# **Modeling Mental Health Illness**

## **Overview**

The goal of this project is to model depression rates in the U.S. This is useful not only for government agencies, but also to better understand what else is correlated with depression. Having a better forecast for depression will allow the government to allocate additional funds to fight the mental health crises. The final project is useful to any mental health organization or government agency that can advocate or provide support for those with depression.

## **Business Understanding**

Depression rates in the U.S. have grown significantly in the past two years during Covid. This has a tremendous impact on not only those who experience this disease, it affects those around them, and the Economy as a whole. According to a 2018 study by <a href="https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s40273-021-01019-4">PharmaEconomics</a> (<a href="https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s40273-021-01019-4">https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s40273-021-01019-4</a>), depression cost the U.S. economy \$326 billion in 2018. This number is rising, not only because of rising rates but because those with the disease are not willing or in many cases unable to receive proper care.

By modeling Depression Rates more accurately, the CDC will be able to more confidently secure increased funding to help improve the lives of those with this disease and therefore ease the economic and psychological burden of U.S. citizens.

In [1]:

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    1
       import pandas as pd
    2 import numpy as np
       pd.set option('display.max rows', 10)
    4 | from datetime import datetime as dt
       import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
       from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
    7
    9
       import seaborn as sns
   10 from statsmodels.tsa.stattools import adfuller
   11 from sklearn.model_selection import TimeSeriesSplit
   12
      plt.style.use('ggplot')
   13
   14 #statsmodels
      from statsmodels.tsa.arima.model import ARIMA
   15
   16 from statsmodels.tsa.stattools import acf, pacf, adfuller
   17 | from statsmodels.graphics.tsaplots import plot_acf, plot_pacf
       from statsmodels.tsa.statespace.sarimax import SARIMAX
   19
       import itertools
   20
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Out[3]:

	Entity	Code	Year	Prevalence - Schizophrenia - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	Prevalence - Bipolar disorder - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	Prevalence - Eating disorders - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	Prevalence - Anxiety disorders - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	Preva D disa Sex Ag stand (F
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1	Afghanistan	AFG	1991	0.228120	0.719952	0.126395	4.821765	0
2	Afghanistan	AFG	1992	0.227328	0.718418	0.121832	4.801434	0
3	Afghanistan	AFG	1993	0.226468	0.717452	0.117942	4.789363	0
4	Afghanistan	AFG	1994	0.225567	0.717012	0.114547	4.784923	0
6835	Zimbabwe	ZWE	2015	0.209359	0.560882	0.099610	3.315701	0
6836	Zimbabwe	ZWE	2016	0.209979	0.561768	0.100821	3.324230	0
6837	Zimbabwe	ZWE	2017	0.210631	0.562612	0.101671	3.330569	0
6838	Zimbabwe	ZWE	2018	0.211237	0.563283	0.102398	3.317500	0
6839	Zimbabwe	ZWE	2019	0.211969	0.563820	0.102902	3.283934	0

6840 rows × 10 columns

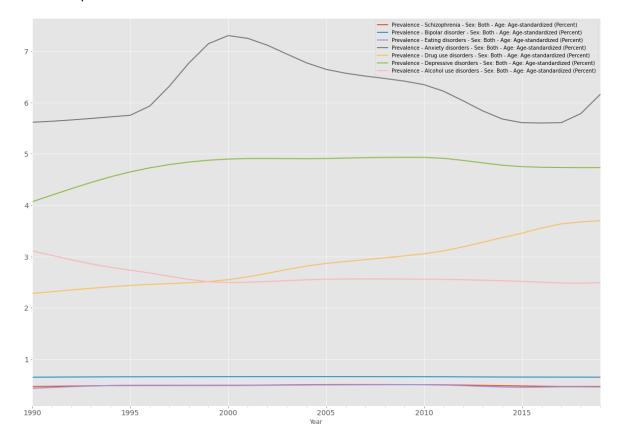
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us_df = mental_disorder_df.loc[mental_disorder_df['Entity'] == 'United S'
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                     #Set Index to the year
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                    us_df = us_df.set_index(pd.to_datetime(us_df['Year'], exact = False, for
                 2
            M
                    us_df.drop(columns = 'Year', inplace = True)
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                    us_df
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#Isolate only the U.S. Data

In [4]:

Out[7]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Year'>



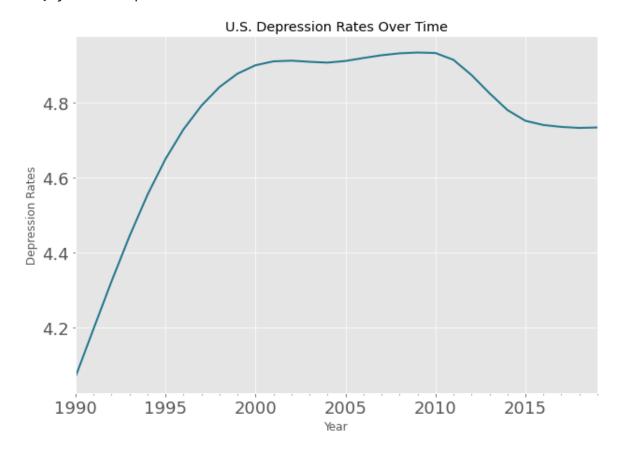
In [9]: ▶

1 #Sanity Check
2 us\_df

Out[9]:

	Entity	Code	Prevalence - Schizophrenia - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	Prevalence - Bipolar disorder - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	Prevalence - Eating disorders - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	Prevalence - Anxiety disorders - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	Prevalence - Drug use disorders - Sex: Both - Age: Age- standardized (Percent)	F s1
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1990- 01-01	United States	USA	0.467115	0.649644	0.433047	5.617003	2.281317	
1991- 01-01	United States	USA	0.472488	0.651606	0.450069	5.636548	2.316009	
1992- 01-01	United States	USA	0.477502	0.653518	0.465582	5.661951	2.349570	
1993- 01-01	United States	USA	0.481847	0.655238	0.478267	5.691142	2.381472	
1994- 01-01	United States	USA	0.485216	0.656640	0.487285	5.722273	2.411349	
2015- 01-01	United States	USA	0.479682	0.652400	0.454035	5.608664	3.456076	
2016- 01-01	United States	USA	0.473109	0.652017	0.457696	5.602520	3.556867	
2017- 01-01	United States	USA	0.467995	0.651626	0.461926	5.609053	3.637681	
2018- 01-01	United States	USA	0.467770	0.651148	0.461494	5.785829	3.674890	
2019- 01-01	United States	USA	0.469107	0.650464	0.459038	6.163564	3.699504	

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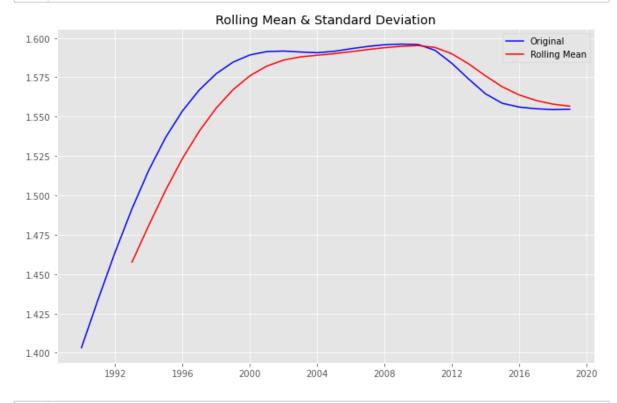


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In [11]:
              1 #Use a Dicky-Fuller Test to test for stationarity
                 dftest = adfuller(us_depression_rates)
              3
              4 #Make the output look better
              5 dfoutput = pd.Series(
              6
                                 dftest[0:4],
              7
                                 index=['Test Statistic','p-value','#Lags Used','Number of
              8
                 )
              9
             10 for key,value in dftest[4].items():
             11
                     dfoutput['Critical Value (%s)'%key] = value
             12
             13 display(dfoutput)
             Test Statistic
                                            -1.613473
             p-value
                                             0.476153
             #Lags Used
                                             9.000000
             Number of Observations Used
                                            20.000000
             Critical Value (1%)
                                            -3.809209
             Critical Value (5%)
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             Critical Value (10%)
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data\_transform = pd.Series(np.log(us\_depression\_rates))

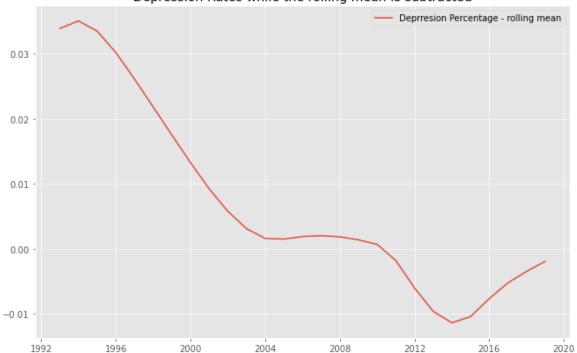
In [12]:

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In [14]:
              1 | # Start with the square root transform to increase stationarity
                 data_transform = pd.Series(np.log(us_depression_rates))
              3 #Subtract the rolling mean to increase stationarity
                 rolmean = data transform.ewm(span = 4, min periods = 4, adjust = False).
                 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(11, 7))
                 orig = plt.plot(data_transform, color='blue', label='Original')
              7
                 mean = plt.plot(rolmean, color='red', label='Rolling Mean')
                 plt.legend(loc='best')
                plt.title('Rolling Mean & Standard Deviation')
              10 plt.show(block=False)
             11 # Subtract the moving average from the original data and check head for I
             12 data_minus_rolmean = data_transform - rolmean
             13 data_minus_rolmean
             14 # Drop the NaN values from timeseries calculated above
             15 # (the first few values didn't have a rolling mean)
             16 data_minus_rolmean.dropna(inplace=True)
```



```
In [16]:
                 #Sanity Check
                 data_minus_rolmean
   Out[16]: Year
             1993-01-01
                           0.033913
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             2016-01-01
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             2017-01-01
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             2018-01-01
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             2019-01-01
                          -0.001949
             Name: Depression_Rates, Length: 27, dtype: float64
In [17]:
               1 #Plot the new data
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               2
                 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(11, 7))
               3 plt.plot(data_minus_rolmean, label='Deprresion Percentage - rolling mean
               4 plt.legend(loc='best')
                 plt.title('Depression Rates while the rolling mean is subtracted')
                 plt.show(block=False)
```





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In [18]:
              1 data_minus_rolmean
   Out[18]: Year
             1993-01-01
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             Name: Depression_Rates, Length: 27, dtype: float64
                 #Use a Dicky-Fuller Test to test for stationarity
In [19]:
          1
                 dftest = adfuller(data_minus_rolmean)
              3
                 #Make the output look better
              5
                 dfoutput = pd.Series(
              6
                                 dftest[0:4],
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                                 index=['Test Statistic','p-value','#Lags Used','Number o-
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                 )
              9
             10 for key,value in dftest[4].items():
                     dfoutput['Critical Value (%s)'%key] = value
             11
             12
             13 display(dfoutput)
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             dtype: float64
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1 #Use a Dicky-Fuller Test to test for stationarity
In [24]:
                 dftest = adfuller(data_transform)
               3
                 #Make the output look better
               4
               5
                 dfoutput = pd.Series(
               6
                                  dftest[0:4],
               7
                                  index=['Test Statistic','p-value','#Lags Used','Number o-
               8
                 )
               9
              10 for key,value in dftest[4].items():
              11
                     dfoutput['Critical Value (%s)'%key] = value
              12
              13
                 display(dfoutput)
```

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p-value
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                                7.000000
#Lags Used
Number of Observations Used
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Critical Value (10%)
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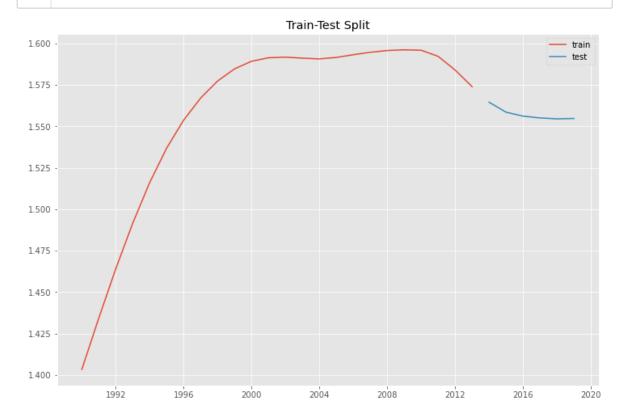
Ultimately the log transformed data was used for this analysis because ARIMA models does not require the data to be stationary. This will also allow us to easily transform the data back to it's original number for forecasting

## Modeling

### **Train-Test Split**

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In [25]:
              1 # find the index which allows us to split off 20% of the data
          H
              cutoff = round(data_transform.shape[0]*0.8)
              3
                cutoff
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Out[25]: 24

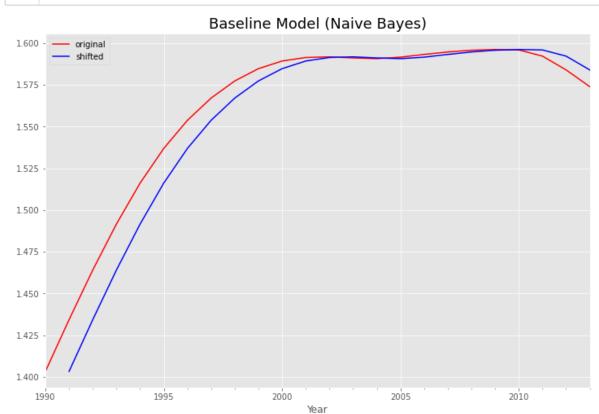


## **Baseline Model**

Prediction is based solely on previous reporting cycle data. This will give us a good idea if our model has predictive capacity.

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In [28]:
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               1 naive = train.shift(1)
               2
                 naive
   Out[28]: Year
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             2009-01-01
                           1.595675
             2010-01-01
                           1.596109
             2011-01-01
                           1.595853
             2012-01-01
                           1.592155
             2013-01-01
                           1.583896
             Name: Depression_Rates, Length: 24, dtype: float64
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The baseline model RMSE is .014

Testing different ARIMA models to see which has the lowest AIC

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so inferred frequency AS-JAN will be used.

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### Out[107]:

### SARIMAX Results

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	Time:			4:45:00		-189.959		
	Sample:			1-1990		-191.659		
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Covaria			opg					
	coef	std	err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]	
ar.L1	0.9081	0.	052	17.466	0.000	0.806	1.010	
sigma2	1.073e-05	5.62	e-06	1.908	0.056	-2.93e-07	2.18e-05	
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	Prob	( <b>Q</b> ):	).13		Prob(JE	3): 0.00	1	
Heterosl	<b>cedasticity</b>	( <b>H</b> ): C	).24		Ske	<b>w</b> : 2.98	1	
Prob(H) (two-sided):			0.06		Kurtosi	is: 13.27	•	

### Warnings:

[1] Covariance matrix calculated using the outer product of gradients (complex-step).

#### -229.51251381479508

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tatespace\sarimax.py:965: UserWarning: Non-stationary starting autoregressi
ve parameters found. Using zeros as starting parameters.

warn('Non-stationary starting autoregressive parameters'

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tatespace\sarimax.py:977: UserWarning: Non-invertible starting MA parameter
s found. Using zeros as starting parameters.

warn('Non-invertible starting MA parameters found.'

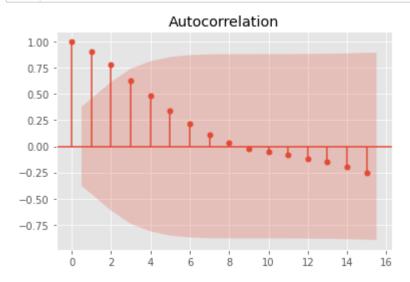
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\model.py:566: ConvergenceWarning: Maximum Likelihood optimization failed t
o converge. Check mle\_retvals
 warnings.warn("Maximum Likelihood optimization failed to "

There does not seem to be a huge improvement using this method

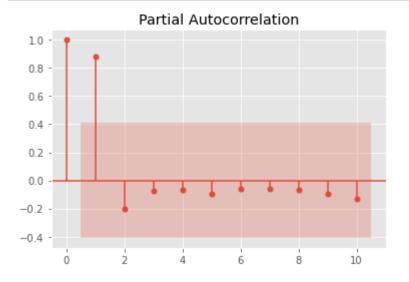
## Using ACF and PACF

A better way of going at this is by examining these charts. The ACF can tell us the optimal number of lags to go backwards and the PACF shows the direct effect of previous lags and thus the AR term for our model.



It appears that an MA of around two or three will be best in the final model as those lags still have some predictive capabilities.

In [47]: plot\_pacf(train.diff().dropna(), lags = );



## **Analysis**

The ACF seems to drop around three while the PACF seems to be best at 1. While working through some other models that are not in the notebook, I noticed a trend in the PACF that there was significant correlation every four years. This interested me because something important and potentially stressful happens every four years. Presidential elections can be a stressful thing for people who are worried about their security and the economy and potentially trigger depression.

For more research in this topic I suggest reading these articles

(https://www.headspace.com/articles/election-anxiety (https://www.headspace.com/articles/election-anxiety), https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/wellness/stress-detox-election-anxiety/2020/11/09/96e5974c-1fa7-11eb-90dd-abd0f7086a91\_story.html (https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/wellness/stress-detox-election-anxiety/2020/11/09/96e5974c-1fa7-11eb-90dd-abd0f7086a91\_story.html))

As a result of this finding, I wanted to use a SARIMA model that could incorporate a seasonality component in the model.

## **Model Iteration**

I used a function that would allow me to grid search through a bunch of different parameters in my SARIMAX model in order to find the best one. The models were evaluated by their Akaike information criterion (AIC). This allowed me to determine the best model for this dataset.

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Examples of parameter for SARIMA... SARIMAX: (0, 0, 1) \times (0, 0, 1, 4) SARIMAX: (0, 0, 1) \times (0, 1, 0, 4) SARIMAX: (0, 1, 0) \times (0, 1, 1, 4) SARIMAX: (0, 1, 0) \times (1, 0, 0, 4)
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5
                              order=param,
 6
                              enforce_stationarity=False,
 7
                              enforce invertibility=False)
 8
                results = mod.fit()
 9
                print('ARIMA{}x{} - AIC:{}'.format(param,param_seasonal,result)
10
            except:
                print('Oops!')
11
                continue
12
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for param seasonal in seasonal pdq:

mod=SARIMAX(train,

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In [33]:

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for param in pdq:

try:

The best model I found was with an order of (2, 1, 1) and a seasonal order of (0, 0, 1, 4)

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In [77]: 1 #Cross validation for my training set before I apply it to the test set #Reset the Index for easier validation train\_with\_ind = train.reset\_index() 3 4 5 for train ind, val ind in split.split(train with ind): 6 sarimax = SARIMAX(endog=train\_with\_ind.iloc[train\_ind, -1], 7 order=(2, 1, 1), seasonal\_order=(0, 0, 1, 4), 8 9 enforce stationarity=False, enforce\_invertibility=False).fit() 10 preds = sarimax.predict(typ='levels', start=val\_ind[0], end=val\_ind[ 11 true = train\_with\_ind.iloc[val\_ind, -1] 12 13 print(np.sqrt(mean\_squared\_error(true, preds)))

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0.05525329501129499
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The cross validation scores look good and is ready to be applied to the test set. It should be noted that the model does best in the middle of the data set were there was less variation, and worse in the beginning and end when rates were rising fastest and dropping rapidly.

```
In [81]:
                  #Create a variable for the final model
                  sari mod = SARIMAX(train
               2
               3
                                     ,order = (2, 1, 1)
               4
                                     , seasonal order = (0,0,1,4)
               5
                                     ,enforce_stationarity=False
               6
                                     ,enforce_invertibility=False).fit()
               7
               8
                  #Use the fitted model to predict on the test set
               9
                 y hat test = sari mod.predict(start=test.index[0], end=test.index[-1],ty
              10 #Print the RMSE for our test data
              11 | np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(test, y_hat_test))
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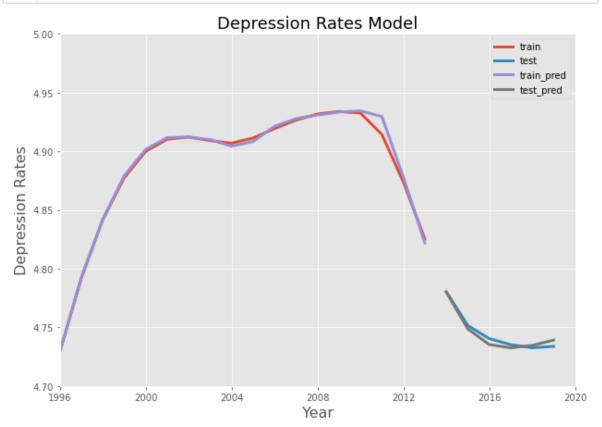
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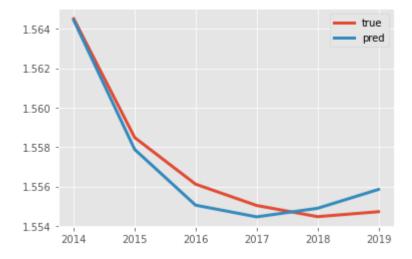
The RMSE for this model was .0007 as compared to the baseline model which was .013. This is a significant improvement in error reduction by 95%.

## **Time Series Graphs**

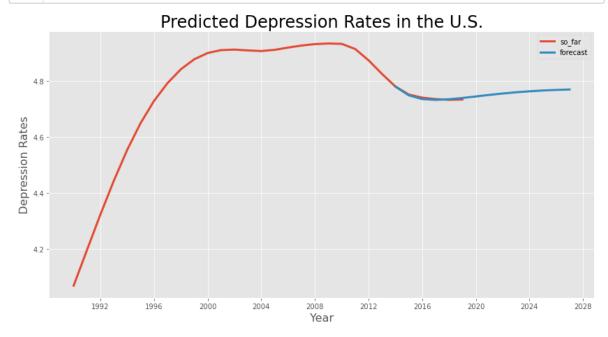
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In [105]:
                  #Graphing the time series to get the full picture
               3
                  #Defining variables for graph syntex
               4
                  y hat train = sari mod.predict(typ='levels')
                  y_hat_test = sari_mod.predict(start=test.index[0], end=test.index[-1],ty|
               7
                  fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (10, 7))
                  #The data is un-transformed by exponentiating the values. This undoes the
                  ax.plot(np.exp(train), label='train', lw = 3)
               10
                  ax.plot(np.exp(test), label='test', lw = 3)
              11
                  ax.plot(np.exp(y_hat_train), label='train_pred', lw = 3)
              12
                  ax.plot(np.exp(y_hat_test), label='test_pred', lw = 3)
                  ax.set_title ('Depression Rates Model', fontsize = 18)
              14 ax.set_xlabel('Year', fontsize = 16)
              15 | ax.set_ylabel("Depression Rates", fontsize = 16)
              16 plt.xlim(pd.Timestamp('1996-01-01'), pd.Timestamp('2020-01-01'))
              17 plt.ylim(4.7, 5)
              18 plt.legend();
```



```
In [89]: | # Let's zoom in on test
2 fig, ax = plt.subplots()
3
4 ax.plot(test, label='true', lw = 3)
5 ax.plot(y_hat_test, label='pred', lw = 3)
6
7 plt.legend();
```



# **Forecasting Into the Futre**



The model is predicting that rates will continue to grow for the foreseeable future.

This is important to the CDC because it shows that the prevalence of this disesase is growing. This will allow them to better advocate for resources and expand outreach in order to curb it's spread.

## **Next Steps**

In order to further assist the CDC, I would like to look at two more aspects of this dataset that could be useful to target outreach in communities that suffer from depression the most.

Although this data looked at the U.S. population as a whole, it is also broken down into gender and age. Depression in youth is growing faster (<a href="https://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2019/07/12/a-growing-number-of-american-teenagers-particularly-girls-are-facing-depression/#:~text=The%20total%20number%20of%20teenagers than%20for%20hovs%20(44%20).

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<u>depression/#:~:text=The%20total%20number%20of%20teenagers,than%20for%20boys%20(44%25</u> and will have a bigger effect on those who suffer and the economy as a whole. This is due to higher lifetime treatment costs and lower economic potential.

Additionally, women are more likely to suffer from this disorder, and examining men and women separately may provide new insight into why.

Finally, other disorders are linked to depression so including drug abuse, anxiety disorders, may farther improve the model's accuracy.

