Exploring the Economy's Progress and Outlook

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Figure 1: Real GDP Growth: Blue Chip Consensus Forecast as of December 2015 vs Actual
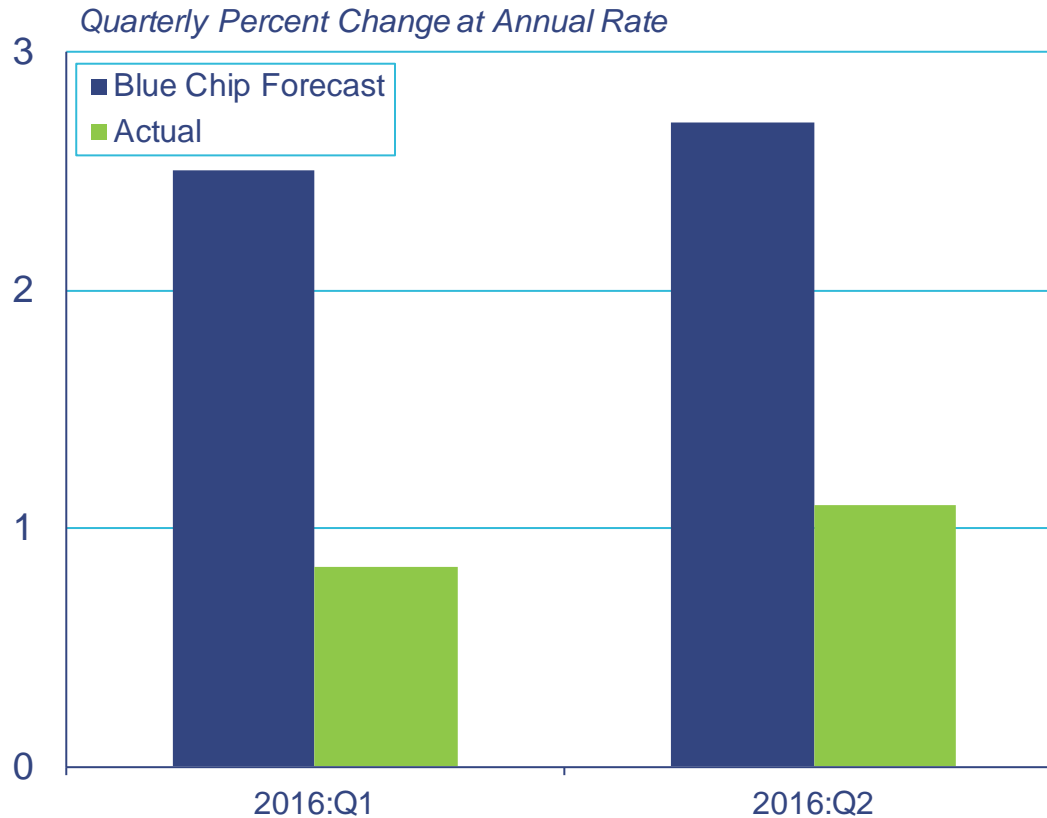2016:Q1 and 2016:Q2

Quarterly Percent Change at Annual Rate

- ■ Blue Chip Forecast
- ■ Actual

Source: BEA; Blue Chip Economic Indicators, December 10, 2015; Haver Analytics

Figure 2: Growth in Real GDP and Real Final Sales
2016:Q1 and 2016:Q2

Quarterly Percent Change at Annual Rate

Legend:
- Real GDP
- Real Final Sales
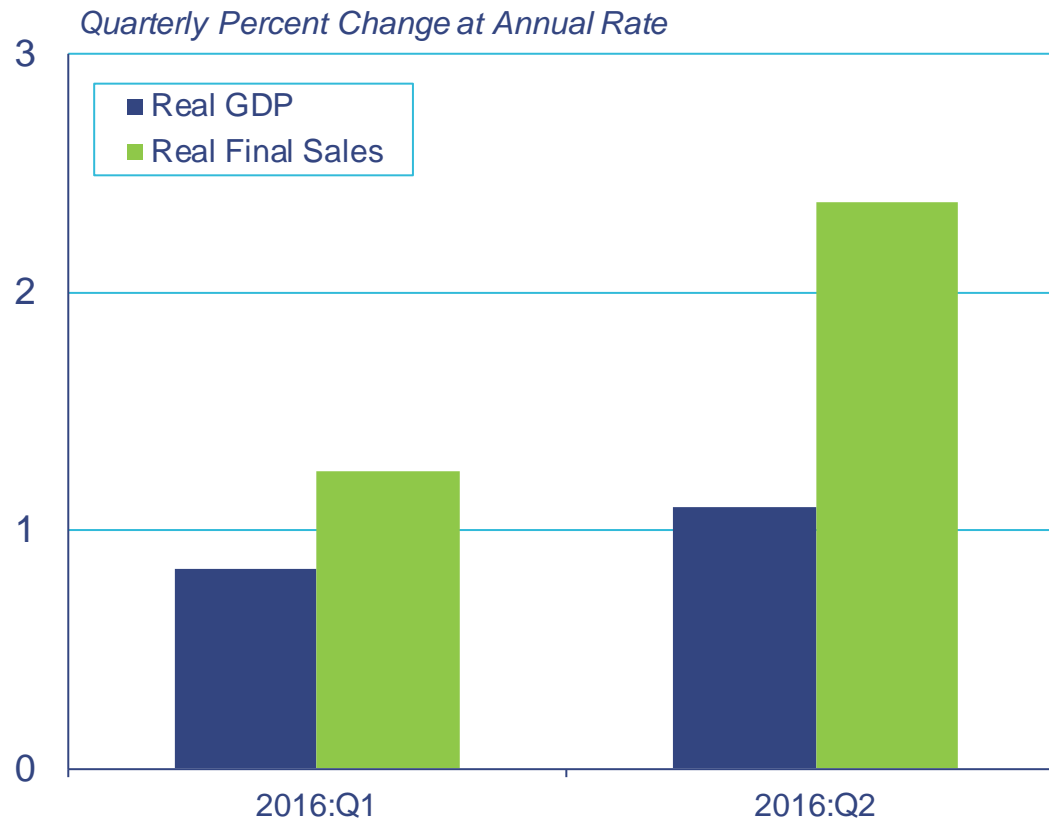
Figure 3: Growth in Real GDP and Real Final Sales to Domestic Purchasers
2014:Q3 - 2016:Q2

Quarterly Percent Change at Annual Rate
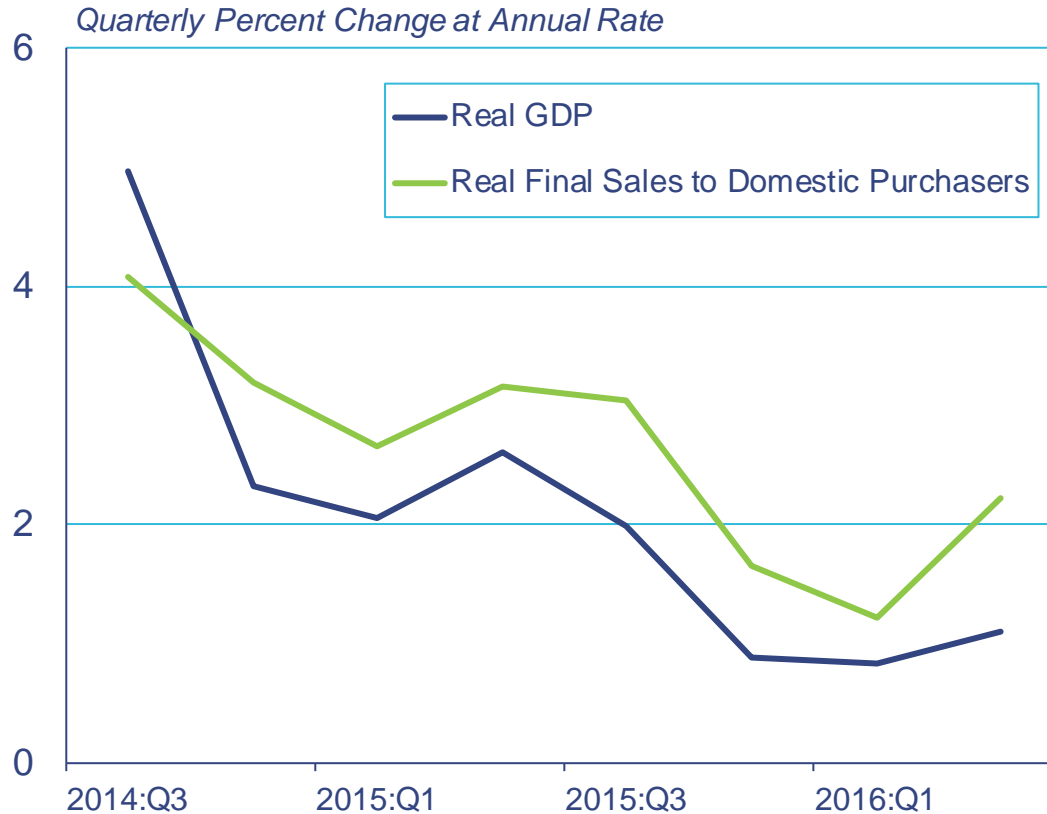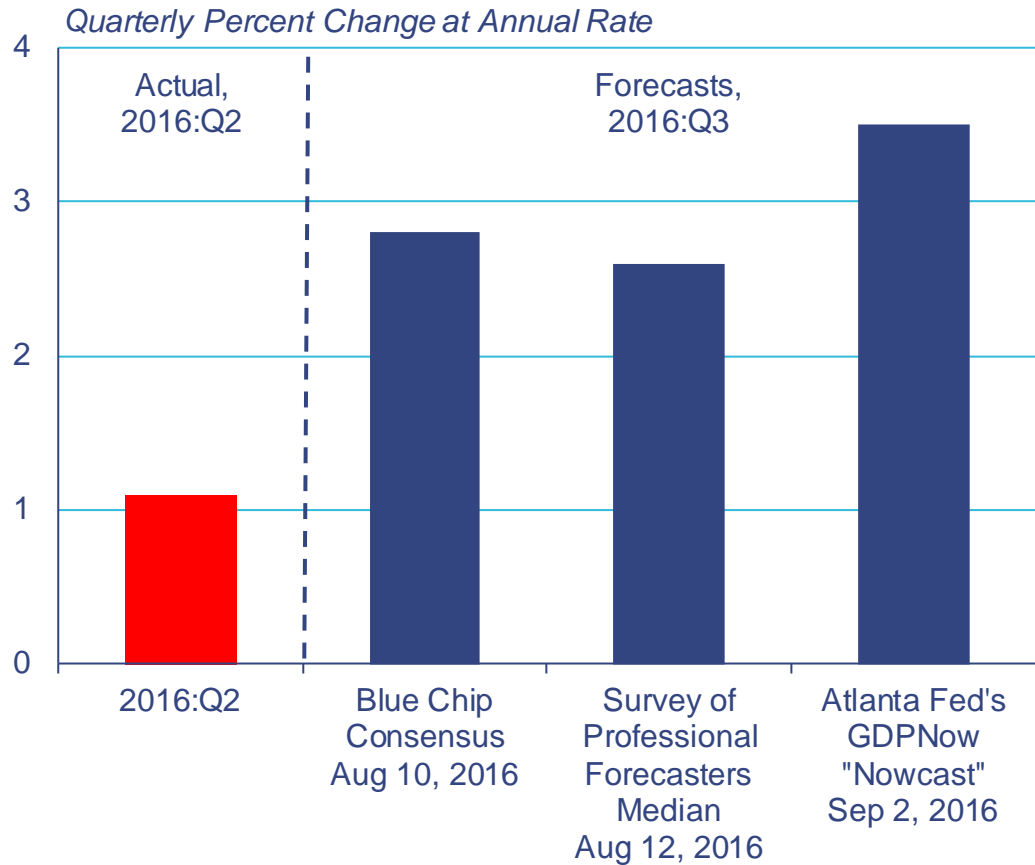
Real GDP

Real Final Sales to Domestic Purchasers

Figure 4: Forecasts of Real GDP Growth
2016:Q3

Quarterly Percent Change at Annual Rate

Actual, 2016:Q2

Forecasts, 2016:Q3

2016:Q2

Blue Chip Consensus Aug 10, 2016

Survey of Professional Forecasters Median Aug 12, 2016

Atlanta Fed's GDPNow "Nowcast" Sep 2, 2016

Source: BEA; Blue Chip Economic Indicators, August 10, 2016; Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Survey of Professional Forecasters, August 12, 2016; Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, GDPNow, September 2, 2016

Figure 5: Change in Payroll Employment
August 2015 - August 2016

Thousands of Jobs

Estimate of Net New Jobs Needed to Maintain a Constant Unemployment Rate
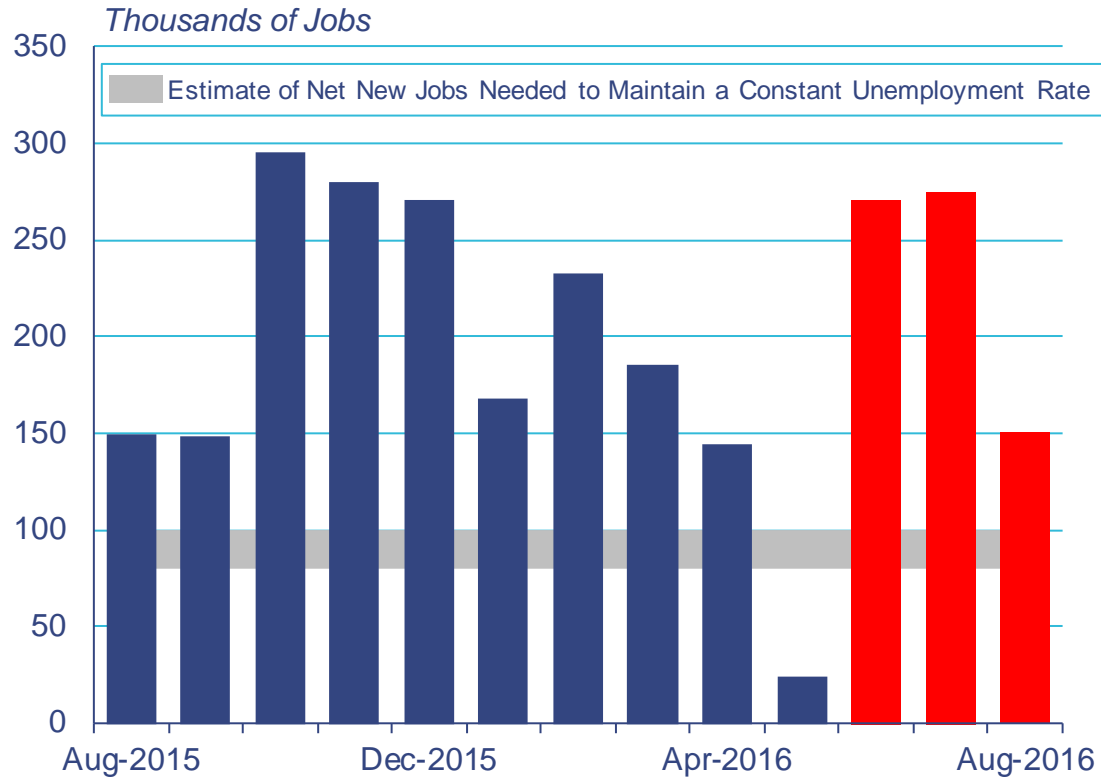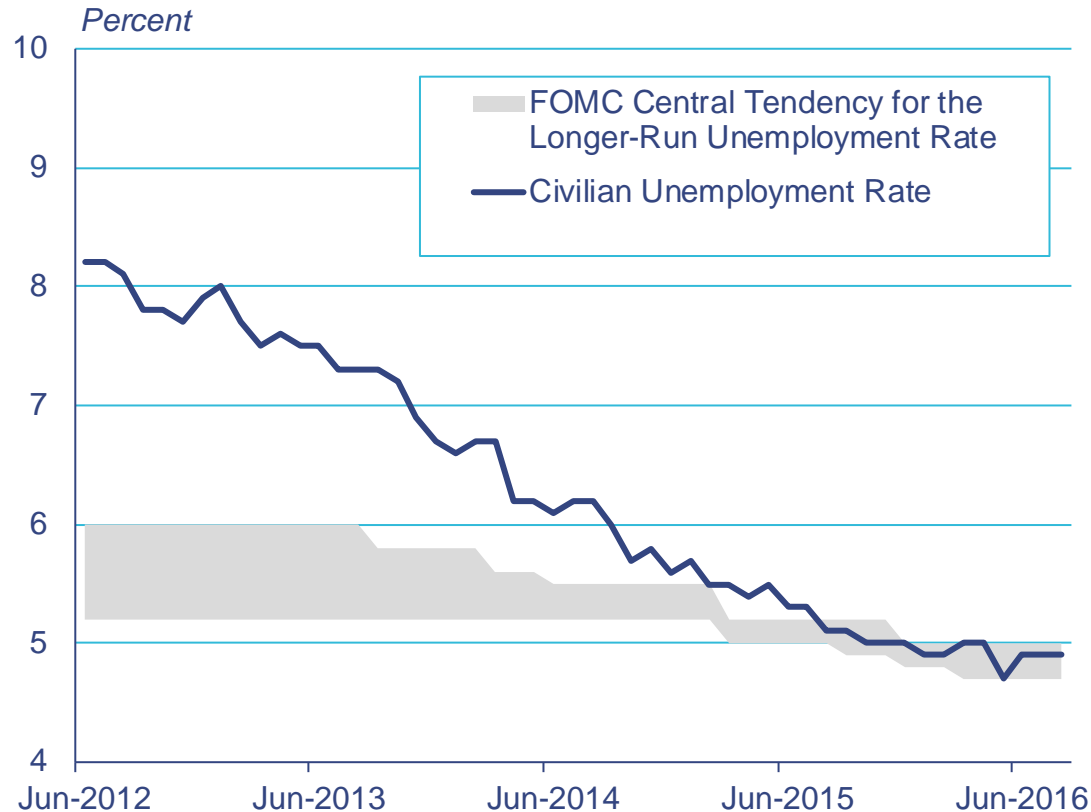
Source: BLS, Haver Analytics

Figure 6: Civilian Unemployment Rate and FOMC Projections for Full Employment

June 2012 - August 2016

Note: The central tendency excludes the three highest and three lowest projections in each period. As the forecasts are only quarterly, the same central tendency is assumed for the two months following the forecast month.

Source: BLS; FOMC, Summary of Economic Projections; NBER; Haver Analytics

Figure 7: Blue Chip Forecast for the Unemployment Rate
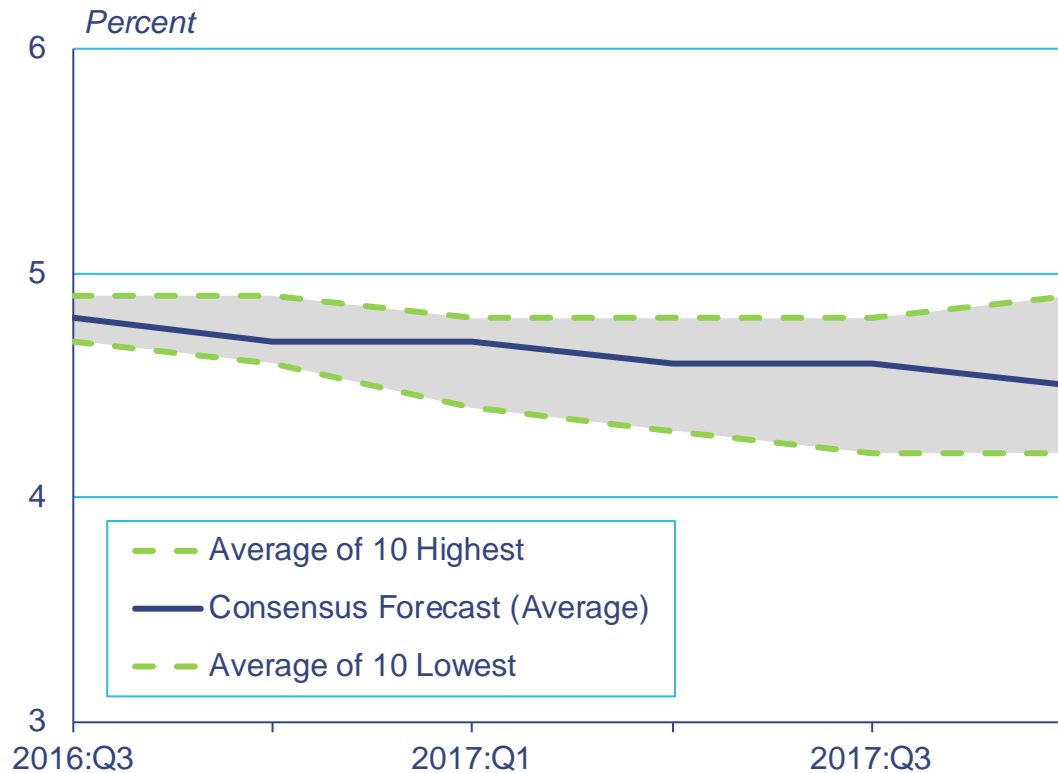
Forecast as of August 2016

Percent

6

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4

3

2016:Q3   2017:Q1   2017:Q3

- - - Average of 10 Highest
——— Consensus Forecast (Average)
- - - Average of 10 Lowest

Source: Blue Chip Economic Indicators, August 10, 2016

Figure 8: Average Hourly Earnings and Wages and Salaries of Private Industry Workers
2013:Q1 - 2016:Q2

Percent Change from Year Earlier
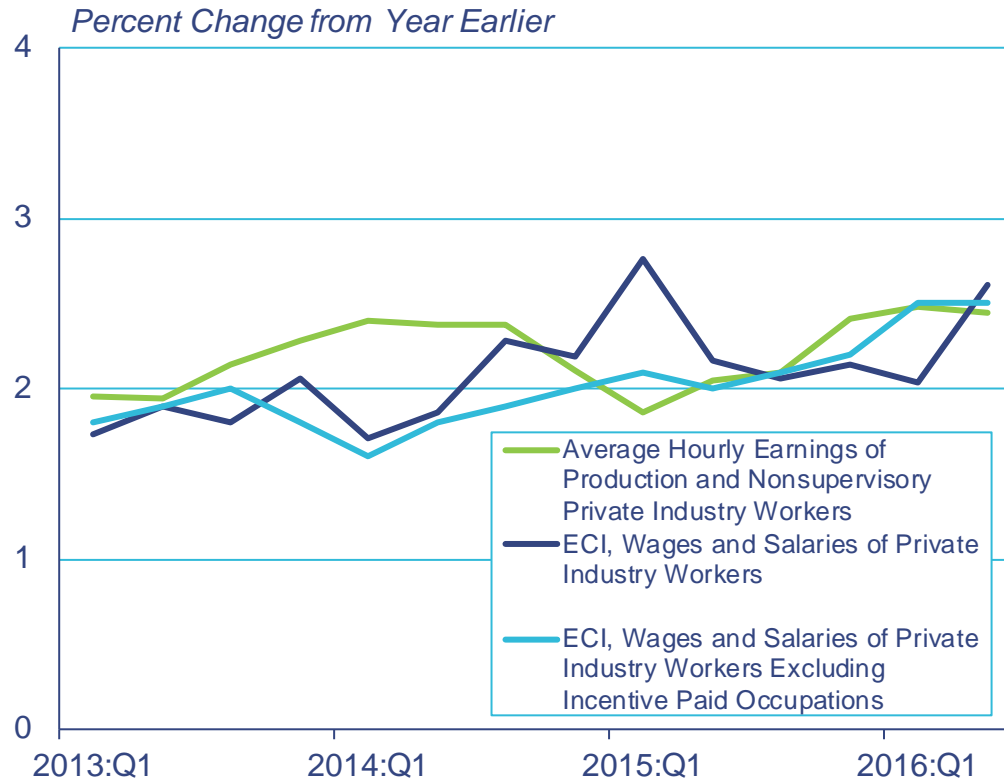
Average Hourly Earnings of Production and Nonsupervisory Private Industry Workers

ECI, Wages and Salaries of Private Industry Workers

ECI, Wages and Salaries of Private Industry Workers Excluding Incentive Paid Occupations

Source: BLS, Haver Analytics

Figure 9: CBOE Market Volatility Index: VIX
August 3, 2015 - September 7, 2016
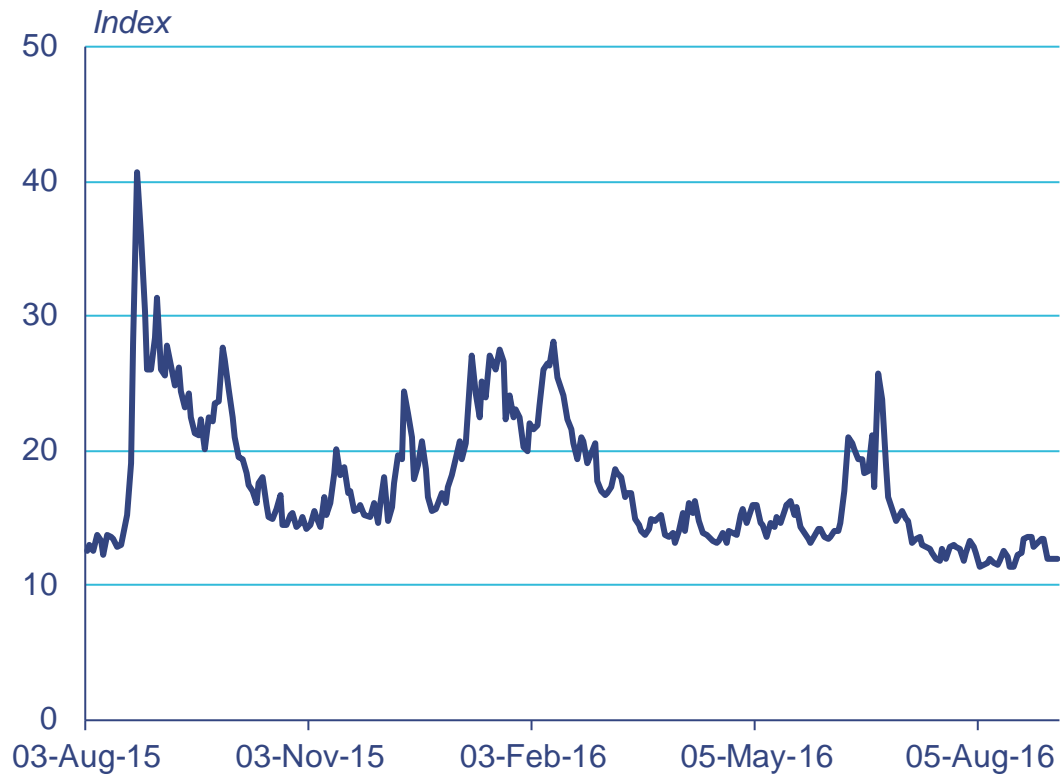
Figure 10: Global Stock Market Indices
August 3, 2015 - September 7, 2016

Index, August 3, 2015=100

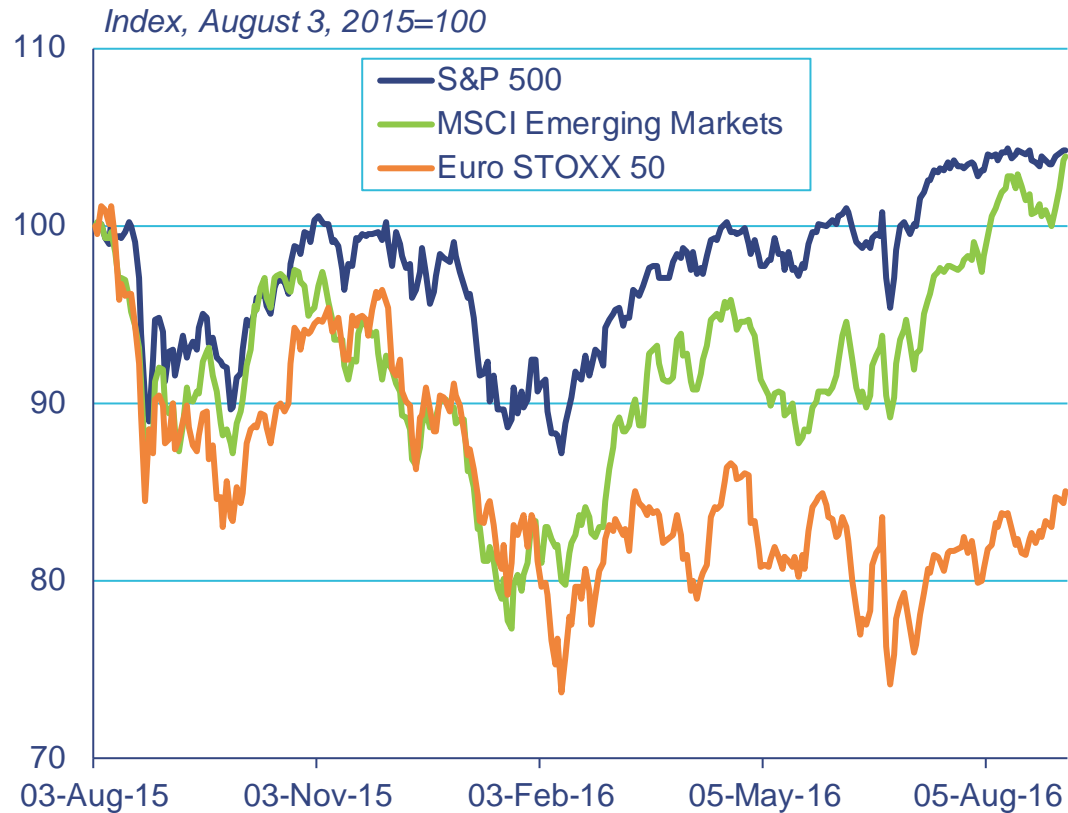S&P 500
MSCI Emerging Markets
Euro STOXX 50

Figure 11: Unemployment Rate and Federal Funds Effective Rate

January 1966 - August 2016
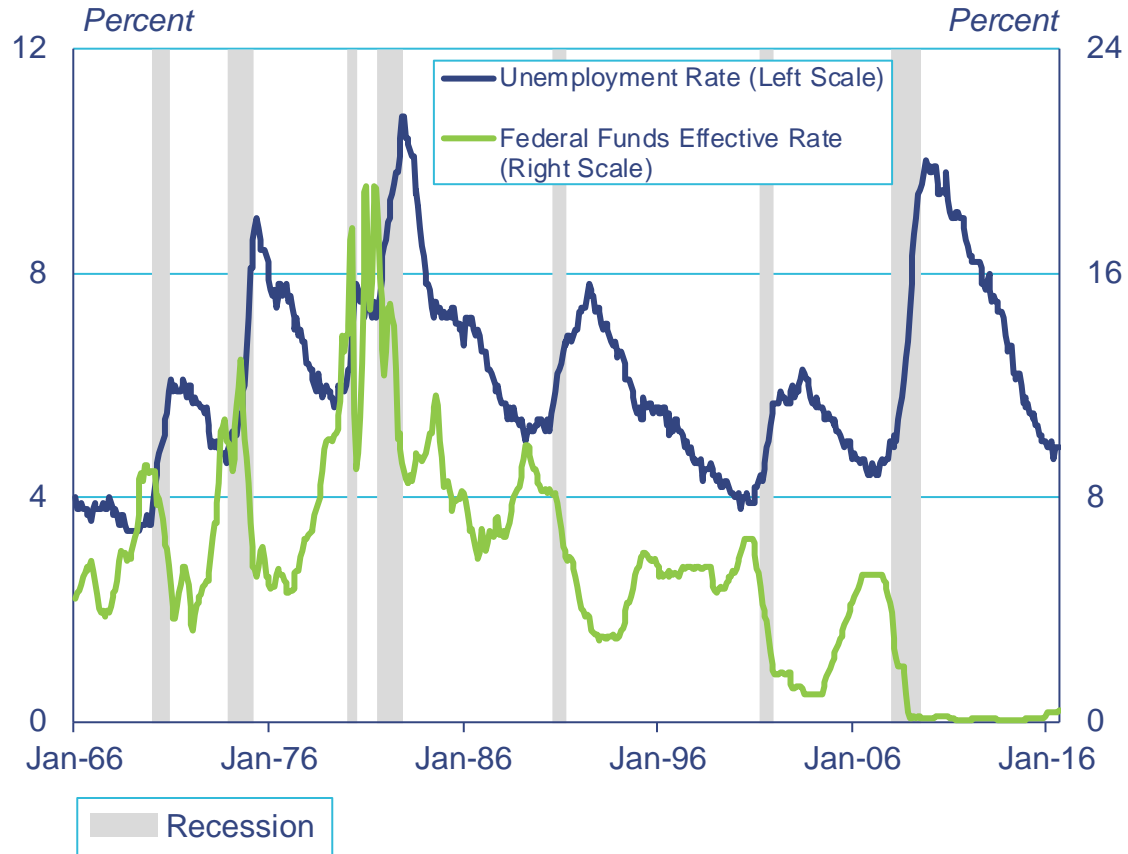
Figure 12: U.S. Real Commercial Property Price Indices by Property Type

2000:Q4 - 2016:Q2

Index, Previous Peak=100

Legend: Apartment, Office, Industrial, Retail

Recession
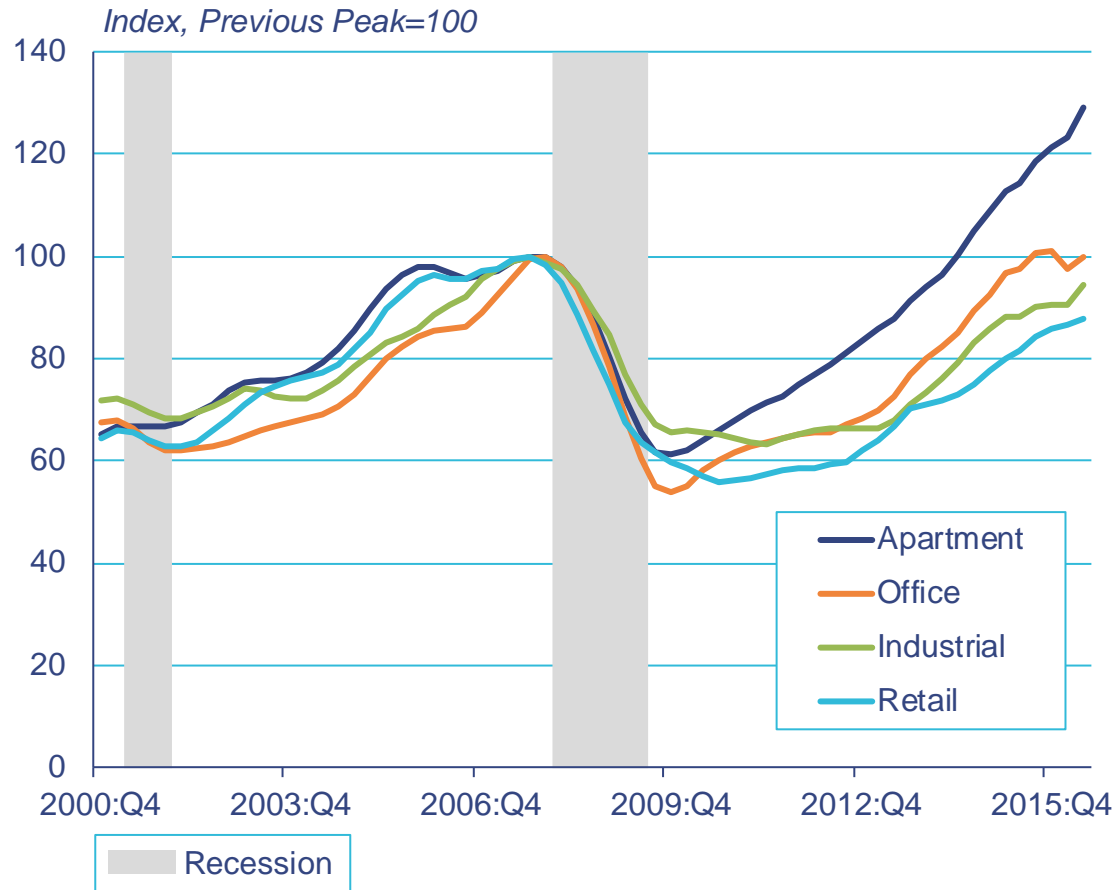
Note: Indices are adjusted for inflation using the GDP deflator. Indices are repeat-sales based.

Source: Real Capital Analytics, BEA, NBER, Haver Analytics