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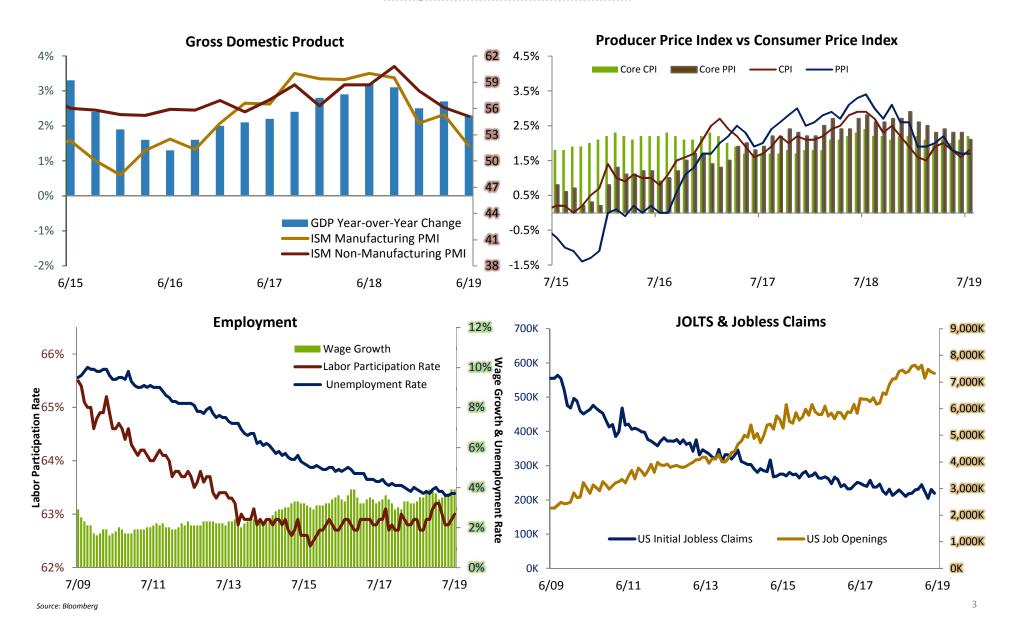
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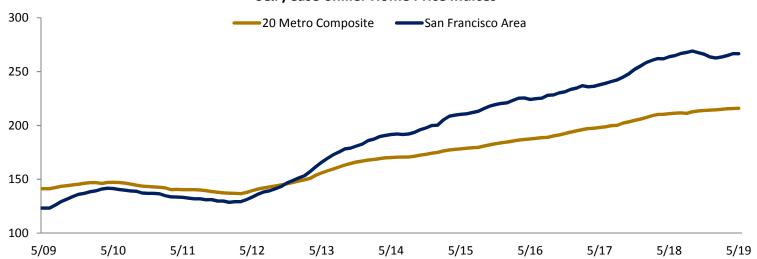


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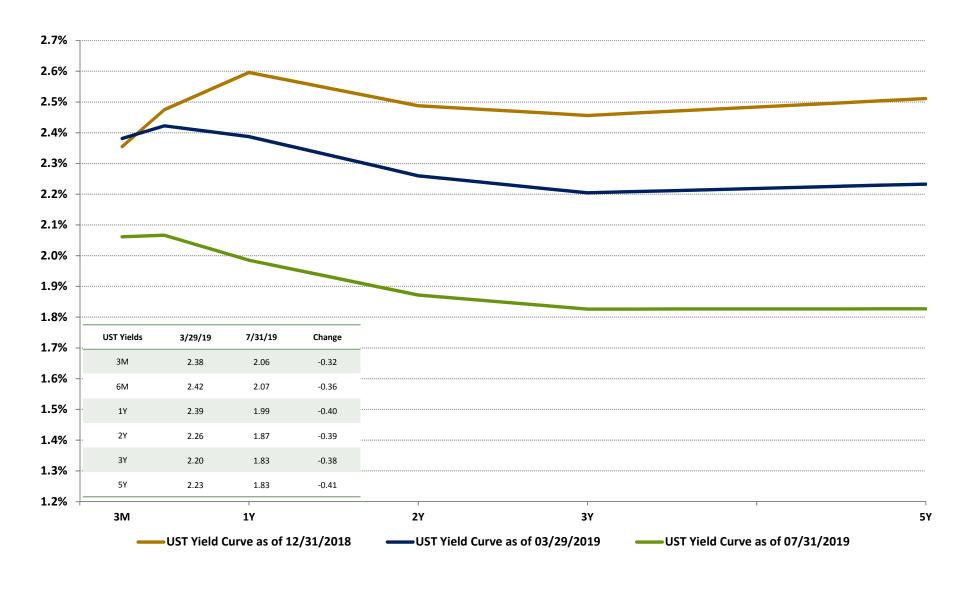
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#### **S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Indices**



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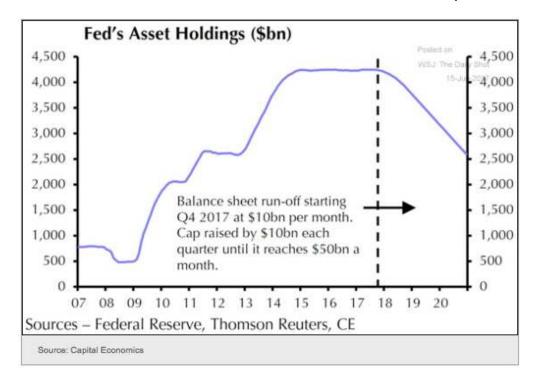
#### Policy Issues:

- Monetary Moved from Pause to Cut:
  - 07/31/2019: Cut by 0.25% 1<sup>st</sup> Cut since December 2008; and
  - 2019 Rate Decrease Probability:
    - 09/18/2019: Second cut of 0.25% is at 99%;
    - 10/30/2019: Third cut of 0.25% is at 75%.
- Fiscal:
  - Tax Reform No Change:
    - Corporate. Buybacks remain focus;
    - Repatriation of Earnings, but not investing in factories / jobs in US; and
    - Individual. One-time Bonus, not Pay Raises.
  - Tariffs: Little shifting of production to United States; and
  - Trade: The New NAFTA, China and Europe.

# **Strategic Considerations**

#### **Government Policy Issues:**

• Federal Reserve's Balance Sheet - \$4.5 Trillion (Fall 2017):



- \$3.8 Trillion (July 2019); and
- Run-off of Balance Sheet to Halt in September.

# **Strategic Considerations**

#### Portfolio Issues:

- Outflows:
  - June: Semi-Annual Debt Service (\$350 Million+); and
  - July: Annual Pension Funding (\$703 Million).
- Use Money Market Sector to Satisfy Liquidity Needs
- Portfolio Duration: 0.72 (July 2019):
  - 0.99 December 2018;
  - 0.95 in December 2017; and
  - 0.68 in December 2016.
- Duration is an Outcome, not an Objective. Approach is:
  - Purchasing Securities that mature on (or slightly before) a known need such as Payroll, Debt Service, Capital Projects, etc.; and
  - Opportunistic Investing.

### The Economic Outlook

#### Goldilocks Zone – Still There

<u>Factor</u>	<b>Current Situation</b>
Low unemployment rate	3.6% (down from 3.7%)
Increasing asset prices (stocks, real estate, etc.);	S&P 500 (+15.7% - since 2009 Trough)
Low Interest rates;	Below historical norms & Falling
Brisk but steady GDP growth; and	> 2.5% past several years
Low inflation	Low (1.8%) & below target

# Counterpunching:

- Labor participation rate is stubbornly low despite the large number of job opening;
- Asset prices (such as US Equities) have been very volatile over the past 10-12 months;
- Interest Rates: Shifted quickly from Increases to Decreases;
- GDP: The best positive among the factors; and
- Average Hourly Earnings remains above 3.0%.

## Future Rate Changes

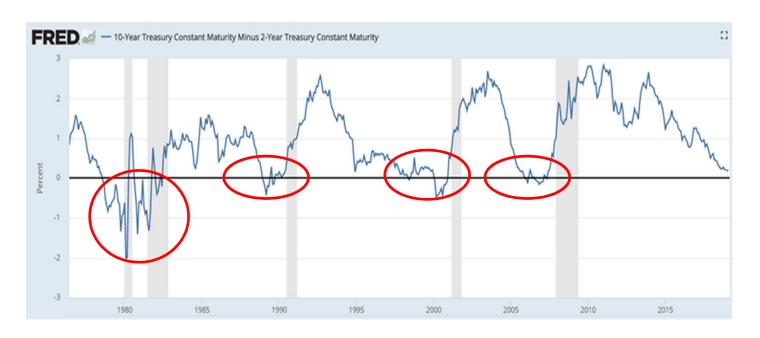
#### Moving into the inflection zone:

- Fed Funds: 2.00% 2.25% Range;
- +2.00% (9 Rate Increases & 1 Decrease since December 2015);
- June Fed Minutes changed the tone;
- Market is forecasting <u>1-2 More rate Decreases</u> in 2019; and
- Forecast (Fed Dot Plot):
  - September 2018: Target Range was 3.25% 3.50%;
  - December 2018: Target Range now 3.00% 3.25%;
  - March 2019: Target Range was 2.50% 2.75%;
  - June 2019: Target Range now 2.25% 2.50%;

#### **Pool Impact:**

- Yield Curve Inverted between 2 years (1.65%) and 5 years (1.56%)
- Makes longer dated bonds less attractive.

# **Yield Curve Inversions & Recessions**

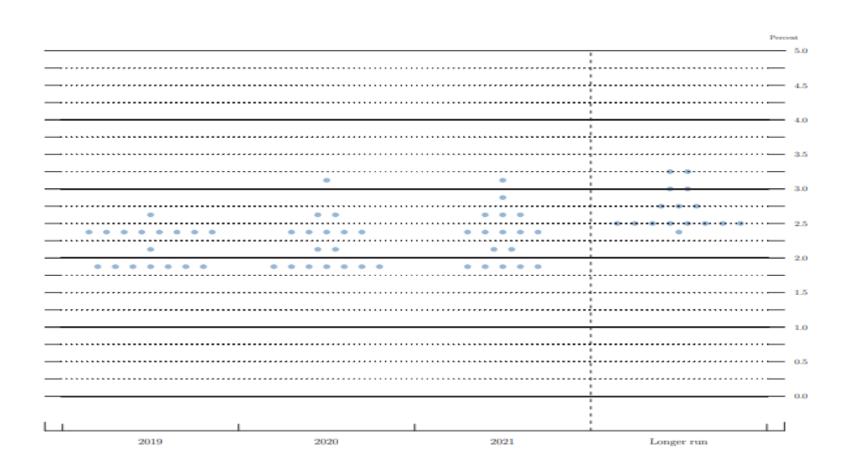


Date of	Start of	Number of
inversion	recession	months
9/17/1978	1/2/1980	15.5
9/12/1980	7/1/1981	10
8/11/1989	7/1/1990	11
2/2/2000	3/1/2001	13
2/1/2006	12/1/2007	22

## The Dot Plot – June 2019

For release at 2:00 p.m., EDT, June 19, 2019

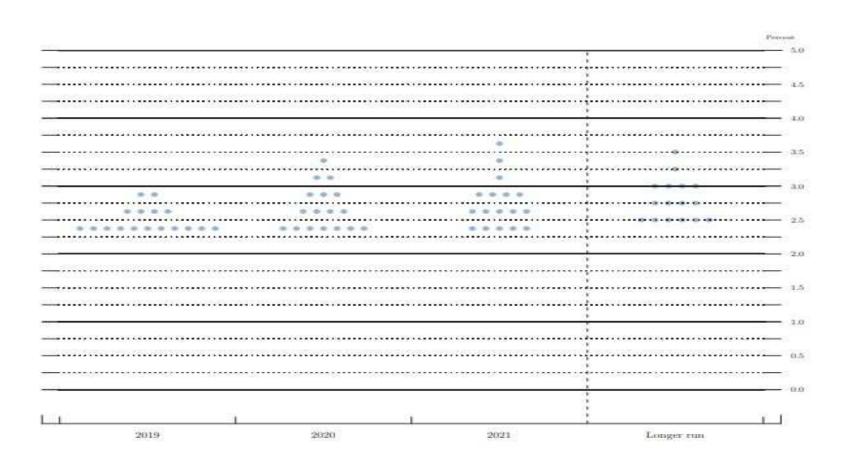
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### The Dot Plot – March 2019

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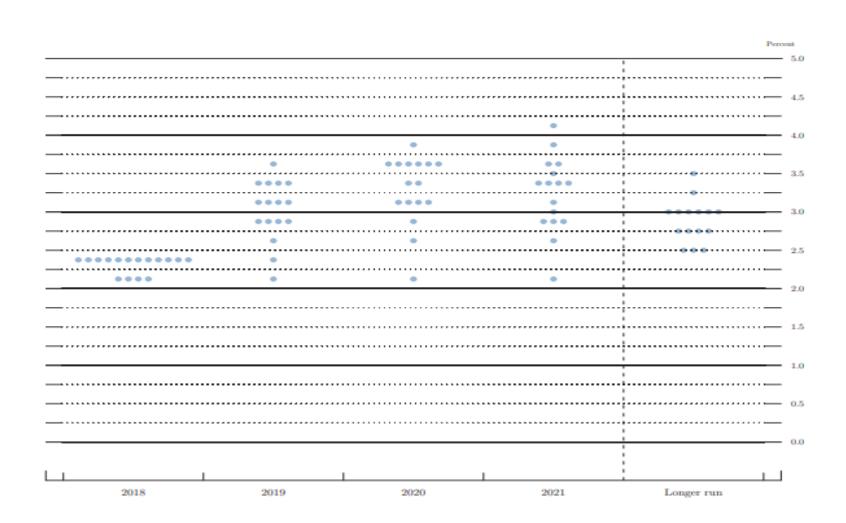
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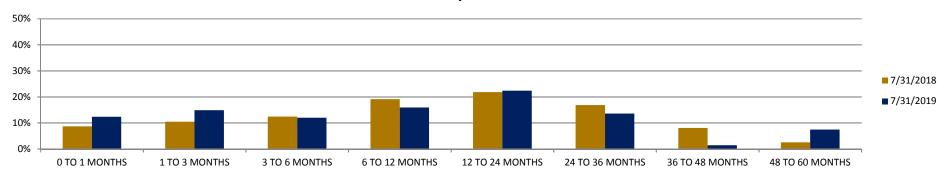
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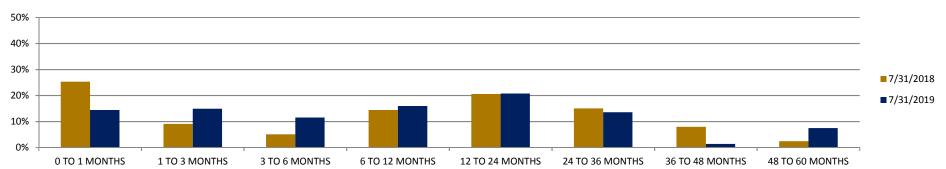


## **Historical Maturity Distribution Comparison**

#### **Maturity Distribution**

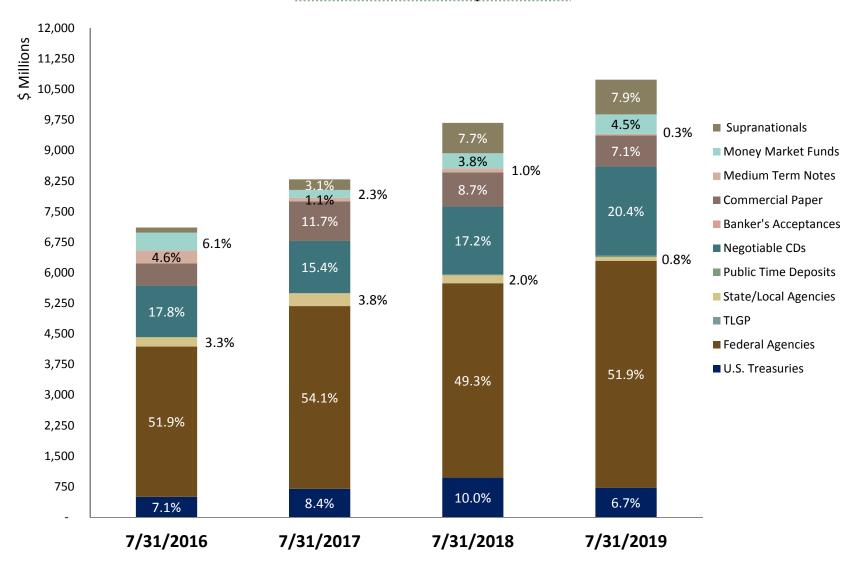


#### **Effective Maturity Distribution**



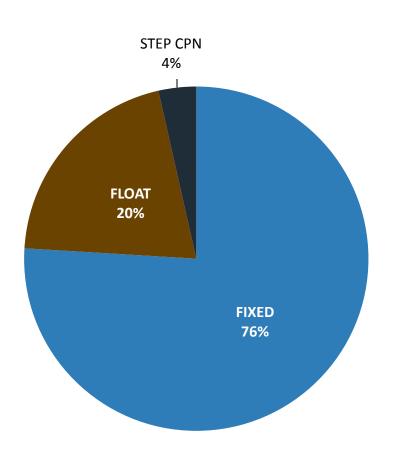
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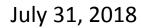
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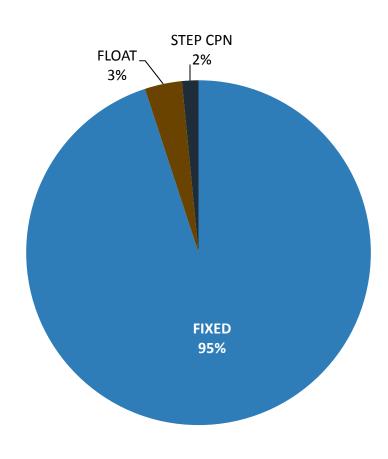


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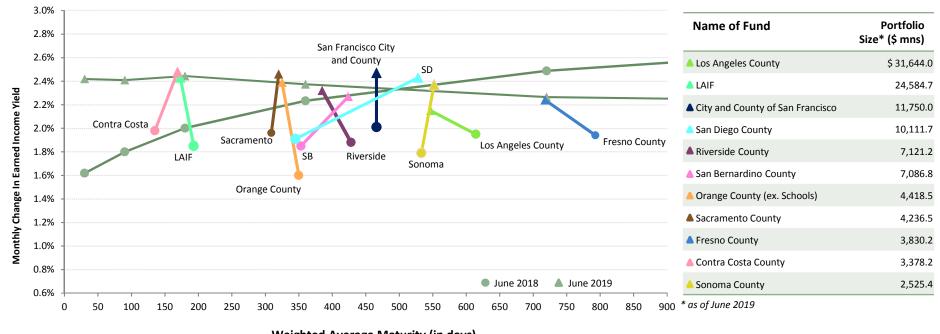




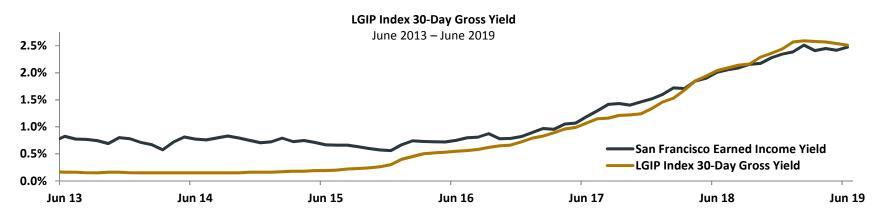


July 31, 2019

### **County Pooled Fund Statistics**



Weighted Average Maturity (in days)



# Pool Participants Breakdown

#### As of July 2019

Pool Participant	Fund Balance	Percent of Fund
General Fund/Special City Funds/Internal Services Funds	\$ 4,271,098,793	40.49%
San Francisco International Airport	1,740,721,112	16.50%
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission	1,434,052,905	13.59%
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Authority	786,287,811	7.45%
Facilities and Capital Projects Funds - General	508,141,321	4.82%
San Francisco Unified School District	464,492,082	4.40%
San Francisco General Hospital and Laguna Honda Hospital	420,597,555	3.99%
Other agencies (incl. Transbay Joint Powers, Trial Courts)	334,886,258	3.17%
OCII - Successor Agency – former SFRDA	281,994,746	2.67%
Port of San Francisco	192,296,555	1.82%
San Francisco Community College District	58,249,061	0.55%
San Francisco County Transportation Authority	48,497,536	0.46%
Pension and Retiree Health Care Trust Fund	7,855,433	0.07%
Totals	\$ 10,549,171,168	100.0%

Sources: FSP Impromptu

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### **Pool Participants Trends**

July 31, 2006 - July 31, 2019

