Predicting the Markets Chapter 4 Charts: Predicting Inflation



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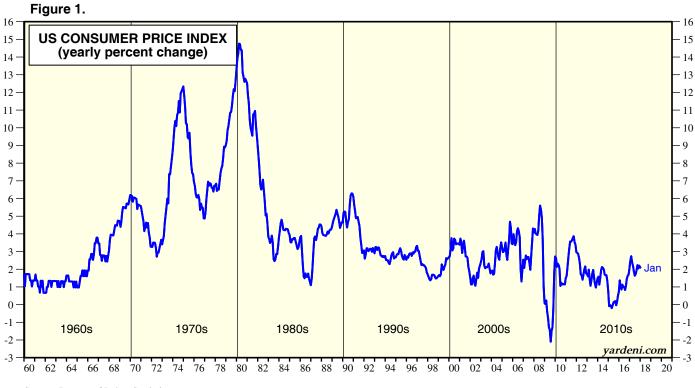
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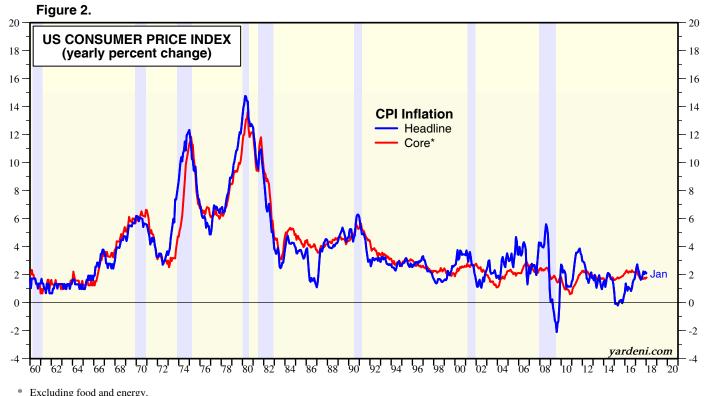
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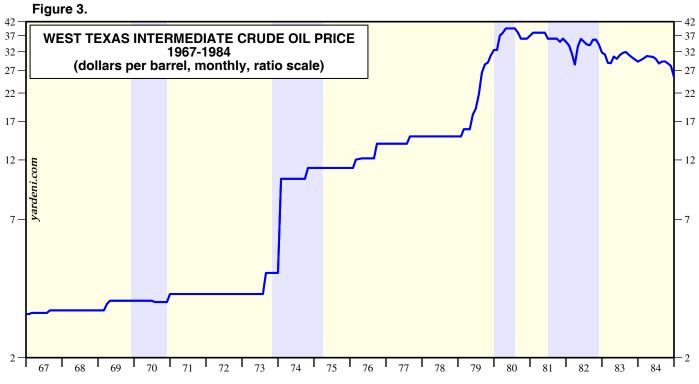
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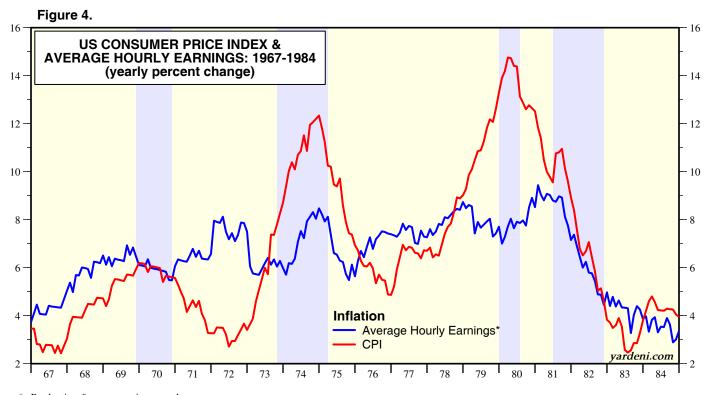
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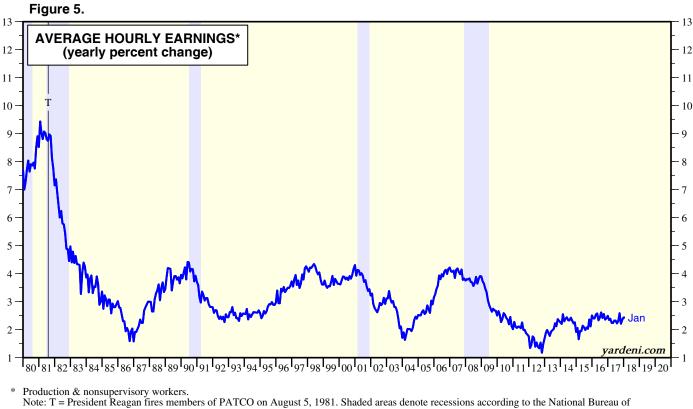
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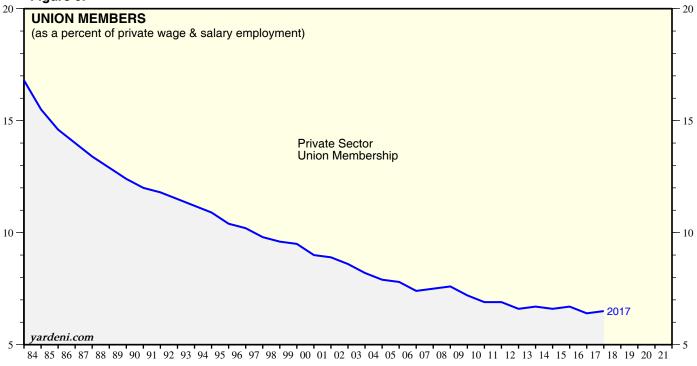


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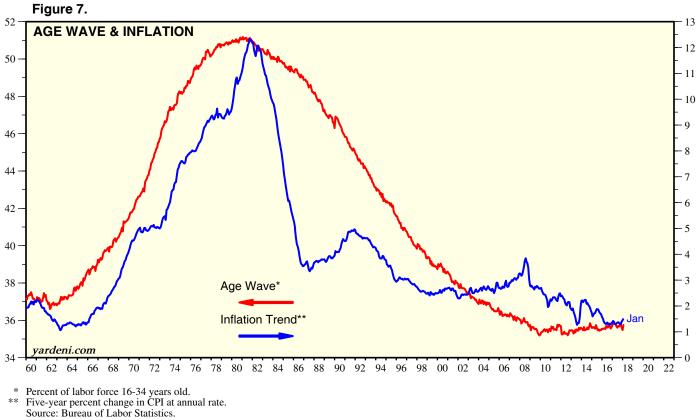


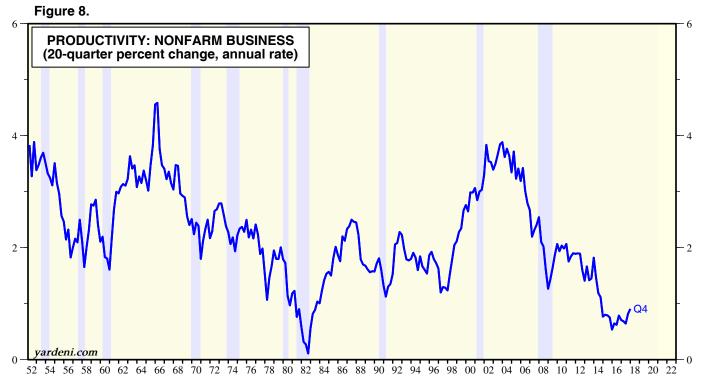
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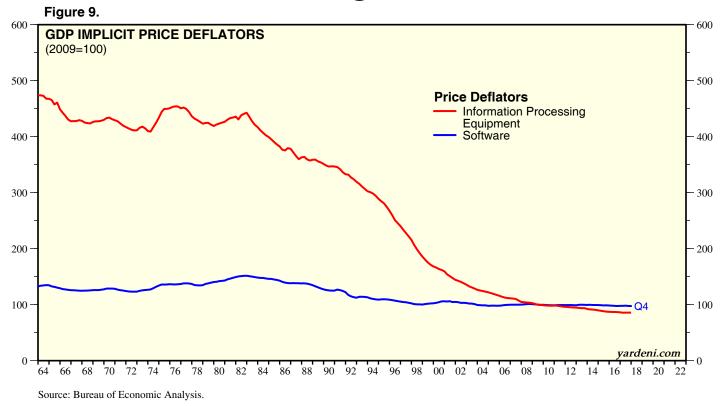


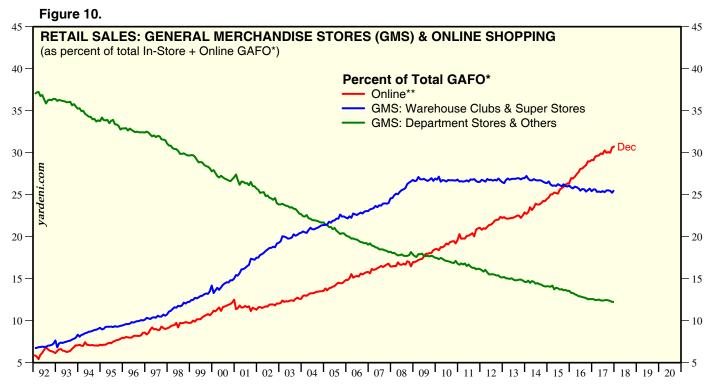
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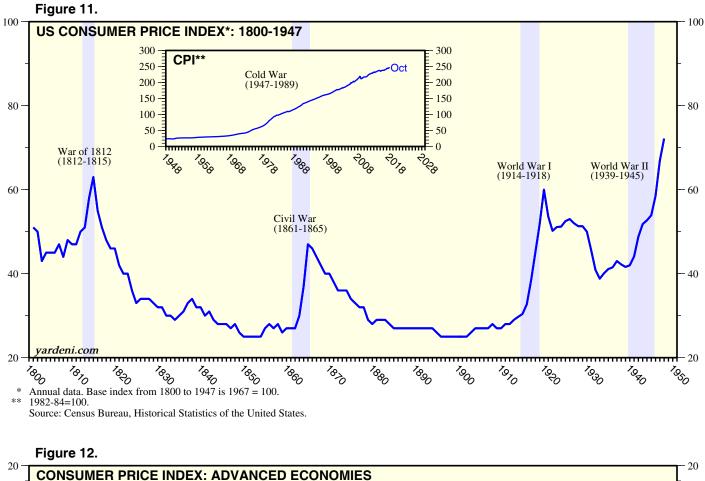
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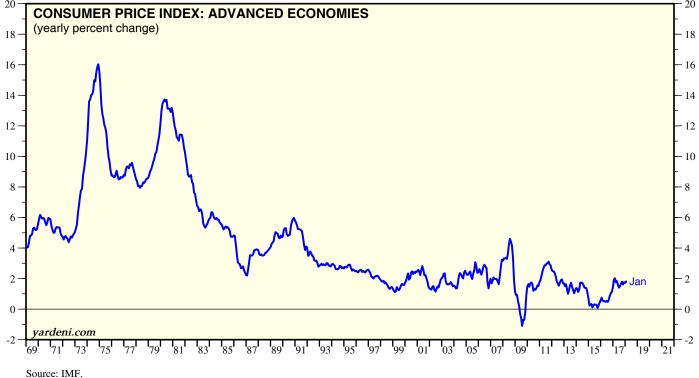


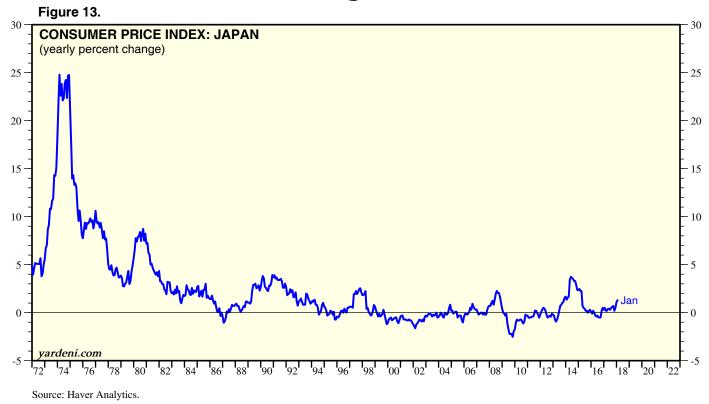


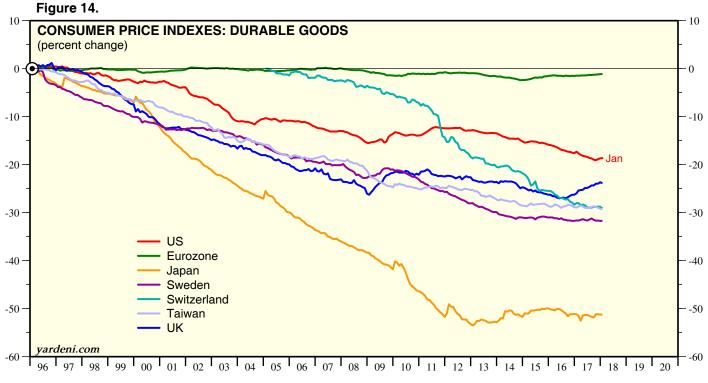
* GAFO (general merchandise, apparel and accessories, furniture, and other sales) includes retailers that specialize in department-store types of merchandise such as furniture & home furnishings, electronics & appliances, clothing & accessories, sporting goods, hobby, book, and music, general merchandise, office supply, stationery, and gift stores.
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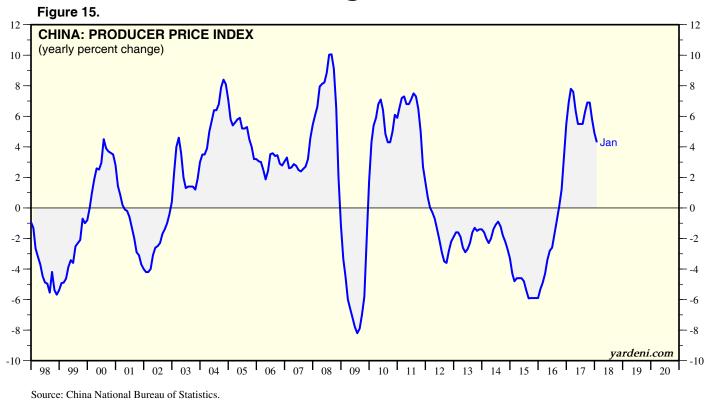


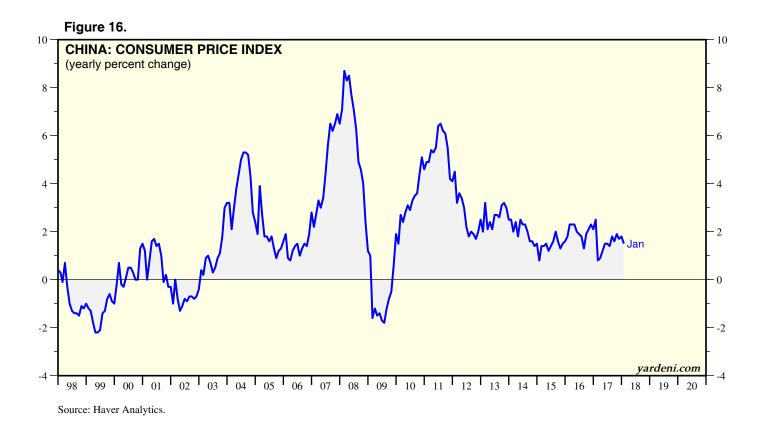


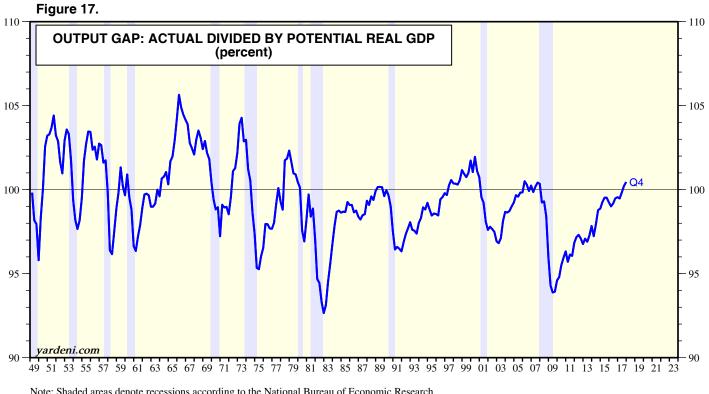




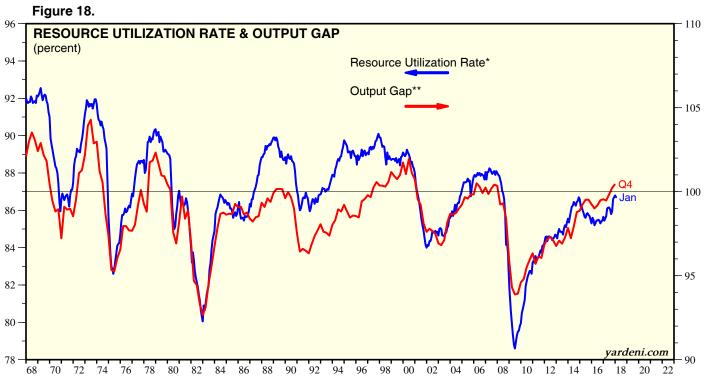
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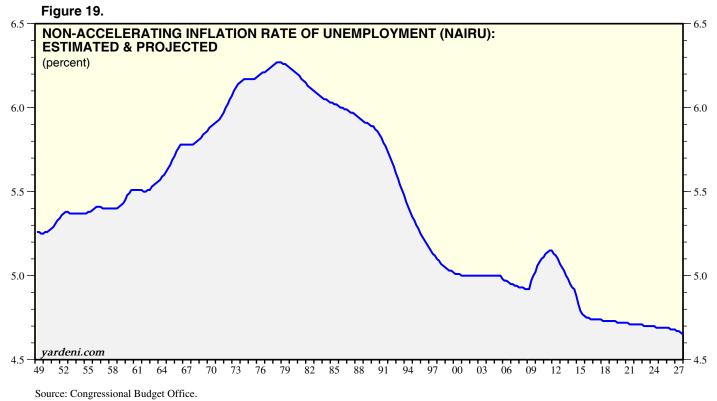


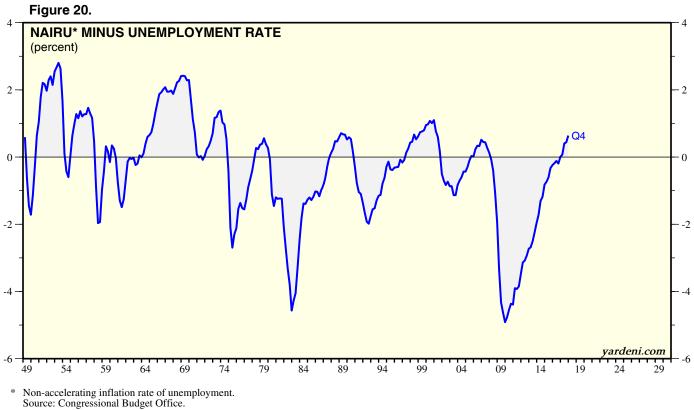


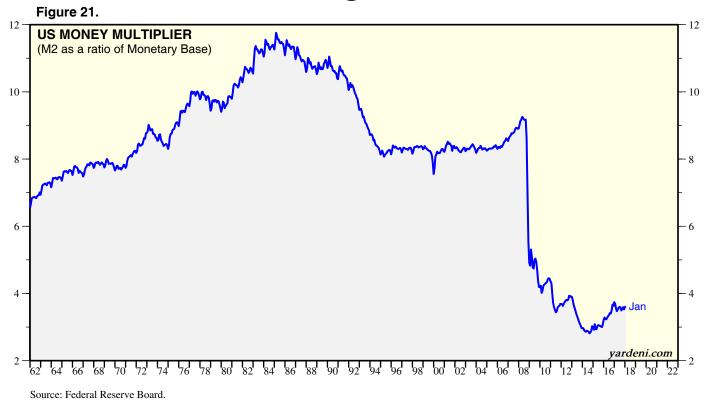
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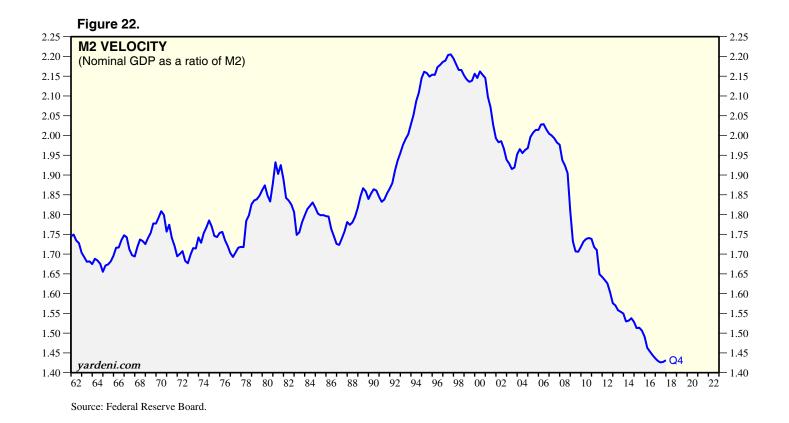


* Average of all industries' capacity utilization rate and employment rate, i.e., percentage of labor force that is employed.
 ** Actual divided by potential real GDP in percent.
 Source: Congressional Budget Office, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Federal Reserve Board.

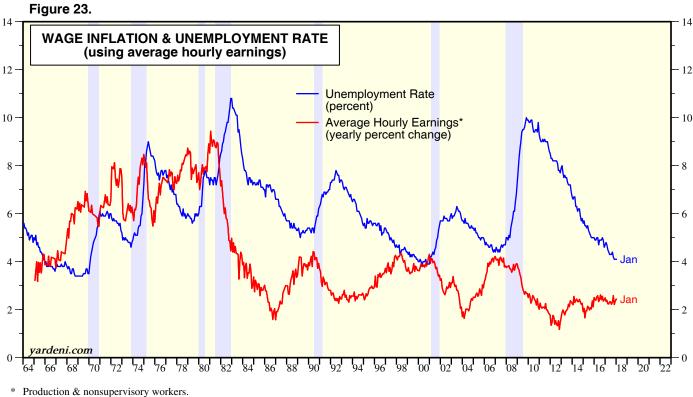




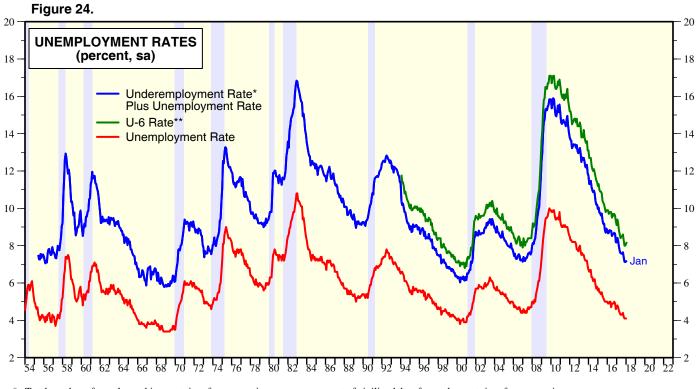




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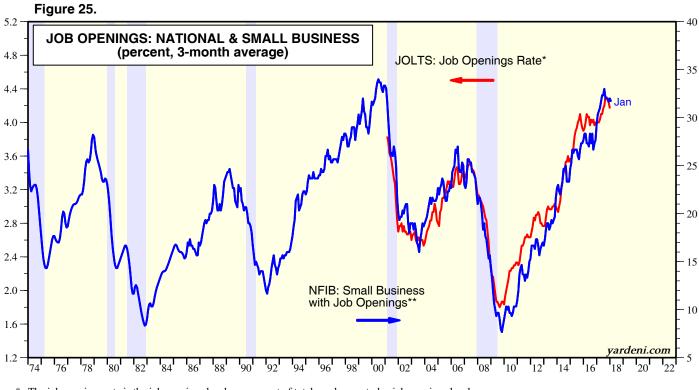
Production & nonsupervisory workers. Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research. Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.



 * Total number of people working part time for economic reasons as percent of civilian labor force plus part time for economic reasons as percent of civilian labor force.
 ** Unemployed plus marginally attached

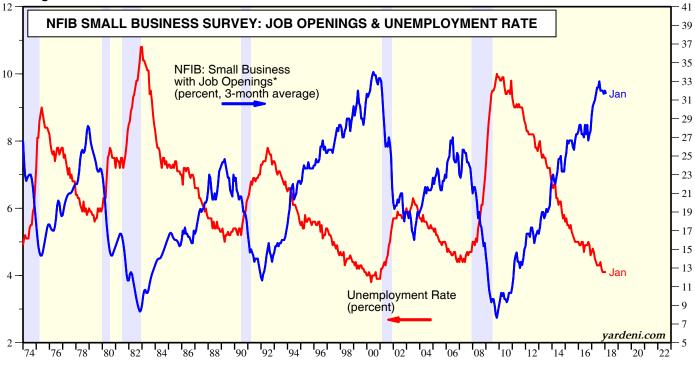
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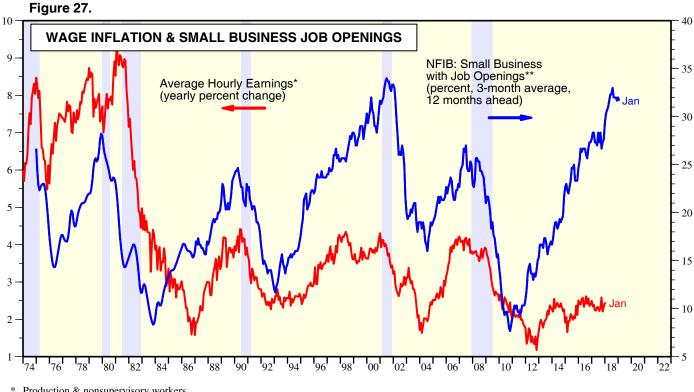


* The job openings rate is the job openings level as a percent of total employment plus job openings level.
 ** First month of every quarter from 1974 to 1986, then monthly.
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 Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics and National Federation of Independent Business.



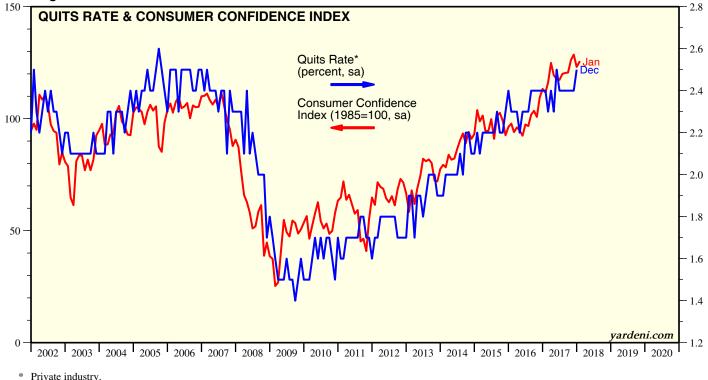


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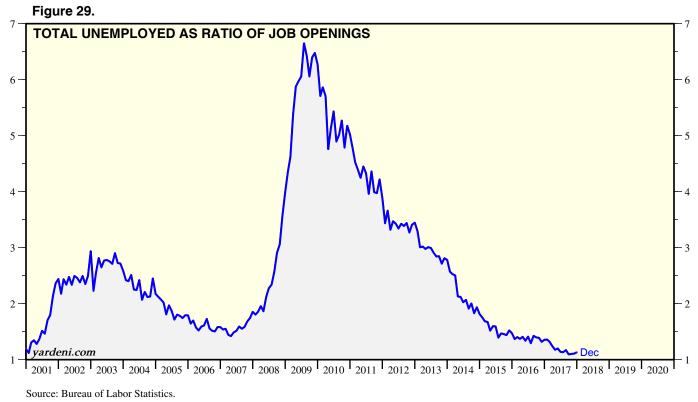


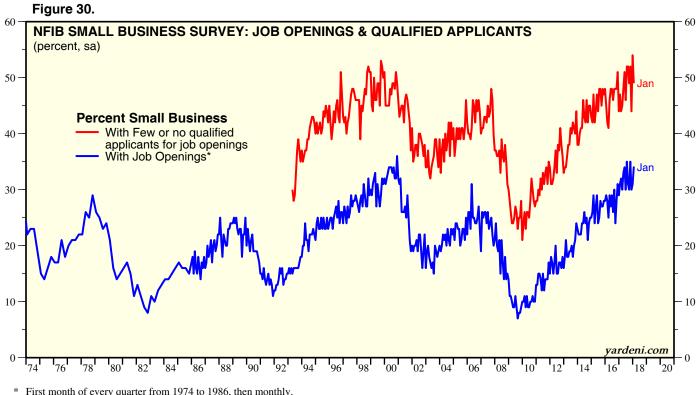
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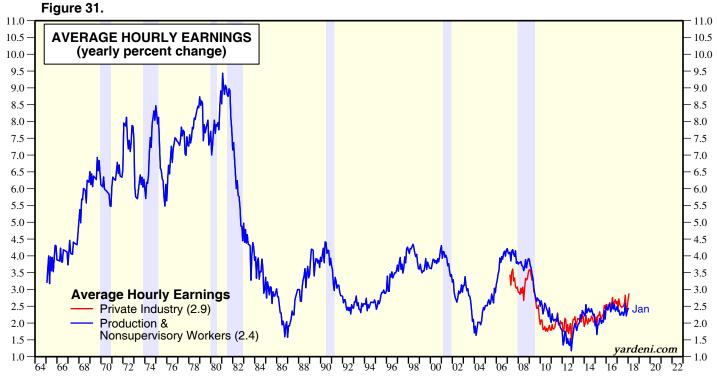


Private industry. Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics and The Conference Board.





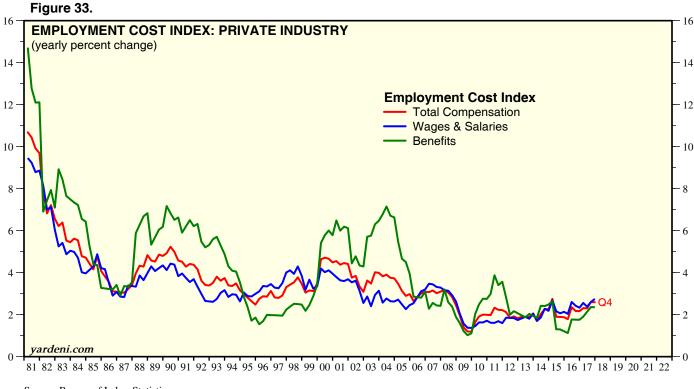
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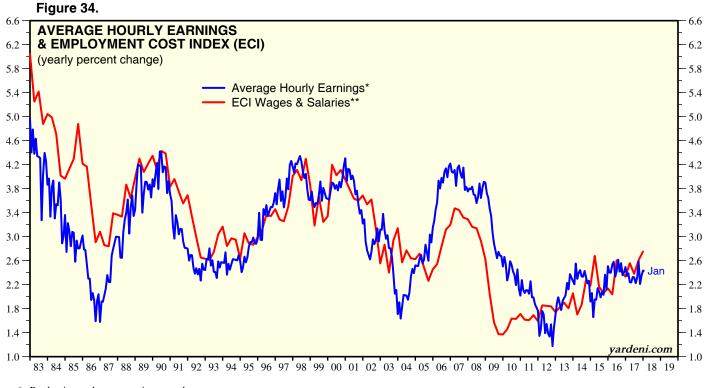
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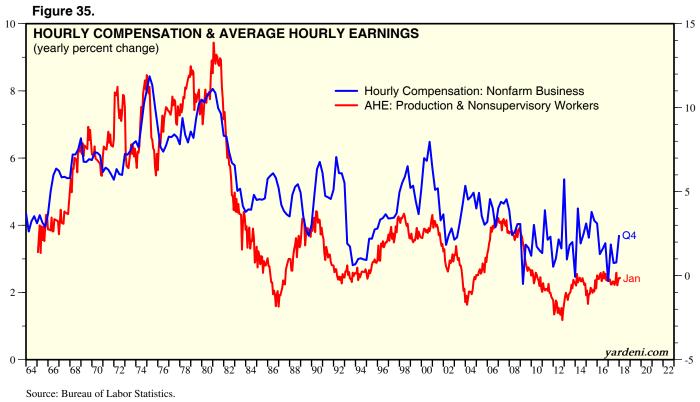


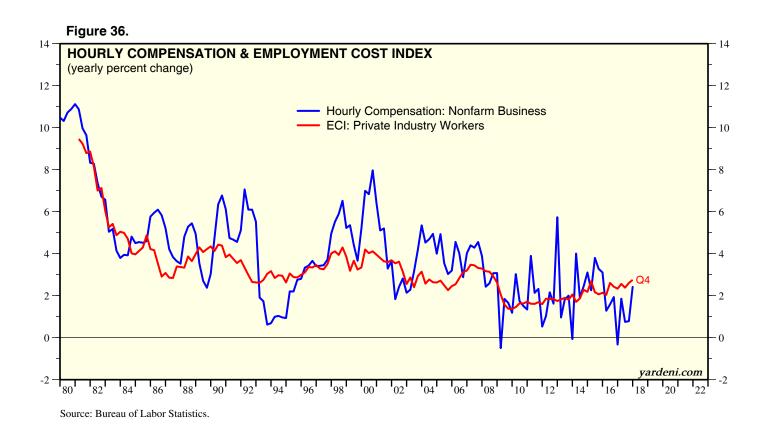
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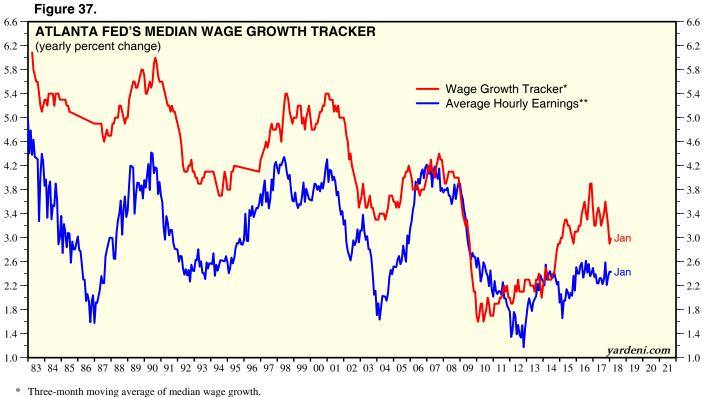


* Production and nonsupervisory workers. ** All private industry.

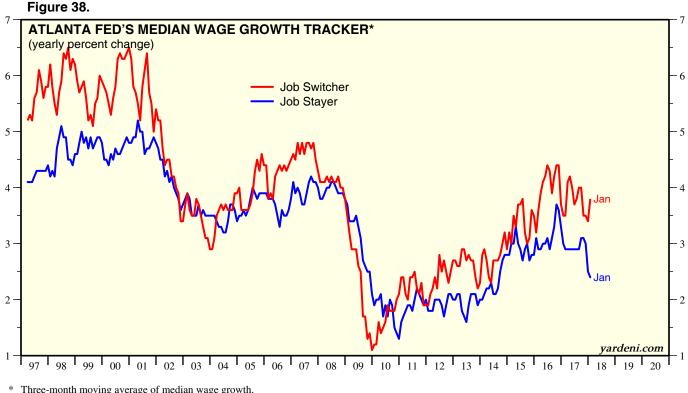
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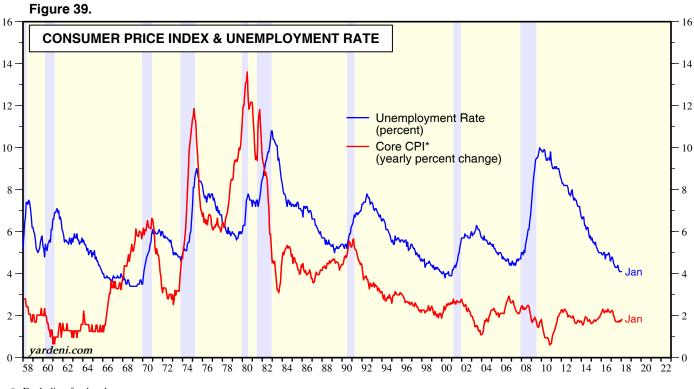




* Three-month moving average of median wage growth.
 ** Production & Nonsupervisory Workers.
 Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics and Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

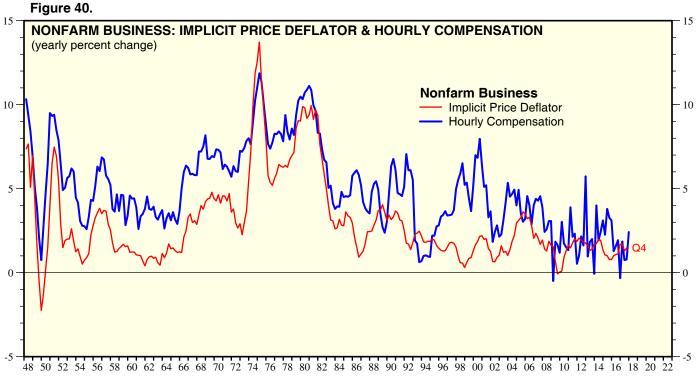


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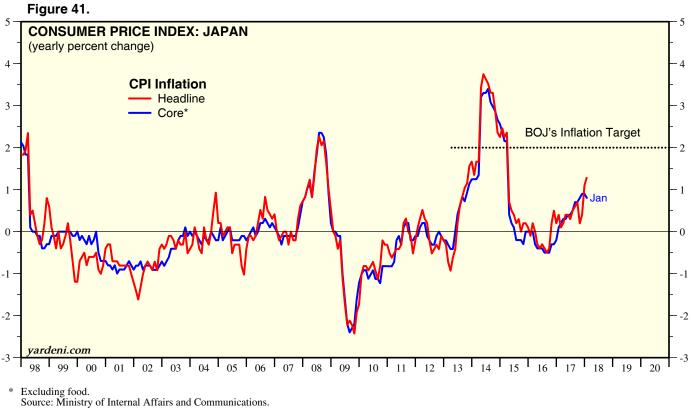


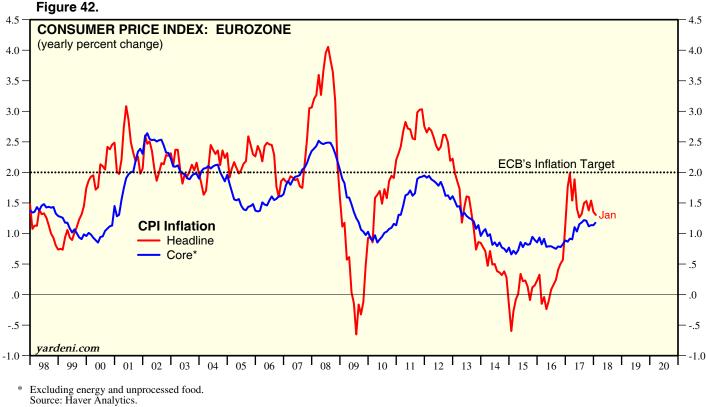
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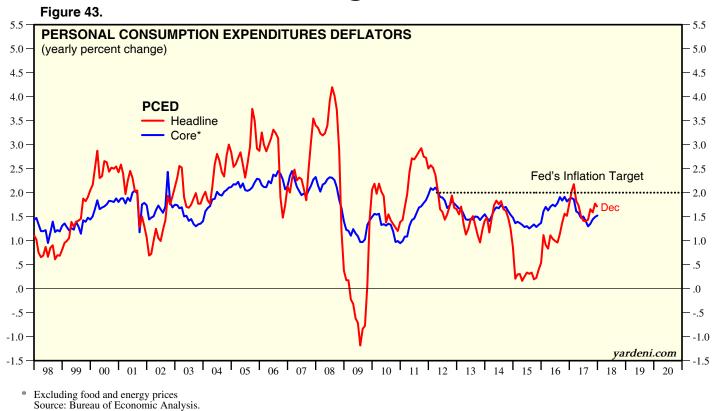
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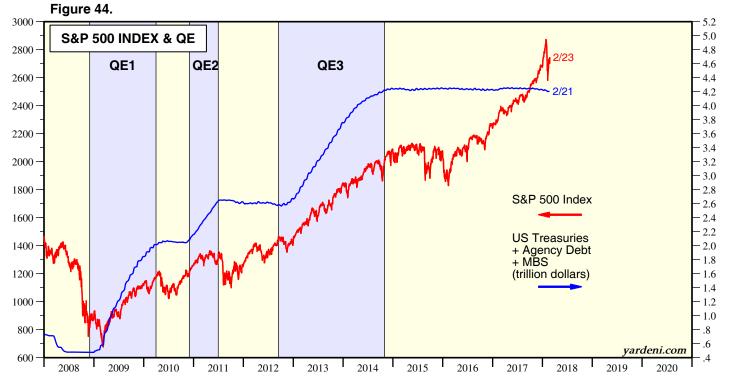


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.









Note: QE1 (11/25/08) = Fed starts buying \$1.24tn in mortgage securities. QE1 expanded (3/16/2009) = Fed starts buying \$300bn in Treasuries. QE2 (11/3/10) = Fed starts buying \$600bn in Treasuries. QE3 (9/13/12) = Fed starts buying \$40bn/month in mortgage securities (open ended). QE3 expanded (12/12/12) = Fed starts buying \$45bn/month in Treasuries. Source: Federal Reserve Board and Standard & Poor's.

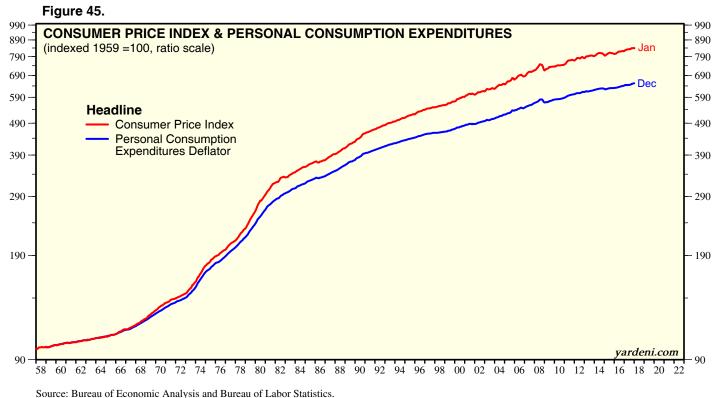
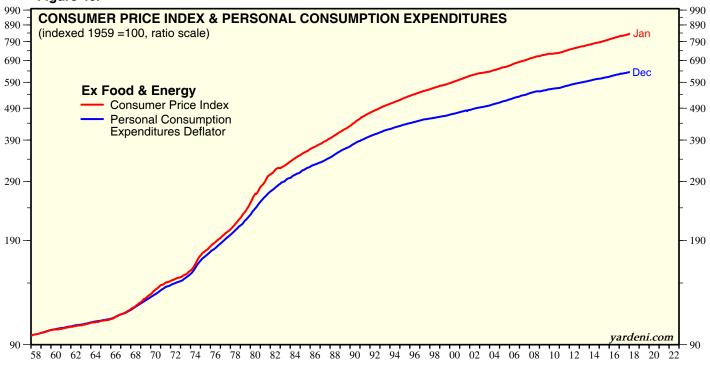
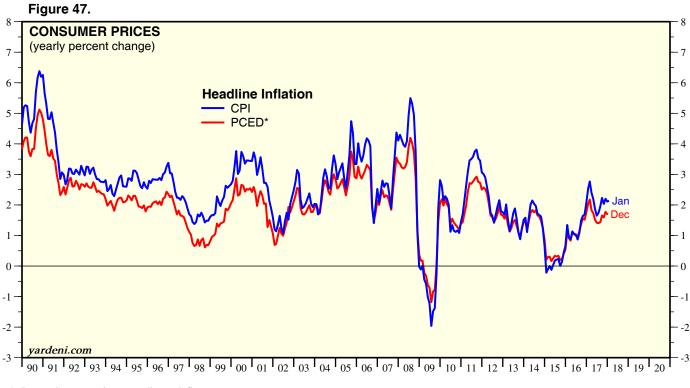


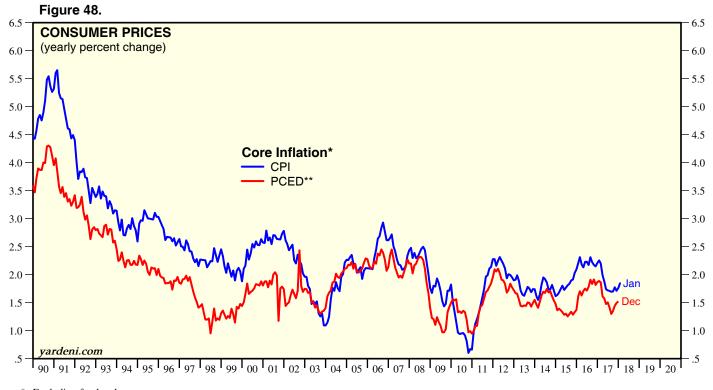
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Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis and Bureau of Labor Statistics.

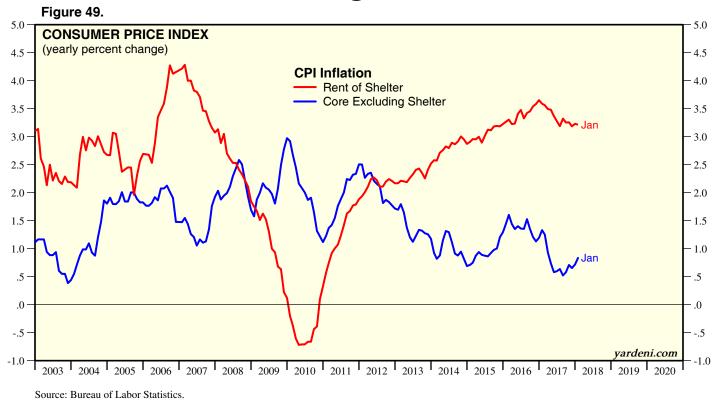


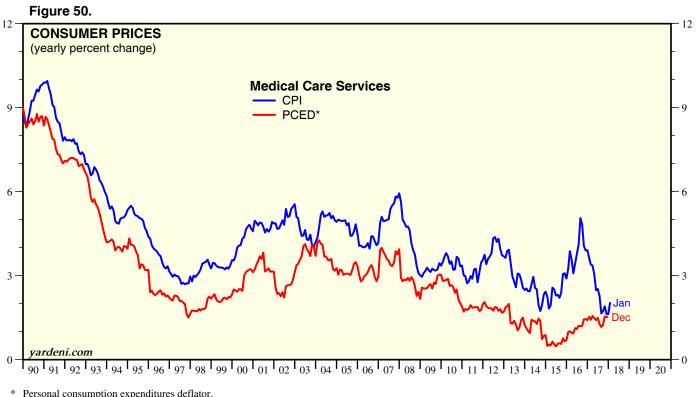
Personal consumption expenditures deflator. Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis and Bureau of Labor Statistics. *



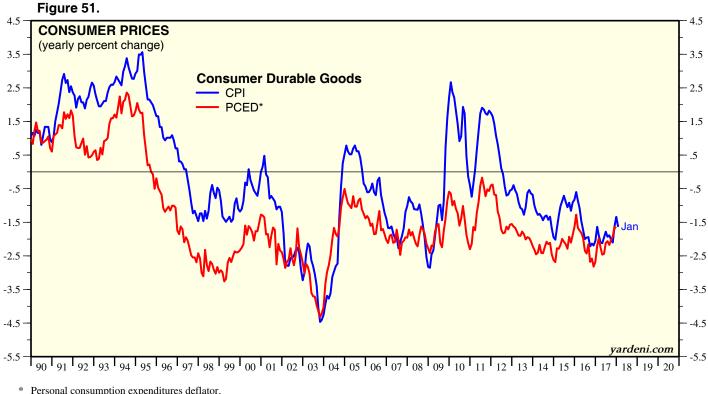
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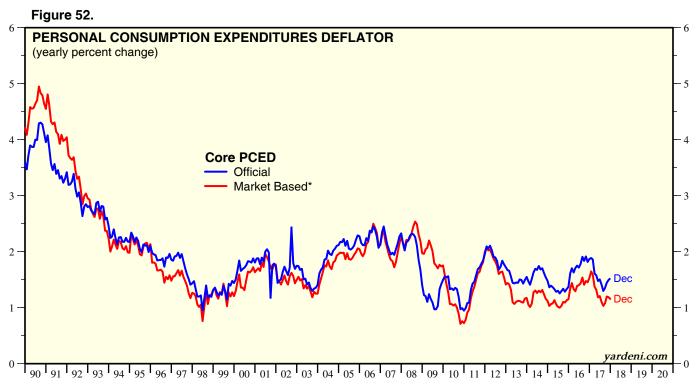




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