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## **Abstract**

When people buy or sell houses, either to live in or as an investment, we refer to this as the housing market. A house is the most valuable thing many people will ever own. The house market is one of the biggest in any developed country and therefore one of the most impactful.

Previous studies had been conducted using the different models and variables, however, to our knowledge at the moment, none has considered the best theoretical approach to the inherent structure of the data. In fact, most models we based on our research used mostly VAR models. The purpose of this study is to investigate key aspects of the UK house market. Our main objective is to understand the relationship between the house prices and the monetary policy. This is done using quarterly data from 1975 to 2020 and developing a time series Vector Error Correction Model. This approach allows us to distinguish between statistical correlation and economic causation.

From our final model, we find that the effect of a GDP on house prices is large, and the monetary policy shock is existent but not so relevant in the short-medium period while it increases in the long run but not as much as we would have expected. Shocks to the CPI and the interest rate are in turn found to have significant effects on house prices.

Due to the large confidence bands of the impulse responses this result is, however, in general not statistically significant. Further research should be conducted in order to better understand the effect of a market targeting monetary policy used to mitigate the economic uncertainty and unbalances.

# Chapter 1 – Introduction

In this section, we will describe briefly the UK housing market.

## 1.1 General Landscape

The total value of the British property market now stands at £7.93 trillion, having fallen by 0.37 per cent (£29 billion) during the first quarter of 2017 (Zoopla).

In Britain, two thirds of households own the house they live in; half of these are still paying off their mortgage. The remaining third of households are renters, split fairly equally between private and social renting.

The housing market is closely linked to consumer spending. When house prices go up, homeowners become better off and feel more confident. Some people will borrow more against the value of their home, either to spend on goods and services, renovate their house, supplement their pension, or pay off other debt. When house prices go down, homeowners risk that their house will be worth less than their outstanding mortgage. People are therefore more likely to cut down on spending and hold off from making personal investments. Mortgages are the greatest source of debt for households in the UK. If many people take out large loans compared to their income or the value of their house, this can put the banking system at risk in an economic downturn. A rise in house prices is associated to a higher economic growth, while a drop is linked to lower economic growth.

In particular, in recent years many industrialised countries have experienced extraordinarily strong rates of money and credit growth accompanied by strong increases in house prices. This observation raises a number of questions which are potentially of importance for monetary and regulatory policies: Does the observed coincidence between house prices and monetary variables reflect merely the effects of a common driving force, such as monetary policy or the economic cycle, or does it reflect a direct link between the two variables? If there is a direct link, does it run from house prices to monetary variables or from monetary variables to house prices, or in both directions? Do fluctuations in house prices and monetary variables have repercussions on the macroeconomy, i.e. for the development of real GDP and consumer prices? And finally, what is the relevant monetary variable in this context, money or credit, or both?

There is also a collateral effect of house prices emanating from the fact that houses are commonly used as collateral for loans because they are immobile and can, therefore, not easily be put out of a creditor's reach. As a consequence, higher house prices not only induce homeowners to spend and borrow more, but also enable them to do so by enhancing their borrowing capacity.

In reality, the house market size and effect is difficult to capture in its entirety because not all the parts that form it contribute to the GDP directly.

There are also more fundamental reasons why house prices may change. For instance, demand for housing may rise if the population is increasing or there are more single-person households. Growing demand usually means higher house prices. Prices will also tend to be higher if fewer houses are built, reducing the supply of housing. The fewer houses that are built, the more people will need to compete by increasing the amount of money they are willing to spend to buy a house.

There have also been times when house prices have increased a lot just because people think prices will continue to rise. This is called a housing market bubble. Bubbles are always followed by housing market crashes when house prices fall sharply.

These theoretical considerations suggest that there are probably good reasons to believe that there exists a multidirectional link between money, credit, house prices and the wider economy. However, while these theoretical considerations give us some tentative indications, they do obviously not allow any definite conclusions. In the absence of a theoretical model integrating all the potential interlinkages between house prices and the macroeconomy, the issue ultimately has to be addressed empirically.

The paper is organized as follows: In section 2, we will investigate each variable searching for preliminary information and understanding the relationship between the variables. In section 3, we will present the first attempt to build a model based on past literature but considering new factors and using recent data. In section 4, we will explain considerations and implications of our study as well as its limitations. In section5, we will state our conclusions along with policy concerns emerging from our study.

## Chapter 2 – Data Description & Analysis

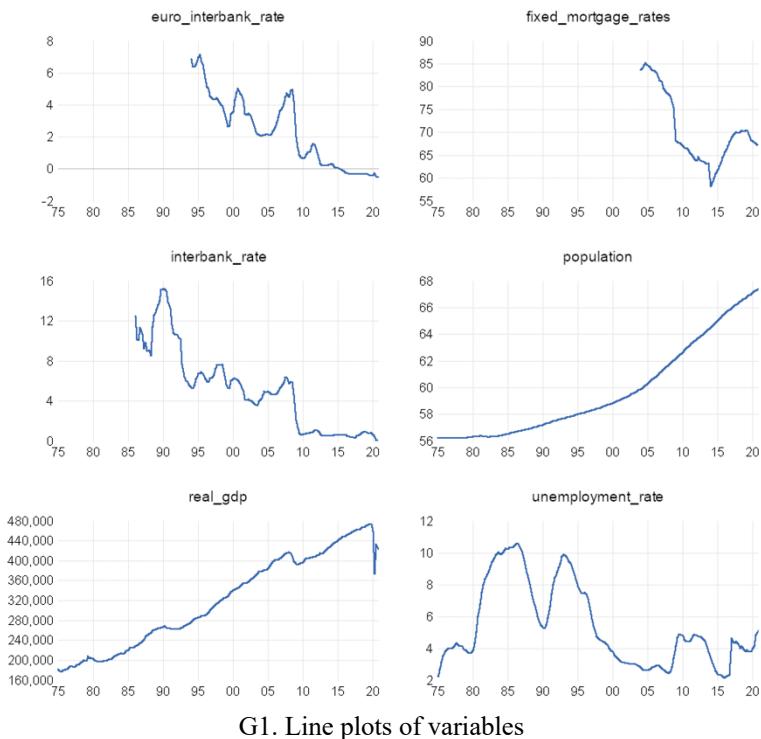
In this section, we will present what data has been gathered as well as their main description. We have collected data in the form of Time Series at UK level from Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Bank of England and Nationwide quarterly from year 1975 to 2020.

### 2.1 Sales

The variables collected are following:

- Real GDP
- Unemployment Rate
- Fixed Mortgage Rate
- Euro Interbank Rate
- Interbank Rate (3 months)
- Population

We considered different interest rates. The Fixed Mortgage Rate describes the interest rate of a fully amortizing mortgage loan from banks which remains the same throughout the term of the loan. The Euro Interbank Rate which describes the interest rate at which the banks lend and borrow money from other banks in the euro zone. Finally, the interbank rate describes the interest rate at which the banks lend and borrow money from other banks in UK (dealing with quarterly data, we opted for 3-months period rate).



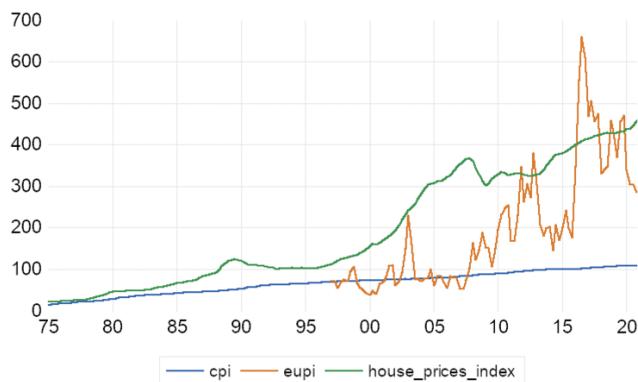
G1. Line plots of variables

## 2.2 Indexes

We collected the data as:

- House Price Index
- Economic Uncertainty Policy Index (EUPI)
- CPI (Consumer Price Index)

Nationwide is one of UK's largest mortgage providers and has the longest unbroken run of house price data from 1952 on quarterly basis. Even though actual data would be better, the indexes serve as a good proxy as you can see from the graph, it is the case of House Price Index which capture very well the instability of the economy.



G2. Indexes Graph

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the average change in prices over time that consumers pay for a basket of goods and services. It is the most widely used measure of inflation and, by proxy, of the effectiveness of the government's economic policy.

The Economic Policy Uncertainty Index (EUPI) measures the policy-related economic uncertainty. It is based on three components. One component quantifies newspaper coverage of policy-related economic uncertainty. A second component reflects the number of federal tax code provisions set to expire in future years. The third component uses disagreement among economic forecasters as a proxy for uncertainty.

## Chapter 3 – Model Estimation

In this section, we will expose our methodology, the models we considered and their results.

### 3.1 OLS (Ordinary Least Square) Model

In this first step, we are interested in estimating the causality of a set of variables on the house price index. We also want to forecast it accurately. In order to do so we need to build a model based on past data following the below formula:

$$y_t = \gamma x_{t-1} + \varepsilon$$

where  $y_t$  is the raw data of house price index on time t,  $x_{t-1}$  is the combination of raw data of predictors on time t-1 and  $\gamma$  is the coefficient for each random variable.

The model equation is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{house\_price\_index} = & \beta_0 + \beta_1(\text{real\_gdp}) + \beta_2(\text{interbank\_rate}) + \beta_3(\text{euro\_interbank\_rate}) + \beta_4(\text{fixed\_mortgage\_rate}) \\ & + \beta_5(\text{unemployment\_rate}) + \beta_6(\text{cpi}) + \beta_7(\text{population}) + \beta_8(\text{epui}) \end{aligned}$$

Despite fitting Ordinary Least Squares model, it is necessary to fit the time series model since one of the assumptions underlying ordinary least squares (OLS) model is that the error terms are independent. This assumption is easily violated for time series data such as this one since it has a clear pattern in residuals over time. Therefore, we found that the error terms have autocorrelation.

### 3.2 Time Series Model

First thing first, we performed series of test for unit roots (stationarity) through Augmented Dickey Fuller Test. We find out that all the variables had unit roots. Fortunately, each one of them was resolved using first difference technique, except for population for which we had to use two differences. Then, we adopted the so called log-log transformation for both dependent and independent variables. Log-log model allows us to normalise the data and stabilize the variance (not all of them resulted in normalized variables, for example house\_price\_index). Dealing with macroeconomics policies such as monetary, it would be more realistic to assume an effect on prices extended over time. To capture this assumption, we applied a multiple test to choose the correct number of lags for the model. Following the results, the optimal number of lags was 4 or 5 considering the AIC (Akaike Information Criteria) as it is often used to build this type of models. We found out through Breusch Godfrey test that autocorrelation is persistent in our data. The last thing is to check the cointegration. We have performed Johansen Cointegration Test and found that the rank is at most 8. The cointegration test is performed to understand the long run relationship between the variables. Based on the results we decided best theoretical model for our analysis is Vector Error Correction Model with restricted trend and 4 lags. We have checked the model by performing residual, normality and stability test which led to not statistically significant results but nonetheless usable.

Cointegrating Eq		CombEq
LPRICEB(-1)		1.000000
LCPI(-1)	-13.41354 (0.730200) (-18.0480)	
LEUP(-1)	0.103497 (0.01593) (6.49572)	
LEURO_INTERBANK(-1)	-0.000275 (0.022440) (-3.89874)	
LFIMED(-1)	-3.493350 (0.19130) (-18.2372)	
LODP(-1)	-2.800013 (0.30559) (-9.16259)	
LINTERBANK(-1)	0.188984 (0.00000) (10.49891)	
LPOP(-1)	35.39956 (2.18945) (18.1682)	
LUNEMP(-1)	-0.329858 (0.02269) (-13.9454)	
C		-41.00175

Tab.1 – Long Run Results

### 3.3 Model Results

As per the results obtained from Cointegration Test we chose to use Vector Correction Model. From Johansen Test we found that the rank is 8 which implies that 8 cointegrating equations are present in the model. The equation for Vector Error Correction Model is as follows -

$$x_t = \varphi_1 x_{t-1} + \dots + \varphi_p x_{t-p} + \varepsilon_t$$

$$\Delta x_t = \pi x_{t-1} + \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \varphi_i^* \Delta x_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t$$

where  $\pi$  and  $\varphi_i^*$  are functions of the  $\varphi$ . Specifically,

$$\varphi_j^* = -\sum_{i=j+1}^p \varphi_i, j=1,\dots,p-1$$

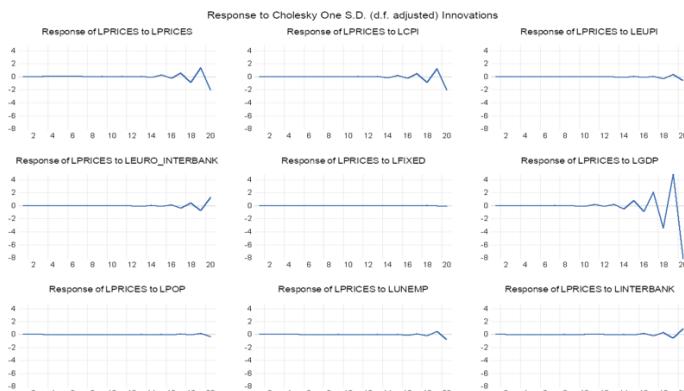
$$\pi = -(I - \varphi_1 - \dots - \varphi_p) = -\varphi(1)$$

where  $\pi$  is the rank of cointegration. If it is 0 then there is no cointegration.

For the sake of interpretability, we performed the VECM with 1 cointegrated equation. Through Johansen Normalization Restriction, we can infer the long run relationship between the independent variables and the home price index. The most unexpected results from our model were that GDP was not significant as well as the CPI, the Fixed Mortgage Rate and the Population. All the other variables were significant. In particular, the interbank rate and the euro interbank rate affects positively the home prices in the long run.

### 3.4 Impulse Response Function

As we have followed the log-log model, the elasticities are given by the coefficients of the model. We found that Price Elasticity is -5.17 which is more than 1, signifying it is elastic. On the contrary, the automobile long run elasticity is found inelastic as the change in the price will not reflect as much change as in the demand of the product in the past studies. In other words, in automobile industry this translates the fact that in the modern era cars are fundamental need of people and therefore consumer will buy the car irrespective of the price. However, in our study we found out that people would not buy the same amount of product or service whether the price drops or rises. These aspects should be deeply investigated in the future studies.



G3. IRF of House Prices to Monetary Shocks

## Chapter 4 – Considerations and Implications

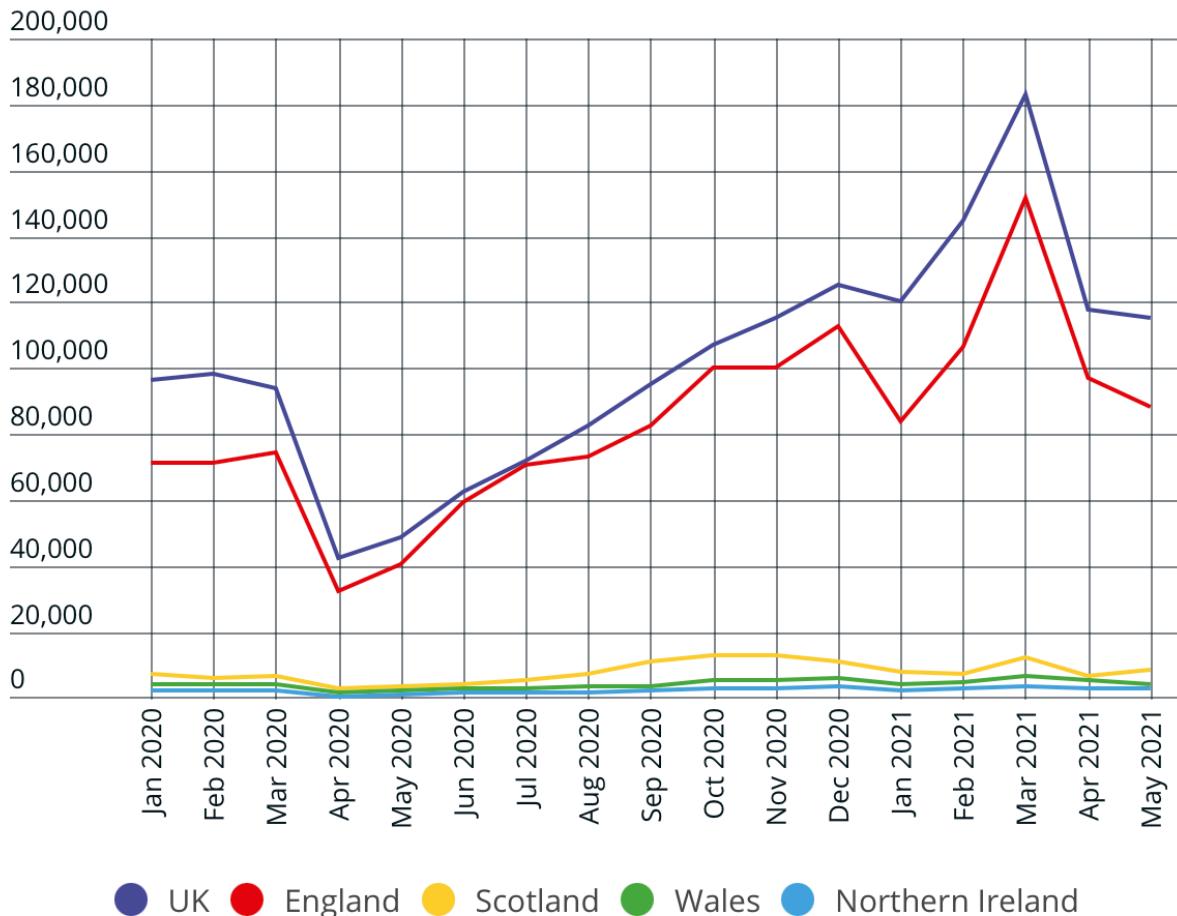
In this section, we will tackle the two main reasons behind this research: How does Monetary Policy impact Housing Market and How does Monetary Policy respond to economic shocks? While we investigated only the first aspect, here we explain why interest rate should be a fundamental aspect in future studies.

### 4.1 Brexit

On June 23, 2016, the UK decided via referendum to leave the EU. The economic and institutional consequences of this decision for both the UK and the EU are still to come and they are surrounded by great uncertainty. These are for sure challenging times to policy makers, who must negotiate the term and conditions. The outcome of bilateral negotiations and how they will in practice be implemented will be key to assess the impact of Brexit. In the UK, the Parliament has given the Financial Policy Committee at the Bank of England responsibility for “the identification, monitoring, and taking of action to remove or reduce systemic risks with a view to protecting and enhancing the resilience of the UK financial system.”

### 4.2 Covid

**The UK property market is enjoying a boom right now, with house prices rising by nearly 9% year on year.**



This increase has been fueled by a temporary cut to stamp duty, but with the tax break now tapering off, the speed of price growth could be set to slow

The number of houses being sold rose significantly during the stamp duty holiday.

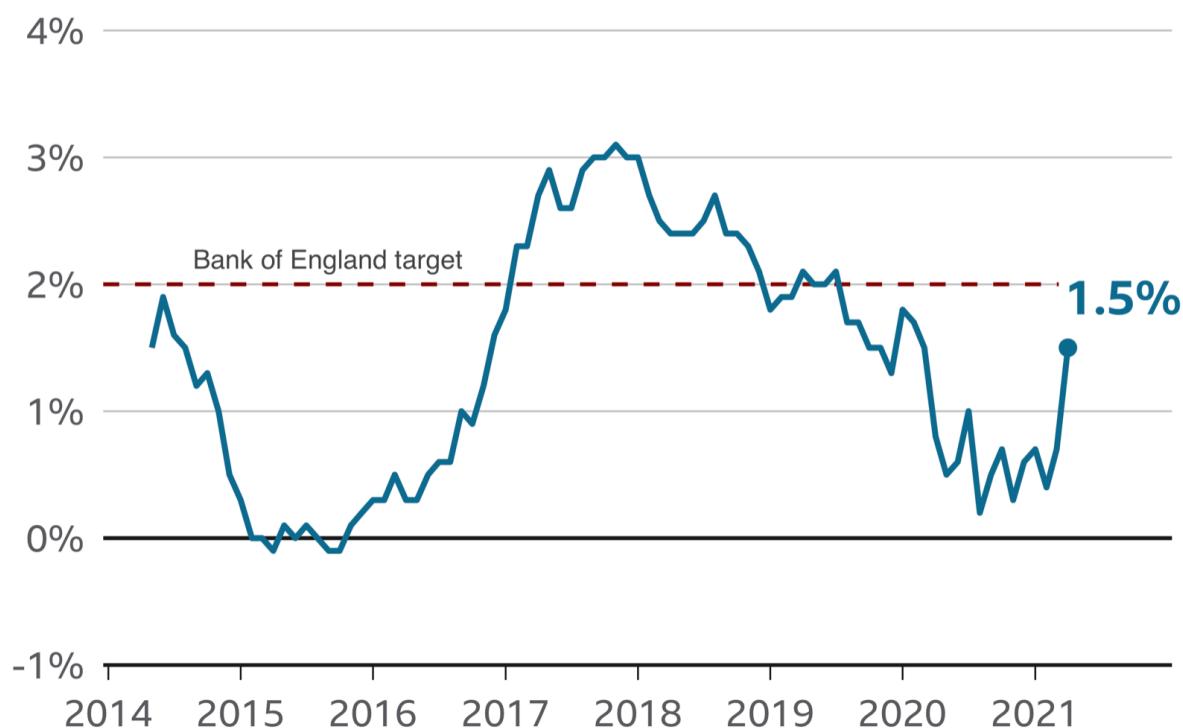
The spike you can see in March was caused by buyers rushing to complete deals before 31 March – the date the stamp duty holiday was originally meant to end

The recent rise in demand from buyers hasn't been met by a flurry of new properties coming on to the market, and this imbalance could keep prices high in the coming months, even with smaller tax savings on offer.

Since the pandemic began, the number of mortgage deals on the market has fallen dramatically, but there are now plenty of good rates out there – especially if you have a bigger deposit.

Data from Moneyfacts shows that average rates have been on the rise in the last few months, but they still remain lower than pre-pandemic levels – and some banks are now [offering mortgages](#) with rates below 1%.

## Consumer Prices Index



Source: Office for National Statistics

BBC

Family homes are more popular, partly because people have reassessed their priorities during Covid lockdowns.

That, and [the cladding crisis](#), have made some city-centre flats less attractive to buyers.

However, prices of apartments are still rising - albeit at a slower rate than houses - and there are some signs of buyers taking the chance to make a move into lively cities as Covid restrictions ease.

The final chart shows that there are signs that the rising cost of living is picking up speed. The Bank of England may choose to control that by raising interest rates. That would make mortgage borrowing more expensive, putting some new property buyers who borrowed to their limit in financial danger. An income shock, such as the loss of their job, could make that situation a perilous one.

### 4.3 Monetary Policies

The Bank of England's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) sets monetary policy to keep inflation low and stable, which supports growth and jobs. The Monetary Policy Committee currently uses two main monetary policy tools:

- i) Bank Rate - Set the interest rate that bank and building societies earn on deposits or reserves, placed with the Bank of England.
- ii) Quantitative Easing or Asset Purchase- Buying government & Corporate Bonds, financed by issuance of central bank reserves.

How does UK Monetary Policy respond to Brexit & Covid shock?

From the literature review we found that in response to Covid pandemic, MPC have taken prompt and substantial action to help household & businesses. MPC have taken following steps:

1. They have cut interest rate to 0.1% in March 2020 and kept them at the same level.
2. They had allowed UK banks and building societies to borrow cheaply from them so they can reduce the rates which they charge their customers.
3. Quantitative Easing, which helps to keep the interest rates on mortgages and business loans as low.

From the website of Bank of England, we found an interesting graph which depicts how MPC have cut interest rate due to covid.

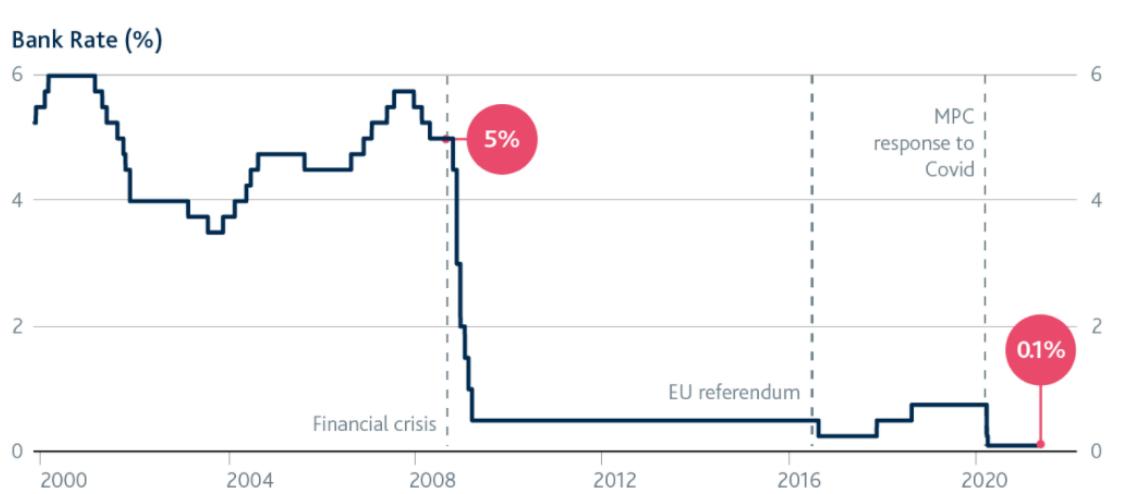


Figure 1 Bank Rate (Source: Bank of England)

Lower the interest rate implies cheaper loans for businesses and household. It will help in reducing the cost they face and encourages companies to employ people and invest.

Our analysis & the standard economic theory tells us that monetary policy should affect house prices and housing finance more generally. Using Ceteris Paribus (all else equal) higher interest rates increase the cost of owning a house, which implies a lower asset value

When anticipating the future price movements in the housing market it is essential to have the best possible forecast of demand and the demand for housing market is most importantly determined by incomes and unemployment rate.

There were some specific measures taken by UK Government supporting activity in the housing market and house prices and the position of renters. The scheme getting most attention has been SDLT holiday. This started in July 2020 and was originally due to end on 31 March 2021 but in the March Budget, it is extended to June 30, 2021. It is worth up to £15,000 on £500,000 houses, with bigger discounts for more expensive houses up to the ceiling of £500,000. There were other measures too- aside from the extraordinarily low interest rates such as potential mortgage payment holidays for 6 months to those who had lost income due to Covid-19. Another scheme was launched in the March 2021 budget, it is for first time buyers with deposit of only 5% instead of the 20% normal since the financial crisis. There was also some help for tenants with a stop on evictions except in the most extreme circumstances.

One another consideration is that the effects of the Covid-19 crisis are in context of absorbing the impacts of Brexit. The conclusion from the earlier research show that Brexit will lead to slower economic growth and lower incomes. Hence there is a reason to think that Brexit may affect UK Housing Market.

When firms and households make decisions about investment and spending, they take the future into account. Their central expectations about the economic outlook — what they think is most likely to happen — are important. Uncertainty around those expectations also affects decisions being made now.

## Chapter 5 – Limitations & Conclusions

In this section, we will state our model limitations, our suggestions for future studies and reflections on possible presumptions from a policy maker perspective.

## **5.1 Limitations of our study & Recommendations for future Research**

The main limitations of our study are two: 1) The construction of the average of car and light trucks price variable and 2) the magnitude of our model. We were able to gather data only for annual average prices of car and light trucks. In order to proceed with our research, we made the strong assumption that monthly average auto prices would be equal to Annual Average divided by No. of Months. The fundamental difficulty in deriving a price variable for the model is that "the actual sales price or transactions price" between the auto dealer and the consumer is an unknown figure. While actual sales prices exist in the files of state revenue offices, the costs of extracting this information make it virtually inaccessible. We would recommend building a price function in order to correctly estimate the monthly average auto prices.

An ideal Demand function would include a series of variables that need to be calculated that we omitted. For example, used car and automobile stock variables are needed to capture the alternatives for the consumers. In addition, a dummy for the ownership of a vehicle would help to estimate the choice of delaying the purchase of a new car. We performed a rudimentary analysis considering the general landscape of the auto market in U.S; an improved version should divide the sales into brands and category of vehicles at the state level. Moreover, one can consider also categorical variables such as colour and size. Another strong limitation of our model was the use of indexes instead of actual values; ideally, functions to capture the trends in those variables should be created. The best method to do so is to conduct surveys. Lastly, to be more accurate, discretionary income, which is the money that an individual or a family has to invest, save, or spend after taxes and necessities are paid, would be a better variable to predict the sales trend.

## **5.2 Conclusions**

The aim of this paper is to create a model for the demand of new cars in the automotive market in the US and to lay the foundation for future studies.

The analysis conducted investigated the relationship between the new auto sales and a set of explanatory variables such as the income of consumers, the gasoline price, and the prices of public transportation and insurance. The developed model respects the Law of Demand and Supply, since the findings suggest that the increase in prices reduce total sales of cars while the rise in income fosters total sales. The achieved results regarding the demand meet the expectations, however, the price elasticities in the short and in the long run are opposite to what past studies predicted.

Besides having studied in depth the described relationship, this analysis allowed us to make inferences regarding the market landscape. In particular, we considered potential reasons behind the increase in car prices, the role of loans and interest rates as a mean used by the families to be able to afford new cars as well as a differentiated source of profit for car manufacturers, and possible policy concerns of the government related to the environment.

In conclusion, the study of the automobile demand is fundamental in order to raise policy makers awareness in the issue of new regulations. In fact, they could not only jeopardize the efficiency of other regulations, but also trigger phenomena potentially dangerous for one of the biggest industries in the world which is the automotive as well as for the whole economy.

## Appendix

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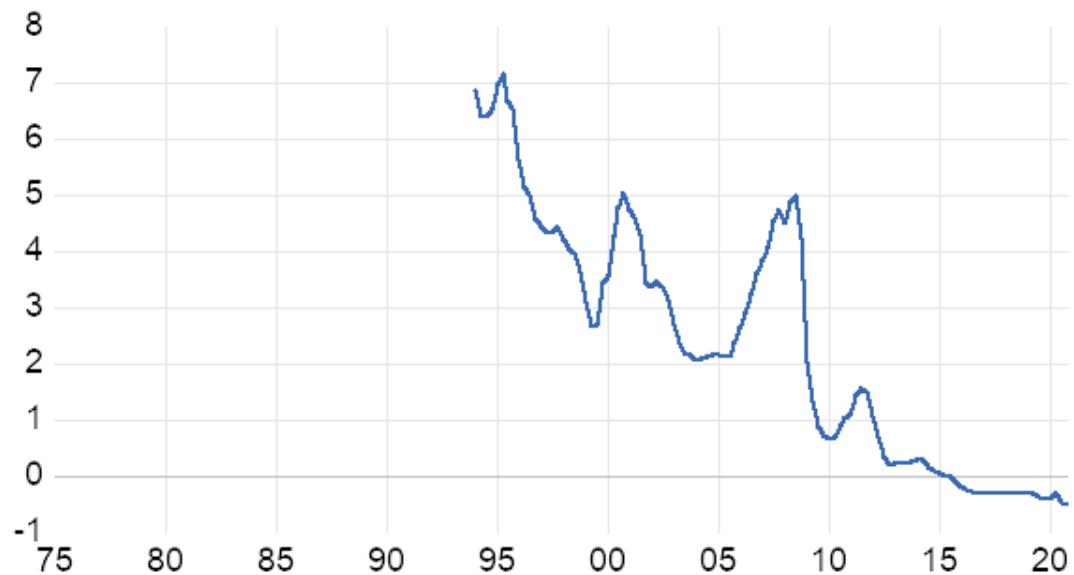


Figure 2. Euro Interbank Rate Trend

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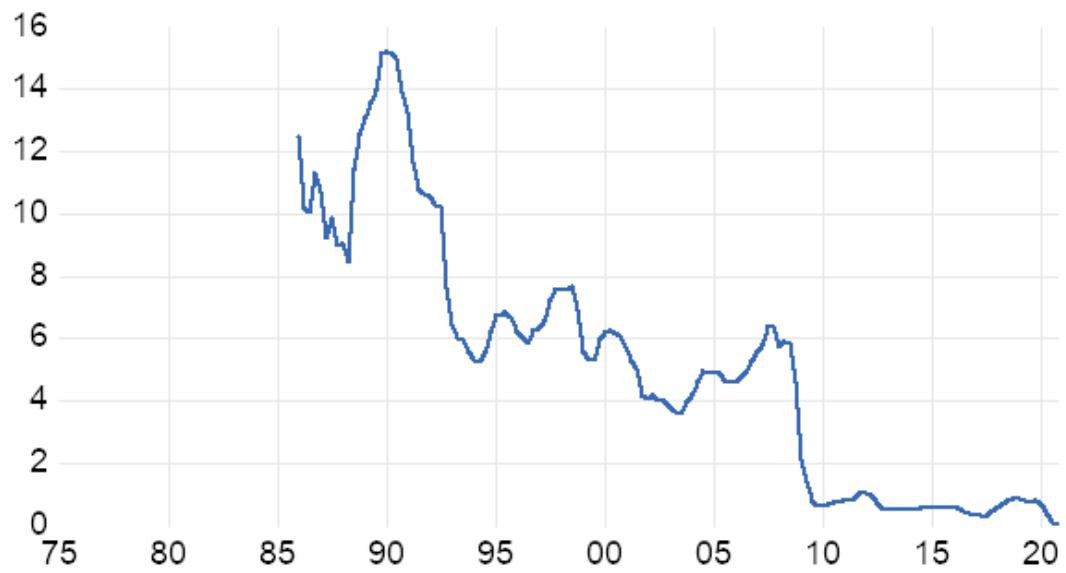


Figure 3 Interbank Rate Trend

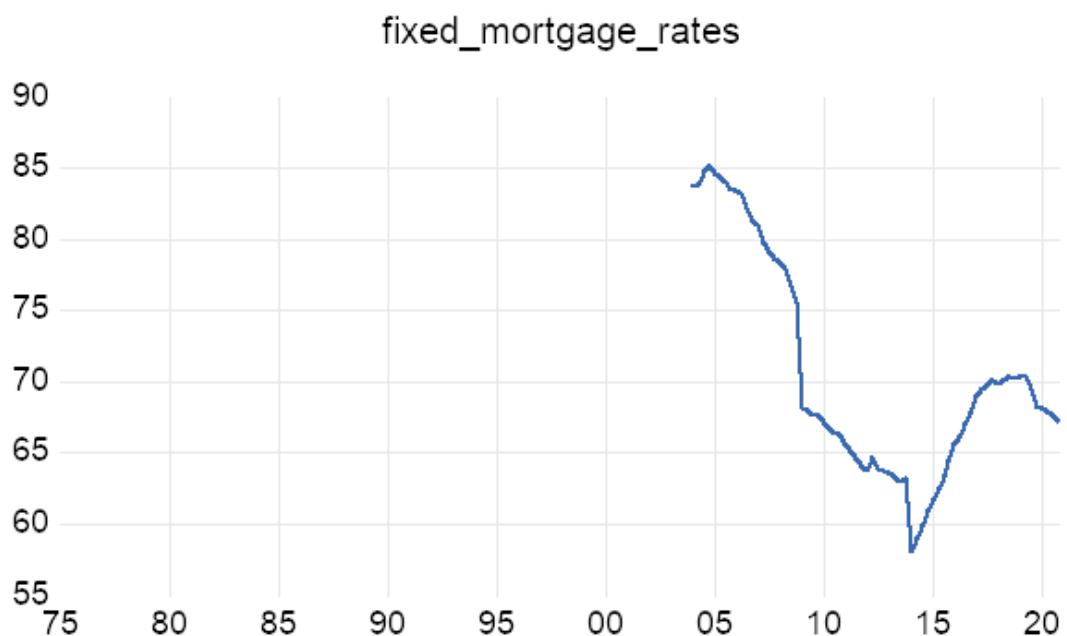


Figure 4 Fixed Mortgage Rate Trend

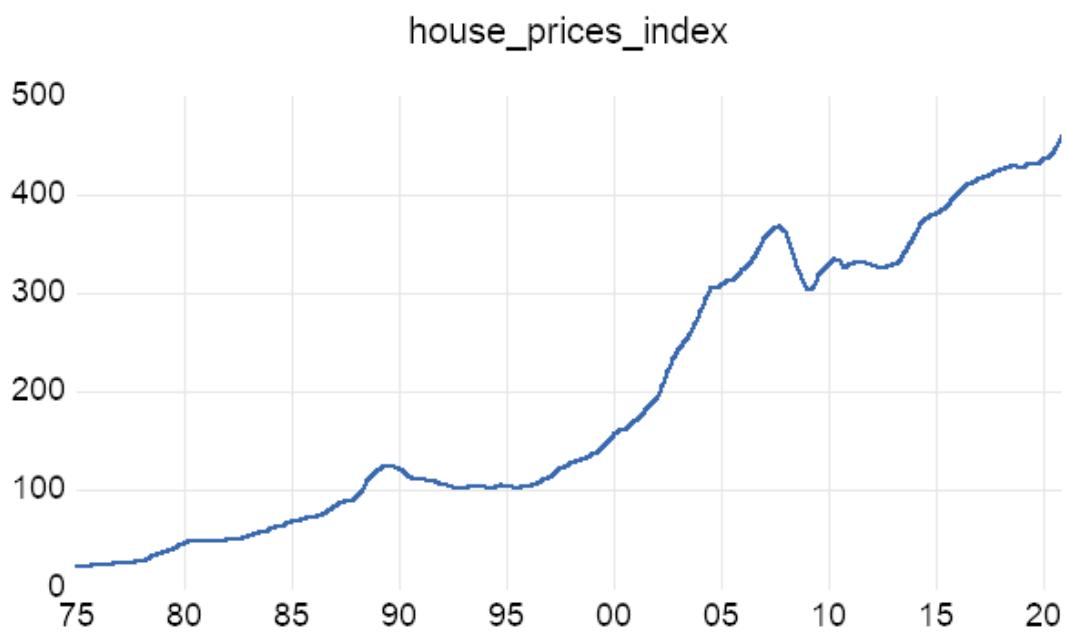


Figure 5 House Price Index Trend

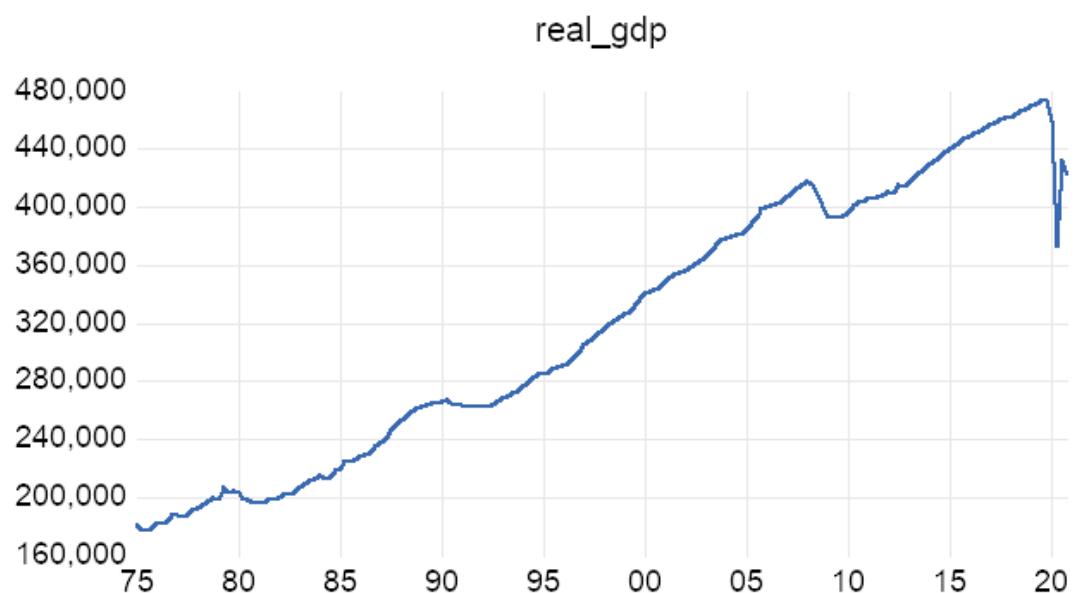


Figure 6 Real GDP Trend



Figure 7 Unemployment Rate Trend

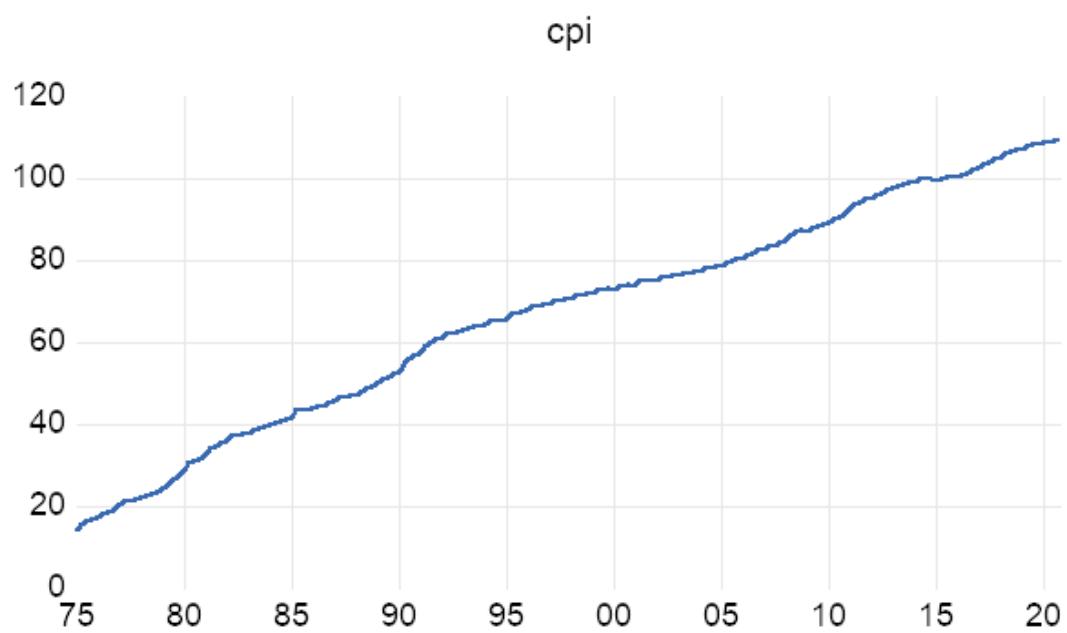


Figure 8 Consumer Price Index Trend

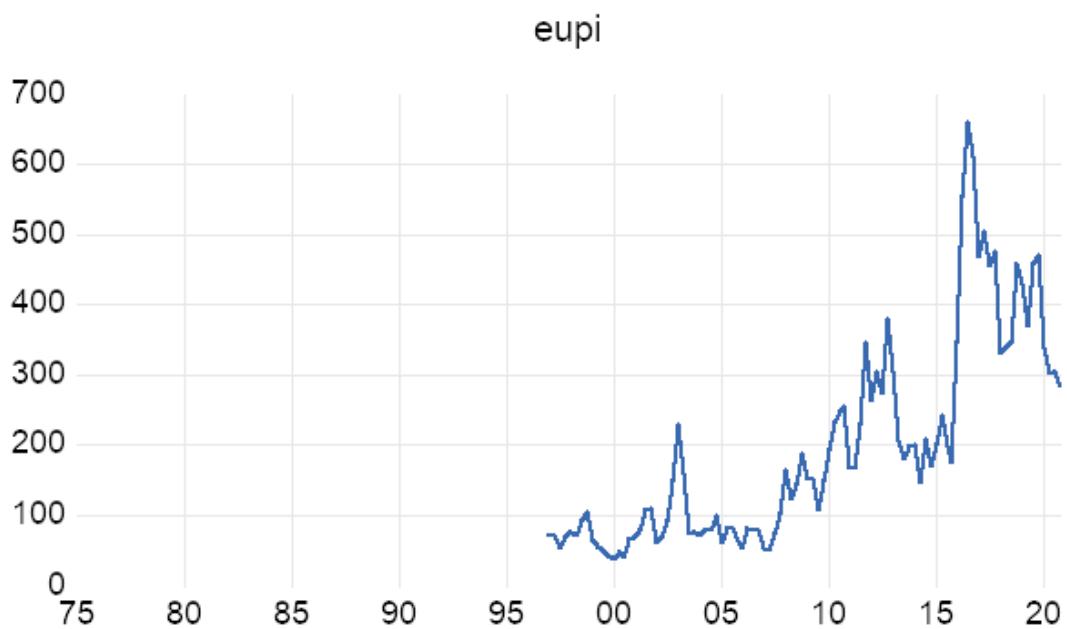


Figure 9 Economic Policy Uncertainty Trend

Null Hypothesis: CPI has a unit root		
Exogenous: Constant		
Lag Length: 5 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)		
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-2.012012	0.2816
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.467205	
5% level	-2.877636	
10% level	-2.575430	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(CPI)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:32  
 Sample (adjusted): 1976Q3 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 178 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
CPI(-1)	-0.001920	0.000954	-2.012012	0.0458
D(CPI(-1))	0.263364	0.072384	3.638416	0.0004
D(CPI(-2))	0.092496	0.059655	1.550530	0.1229
D(CPI(-3))	-0.093730	0.059606	-1.572496	0.1177
D(CPI(-4))	0.605188	0.059724	10.13311	0.0000
D(CPI(-5))	-0.300433	0.071756	-4.188897	0.0000
C	0.351787	0.100539	3.499024	0.0006
R-squared	0.495338	Mean dependent var	0.513898	
Adjusted R-squared	0.477631	S.D. dependent var	0.418191	
S.E. of regression	0.302248	Akaike info criterion	0.483393	
Sum squared resid	15.62150	Schwarz criterion	0.608519	
Log likelihood	-36.02198	Hannan-Quinn criter.	0.534135	
F-statistic	27.97350	Durbin-Watson stat	2.009116	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 10 CPI Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: EUPI has a unit root  
 Exogenous: Constant  
 Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=11)

Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.500669	
5% level	-2.892200	
10% level	-2.583192	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(EUPI)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:40  
 Sample (adjusted): 1997Q2 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 95 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
EUPI(-1)	-0.076490	0.039269	-1.947837	0.0545
C	17.02627	9.521428	1.788205	0.0770
R-squared	0.039197	Mean dependent var	2.225733	
Adjusted R-squared	0.028866	S.D. dependent var	56.74927	
S.E. of regression	55.92421	Akaike info criterion	10.90670	
Sum squared resid	290859.1	Schwarz criterion	10.96047	
Log likelihood	-516.0882	Hannan-Quinn criter.	10.92843	
F-statistic	3.794070	Durbin-Watson stat	1.745142	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.054450			

Figure 11 EUPI Unite Root

Null Hypothesis: EURO_INTERBANK_RATE has a unit root
Exogenous: Constant
Lag Length: 1 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=12)
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic
-1.681805
Test critical values:
1% level
-3.493129
5% level
-2.888932
10% level
-2.581453

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(EURO\_INTERBANK\_RATE)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:41  
 Sample (adjusted): 1994Q3 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 106 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
EURO_INTERBANK_RATE(-1)	-0.021919	0.013033	-1.681805	0.0956
D(EURO_INTERBANK_RATE(-1))	0.538524	0.081203	6.631870	0.0000
C	0.022956	0.041695	0.550576	0.5831
R-squared	0.312084	Mean dependent var	-0.065025	
Adjusted R-squared	0.298727	S.D. dependent var	0.346041	
S.E. of regression	0.289782	Akaike info criterion	0.388515	
Sum squared resid	8.649252	Schwarz criterion	0.463895	
Log likelihood	-17.59127	Hannan-Quinn criter.	0.419067	
F-statistic	23.36384	Durbin-Watson stat	1.868890	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 12 EURO Interbank Rate Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: FIXED\_MORTGAGE\_RATES has a unit root  
 Exogenous: Constant  
 Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=10)

	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-1.690099	0.4316
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.531592	
5% level	-2.905519	
10% level	-2.590262	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(FIXED\_MORTGAGE\_RATES)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:44  
 Sample (adjusted): 2004Q2 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 67 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
FIXED_MORTGAGE_RATES(-1)	-0.032622	0.019302	-1.690099	0.0958
C	2.058017	1.372459	1.499511	0.1386
R-squared	0.042095	Mean dependent var	-0.247761	
Adjusted R-squared	0.027358	S.D. dependent var	1.241255	
S.E. of regression	1.224158	Akaike info criterion	3.271780	
Sum squared resid	97.40662	Schwarz criterion	3.337592	
Log likelihood	-107.6046	Hannan-Quinn criter.	3.297822	
F-statistic	2.856434	Durbin-Watson stat	1.665156	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.095800			

Figure 13 Fixed Mortgage Rate Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX has a unit root		
Exogenous: Constant		
Lag Length: 6 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)		
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	0.486337	0.9059
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.467418	
5% level	-2.977729	
10% level	-2.575480	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(HOUSE\_PRICES\_INDEX)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 08/23/21 Time: 11:45  
 Sample (adjusted): 197604 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 177 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-1)	0.000681	0.001399	0.486337	0.6274
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-1))	1.058265	0.076012	13.92228	0.0000
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-2))	-0.326716	0.111603	-2.927485	0.0039
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-3))	0.295583	0.112389	2.630000	0.0093
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-4))	-0.451808	0.115239	-3.920624	0.0001
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-5))	0.032915	0.117922	0.279124	0.7805
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-6))	0.195583	0.079633	2.459463	0.0149
C	0.388759	0.330713	1.175517	0.2414
R-squared	0.720040	Mean dependent var	2.457735	
Adjusted R-squared	0.716775	S.D. dependent var	4.576631	
S.E. of regression	2.435632	Akaike info criterion	4.662434	
Sum squared resid	1002.560	Schwarz criterion	4.805989	
Log likelihood	-404.6254	Hannan-Quinn criter.	4.720655	
F-statistic	64.63057	Durbin-Watson stat	1.932240	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 14 House Prince Index Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: INTERBANK\_RATE has a unit root  
 Exogenous: Constant  
 Lag Length: 1 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)

	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-1.101902	0.7141
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.478109	
5% level	-2.802433	
10% level	-2.577990	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(INTERBANK\_RATE)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 08/23/21 Time: 11:46  
 Sample (adjusted): 198603 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 139 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
INTERBANK_RATE(-1)	-0.012672	0.011500	-1.101902	0.2725
D(INTERBANK_RATE(-1))	0.354551	0.076051	4.662039	0.0000
C	0.022265	0.075068	0.296597	0.7672
R-squared				
0.143543	Mean dependent var	-0.073784		
Adjusted R-squared	0.130855	S.D. dependent var	0.585847	
S.E. of regression	0.546173	Akaike info criterion	1.649738	
Sum squared resid	40.27121	Schwarz criterion	1.713374	
Log likelihood	-110.8320	Hannan-Quinn criter.	1.675599	
F-statistic	11.31307	Durbin-Watson stat	1.928803	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000029			

Figure 15 Interbank Rate Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: REAL_GDP has a unit root				
Exogenous: Constant				
Lag Length: 1 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)				
		t-Statistic	Prob.*	
<b>Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic</b>		-1.050970	0.7345	
Test critical values:				
1% level		-3.466377		
5% level		-2.877274		
10% level		-2.575236		
*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.				
 Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation				
Dependent Variable: D(REAL_GDP)				
Method: Least Squares				
Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:47				
Sample (adjusted): 1975Q3 2020Q4				
Included observations: 182 after adjustments				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
REAL_GDP(-1)	-0.006574	0.006255	-1.050970	0.2947
D(REAL_GDP(-1))	-0.335272	0.070619	-4.747631	0.0000
C	3903.486	2079.088	1.877499	0.0621
R-squared	0.117675	Mean dependent var	1340.048	
Adjusted R-squared	0.107817	S.D. dependent var	8229.980	
S.E. of regression	7773.864	Akaike info criterion	20.77122	
Sum squared resid	1.08E+10	Schwarz criterion	20.82403	
Log likelihood	-1897.181	Hannan-Quinn criter.	20.79263	
F-statistic	11.93857	Durbin-Watson stat	2.032911	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000014			

Figure 16 Real GDP Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: UNEMPLOYMENT_RATE has a unit root				
Exogenous: Constant				
Lag Length: 2 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)				
		t-Statistic	Prob.*	
<b>Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic</b>		-2.226907	0.1976	
Test critical values:				
1% level		-3.466580		
5% level		-2.877363		
10% level		-2.575284		
*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.				
 Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation				
Dependent Variable: D(UNEMPLOYMENT_RATE)				
Method: Least Squares				
Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:47				
Sample (adjusted): 1975Q4 2020Q4				
Included observations: 181 after adjustments				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
UNEMPLOYMENT_RATE(-1)	-0.016354	0.007344	-2.226907	0.0272
D(UNEMPLOYMENT_RATE(-1))	0.461090	0.072168	6.389099	0.0000
D(UNEMPLOYMENT_RATE(-2))	0.250960	0.073084	3.433835	0.0007
C	0.091245	0.043763	2.084990	0.0385
R-squared	0.421851	Mean dependent var	0.011050	
Adjusted R-squared	0.412052	S.D. dependent var	0.327338	
S.E. of regression	0.250994	Akaike info criterion	0.095078	
Sum squared resid	11.15064	Schwarz criterion	0.165761	
Log likelihood	-4.604380	Hannan-Quinn criter.	0.123731	
F-statistic	43.04978	Durbin-Watson stat	2.048538	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 17 Unemployment Rate Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX) has a unit root
Exogenous: Constant
Lag Length: 5 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)
I-Statistic      Prob.*

Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-3.238710	0.0194
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.467418	
5% level	-2.877729	
10% level	-2.575480	

\*Mackinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(HOUSE\_PRICES\_INDEX,2)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:48  
 Sample (adjusted): 1976Q4 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 177 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	I-Statistic	Prob.
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-1))	-0.187794	0.057984	-3.238710	0.0014
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-1),2)	0.248394	0.079719	3.115846	0.0022
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-2),2)	-0.077825	0.076018	-1.023777	0.3074
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-3),2)	0.218720	0.077631	2.817424	0.0054
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-4),2)	-0.233084	0.077128	-3.022034	0.0029
D(HOUSE_PRICES_INDEX(-5),2)	-0.199892	0.079020	-2.529631	0.0123
C	0.505158	0.227718	2.218372	0.0279
R-squared	0.293597	Mean dependent var	0.071821	
Adjusted R-squared	0.268665	S.D. dependent var	2.841687	
S.E. of regression	2.430157	Akaike info criterion	4.652534	
Sum squared resid	1003.963	Schwarz criterion	4.770144	
Log likelihood	-404.7492	Hannan-Quinn criter.	4.703476	
F-statistic	11.77597	Durbin-Watson stat	1.931713	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 18 1st Difference HPI Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: D(REAL\_GDP) has a unit root  
 Exogenous: Constant  
 Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	I-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-18.93006	0.0000		
Test critical values:				
1% level	-3.468377			
5% level	-2.877274			
10% level	-2.576236			

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(REAL\_GDP,2)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:48  
 Sample (adjusted): 1975Q3 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 182 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	I-Statistic	Prob.
D(REAL_GDP(-1))	-1.336888	0.070622	-18.93006	0.0000
C	1806.540	584.6266	3.090075	0.0023
R-squared	0.665843	Mean dependent var	-44.66099	
Adjusted R-squared	0.663786	S.D. dependent var	13410.46	
S.E. of regression	7775.921	Akaike info criterion	20.76638	
Sum squared resid	1.09E+10	Schwarz criterion	20.80159	
Log likelihood	-1887.741	Hannan-Quinn criter.	20.78065	
F-statistic	358.3471	Durbin-Watson stat	2.030447	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 19 1st Difference GDP Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: D(INTERBANK_RATE) has a unit root		
Exogenous: Constant		
Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)		
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-0.522704	0.0000
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.470189	
5% level	-2.882433	
10% level	-2.577990	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation				
Dependent Variable: D(INTERBANK_RATE,2)				
Method: Least Squares				
Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:49				
Sample (adjusted): 1986Q3 2020Q4				
Included observations: 139 after adjustments				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
D(INTERBANK_RATE(-1))	-0.648293	0.076067	-8.522704	0.0000
C	-0.042242	0.047027	-0.898248	0.3706
R-squared	0.348149	Mean dependent var	0.015898	
Adjusted R-squared	0.343355	S.D. dependent var	0.674539	
S.E. of regression	0.546603	Akaike info criterion	1.644199	
Sum squared resid	40.63341	Schwarz criterion	1.686623	
Log likelihood	-111.4498	Hannan-Quinn criter.	1.661440	
F-statistic	72.83648	Durbin-Watson stat	1.930343	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 20 1st Difference Interbank Rate Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: D(FIXED_MORTGAGE_RATES) has a unit root		
Exogenous: Constant		
Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=10)		
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-6.707173	0.0000
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.533204	
5% level	-2.906210	
10% level	-2.590628	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation				
Dependent Variable: D(FIXED_MORTGAGE_RATES,2)				
Method: Least Squares				
Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:49				
Sample (adjusted): 2004Q3 2020Q4				
Included observations: 66 after adjustments				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
D(FIXED_MORTGAGE_RATES(-1))	-0.825157	0.123026	-6.707173	0.0000
C	-0.212159	0.155499	-1.364376	0.1772
R-squared	0.412770	Mean dependent var	-0.012121	
Adjusted R-squared	0.403594	S.D. dependent var	1.605425	
S.E. of regression	1.239827	Akaike info criterion	3.297655	
Sum squared resid	98.37890	Schwarz criterion	3.364008	
Log likelihood	-106.8226	Hannan-Quinn criter.	3.323874	
F-statistic	44.98617	Durbin-Watson stat	2.054166	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 21 1st Difference Fixed Mortgage Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: D(EURO\_INTERBANK\_RATE) has a unit root  
 Exogenous: Constant  
 Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on BIC, maxlag=12)

	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-5.639965	0.0000
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.493129	
5% level	-2.888932	
10% level	-2.581453	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(EURO\_INTERBANK\_RATE,2)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:50  
 Sample (adjusted): 1994Q3 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 106 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
D(EURO_INTERBANK_RATE(-1))	-0.461985	0.081913	-5.639965	0.0000
C	-0.027914	0.028949	-0.964239	0.3372
R-squared	0.234220	Mean dependent var	0.003953	
Adjusted R-squared	0.226857	S.D. dependent var	0.332449	
S.E. of regression	0.292318	Akaike info criterion	0.396737	
Sum squared resid	8.886768	Schwarz criterion	0.446991	
Log likelihood	-19.02708	Hannan-Quinn criter.	0.417105	
F-statistic	31.80921	Durbin-Watson stat	1.860517	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 22 1st Difference Euro Interbank Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: D(EUPI) has a unit root  
 Exogenous: Constant  
 Lag Length: 0 (Automatic - based on BIC, maxlag=11)

	t-Statistic	Prob.*
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-8.714514	0.0000
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.501445	
5% level	-2.892536	
10% level	-2.583371	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(EUPI,2)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 06/23/21 Time: 11:50  
 Sample (adjusted): 1997Q3 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 94 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
D(EUPI(-1))	-0.905367	0.103892	-8.714514	0.0000
C	2.010751	5.895636	0.341057	0.7338
R-squared	0.452194	Mean dependent var	-0.238126	
Adjusted R-squared	0.446240	S.D. dependent var	76.73921	
S.E. of regression	57.10553	Akaike info criterion	10.94873	
Sum squared resid	300015.8	Schwarz criterion	11.00284	
Log likelihood	-512.5901	Hannan-Quinn criter.	10.97058	
F-statistic	75.94276	Durbin-Watson stat	1.965462	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 23 1st Difference EUPI Unit Root

Null Hypothesis: D(CPI) has a unit root		
Exogenous: Constant		
Lag Length: 4 (Automatic - based on SIC, maxlag=13)		
Augmented Dickey-Fuller test statistic	-3.691436	Prob.*
Test critical values:		
1% level	-3.467205	
5% level	-2.877636	
10% level	-2.575430	

\*MacKinnon (1996) one-sided p-values.

Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test Equation  
 Dependent Variable: D(CPI,2)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 08/23/21 Time: 11:51  
 Sample (adjusted): 1976Q3 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 178 after adjustments

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
D(CPI(-1))	-0.358328	0.097070	-3.691436	0.0003
D(CPI(-1),2)	-0.364273	0.108043	-3.371563	0.0009
D(CPI(-2),2)	-0.252808	0.098069	-2.577848	0.0108
D(CPI(-3),2)	-0.332452	0.087734	-3.789302	0.0002
D(CPI(-4),2)	0.289765	0.072191	4.013877	0.0001
C	0.182451	0.055482	3.288451	0.0012
R-squared	0.734765	Mean dependent var	-	0.002411
Adjusted R-squared	0.727055	S.D. dependent var	0.583633	
S.E. of regression	0.304914	Akaike info criterion	0.495555	
Sum squared resid	15.99131	Schwarz criterion	0.602006	
Log likelihood	-38.10430	Hannan-Quinn criter.	0.539040	
F-statistic	95.29841	Durbin-Watson stat	1.994209	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 24 1st Difference CPI Unit Root

Dependent Variable: LPRICES				
Method: Least Squares				
Date: 07/01/21 Time: 11:40				
Sample (adjusted): 2004Q1 2020Q4				
Included observations: 68 after adjustments				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
LCPI	-1.790304	0.467344	-3.830809	0.0003
LEUPI	-0.040936	0.009442	-4.335470	0.0001
LEURO_INTERBANK	0.099569	0.015910	6.258132	0.0000
LFKED	0.312325	0.079810	3.913378	0.0002
L0DP	0.383207	0.101795	3.764485	0.0004
UNTERBANK	-0.024059	0.009123	-2.637274	0.0107
LPOP	10.12930	1.373725	7.373603	0.0000
LUNEMP	-0.039676	0.016923	-2.344468	0.0224
C	-34.16834	3.493620	-9.780211	0.0000
R-squared	0.968574	Mean dependent var	5.884090	
Adjusted R-squared	0.964313	S.D. dependent var	0.128487	
S.E. of regression	0.024274	Akaike info criterion	4.476050	
Sum squared resid	0.034766	Schwarz criterion	4.182292	
Log likelihood	161.1857	Hannan-Quinn criter.	4.359654	
F-statistic	227.3031	Durbin-Watson stat	0.785591	
Prob(F-statistic)	0.000000			

Figure 25 OLS Output Results

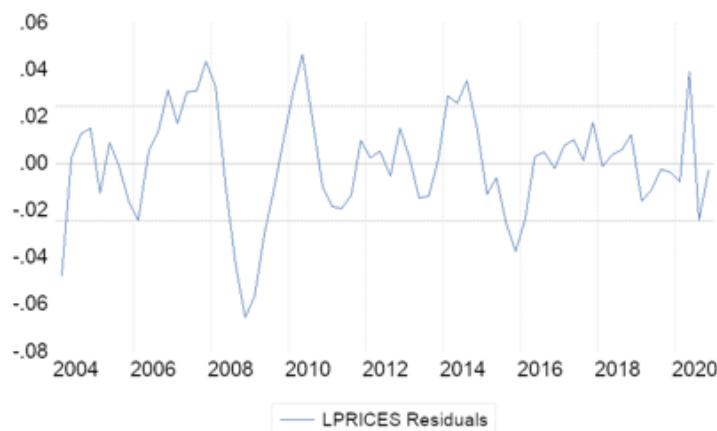


Figure 26 OLS Residuals

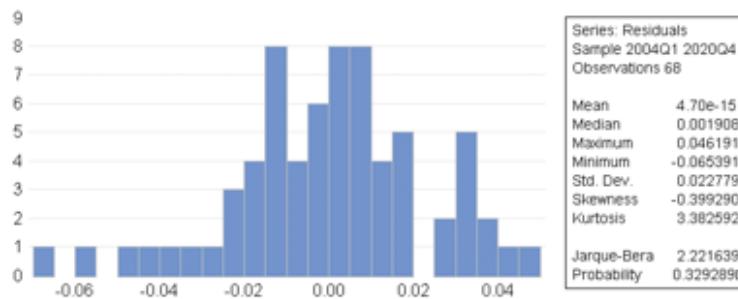


Figure 27 Residual Distribution

Breusch-Godfrey Serial Correlation LM Test				
Null hypothesis: No serial correlation at up to 4 lags				
F-statistic	15.64728	Prob. F(4,55)	0.0000	
Obs*R-squared	36.19434	Prob. Chi-Square(4)	0.0000	
 Test Equation:				
Dependent Variable: RESID				
Method: Least Squares				
Date: 06/30/21 Time: 17:20				
Sample: 2004Q1 2020Q4				
Included observations: 66				
Presample missing value lagged residuals set to zero.				
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
CPI	0.821729	1.235028	0.665353	0.5086
EUPI	0.003129	0.009256	0.338107	0.7366
EURO_INTERBANK_RATE	1.403220	2.714221	0.516988	0.6072
FIXED_MORTGAGE_RATES	0.428722	0.494965	0.866165	0.3902
INTERBANK RATE	-2.557140	3.467219	-0.737519	0.4639
POPULATION	-2.731249	5.093853	-0.536185	0.5940
REAL_GDP	-8.19E-05	5.78E-05	-1.416538	0.1623
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	-1.513201	1.680871	-0.900248	0.3719
C	109.1990	196.1783	0.556631	0.5800
RESID(-1)	0.766382	0.134787	5.685867	0.0000
RESID(-2)	0.113945	0.161110	0.707249	0.4824
RESID(-3)	-0.341044	0.163378	-2.087458	0.0415
RESID(-4)	0.063108	0.147229	0.428638	0.6699
R-squared	0.532270	Mean dependent var	5.15E-13	
Adjusted R-squared	0.430219	S.D. dependent var	7.781281	
S.E. of regression	5.873607	Akaike info criterion	6.548993	
Sum squared resid	1897.459	Schwarz criterion	6.973311	
Log likelihood	-209.6658	Hannan-Quinn criter.	6.717121	

Figure 28 OLS Autocorrelation

VAR Lag Order Selection Criteria  
 Endogenous variables: CPI\_EUPI\_EURO\_INTERBANK\_RATE\_FIXED\_MORTGAGE\_...  
 Exogenous variables: C  
 Date: 08/23/21 Time: 15:35  
 Sample: 1975Q1 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 64

Lag	LogL	LR	FPE	AIC	SC	HQ
0	-1854.919	NA	1.60e+14	58.24746	58.55108	58.36707
1	-1020.790	1407.592	9843.171	34.71220	37.74813*	35.90820*
2	-911.8974	153.1307	4740.117	33.84054	39.60081	36.11296
3	-825.9817	96.65511	6098.455	33.68693	42.18753	37.03575
4	-684.4933	119.3809*	2259.898*	31.79667*	43.02960	36.22189

\* indicates lag order selected by the criterion  
 LR: sequential modified LR test statistic (each test at 5% level)  
 FPE: Final prediction error  
 AIC: Akaike information criterion  
 SC: Schwarz information criterion  
 HQ: Hannan-Quinn information criterion

Figure 29 Lag Selection

Date: 06/24/21 Time: 11:52  
 Sample (adjusted): 2005Q2 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 63 after adjustments  
 Trend assumption: Linear deterministic trend  
 Series: LPNICES\_LCP1\_EUPI\_EURO\_INTERBANK\_FIXED\_LDOP\_LINTERBANK\_LPC  
 Lags Interval (in first differences): 1 to 4

Unrestricted Cointegration Rank Test (Trace)

Hypothesized No. of CE(s)	Eigenvalue	Trace Statistic	0.05 Critical Value	Prob.**
None *	0.953375	652.8766	197.3709	0.0000
At most 1 *	0.880222	459.7430	159.5297	0.0000
At most 2 *	0.779617	326.0497	125.6154	0.0000
At most 3 *	0.713753	230.7691	95.75366	0.0000
At most 4 *	0.656590	151.9624	69.81889	0.0000
At most 5 *	0.479156	84.62604	47.85613	0.0000
At most 6 *	0.309276	43.53082	29.79707	0.0007
At most 7 *	0.215692	20.21990	15.49471	0.0090
At most 8 *	0.075034	4.913861	3.841465	0.0268

Trace test indicates 9 cointegrating eqn(s) at the 0.05 level

\* denotes rejection of the hypothesis at the 0.05 level

\*\*MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis (1999) p-values

Unrestricted Cointegration Rank Test (Maximum Eigenvalue)

Hypothesized No. of CE(s)	Eigenvalue	Max-Eigen Statistic	0.05 Critical Value	Prob.**
None *	0.953375	193.1338	58.43354	0.0000
At most 1 *	0.880222	133.6933	52.36261	0.0000
At most 2 *	0.779617	95.28054	46.23142	0.0000
At most 3 *	0.713753	78.80675	40.07757	0.0000
At most 4 *	0.656590	67.33633	33.87687	0.0000
At most 5 *	0.479156	41.09523	27.58434	0.0005
At most 6 *	0.309276	23.31092	21.13162	0.0243
At most 7 *	0.215692	15.30604	14.26480	0.0341
At most 8 *	0.075034	4.913861	3.841465	0.0268

Max-eigenvalue test indicates 9 cointegrating eqn(s) at the 0.05 level

\* denotes rejection of the hypothesis at the 0.05 level

\*\*MacKinnon-Haug-Michelis (1999) p-values

Figure 30 Unrestricted Cointegration Rank

VAR Granger Causality/Block Exogeneity Wald Tests			
Date: 06/24/21 Time: 11:16			
Sample: 1975Q1 2020Q4			
Included observations: 63			
<b>Dependent variable: D(LCPI)</b>			
Excluded	Chi-sq	df	Prob.
D(LEUPI)	11.86343	4	0.0184
D(LEURO_INTERBANK)	10.36614	4	0.0347
D(LFIXED)	2.492037	4	0.6461
D(LGDP)	6.948335	4	0.1386
D(LINTERBANK)	6.925062	4	0.1399
D(LPOP_2)	7.011895	4	0.1353
D(LPRICES)	4.089627	4	0.3940
D(LUNEMP)	4.674904	4	0.3223
All	38.15117	32	0.2099
<b>Dependent variable: D(LEUPI)</b>			
Excluded	Chi-sq	df	Prob.
D(LCPI)	1.112393	4	0.8923
D(LEURO_INTERBANK)	4.419086	4	0.3522
D(LFIXED)	3.831940	4	0.4292
D(LGDP)	2.244278	4	0.6909
D(LINTERBANK)	0.628712	4	0.9598
D(LPOP_2)	0.372802	4	0.9846
D(LPRICES)	1.130695	4	0.8894
D(LUNEMP)	0.168982	4	0.9966
All	15.91802	32	0.9921
<b>Dependent variable: D(LEURO_INTERBANK)</b>			
Excluded	Chi-sq	df	Prob.
D(LCPI)	9.344025	4	0.0531
D(LEUPI)	2.683194	4	0.6122
D(LFIXED)	3.462971	4	0.4835
D(LGDP)	9.977149	4	0.0408
D(LINTERBANK)	2.823890	4	0.5877
D(LPOP_2)	2.907925	4	0.5734
D(LPRICES)	1.664734	4	0.7971
D(LUNEMP)	0.992234	4	0.9110
All	47.45726	32	0.0386

Figure 31 Granger Causality

Vector Error Correction Estimates			
Date: 06/24/21 Time: 16:15			
Sample (adjusted): 2005Q2 2020Q4			
Included observations: 63 after adjustments			
Standard errors in () & t-statistics in []			
<b>Cointegrating Eq: CointEq1</b>			
LPRICES(-1)	1.000000		
LCPI(-1)	-13.41354 (0.70420) [-19.0480]		
LEUPI(-1)	0.103497 (0.01593) [6.49572]		
LEURO_INTERBANK(-1)	-0.099275 (0.02546) [-3.89874]		
LFIXED(-1)	-3.493350 (0.19130) [-18.2612]		
LGDP(-1)	-2.800013 (0.30559) [-9.16255]		
LINTERBANK(-1)	0.100984 (0.01600) [10.4991]		
LPOP(-1)	35.39956 (2.18945) [16.1682]		
LUNEMP(-1)	-0.329868 (0.02365) [-13.9454]		
C	-41.00175		

Figure 32 VECM

## VEC Residual Serial Correlation LM Tests

Date: 06/24/21 Time: 11:59

Sample: 1975Q1 2020Q4

Included observations: 63

Null hypothesis: No serial correlation at lag h

Lag	LRE* stat	df	Prob.	Rao F-stat	df	Prob.
1	73.92298	81	0.6906	0.003679	(81, 54.2)	0.8158
2	77.39134	81	0.5930	0.059217	(81, 54.2)	0.7351
3	103.0637	81	0.0496	1.340932	(81, 54.2)	0.1255
4	78.63359	81	0.5538	0.879614	(81, 54.2)	0.7031

Null hypothesis: No serial correlation at lags 1 to h

Lag	LRE* stat	df	Prob.	Rao F-stat	df	Prob.
1	73.92298	81	0.6906	0.003679	(81, 54.2)	0.8158
2	1183.961	162	0.0000	13685.90	(162, 1.0)	0.0070
3	NA	243	NA	NA	(243, NA)	NA
4	NA	324	NA	NA	(324, NA)	NA

\*Edgeworth expansion corrected likelihood ratio statistic.

Figure 33 VECM Serial Correlation Test

## VEC Residual Portmanteau Tests for Autocorrelations

Null Hypothesis: No residual autocorrelations up to lag h

Date: 07/01/21 Time: 15:41

Sample: 1975Q1 2020Q4

Included observations: 63

Lags	Q-Stat	Prob.*	Adj Q-Stat	Prob.*	df
1	61.98346	---	62.98319	---	---
2	123.6972	---	126.7203	---	---
3	194.6961	---	201.2691	---	---
4	253.4836	---	264.0423	---	---
5	319.0223	0.0000	335.2308	0.0000	153

\*Test is valid only for lags larger than the VAR lag order.

df is degrees of freedom for (approximate) chi-square distribution after  
adjustment for VEC estimation (Brueggemann, et al. 2005)

Figure 34 VEC Autocorrelation Test

VEC Residual Normality Tests  
 Orthogonalization: Cholesky (Lutkepohl)  
 Null Hypothesis: Residuals are multivariate normal  
 Date: 07/01/21 Time: 15:40  
 Sample: 1975Q1 2020Q4  
 Included observations: 63

Component	Skewness	Chi-sq	df	Prob.*
1	0.362095	1.376680	1	0.2407
2	-0.004068	0.000174	1	0.9895
3	-0.334506	1.174887	1	0.2784
4	0.014757	0.002286	1	0.9619
5	-1.456622	22.27836	1	0.0000
6	-1.578380	26.15848	1	0.0000
7	-0.321250	1.083817	1	0.2979
8	-0.580155	3.534089	1	0.0601
9	-0.371531	1.449370	1	0.2286
Joint		57.05795	9	0.0000
Component	Kurtosis	Chi-sq	df	Prob.
1	4.858685	9.068616	1	0.0026
2	3.492665	0.637138	1	0.4247
3	3.128893	0.043610	1	0.8346
4	3.134085	0.047194	1	0.8280
5	6.577069	33.58798	1	0.0000
6	9.263374	102.9784	1	0.0000
7	3.120358	0.038026	1	0.8454
8	5.348638	14.47976	1	0.0001
9	3.204844	0.110147	1	0.7400
Joint		160.9908	9	0.0000
Component	Jarque-Bera	df	Prob.	
1	10.44530	2	0.0054	
2	0.637312	2	0.7271	
3	1.218497	2	0.5438	
4	0.049481	2	0.9756	
5	55.86635	2	0.0000	
6	129.1368	2	0.0000	
7	1.121643	2	0.5707	
8	18.01385	2	0.0001	
9	1.559518	2	0.4585	
Joint	218.0488	18	0.0000	

\*Approximate p-values do not account for coefficient estimation

Figure 35 VEC Normality Test

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