

Economic update National Housing Federation

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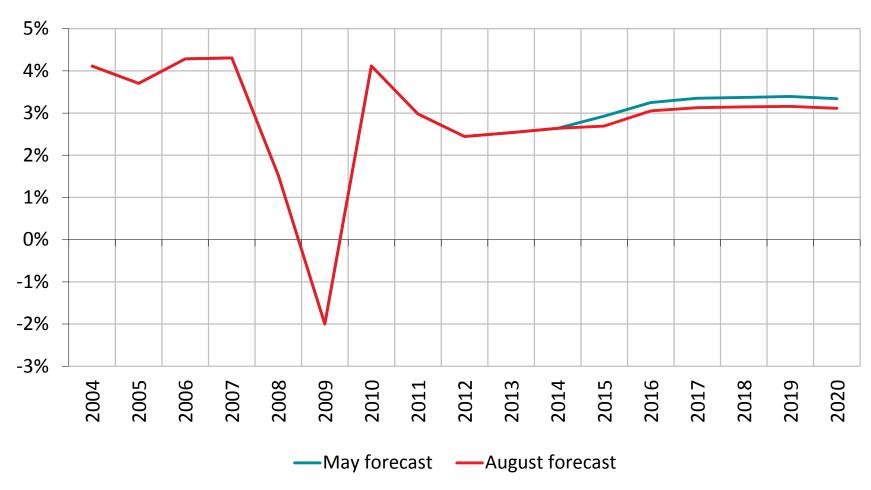
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World economic outlook weakens

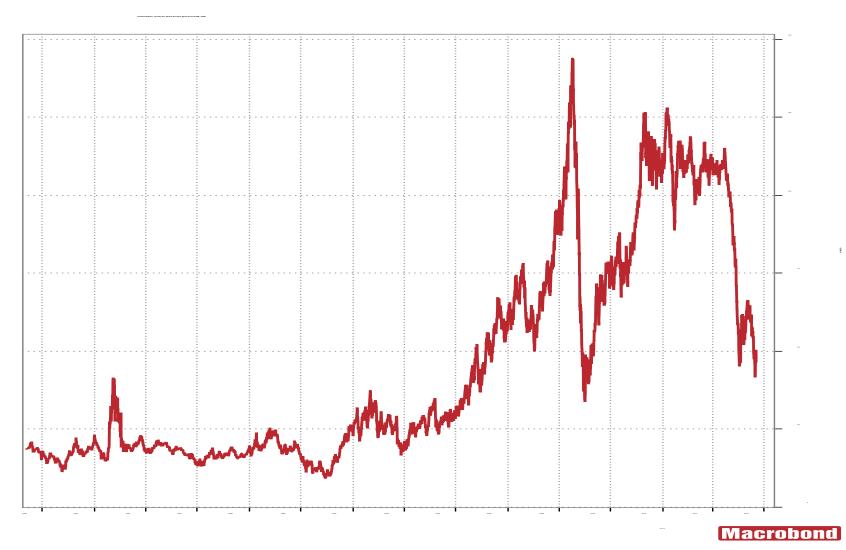
Real global GDP growth weighted at market exchange rates, annual percentage change



Source: Cebr Global Prospects



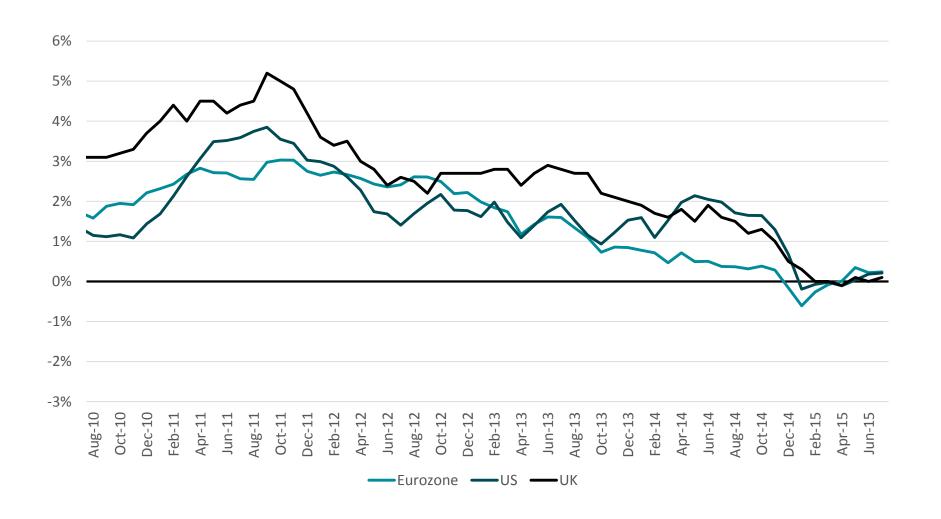
Oil prices to remain low





...prolonging "noflation" in the West

Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation





Timing of Fed rate rise will have huge global implications.

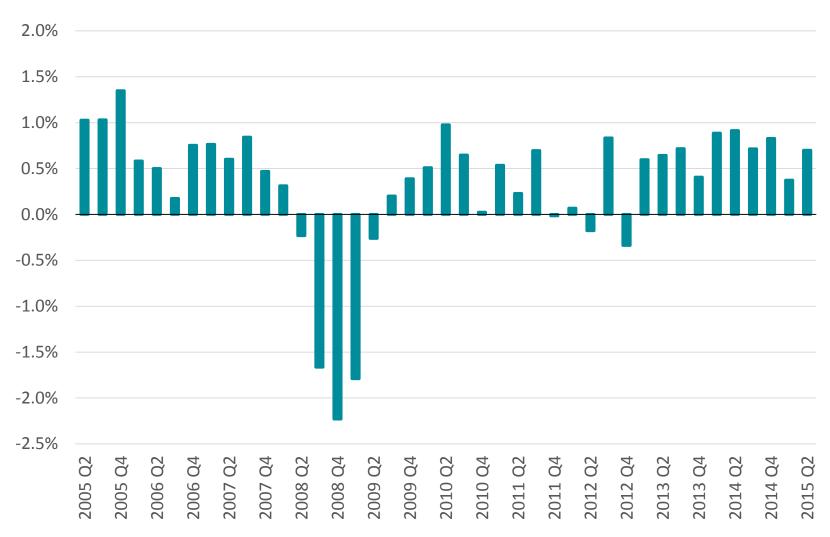
US Federal Funds Rate, %





UK Growth picked up in Q2 2015

Real GDP – quarter on quarter growth

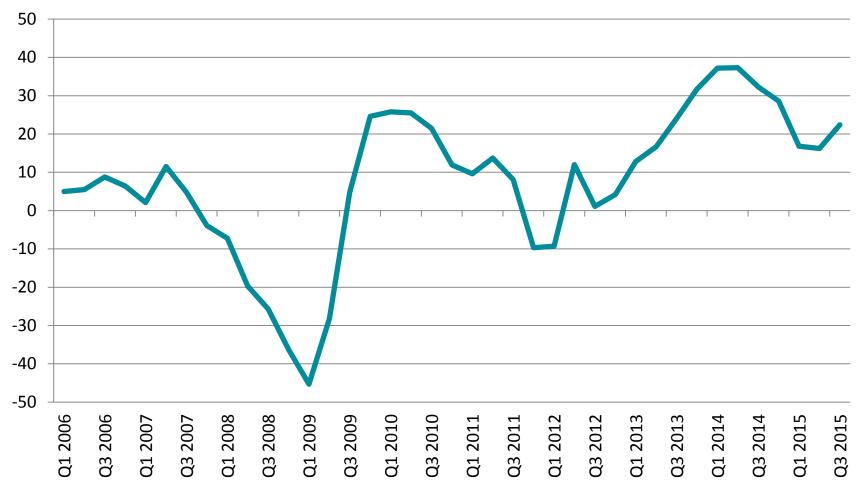


Source: ONS, Cebr analysis



Business confidence has picked up following decisive election outcome, though this may be turning again

ICAEW/Grant Thornton UK Business Confidence Monitor – Confidence Index



Source: ICAEW/Grant Thonton



Consumer confidence has been rising amidst stronger earnings growth and "noflation" UK

YouGov/Cebr UK Consumer Confidence Index





Consumers should support solid growth in 2015 despite global weakness

Annual % change in UK real GDP



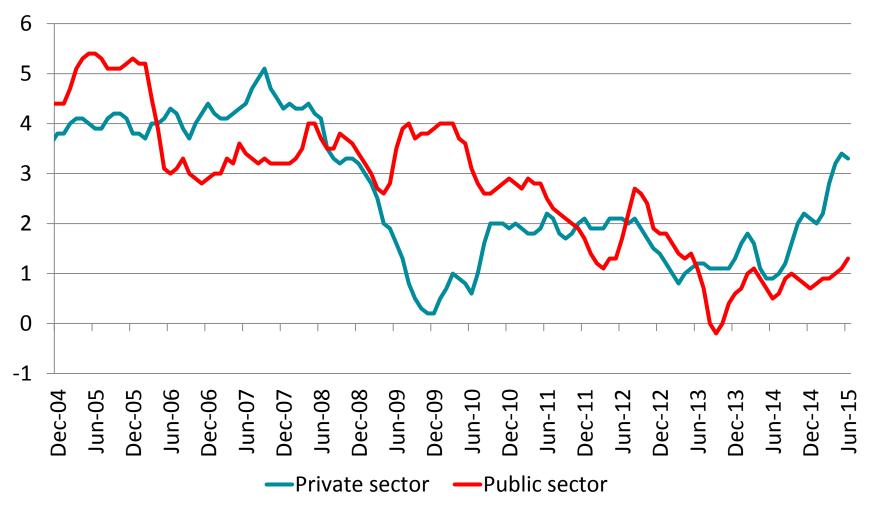
2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020

Source: ONS, Cebr analysis



Earnings growth has risen sharply since the start of the year...

Average earnings (regular pay), year-on-year % change (three month average)

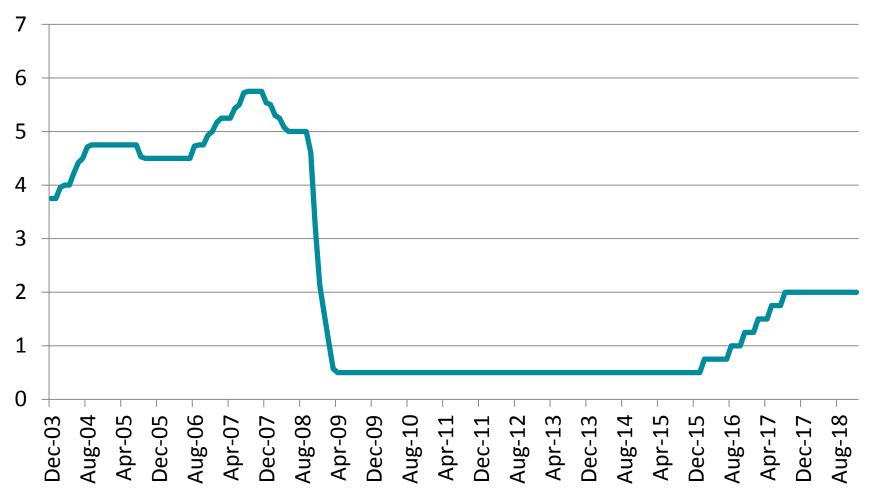


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Despite wage growth, rates should remain on hold until 2016

Bank of England Bank Rate, %

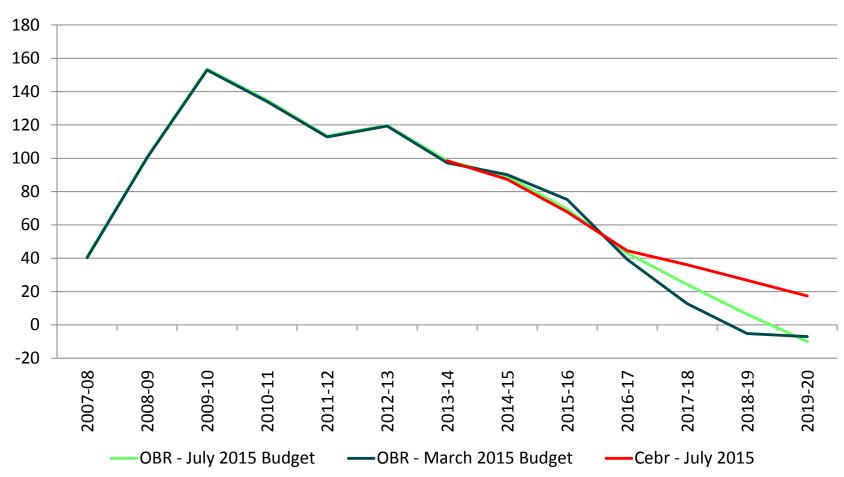


Source: Bank of England, Cebr analysis



Deficit reduction could easily become a three parliament problem with pressure maintained on council budgets

Public sector net borrowing, £ billions

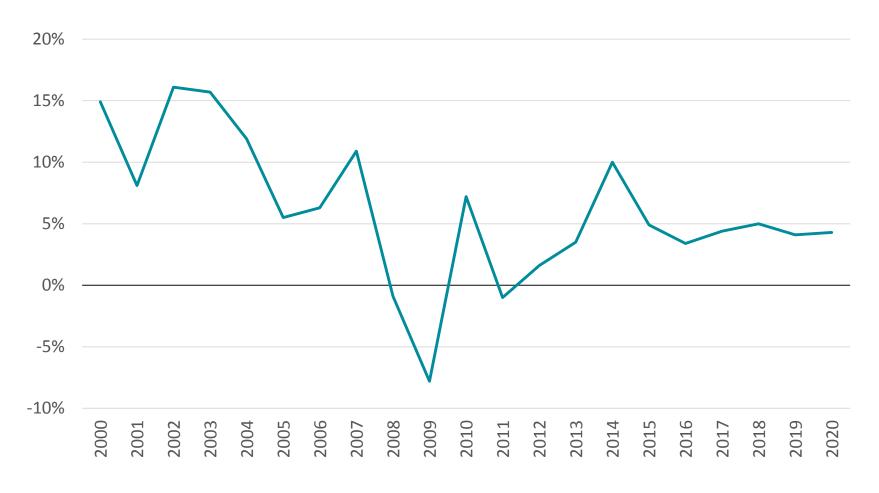


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The housing market has proven surprisingly resilient..

UK house prices, annual % change

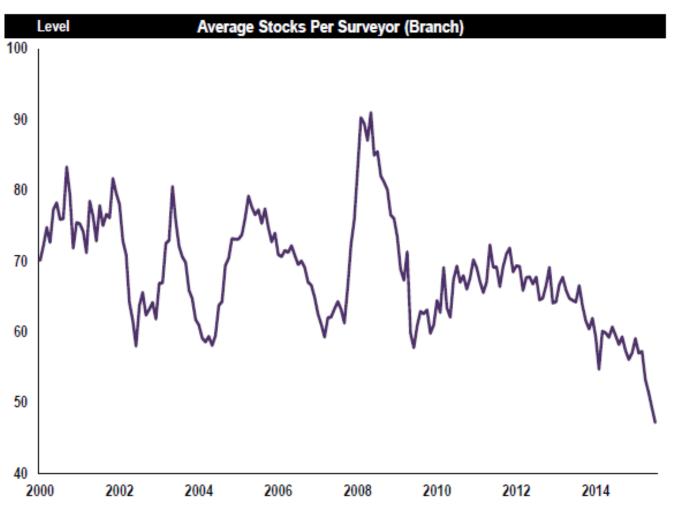


Source: ONS, Cebr



Lack of properties up for sale pushing up prices.

National Average Stocks Per Surveyor



Source: RICS Residential Market Survey



House price growth has slowed substantially in London, but remains buoyant in rest of South, boosting wealth for homeowners

