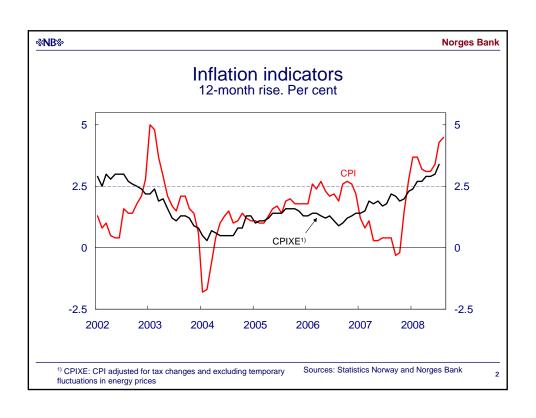
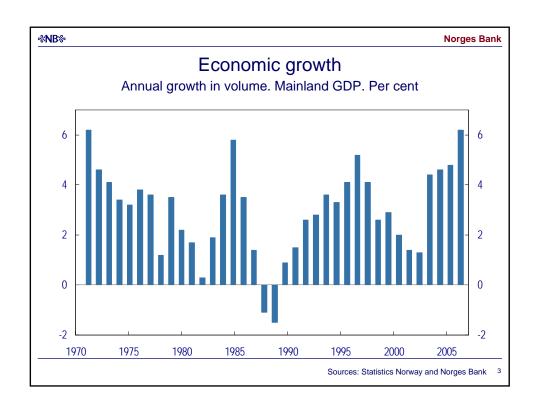
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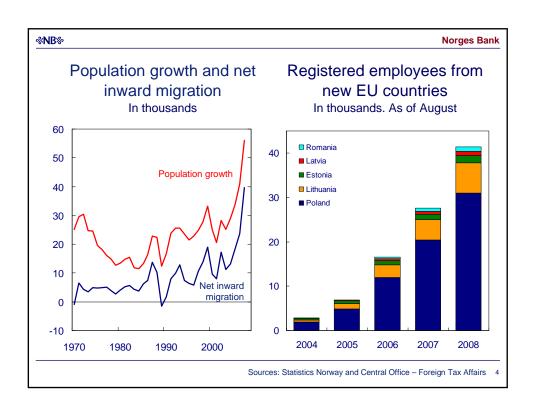
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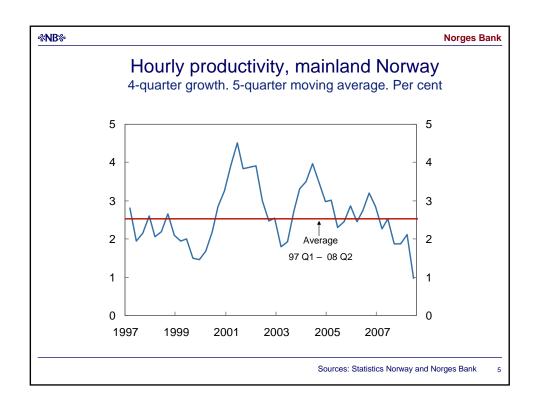
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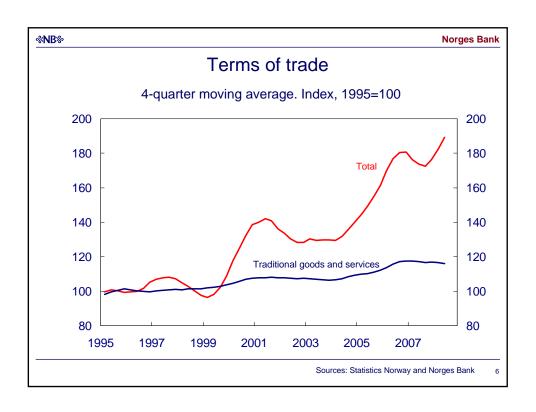
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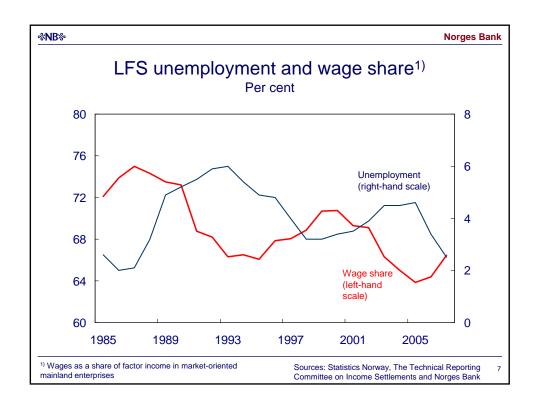


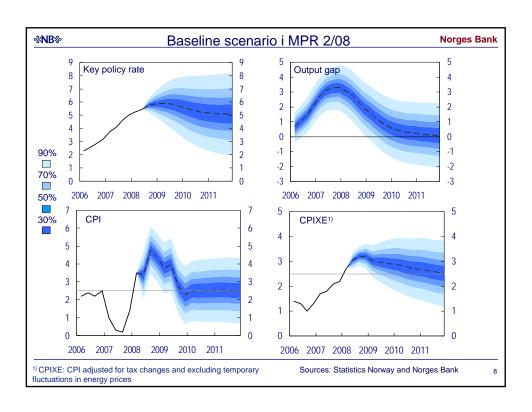


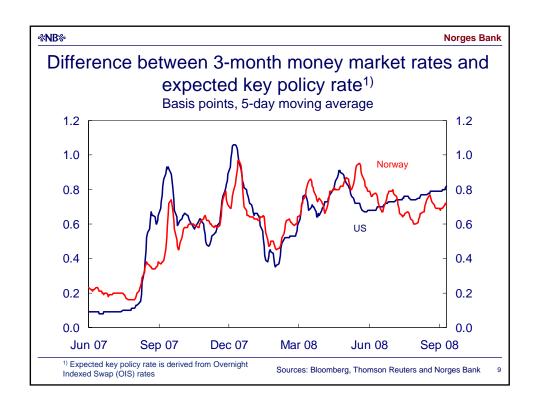


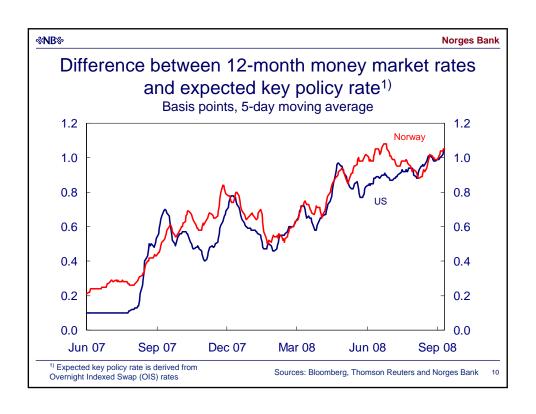


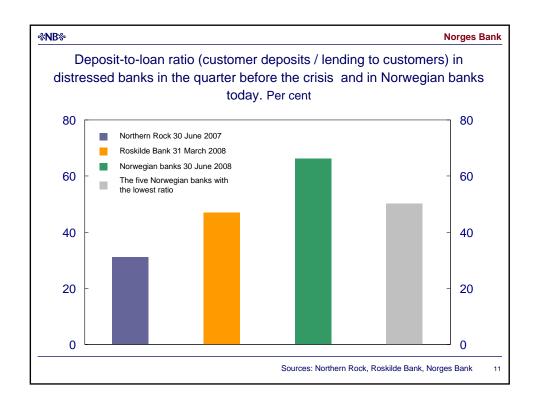


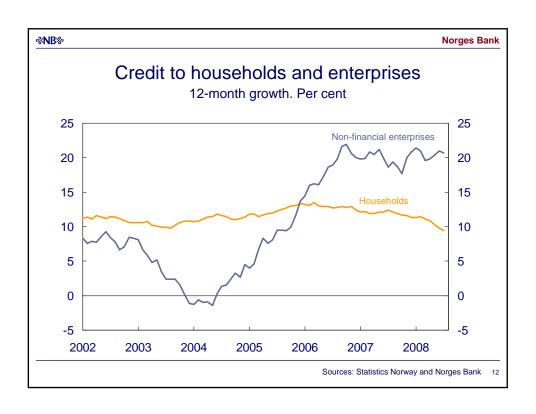


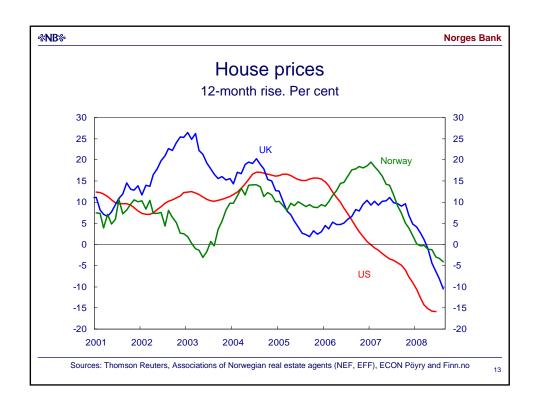


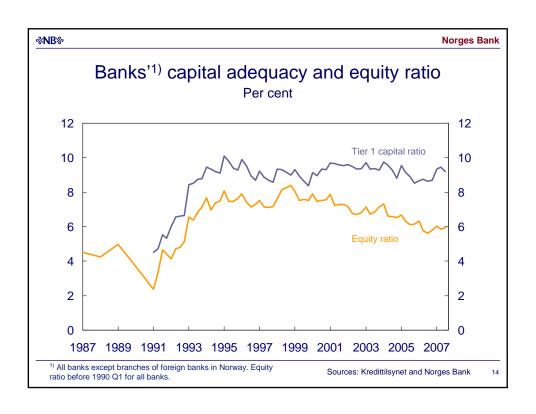












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Branches of foreign banks' membership in the Norwegian Banks' Guarantee Fund

Member 2007	Member 2008	Applied per September 2008	Has not applied
Nordnet Bank (Sweden) Fokus Bank (Denmark) Kaupthing Bank (Iceland)	Swedbank (Sweden)	Handelsbanken (Sweden) Skandiabanken (Sweden) Landsbanki (Iceland)	SEB (Sweden) GE Money Bank (Sweden) Citibank (UK) BNP Paribas (France)

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Norges Bank's recommended revisions in the Norwegian guarantee scheme:

- Member banks must always pay a fee
- The membership fee is differentiated more clearly according to banks' risk exposure
- ...and thus becomes counter-cyclical by using growth in banks' activity as a supplemental measure of risk exposure
- A reduction in the guaranteed amount per customer
- An increase in the notice of withdrawal for voluntary members from one to two years
- Branches of foreign banks pay to the extent possible a membership fee according to the same rules as Norwegian banks

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