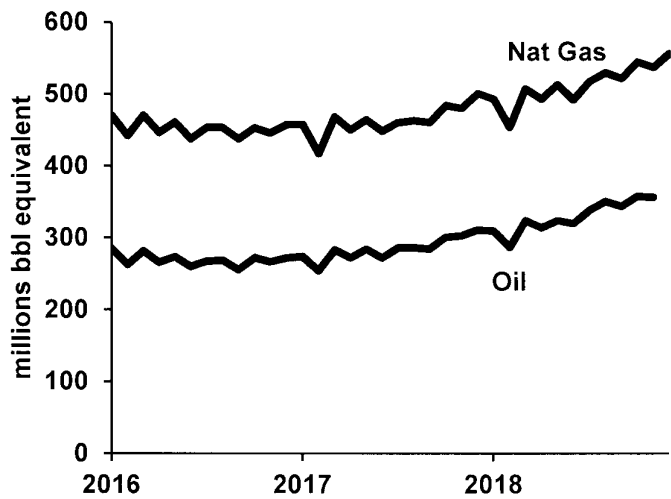


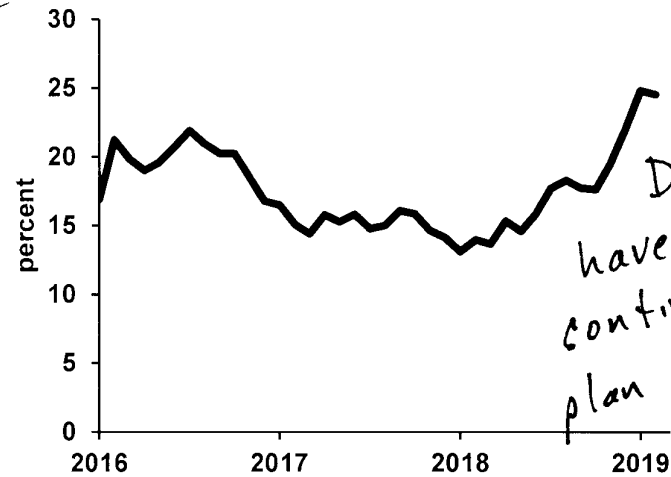
U.S. Oil & Nat. Gas Production



Production gains despite lower prices

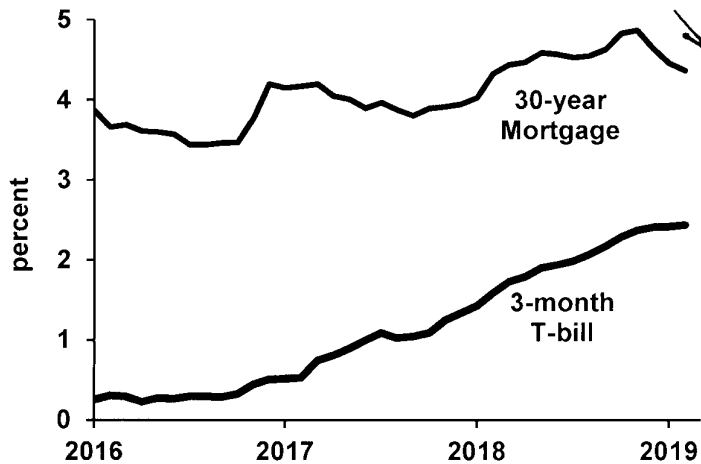
Risk of Recession

The Wall Street Journal survey



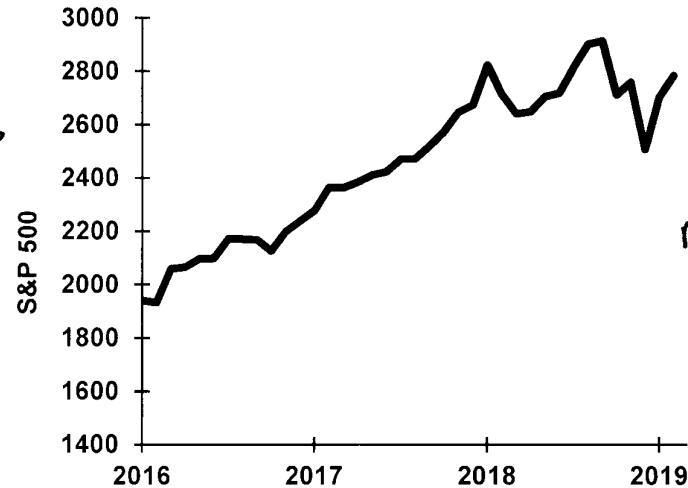
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Do you have your contingency plan ready?

Interest Rates



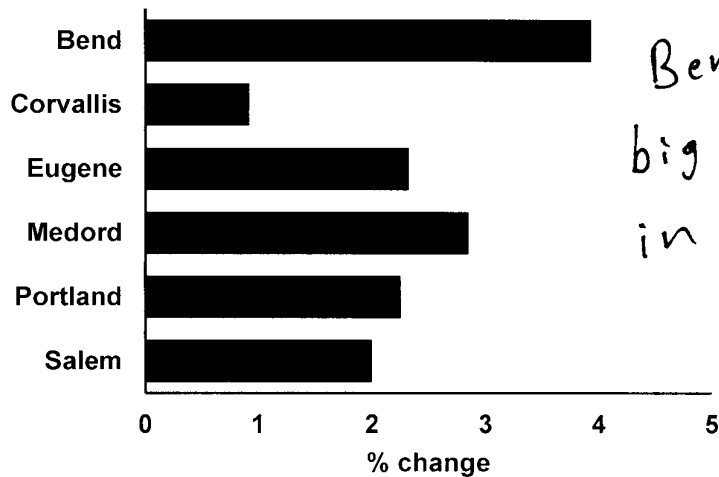
Some relief due to lower inflation expectations

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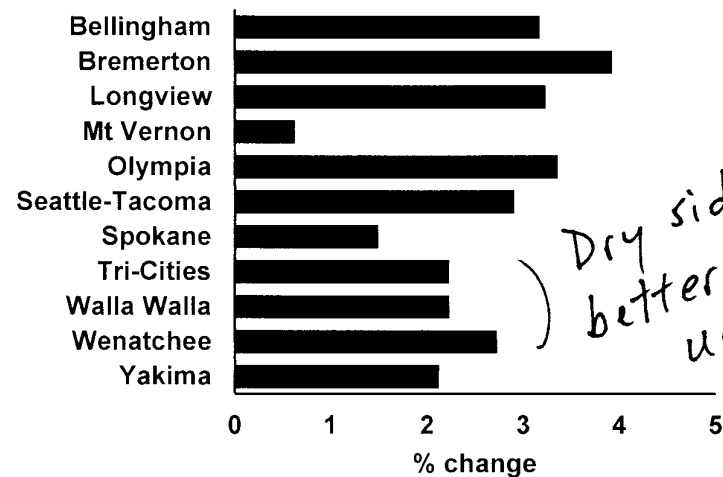
Wild and crazy, but no disaster

Or. Employment Growth, 2018



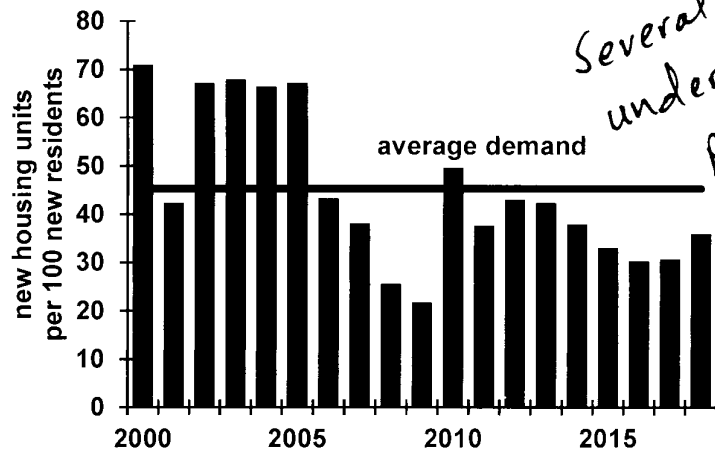
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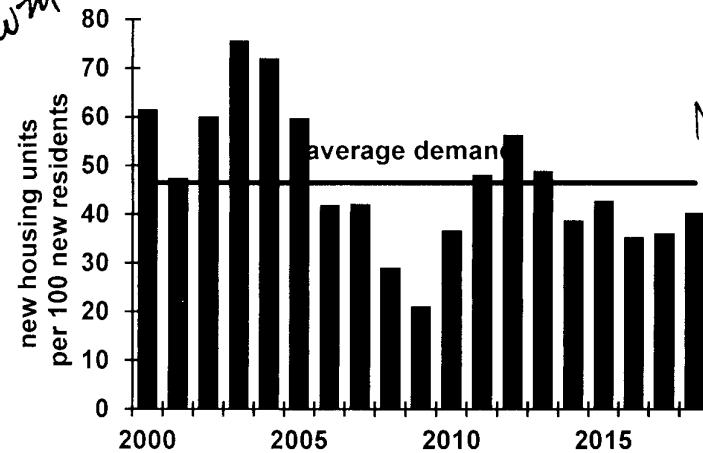
Dry side doing better than usual.

Oregon New Housing



Several years of under building limiting population growth

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