

Economics 302 (Sec. 001)
Intermediate Macroeconomic
Theory and Policy
(Spring 2010)

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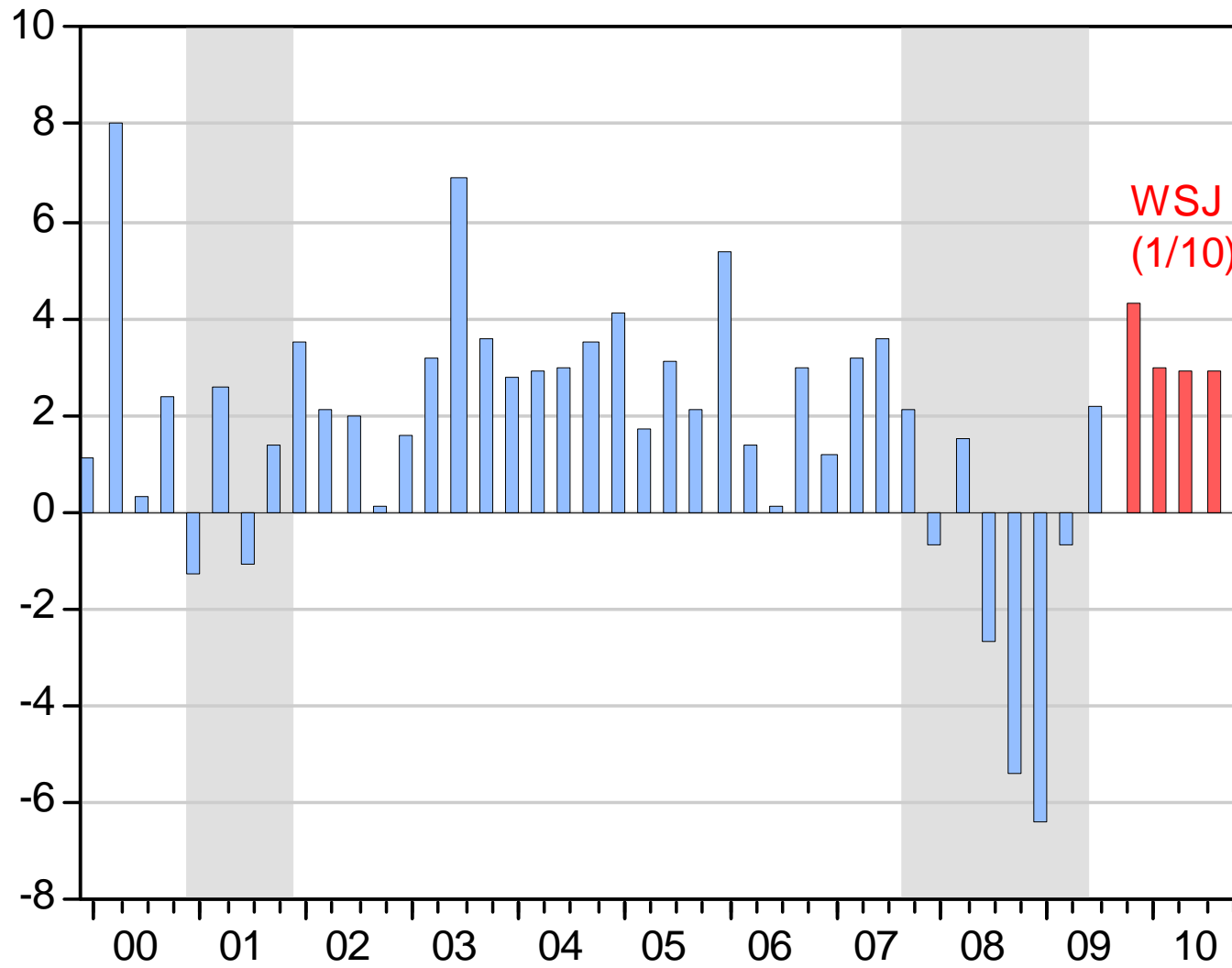
Administrative Issues

- Course website:
http://www.ssc.wisc.edu/~mchinn/web302_s10.html
- OH: M 1-2, 4-5, 7418 Soc Sci
- Textbook: Hall & Papell, *Macroeconomics*
- Additional Readings: from WWW, Econbrowser, CBO, *Economic Report of President*
- *NYT, FT, WSJ, Economist*

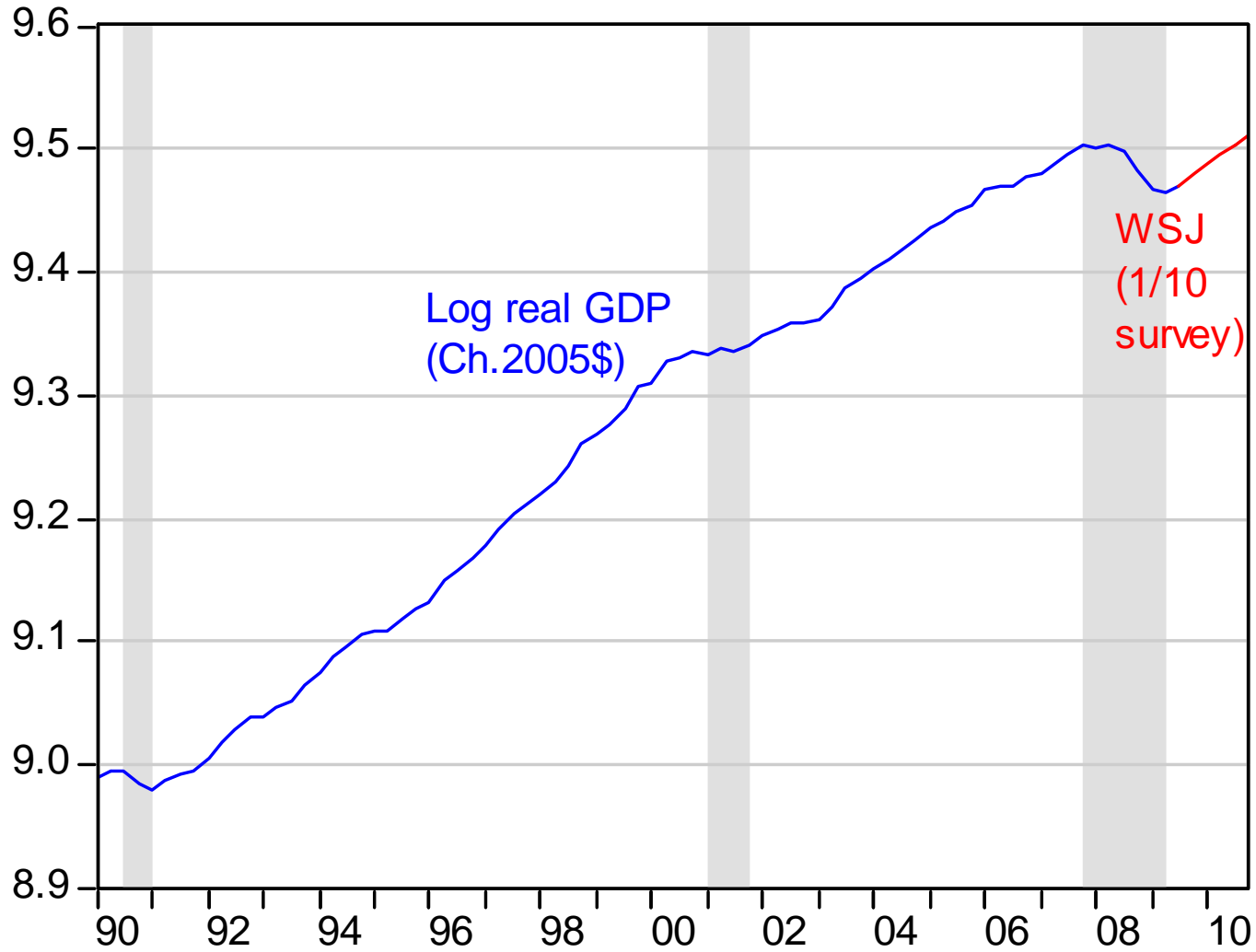
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- Grading: 20% PS, 50% 2×MTs, 30% Final
- Dates:
 - MT1 on Wed, 2/24
 - MT2 on Mon, 4/5
 - **Final on Mon. 5/10, 5:05PM** (note correction)
- Make-ups: **None**. Points are re-allocated *if* you have a legitimate excuse. **No** late assignments accepted (must be handed in during lecture)

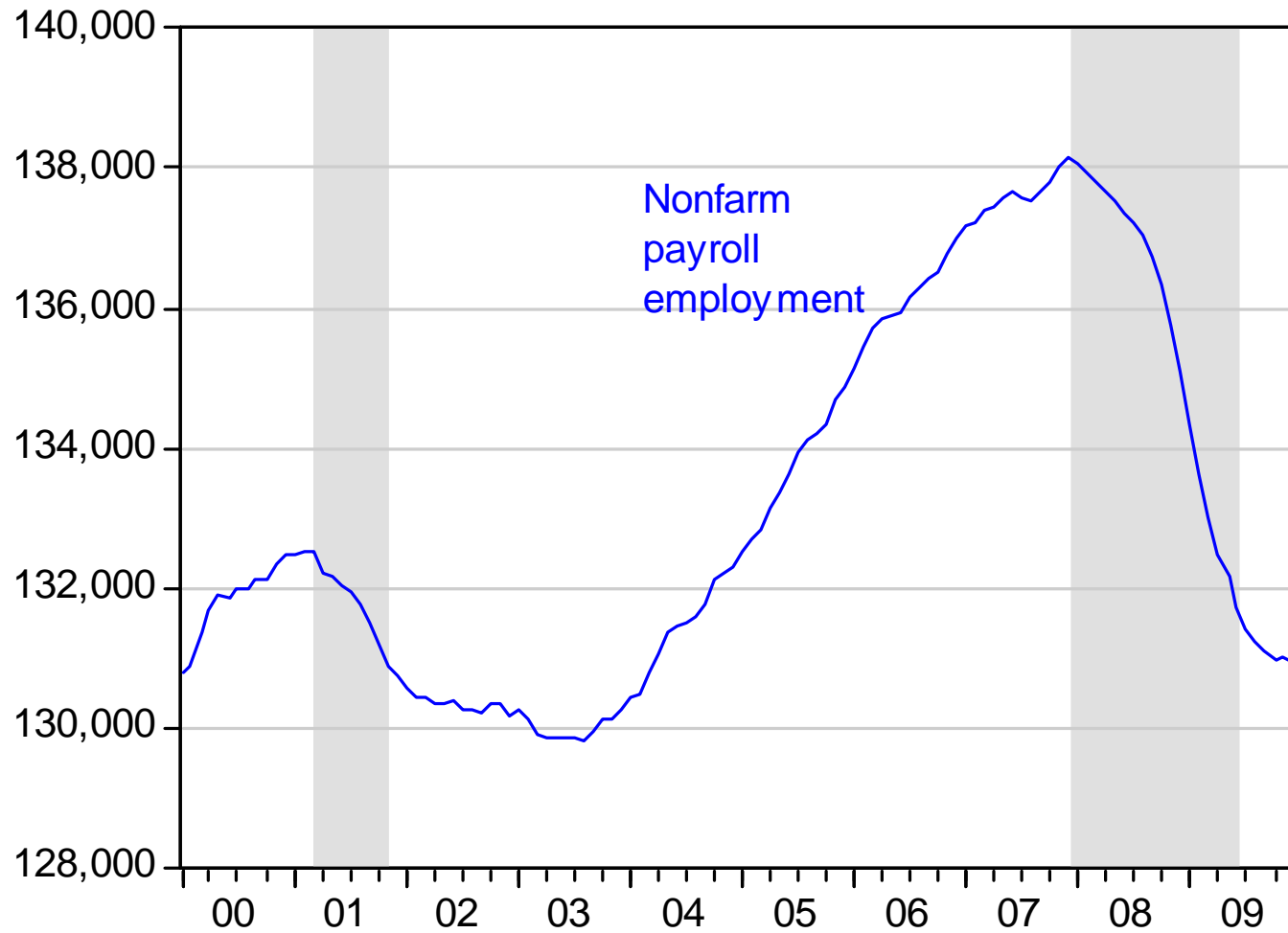
Context: GDP Growth



GDP (log levels)



Employment



Unemployment Rate



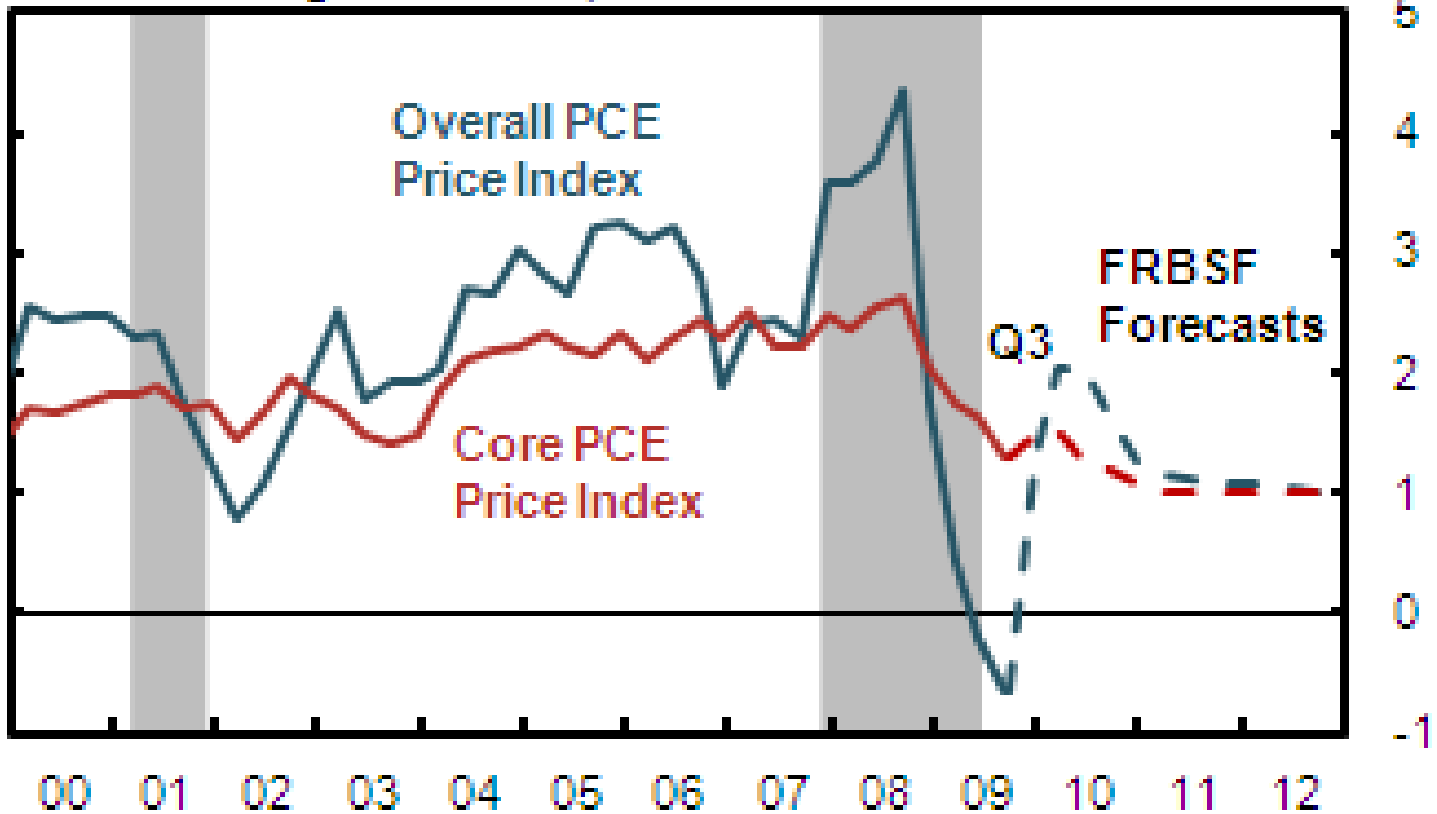
Inflation

Inflation subdued

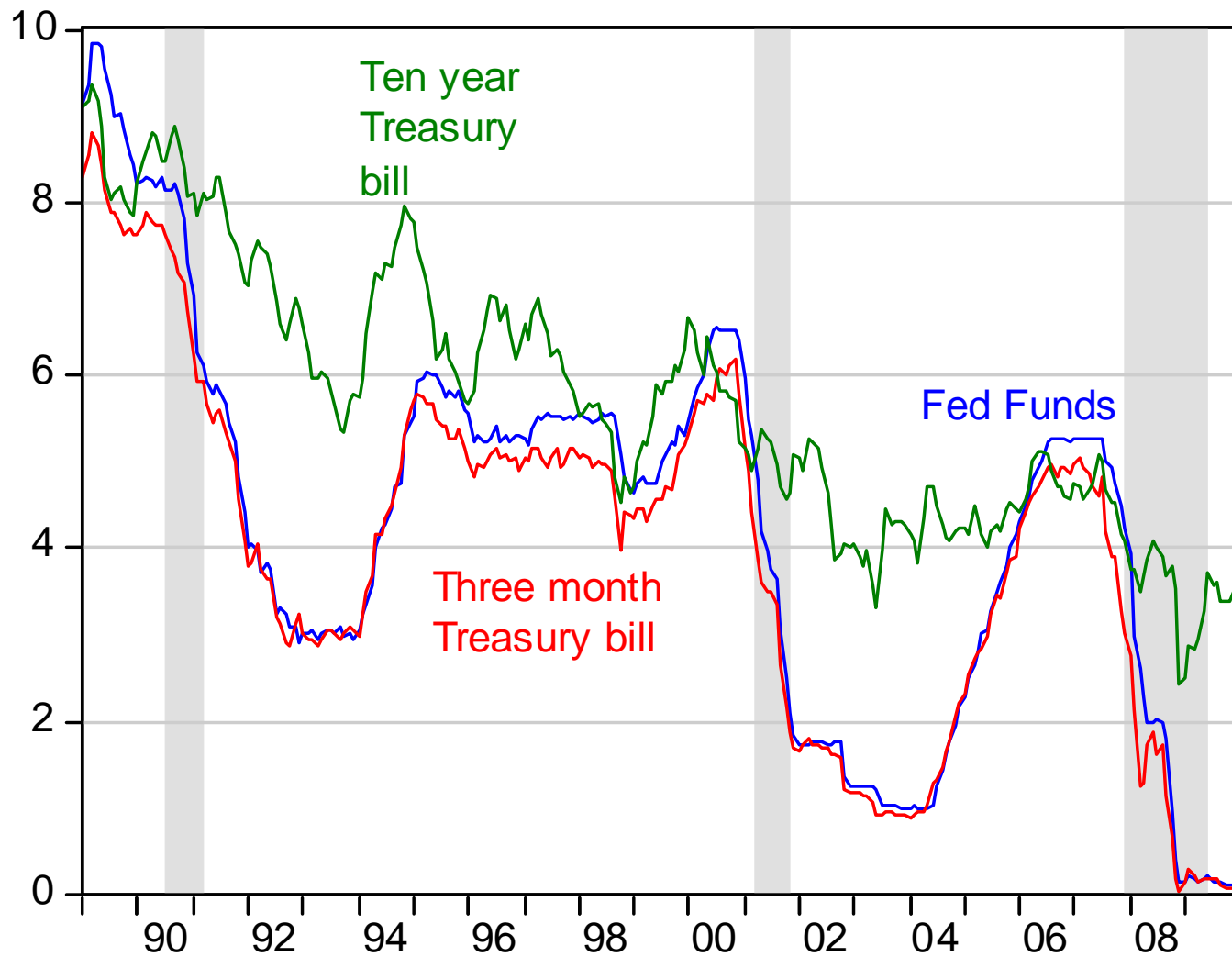
PCE Price Inflation

Percent change from four quarters earlier

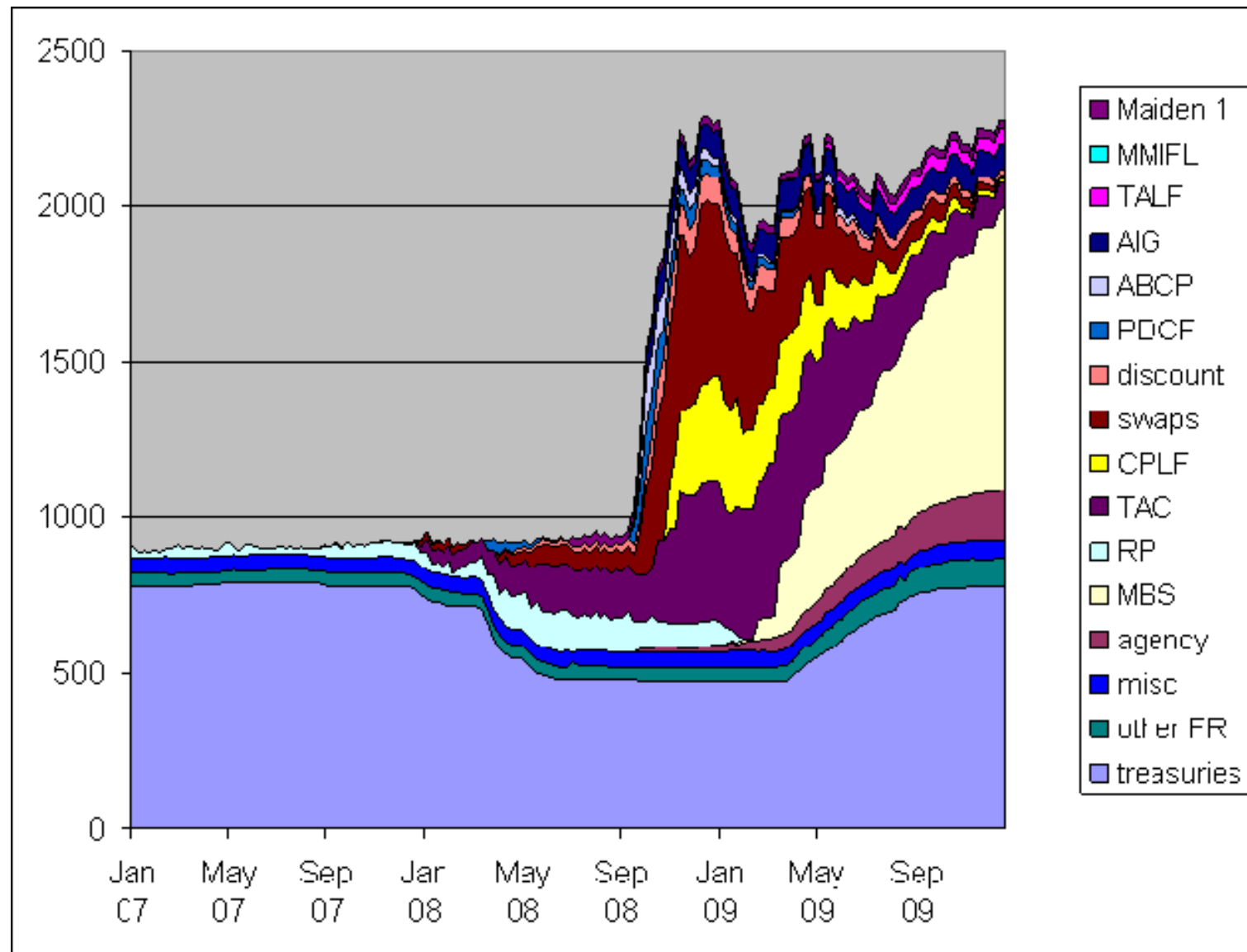
Percent



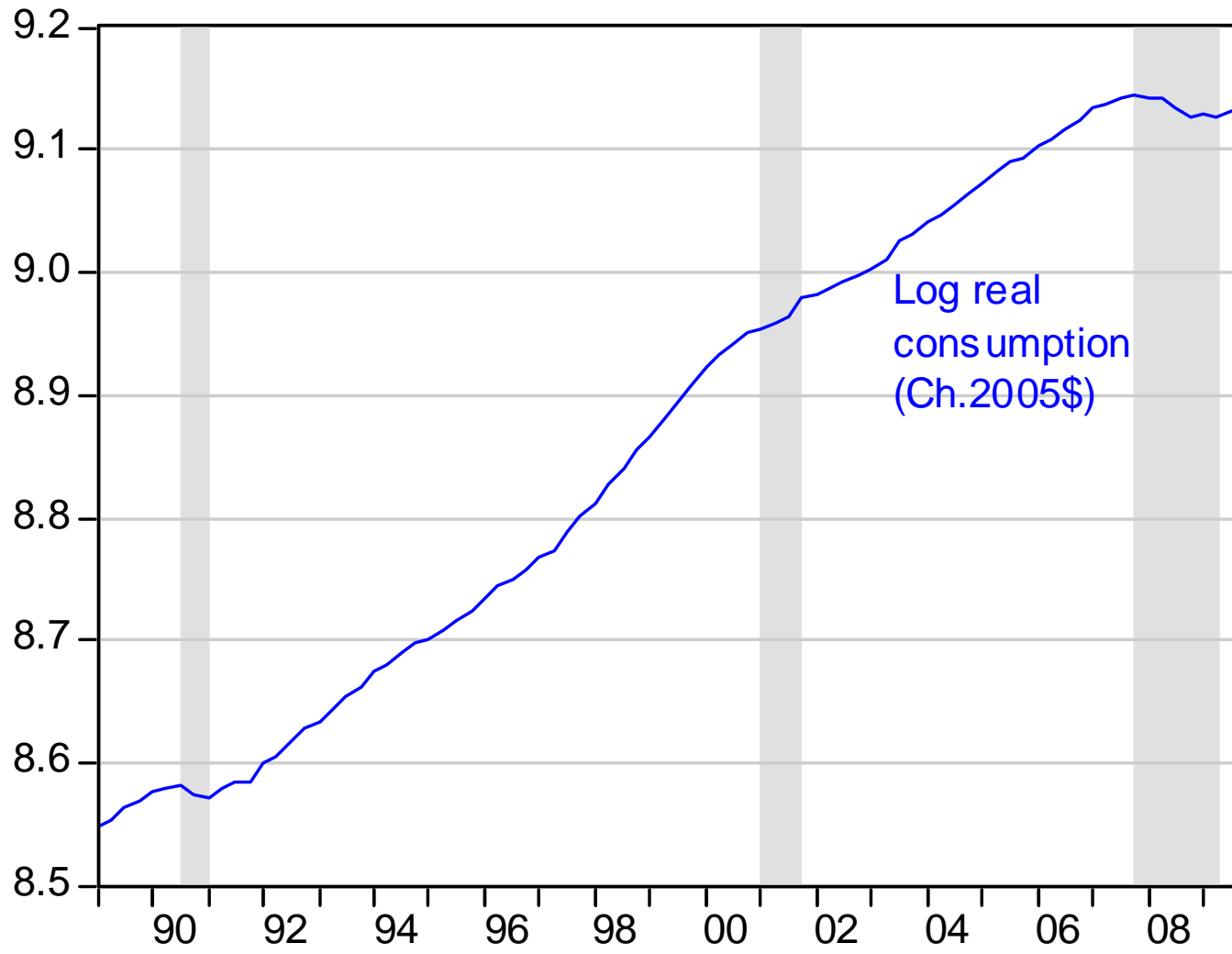
Monetary Policy



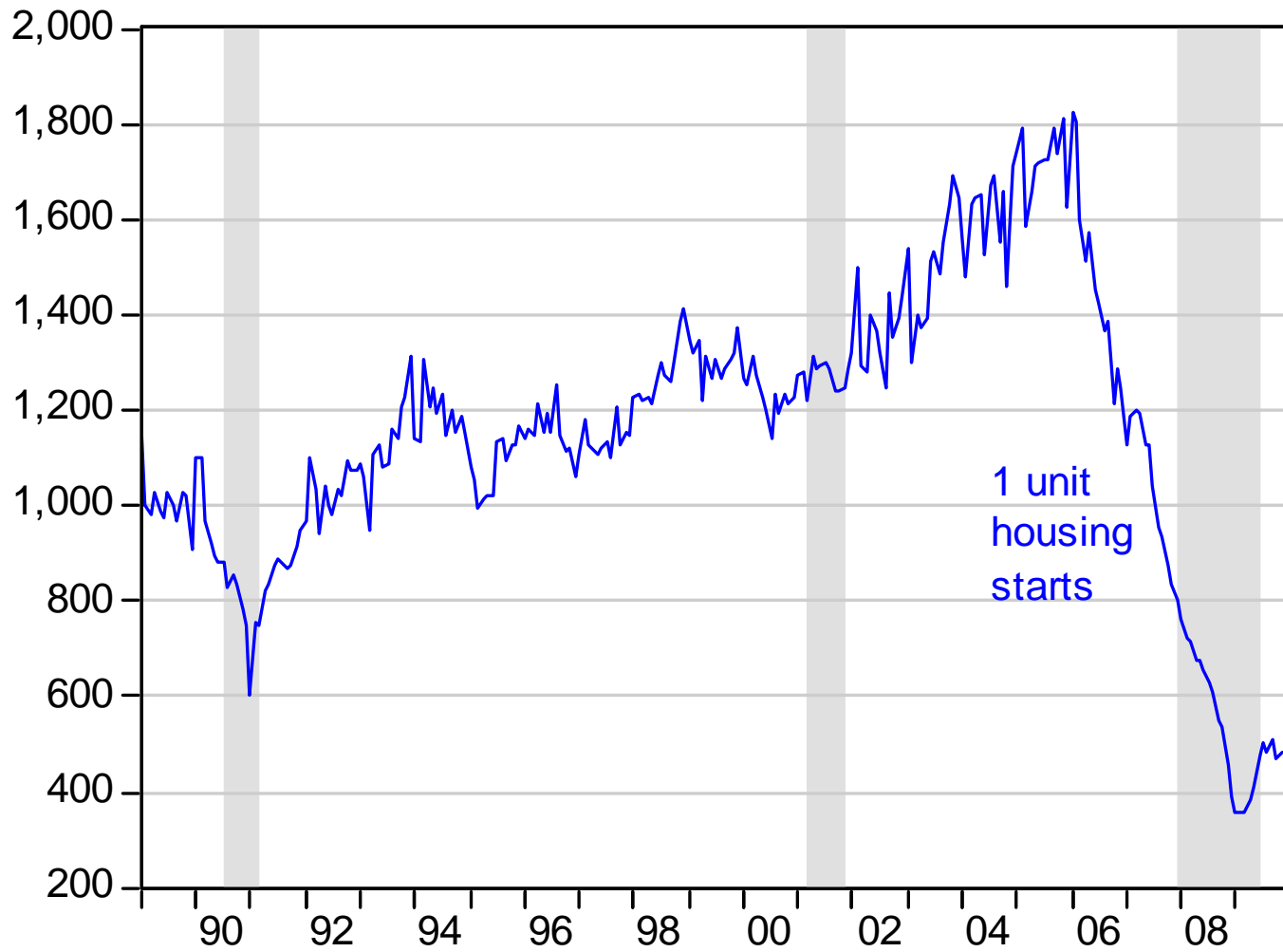
Monetary Policy/Credit Easing



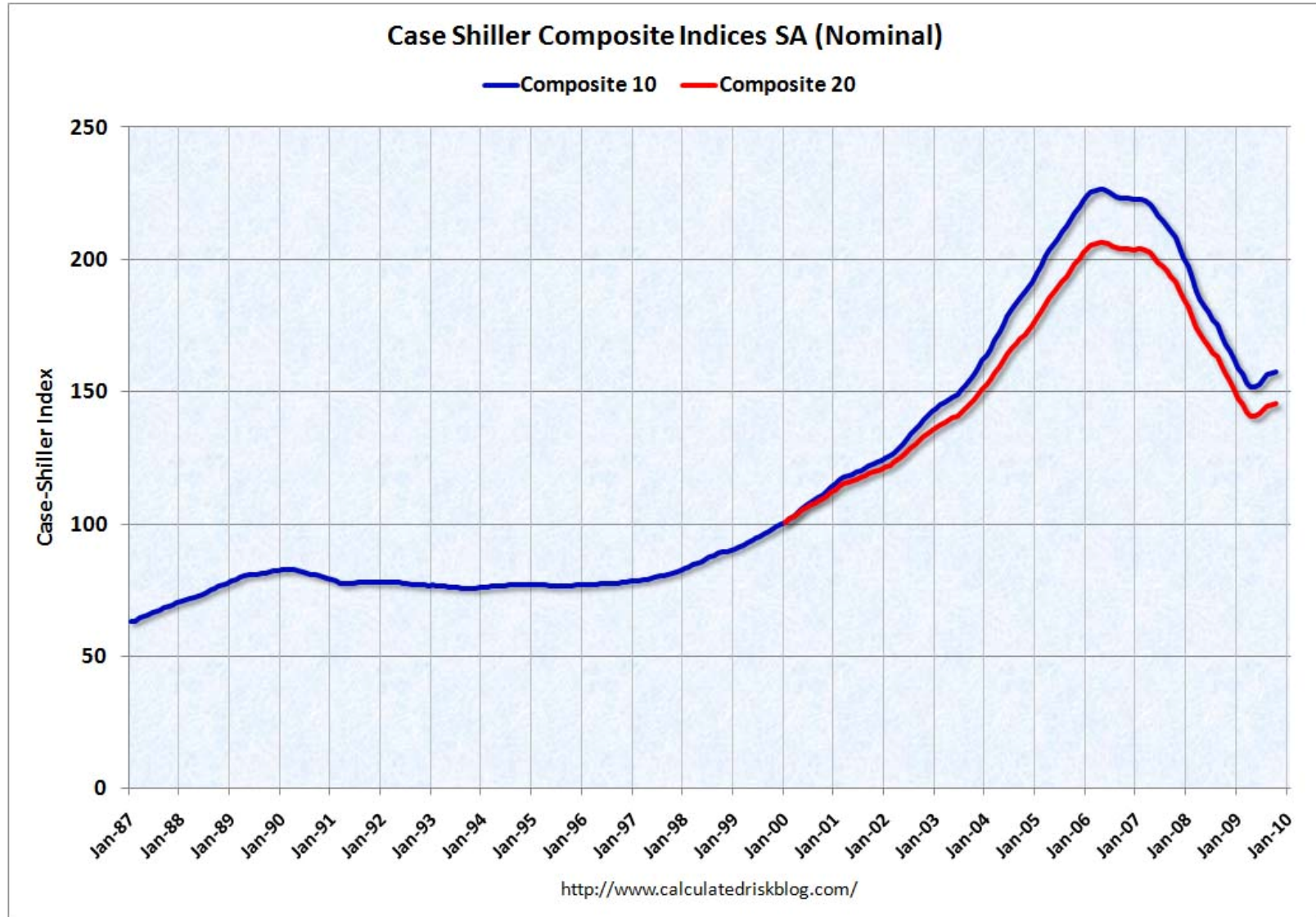
Consumption



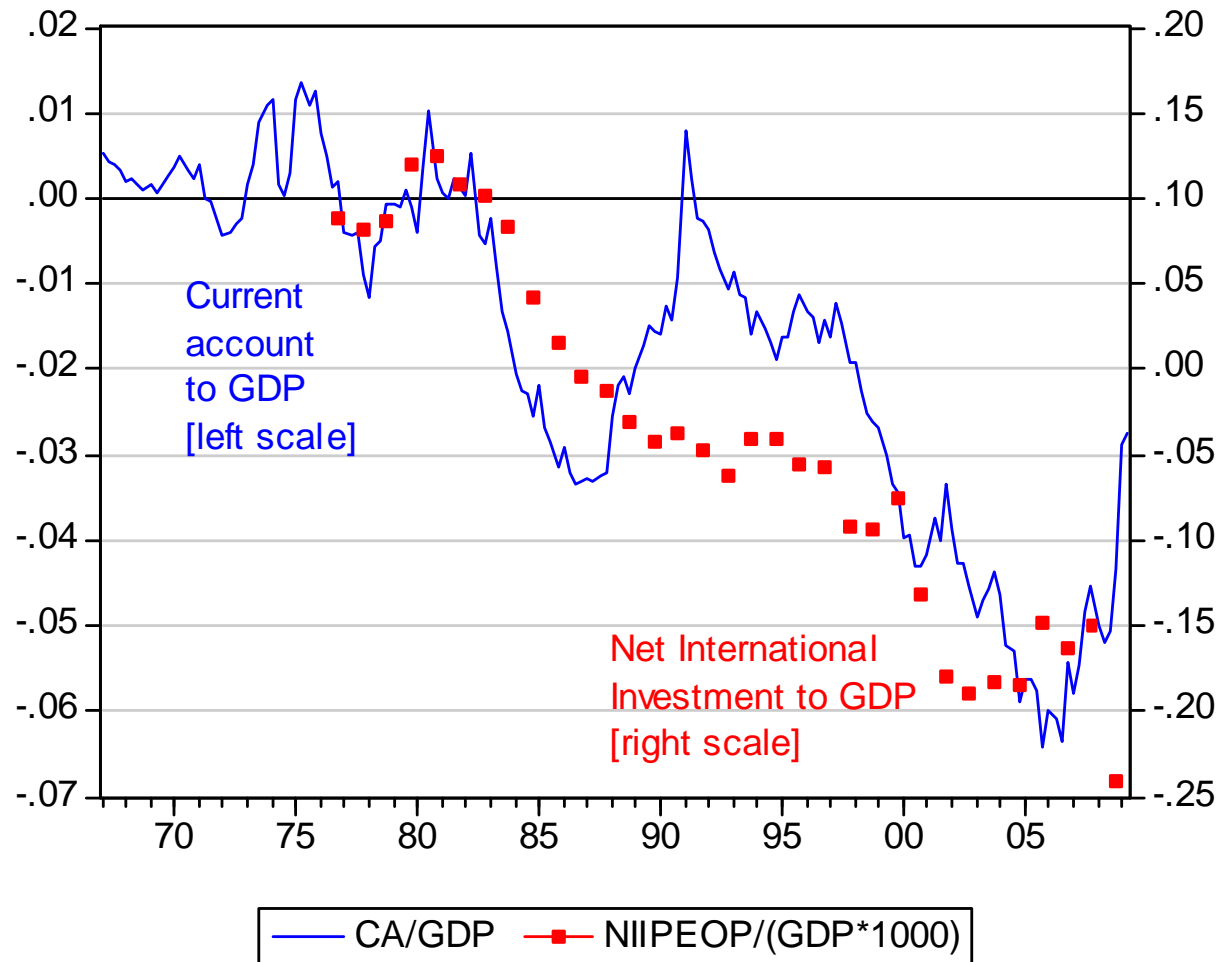
Housing Construction



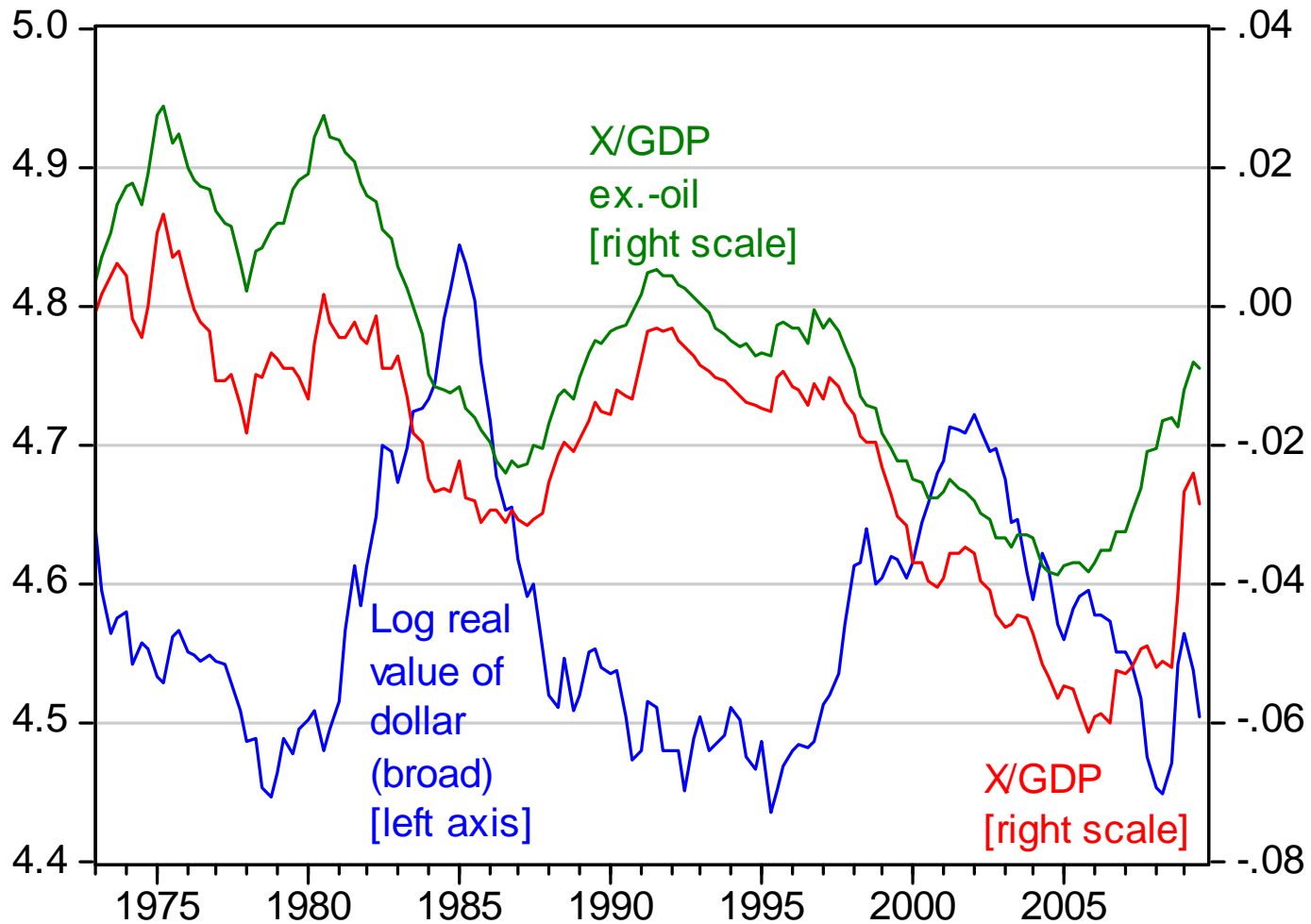
House Prices



Current Account, Net Debt



Net Exports and the Dollar



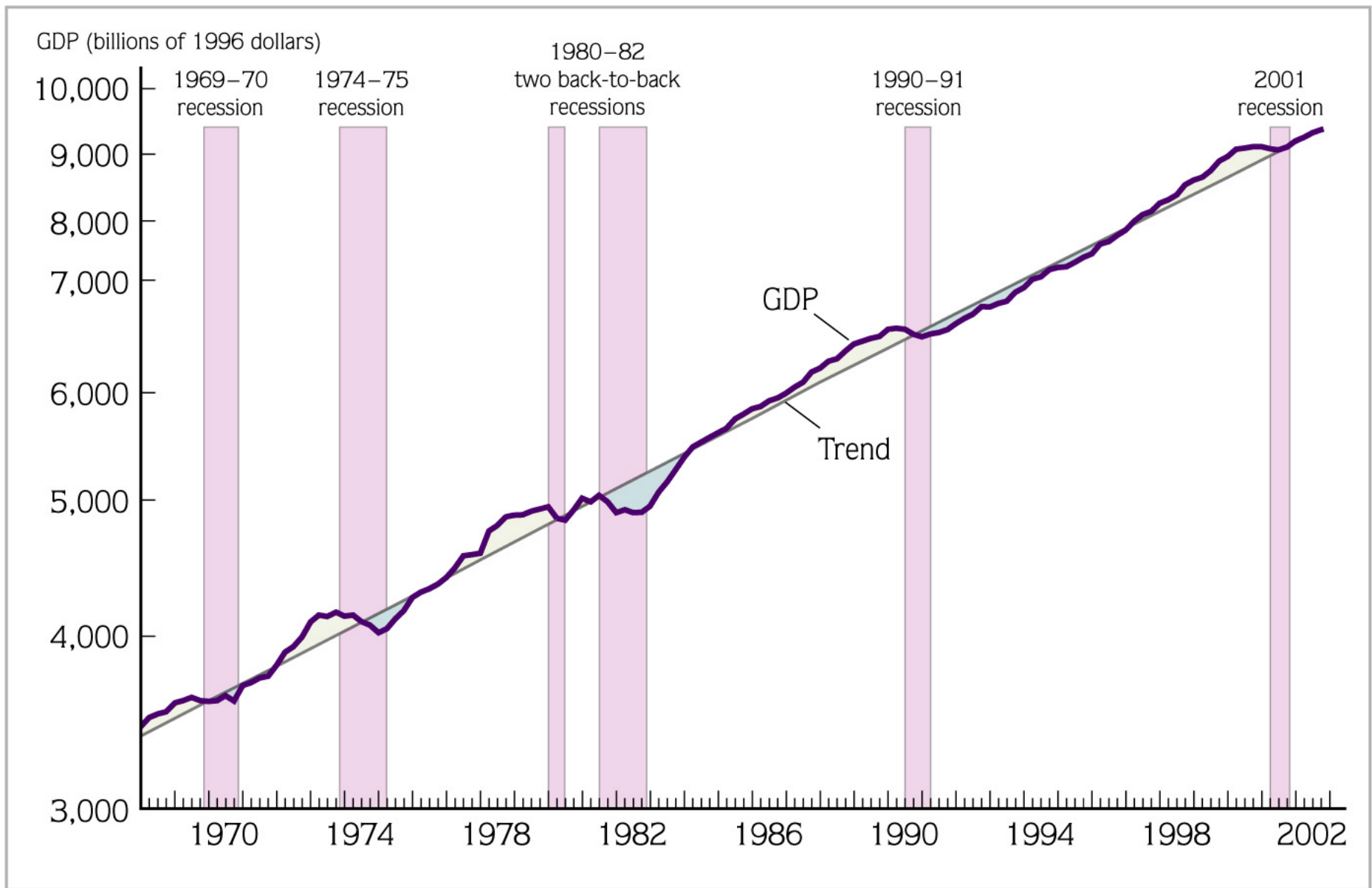


FIGURE 1.1 Real GDP in the United States, 1968–2002

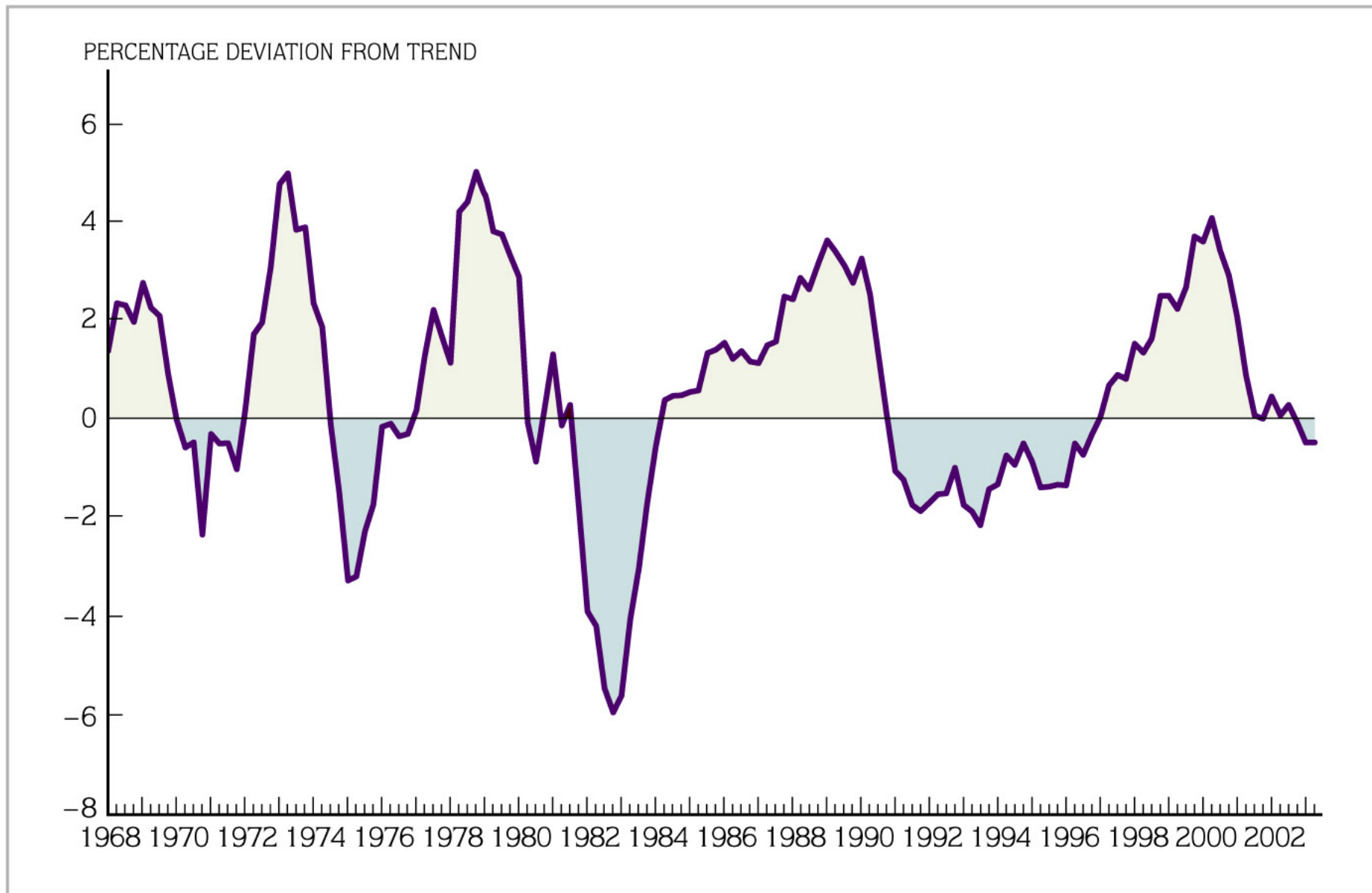


FIGURE 1.2 Fluctuations of Real GDP Around Its Smooth Trend

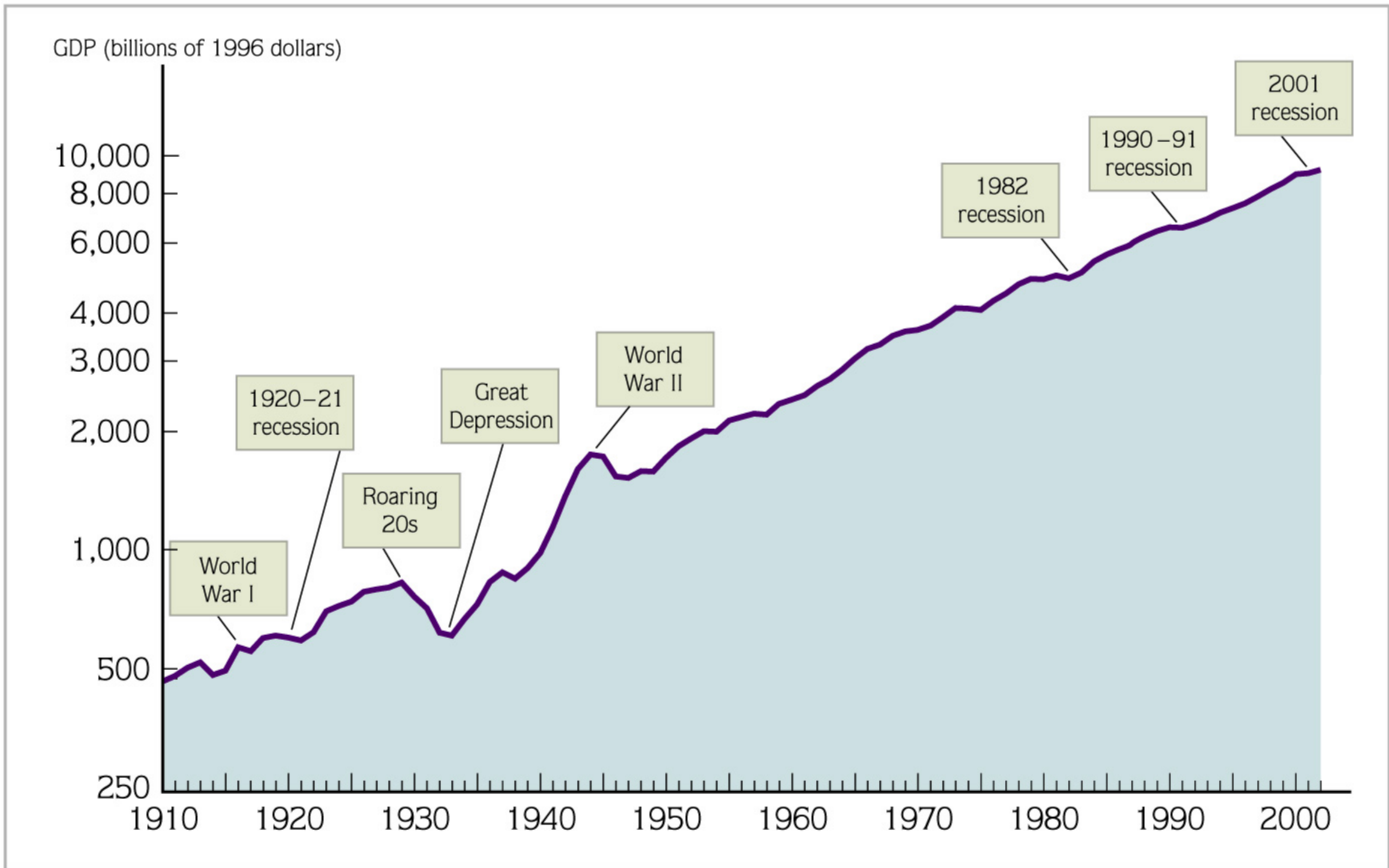


FIGURE 1.3 Real GDP, 1910–2002

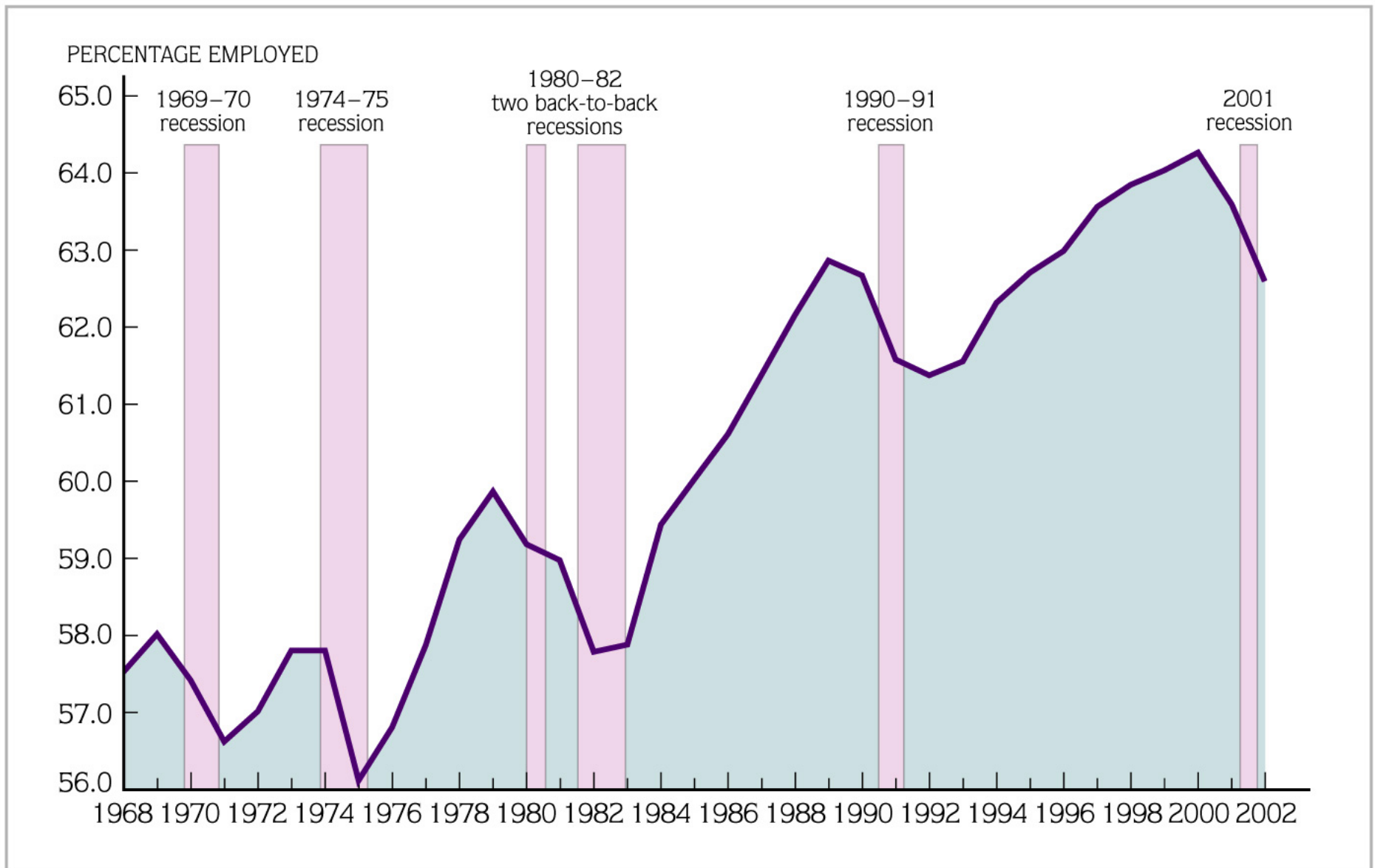


FIGURE 1.4 Employment as a Percentage of the Working-Age Population

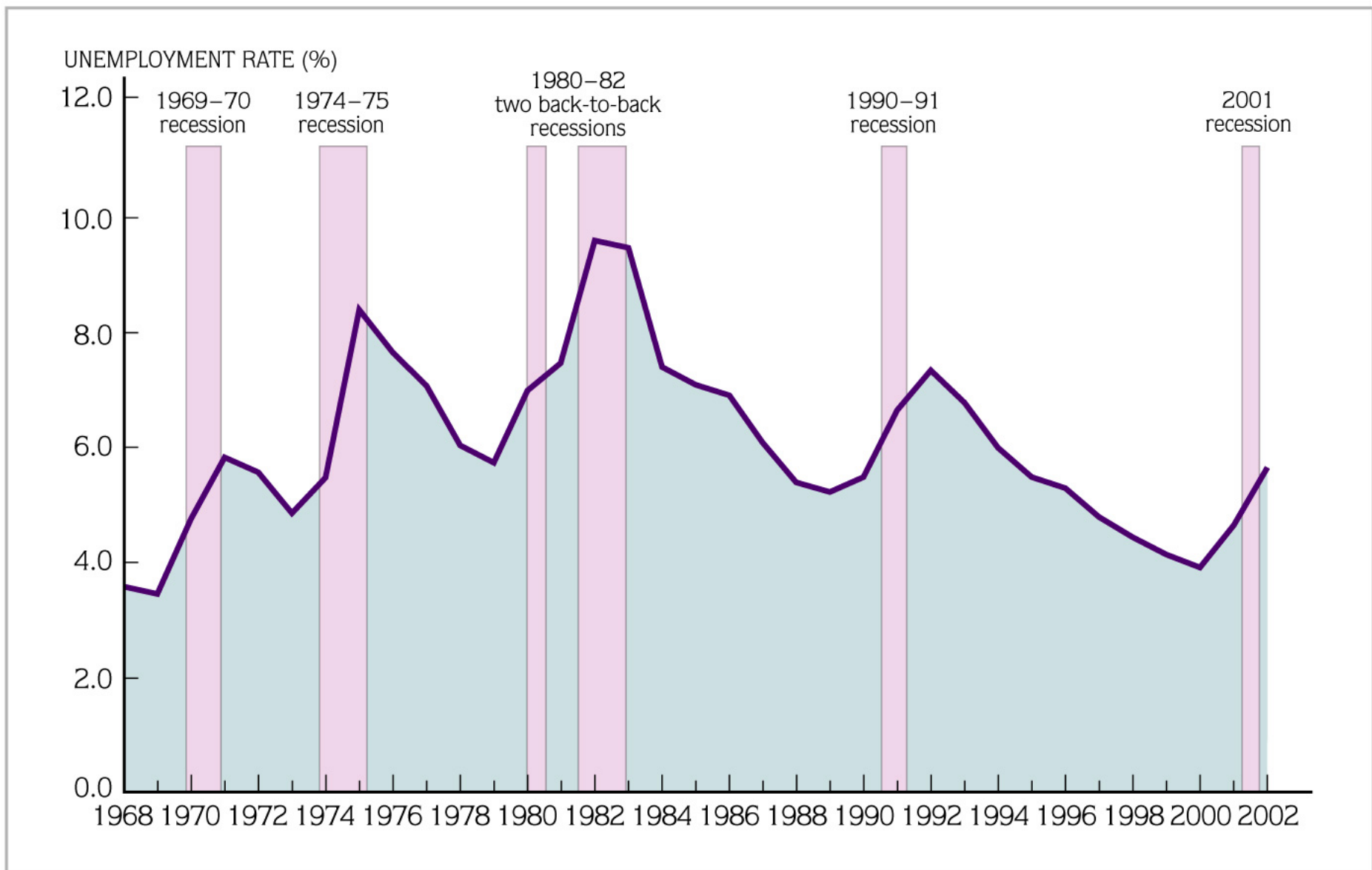


FIGURE 1.5 The Unemployment Rate

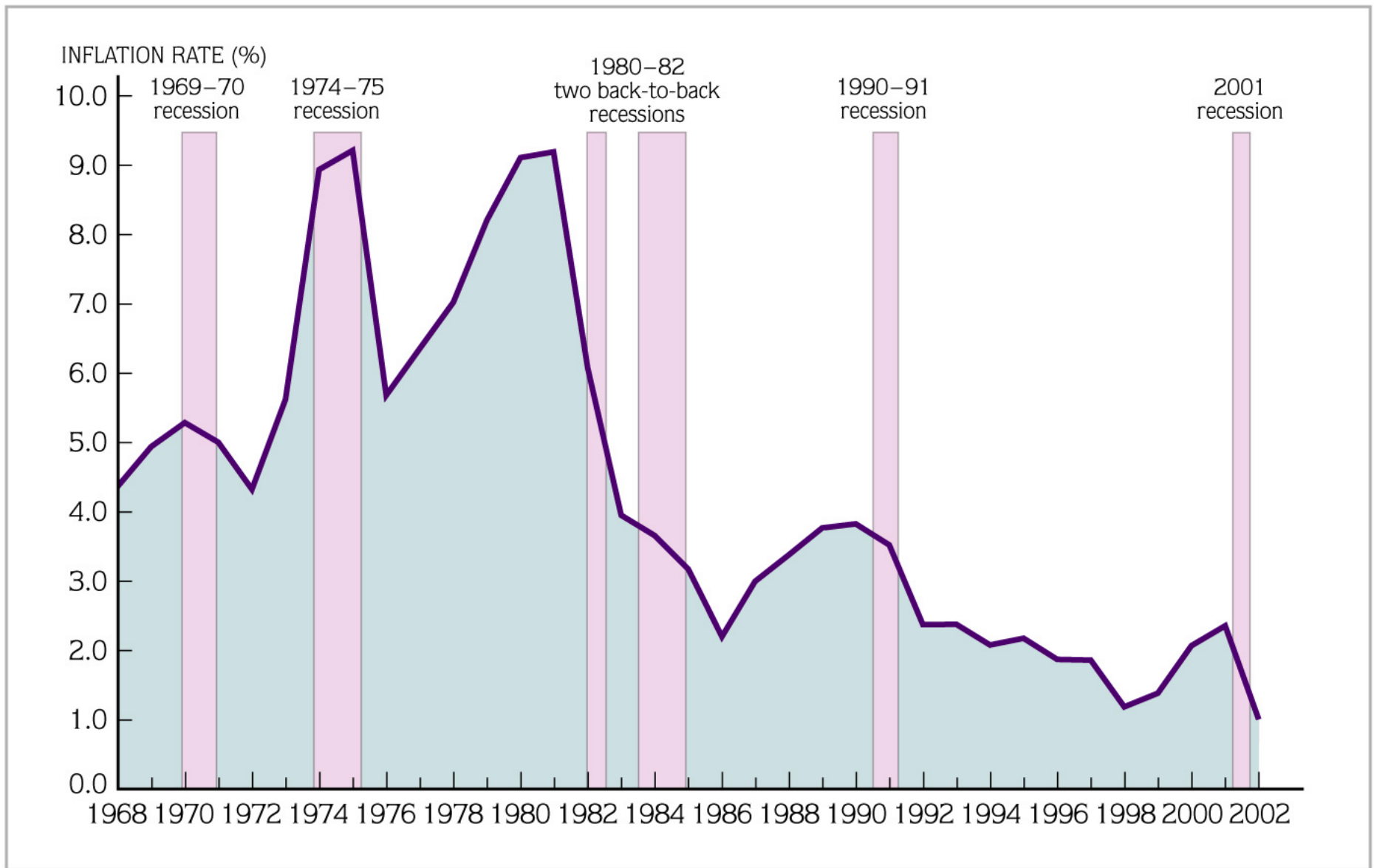


FIGURE 1.6 The Rate of Inflation

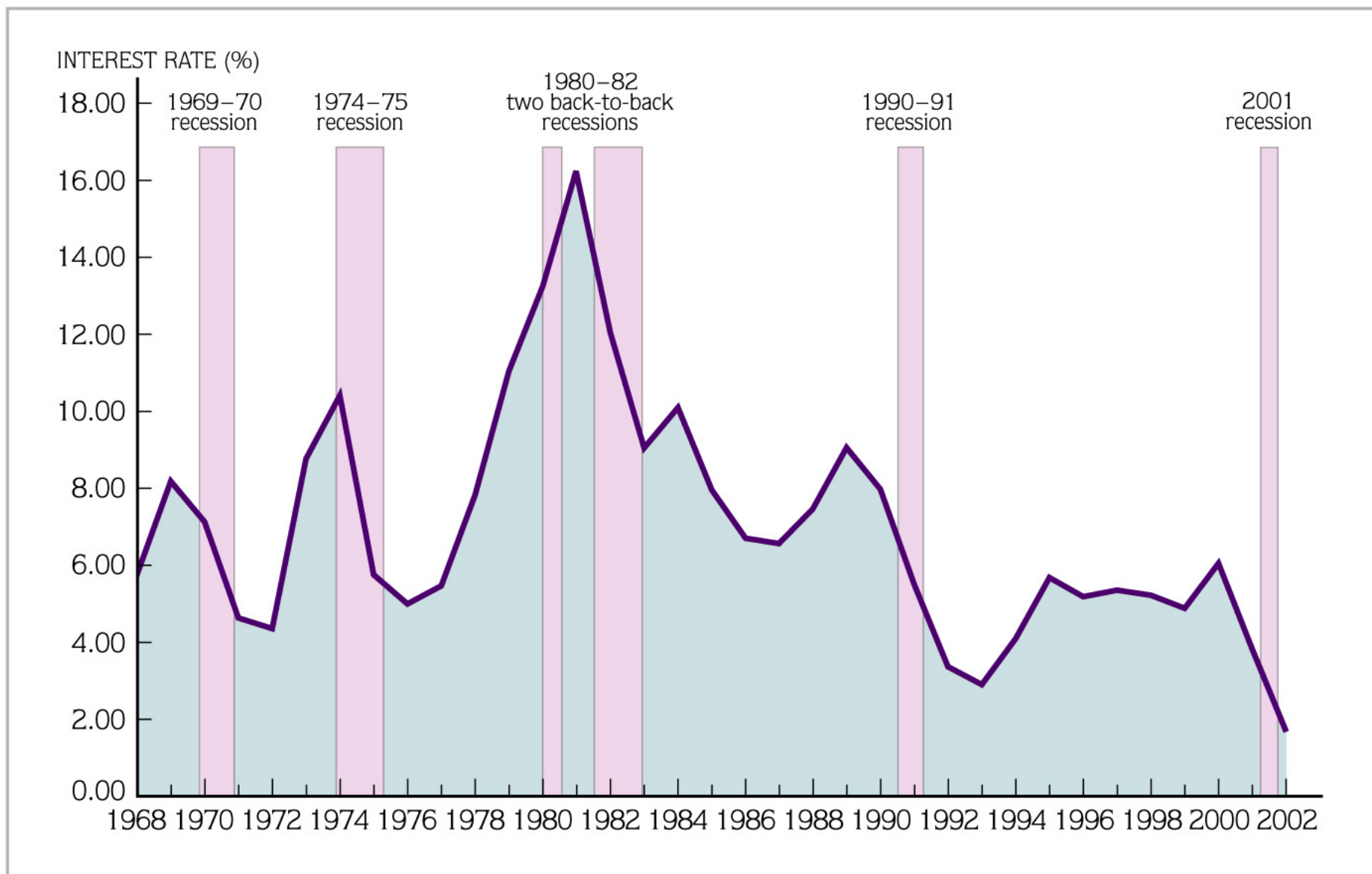


FIGURE 1.7 The Federal Funds Interest Rate

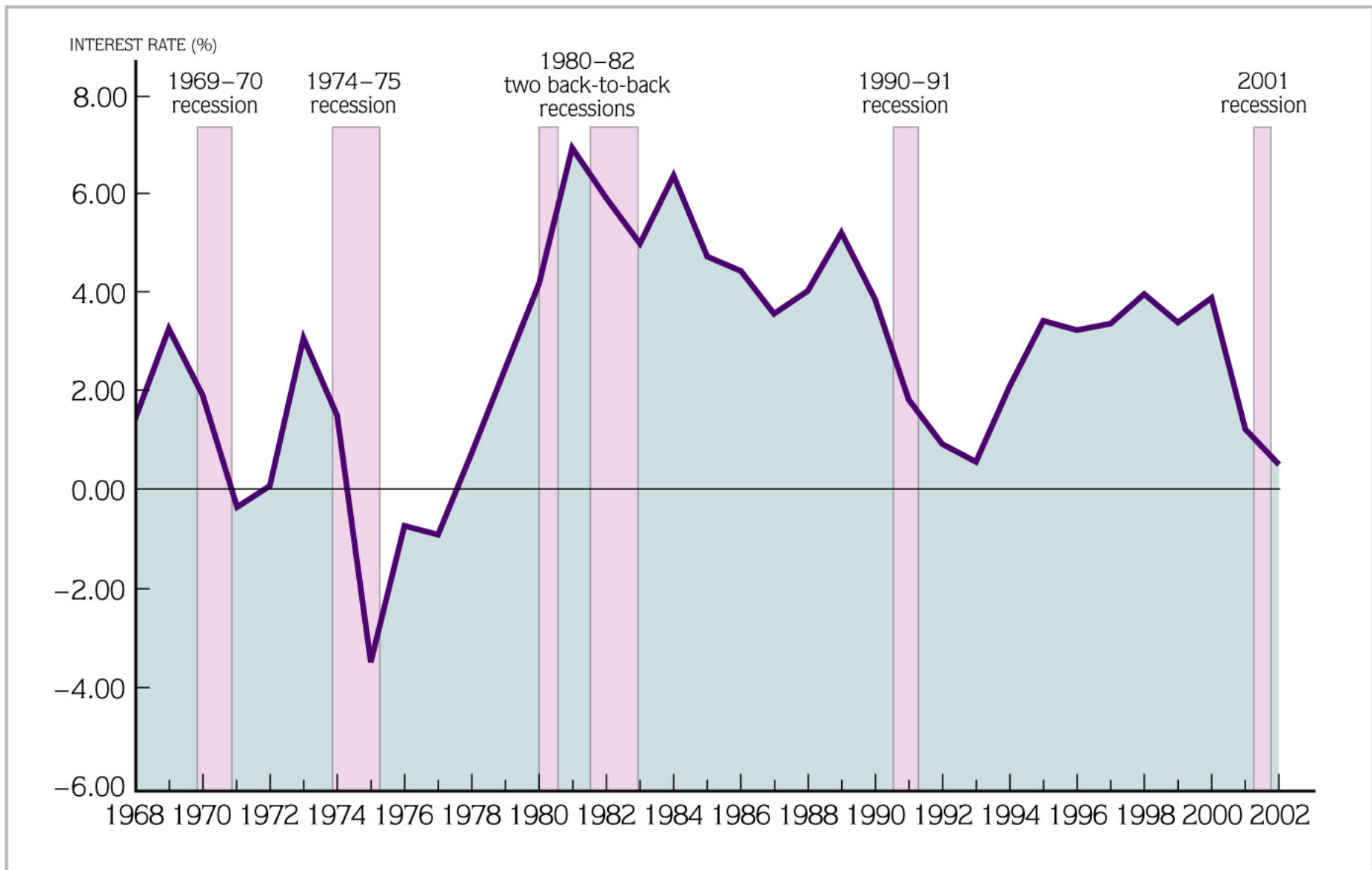


FIGURE 1.8 The Real Interest Rate

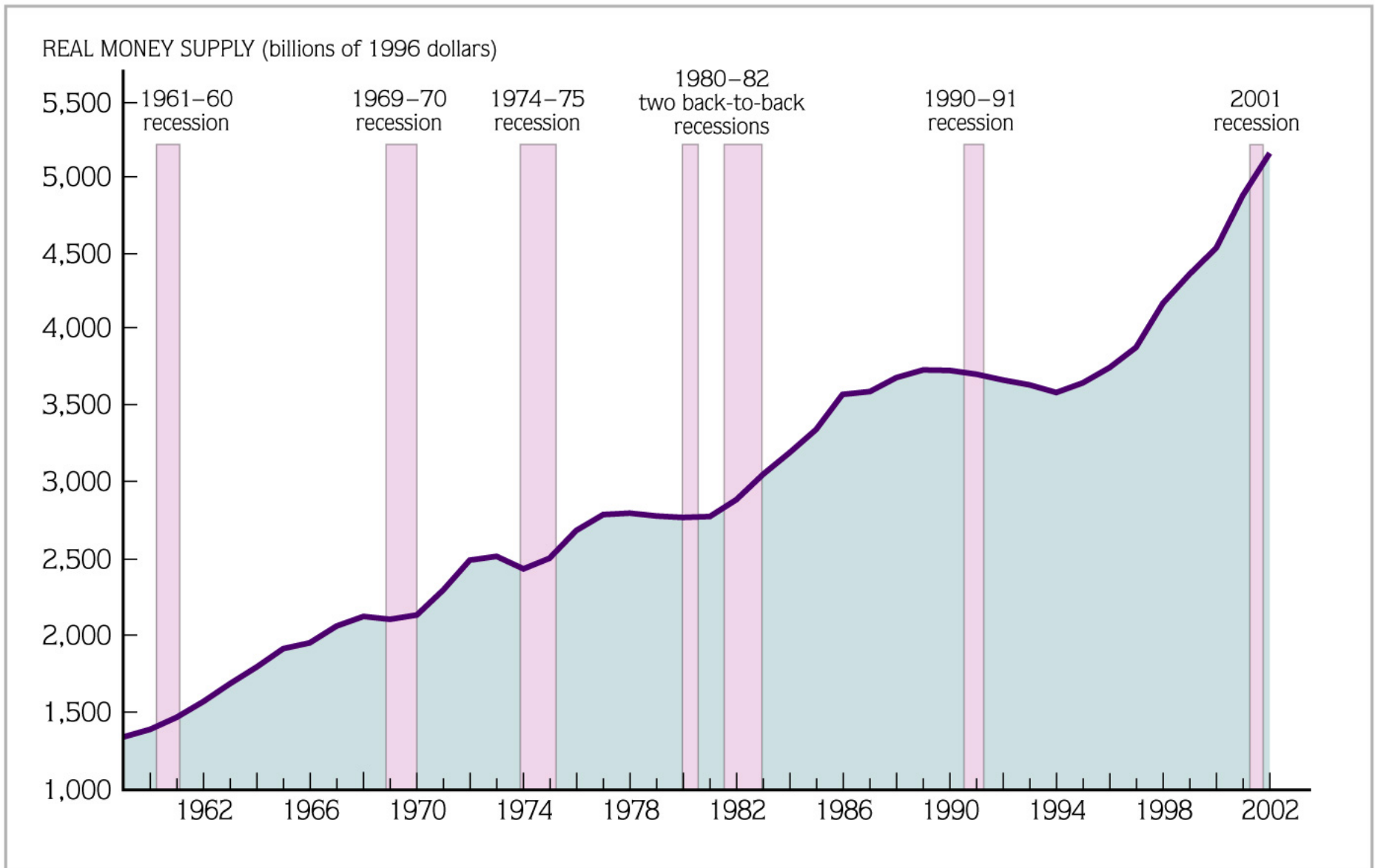


FIGURE 1.9 The Money Supply