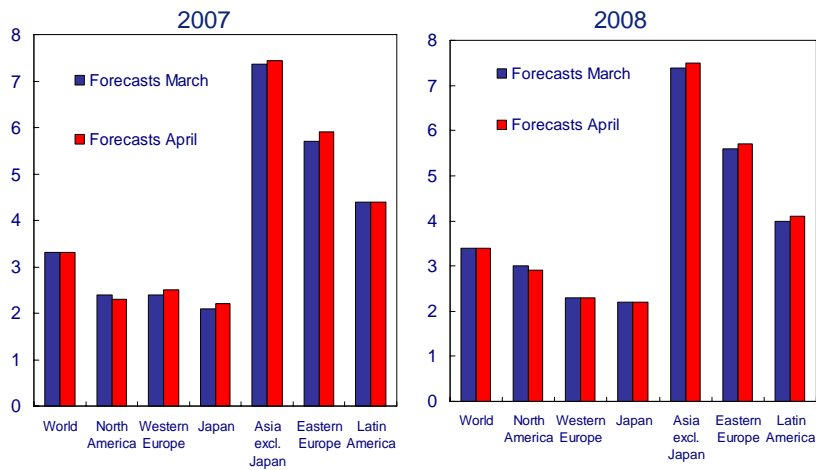


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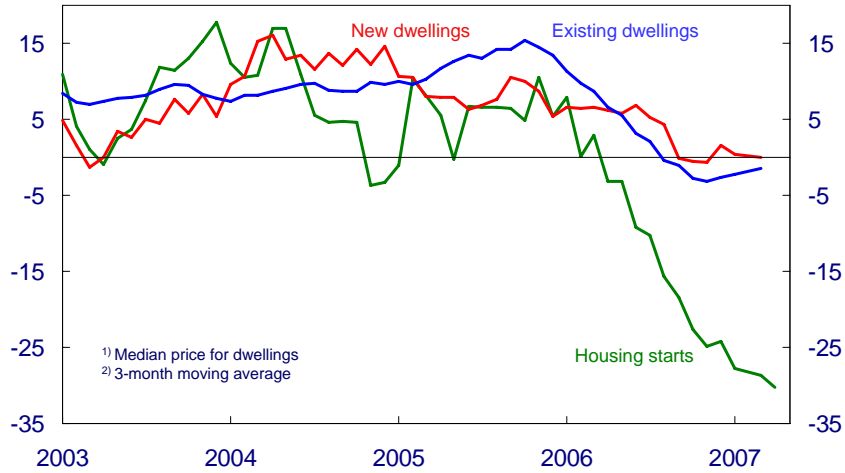
Growth forecast Consensus Forecasts

GDP. Percentage change from previous year



House prices¹⁾ and housing starts in the US

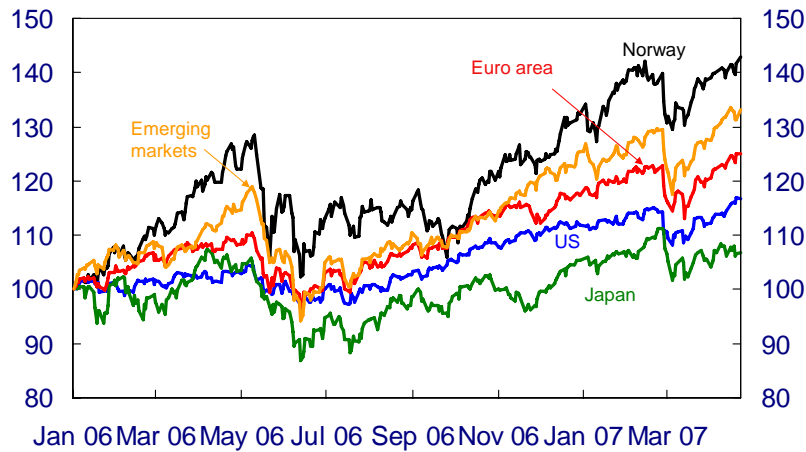
Seasonally adjusted. 12-month change²⁾
 January 2003 – February 2007 (housing starts to March)



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Equities

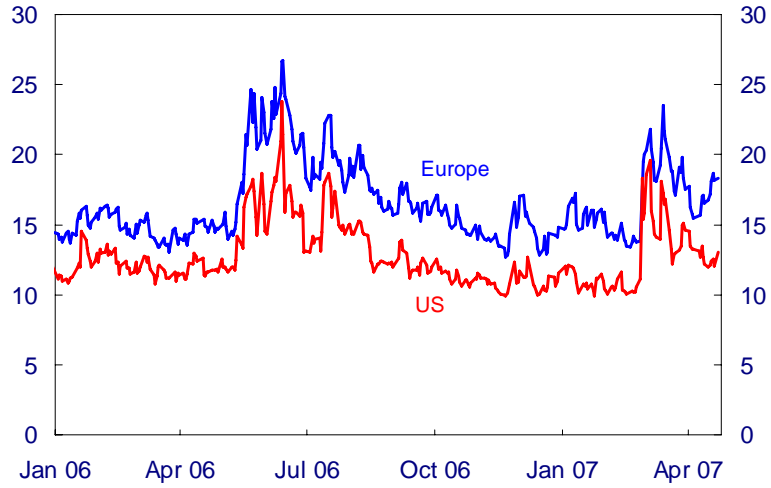
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Implied volatility in international equity markets

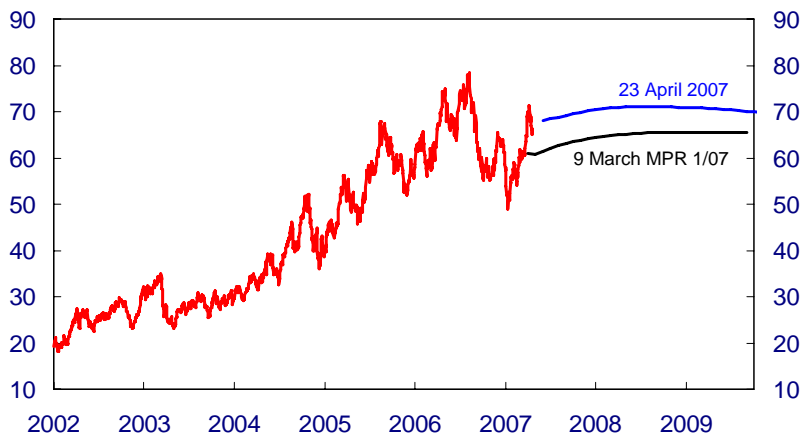
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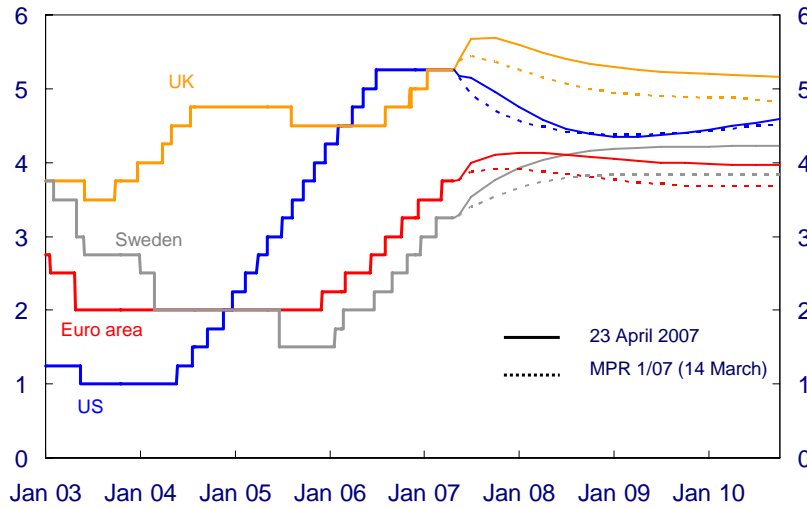
Oil price Brent Blend and futures prices

USD per barrel. 3 January 2002 – 23 April 2007



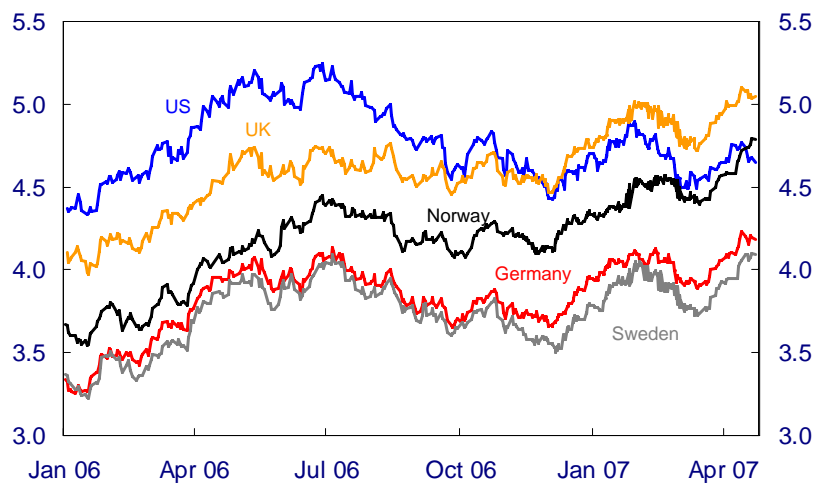
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Policy rates and forward rates MPR 1/07 and 23 April 2007



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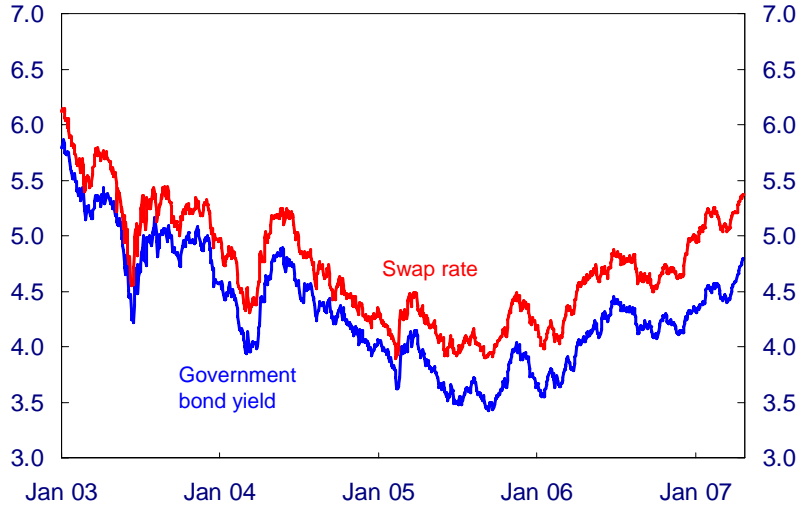
10-year yields in different countries Per cent. 1 January 2006 – 23 April 2007



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10-year swap rates and government bond yields

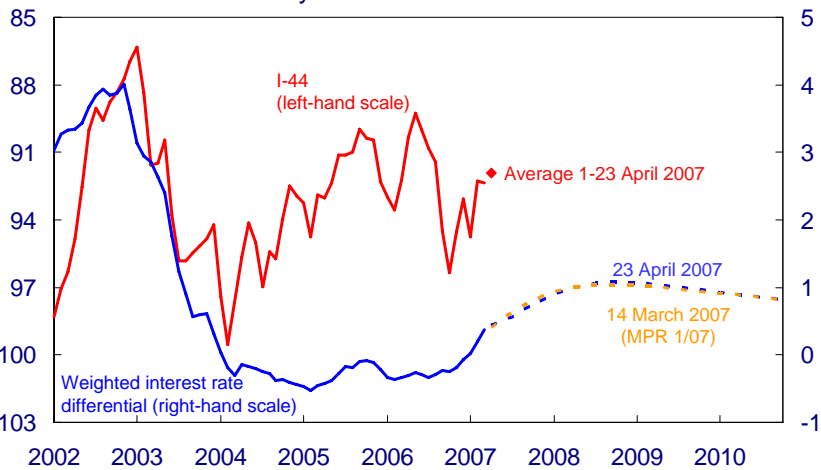
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3-month interest rate differential and import-weighted exchange rate (I-44) ¹⁾

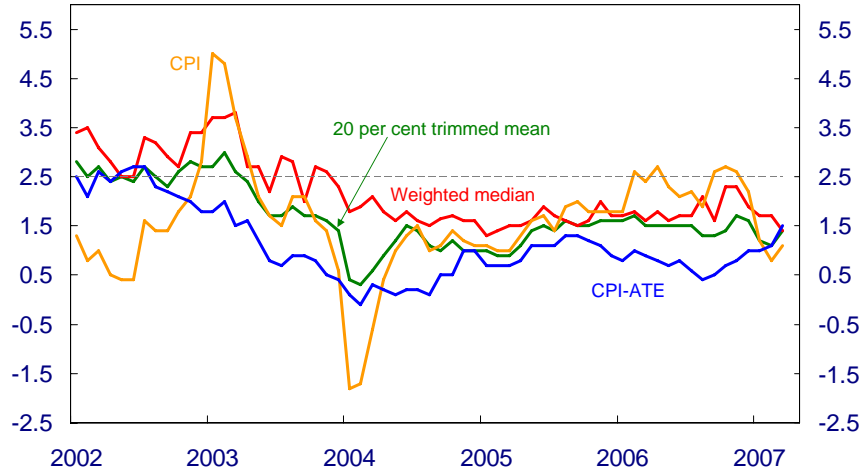
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¹⁾ A rising curve denotes an appreciation of the krone.

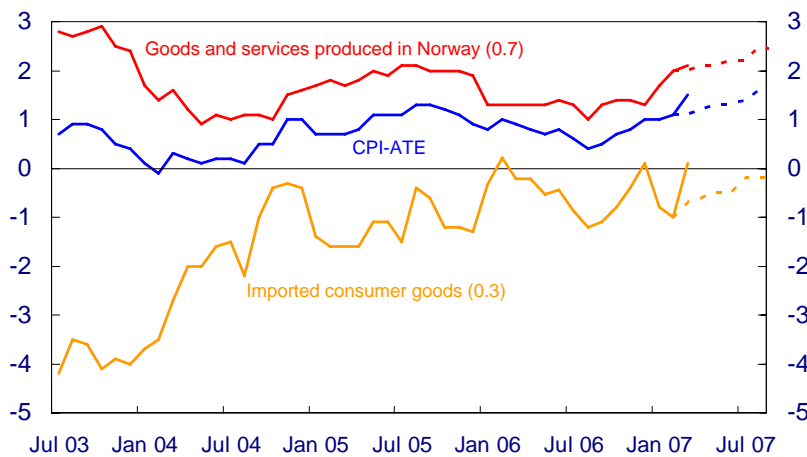
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Various inflation indicators 12-month change. Per cent



Source: Statistics Norway 11

CPI-ATE Total and by supplier sector¹⁾. 12-month change. Per cent July 2003 – March 2007

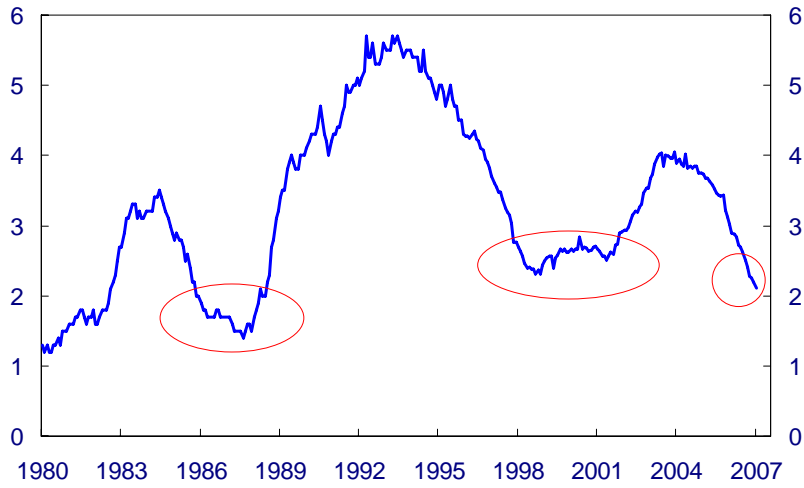


¹⁾ Norges Bank's estimates.

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Registered unemployment

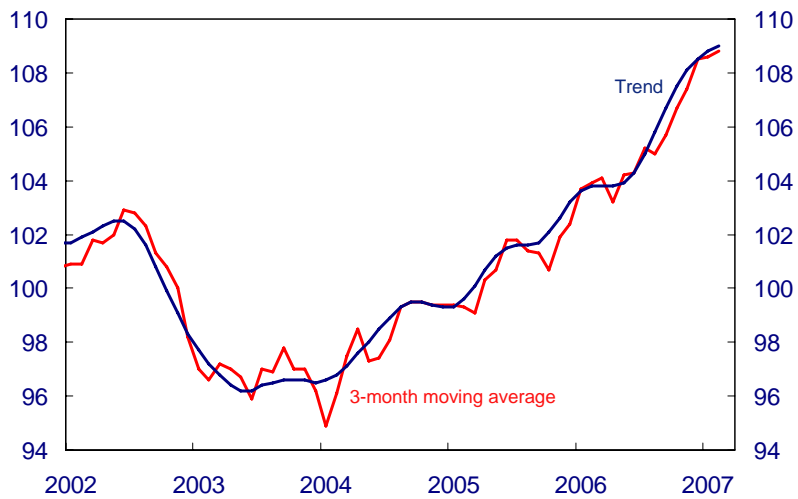
Per cent



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Manufacturing output index

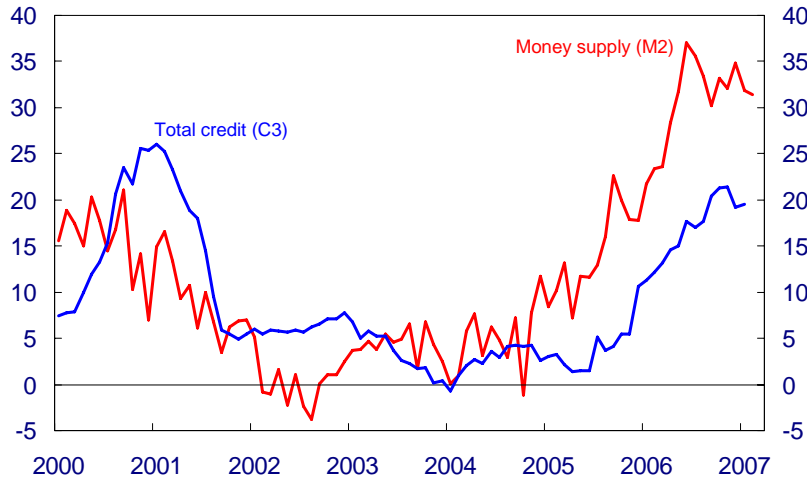
Volume index. Seasonally adjusted 3-month moving average and trend



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Enterprise sector credit¹⁾ and liquid assets²⁾

12-month growth. Per cent. January 2000 – February 2007 (C3 to January)

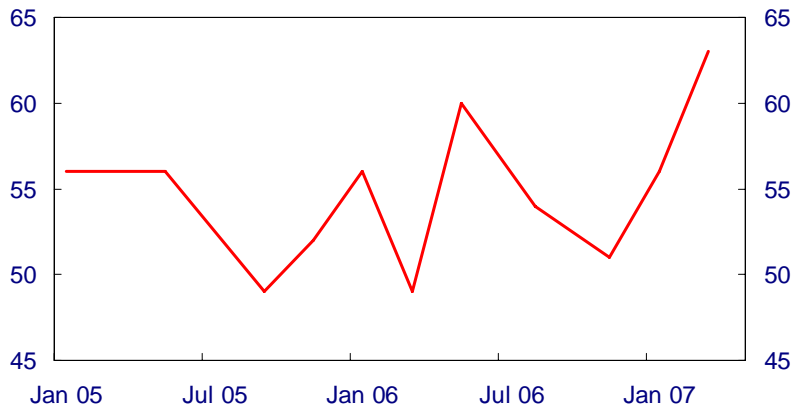


¹⁾ Mainland non-financial enterprises (C3).
²⁾ Non-financial enterprises' liquid assets (M2).

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Regional network – price expectations in retail trade and household services

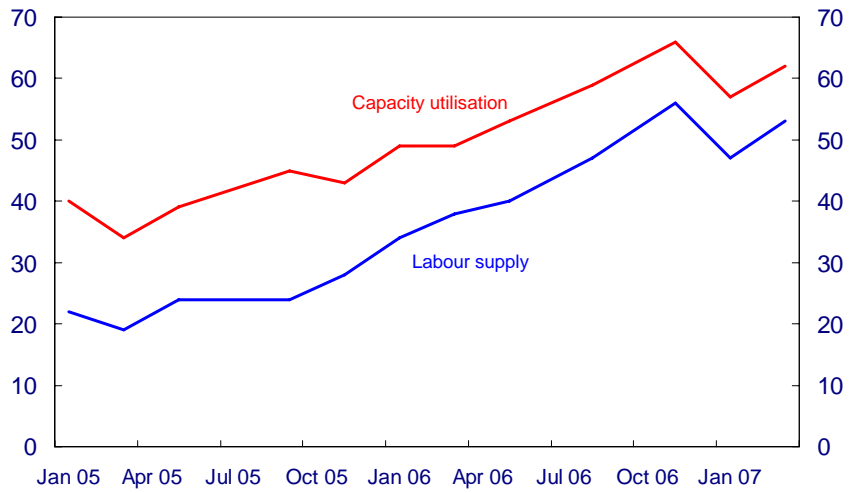
Diffusion index. Inflation expectations for next 12 months



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Regional network

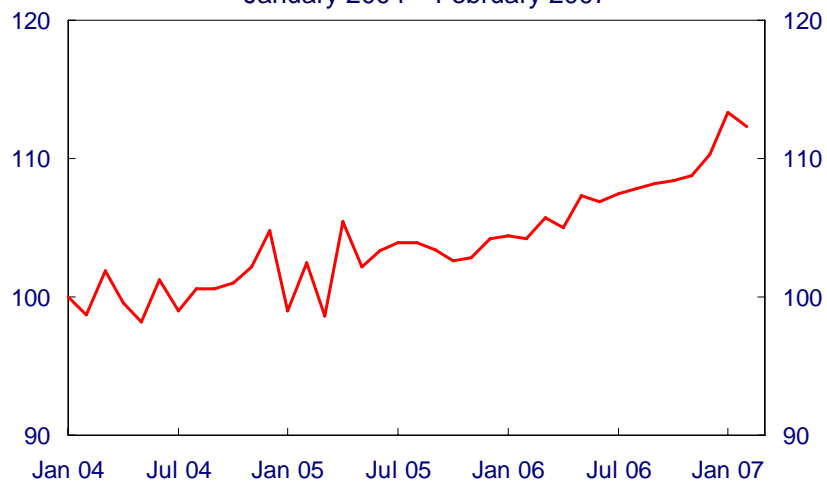
Share of enterprises that will find it difficult to accommodate a rise in demand. Per cent



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Index of commodity consumption

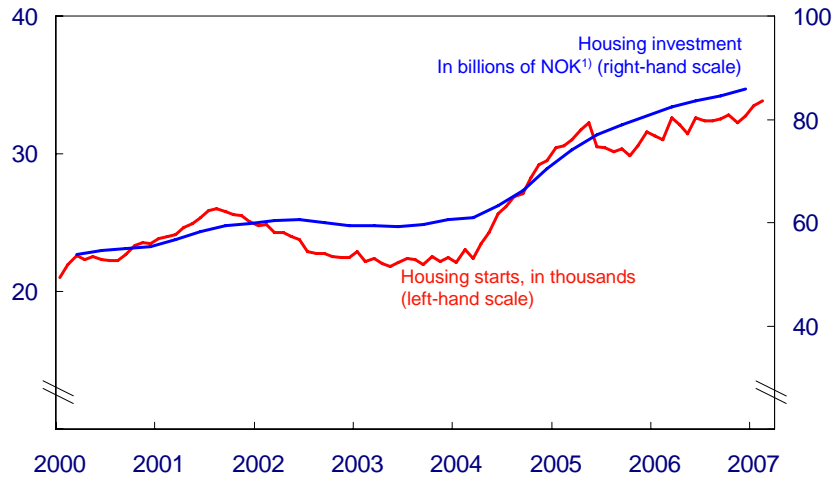
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Sources: Statistics Norway and Norges Bank 18

Housing starts and housing investment

Total over 12 months/4 quarters. January 2000 – February 2007

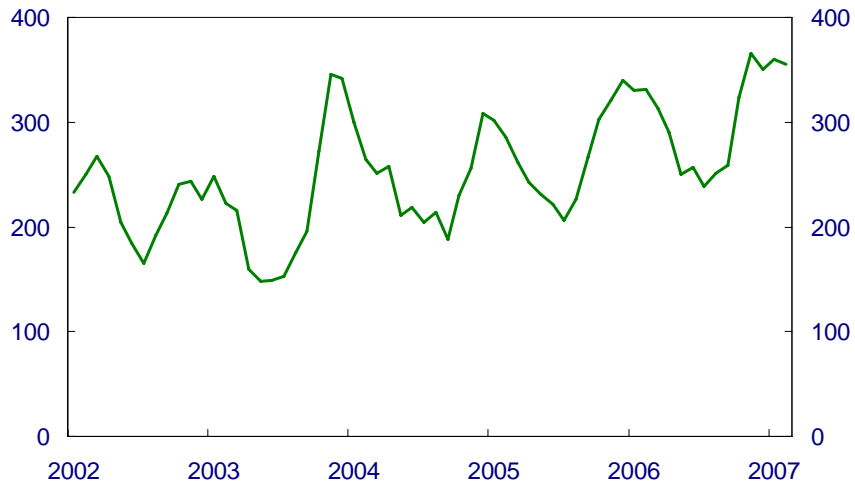


¹)Constant 2004 prices

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Commercial building starts

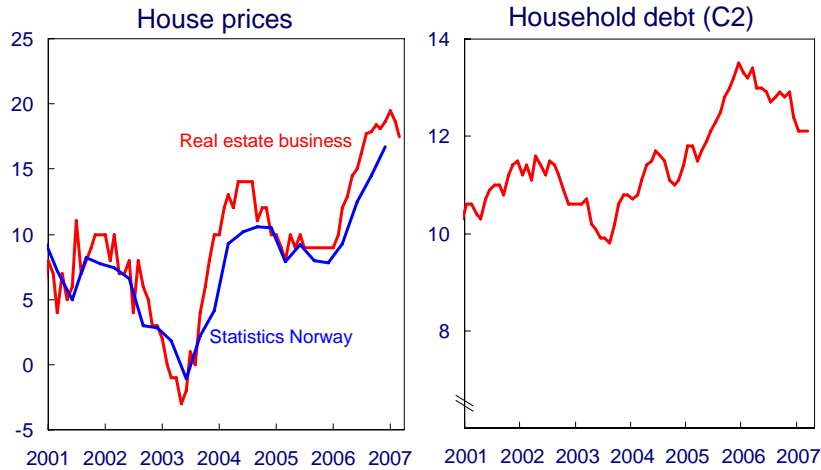
Area in 1000 m². 3-month moving average
January 2002 – February 2007



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House prices and household debt

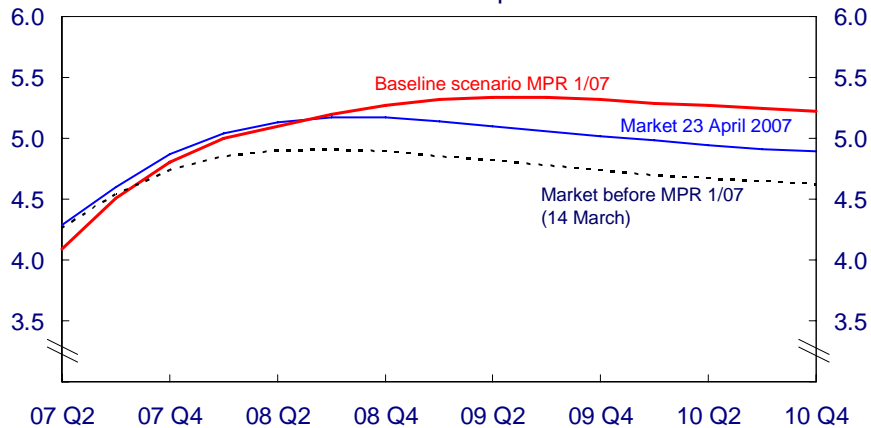
Percentage change on same month/quarter previous year. Per cent
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Key policy rate in baseline scenario and estimated forward rates¹⁾

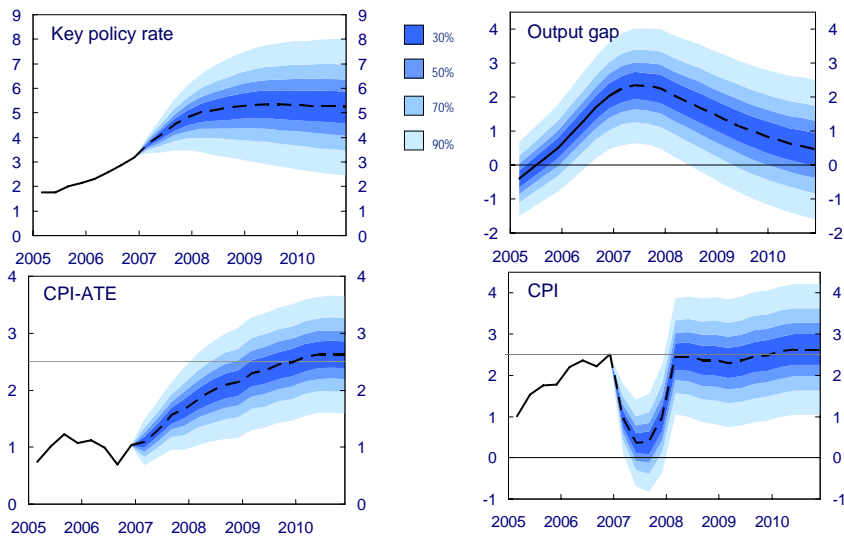
Per cent. At 23 April 2007



¹⁾ A credit risk premium and a technical difference of 0.20 percentage point have been deducted to make the forward rates comparable with the policy rate.

Sources: Reuters and Norges Bank 22

Baseline scenario in *Monetary Policy Report 1/07*



Sources: Statistics Norway and Norges Bank 23

Monetary policy strategy

- The interest rate path presented in *Monetary Policy Report 1/07* reflects the Executive Board's trade-off between bringing inflation up to target and stabilising developments in output and employment.
- In the light of this trade-off, the interest rate will be increased gradually so that we can assess the effects of interest rate changes and other new information about economic developments.
- The key policy rate should lie in the interval 4 – 5% in the period to the publication of the next *Report* on 27 June 2007, conditional on economic developments that are broadly in line with the projections.

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