### Rupert Report

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# roadmap for today

• new regime, new issues?

• unequality

- employment
- housing

# economics and the election

• uncertainty

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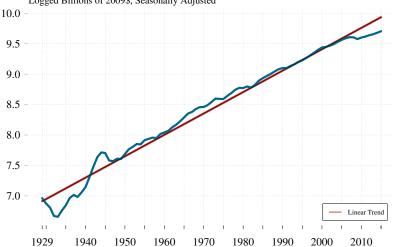
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  - ugh, I need a lot more slides! but...

### **Real GDP**

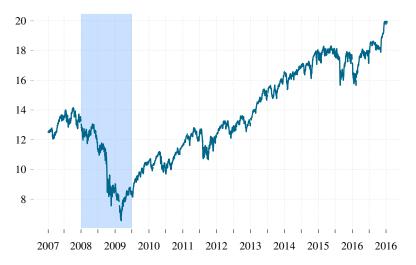


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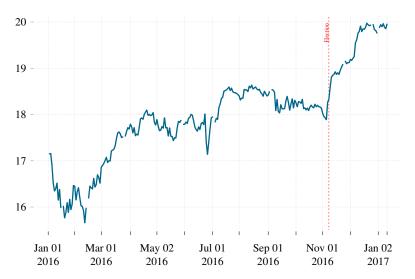


- some positive signs
  - stock market
  - gdp
  - FOMC a bit more upbeat

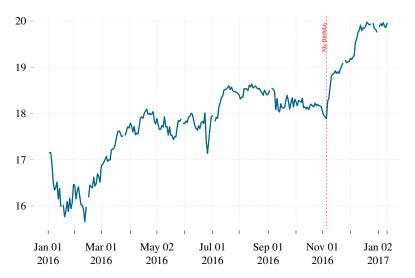
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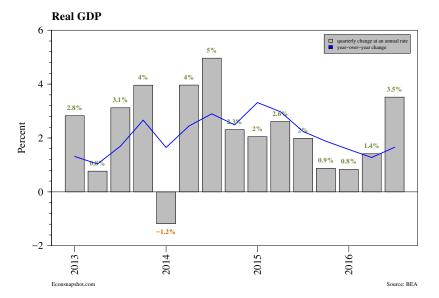


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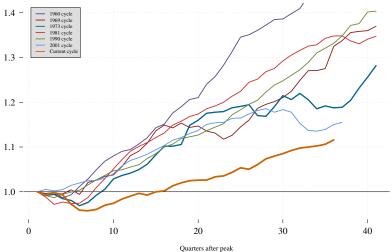
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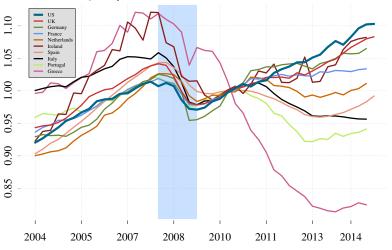
#### Peak before recession = 1



Source: BEA

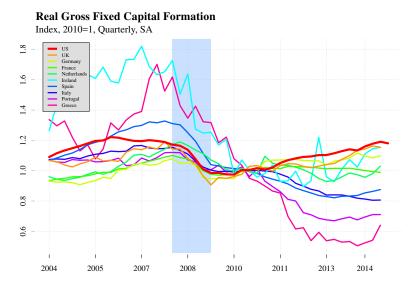
### **Real GDP**

Index, 2010=1, Quarterly, SA



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Source: OECD



Source: OECD Main Economic Indicators, GDP Constant Prices

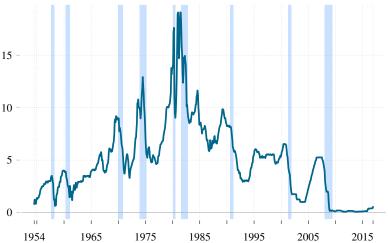
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# what's up with our friends at the Fed?

• seem to be finally getting off their....

### **Effective Federal Funds Rate**

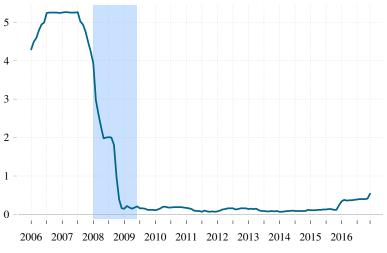
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Source: FRB St. Louis

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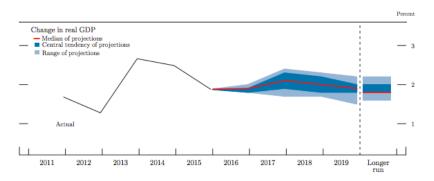
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Figure 2. FOMC participants' assessments of appropriate monetary policy: Midpoint of target range or target level for the federal funds rate

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unequality



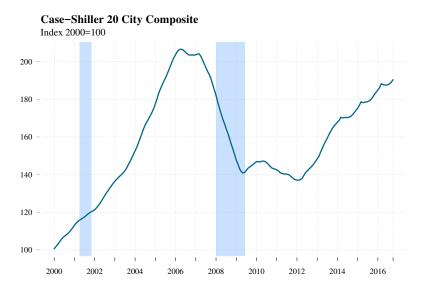
# unequality

*noun* | un·equal·i·ty |  $\langle a-ni-'kw\ddot{a}-la-t\bar{e} \rangle$ 

- 1 : not equal, uneven
- 2 : the condition of being variable
- 3 : the result of being affected differently by things



### • housing values are very local

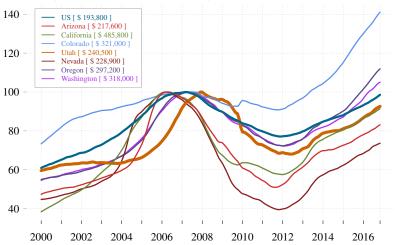


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Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC

#### Zillow Home Value Index (ZHVI)

Index (100 = Pre-Recession Maximum Value)

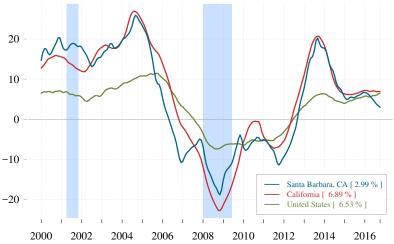


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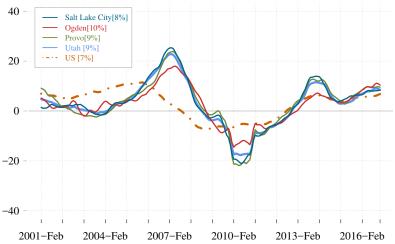
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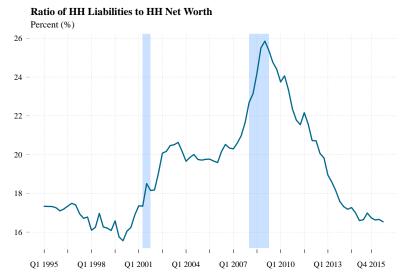
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# housing and financial aspects

mortgage crisis has abated

• foreclosures back to "normal"

• yet, foreclosure timelines not!



Source: Board of Governors, Flow of Funds

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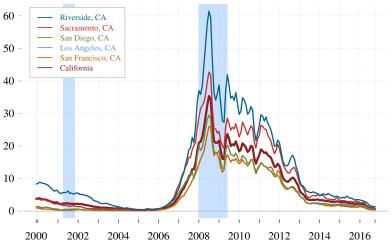
### Net Worth as a Percentage of Disposable Income

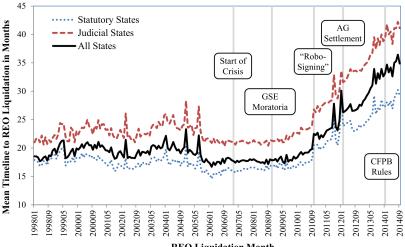
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### Homes foreclosed per month, by MSA

Number of homes per 10,000





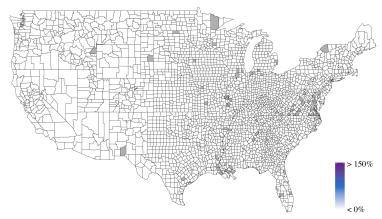
**REO Liquidation Month** 

# income and wages



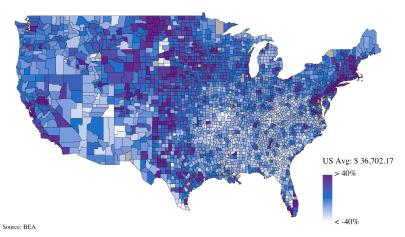
## • how is income distributed?

# Real Personal Income Per Capita Growth Since 2006: 2006



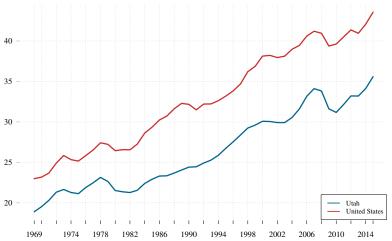
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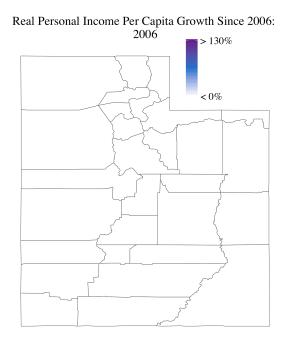
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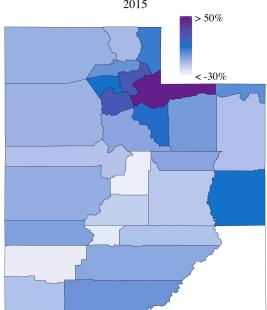


### **Real Per-Capita Personal Income**

Thousands of 2009\$



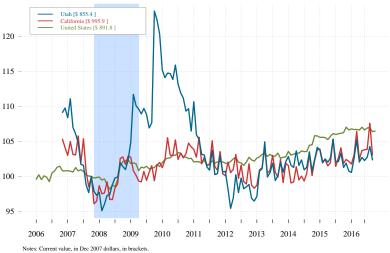




Real Personal Income Per Capita Relative to UT Average: 2015

### Real Weekly Earnings, Seasonally Adjusted

Index (Dec 2007 = 100)



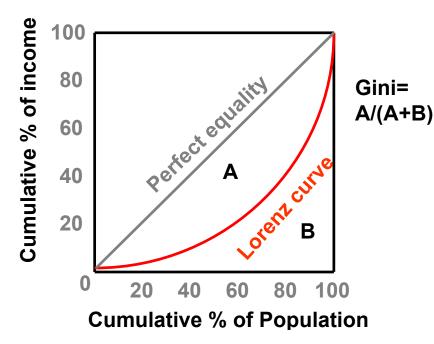
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Source: BLS



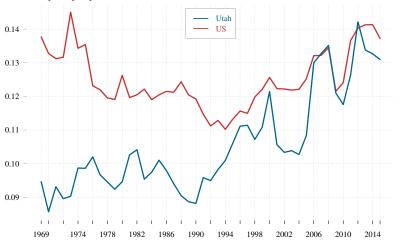
## • how is inequality measured?

## • most common: Gini coefficient



### **Gini Coefficient**

Real per capita personal income across counties

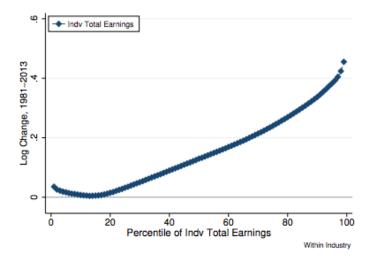


# new findings on inequality

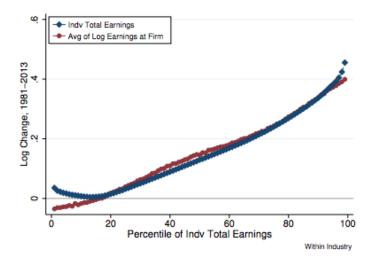
## • most of the inequality is "between firms"

not "within firms"

## Fact #1: Rise in Inequality is Fractal



## Fact #1: What is the Role of Employers?



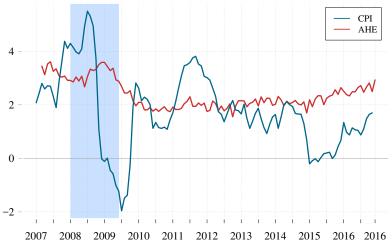


## • wage growth picking up in the US

• but so is inflation...a bit

### **Inflation and Average Hourly Earnings**

Percent change from a year ago, all private workers

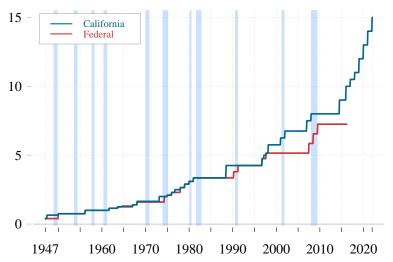


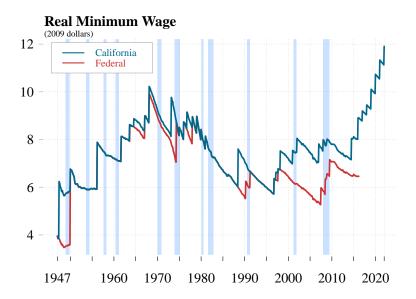
# minimum wages

# a looming labor market issue

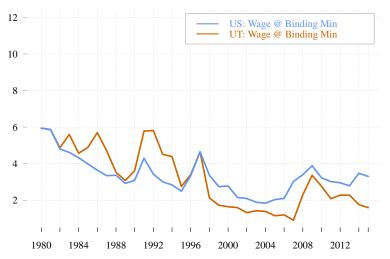
- for California
  - current minimum wage \$10.50
  - \$15 minimum wage by 2022
- for Utah
  - current minimum wage \$7.25, same as federal
  - proposals to increase to \$10.10 or \$12.00
- let's start by examining the data

### Nominal Minimum Wage

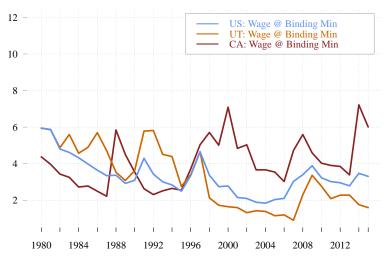




### Percent of Workers at Minimum Wage



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• where will they be affected most?

Chart 1. Average weekly wages by county in Utah, first quarter 2016



#### Average weekly wages

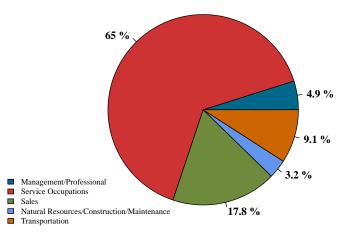


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.



• who will feel the brunt?

## **Percent Making Minimum Wage by Occupation** *United States, 2015*



Source: BLS



• why this policy?

• others?

• how about the earned income tax credit?

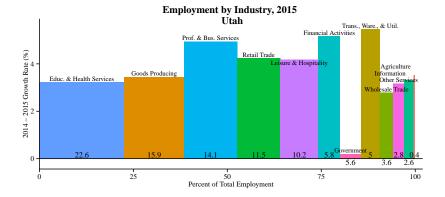
# labor markets

## labor market: Utah

• employment growth strong

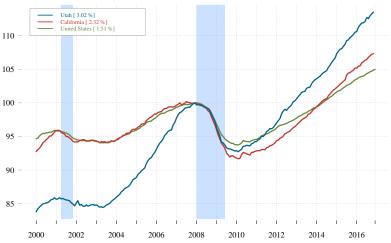
• but varies by industry and geography

• unemployment as well



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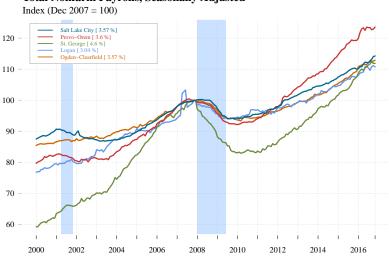
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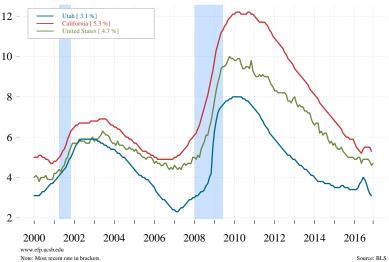
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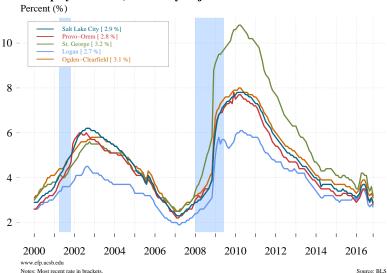
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### **Unemployment Rate, Seasonally Adjusted**

Percent (%)





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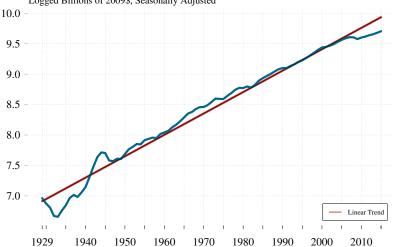
# final thoughts

policy uncertainty

• strong growth in the US

• FOMC forecast: 3 25bp increases in 2017?

### **Real GDP**



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# thank you!