

The Handbook of Mortgage-Backed Securities

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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. One StarBy CustomerOutdated28 of 28 people found the following review helpful. Definitely lacking, but OK for traditional mortgage productsBy B-school StudentI have to say that Fabozzi has the formula down pat--he gets "guest writers" to contribute various chapters to this book and does very

little writing himself. The result is a disjointed, sometimes repetitious, other times incomplete volume. This book focuses extensively on agency mortgages--Ginnies, Fannies, Freddie's--and speaks only a bit to the Alt-A, subprime and more exotic privately-originated mortgage markets. To call this book comprehensive would be a lie. Although this book was highly recommended to me by a PM at a traditional long-only manager, I can only guess that previous versions were better, because this one was certainly a high-priced primer that still left many areas of the market uncovered. Areas that are glaringly missing (beyond non-agency topics) include the role of hedge funds, loss mitigation/foreclosure processes, more info on EPDs, and the erosion of lending standards/rise of the subprime market. I think that a chapter on common mortgage origination fraud issues is also merited. This book is good for the basics, on agencies. Beyond that, it may leave you scratching your head and wondering, "And...." because there is a palpable sense of incompleteness. Borrow this book from someone else that already has it--don't buy it! 6 of 7 people found the following review helpful. useful book but...By financeguyFabozzi's MBS handbook is quite useful, but it's not what I'm here to review: For some reason it is absurdly expensive on . If you go to abebooks or half or one of the other online vendors you can easily find copies for under \$5. No need to spend \$40+ for a copy from .

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