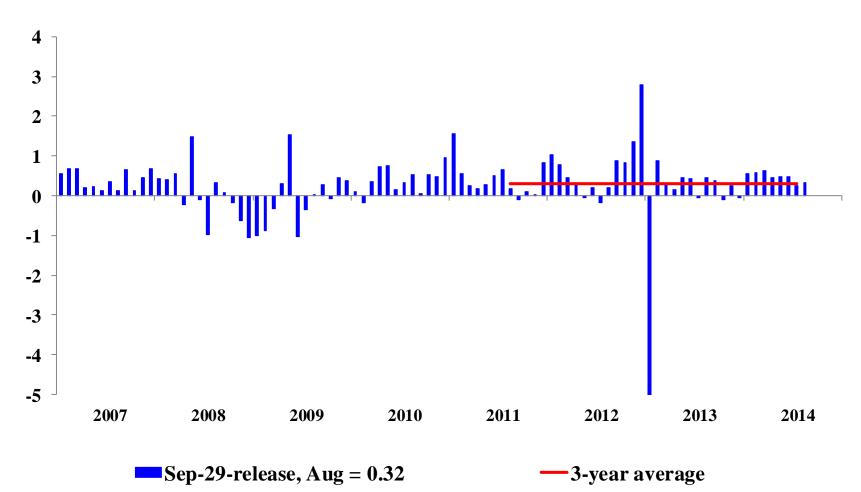


U.S. ECONOMIC ACTIVITY



Personal Income

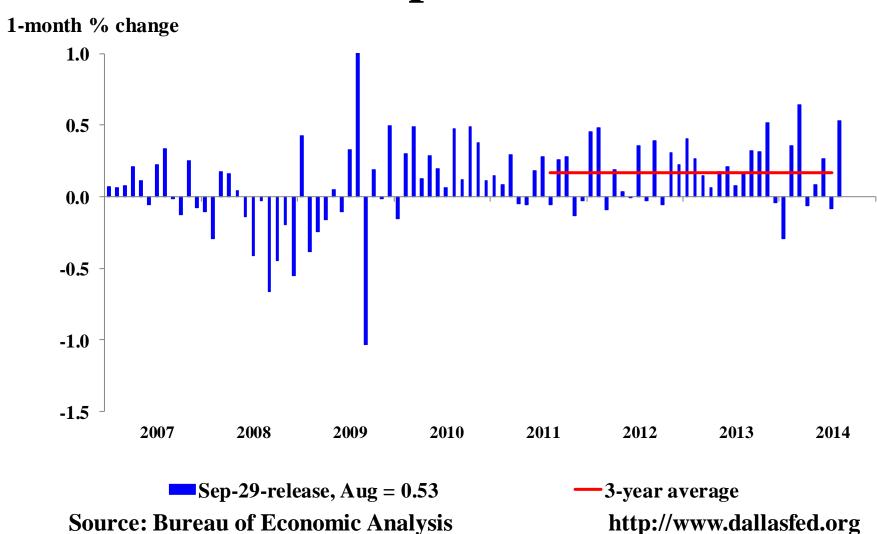
1-month % change



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

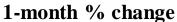


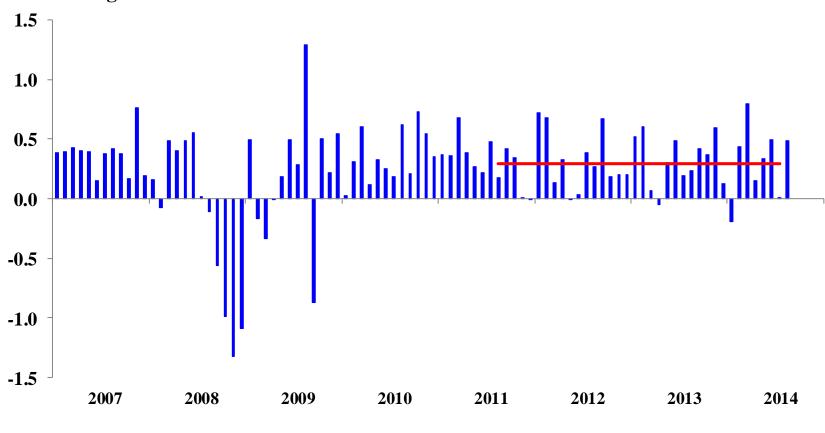
Real Personal Consumption Expenditures





Nominal Personal Consumption Expenditures





 \blacksquare Sep-29-release, Aug = 0.48

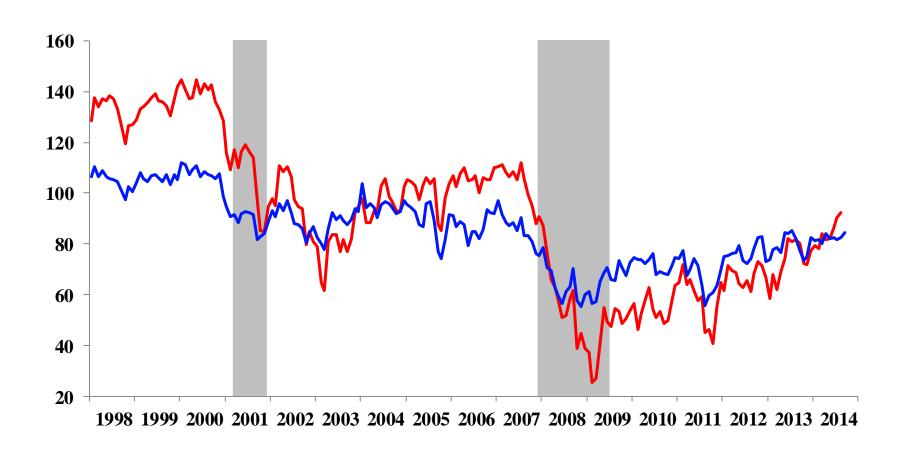
Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

—3-year average



Consumer Confidence/Sentiment

Index



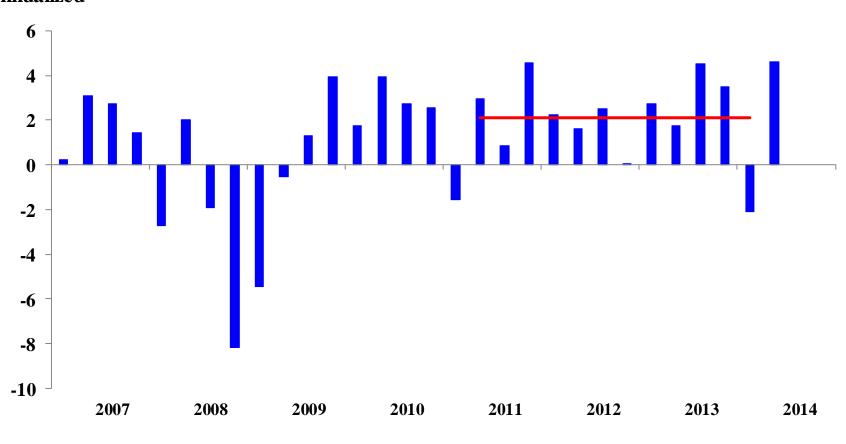
Recession — Confidence (Aug-26-release, Aug = 92.4) — Sentiment (Sep-26-release, Sep = 84.6) Consumer Sentiment: Survey of Consumers, Survey Research Center, U. of Michigan

Consumer Confidence: The Conference Board http://www.dallasfed.org



Real GDP

1-quarter % change, annualized



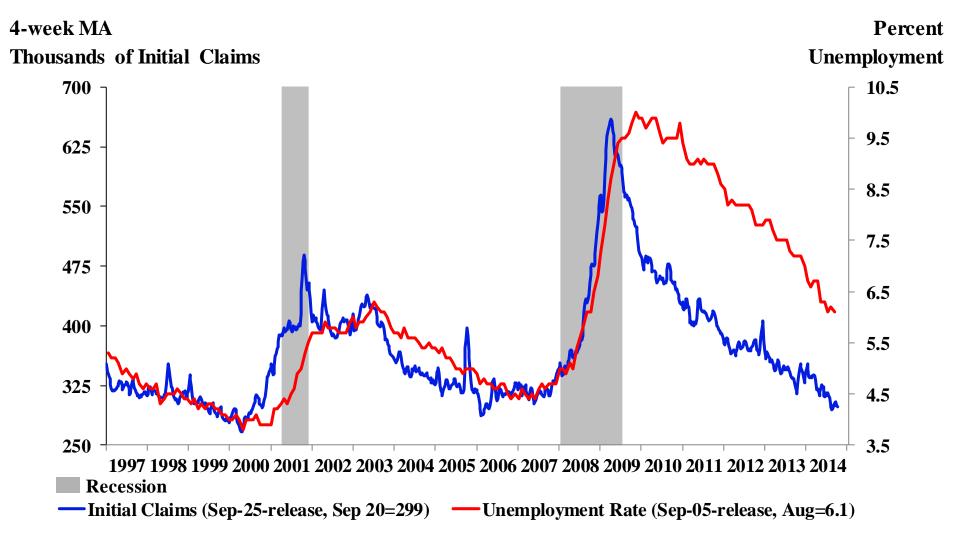
Sep-26-release, Q2 = 4.6

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

-3-year average



Initial Claims for Unemployment and Unemployment Rate

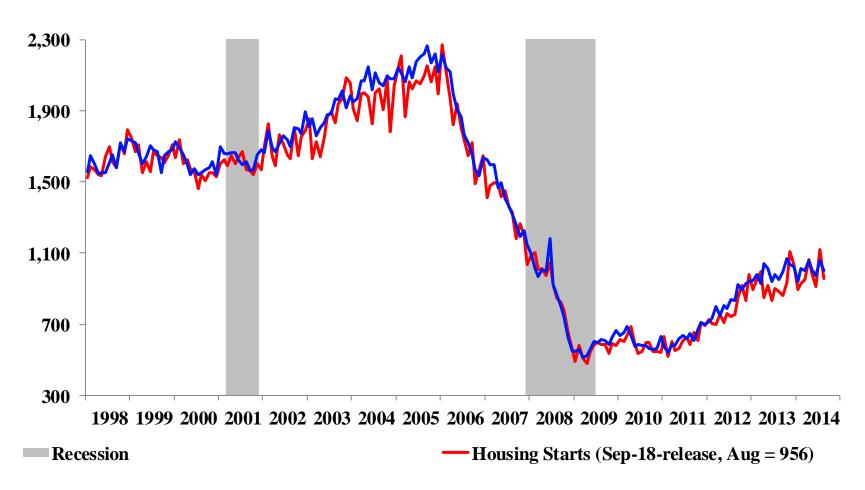


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor http://www.dallasfed.org



Housing Starts and Permits

Thousands



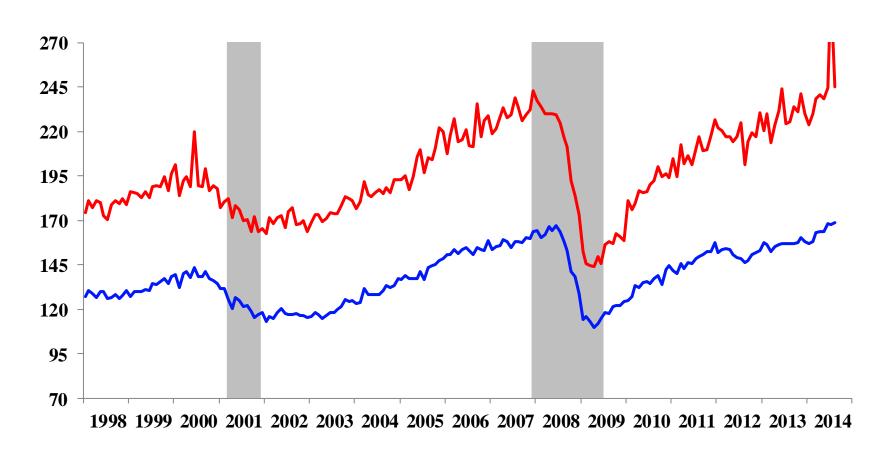
—Permits Issued (Sep-25-release, Aug = 1003)

Source: Bureau of the Census



New Orders for Durable Goods

Billions of Dollars



— Durable Goods (Sep-25-release, Aug = 245.4) — Excl. Transportation (Sep-25-release, Aug = 168.6) — Recession

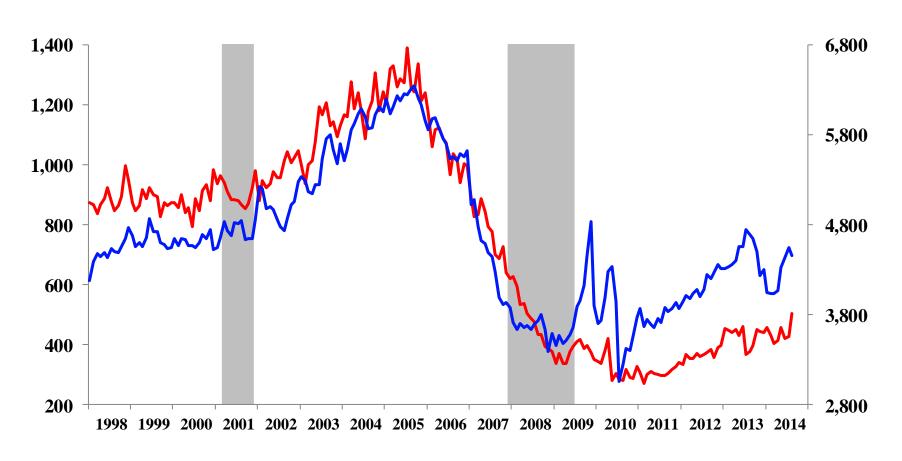
Source: Bureau of the Census



Home Sales

Thousands of New Homes

Thousands of Existing Homes



New Home Sales (Sep-24-release, Aug = 504) Existing Home Sales (Sep-22-release, Aug = 4460)

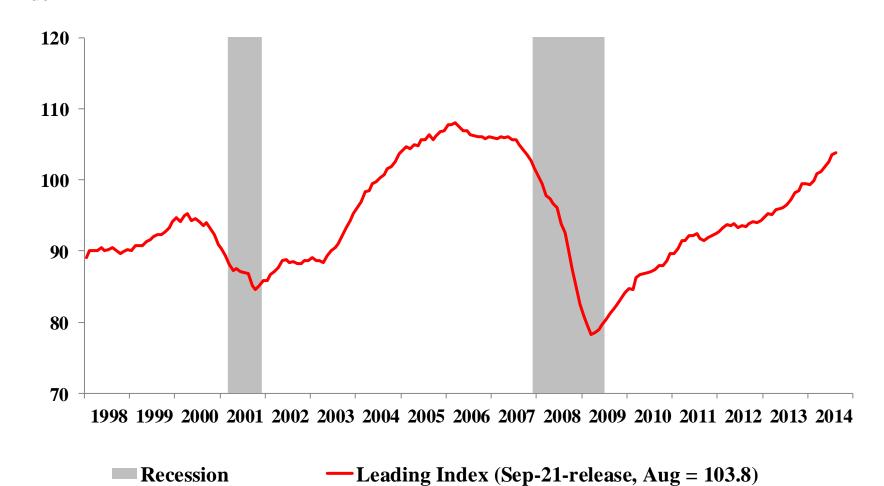
Recession

Source: Bureau of the Census, National Association of Realtors http://www.dallasfed.org



Index of Leading Economic Indicators

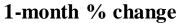


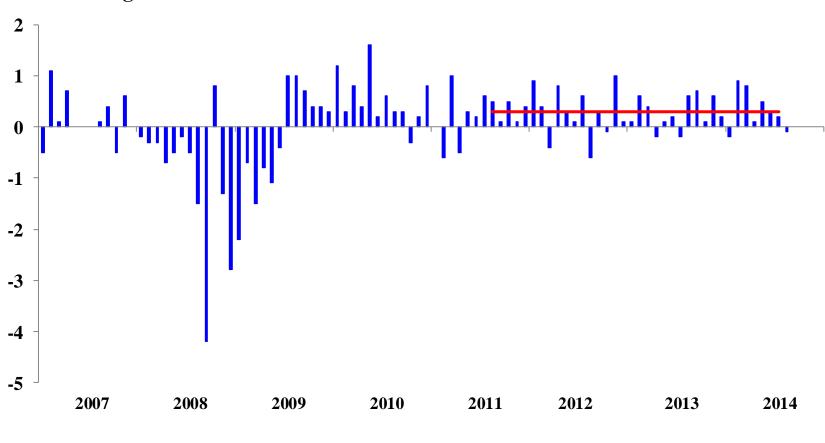


Source: The Conference Board



Industrial Production





Sep-15-release, Aug = -0.1

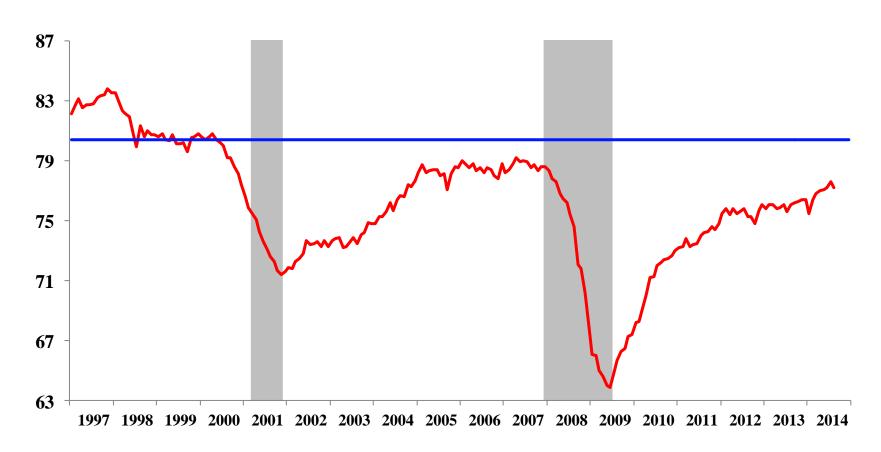
Source: Federal Reserve Board

—3-year average



Manufacturing Capacity Utilization Rate

Percent

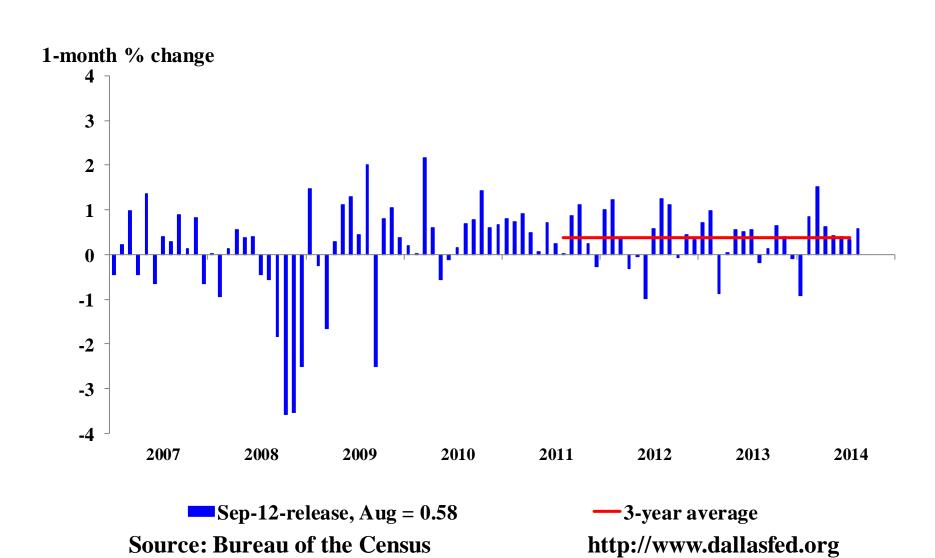


Recession — CU Rate (Sep-15-release, Aug = 77.2) — Historic Average (1948-present)

Source: Federal Reserve Board http://www.dallasfed.org

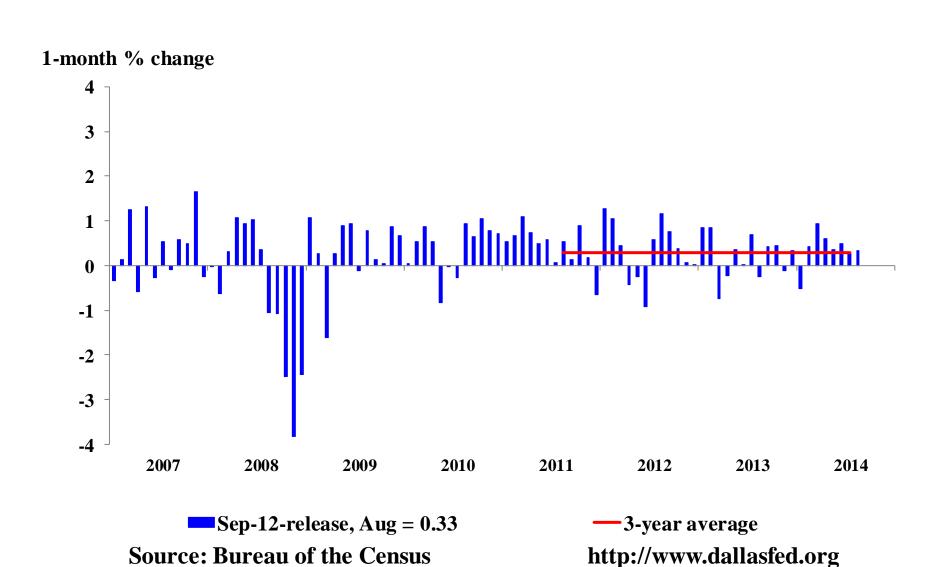


Retail Sales



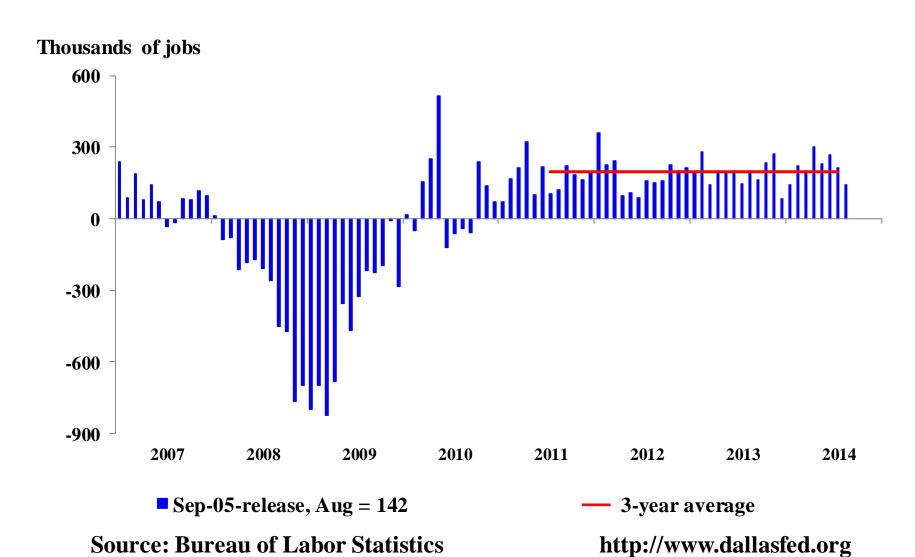


Retail Sales, Excluding Autos



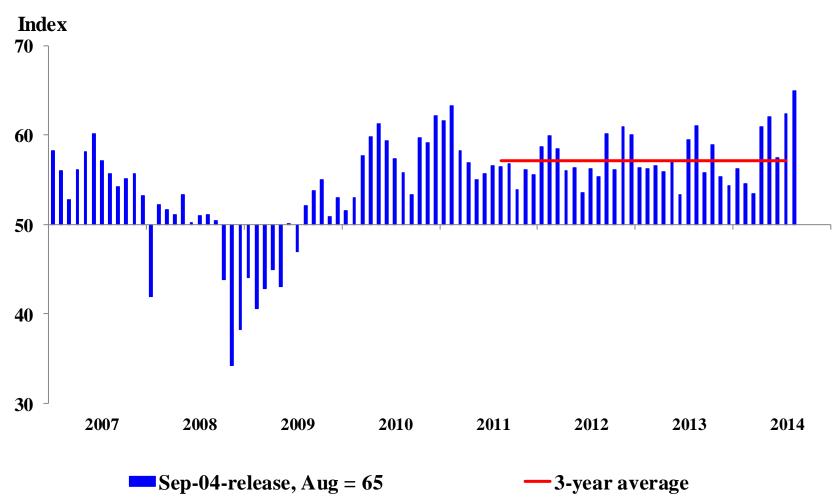


Change in Nonfarm Employment





ISM Non-Manufacturing Activity Index

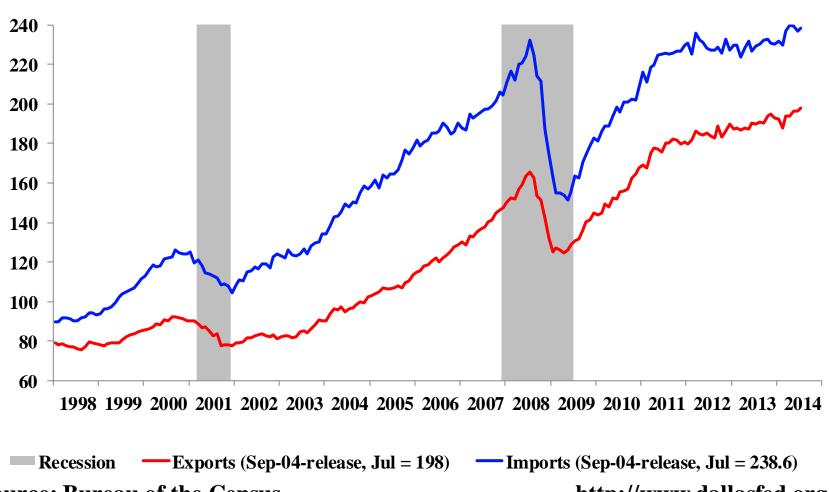


Source: Institute for Supply Management TM



U.S. Imports and Exports

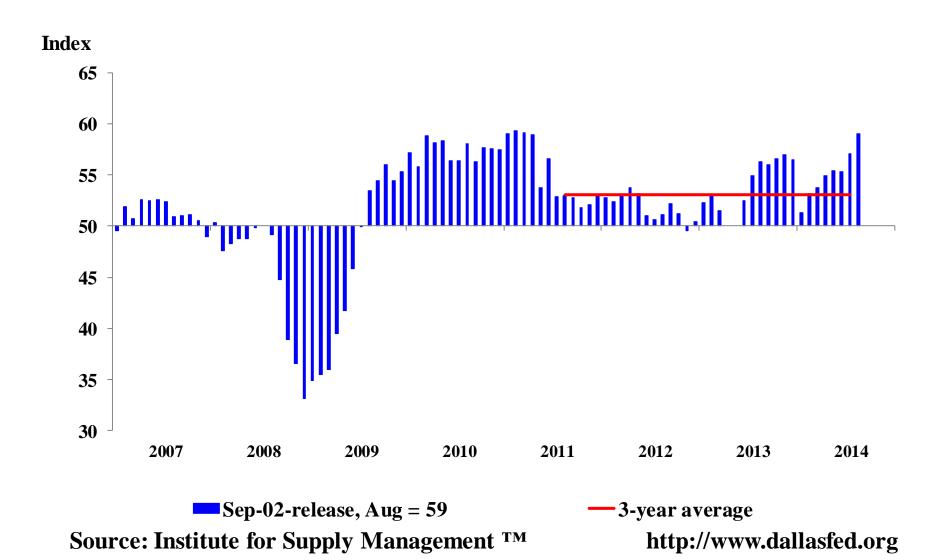
Billions of Dollars



Source: Bureau of the Census



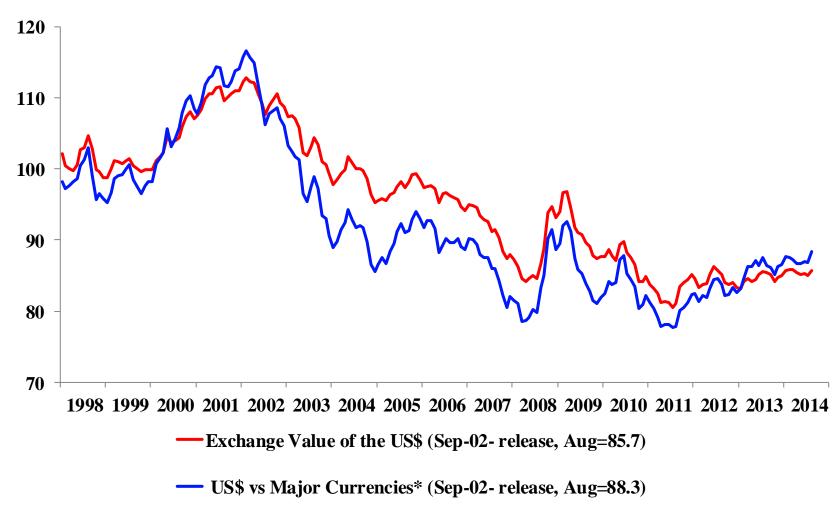
Purchasing Managers' Index





Real Value of the Dollar





^{*} Euro Area, Canada, Japan, UK, Switzerland, Australia, and Sweden

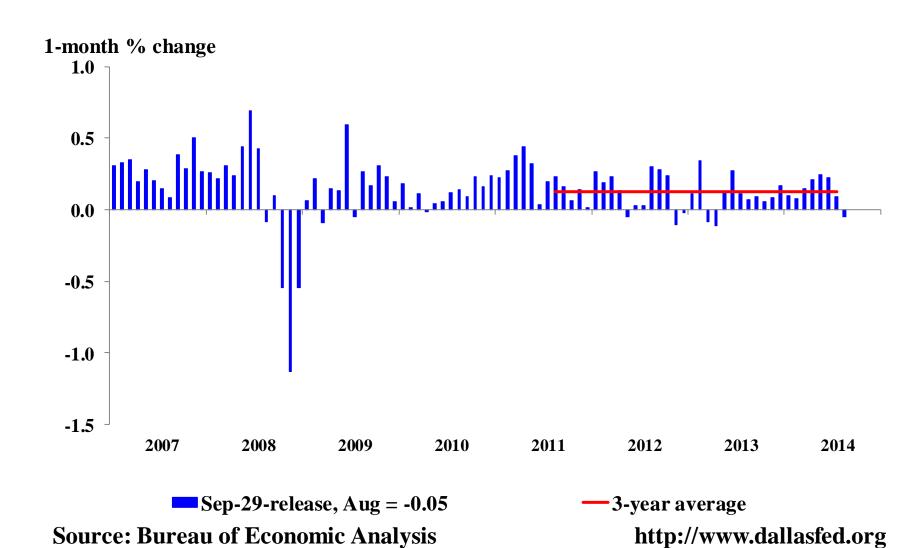
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WAGES AND PRICES



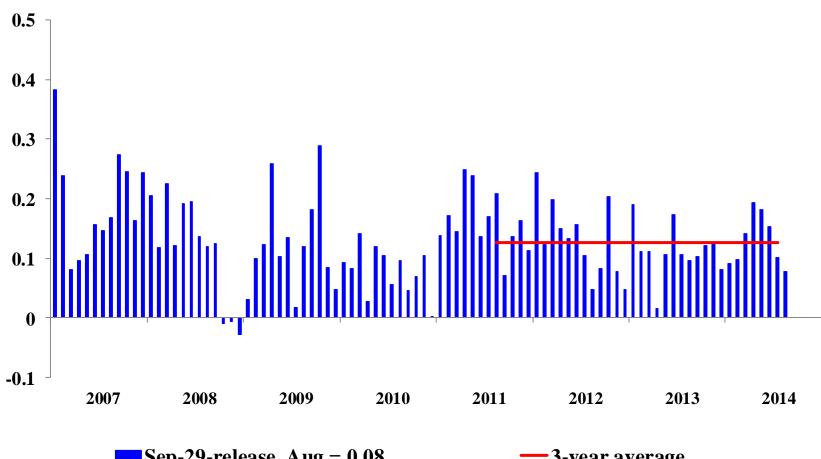
PCE Price Index





Core PCE Price Index

1-month % change

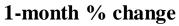


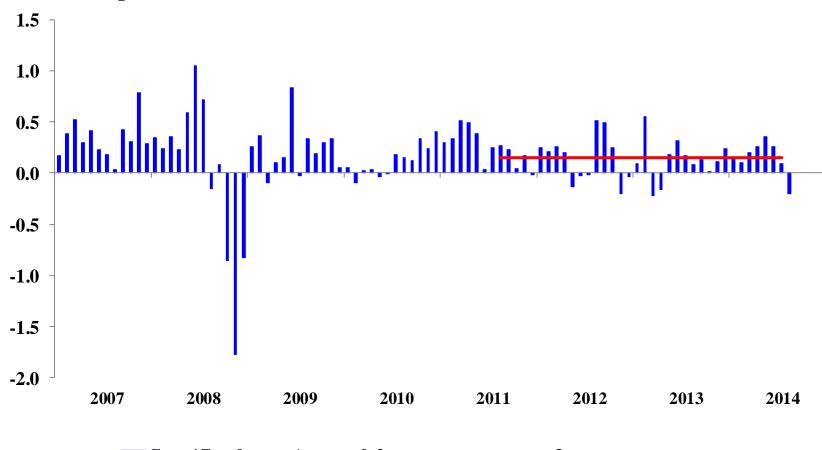
Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

—3-year average



Consumer Price Index





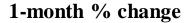
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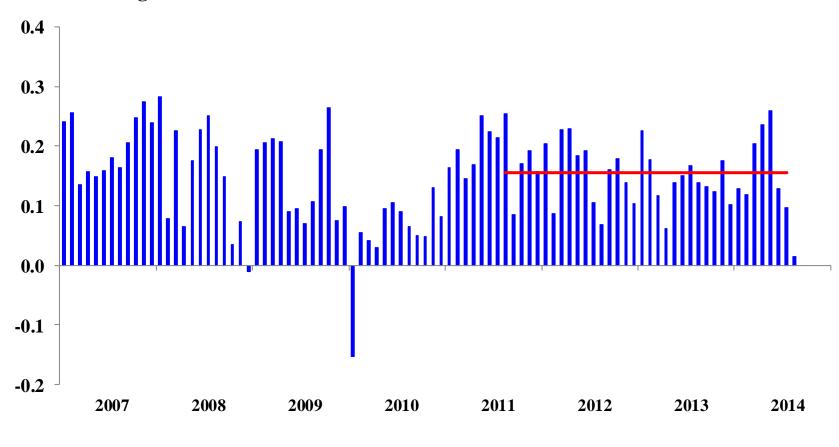
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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Core Consumer Price Index



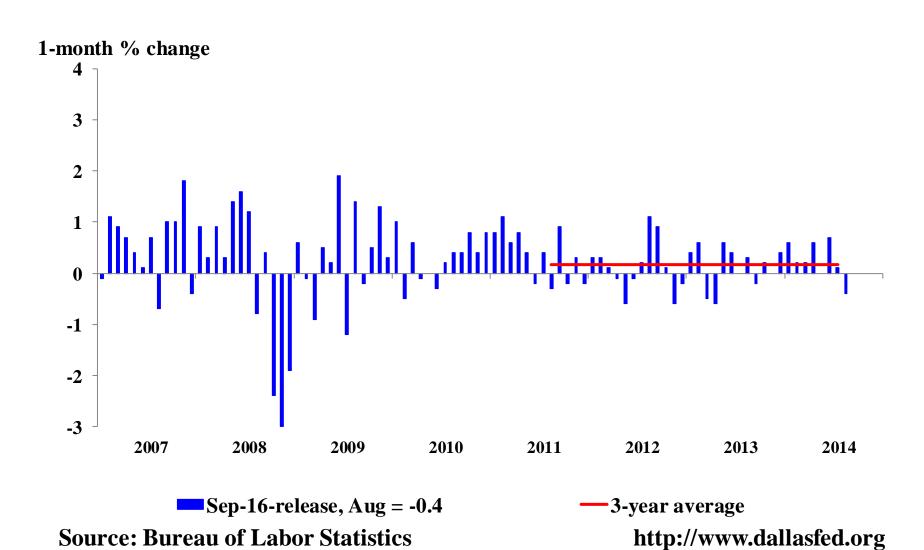


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

—3-year average

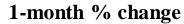


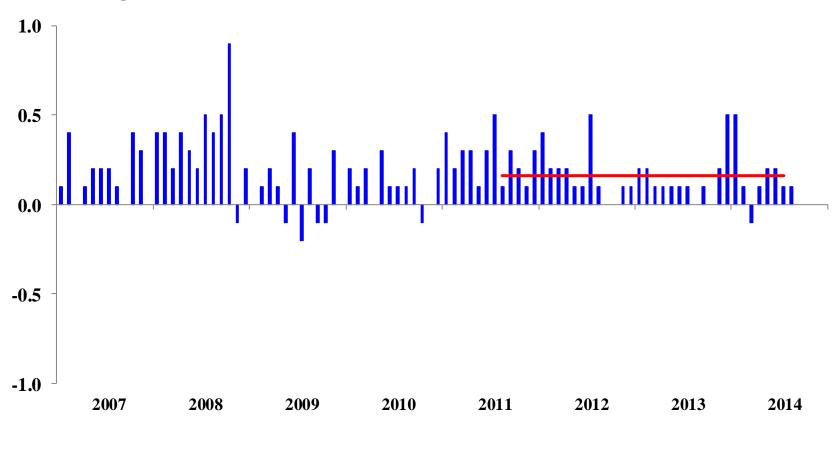
Producer Price Index





Core Producer Price Index





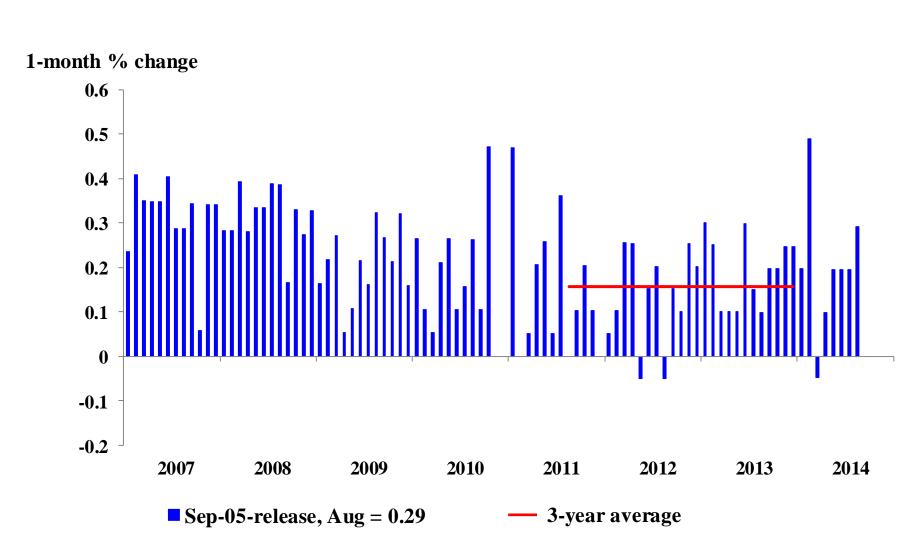
Sep-16-release, Aug = 0.1

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-3-year average



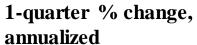
Average Hourly Earnings

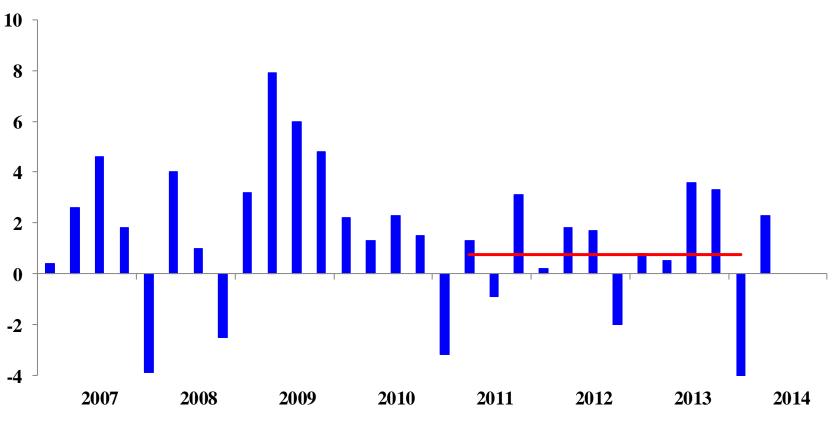


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



Nonfarm Business Productivity





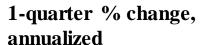
Sep-04-release, Q2 = 2.3

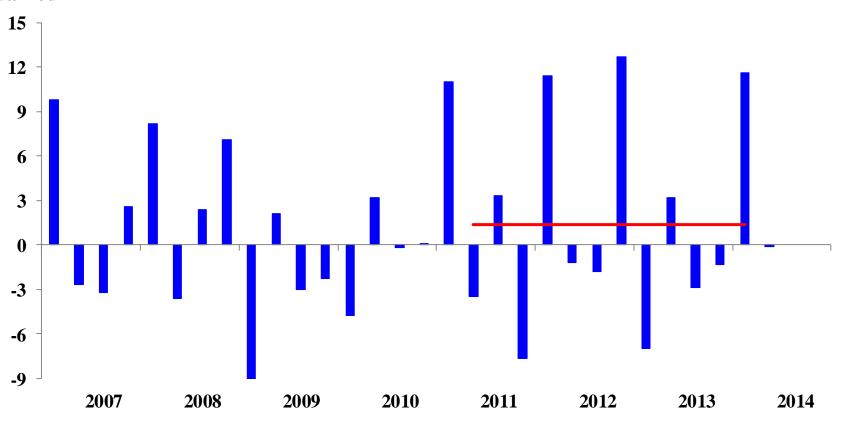
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-3-year average



Nonfarm Business Unit Labor Cost





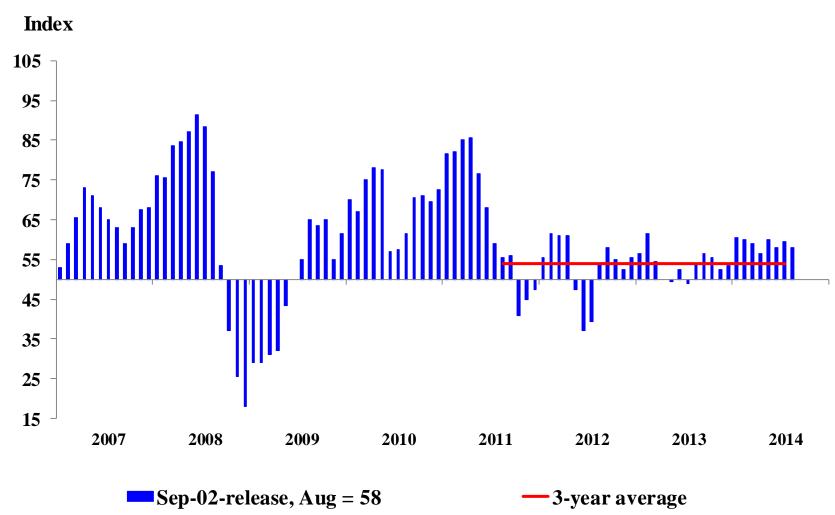
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-3-year average



ISM Manufacturing Prices Index

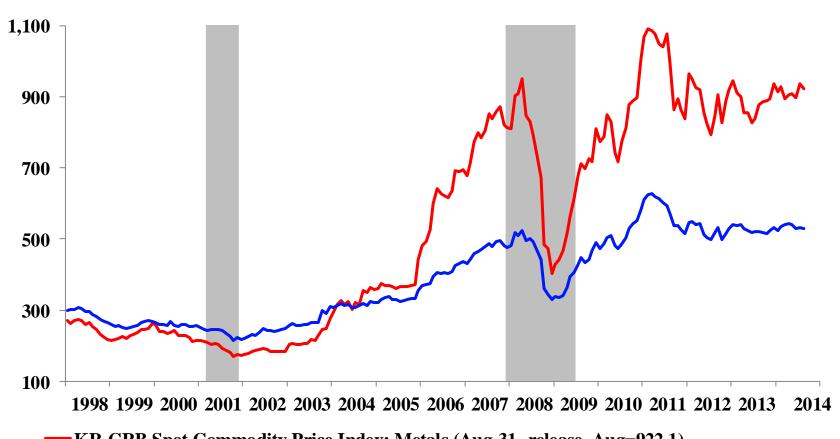


Source : Institute for Supply Management TM



Commodity Prices

1967=100, EOP

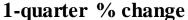


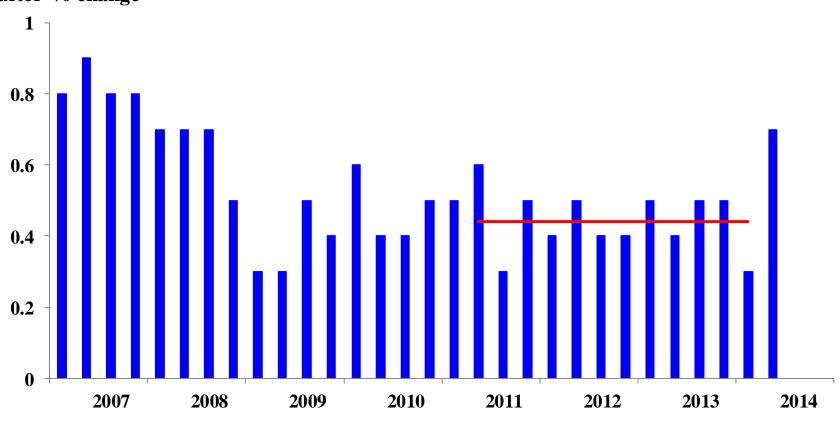
- —KR-CRB Spot Commodity Price Index: Metals (Aug-31- release, Aug=922.1)
- Recession
- **KR-CRB Spot Commodity Price Index: Raw Industrials (Aug-31- release, Aug=529.9)**

Source: Commodity Research Bureau



Employment Cost Index





Jul-31-release, Q2 = 0.7

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

-3-year average

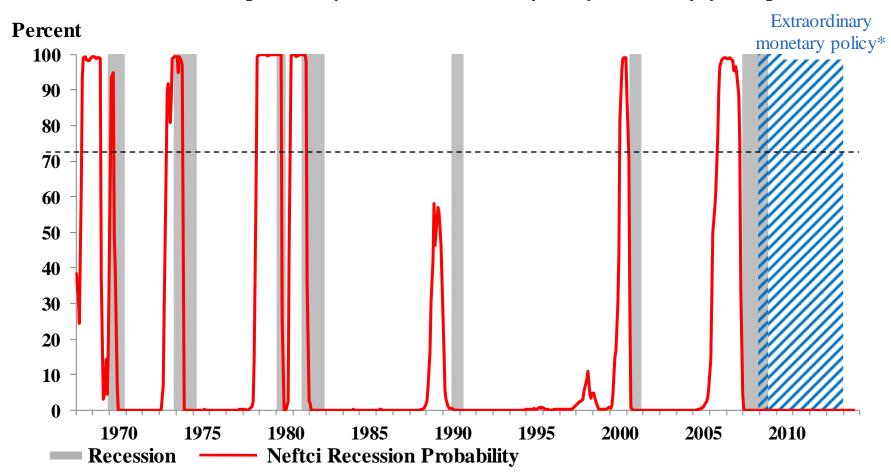


FINANCIAL-SECTOR DEVELOPMENTS



Recession Probability

Real-time Neftci probability calculated from 10-yr.--1-yr. Treasury yield spread



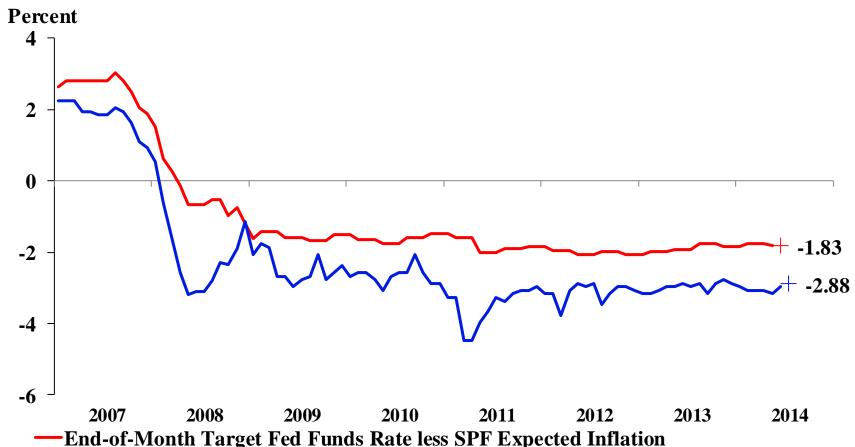
Crosses 70% threshold with a lead of between 5 and 18 months, and averaging 11 months.

Source: Federal Reserve Board; calculations by FRB Dallas

^{*}Indicator properties of the yield curve may be distorted during this period due to the zero bound on short-term interest rates and Federal Reserve purchases of long-term Treasuries.



Real Federal Funds Rate



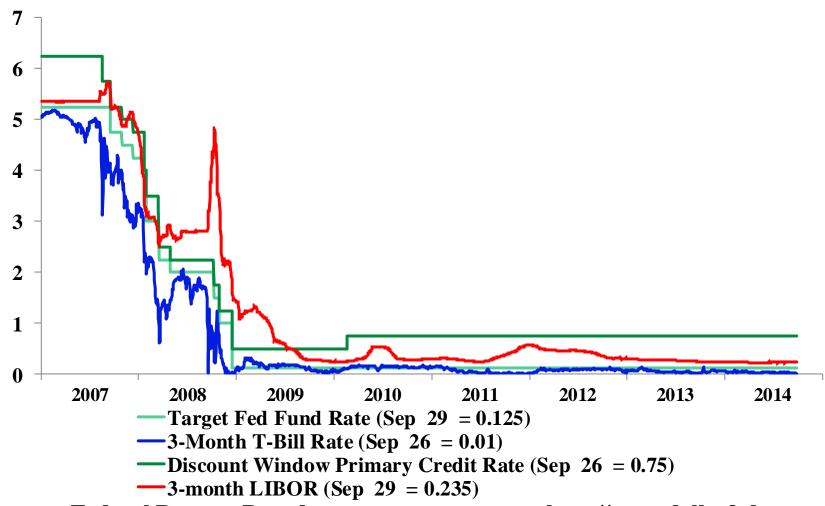
- —End-of-Month Target Fed Funds Rate less SPF Expected Inflation
- + Target Fed Funds Rate (Sep-29) less SPF Expected Inflation (Aug-15)
- —End-of-Month Target Fed Funds Rate less U. of Michigan Expected Inflation
- + Target Fed Funds Rate (Sep-29) less U. of Michigan Expected Inflation (Sep-26)

Sources: Target Fed Funds Rate: Federal Reserve Board; SPF Expected Inflation: FRB Philadelphia; U. of Michigan Expected Inflation: Survey of Consumers, Survey Research Center, U. of Michigan http://www.dallasfed.org



Short-Term Interest Rates

Percent



Source: Federal Reserve Board



Long-Term Interest Rates

Percent

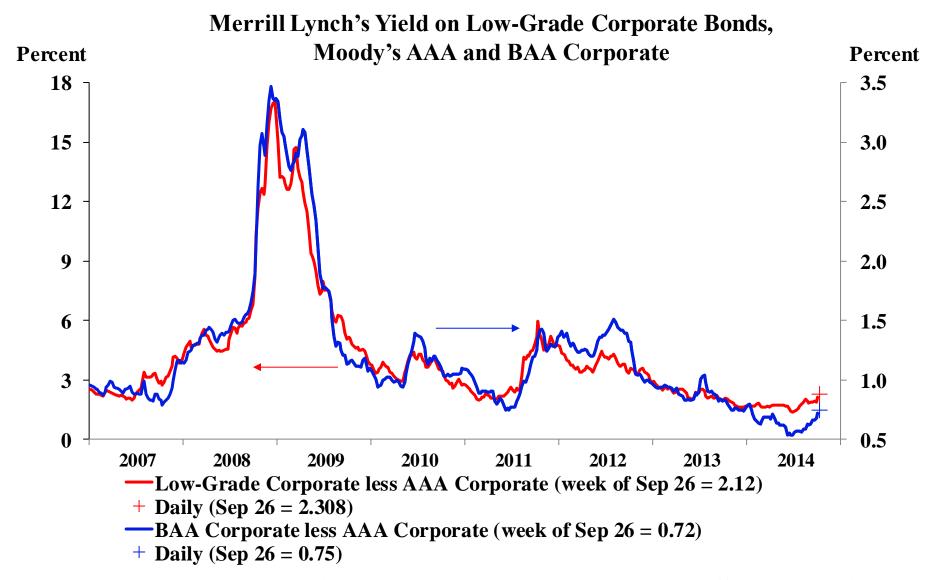


+ 10-year T-Bond (Sep 26 = 2.54)

Source: Federal Reserve Board



Bond Spreads

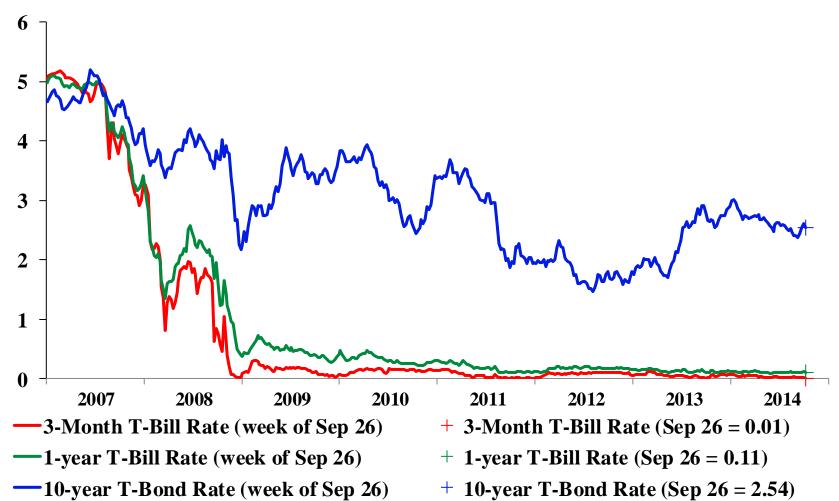


Source: Moody's Investors Service, Merrill Lynch



Yield Curve

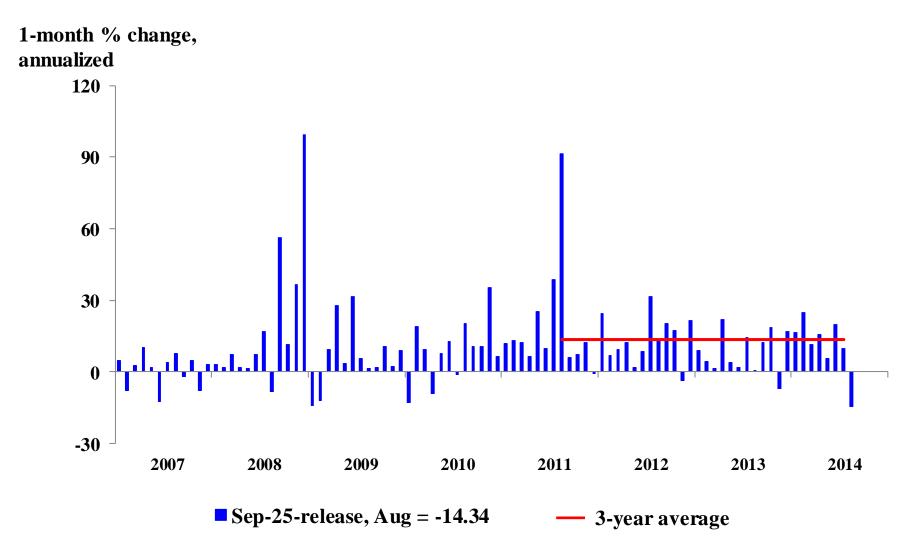




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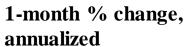
Money Supply: M1

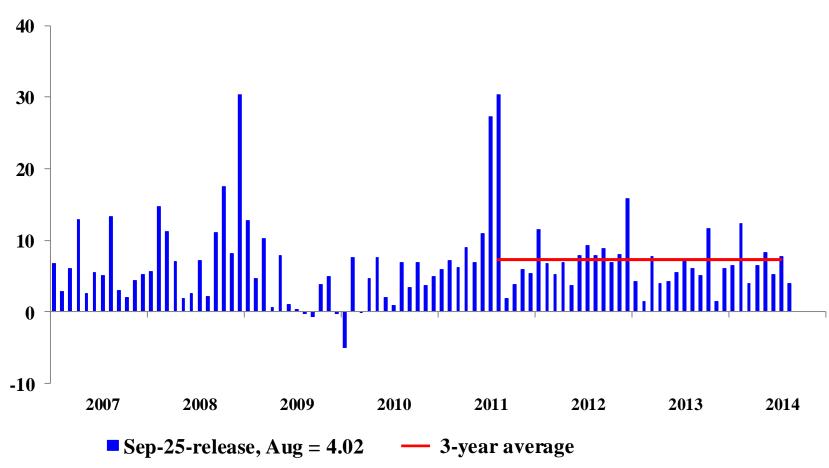


Source: Federal Reserve Board



Money Supply: M2





Source: Federal Reserve Board