ashley Waldron, Secretary to the Board. Telephone: 703-883-4009. TTY: 703-883-4056.

/s/	
Ashley Waldron	<u>May 23, 2023</u>
Secretary to the Board	

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BOARD ACTION ITEM



FCA BOARD ACTION ON

Minutes for May 11, 2023

BM-8-JUN-23-01

Effective Date: June 8, 2023

Impact on Prior Board Actions: None

THE FCA BOARD HEREBY:

• Approves the minutes for May 11, 2023.

DATED THIS 8th DAY OF JUNE 2023 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

_____/s/ Ashley Waldron Secretary to the Board



Quarterly Report on FCS Conditions June 8, 2023

Yuri Katrinic - Senior Economist Hal Johnson - Senior Financial Analyst





Topics for Open Session

Economic Conditions Affecting the Farm Credit System

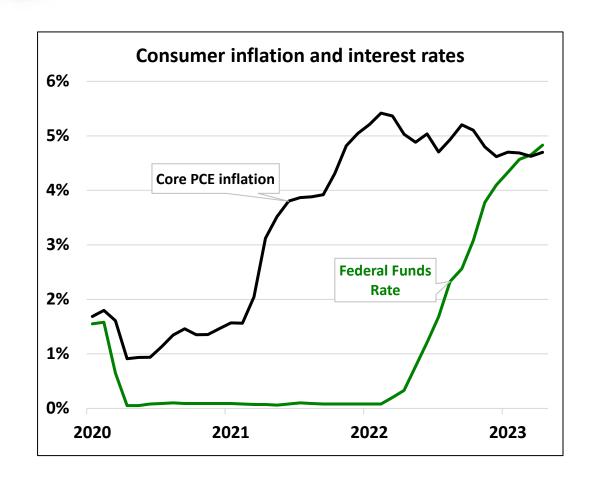
- Macroeconomic conditions
- Supply and demand for commodities
- Farm and ranch margin outlook

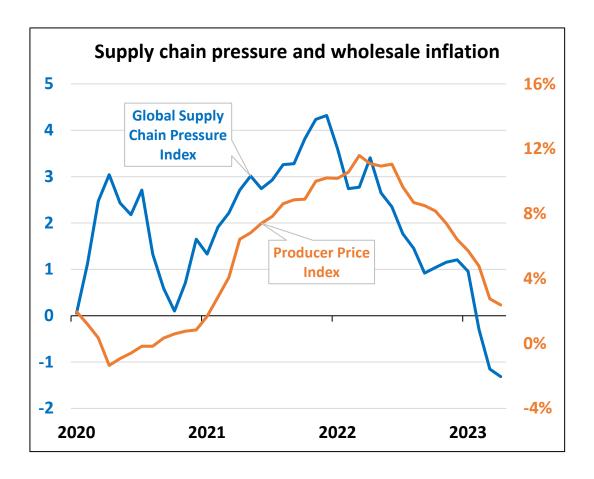
Farm Credit System Condition and Performance

- System growth and loan portfolio
- Earnings and capital
- Financial Institution Rating System (FIRS)



Inflation levels-off, supply chain pressures ease as interest rates rise

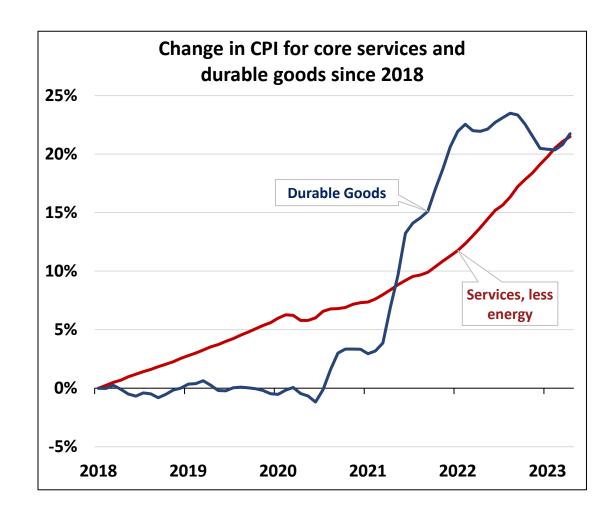






Inflation has shifted from goods to services

- Early pandemic:
 - Supply chain disruptions
 - Changing consumption trends
 - Inflation in goods
- ► Today:
 - Normalized consumption
 - Labor and housing shortages
 - Inflation in services

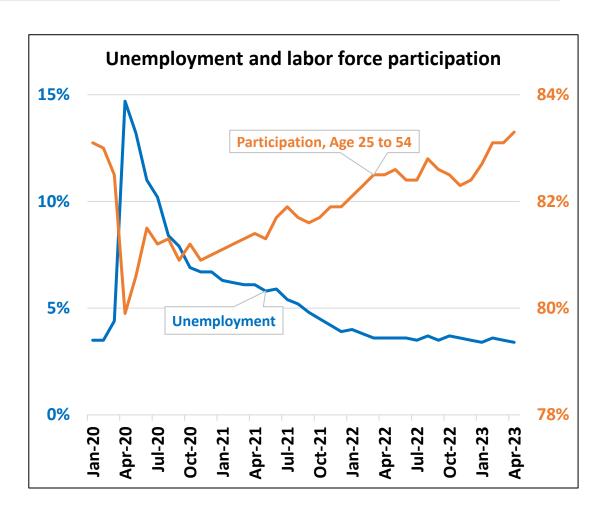


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



Workforce struggles to meet demand for labor

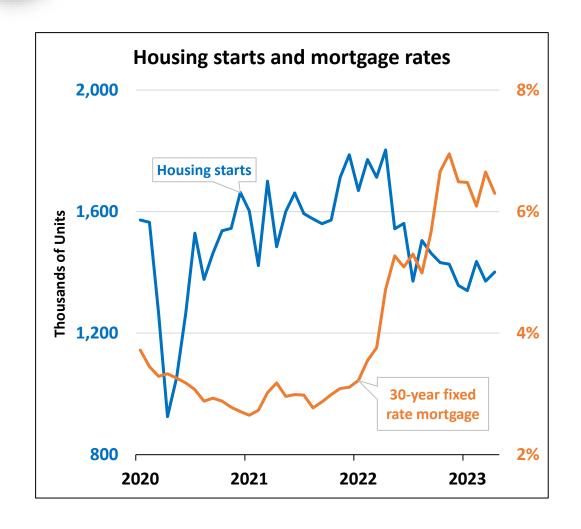
- 1.6 job openings per applicant, down from 2
- Fed continues to watch wages to inform interest rate decisions
- Longer term labor supply constraints from aging population

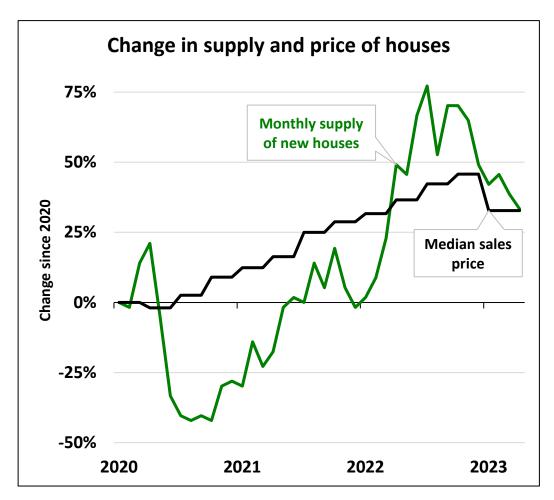


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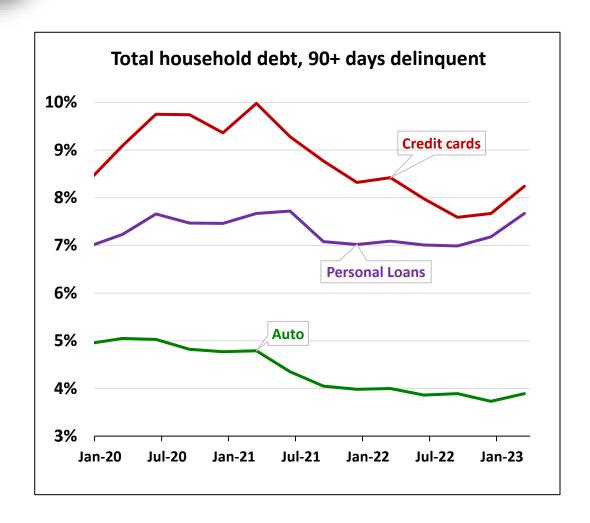
High mortgage rates weigh on housing market

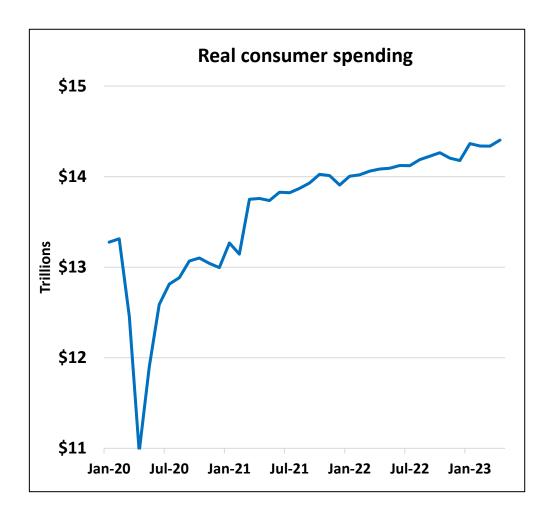






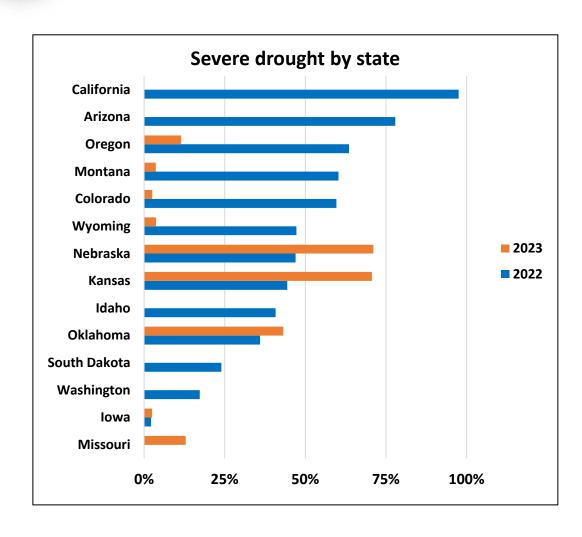
Consumer debt and spending continues to evolve with inflation and wage growth

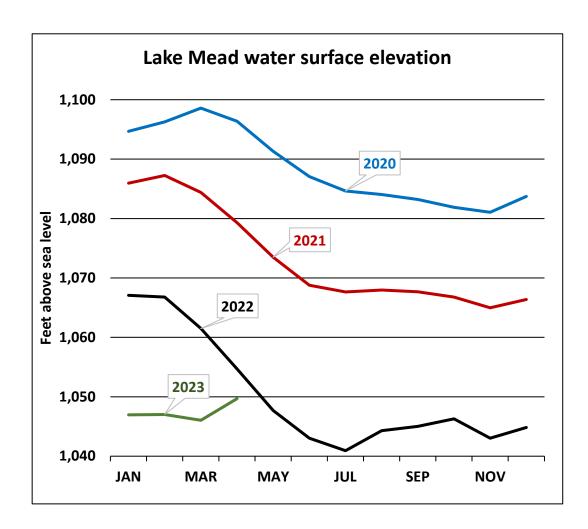






Weather has improved from a year ago



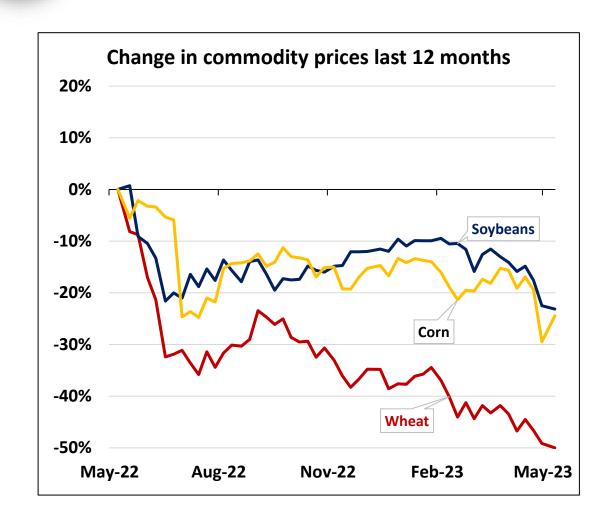


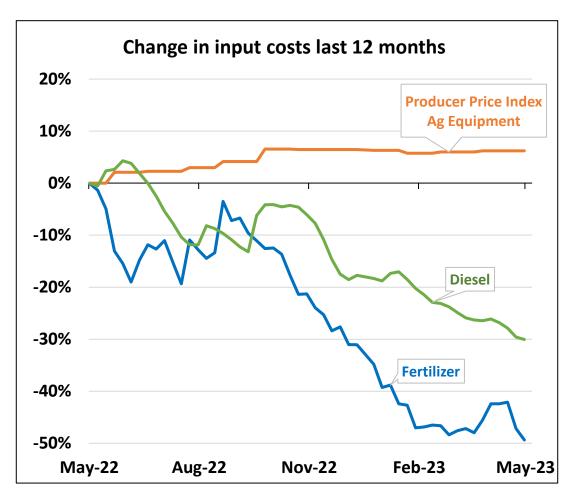
Source: U.S. Drought Monitor, Bureau of Reclamation

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Commodity prices and production costs fall







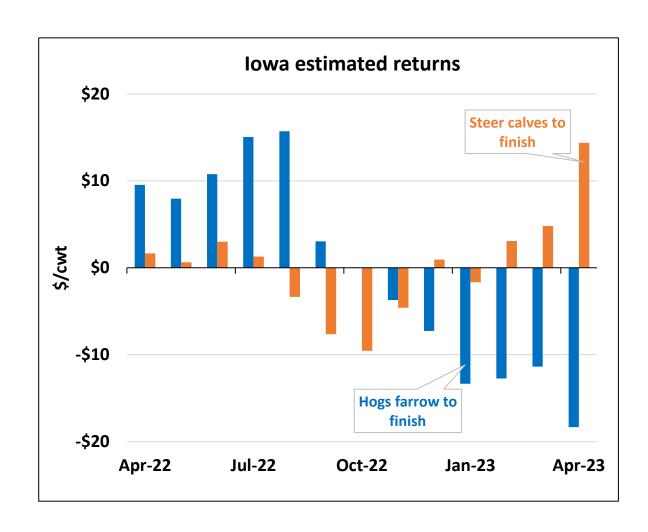
Livestock producer margins diverge

Cattle

- High calf demand as pastures improve
- High beef prices after herd reductions
- Lower feed costs

Hogs

- Higher than expected supplies
- Tepid export demand
- California production policy changes



Source: Iowa State University



Questions



Farm Credit System Condition and Performance as of March 31, 2023

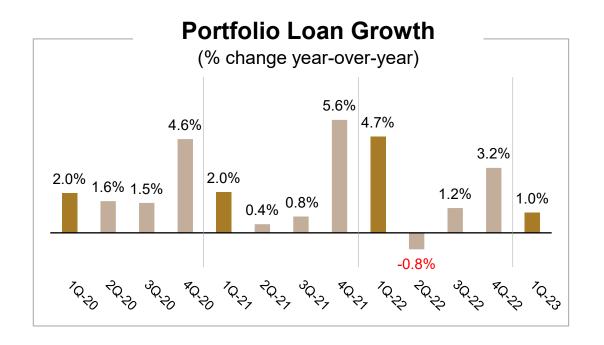
Hal Johnson
Senior Financial Analyst
Office of Examination

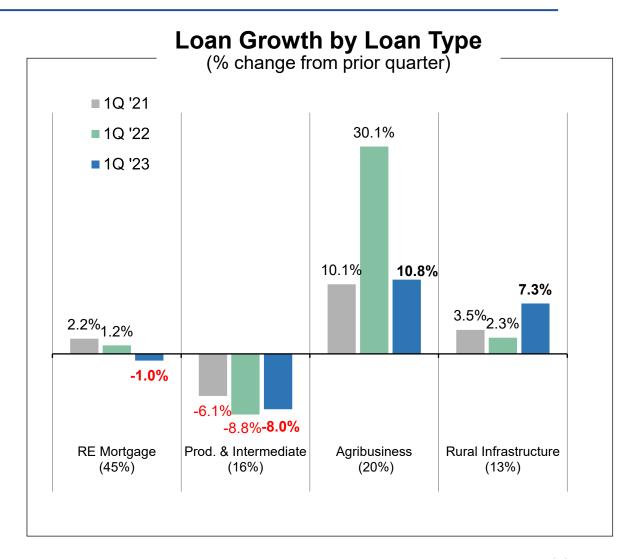




System growth slows in the first quarter

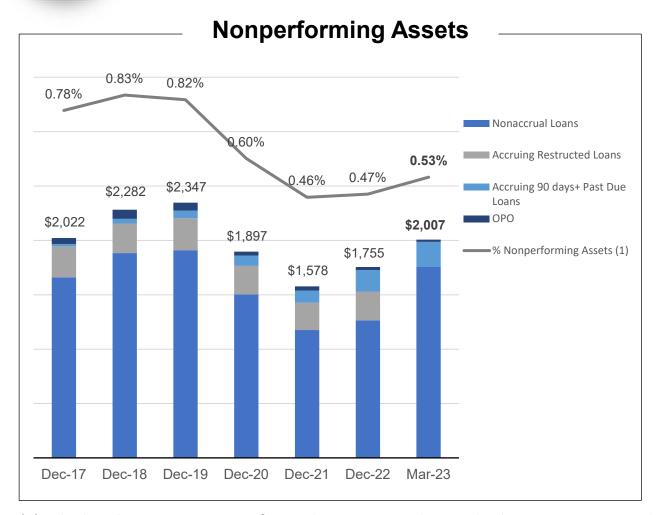


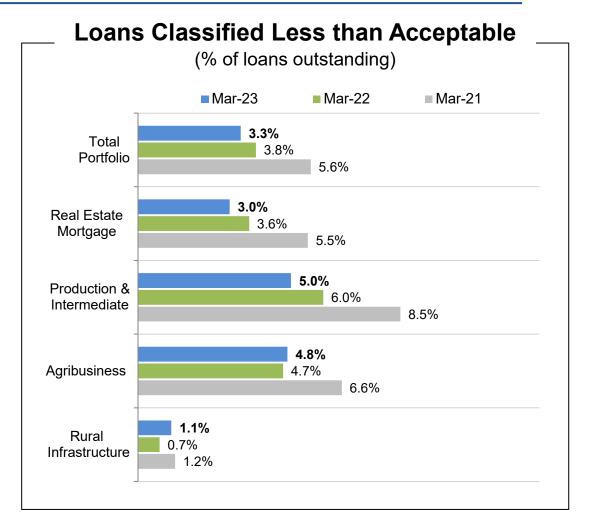






Nonperforming assets rise, but overall level remains low





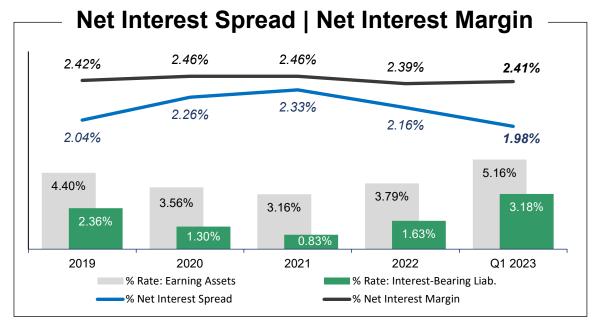
(1) calculated as a percentage of gross loans outstanding and other property owned

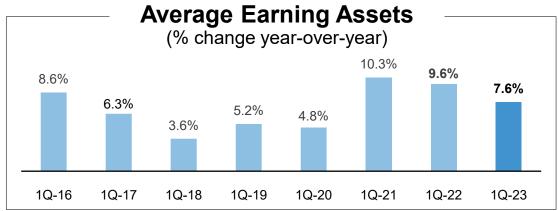
Source: Federal Farm Credit Banks Funding Corporation Information Statements



1st quarter earnings impacted by increased provisions and higher noninterest expenses







Source: Federal Farm Credit Banks Funding Corporation Information Statements

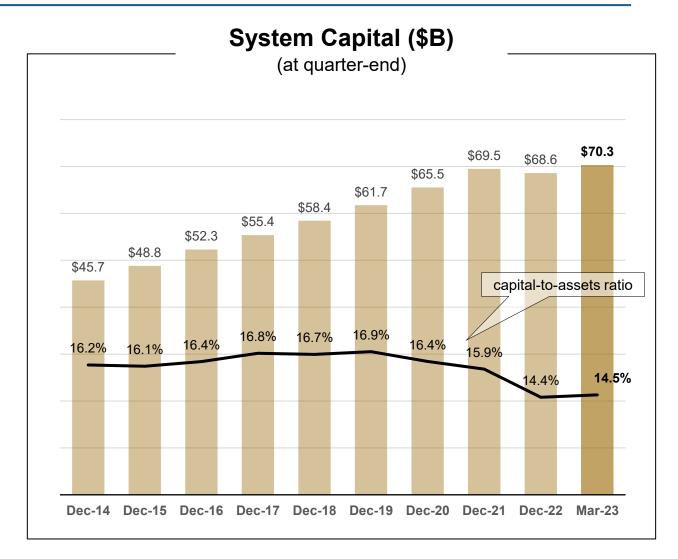


System continues to be strongly capitalized

Capital

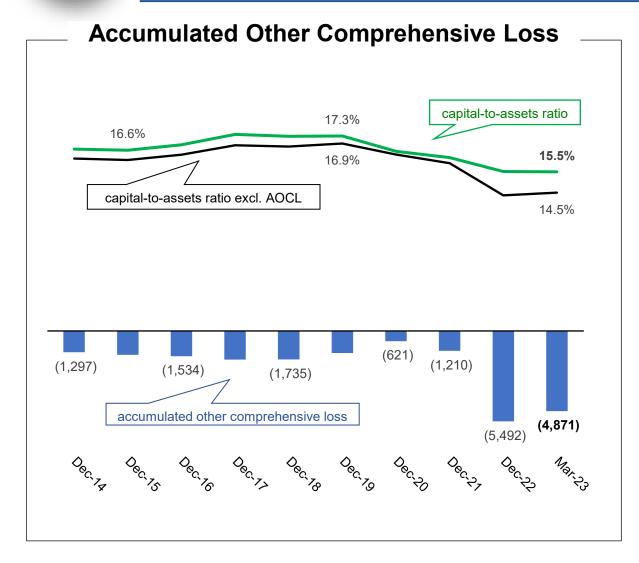
(as of March 31, 2023)

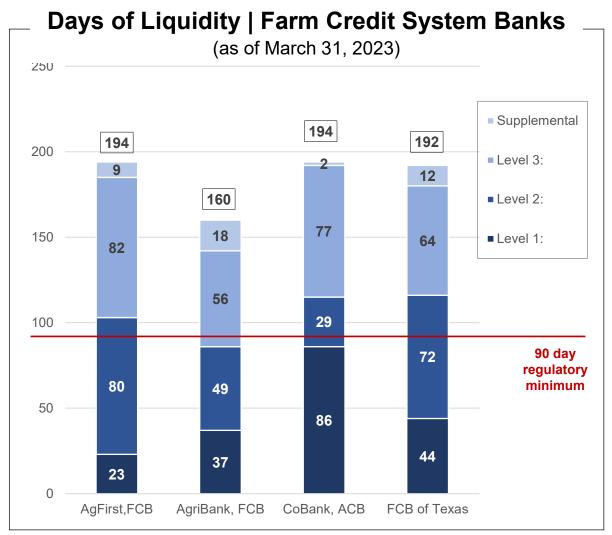
- ► Total capital grew by 2.5% or \$1.7 billion for the quarter.
- ► The System's capital-to-assets ratio increased to 14.5% compared with 14.4% at year-end.
- Total regulatory capital ratios:
 - Banks: 12.5% to 17.6%
 - Associations: 11.8% to 34.2%.
- Over 80% of System institutions were in the capital benchmark 1 range and all institutions were in the benchmark 1 or 2 range.





Accumulated other comprehensive loss improves; Bank liquidity levels are strong







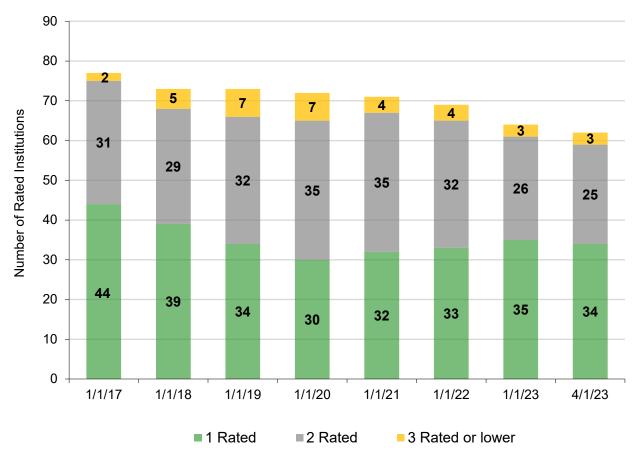
Composite FIRS ratings remain steady

FIRS Ratings

(based on 3/31/23 financial reporting)

- Composite FIRS ratings reflect the System's sound financial condition.
- Over 95% of System banks and associations have a Composite FIRS rating of 1 or 2.
- Institutions rated 3 or lower represent just over 1% of System assets.

Composite FIRS Ratings Farm Credit System Banks and Associations



Source: FCA's FIRS ratings database













FCA Board Meeting June 2023

Semi-Annual Report on Office of Examination **Operations** June 8, 2023

Dan Fennewald, Deputy Director **Angela Greenlee, Director of Operations** Office of Examination



OE Operations Agenda Topics



- ► Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Plan Objectives
 - Risk Supervision and Examination Activities
 - Public Mission
 - Operational Efficiency and Effectiveness
 - Human Capital





Risk Supervision & Examination



Conducted onsite examination and/or oversight activities at all funding banks, 29 associations, and 4 other entities



Issued 28 reports of examination, 17 interim activity letters, and 32 FIRS Letters



Maintained a higher level of supervisory oversight at four System institutions



Issued examination guidance





Risk Supervision & Examination (continued)













- National Oversight Plan Focus Areas
 - Risk management practices in an uncertain environment
 - Phaseout of the London Interbank Offered Rate
 - Current Expected Credit Losses (CECL) implementation
 - Standards of Conduct
- Completed or on target to complete the 5 systemic risk strategies and the 5 institution risk strategies







- ► Young, Beginning, and Small Farmers (YBS) Programs
 - Made progress on strategies related to the YBS rating system and YBS data



- Issued a memo to System institutions clarifying our expectations for internal audit programs at certain low-risk institutions
- Provided additional guidance to examiners on differential expectations for smaller associations with a lower risk profile















Operational Efficiency and Effectiveness

- Examination Tools
 - Continued developing the Examiner Feedback application
 - Made enhancements to the EDGe application and reports
- ▶ OE Operational Processes
 - Developed the Risk Control Matrix for OE OMB A-123 audits
- ► FCS Loan Database
 - Continued to assess and improve data reliability and develop new reports



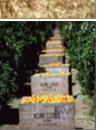




On target to complete strategies related to training, development, recruitment and retention, and knowledge transfer



- Attrition levels declined to 6 percent compared to 14 percent at the same time last year
- OE Conference planned for August 2023





Human Capital (continued)



▶ We are on target with total staff, but remain below target for commissioned examiners



Total OE Staff

Total OE Staff	Planned	Projected	Variance
Beginning FY 2023	179	173	(6)
Attrition Retirements	(15)	(15)	0
Hirings	16	23	7
Ending FY 2023	180	181	1

Commissioned Examiners

Commissioned Examiners	Planned	Projected	Variance
Beginning FY 2023	87	84	(3)
Attrition Retirements	(7)	(8)	(1)
Hirings	2	3	1
Newly Commissioned	7	2	(5)
Ending FY 2023	89	81	(8)



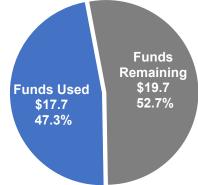






- ► Fiscal YTD as of 3/31/2023
 - Actual expenses are in line with budget as we return to normal travel
 - Full Time Equivalents (FTEs) projected to be slightly over budget





FTEs	
♦ Projected Full Year FTEs	178.2
♦ Budgeted Full Year FTEs	177.7
Budget Variance	0.5









- ► Effectively conducted examination and oversight activities through the 1st half of FY 2023
- On target to complete 2023 Operating Plan objectives
- Focusing on ensuring OE has sufficient highly skilled staff to accomplish our mission
- Actively managing our budget as we return to normalized travel





Discussion



THANK YOU

Statement on Pride Month and Flying the Pride Flag at FCA

Vincent G. Logan FCA Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Farm Credit Administration Board Meeting June 8, 2023

June is Pride Month. It is an opportunity to honor and celebrate the generations of LGBTQI+individuals who fought to make our country more inclusive and more vibrant, including those who served our nation to preserve our freedom. It is also a moment to reflect on the trials many have and continue to face in day-to-day life – experiences I know personally – just for being their true selves. We have made tremendous progress, but we still have work to do.

In President Biden's proclamation recognizing Pride Month on May 31, he said, "I call upon the people of the United States to recognize the achievements of the LGBTQI+ community, to celebrate the great diversity of the American people, and to wave their flags of pride high." In keeping with the president's sentiment, and at the request of our PRIDE at FCA Special Emphasis Program, we raised the first official Pride flag at our headquarters earlier this week.

This country, and we as an agency, are stronger when our public servants reflect the diversity that makes this country great. FCA respects and is proud of our PRIDE members, and we recognize their contributions to this agency during Pride month and beyond.

Thank you.