

# The euro, its central bank and economic governance

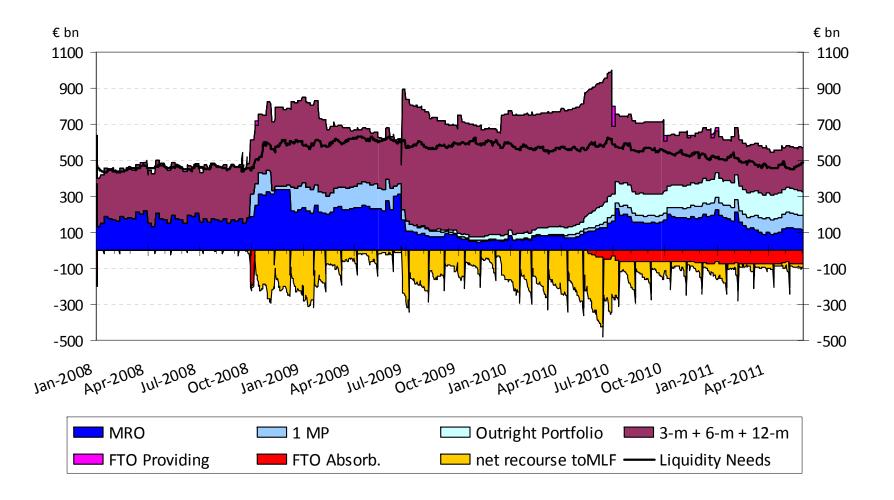
Jean-Claude Trichet President of the European Central Bank London, 13 June 2011

#### Non-standard measures

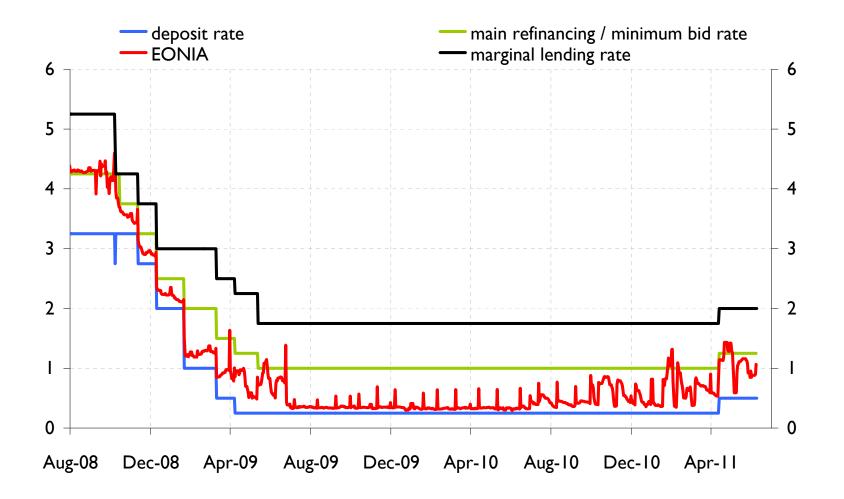
- **Fixed-rate full-allotment**
- **Longer-term liquidity provision**
- **Expansion of collateral**
- **Liquidity provision in foreign currencies**
- □ Financial market support via purchases of covered bonds

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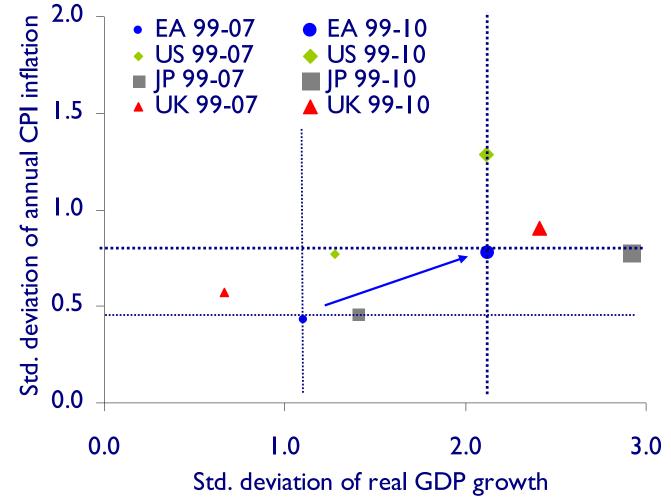
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### **ECB** policy rate

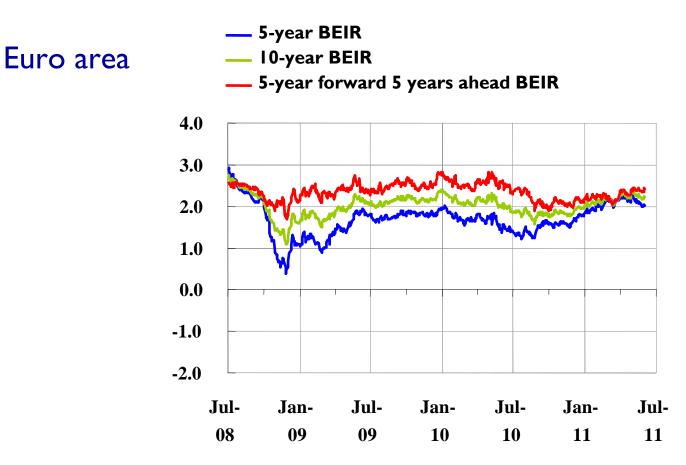


#### Macroeconomic Volatility



Sources: OECD, ECB calculations

#### Inflation Expectations in the Euro Area

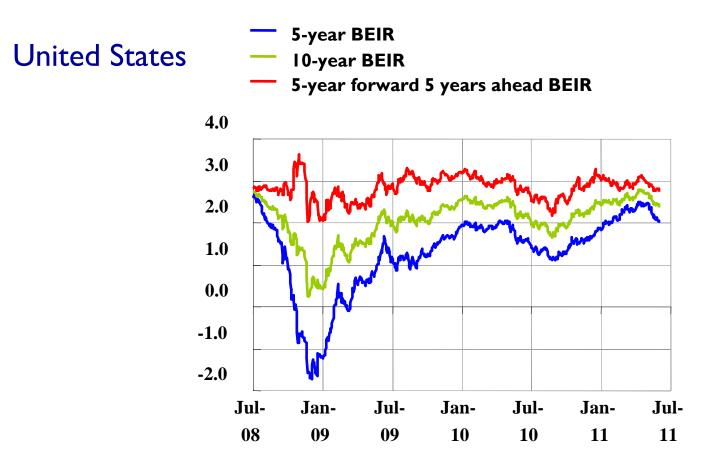


#### Sources: Eurostat, ECB calculations

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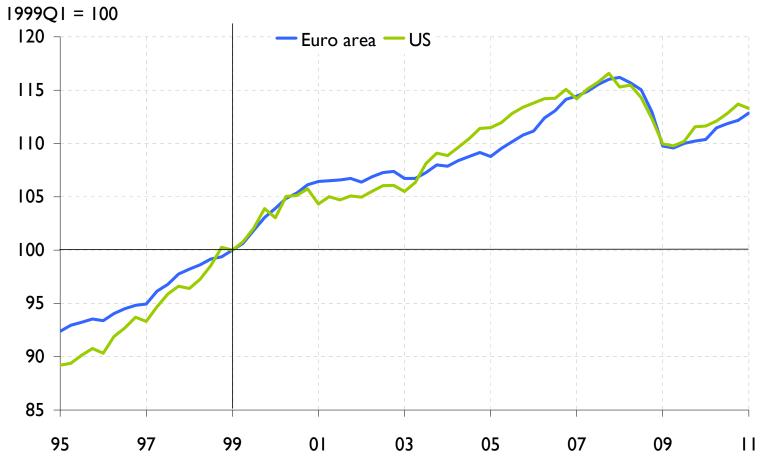
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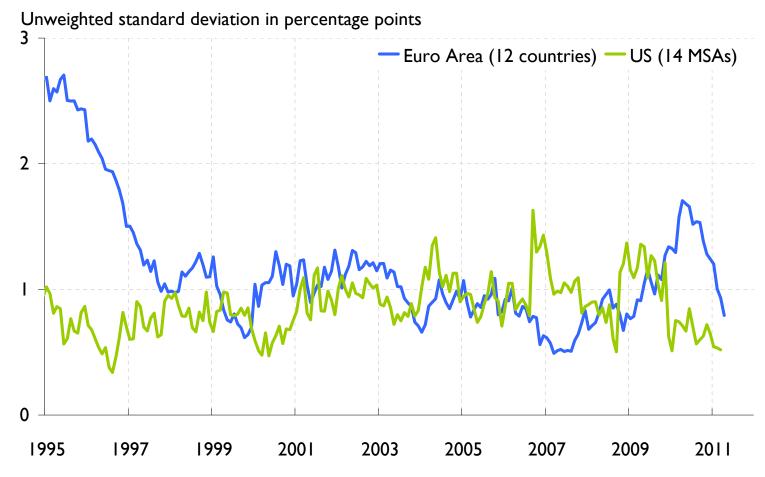
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# Real GDP per Capita



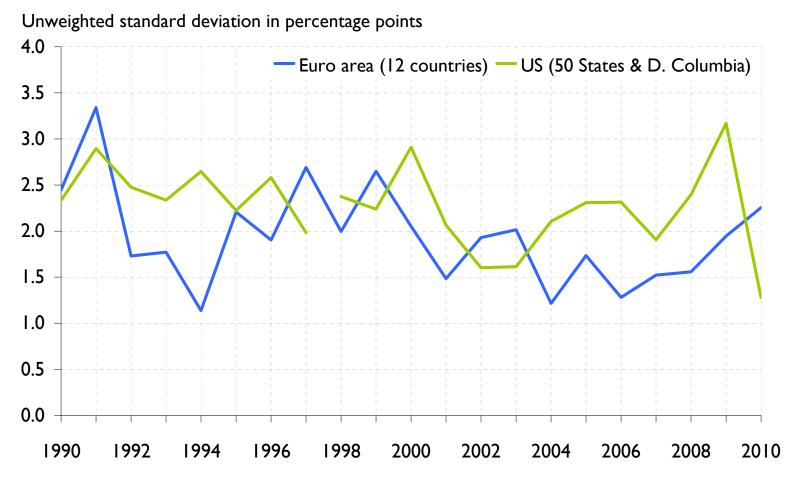
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### **Dispersion of Annual Inflation**



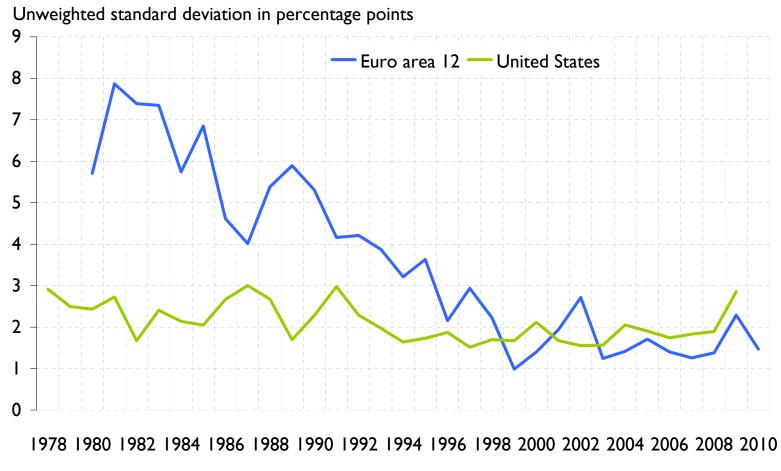
Sources: Eurostat, US Bureau of Labor Statistics, ECB calculations Note: MSAs: Metropolitan Statistical Areas

### **Dispersion of Real GDP Growth**



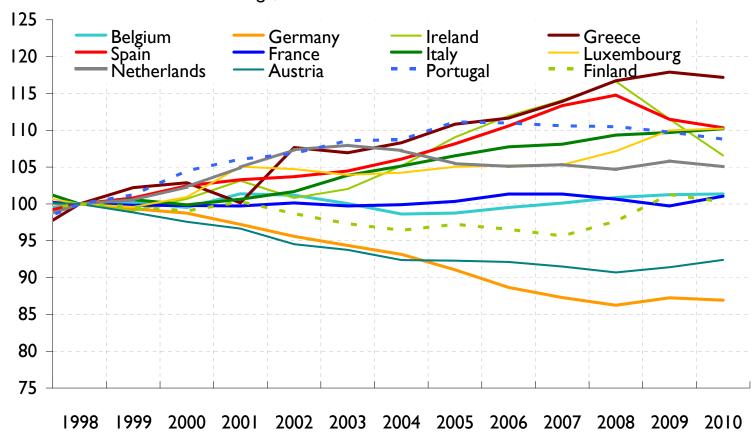
Sources: European Commission, US Bureau of Economic Analysis, ECB calculations Note: There is a statistical break in the US regional data in 1998. For the US States the data refer to Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by state.

### **Dispersion of Unit Labour Cost**



Sources: European Commission, US Bureau of Labor Statistics and US Bureau of Economic Analysis

# **ULC Dynamics in the Euro Area**



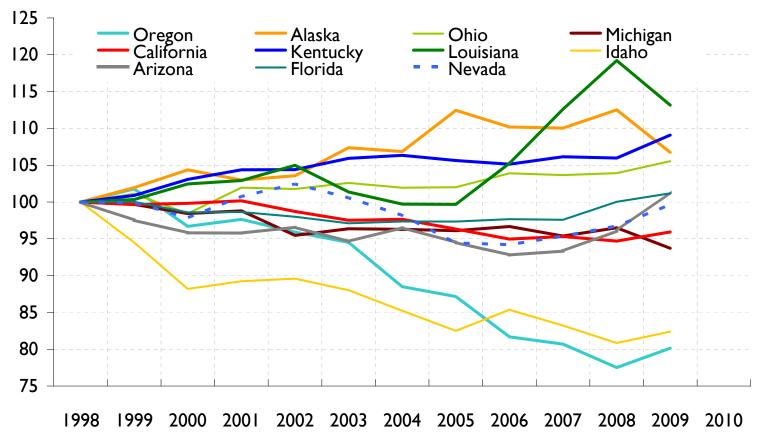
ULC relative to euro area average, 1998=100

Source: European Commission

Note: ULCs are computed as the ratio between compensation per employee and real GDP per employed person

# **ULC** Dynamics in the United States

#### ULC relative to US national, 1998=100



Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis

Note: ULCs are computed as the ratio between compensation per nonfarm employee and real GDP per employed person.

#### **Reform of European Economic governance**

#### Fiscal Surveillance

- Ex Ante Economic Policy Coordination (EU Semester)
- Faster and more automatic sanctions
- Earlier, Less Discretionary Enforcement Mechanisms
- National Fiscal Frameworks Aligned with SGP Requirements
- Macroeconomic Imbalances Surveillance
  - Alarm System Based on Macro Indicators
  - Missions, Reports, Enforcement Mechanisms

#### Financial Governance Reforms

#### Need to ensure full implementation of reforms

- More stringent banking regulations
- More ambitious capital requirements

#### Key areas with work in progress

- Treatment of systemically important financial institutions
- Mechanism of bank crisis management
- Oversight of the shadow banking system
- Further regulation and oversight of financial markets