

# The Value and Strength of America's Leading Financial Institutions

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#### **About the Financial Services Forum**

The Financial Services Forum is an economic policy and advocacy organization whose members are the eight largest and most diversified financial institutions headquartered in the United States. Forum member institutions are a primary source of lending and investment in the United States and serve millions of consumers, businesses, investors, and communities throughout the country. The Forum promotes policies that support savings and investment, financial inclusion, deep and liquid capital markets, a competitive global marketplace, and a sound financial system.

#### **OUR MEMBERS**



#### Our value to the economy

We support economic growth by lending to consumers, businesses, and other financial institutions, and foster deep and liquid capital markets that allow the U.S. government and private institutions to finance public spending and investment

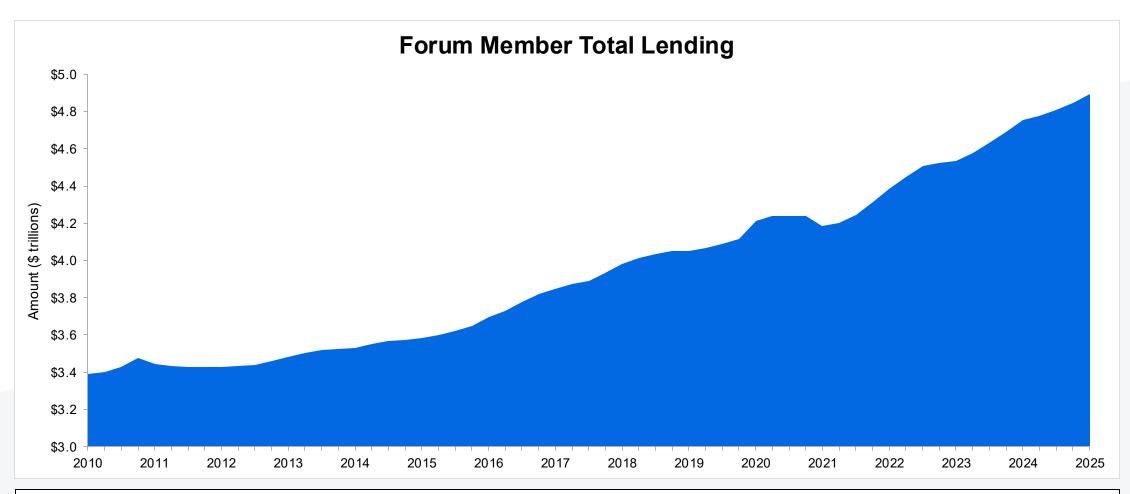
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#### **Total Lending**

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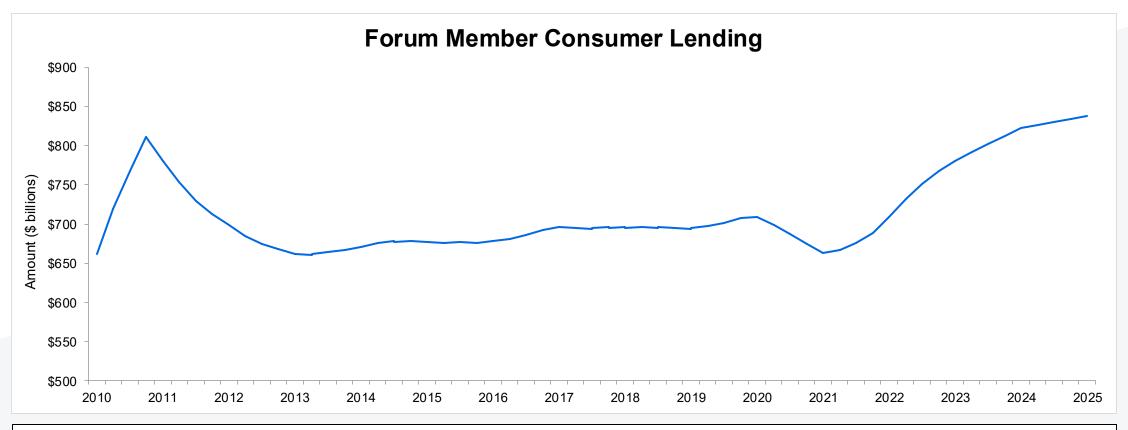


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#### **Lending to Consumers**

Forum members provide \$838 billion in consumer loans, accounting for nearly half of all consumer loans by banks in the United States. Consumer lending supports loans for a variety of household needs, such as the purchase of a car or replacement of a kitchen appliance.

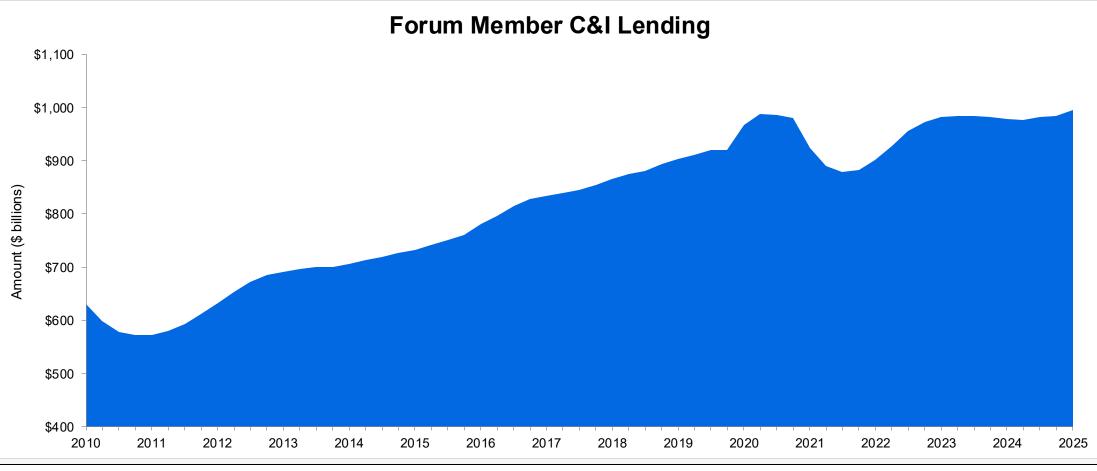


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# **Commercial and Industrial (C&I) Lending**

Our C&I lending has increased from \$630 billion to **\$996 billion** since 2010, helping businesses grow and contribute to the economy.

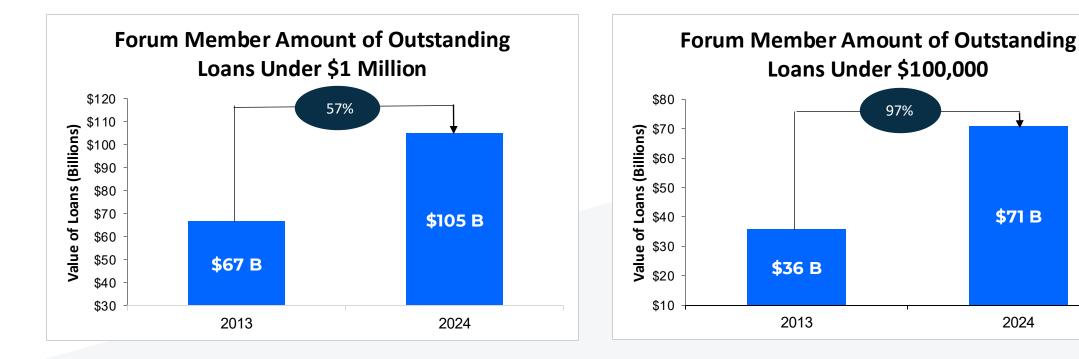


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#### Small Business Lending

We are a major source of lending to small businesses, helping the economy grow at both a community and national level. Our members hold \$105 billion in small business loans.



We hold \$105 billion in business loans less than \$1 million

We also hold \$71 billion in business loans less than \$100,000

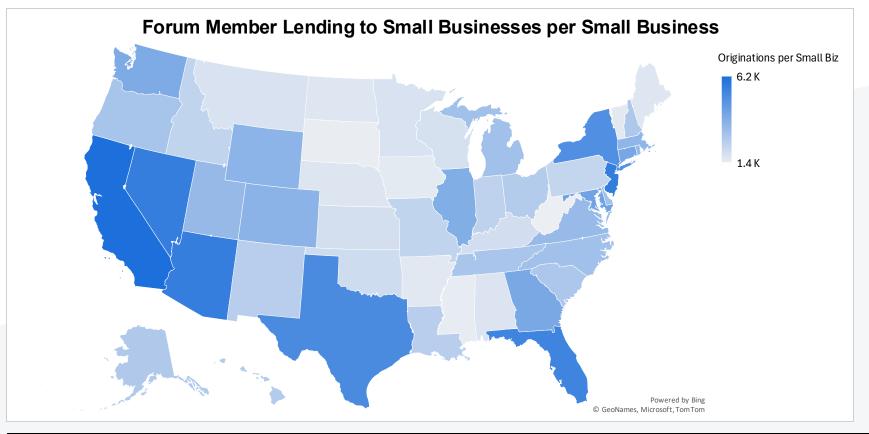
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Sources: FDIC Call Report data, available at https://cdr.ffiec.gov/public/; FDIC Loans to Small Businesses and Small Farms, available at https://www.fdic.gov/analysis/guarterlybanking-profile/



# Forum members lend to small businesses across the United States

Forum member small business lending supports entrepreneurship across the nation and in a wide array of communities.



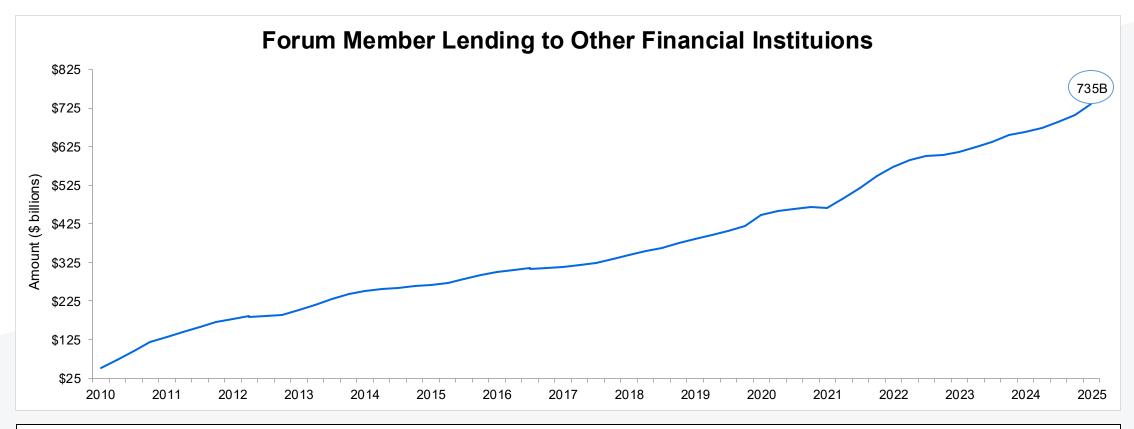
- These data reflect originations of small business loans by Forum members in 2023, the period of most recent data.
- Small business lending is spread throughout the United States.

Sources: FFIEC Community Reinvestment Act, available at <u>https://www.ffiec.gov/cra/default.htm</u>, U.S. Census Bureau County Population Totals, available at <u>https://www.census.gov/data/datasets/2017/demo/popest/counties-total.html</u>



#### **Lending to Other Financial Institutions**

We meet more than half of the bank funding needs of other financial institutions. Lending to financial institutions supports the needs of community banks, insurance companies, and mortgage finance companies, which provide important services to businesses and households.



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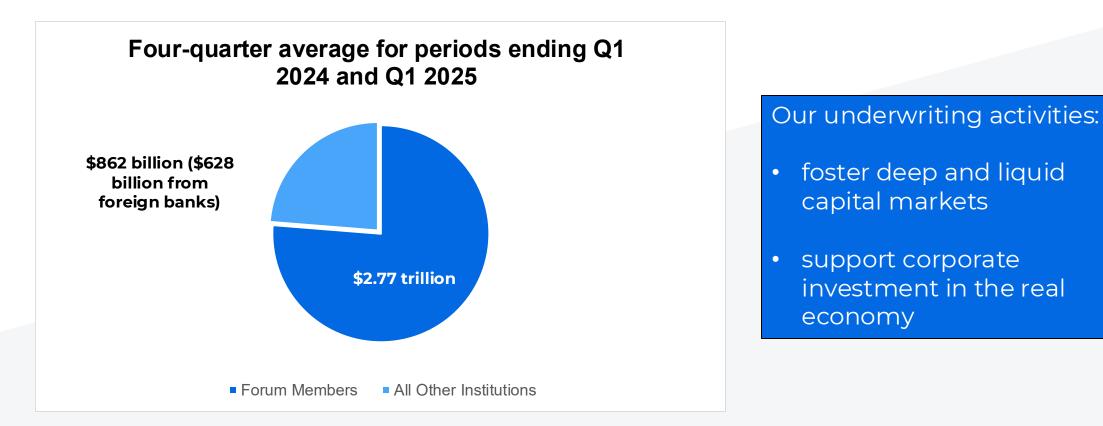
# Supporting Deep and Liquid Capital Markets





#### Total Debt and Equity Underwriting Activity

**Our members underwrite three-quarters of debt and equity transactions**—such as initial public offerings—among large institutions in the U.S., providing a critical service that other U.S. institutions cannot offer on a similar scale.

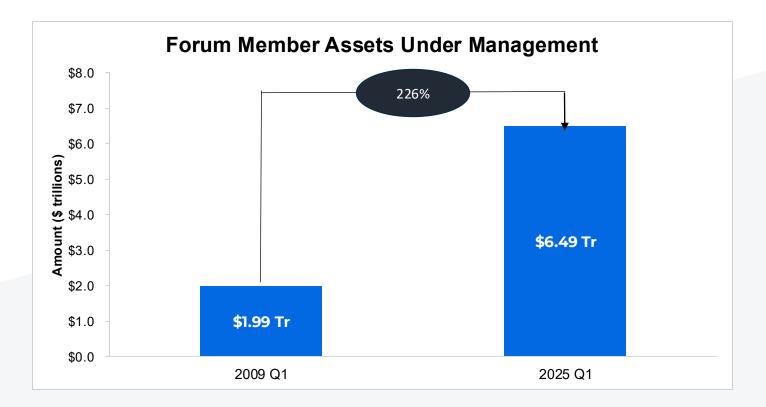


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#### **Mutual Funds and Annuities**

We manage **\$6.49 trillion in mutual funds and annuities**, a threefold increase since 2009, to support retirement and other savings needs.



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#### **Municipal Securities Holdings**

With **\$84 billion in municipal securities holdings**, we finance a significant portion of state and local government expenditures for vital projects, such as hospitals, roads, bridges, and schools. Examples:

- JPMorganChase and Wells Fargo in 2024 underwrote \$112.2 million in municipal bonds for Polk County, Iowa, to fund various improvements at the Des Moines International Airport. The construction includes a main terminal, six airline gates, and a car rental facility.
- **Morgan Stanley** in 2024 underwrote \$290 million in municipal bonds to fund Delaware's public education, social services, correctional system, and road and highway maintenance.
- **BNY** in 2024 underwrote \$6 million in municipal bonds for the Town of Southbridge, Massachusetts, to finance a fire station, road paving, and its West Main Street sewer and water improvements.
- Our holdings of municipal securities also foster liquid secondary markets, thus improving the ease and cost with which state and local governments can access capital markets and finance public spending and investment.

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# **U.S. Treasury Securities**

With over **\$1.7 trillion in U.S. Treasury securities holdings**, we also finance a significant portion of federal government expenditures.



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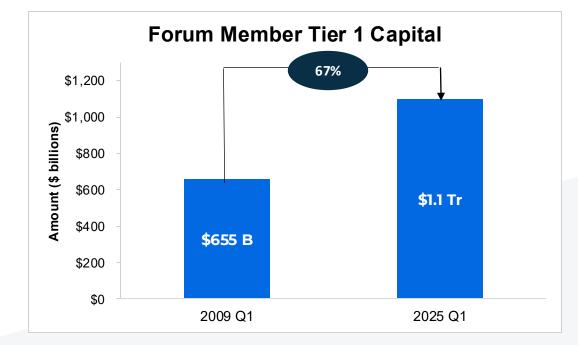
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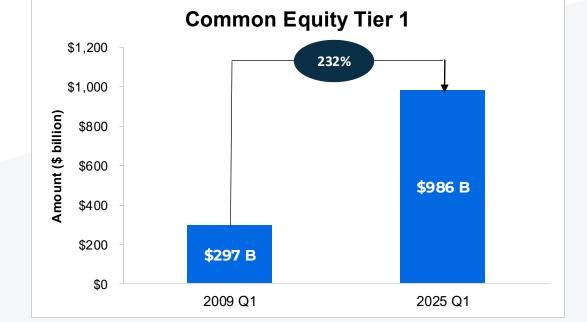
# Improvements in Capital and Liquidity and Other Regulation



#### Improvements in Tier 1 Capital and Resiliency

We have significantly enhanced the quality and quantity of our capital. Since 2009, **Tier 1 capital** has increased 67 percent and Common Equity Tier 1 capital has tripled. Our members currently maintain over \$1 trillion of T1 capital, \$986 billion of which is CET1 capital.





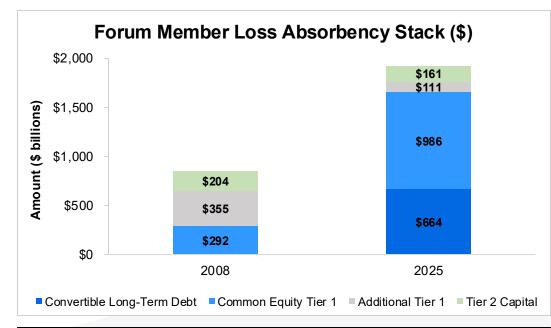
 Both dollar amounts of capital and capital ratios have improved markedly since 2009 • The share of Tier 1 capital accounted for by Common Equity Tier 1 capital has improved markedly

Source: FR Y-9C data, available at <u>https://www.ffiec.gov/nicpubweb/nicweb/HCSGreaterThan10B.aspx</u> Note: Capital amounts are reflective of the regulatory definition of capital at each point in time.

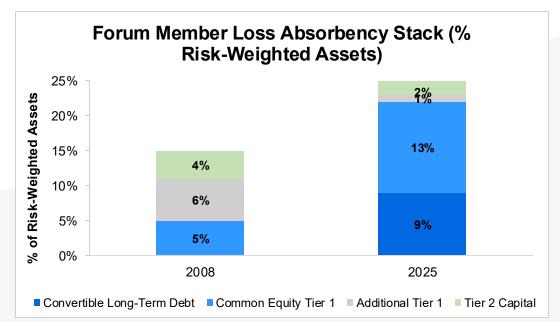


#### Forum Member Total Loss Absorbency

Since 2008, Forum members' total loss absorbency—measured by convertible long-term debt, common equity Tier 1 and additional Tier 1 capital, Tier 2 capital—has more than doubled to \$1.9 trillion, substantially improving Forum members' ability to withstand losses.



 Common equity Tier 1, the most loss absorbing form of capital, has grown by \$694 billion since 2008, and has increased as a percent of total Tier 1 capital, from 45 percent to 90 percent



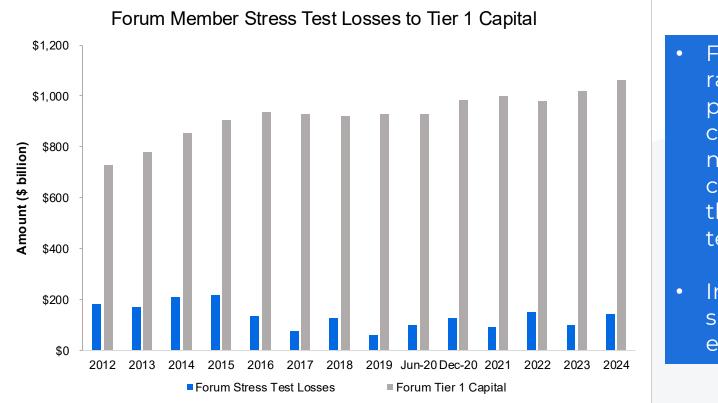
• Estimated convertible long-term debt, debt that may be converted into equity to absorb losses

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#### **Forum Capital Resiliency and Stress Tests**

Stress tests are an important part of the capital regime for Forum members. While losses sustained from stress tests are significant, they pale in comparison to the amount of Forum member Tier 1 capital.



Forum aggregate stress test losses range from 6.3 percent to 25.0 percent of Forum aggregate Tier 1 capital, demonstrating that Forum members maintain substantial capital to sustain losses as severe as those contemplated in the stress tests

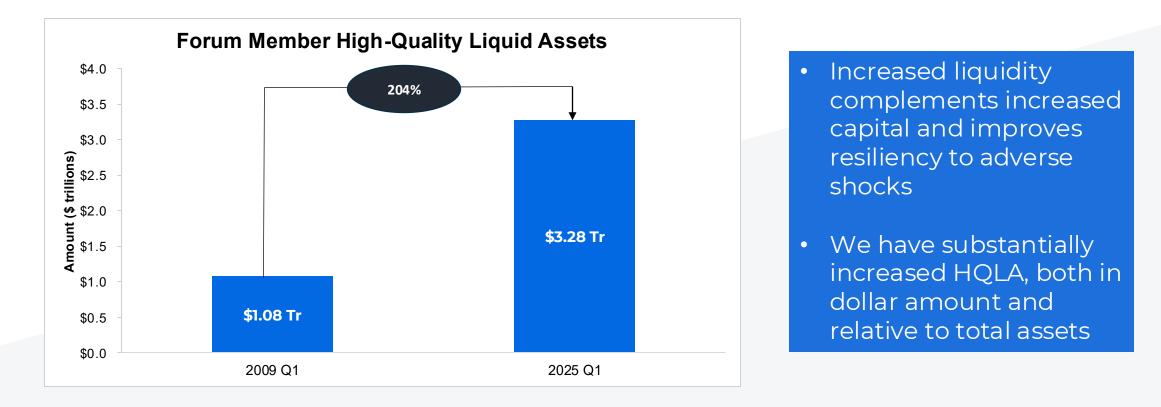
In addition, stress test losses are significantly more severe than the experience of the financial crisis

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### **Improvements to Liquidity Profile**

We have also greatly increased our liquidity profiles and now hold **\$3.28 trillion in high**quality liquid assets (HQLA). Since 2009, HQLA has tripled.

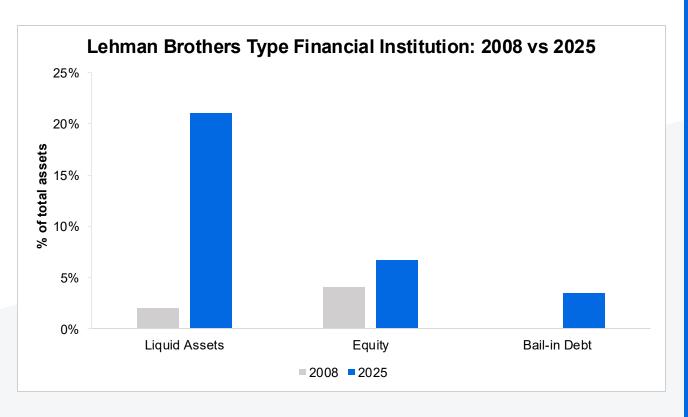


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#### **Post-Crisis Reforms and Resiliency**

The collapse of Lehman Brothers is often regarded as the turning point of the 2007-2009 recession. A similarly sized financial entity subject to today's regulatory standards would be significantly more resilient to large shocks like those experienced during the financial crisis.



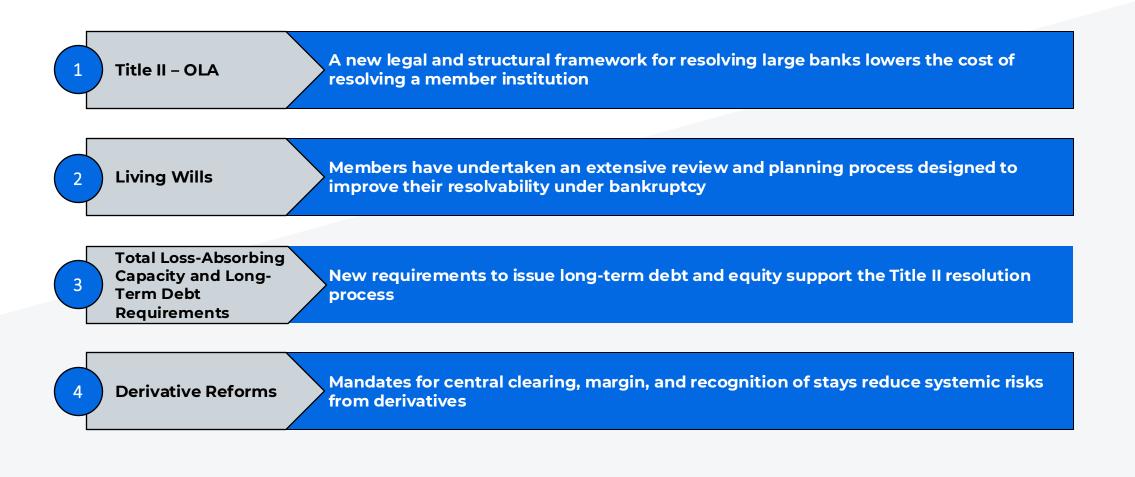
- In 2008, Lehman held low levels of cash and liquid resources making it susceptible to adverse shocks. Post-crisis liquidity regulations require much higher levels of liquidity
- Post-crisis capital requirements would result in a near doubling of capital levels relative to 2008
- The largest banks now issue significant amounts of debt that can be "bailed in" to support a resolution event. Such debt was not available in 2008
- A number of additional regulatory and supervisory enhancements have strengthened the resiliency of the financial system

Sources: FR Y-9C data, available at <u>https://www.ffiec.gov/nicpubweb/nicweb/HCSGreaterThan10B.aspx</u>, Lehman Brothers 2008 Q2 10-q, available at <u>https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/806085/000110465908045115/a08-18147\_110q.htm</u>



#### Additional Regulatory and Supervisory Developments

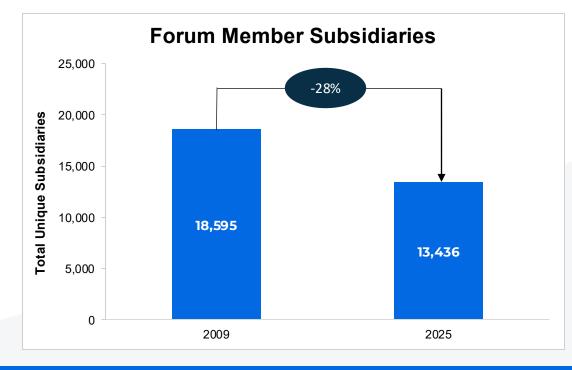
In conjunction with significantly higher levels of capital and liquidity, several post-crisis reforms have greatly increased the resiliency of the U.S. financial system.





#### **Resolution: Overview and Improvements**

In concert with a regulatory requirement to submit resolution plans (often referred to as "living wills"), U.S. GSIBs have made **significant progress to reduce their organizational complexity and increase their resolvability.** 



 Total subsidiaries at U.S. GSIBs have declined 28% since 2009, which suggests a significant decrease in organizational complexity

Through the regular submission of resolution plans to the FRB and FDIC, large banks explain how they would undergo a rapid and orderly resolution in the event of material financial distress or failure – decreased organizational complexity would facilitate such a resolution proceeding.

Source: FFIEC National Information Center, HC > \$10B Organizational Hierarchy, available at <a href="https://www.ffiec.gov/nicpubweb/nicweb/HCSGreaterThan10B.aspx">https://www.ffiec.gov/nicpubweb/nicweb/HCSGreaterThan10B.aspx</a>