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Douglas G. Duncan is Fannie Mae’s vice president and chief economist. He is responsible for managing Fannie Mae’s Economics & Mortgage Market Analysis Group. In this leadership role, Duncan provides all economic, housing, and mortgage market forecasts and analyses and serves as the company’s thought leader internally and with external constituent groups. Reporting directly to the senior vice president of Business Strategy, Duncan is an important source of information and commentary on the external business and economic environment, and is a key spokesperson on the economy, housing, and mortgage markets.



Prior to joining Fannie Mae, Duncan served as senior vice president and chief economist of the Mortgage Bankers Association (MBA) since 2000. Duncan served as the primary spokesperson on economic and mortgage market developments and performance for the MBA, a trade group representing 3,000 companies that make the majority of all residential, multifamily, and commercial real estate loans in the U.S.

Prior to joining the MBA in 1992, Duncan worked on Capitol Hill as a LEGIS Fellow and staff member on the Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs, and at the U.S Department of Agriculture’s Economic Research Service. He has been elected to the Board of Directors for the National Association of Business Economists, is a member of the American Economics Association and the American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association, and is past president of the Housing Statistics Users Group.

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