

# The Economic Outlook and Unconventional Monetary Policy

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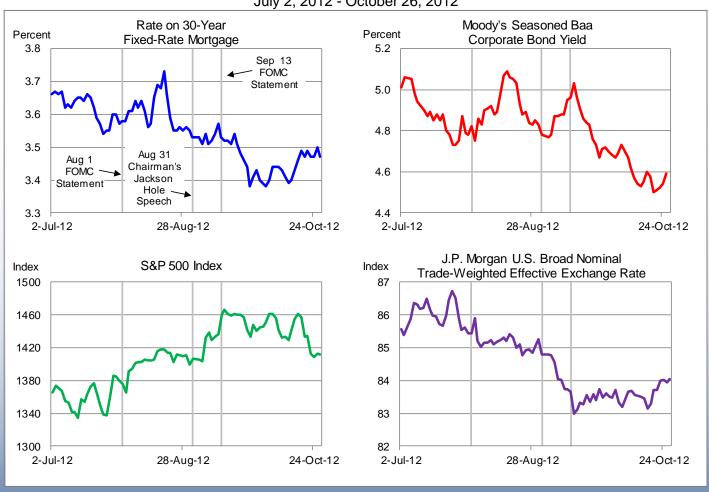
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#### Figure 1

#### Financial Market Response to FOMC Announcement

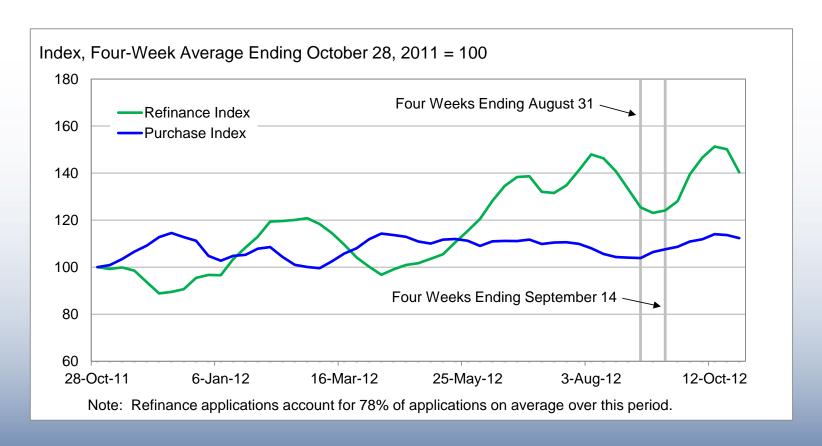
July 2, 2012 - October 26, 2012



Source: Federal Reserve Board, J.P. Morgan, NYT, WSJ / Haver Analytics

### Figure 2 Mortgage Loan Applications

Four-Week Moving Average, October 28, 2011 - October 26, 2012



Source: Mortgage Bankers Association / Haver Analytics

### Figure 3 Housing Starts

January 2000 - September 2012



Source: Census Bureau, NBER / Haver Analytics

#### Figure 4 Auto Loan Rates at Commercial Banks

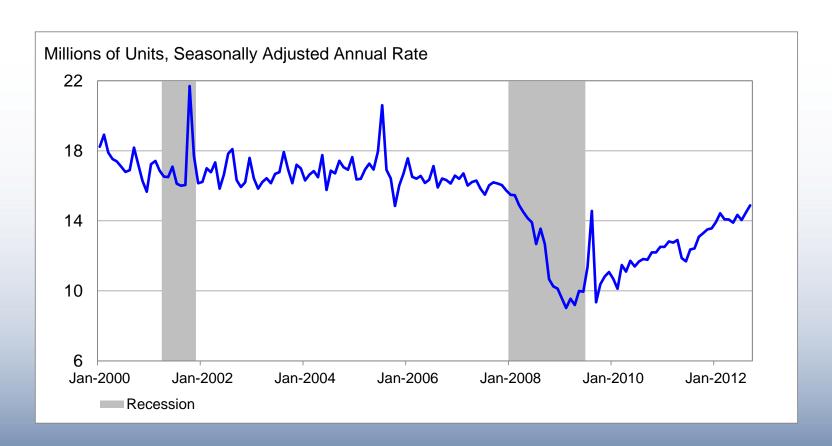
Weekly, January 5, 2007 - October 26, 2012



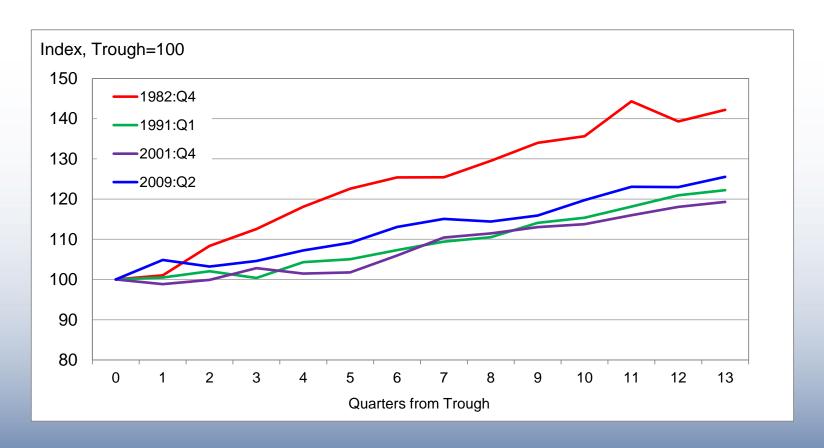
Source: Bankrate.com, Bloomberg

### Figure 5 Auto and Light Truck Sales

January 2000 - September 2012

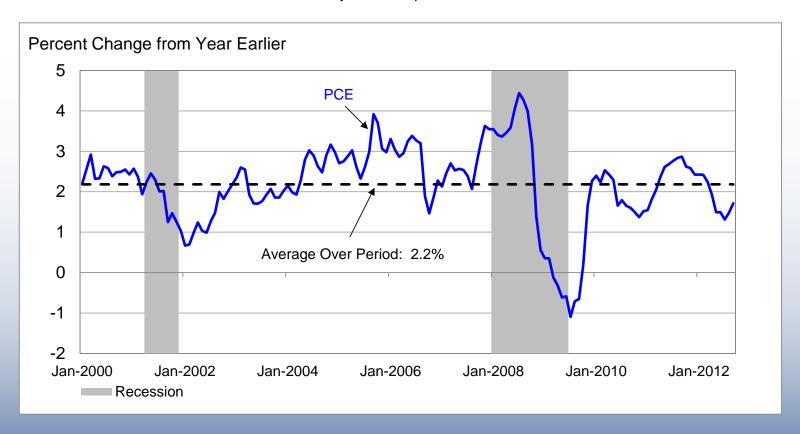


## Figure 6 Growth in Real Consumer Durables from Trough of Last Four Recessions



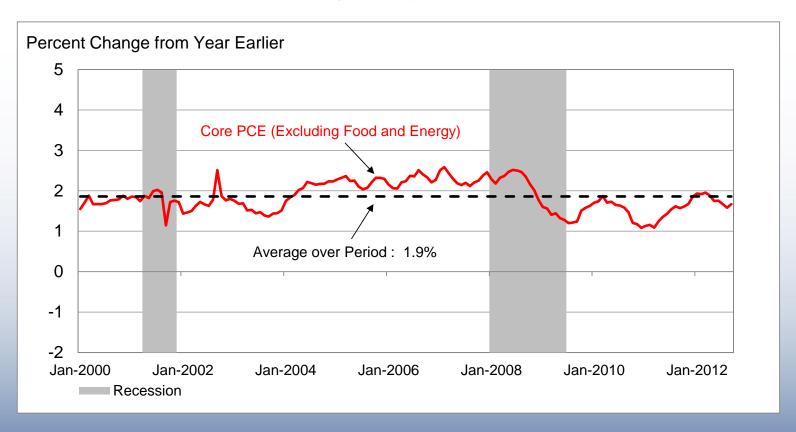
## Figure 7 Inflation Rate: Change in Personal Consumption Expenditure (PCE) Price Index

January 2000 - September 2012



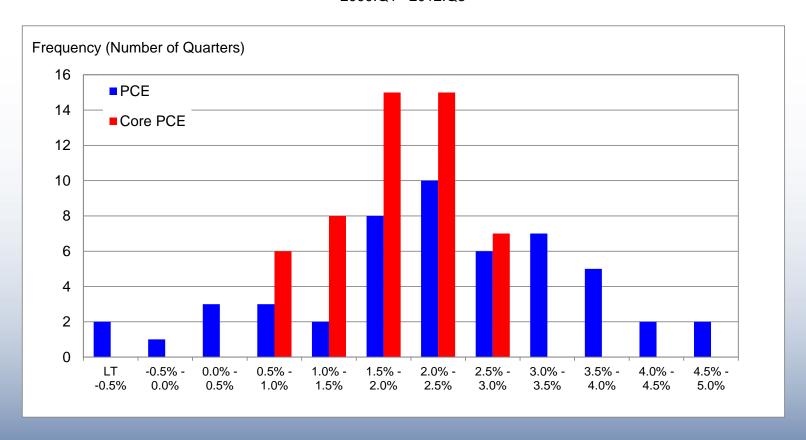
## Figure 8 Inflation Rate: Change in Core Personal Consumption Expenditure (PCE) Price Index

January 2000 - September 2012



### Figure 9 Distribution of PCE and Core PCE Inflation Rates (Quarterly Changes at Annual Rates)

2000:Q1 - 2012:Q3



## Figure 10 Economic Conditions at Last Easing and First Tightening by Fed during Past Three Recoveries

Following Three Recession Troughs - November 1982, March 1991, and November 2001

Economic Conditions as of Last Easing				
			Monthly Average	PCE Inflation Rate
Date of Recession		Unemployment Rate	Job Growth over	% Change from
Trough	Date of Last Easing	(%)	Past 3 Months	Year Earlier
November 1982	August 21, 1986	7.0	116,700	2.4
March 1991	September 4, 1992	7.6	90,300	3.1
November 2001	June 25, 2003	6.1	-90,300	1.9
Economic Conditions as of First Tightening				
			Monthly Average	PCE Inflation Rate
Date of Recession	Date of First	Unemployment Rate	Job Growth over	% Change from
Trough	Tightening	(%)	Past 3 Months	Year Earlier
November 1982	January 5, 1987	6.6	192,300	2.3
March 1991	February 4, 1994	6.6	279,300	1.9
November 2001	June 30, 2004	5.6	298,700	2.8

Source: Federal Reserve Board, BLS, BEA, NBER / Haver Analytics