

## Biographies

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Dr. Chomsisengphet is currently researching loan modification, consumer contract choices, consumer bankruptcy and default behaviors, the impact of financial counseling mandates on mortgage choice and performance, and the effect of anti-predatory lending laws on the mortgage market. In addition to these research projects, her banking supervisory duty involves evaluating statistical methods used by banks to develop and validate credit risk models for underwriting, risk management, and capital allocation.

Prior to joining the OCC in 2004, Dr. Chomsisengphet was an economist at the Federal Housing Finance Agency. She earned a doctorate in economics from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

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