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Mortgages and Housing in the Near and Long Term



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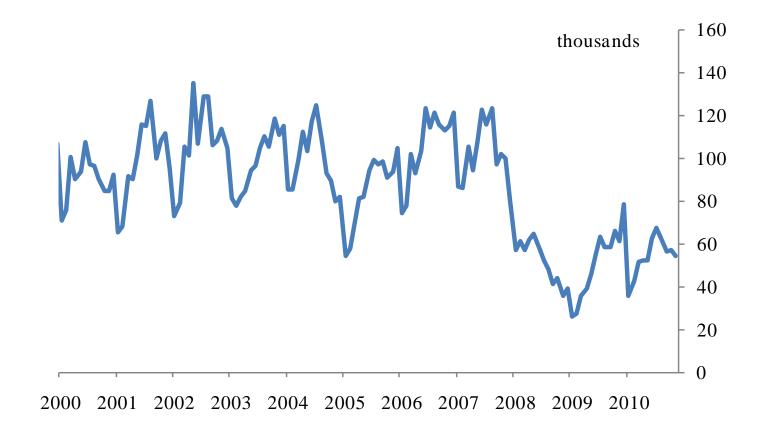


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Monthly Number of Houses Sold

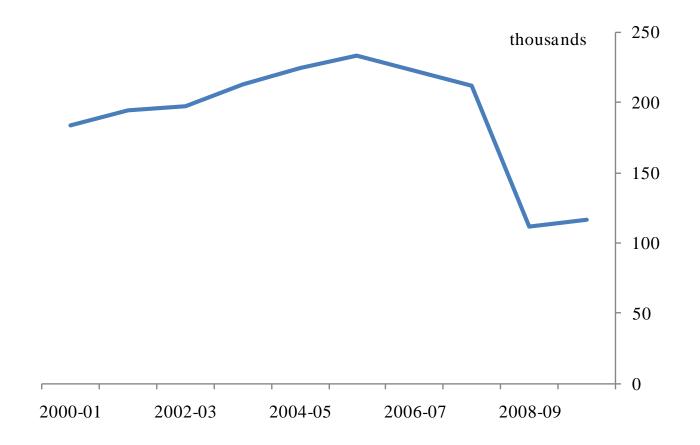




Source: HM Land Registry

Number of Housing Starts

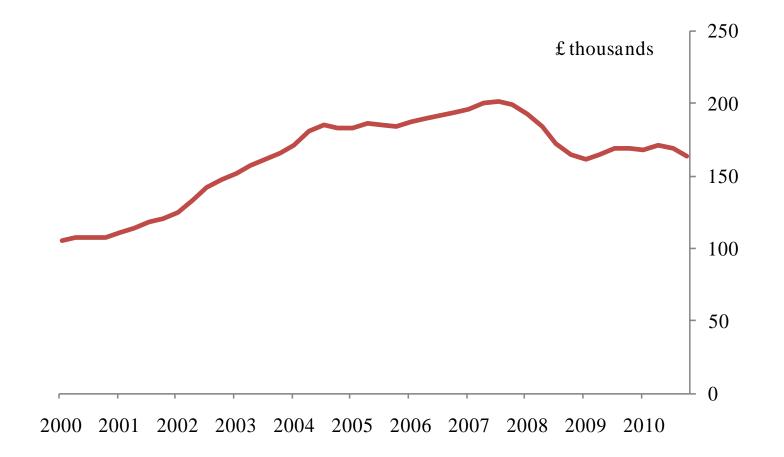




Source: DCLG

Real House Prices

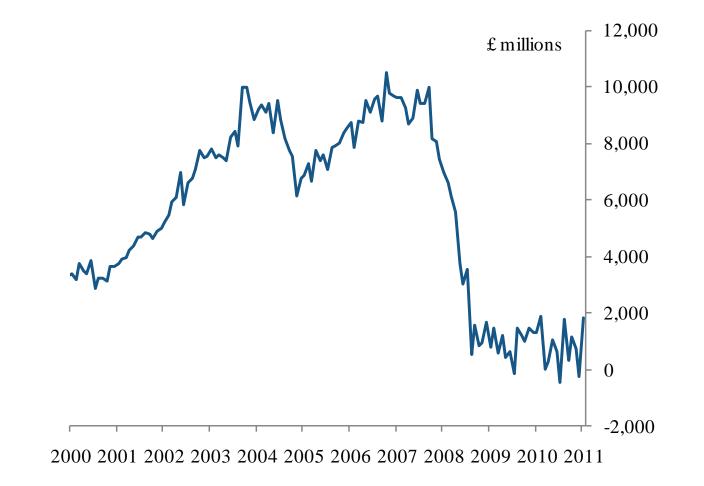




Source: *Nationwide* Note: Average nominal house prices deflated using the ONS Retail Price Index (RPI).

Net Flow of Mortgage Lending

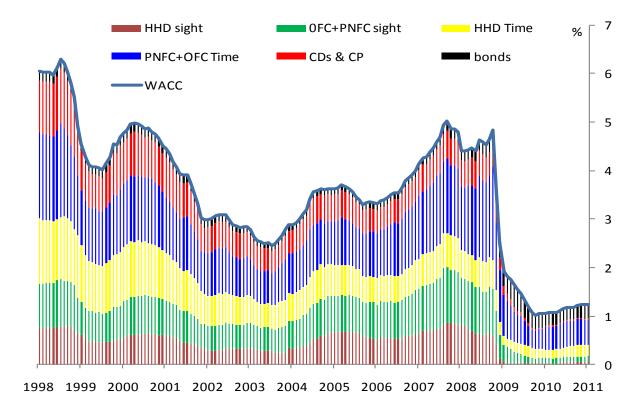




Source: Bank of England

Estimate of the Debt Funding Costs of UK Banks ⁽¹⁾



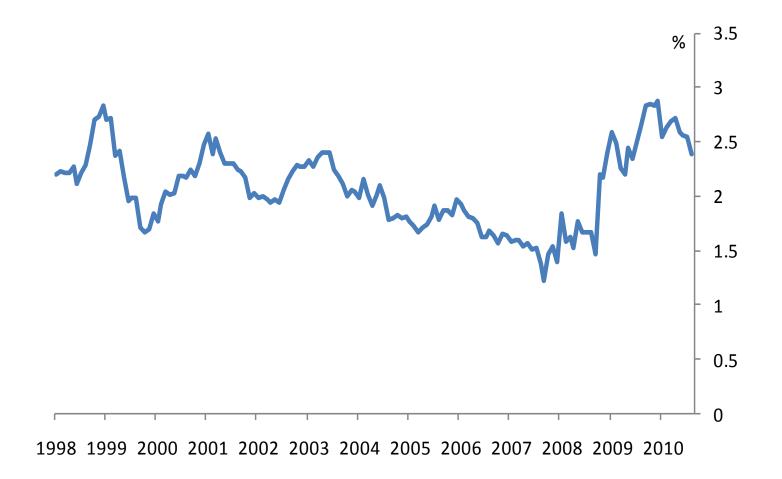


Source: Bank of England, Markit and own calculations

(1) I assume that banks' funding cost is a weighted average of the cost of several types of debt: sight deposits by households; sight deposits by private non-financial corporations (PNFC) and other financial corporations (OFC); time deposits by households; time deposits by PNFCs and OFCs; certificate of deposits and commercial paper; longer-term bonds. The weights for these different sources of funding reflect their relative size on MFIs balance sheet. I approximate the cost of each funding source by using the following interest rates series: Bank of England data on households; 1-year Libor for time deposits by PNFCs and OFCs; 3-month Libor for CDs and commercial paper; the yield on the Markit iBoxx Sterling Bank Senior Bond index for longer-dated bonds.

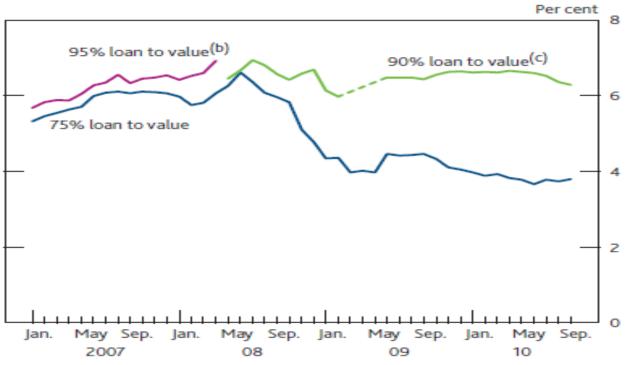
Spread of Quoted Tracker Mortgages over Reference Rates





Source: Bank of England and Bank calculations

Quoted Interest Rates on Two-Year Fixed-Rate Mortgages

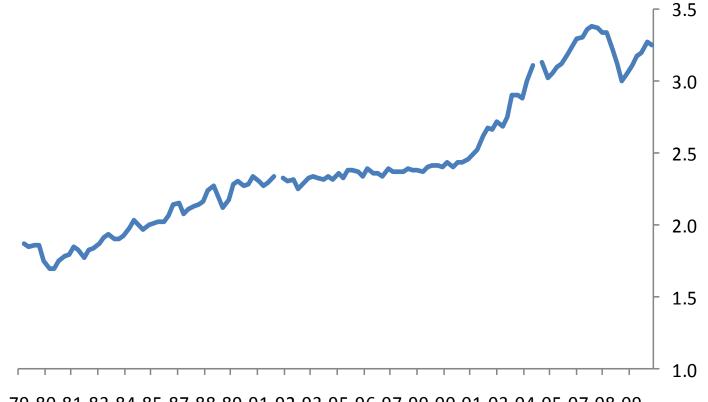


- (a) Sterling only. The Bank's quoted interest rates series is currently compiled using data from up to 23 UK monetary financial institutions. End-month rates. Non seasonally adjusted.
- (b) Series finishes in April 2008, as thereafter only two or fewer products are offered.
- (c) Series is only available on a consistent basis back to May 2008, as earlier periods require a greater degree of estimation, and is not published for March-May 2009 as only two or fewer products were offered in that period.

Source: Bank of England

Median LTI for First Time Buyers



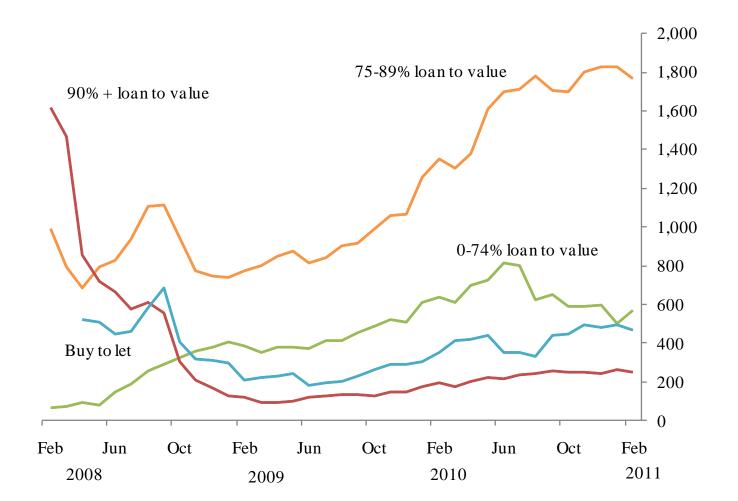


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Number of Mortgage Products Available by Loan to Value Ratio^(a)

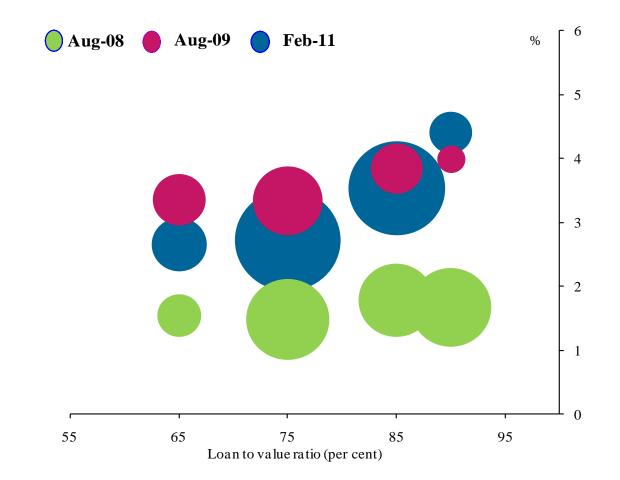




Source: Moneyfacts Group and Bank calculations ^(a): Sterling only. Excludes self-certified mortgages.

Floating Rate Mortgage Spreads and Product Availability Across LTV Ratios^{(a)(b)}



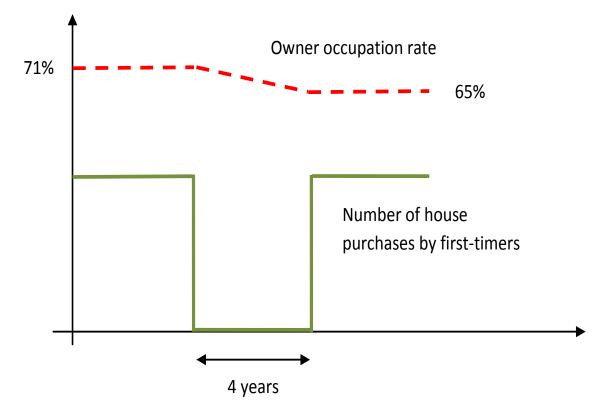


Source: Moneyfacts and Bank calculations

(a): End-month advertised rates for products with different LTV ratios.

(b): The size of the bubble reflects product availability. The spread is calculated over Bank Rate at the end-month for the relevant period. The first observation on the left is for products up to 65 LTV, the second is for products in the 66-75% range, the third is for products in the 76-85% range and the final observation on the right is for products above 86%

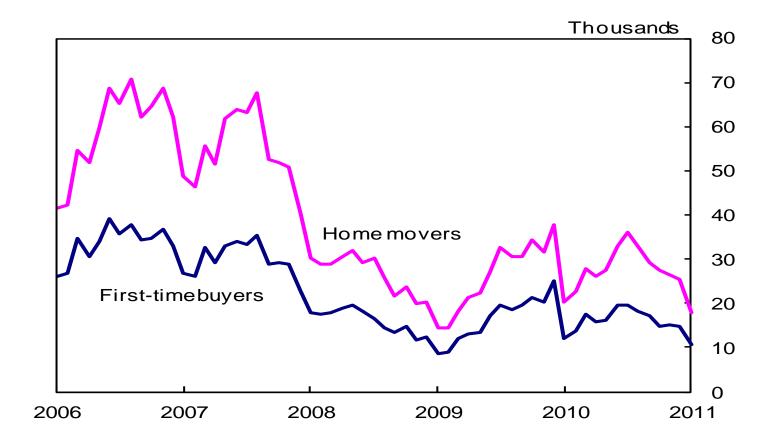




Source: own calculations

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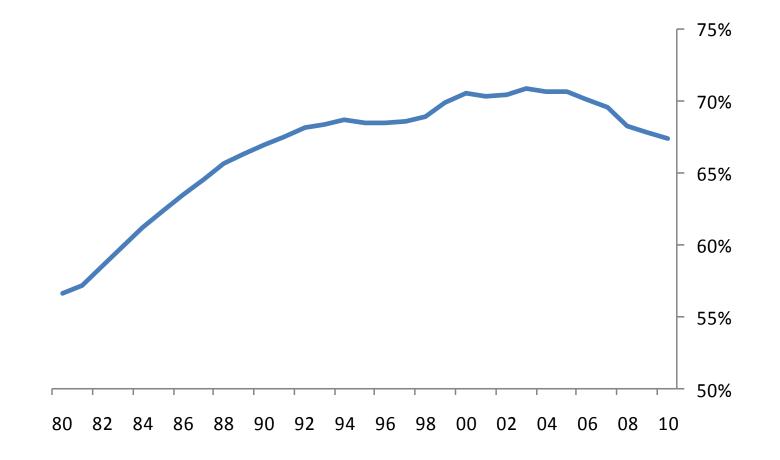
Number of Loans to First-Time Buyers and Home Movers



Source: CML

Share of Owner-Occupied Housing





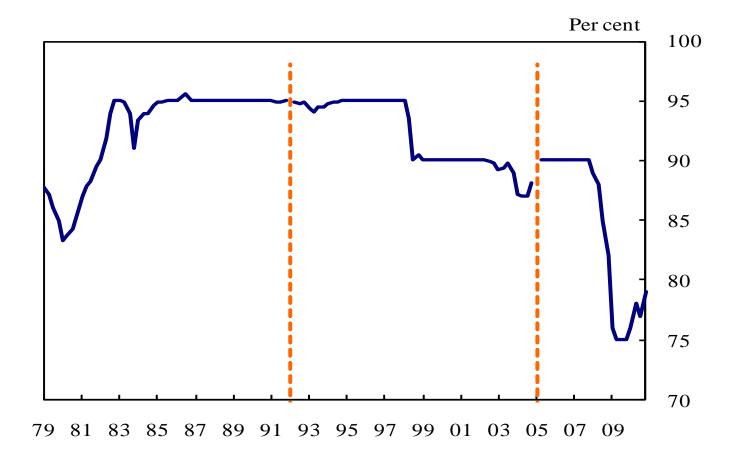
Source: English Housing Survey 2009/2010



| | FTBs aged under 30 who required financial assistance (% of FTBs aged under 30) | FTBs aged under 30 who required financial assistance (% of all FTBs) |
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| 2005 (Q2-4) | 38% | 20% |
| 2006 | 41% | 22% |
| 2007 | 47% | 26% |
| 2008 | 61% | 34% |
| 2009 | 84% | 47% |
| 2010 (Jan-Oct) | 84% | 45% |

Median LTV Ratio of First-Time Buyers





Source: CML Note: The vertical dashed lines represent breaks in the series.