

Appendix

Additional Detail About the Charts

Chart 1. Ratio of Net Incurrence of Mortgages to Residential Gross Fixed Capital Formation, 1974–2007

The quarterly data for “gross fixed capital formation, residential” and for “net incurrence of liabilities, loans, long term (mortgages)” are from table “S.3.q Households and Nonprofit Institutions Serving Households” in the integrated macroeconomic accounts (IMAs). The ratio is calculated as follows.

$$\text{Mortgage-to-Residential Investment Ratio}_t = \frac{\text{Net Incurrence of Mortgages}_t}{\text{Gross Fixed Investment, Residential}_t}$$

Chart 2. Net Lending or Net Borrowing From Financial Accounts as a Percentage of National Disposable Income for Selected Sectors, 1996–2012

For all four sectors, the quarterly data for disposable income are from IMA table “S.1.q Total Economy—Current Account.”

For households and nonprofit institutions serving households, the quarterly data for net acquisition of financial assets, net incurrence of liabilities, and “net lending (+) or borrowing (–), financial account” are from table S.3.q.

For nonfinancial corporate business, the quarterly data for net acquisition of financial assets, net incurrence of liabilities, and “net lending (+) or borrowing (–), financial account” are from IMA table “S.5.q Nonfinancial Corporate Business.”

For financial business, the quarterly data for “net lending (+) or borrowing (–), financial account” are from IMA table “S.6.q Financial Business.”

For rest of the world, the quarterly data for net acquisition of financial assets, net incurrence of liabilities, and “net lending (+) or borrowing (–), financial account” are from IMA table “S.9.q Rest of the World.”

The share for each sector is calculated as follows.

$$\text{Proportion of Net Acquisition of Financial Assets}_t = \frac{\text{Net Acquisition of Financial Assets}_t}{\text{Disposable Income}_t} \times 100$$

$$\text{Proportion of Net Incurrence of Liabilities}_t = \frac{\text{Net Incurrence of Liabilities}_t}{\text{Disposable Income}_t} \times 100$$

$$\text{Proportion of Net Lending or Borrowing}_t = \frac{\text{Net Lending or Borrowing}_t}{\text{Disposable Income}_t} \times 100$$

Chart 3. Changes in the Household Sector’s Ratio of Net Worth to Disposable Income and Private-Sector Demand, 1961–2012

The quarterly data for disposable income and for net worth are from IMA table S.3.q.

The ratio is calculated as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Change in Net Worth-to-Disposable Income Ratio}_t & \\ &= [\ln(\text{Net Worth}_{t-1}/\text{Disposable Income}_t) \\ &\quad - \ln(\text{Net Worth}_{t-5}/\text{Disposable Income}_{t-4})] \times 100 \end{aligned}$$

The quarterly data for personal consumption expenditures (PCE) for durable goods, nondurable goods, and services are from national income and product accounts (NIPAs) table 2.3.5. The deflator is a price index for PCE from NIPA table 2.3.4. The data for private nonresidential fixed investment and for private residential fixed investment are from NIPA table 5.3.5.

The changes in the ratio are calculated as follows.

$$\text{Growth of Durable Consumption}_t = \left[\ln \left(\frac{\text{Durable Goods}_t}{\text{PCE deflator}_t} \right) - \ln \left(\frac{\text{Durable Goods}_{t-4}}{\text{PCE deflator}_{t-4}} \right) \right] \times 100$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Growth of Nondurable and Services}_t \\ = \left[\ln \left(\frac{\text{Nondurable}_t + \text{Services}_t}{\text{PCE deflator}_t} \right) - \ln \left(\frac{\text{Nondurable}_{t-4} + \text{Services}_{t-4}}{\text{PCE deflator}_{t-4}} \right) \right] \times 100 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Growth of Nonresidential Fixed Investment}_t \\ = \left[\ln \left(\frac{\text{Nonresidential Investment}_t}{\text{PCE deflator}_t} \right) - \ln \left(\frac{\text{Nonresidential Investment}_{t-4}}{\text{PCE deflator}_{t-4}} \right) \right] \times 100 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Growth of Residential Fixed Investment}_t \\ = \left[\ln \left(\frac{\text{Residential Investment}_t}{\text{PCE deflator}_t} \right) - \ln \left(\frac{\text{Residential Investment}_{t-4}}{\text{PCE deflator}_{t-4}} \right) \right] \times 100 \end{aligned}$$

Chart 4. Changes in the Household Sector's Ratio of New Worth to Disposable Income and Durable-Goods Consumption, 1961–2012

The quarterly data for nonfinancial assets for real estate and financial assets are from the “Revaluation Account” in IMA table S.3.q. The data for “change in net worth due to nominal holding gains/losses” are also from IMA table S.3.q.

The changes are calculated as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Change in Net Worth-to-Disposable Income Ratio due to Holding Gains}_t \\ = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 \text{Holding Gains}_{t-i}}{\text{Disposable Income}_t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Change in Net Worth-to-Disposable Income Ratio due to Other Changes}_t \\ = \left(\frac{\text{Net Worth}_{t-1} - \sum_{i=1}^4 \text{Holding Gains}_{t-i}}{\text{Disposable Income}_t} \right) \\ - \left(\frac{\text{Net Worth}_{t-5}}{\text{Disposable Income}_{t-4}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Change in Net Worth-to-Disposable Income Ratio due to Real Estate Holding Gains}_t \\ = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 \text{Real Estate Holding Gains}_{t-i}}{\text{Disposable Income}_t} \end{aligned}$$

*Change in Net Worth-to-Disposable Income Ratio due to Holding Gains from Financial Assets*_t

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 \text{Financial Assets Holding Gains}_{t-i}}{\text{Disposable Income}_t}$$

Chart A. Household Net Worth and Saving Rate, 1961–2011

The annual data for disposable income, net saving, and net worth are from IMA table “S.3.a Households and Nonprofit Institutions Serving Households.”

The ratio and the saving rate are calculated as follows.

$$\text{Net Worth-to-Disposable Income Ratio}_t = \frac{\text{Net Worth}_{t-1}}{\text{Disposable Income}_t}$$

$$\text{Saving Rate}_t = \frac{\text{Net Saving}_t}{\text{Disposable Income}_t}$$

Chart B. Holding Gains and Changes in Net Worth, 1961–2011

The annual data for disposable income, net saving, and net worth are from IMA table “S.3.a Households and Nonprofit Institutions Serving Households.”

The ratios are calculated as follows.

$$\text{Holding Gains-to-Income Ratio}_t = \frac{\text{Holding Gains}_t}{\text{Disposable Income}_t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Change in Net Worth-to-Disposable Income Ratio}_t \\ = (\text{Net Worth}_t / \text{Disposable Income}_t) - (\text{Net Worth}_{t-1} / \text{Disposable Income}_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$