Micro Report Series Description

Series Mnemonic	DFCR
Series Name	Domestic Finance Company Report of Consolidated Assets and Liabilities; FR 2248; FR 2248a
Starting and	FR 2248 January 31, 1985 – Continuing
Ending Dates	FR 2248a January 31, 1985 – January 31, 1989
Frequency	FR 2248
	Monthly, as of the last business day of each month, with certain items reported only quarterly
	Prior to January 1988, monthly, as of the last calendar day of each
	month (except March, June, September and December)
	FR 2248a
	Quarterly, as of the last calendar day of March, June, September, and
	December

Reporting Panel

The panel consists of a stratified sample of seventy domestic finance and mortgage companies selected from respondents to the quinquennial Finance Company Questionnaire (FR 3033p/s). Participation is voluntary.

Major Changes to Reporting Panel

Prior to October 2008, approximately 80 domestic finance companies.
Prior to December 2002, approximately 100 domestic finance companies.
Prior to August 1999, approximately 120 domestic finance companies.
Prior to June 1996, approximately 142 domestic finance companies.
Prior to January 1988, approximately 200 domestic finance companies.

Data Mode

FR 2248 Monthly figures, with certain items reported only quarterly. Thousands of dollars FR 2248a Quarterly figures Thousands of dollars

Data Availability

Approximately two weeks after the report date.

Major Series Changes

Beginning October 2008, Asset item 6, "All Other Assets" was changed to "All other Assets and Accounts and Notes Receivable." This change split "All other Assets" into three subcategories to provide improved cash and cash equivalent data for the Flow of Funds Accounts. Asset item 6 was broken down into the following subcategories: "Cash and cash equivalents", "Securities held" and "All other assets". In addition, the authorized panel size was reduced from 80 to 70 finance companies.

Beginning December 2002, three new items were added, which provided greater detail of the 1-4 family real estate loan category. The authorized panel size was reduced from 100 to 80 domestic finance companies.

Beginning August 1999, the authorized panel size was reduced from 120 to 100.

Beginning June 1996, several items were consolidated, new items were added, the report layout was reorganized to classify assets as consumer-, real estate-, business-, or lease-related, and the authorized panel size was reduced from 142 to 120 domestic finance companies.

Beginning February 1989, five items were added as a supplement to the report form to collect outstanding balances of retail, wholesale, and lease financing receivables sold as packages and being used by the purchasing agent as the underlying asset for securities sold to investors ("securitized assets"). These items were added to coincide with the addition of comparable items on the Commercial Bank Report of Consumer Credit (FR 2571). In addition, the FR 2248a form number associated with the quarterly items was dropped from the official report title to reflect the incorporation of these items on the FR 2248 report form, which began with the January 1988 report date.

Beginning January 1988, the FR 2248 and FR 2248a report forms were combined. Items previously collected on the FR 2248a continued to be reported only quarterly. On the combined FR 2248/2248a form, two quarterly items, "short-term debt not elsewhere classified" and "long-term debt not elsewhere classified" were consolidated. Also, a new quarterly liability item on "debt due to parent" was added. For all categories, items on "direct loans made and paper purchased during month" (extensions) were eliminated; as a result, the amount outstanding began to be reported for the "passenger cars" and "commercial vehicles" items. Also, memorandum item 1, "purchases of receivables from banks and financial institutions other than finance companies--total amount of such purchases included in Column 1," was deleted.

Public Release

Aggregate data are published in the Board's monthly statistical releases Consumer Credit (G.19) and Finance Companies (G.20) and in the quarterly statistical release Flow of Funds Accounts of the United States (Z.1), and in the Federal Reserve Bulletin (Tables 1.51, 1.52, and 1.55).

Confidentiality

Microdata are confidential.