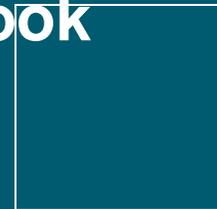


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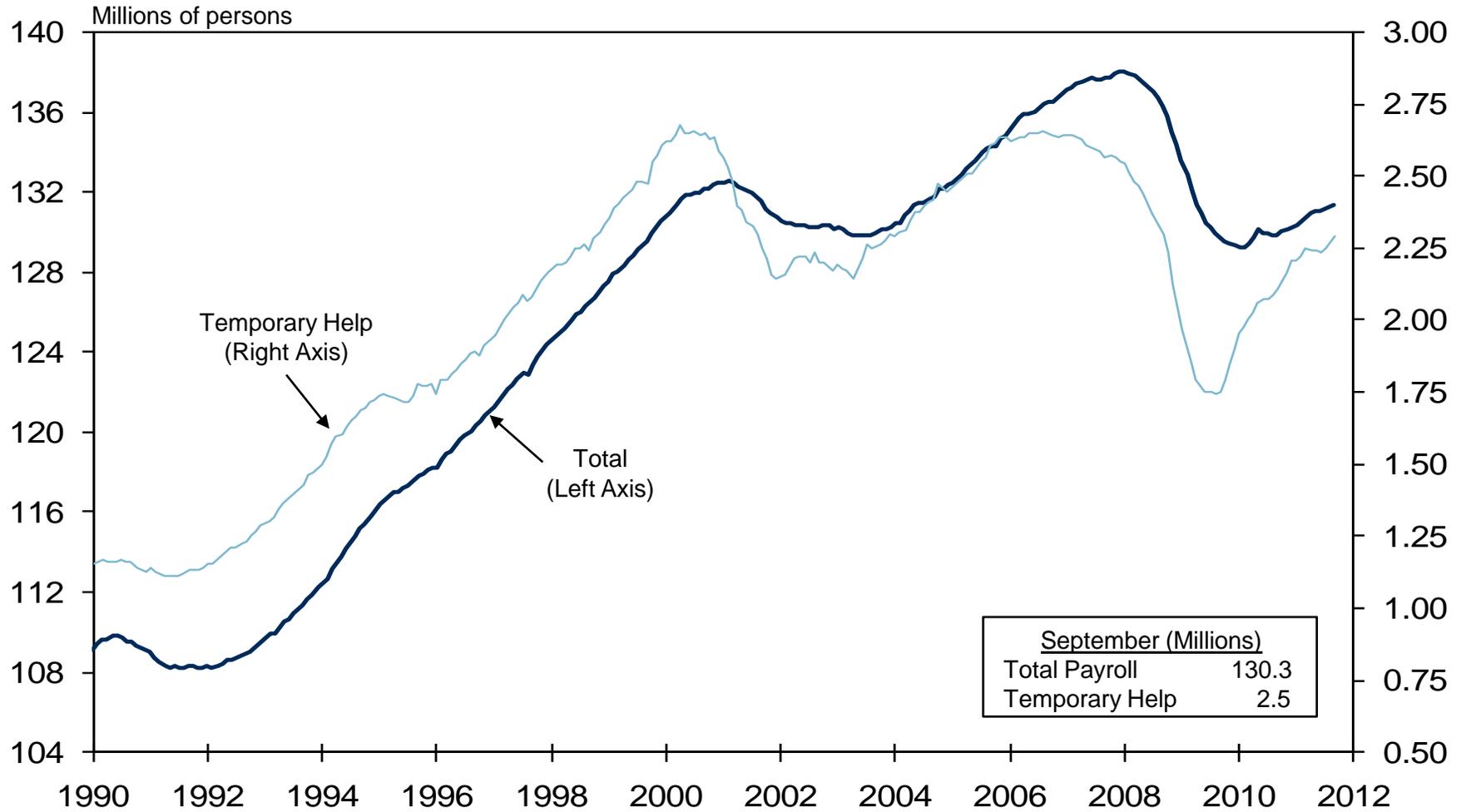
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Real Gross Domestic Product



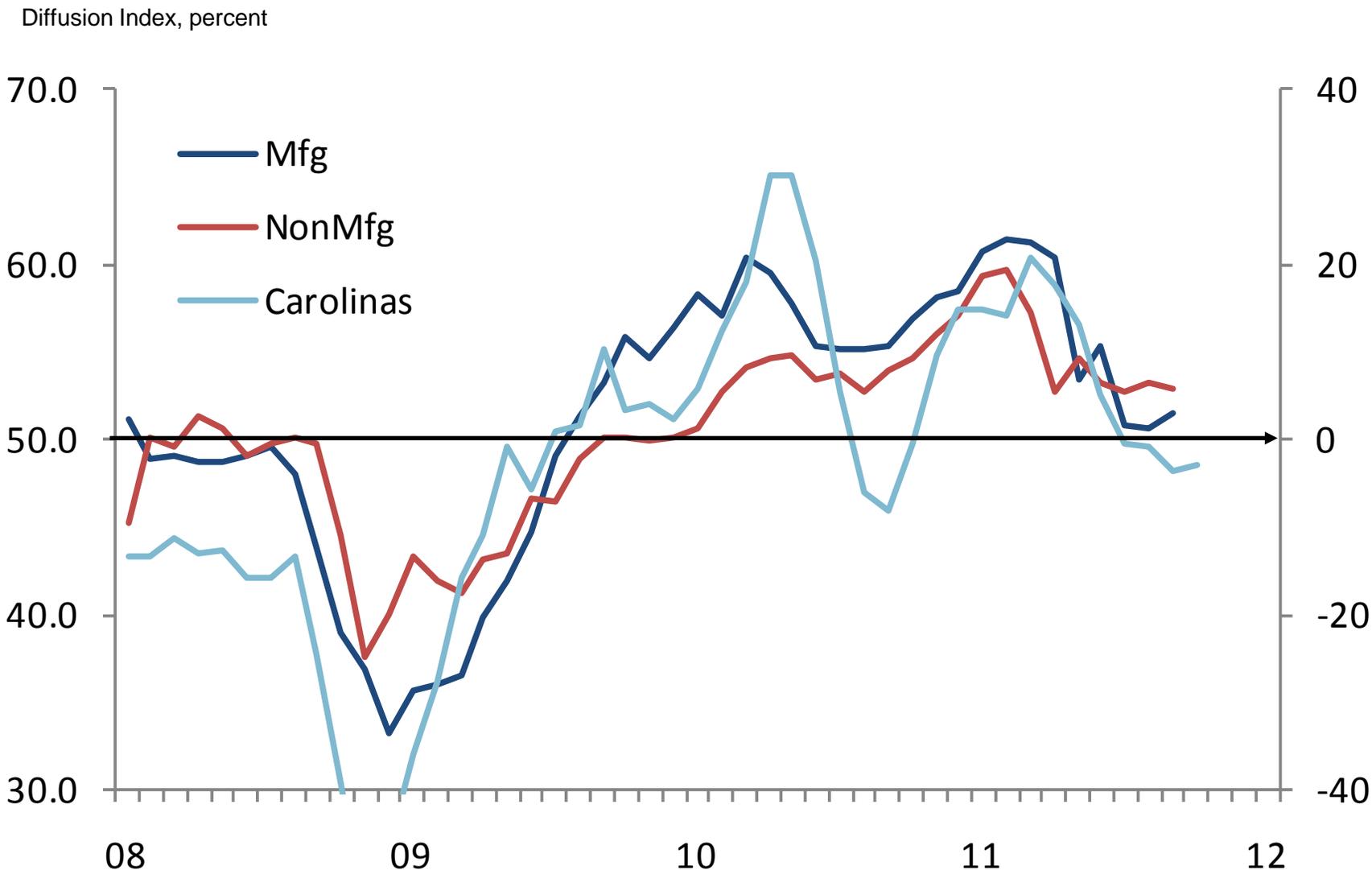
	2010		Q1	2011	
	Q3	Q4		Q2	Q3
CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER AT COMPOUND ANNUAL RATE [Percent]:					
Gross Domestic Product	2.5	2.3	0.4	1.3	2.5
Personal Consumption Expenditures	2.6	3.6	2.1	0.7	2.4
Nonresidential Fixed Investment	11.3	8.7	2.1	10.3	16.3
Structures	4.2	10.5	-14.3	22.6	13.3
Equipment & Software	14.1	8.1	8.7	6.2	17.4
Residential Fixed Investment	-27.7	2.5	-2.4	4.2	2.4
Exports of Goods & Services	10.0	7.8	7.9	3.6	4.0
Imports of Goods & Services	12.3	-2.3	8.3	1.4	1.9
Government Consumption Expenditures & Gross Investment	1	-2.8	-5.9	-0.9	0
Final Sales to Domestic Purchasers	2.3	2.7	0.4	1.3	3.2
LEVEL IN QUARTER AT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATE [Billions of Chained (2005) Dollars]:					
Change in Private Inventories	92.3	38.3	49.1	39.1	5.4
Net Exports of Goods & Services	-458.7	-414.2	-424.4	-416.4	-409.4

Nonfarm Payroll Employment





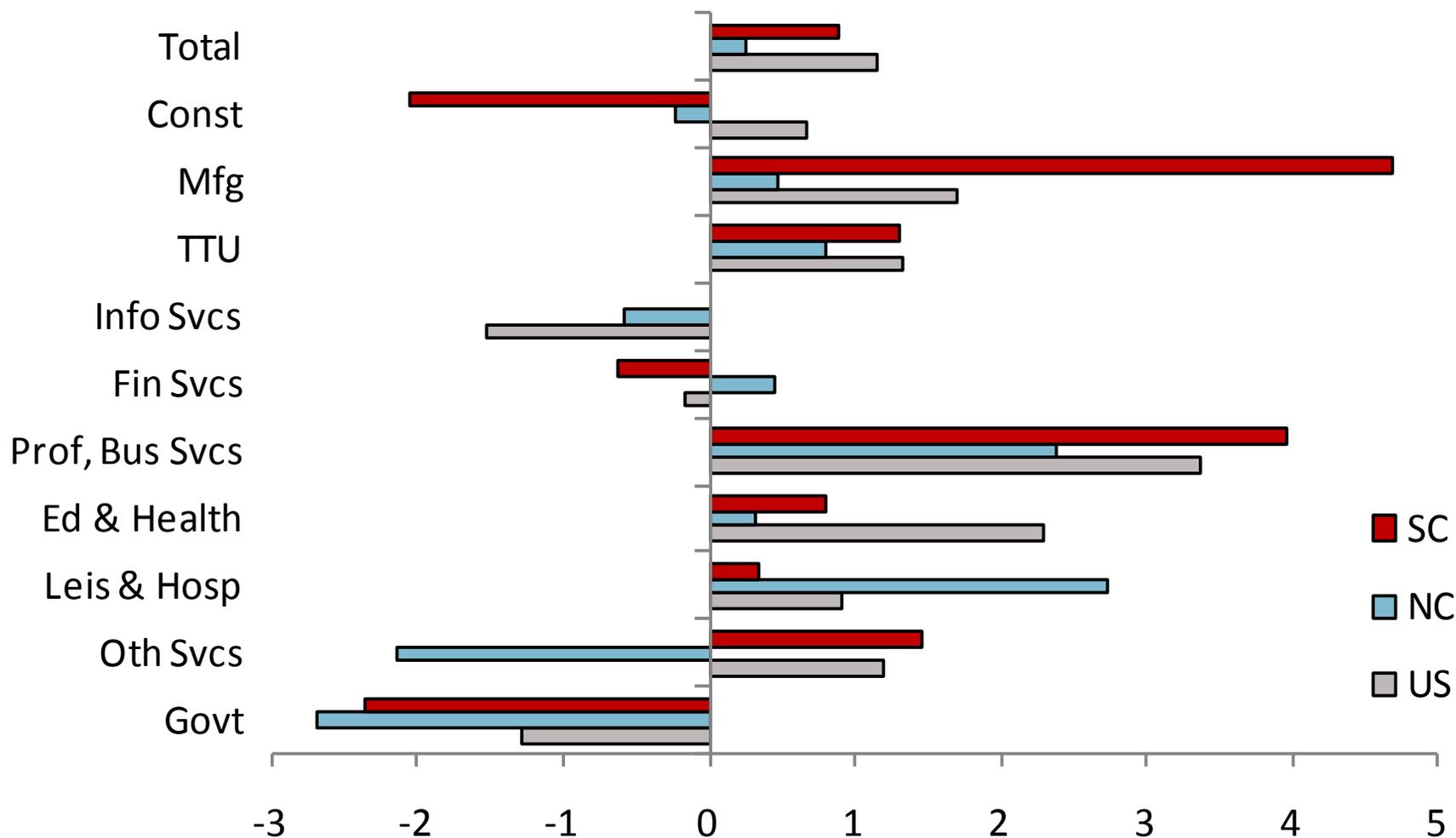
ISM and Carolinas Business Activity Indexes





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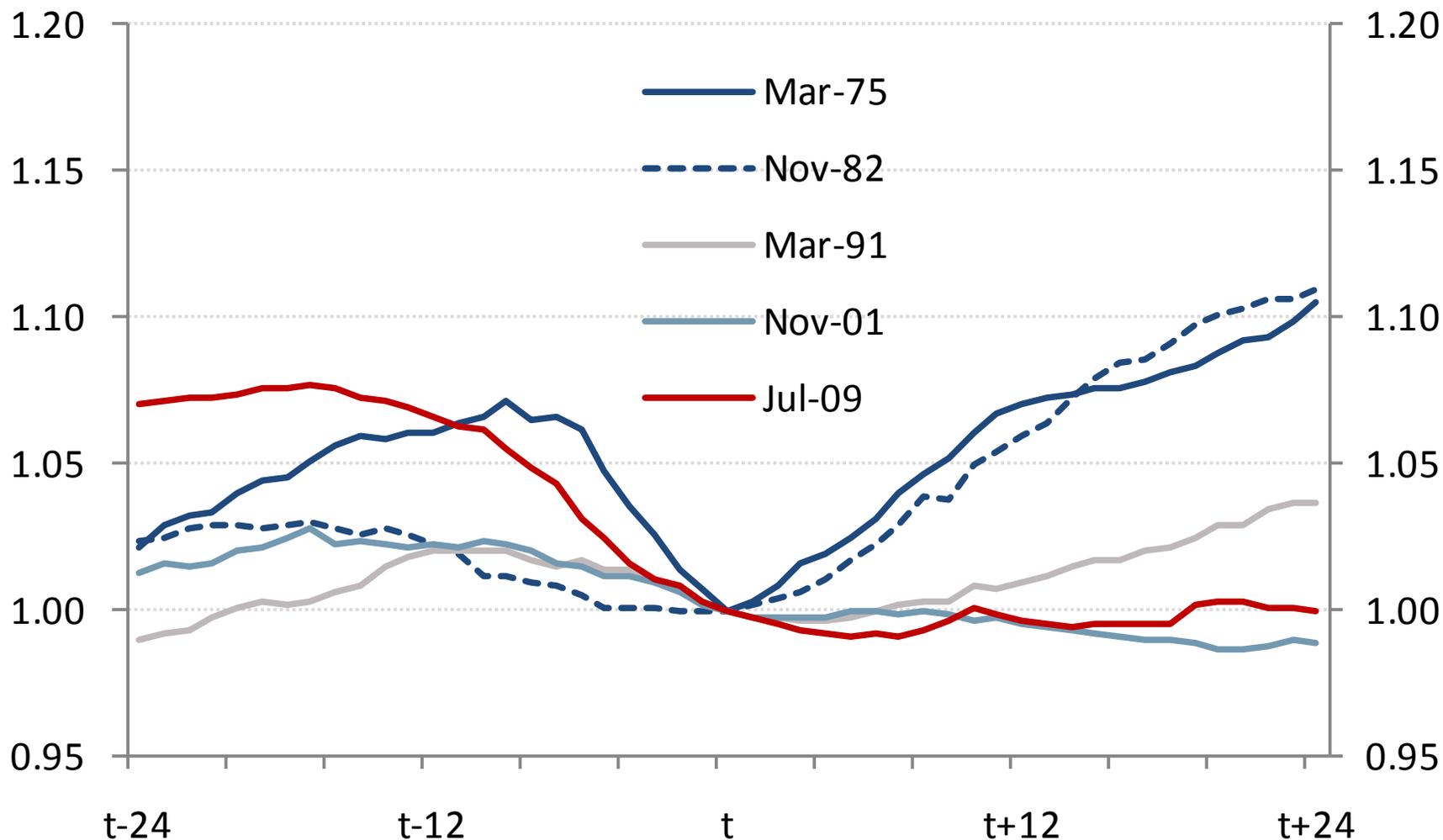
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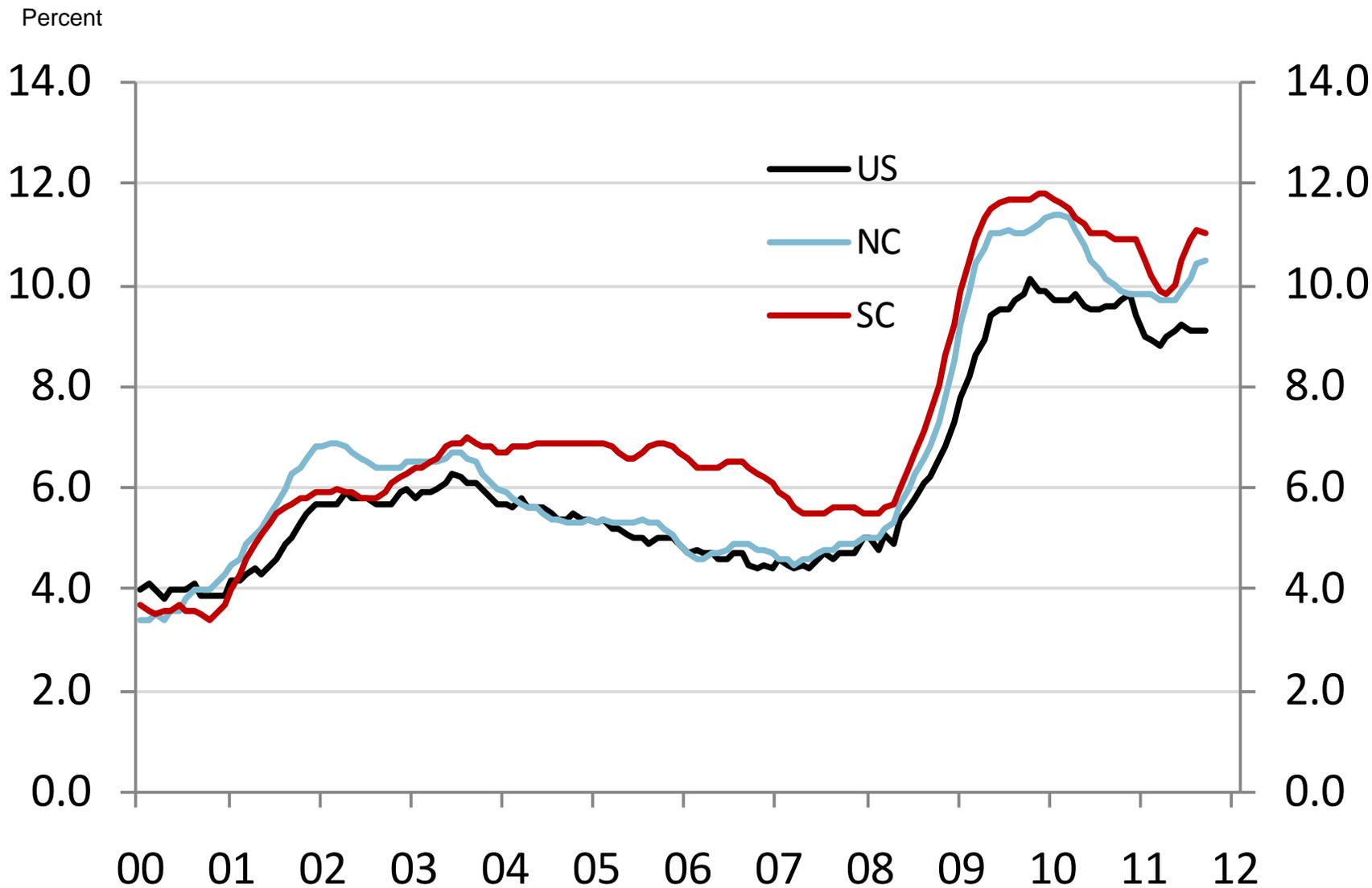
Carolinas Payroll Employment, Last Five Recessions

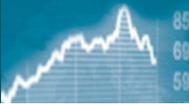
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Unemployment rates



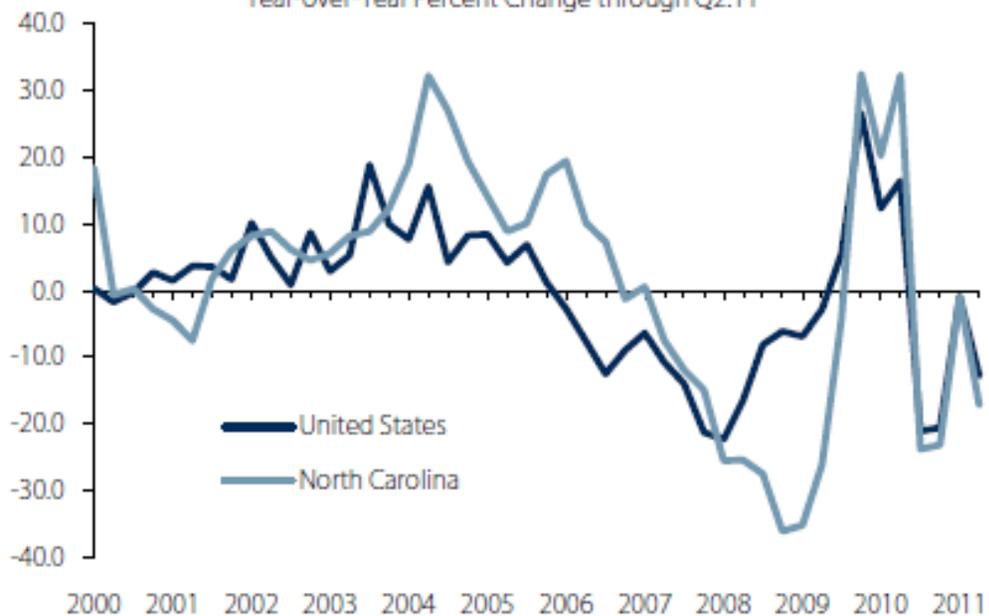




Carolinas Existing Home Sales

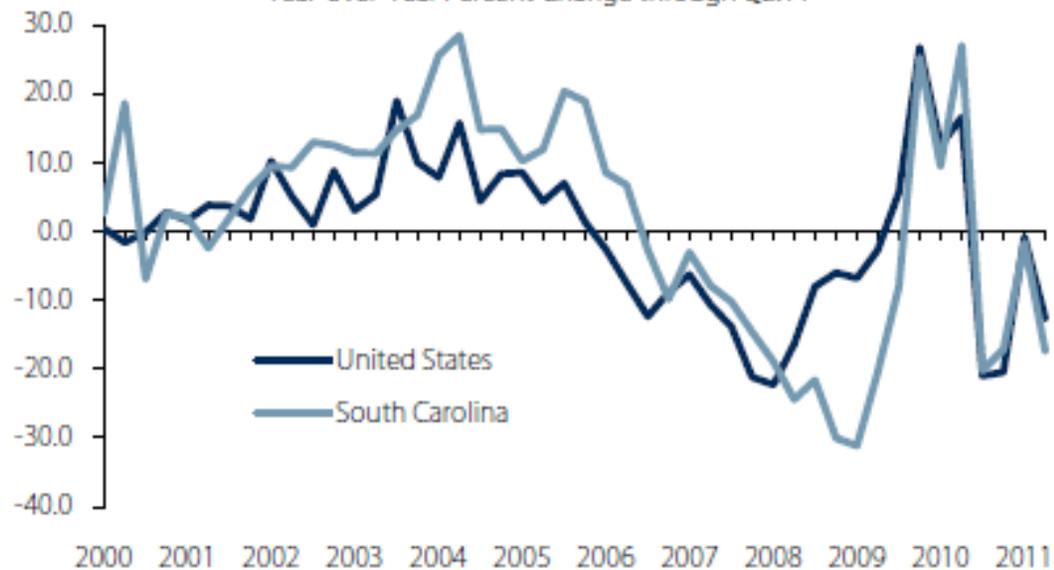
North Carolina Existing Home Sales

Year-over-Year Percent Change through Q2:11



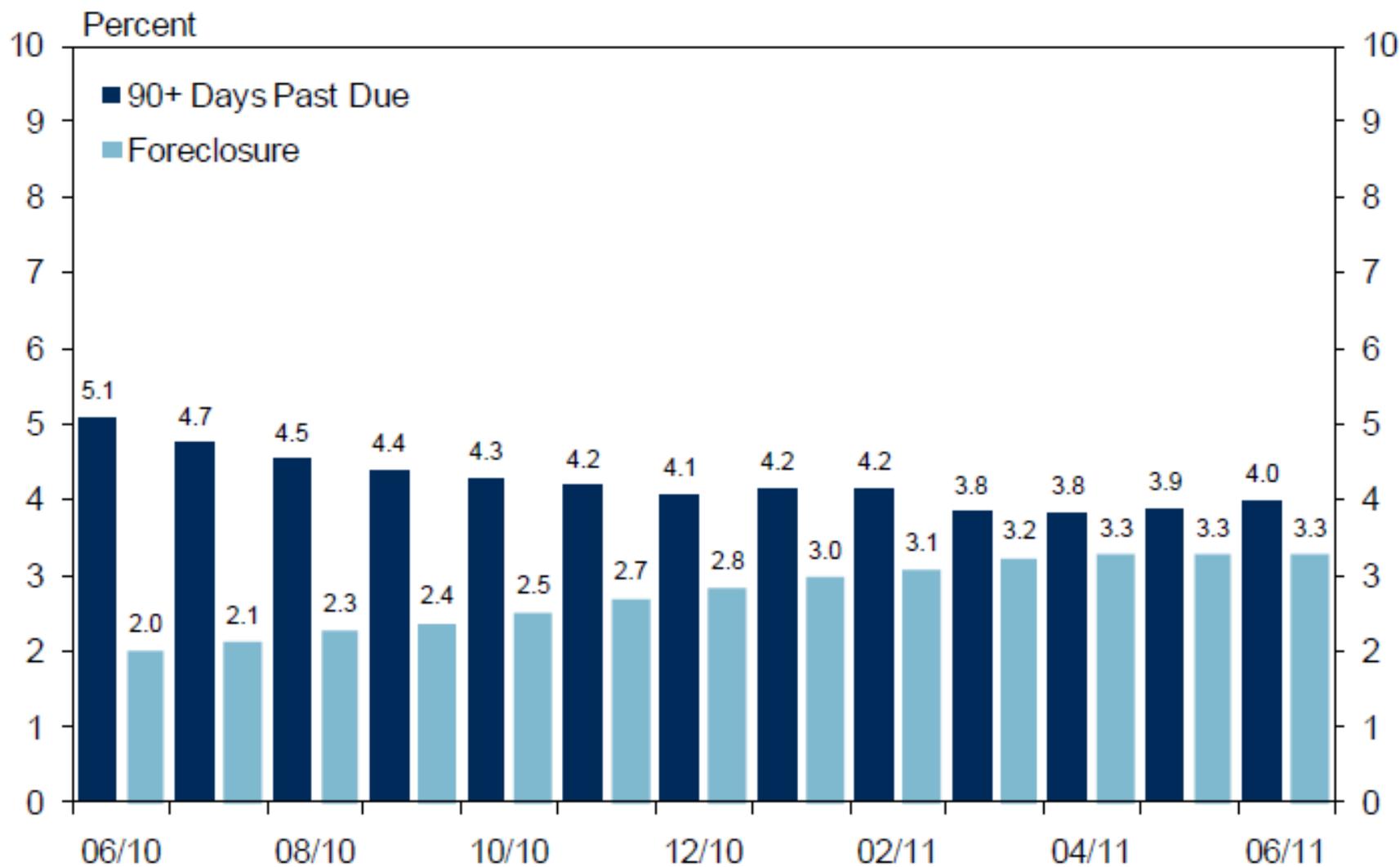
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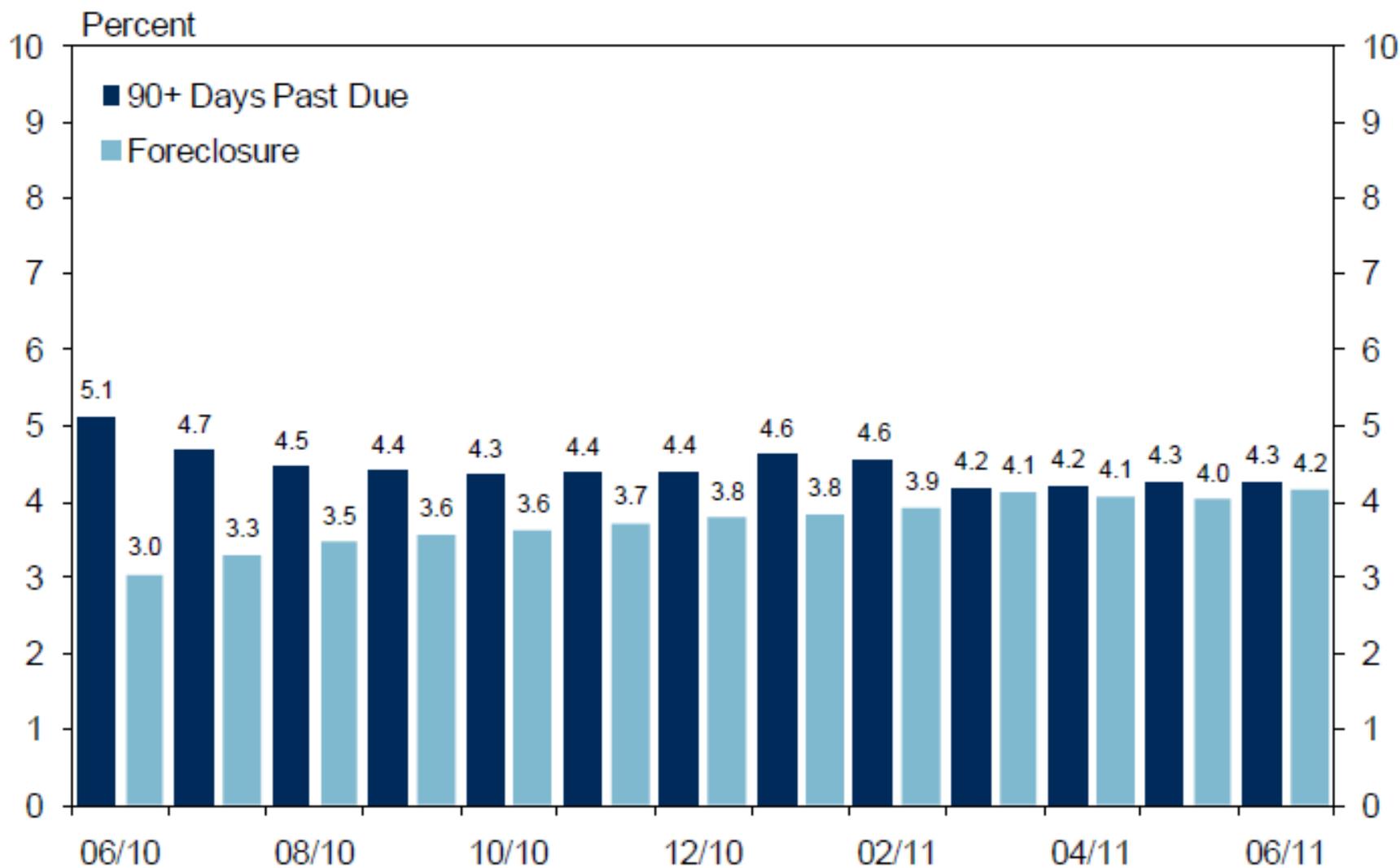


NC Delinquencies and Foreclosures





SC Delinquencies and Foreclosures





Summary

- Growth has accelerated from q2, but early momentum has been diminished since early in the year
 - PCE, investment, and exports providing a boost...
 - ...while small businesses, construction, and government are exerting drags on growth
- Key uncertainties
 - Unsettled debt crisis in Europe
 - Equities markets volatility
 - Government dysfunction in U.S. (uncertainty surrounding regulations, taxes, elections)
 - Confidence
- Inflation pressures easing





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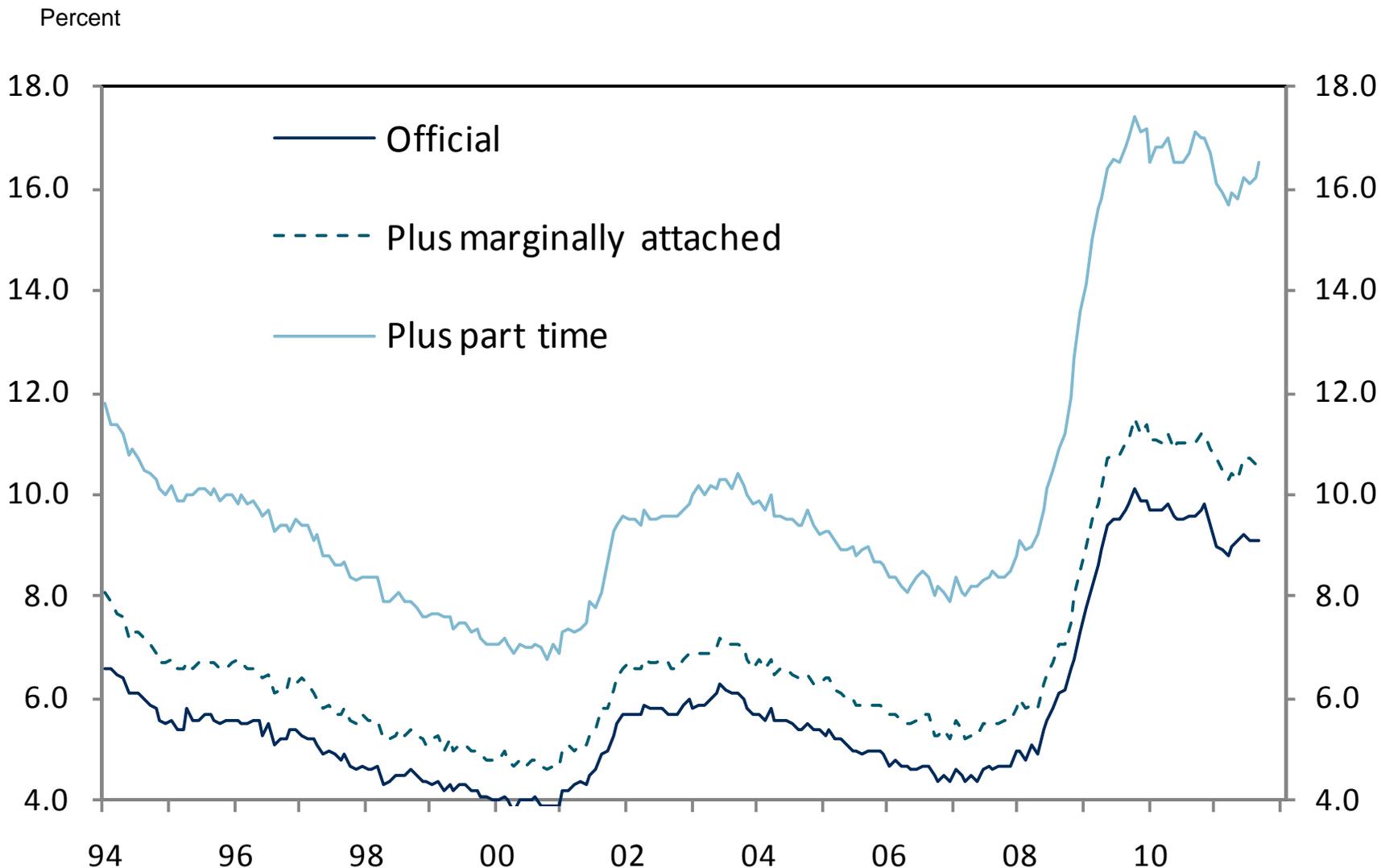
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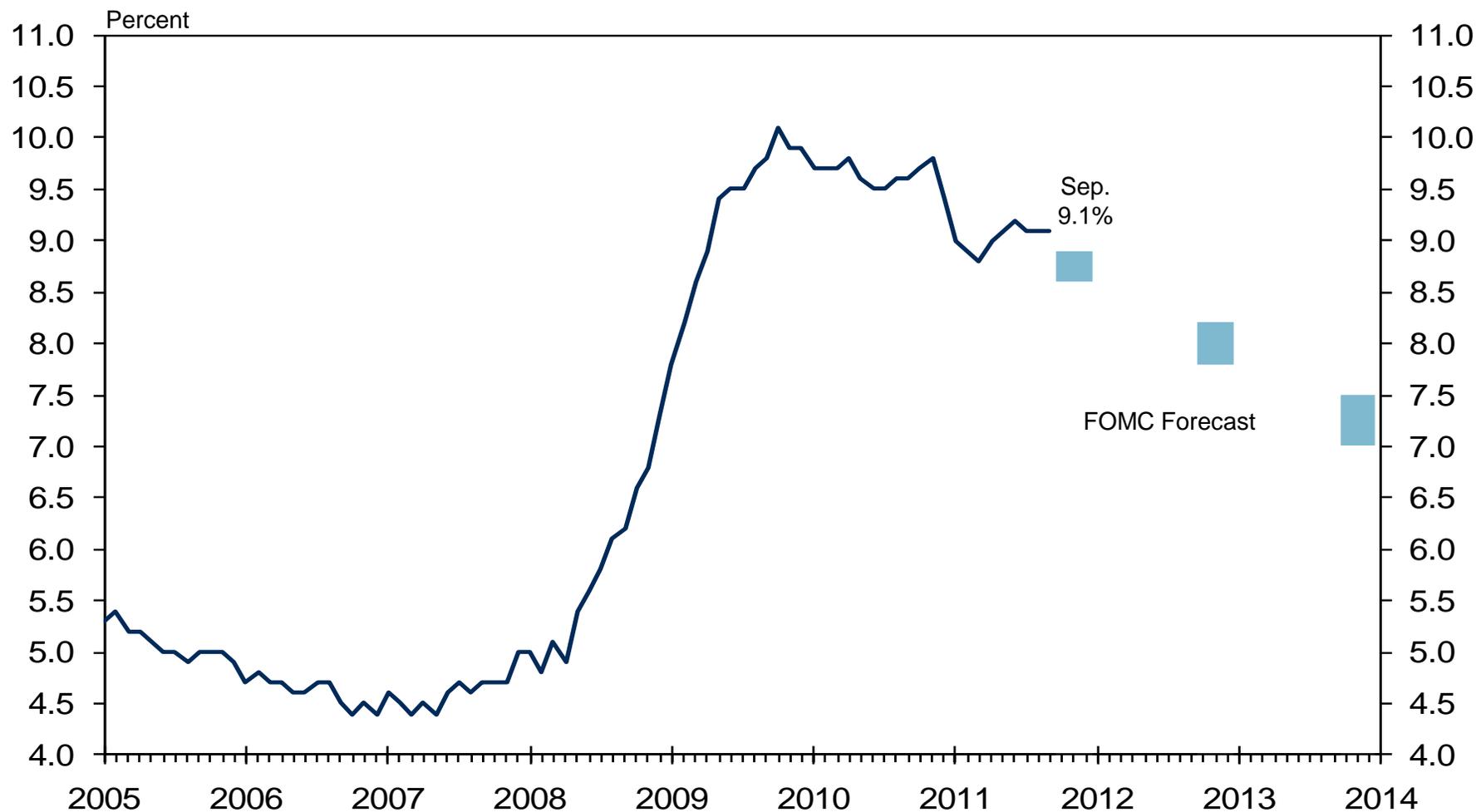


Alternative Measures of Labor Force Utilization





Civilian Unemployment Rate



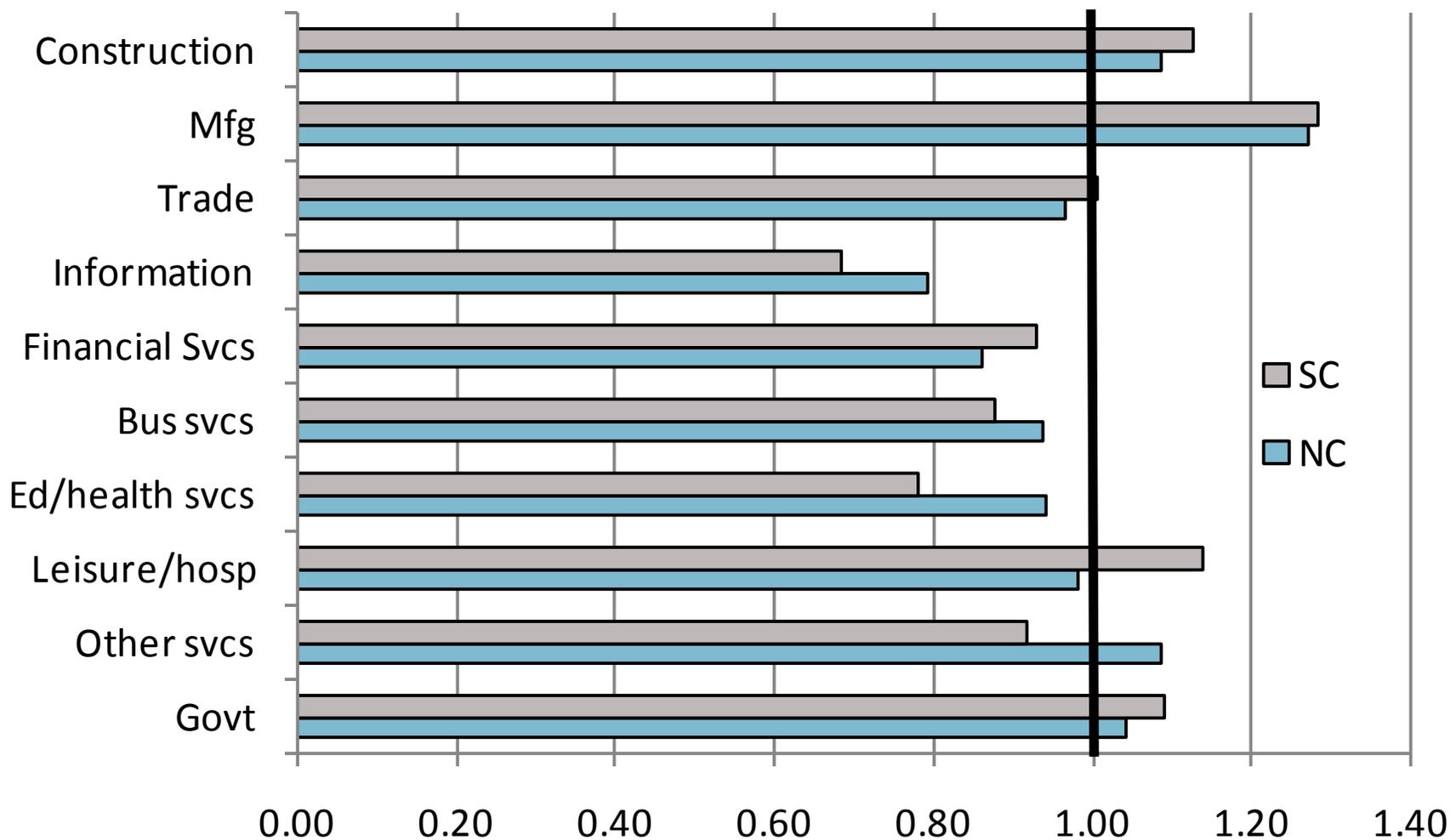
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Industry Structure

LQs



Gauges of Inflation

Expenditure Price Indexes	[Percent Change from Previous Month at Annual Rate]:		
	Aug.	Sep.	YoY %
Personal Consumption Expenditures	3.2	2.0	2.9
Core (excludes Food* and Energy)	2.0	0.0	1.6

Consumer Price Indexes	[Percent Change from Previous Month at Annual Rate]:		
	Aug.	Sep.	YoY %
All Items	4.6	3.7	3.9
Core (excludes Food and Energy)	3.0	0.7	2.0

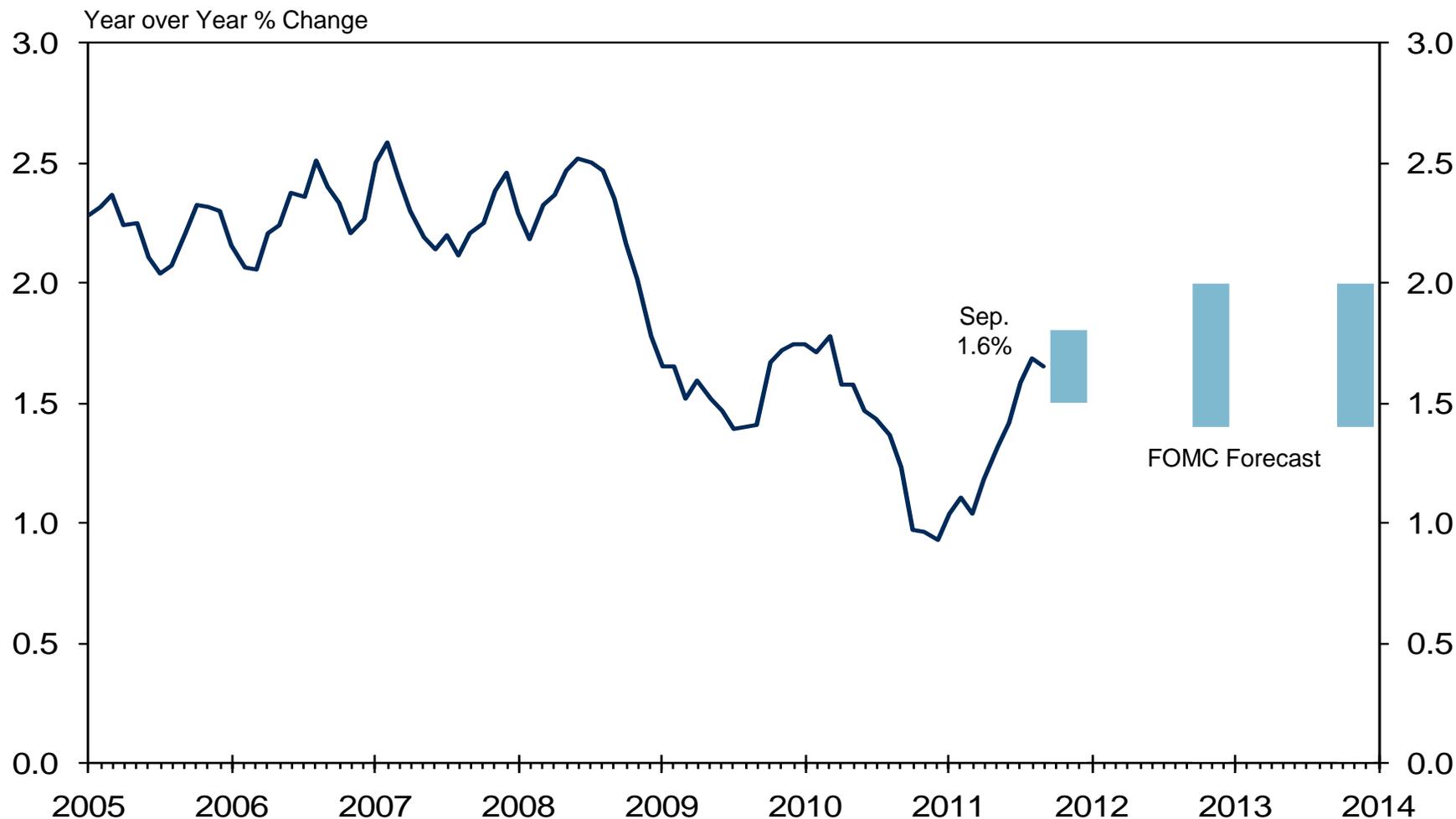
Producer Price Indexes	[Percent Change from Previous Month at Annual Rate]:		
	Aug.	Sep.	YoY %
Finished Goods	0.0	9.8	7.0
Core (excludes Food and Energy)	0.7	2.7	2.5
Core Intermediate Goods	-1.2	1.9	7.5
Crude Goods	2.5	38.7	21.1

Spot Commodity Price Index	[Percent Change from Previous Month]:		
	Aug.	Sep.	YoY %
CRB Spot Commodity Price Index	-1.7	-2.9	11.5

Notes: Core PCE Price Index includes expenditures on food services.



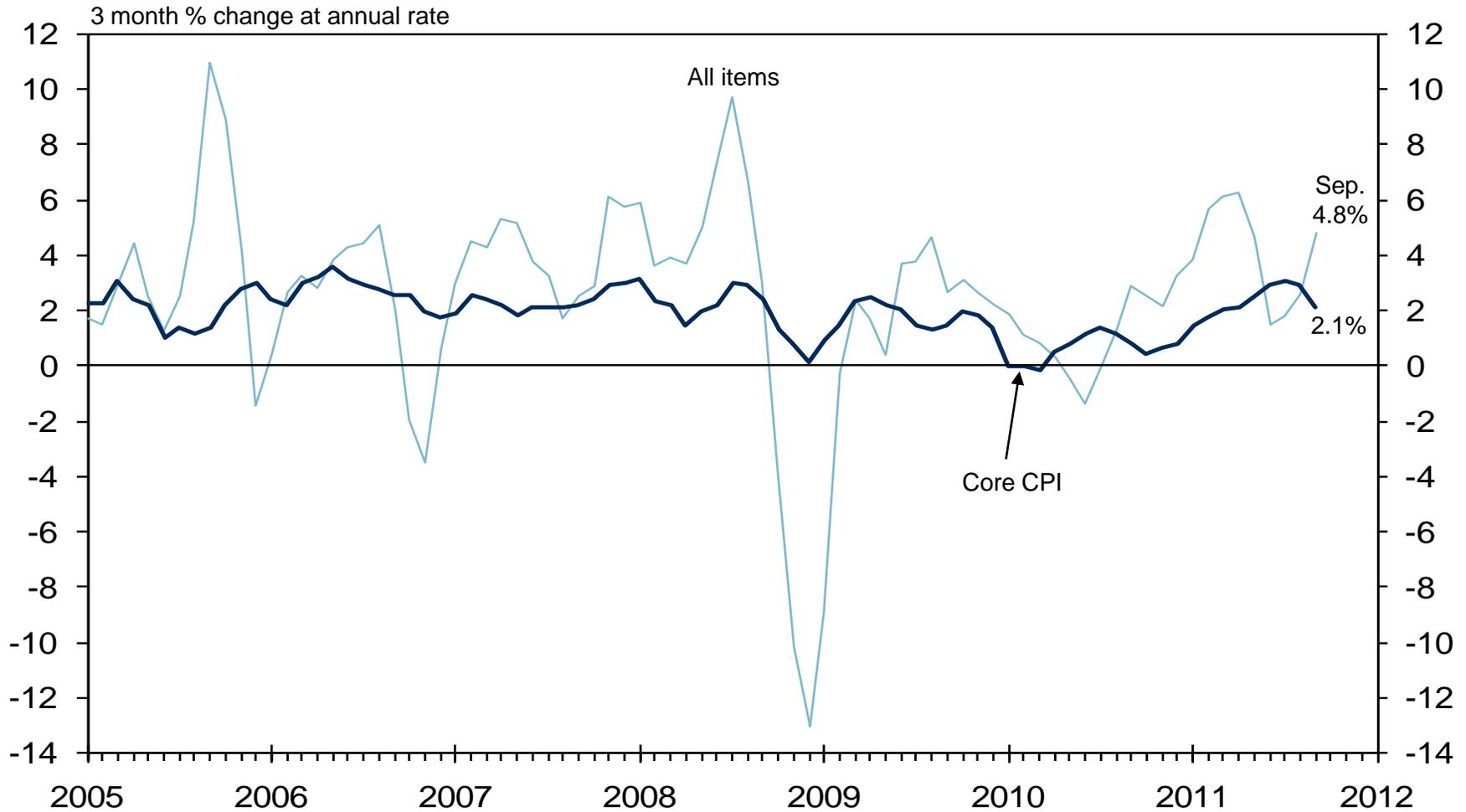
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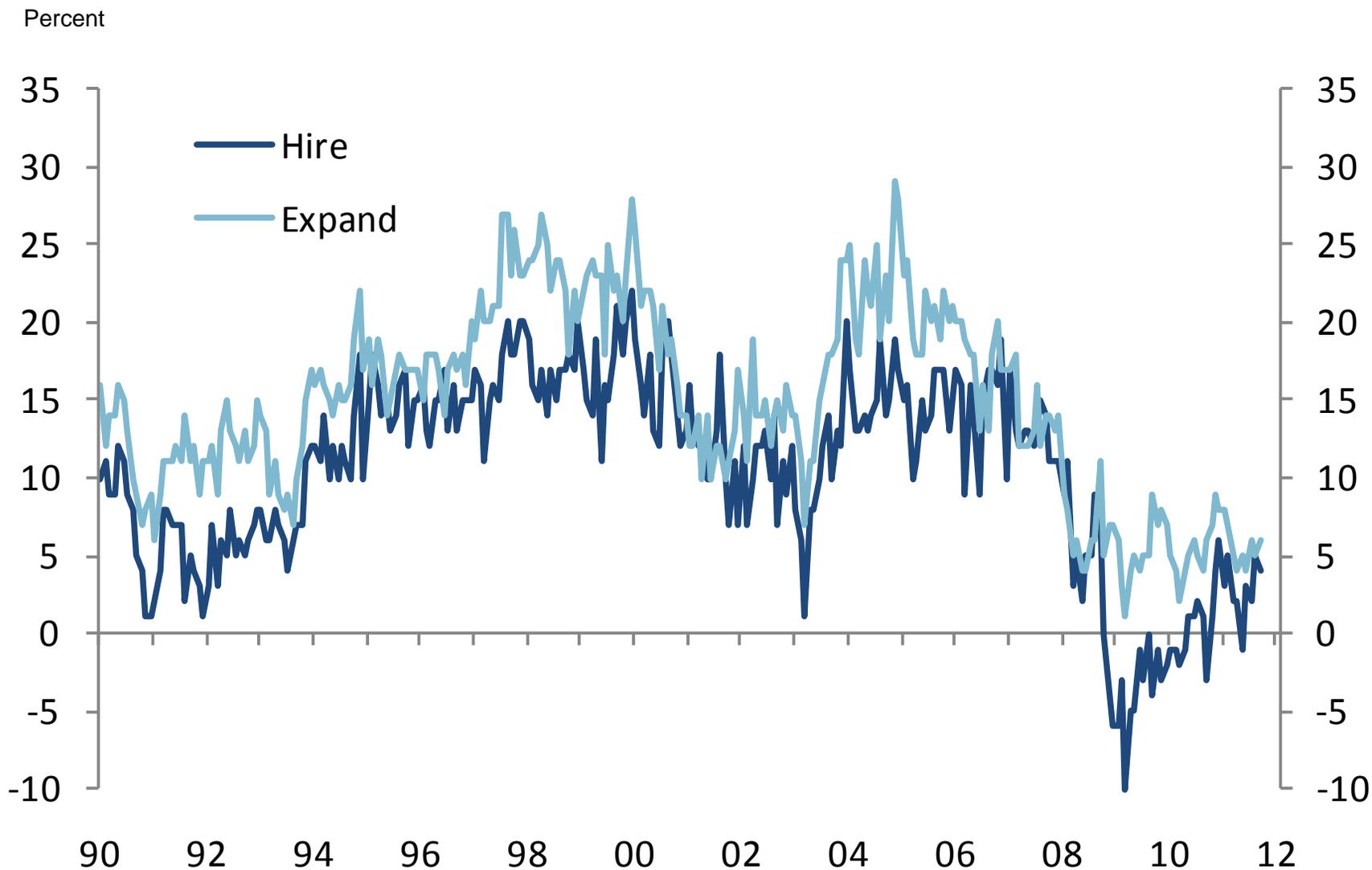


Consumer Price Indexes





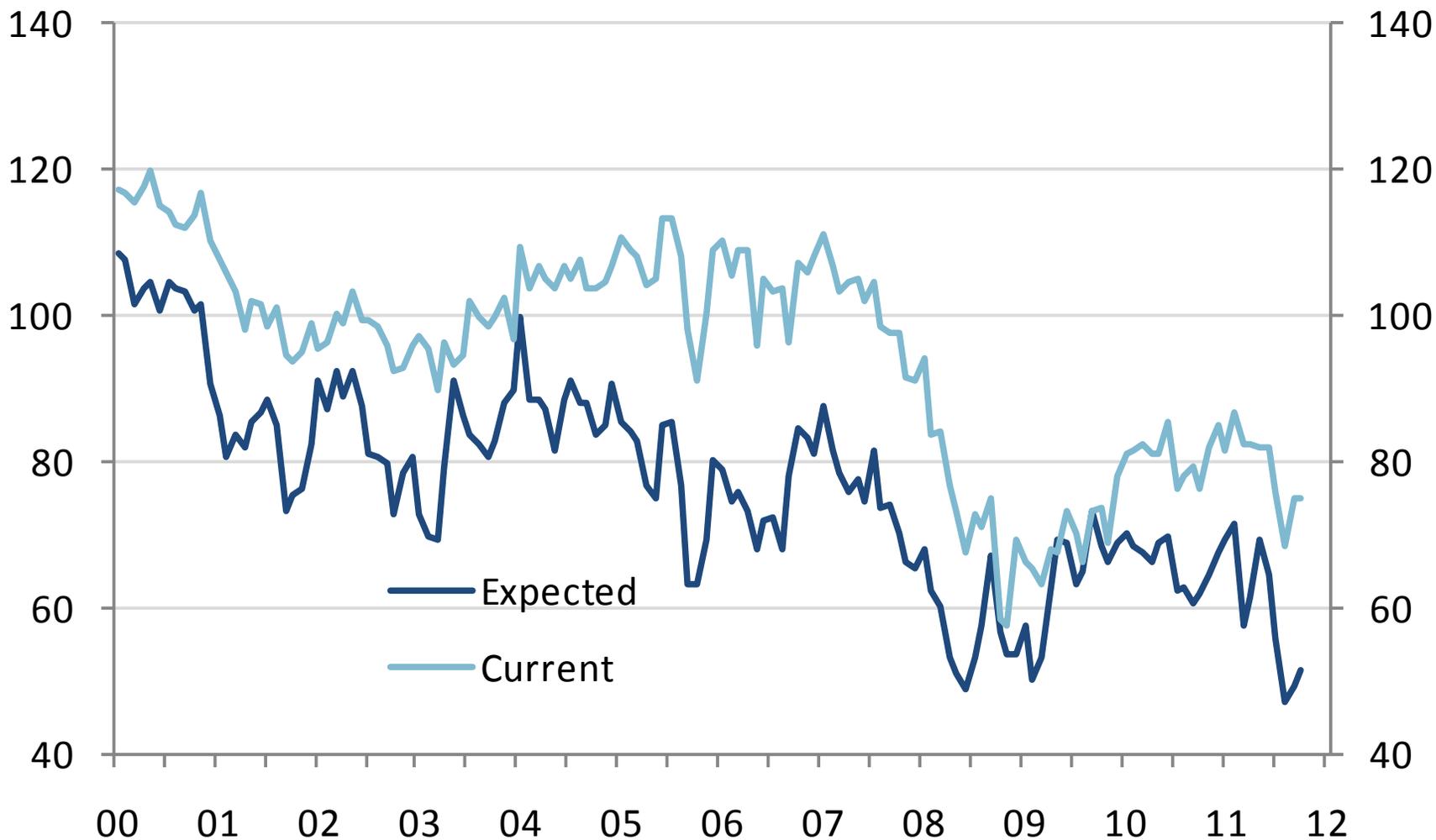
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Consumer Sentiment – University of Michigan

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Single-Family New Home Sales & Building Permits

