



Update

NEWSLETTER

A newsletter published by the Payment Cards Center, providing meaningful insights into developments in consumer credit and payments

New Web Pages for Consumer Credit and Payments

The Payment Cards Center has been focusing on consumer credit and payments for over 10 years. As each year goes by, the list of subject matter experts at the Philadelphia Fed grows and, in turn, so does collaboration among departments. To exploit this expertise, the Payment Cards Center created the Program in Consumer Credit and Payments, an initiative focused on investigating and analyzing a broad range of issues related to consumers' use of payment instruments and credit. The program uses a cross-functional approach, working with many different areas of the Bank to identify relevant research and analysis. The program provides communication tools and opportunities to share information with all interested parties, with the ultimate goal of informing policy and policymakers. One of the program's foremost goals is to provide more information to the public; we have done this by updating and improving our web pages.

In previous editions of *Update*, we have highlighted some of the innovations made to the Payment Cards Center's pages. Some changes, though, require more than just a small column in *Update*, which is why we are devoting a special issue to the latest web changes.

Over the past 18 months, the Payment Cards Center and the Philadelphia Fed's Public Affairs web team have worked to arrange content by topic and to make the Payment Cards Center's web pages easier to navigate. It's a new year and a new way of finding information. We are happy to introduce you to the reorganized Consumer Credit & Payments pages. Visitors can now find all of the consumer credit and payments resources they need in one location. We like to think of it as one-stop shopping.

One of the biggest changes you'll see when visiting the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia's home page is the change in headings. Before, the wording on the tab was "Payment Cards Center";



now, you'll find this tab labeled "Consumer Credit and Payments."



For more information, please see the screen shots on the following pages.

Overview
Find the latest updates to the Consumer Credit and Payments web pages.

Subject Matter Experts
NEW! Find knowledgeable contacts at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia and view their personal web pages.

Publications
NEW! Search for consumer credit and payments publications. Visitors can search by title, topic, or author.

Statistics
View the popular consumer credit and payments statistics produced by the Payment Cards Center, the same statistics you've come to depend on but in a new location.

Upcoming Events:
Find out about upcoming consumer credit and payments events at the Fed.

Consumer Resources
A source for external publications on consumer-related topics. Find out how to obtain free credit reports. Visit the Foreclosure Resource Center; learn about identity theft, fraud, credit rights, and more!

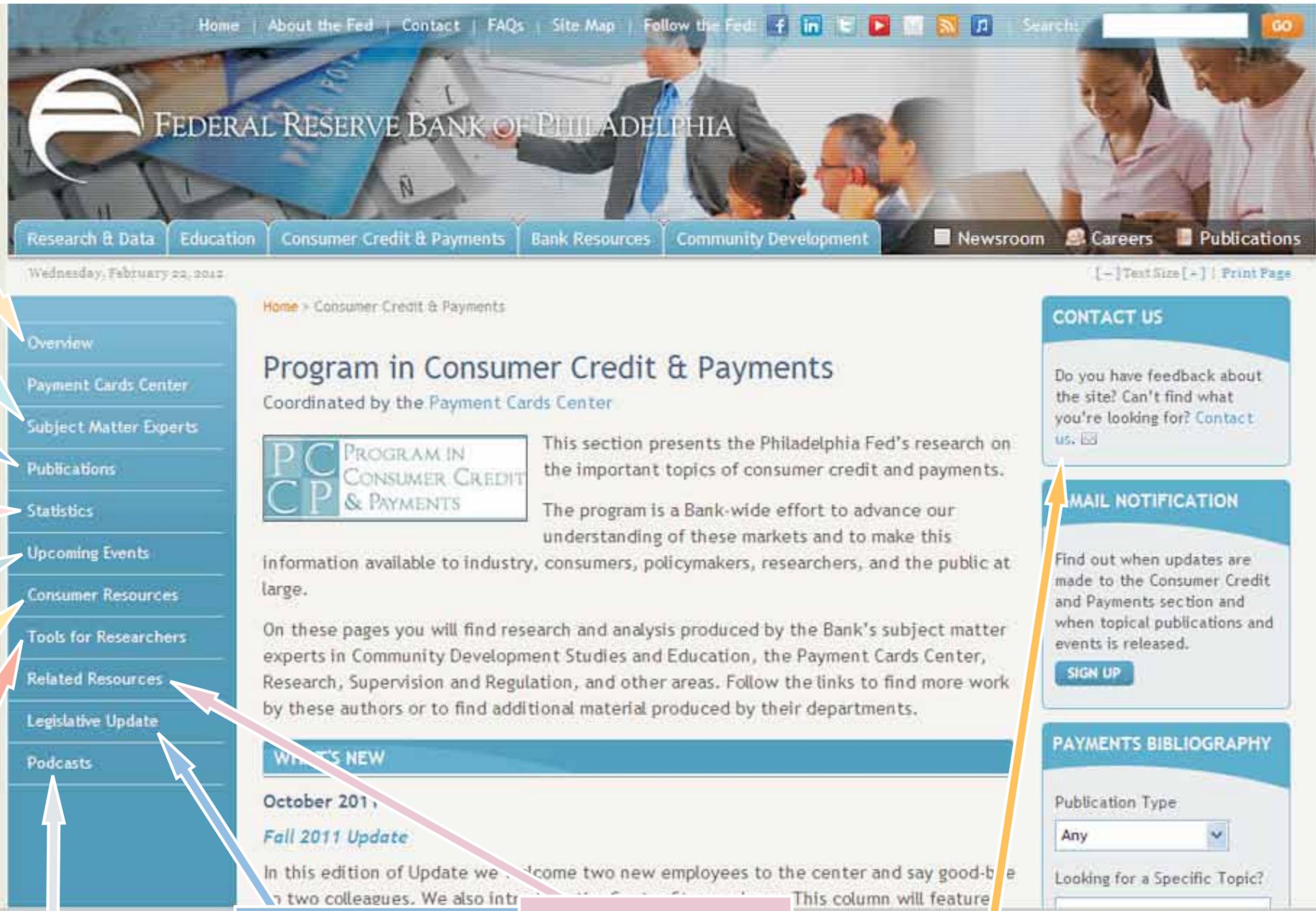
Tools for Researchers
Find academic articles, definitions and detailed descriptions of a variety of statistics, and articles on consumer credit and payment statistics.

Podcasts
NEW! Visit the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia's Podcast page to find all podcasts from the Philly Fed.

Legislative Update
Derived from the Research Department's "Banking Legislation and Policy," this summary gives you information about pending payment cards legislation, regulation, and judicial activity for the Third District.

Related Resources
View Studies & Surveys, Reports to Congress, Webinars, and more.

Contact Us
If you can't find what you're looking for or if you wish to contact a subject matter expert who doesn't have a web page, we're only a click away!



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Program in Consumer Credit & Payments

Coordinated by the Payment Cards Center



This section presents the Philadelphia Fed's research on the important topics of consumer credit and payments.

The program is a Bank-wide effort to advance our understanding of these markets and to make this

information available to industry, consumers, policymakers, researchers, and the public at large.

On these pages you will find research and analysis produced by the Bank's subject matter experts in Community Development Studies and Education, the Payment Cards Center, Research, Supervision and Regulation, and other areas. Follow the links to find more work by these authors or to find additional material produced by their departments.

WHAT'S NEW

October 2011

Fall 2011 Update

In this edition of Update we welcome two new employees to the center and say good-bye to two colleagues. We also introduce...

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The mission of the Payment Cards Center is to provide meaningful insights into developments in consumer credit and payments that are of interest not only to the Federal Reserve System but also to the industry, other businesses, academia, policymakers, and the public at large. The center carries out its mission through an agenda of research and analysis as well as forums and conferences that encourage dialogue incorporating industry, academic, and public-sector perspectives.

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