

Macro Strategists,

Suppose house prices rise 20% per year for 6 years. Hanna refinances 3 times. Hal simply pays his mortgage debt. After 6 years, if they both sell their homes, Hanna nets nearly twice as much as what Hal nets.

Of course, if house prices went sideways, Hanna defaults:

HANNA		7/1/2000				HAL		7/1/2000	
CASH	35,000	MORTGAGE DEBT	590,000			CASH	5,000	MORTGAGE DEBT	260,000
REAL ESTATE	600,000	EQUITY	45,000			REAL ESTATE	300,000	EQUITY	45,000
TOTAL	635,000	TOTAL	635,000			TOTAL	305,000	TOTAL	305,000
HANNA		7/2/2002				HAL		7/2/2002	
CASH	35,000	MORTGAGE DEBT	625,000			CASH	5,000	MORTGAGE DEBT	260,000
REAL ESTATE	864,000	EQUITY	274,000			REAL ESTATE	432,000	EQUITY	177,000
TOTAL	899,000	TOTAL	899,000			TOTAL	437,000	TOTAL	437,000
HANNA		7/2/2004				HAL		7/2/2004	
CASH	35,000	MORTGAGE DEBT	658,000			CASH	5,000	MORTGAGE DEBT	255,000
REAL ESTATE	1,244,160	EQUITY	621,160			REAL ESTATE	622,080	EQUITY	372,080
TOTAL	1,279,160	TOTAL	1,279,160			TOTAL	627,080	TOTAL	627,080
HANNA		7/2/2006				HAL		7/2/2006	
CASH	35,000	MORTGAGE DEBT	693,000			CASH	5,000	MORTGAGE DEBT	250,000
REAL ESTATE	1,791,590	EQUITY	1,133,590			REAL ESTATE	895,795	EQUITY	650,795
TOTAL	1,826,590	TOTAL	1,826,590			TOTAL	900,795	TOTAL	900,795
HANNA EQUITY: 1,133,590									
HAL EQUITY: 650,795									
DIFFERENCE: 482,795									