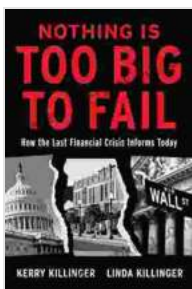


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Causes of the Financial Crisis

The financial crisis was caused by a number of factors, including:

- Lax lending standards: Banks and other lenders made risky loans to borrowers who could not afford them. This led to a housing bubble, which burst in 2007.

- **Complex financial products:** Banks and other financial institutions created complex financial products, such as mortgage-backed securities, that were difficult to understand and assess. These products masked the underlying risk in the housing market.
- **Lack of regulation:** The financial industry was not adequately regulated. This allowed banks and other financial institutions to take excessive risks.

Consequences of the Financial Crisis

The financial crisis had a devastating impact on the world economy. It led to:

- **A global recession:** The financial crisis triggered a global recession, which lasted from 2008 to 2009.
- **The collapse of major financial institutions:** The financial crisis led to the collapse of several major financial institutions, including Lehman Brothers and Bear Stearns.
- **A sharp decline in economic activity:** The financial crisis caused a sharp decline in economic activity around the world.

Lessons Learned from the Financial Crisis

The financial crisis taught us a number of important lessons, including:

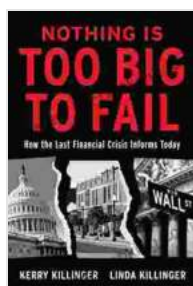
- **The importance of responsible lending:** Banks and other lenders must make responsible lending decisions. They must not lend to borrowers who cannot afford to repay their loans.

- The need for transparency: Financial products must be transparent and easy to understand. Investors must be able to assess the risks involved in investing in these products.
- The importance of regulation: The financial industry must be adequately regulated. Regulators must ensure that banks and other financial institutions are taking appropriate risks.

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