

# Economic Indicators



Central Bank of Iceland  
June 2009

## Overview of economic indicators

### I Inflation and inflation expectations<sup>1</sup>

Consumer price index .....
Core index 1 (CPI excl. agricultural products and petrol).....
Core index 2 (core index 1 excl. public services).....
Domestic goods excl. agricultural products .....
Agricultural products .....
Imported goods excl. alcohol and tobacco .....
- food and beverages .....
- cars and spare parts .....
- petrol .....
- imported goods excl. food and beverages .....
Housing.....
Public services .....
Private services .....
Groceries (perishables).....
Weighted import exchange rate index (Dec. 31, 1994=100).....

Latest period	Latest value	Change (%)			Contribution to 12-mo. inflation (%)	12-mo. ch. 1 year ago (%)
		on prev. month	over 6 months <sup>2</sup>	over 12 months		
June '09	344.5	1.4	7.1	12.2	.	12.7
June '09	193.7	1.1	6.1	12.8	11.3	11.0
June '09	196.9	1.2	6.4	13.5	11.0	11.6
June '09	174.7	2.1	7.9	18.3	1.3	11.8
June '09	159.8	0.2	-1.6	9.8	0.6	14.8
June '09	165.7	2.0	17.9	21.3	7.3	16.0
June '09	199.8	2.0	15.9	37.6	1.3	23.0
June '09	177.7	-1.0	16.6	16.3	0.8	17.0
June '09	233.7	7.8	43.3	1.0	0.0	42.2
June '09	139.4	1.5	13.5	27.4	6.0	7.6
June '09	299.1	-0.5	-10.7	-1.7	-0.4	14.7
June '09	165.0	0.1	2.1	4.4	0.3	4.3
June '09	192.7	1.4	10.3	11.9	2.4	9.0
June '09	174.4	1.2	6.8	20.7	3.6	16.1
May 29 '09	190.7	6.0	17.4	53.0	.	29.1

Latest period	Expected 12 mo. inflation	Change from prev. survey	Expected 12 month inflation year ago	Expected inflation in 24 months	Assessment of inflation in past 12 m.
			year ago		
Businesses' inflation expectations .....	0.0	0.0	10.0	.	.
Household inflation expectations.....	17.0	3.0	7.0	7.0	23.0

1. Index base periods: Consumer price index: May 1988=100; other price indices: March 1997=100. 2. Annualised inflation.

### II Output and demand

GDP (b.kr.) .....
National expenditure (b.kr.).....
Private consumption (b.kr.).....
Public consumption (b.kr.) .....
Gross fixed investment (b.kr.) .....
Exports of goods and services (b. kr.) .....
Imports of goods and services (b. kr.) .....
Domestic turnover according to VAT returns (b. kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
Turnover in grocery stores (b.kr.) .....
Credit and debit card turnover (b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
Turnover of publicly listed companies on OMXI (b.kr.) .....
Cement sales (thous. tons) .....
Automobile registrations (number) .....

Latest period	Latest value	1 year ago	% change <sup>1</sup> on		Year-to-date <sup>1</sup>	
			previous period	previous year	Value	Change on prev. year (%)
Q1/2009	348.8	325.2	-7.6	-3.9	348.8	-3.9
Q1/2009	338.3	362.9	-9.2	-22.1	338.3	-22.1
Q1/2009	184.9	198.5	-3.4	-22.1	184.9	-22.1
Q1/2009	96.2	84.1	-3.8	0.6	96.2	0.6
Q1/2009	50.1	79.6	-43.7	-52.4	50.1	-52.4
Q1/2009	156.3	112.6	-2.5	10.9	156.3	10.9
Q1/2009	-145.9	-150.3	2.3	-34.2	-145.9	-34.2
Jan.-Feb. '09	226.0	246.8	-3.3	-22.4	226.0	-22.4
May '09	130.3	140.0	-1.4	-6.9	122.2	-8.7
May '09	53.3	59.9	-5.0	-24.7	259.1	-27.3
Q4/2008	331.0	198.1	.	67.1	331.0	67.1
May '09	9.9	23.3	38.2	-57.3	38.7	-63.1
May '09	223	1,535	97.3	-85.5	821	-88.9

Note: Change between periods is presented in real terms. 1. Change in seasonally adjusted values.

### III Foreign trade and external economic conditions

Price of marine products in foreign currency (Jan.1999=100).....
Price of aluminium, LME cash price USD/t .....
Price of crude oil (Brent) USD/b .....
Demersals (1,000 tonnes).....
Pelagics (1,000 tonnes) .....
Merchandise exports (excl. ships & aircraft, b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
- marine products (b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
- aluminium (b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
- other industrial products (b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
Merchandise imports (excl. ships & aircraft, b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
Merchandise trade balance (excl. ships & aircraft, b.kr.) .....
Services exports (b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
Services imports (b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....
Real effective exchange rate (relative CPI) (2000=100) .....

Latest period	Latest value	1 year ago	% change on		Year-to-date	
			previous period	previous year	Value	Change on prev. year (%)
April '09	106.7	119.0	-0.5	-10.3	109.8	-8.3
June '09	1,563	3,035	7.1	-48.5	1,424	-50.1
June '09	68.3	135.0	17.9	-49.4	51.8	-52.8
May '09	41.3	47.2	-4.4	-12.4	266.1	18.7
May '09	21.4	48.9	-60.0	-56.3	171.7	-47.2
April '09	31.3	33.5	-19.5	-35.2	130.5	-19.1
April '09	15.0	16.1	-11.7	-35.4	57.6	-20.2
April '09	11.3	10.2	-4.7	-23.0	44.6	-20.0
April '09	0.0	5.6	-100.0	-100.0	16.1	-35.7
April '09	29.4	40.5	-0.3	-49.6	115.4	-45.5
April '09	1.9	-7.0	.	.	15.1	.
Q1/2009	53.2	32.5	15.7	7.7	53.2	7.7
Q1/2009	55.8	44.7	11.5	-17.8	55.8	-17.8
Q1/2009	68.6	98.9	0.4	-30.7	68.6	-30.7

Note: In the case of volumes and values, 'year-to-date' refers to cumulated figures, but in the case of prices or indices it refers to the average price or index. 1. Changes are calculated at constant exchange rates.

	Latest period	Latest value	Value 1 year ago	Change <sup>1</sup> from previous period		Year-to-date <sup>2</sup>	
				previous period	previous year	Average	Change on prev. year (%)
<b>IV Labour market and wages</b>							
Number of unemployed listed at employment agencies .....	May '09	14,595	1,739	-219	12,856	13,537	714.9
Registered unemployment, s.a. (% of total est. labour force) .....	May '09	8.7	1.0	0.2	7.7	7.4	6.5
Unemployment rate, labour force survey.....	Q1/2009	7.1	2.3	3.1	4.8	7.1	4.8
Listed vacancies at employment agencies .....	May '09	943	474	37.3	98.9	594	77.5
Work permits issued, total .....	May '09	121	157	81	-22.9	493	-50.3
New permits for new jobs and permit extensions .....	May '09	14	420	-44	-96.7	144	-93.7
Wage index (December 1988=100) .....	May '09	356.0	342.0	0.2	4.1	355.8	5.6
Real wages (wage index deflated by CPI).....	May '09	130.9	140.3	-1.0	-6.8	132.1	-8.1

1. Change from previous period refers to change in the number of unemployed and change in the rate of unemployment; otherwise, it refers to percentage change. 2. Average from beginning of year except for work permits where the cumulated number of permits is shown. Change on previous year refers to change in the average number of unemployed and change in the unemployment rate; it refers to percentage change.

	Latest period	Latest value	Value 1 year ago	% change on previous period		Year-to-date	
				previous period	previous year	Value	Change on prev. year (%)
<b>V Public finances</b>							
Treasury revenue balance (b.kr.) .....	April '09	-4.1	8.9	.	.	-16.5	.
- as percentage of revenue.....	April '09	-10.9	22.1	.	.	-10.9	.
Net borrowing requirement (b. kr.).....	April '09	3.1	-6.5	.	.	-12.5	.
- as percentage of revenue.....	April '09	8.3	-16.2	.	.	-8.3	.
Treasury revenue (b. kr.).....	April '09	37.8	40.2	-13.4	-19.1	151.3	-19.1
- excl. asset sales and irregular items (b. kr.).....	April '09	37.8	40.2	-13.4	-19.1	151.3	-19.1
- from VAT (b. kr.).....	April '09	9.2	11.2	-2.8	-29.3	36.9	-29.3
- from payroll & personal income tax withheld (b. kr.) .....	April '09	10.5	11.2	-4.9	-18.9	42.1	-18.9
- from imports (b. kr.) .....	April '09	3.0	4.4	3.0	-40.5	12.2	-40.5
Treasury expenditures (b. kr.).....	April '09	41.9	31.3	-55.5	15.7	167.7	15.7
- excl. irregular items (b. kr.) .....	April '09	41.9	31.3	-8.3	15.7	167.7	15.7

Note: First four columns show 4-month moving averages of monthly values, last two show current year to date.

	Latest period	Latest value	Value 1 year ago	% change on previous period		Year-to-date	
				previous period	previous year	Aver- age <sup>1</sup>	Change on prev. year (%)
<b>VI Asset markets</b>							
OMXI-15 equity price index <sup>2</sup> (Dec. 1997=1,000).....	May '09	251.4	4,882.6	14.4	-94.9	269.5	-94.7
Equity turnover on OMXI, <sup>2</sup> monthly total .....	May '09	6.3	126.7	256.7	-95.0	21.5	-97.2
Residential housing prices, narrow index <sup>3</sup> (Jan. 1994=100) .....	May '09	301.1	340.1	-1.6	-11.5	315.0	-8.1
Real residential housing prices, broad index <sup>3</sup> (Jan. 1994=100) .....	May '09	155.4	193.8	-1.8	-19.8	163.3	-19.8
Price of long-term cod quota (kr./kg.) .....	June '09	1,800	3,800	12.5	-52.6	1,717	-54.7

1. Except for turnover, which is cumulative to date. 2. OMXI = Iceland Stock Exchange (OMX Iceland). Prices are monthly averages. 3. In Greater Reykjavik.

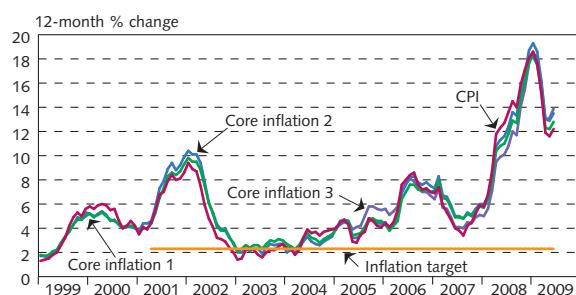
	Latest period	Latest value	Value 1 year ago	% change on previous period		Year-to-date	
				previous period	previous year	Aver- age	Change on prev. year (%)
<b>VII Financial markets</b>							
Bank lending to domestic sector (b.kr.) <sup>1</sup> .....	September '08	4,827.4	2,893.6	17.1	66.8	.	.
adjusted for estimated indexation effects on inflation- and exchange rate-linked loans (index) <sup>1</sup> .....	September '08	580.3	478.0	5.8	27.5	.	.
in real terms (January 2002=100) .....	September '08	422.9	335.4	1.4	26.1	.	.
Credit system total lending (b.kr.) .....	September '08	7,705.1	5,208.1	14.9	47.9	.	.
M3 (b.kr.) .....	March '09	1,784.8	1,400.8	-0.7	27.4	.	.
Central Bank policy interest rate (%) .....	June 22 '09	12.00	15.50	-1.0	-3.5	17.66	3.25
Money market yield, 3-mo. (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	7.8	16.0	-2.9	-8.1	17.7	3.0
Money market yield, 12-mo. (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	6.3	15.8	-2.7	-9.5	15.6	1.1
Yield on Treasury notes (RIKB 10 0317) (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	5.8	10.8	-2.1	-5.0	11.6	-0.3
Yield on Treasury notes (RIKB 13 0517) (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	7.3	9.9	-0.4	-2.5	9.9	-0.5
Real yield on HFF bonds (HFF150224) (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	4.1	4.5	-0.7	-0.5	4.9	-0.4
Real yield on HFF bonds (HFF150234) (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	4.1	4.2	-0.3	-0.1	4.5	-0.2
Real yield on HFF bonds (HFF150244) (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	4.1	4.2	-0.1	-0.1	4.3	-0.2
Average bank lending rate, non-indexed loans (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	18.6	20.3	-1.7	-1.7	22.8	3.0
Average bank lending rate, indexed loans (%) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	8.4	10.1	-0.6	-1.6	10.2	0.2
Exchange rate index of króna (Dec. 31, 1991=100) <sup>2</sup> .....	June 22 '09	228.3	153.1	6.4	75.2	208.5	72.3

1. For comparability, financial companies that were reclassified as deposit money banks or moved into that category through mergers are included retrospectively for the entire period. This adjustment is made only for percentage changes and not applied to the original stock figures. 2. All figures except for two last columns are based on 4-week averages.

# I Inflation and inflation expectations

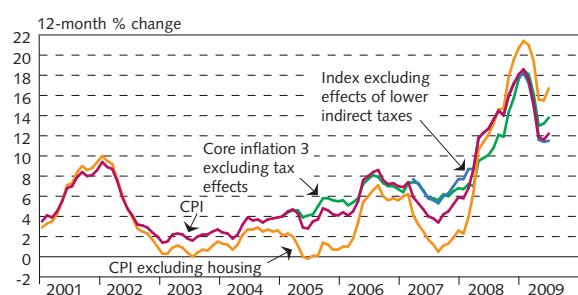
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**Inflation**  
Consumer price inflation and core inflation



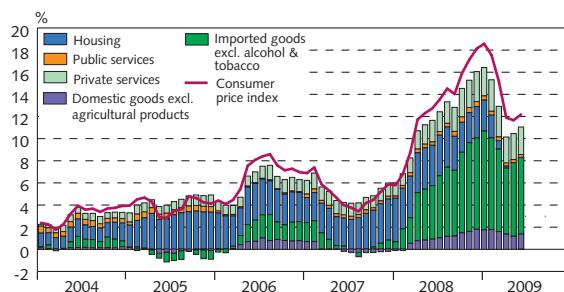
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**Inflation**  
Various measurements



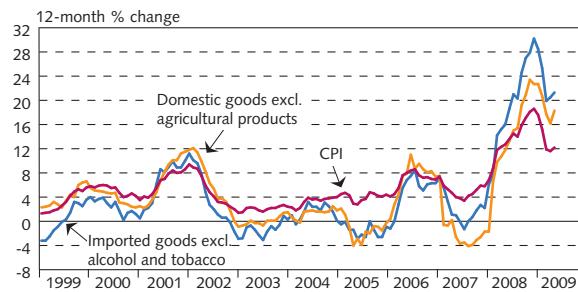
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**Components of CPI inflation**  
Contribution to inflation in past 12 months



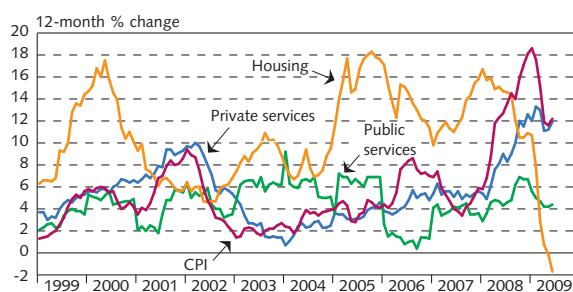
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**Consumer prices**  
Goods



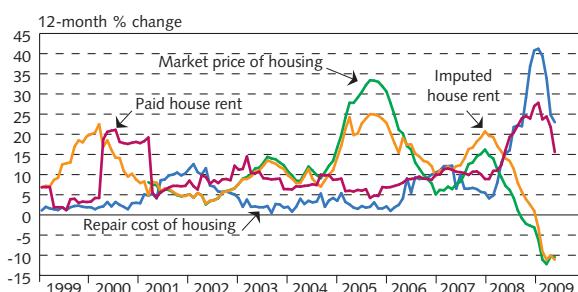
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**Consumer prices**  
Housing and services



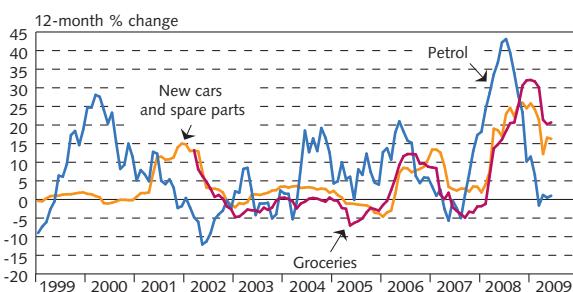
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**Consumer prices**  
Housing



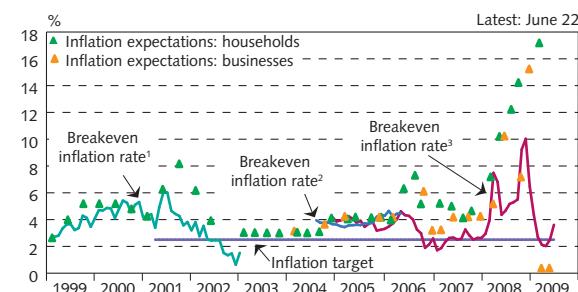
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**Consumer prices**  
Selected components



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**Inflation expectations**  
Breakeven inflation rate at month-end and inflation expectations according to surveys

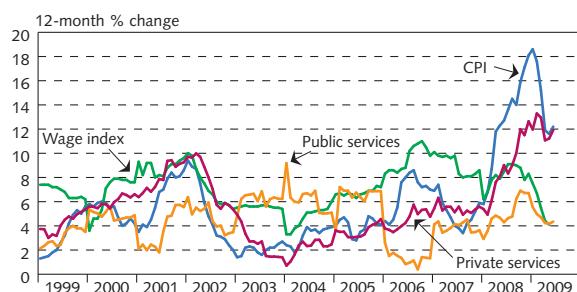


1. Spread between RIKB 03 1010 and RIKS 03 0210.  
2. Spread between RIKB 13 0517 and RIKS 15 1001.  
3. Spread between RIKB 13 0517 and HFF 150914.

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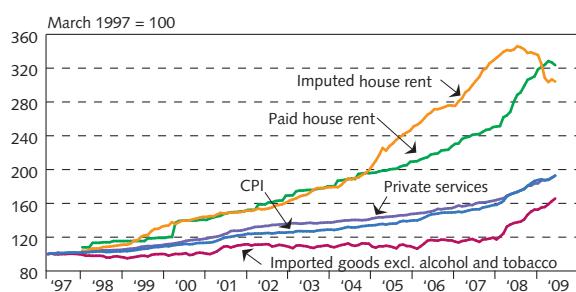
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**Wage and inflation development**  
Wages, inflation and services



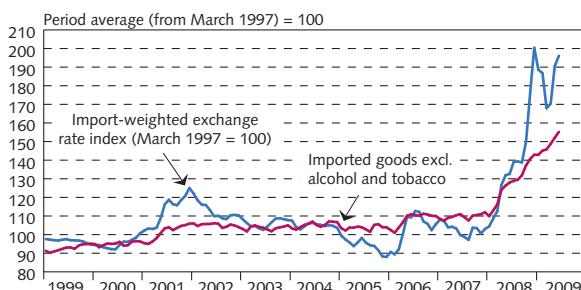
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**Consumer prices**  
Goods, housing and services



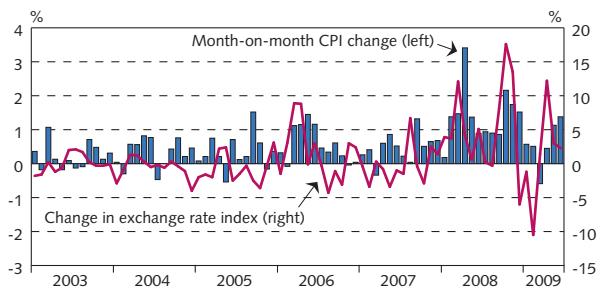
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**Import-weighted exchange rate of the króna and prices of imported goods in the CPI**



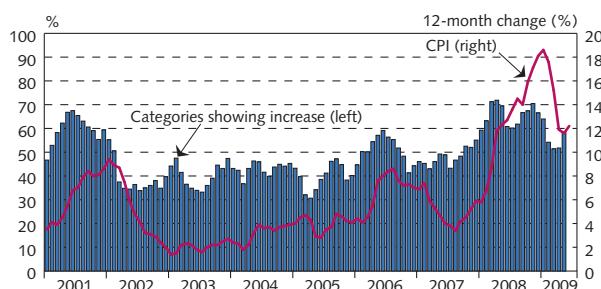
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**Price and exchange rate development**  
Month-on-month CPI and exchange rate change



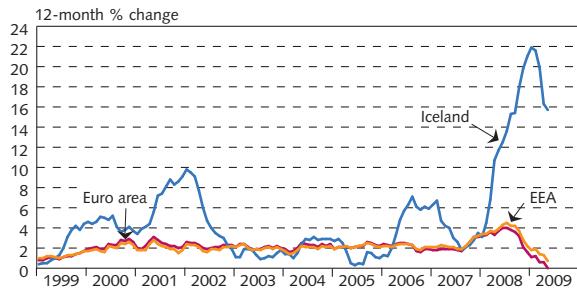
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**Distribution of price increases in CPI**



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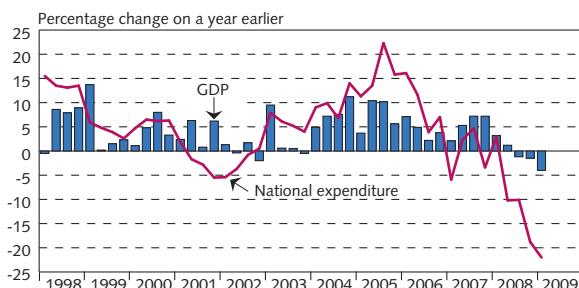
**Inflation in Iceland and in Europe**  
HICP inflation for all countries



## II Output and demand

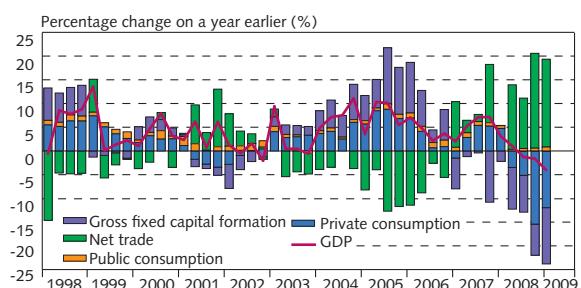
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**Economic growth and national expenditure**  
Quarterly data



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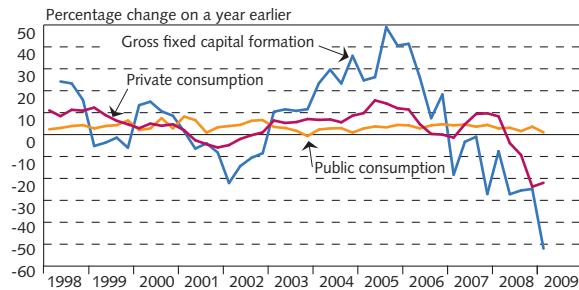
**Contributions to GDP growth**  
Quarterly data



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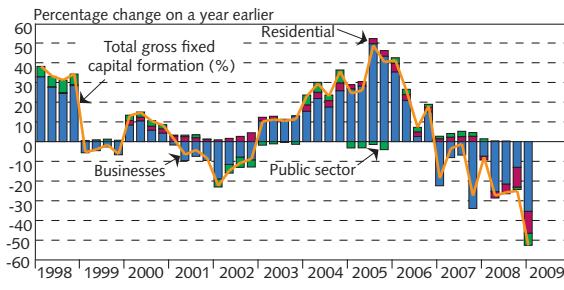
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Consumption and gross fixed capital formation  
Quarterly data



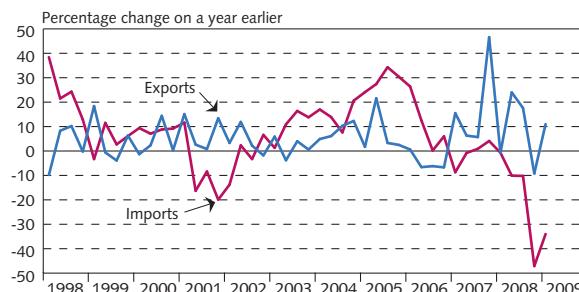
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Contribution to gross fixed capital formation  
Quarterly data



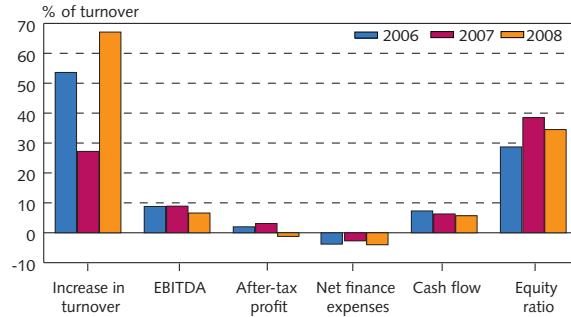
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Exports and imports of goods  
Quarterly data



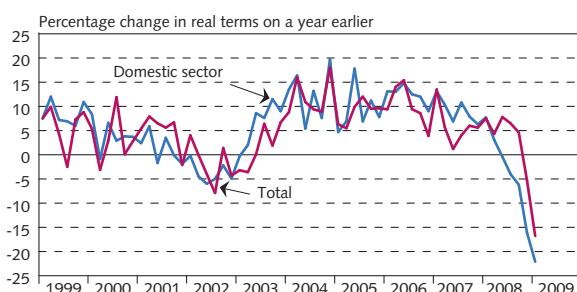
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OMXI-listed company turnover and profits  
2006-2008



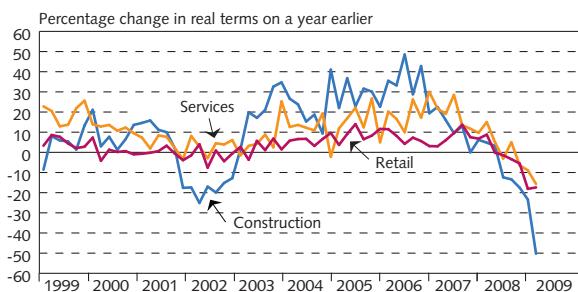
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Turnover based on VAT returns  
Seasonally adjusted



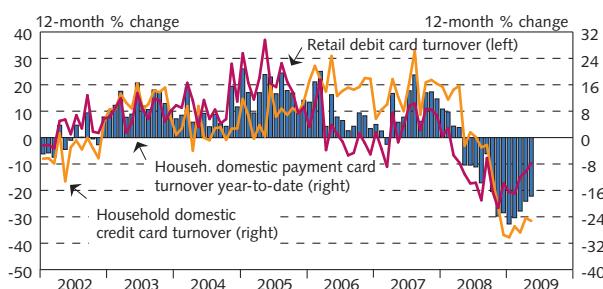
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Turnover based on VAT returns  
Selected sectors



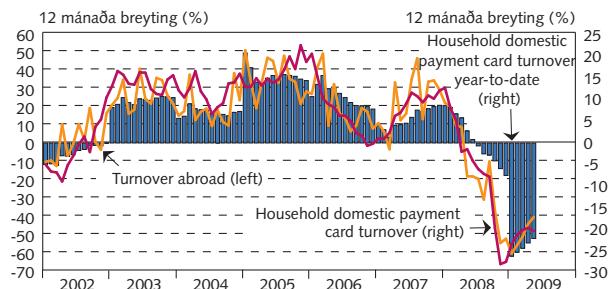
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Payment card turnover  
Deflated by the CPI less housing cost for domestic turnover and the exchange rate for turnover abroad



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Greiðslukortavelta  
Velta debet- og kreditkorta, staðvít  
með VNV án húsnæðis og gengisvisítólu

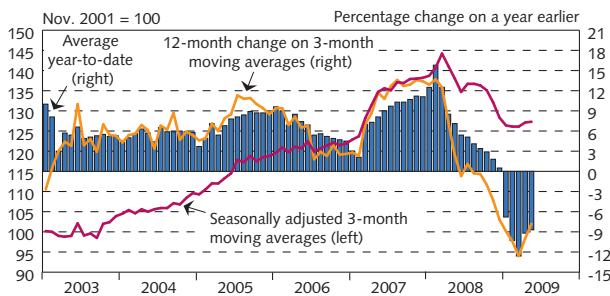


## II Output and demand

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### Groceries turnover

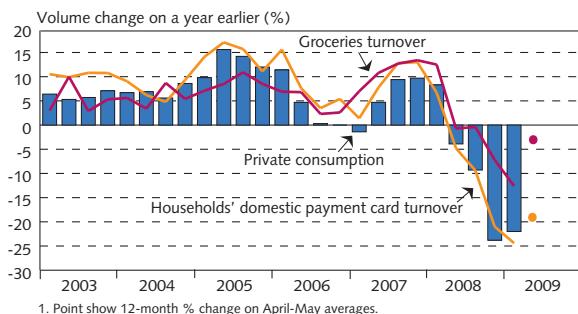
In real terms (deflated by the price of groceries in the CPI)



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### Private consumption, groceries and payment card turnover

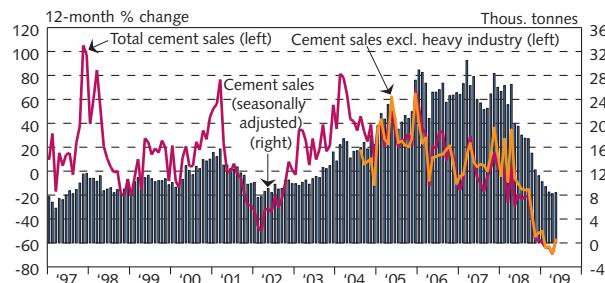
Quarterly data<sup>1</sup>



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### Cement sales

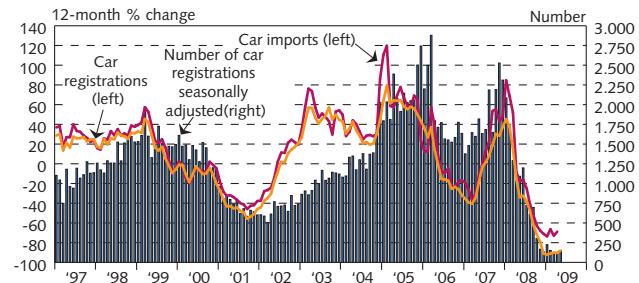
Monthly data, 3-month moving averages



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### Car imports and registrations

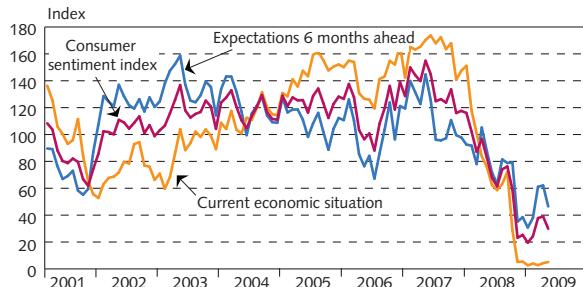
Monthly data, 3-month moving averages



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### Consumer sentiment (Gallup)

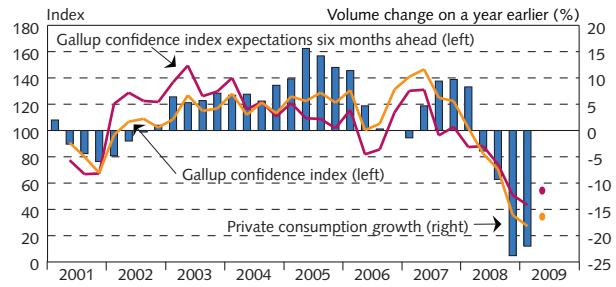
Index, current situation and expectations six months ahead



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### Private consumption and consumer confidence

Quarterly data<sup>1</sup>

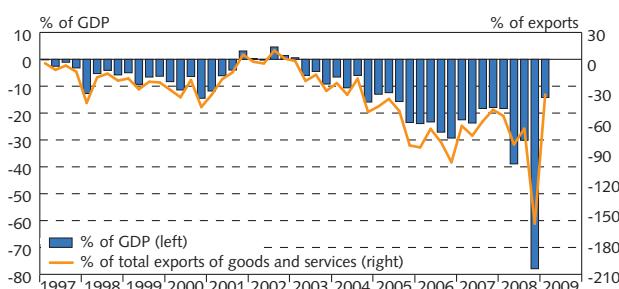


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### Current account balance

Quarterly data

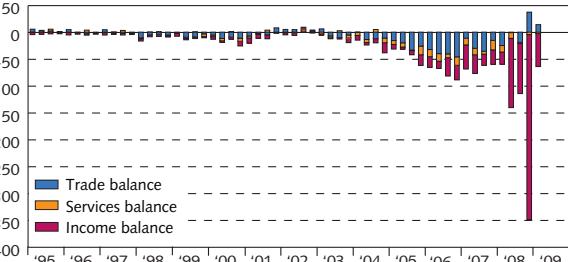


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### Components of current account

Net current transfer is included in factor income

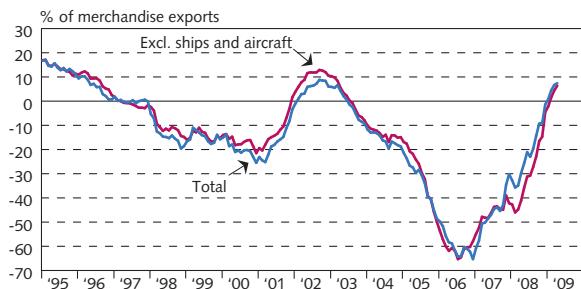
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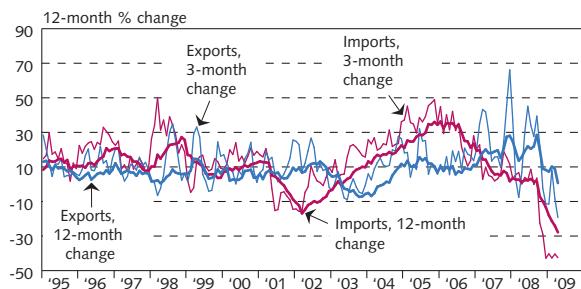
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Merchandise trade balance  
12-month moving averages



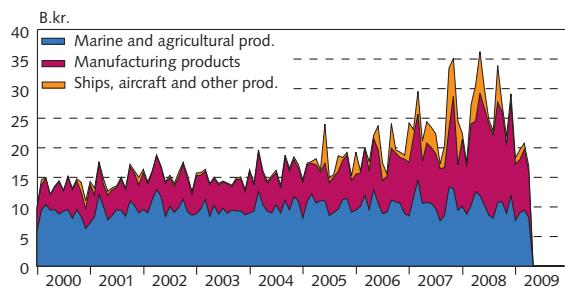
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Merchandise imports and exports  
12- and 3-month moving averages, at fixed exchange rates



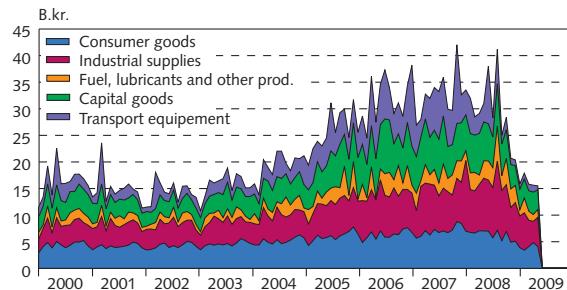
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Components of merchandise exports  
Export value at fixed prices



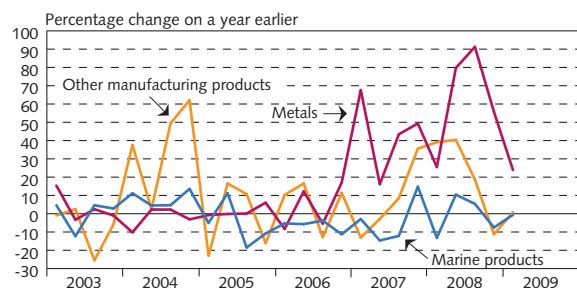
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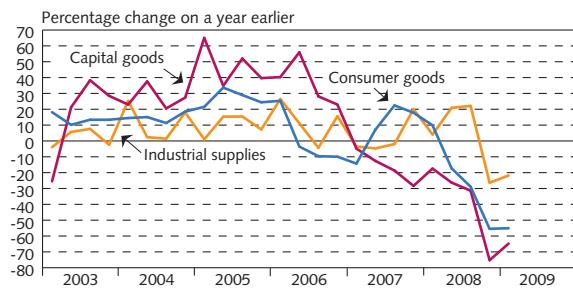
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Volume changes on main export products  
Quarterly data



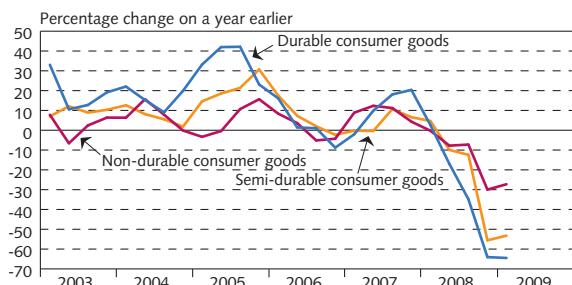
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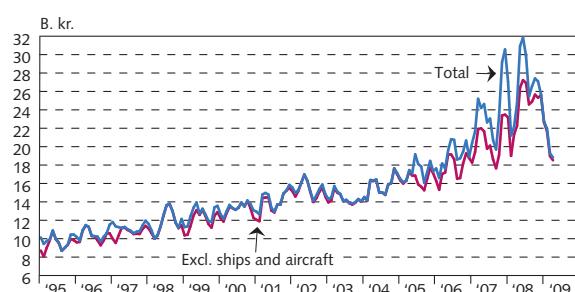
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Volume changes on consumer goods  
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Merchandise exports  
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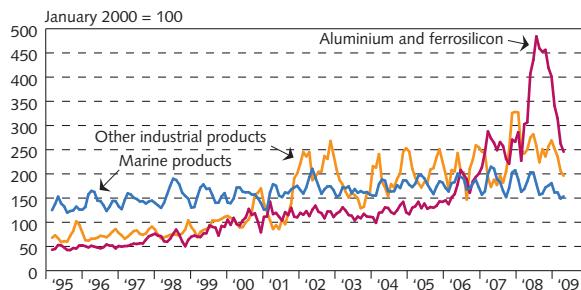


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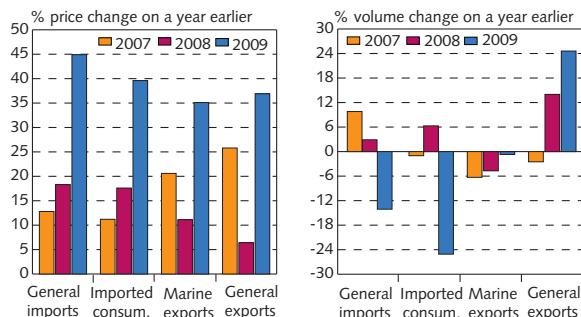
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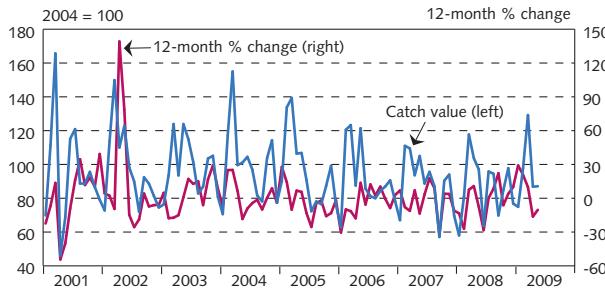
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#### Fish catch volume

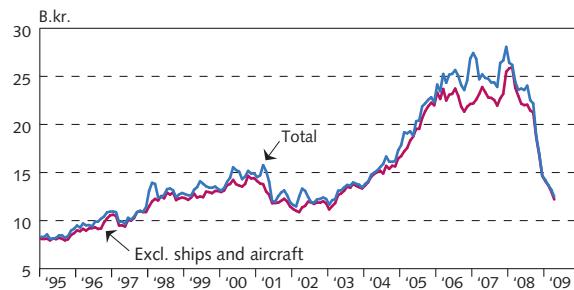
At fixed price levels



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#### Seasonally adjusted merchandise imports

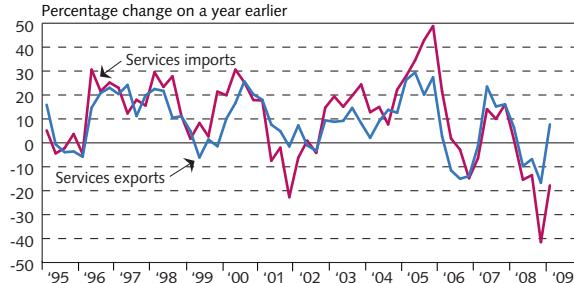
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#### Services account

Quarterly data at fixed exchange rate



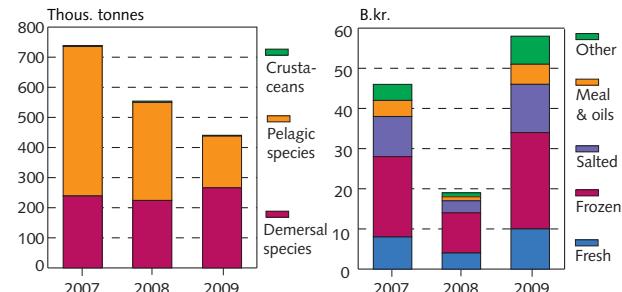
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#### Fish catch

January-May

#### Marine export value

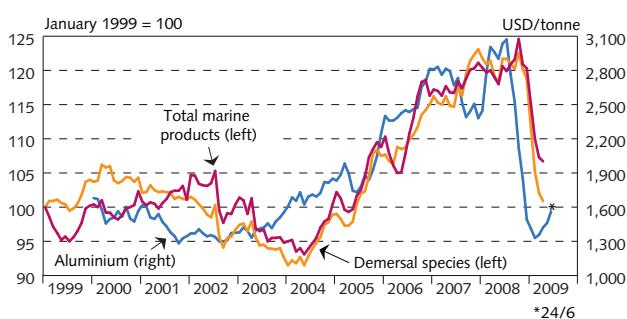
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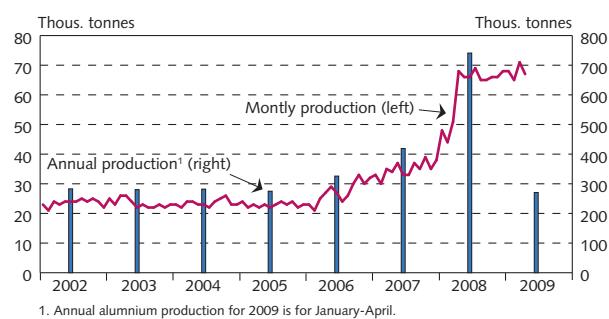
Currency-weighted for marine exports and in USD for aluminium



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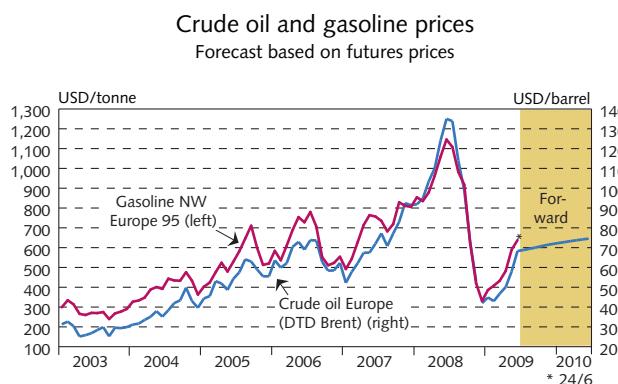
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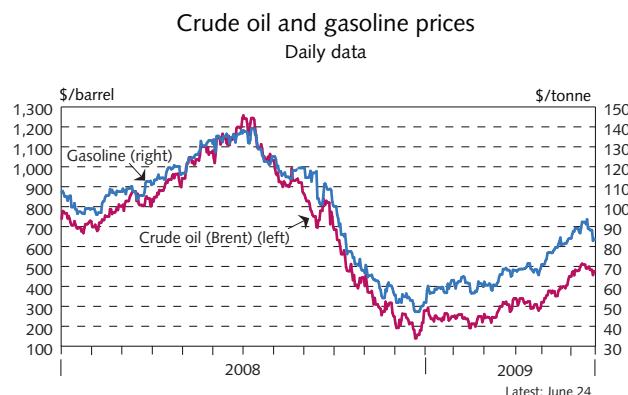


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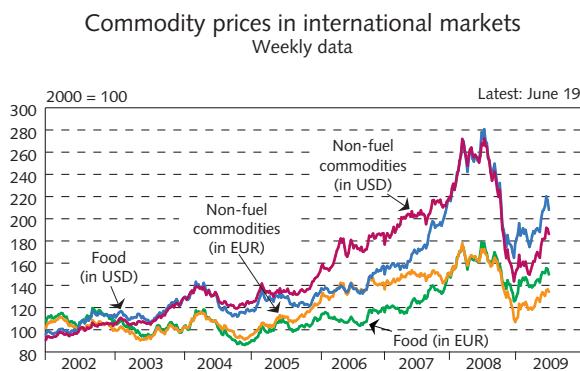
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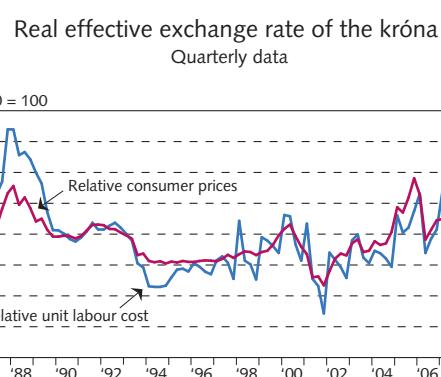
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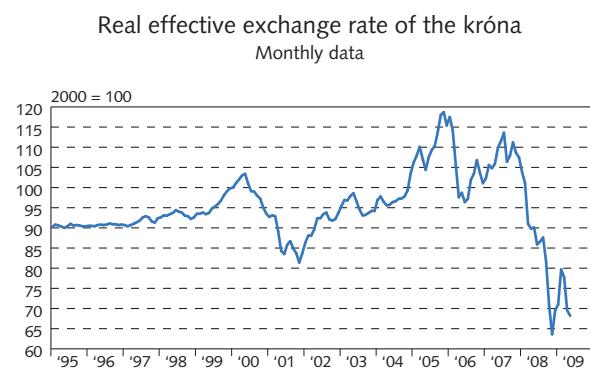
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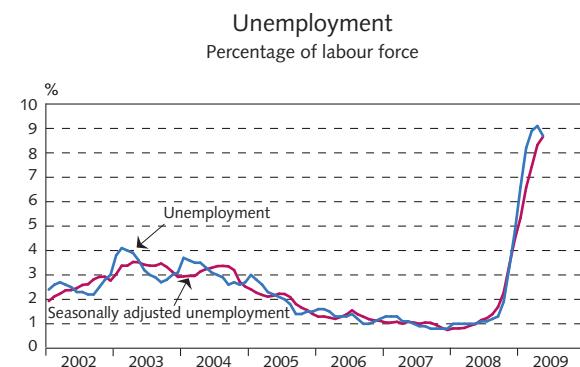


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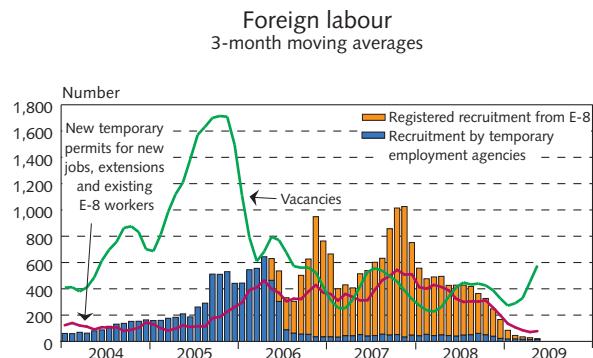


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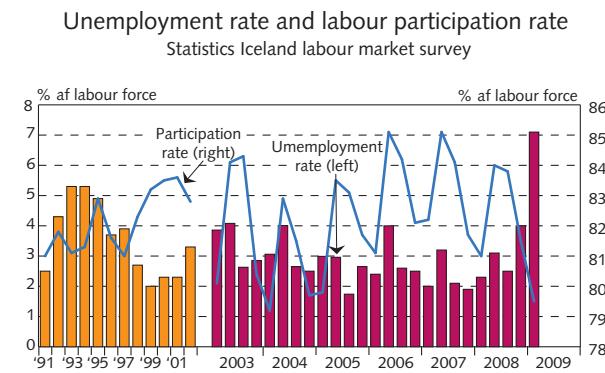


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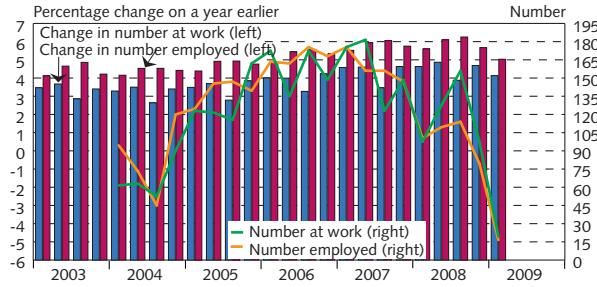
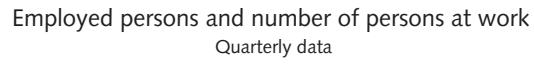


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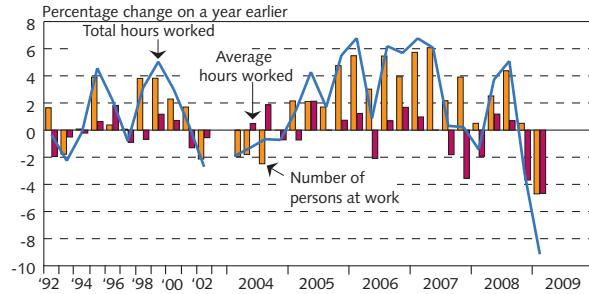
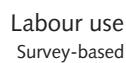
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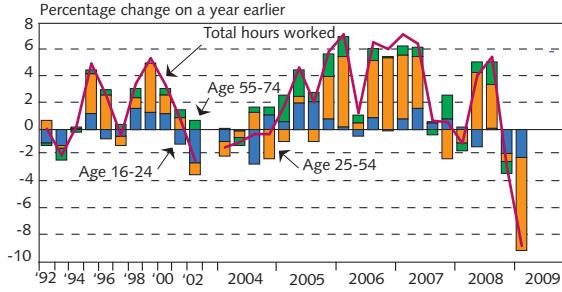
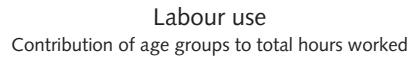
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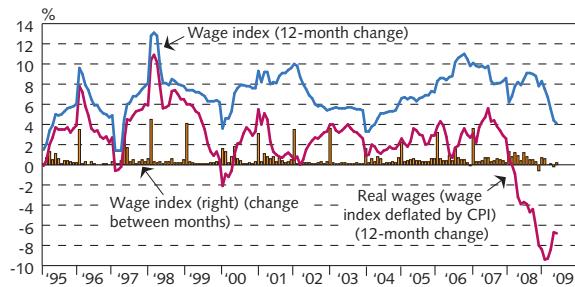
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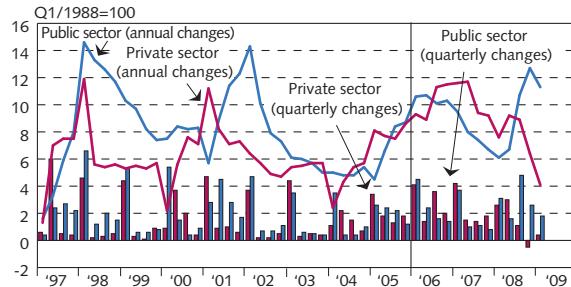
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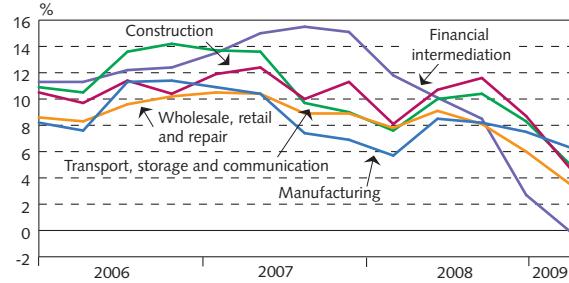
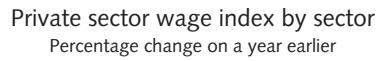
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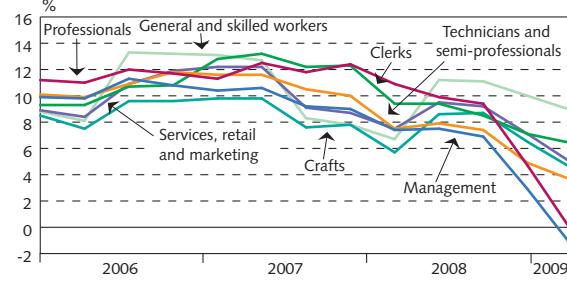
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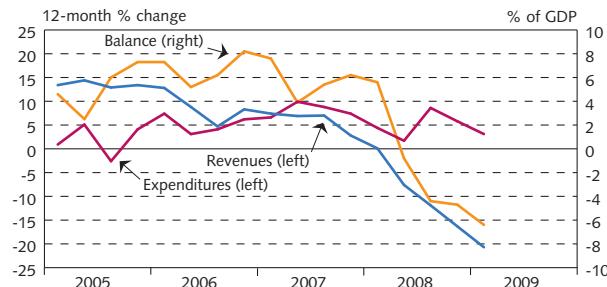
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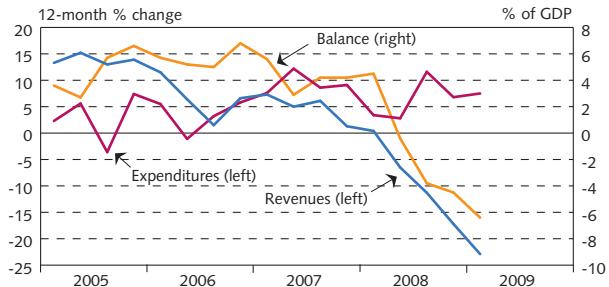
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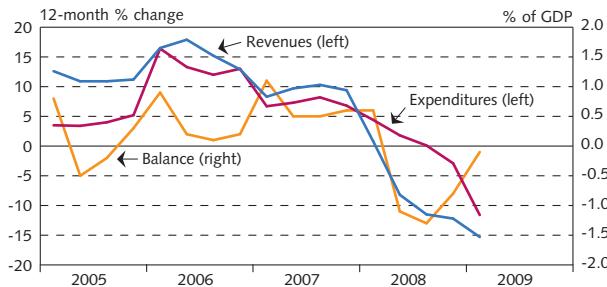
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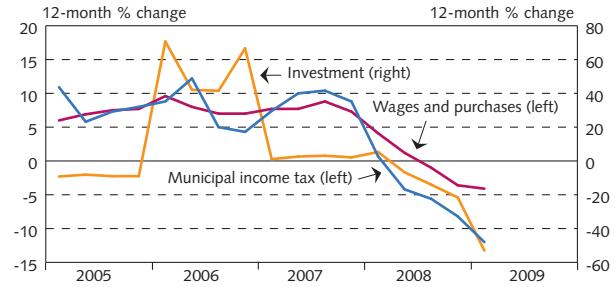
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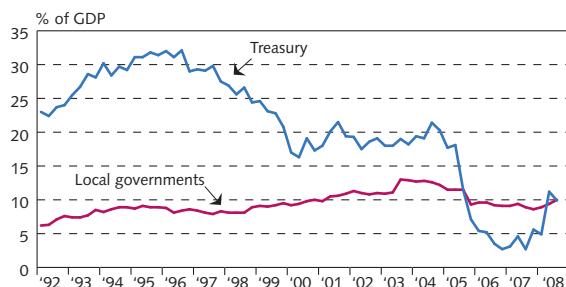
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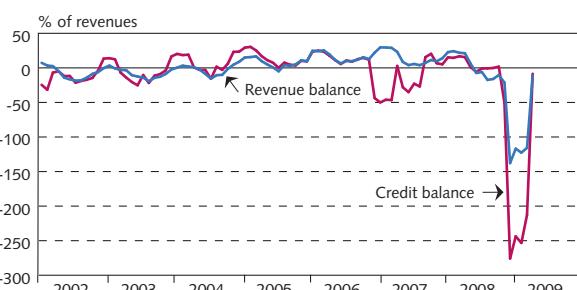
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Debt of treasury and local government  
Credit system



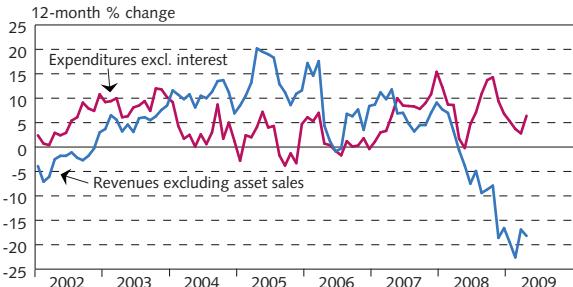
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Treasury balance and net credit balance  
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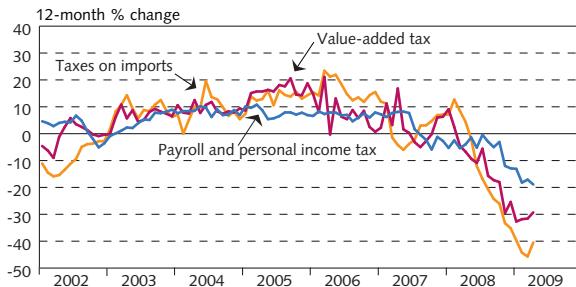
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Regular revenues excluding asset sales,  
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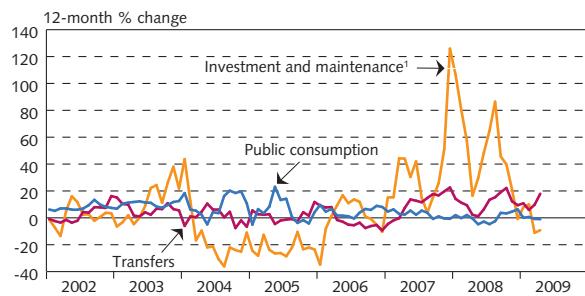
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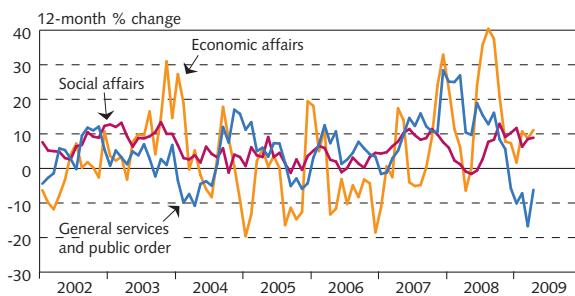
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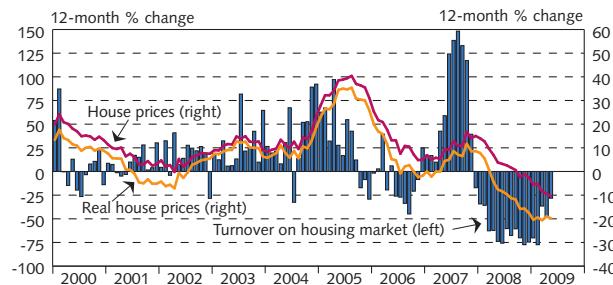
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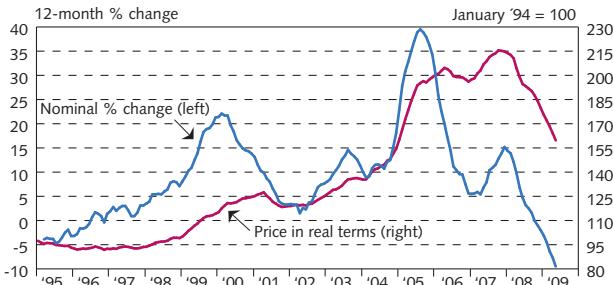
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Residential housing in Greater Reykjavík  
Monthly turnover and prices



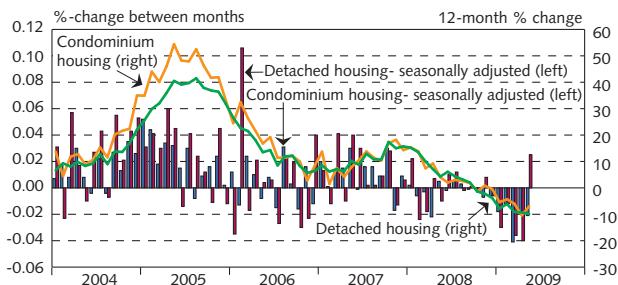
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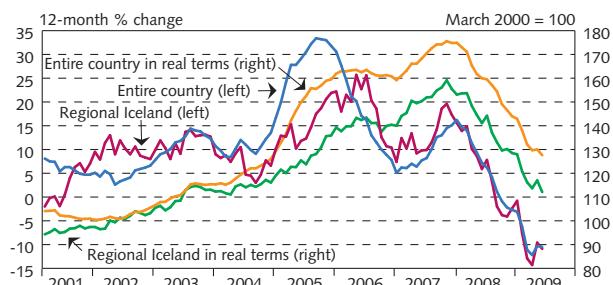
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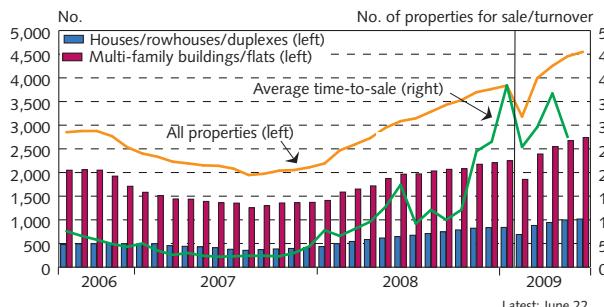
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Market price of residential housing  
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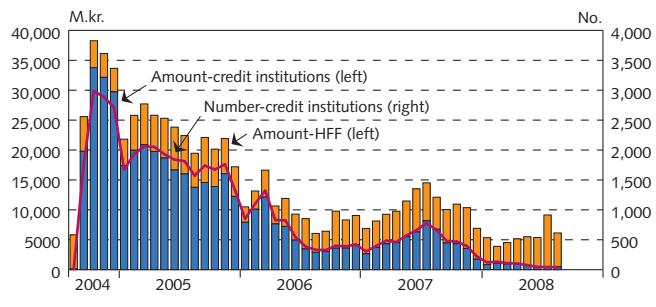
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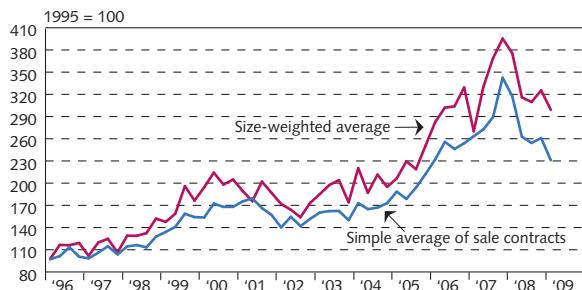
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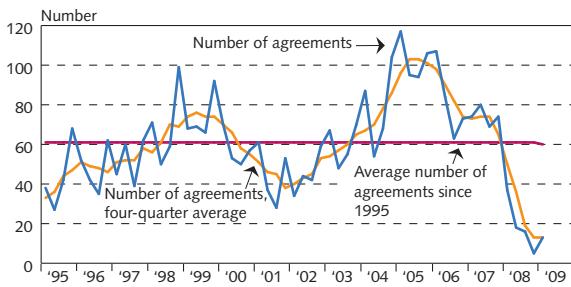
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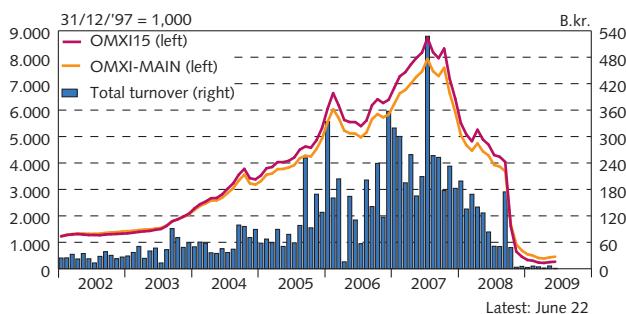
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Turnover of commercial housing  
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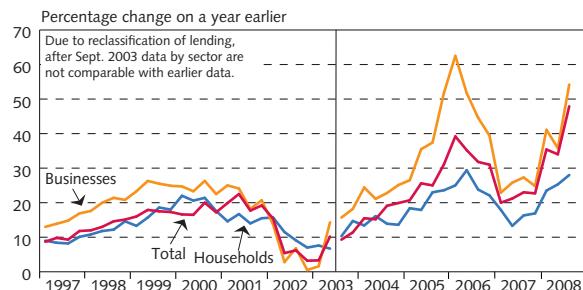
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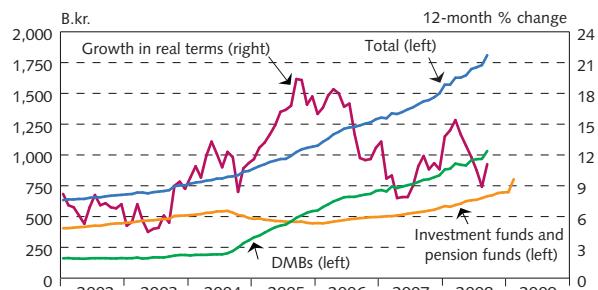
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Credit system lending growth  
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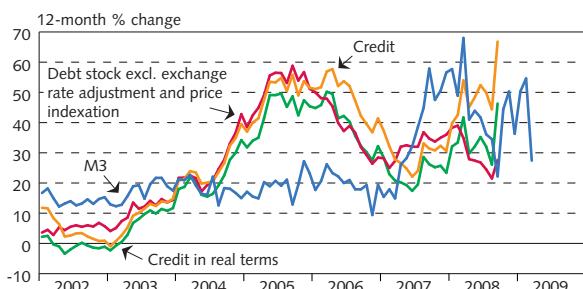
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Household debt with main credit institutions  
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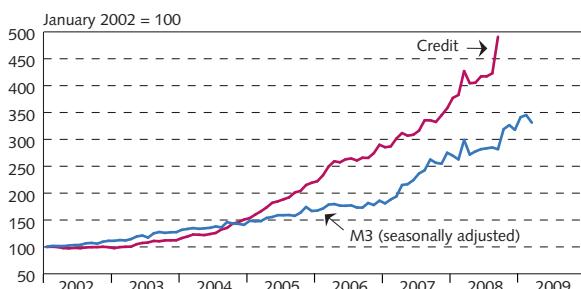
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Growth of M3 and bank credit  
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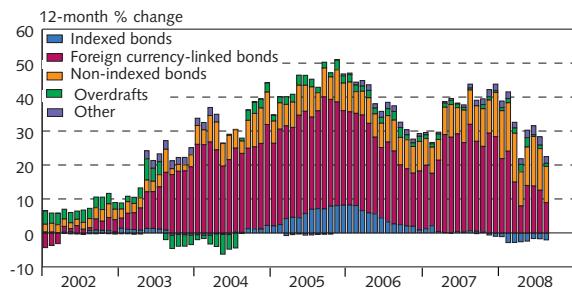
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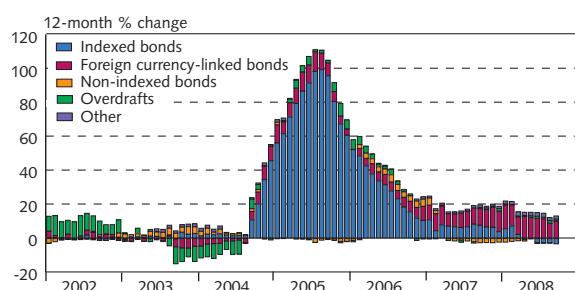
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DMB credit to companies  
Contribution to credit growth



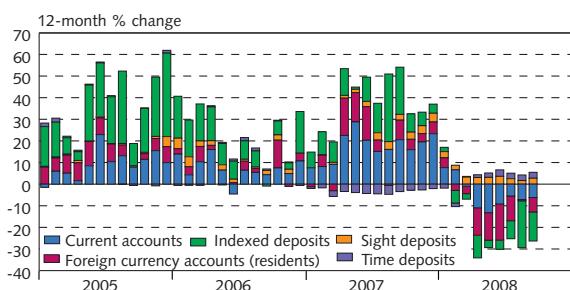
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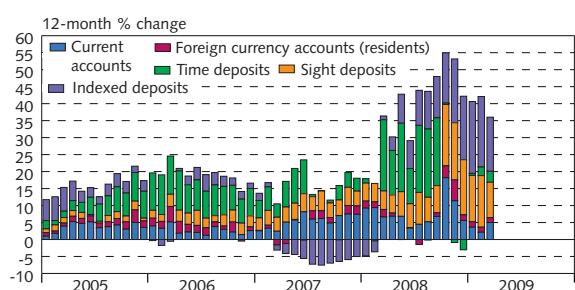
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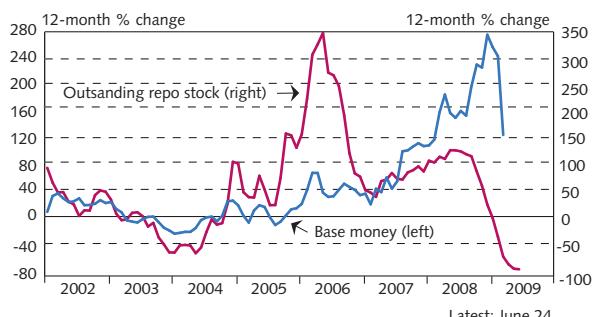
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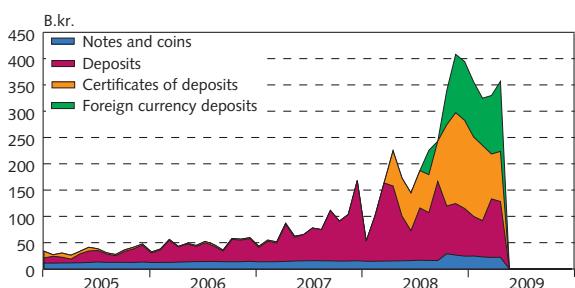
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Base money and repurchase agreements with the Central Bank  
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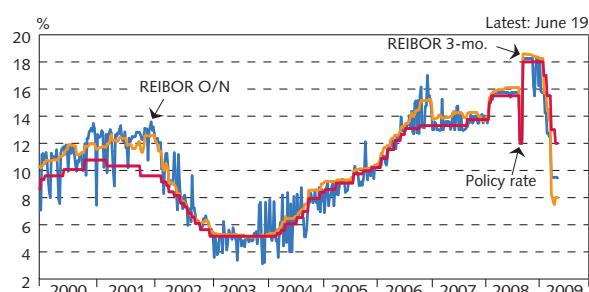
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Base money  
Balance sheet of the Central Bank



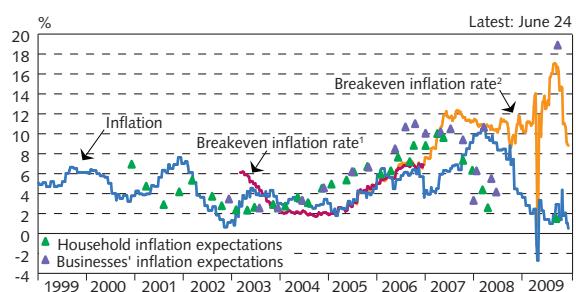
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Central Bank policy rate and interbank interest rates  
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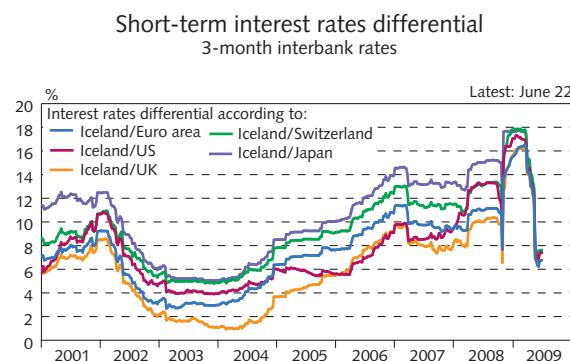
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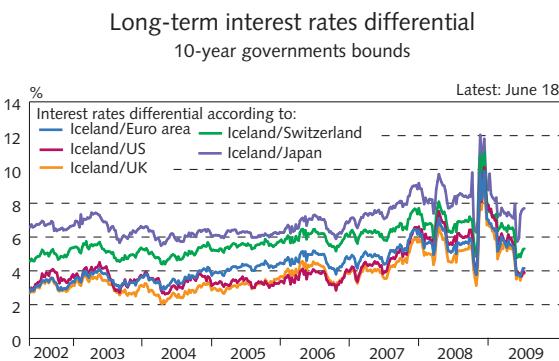


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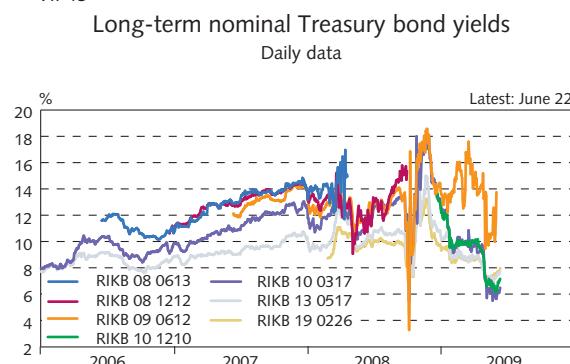
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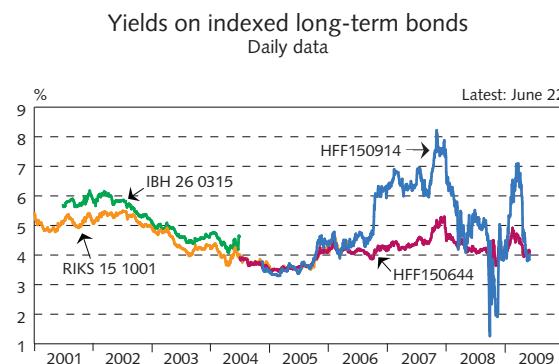
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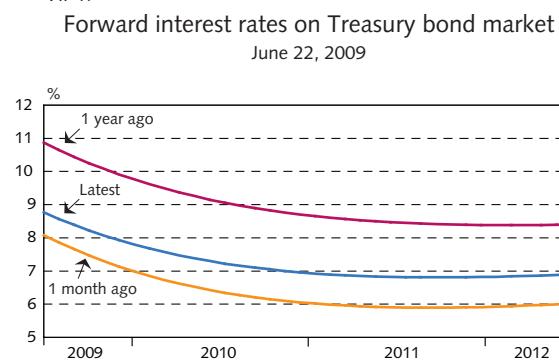
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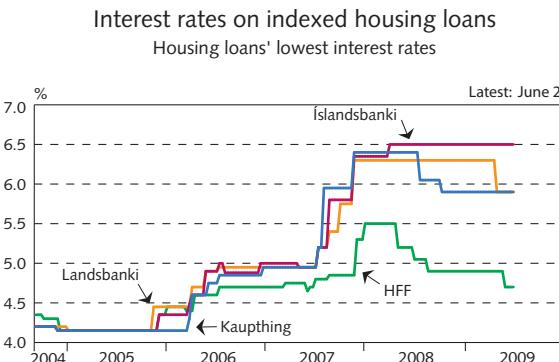
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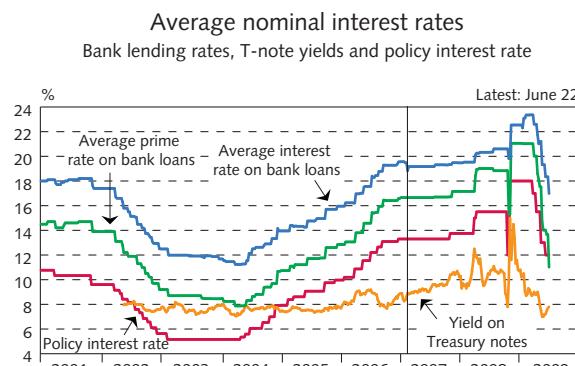
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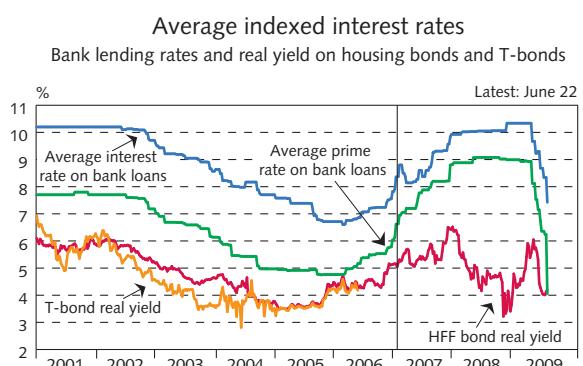
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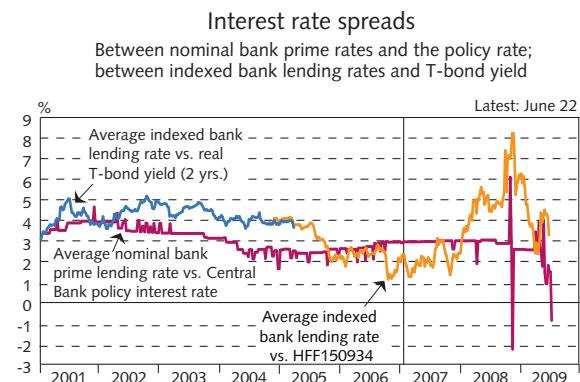


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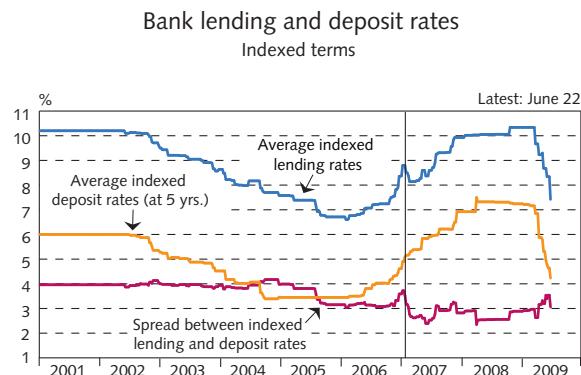


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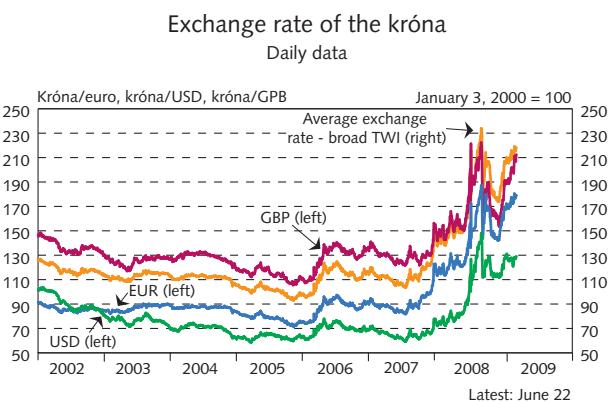
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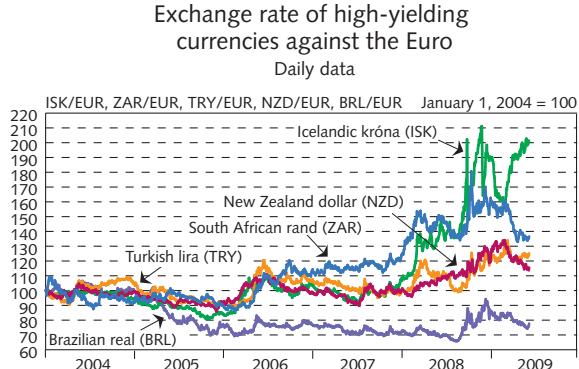
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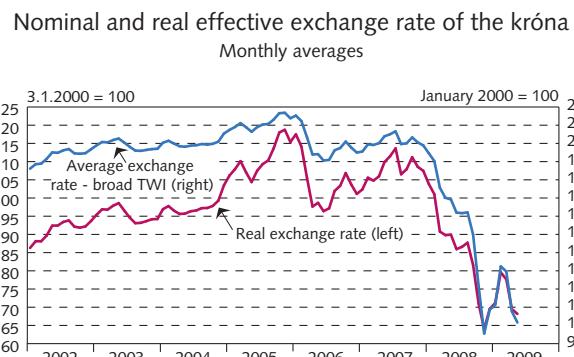
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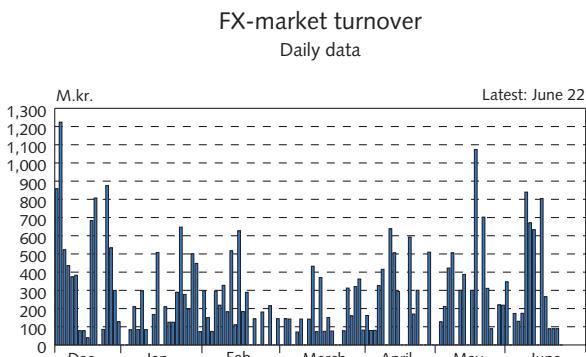
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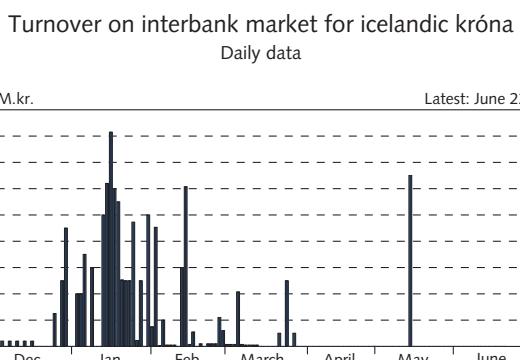
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