THE ROUTES INTO AND OUT OF THE ZERO LOWER BOUND

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Year(s)	Output	Produc- tivity	Factor utiliz- ation	Capital contri- bution	Popu- lation	Labor- force partici- pation	Employ- ment rate	Hours per week	Labor quality
2007	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2008	95.3	99.3	97.8	99.8	99.7	100.0	99.0	99.4	100.3
2009	88.2	101.6	93.9	99.0	99.5	99.3	96.2	97.8	100.7
2010	88.1	99.3	97.5	98.0	99.2	98.7	95.9	98.4	100.6
2011	87.6	98.1	98.5	97.2	98.8	98.1	96.5	99.4	100.6
2012	87.7	98.1	98.3	96.7	98.9	97.8	97.1	99.6	100.6
Through 2010	11.9	0.7	2.5	2.0	0.8	1.3	4.1	1.6	-0.6
Through 2012	12.3	1.9	1.7	3.3	1.1	2.2	2.9	0.4	-0.6

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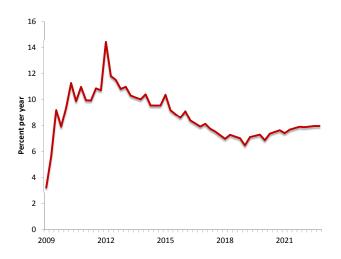
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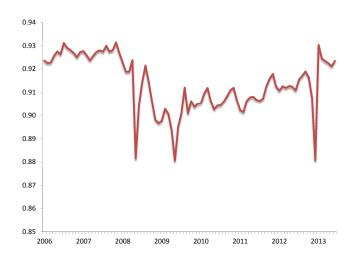
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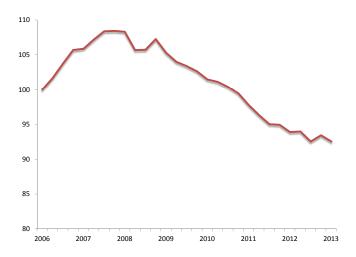
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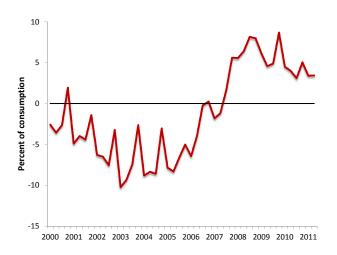
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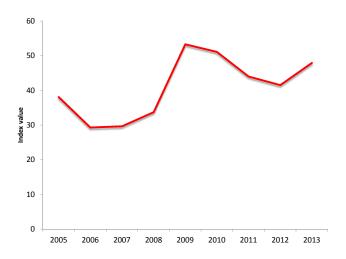
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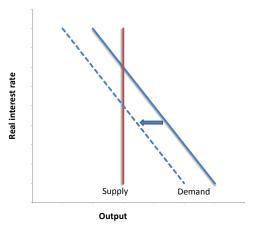
Burden of Deleveraging as a Percent of Consumption



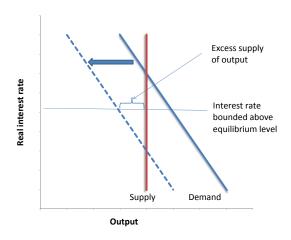
Google searches for "withdrawal penalty"



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EXCESS SUPPLY OF OUTPUT WHEN THE ZLB BINDS



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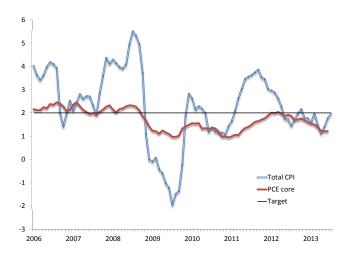
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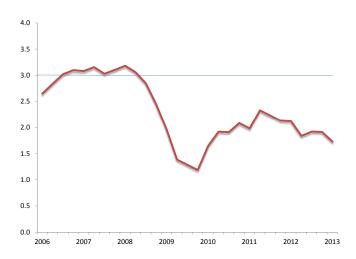
This behavior contrasts to the Great Depression, when extreme deflation occurred

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Two Measures of U.S. Inflation



U.S. WAGE INFLATION



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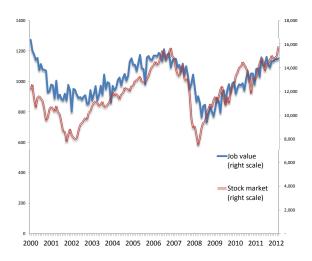
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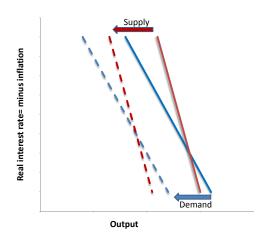
Hall: In times of high risk premiums, when the stock market is low, the same risk premiums result in low discounted values of the future flow of value from a newly hired worker

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JOB VALUE FROM JOLTS COMPARED TO WILSHIRE STOCK-MARKET INDEX



ZLB Analysis with Shifts in Both Demand and Supply



STOCKS OF BUSINESS, RESIDENTIAL, AND CONSUMER PHYSICAL CAPITAL

