

# Empirical Applications from Time Series Methods Slides

This document lists all empirical applications found in the lecture slides across 4 parts.

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## Part 1: Linear Time Series Models

### 1. Autocorrelation - Examples based on Spanish data

**Slide:** 10/69 **Exercise:** Analysis of autocorrelation patterns of three Spanish economic time series **Series Used:** - Sovereign spreads (bp) - time series plot showing evolution from Jan 1993 to Jan 2014 - Real GDP annual growth rates (%) - time series plot showing evolution from Mar 1996 to Aug 2014 - Ibex-35 monthly returns (%) - time series plot showing evolution from Feb 1990 to Aug 2014 - Autocorrelations of sovereign spreads, GDP growth, and Ibex-35 returns - correlogram plot (lags 1-19)

**Source:** Spanish data (likely from Banco de España or official statistics)

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### 2. Correlation: Long-term sovereign spreads

**Slide:** 5/69 **Exercise:** Visualization of long-term sovereign spreads relative to German yields **Series Used:** - Long-term sovereign spread for Spain (bp) - from Jan 1993 to Apr 2014 - Long-term sovereign spread for France (bp) - from Jan 1993 to Apr 2014 - Long-term sovereign spread for Italy (bp) - from Jan 1993 to Apr 2014 - German sovereign yields (benchmark) - used as reference for calculating spreads

**Source:** ECB Statistical Data Warehouse (Harmonised long-term interest rates for convergence assessment purposes)

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### 3. Correlation between sovereign spreads - Table and scatter plots

**Slides:** 8/69, 9/69 **Exercise:** Analysis of correlation between long-term sovereign spreads for different country pairs across time periods **Series Used:** - Sovereign spreads for Spain (ES) - Sovereign spreads for France (FR) - Sovereign spreads for Italy (IT)

**Periods analyzed:** - 1993-1999: ES-FR (77%), ES-IT (99%), IT-FR (75%) - 2000-2007: ES-FR (88%), ES-IT (75%), IT-FR (73%) - 2008-2015: ES-FR (83%), ES-IT (95%), IT-FR (93%)

**Source:** ECB Statistical Data Warehouse

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### 4. Autocorrelation with confidence intervals

**Slide:** 12/69 **Exercise:** ACF plots with confidence bands for GDP growth and Ibex-35 returns **Series Used:** - Real GDP annual growth rates (gdp\_real\_growth) - ACF plot with Bartlett's 95% confidence bands (lags 0-40) - Ibex-35 monthly returns (ibex\_35) - ACF plot with Bartlett's 95% confidence bands (lags 0-40)

**Source:** Spanish data

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### 5. Stationarity: Dickey-Fuller Unit root test for Ibex-35

**Slides:** 16/69, 17/69, 18/69, 19/69 **Exercise:** Unit root testing comparing Ibex-35 index levels vs returns, including time series plots, correlograms, and DF-GLS test results **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 index (%) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2014) - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) (%) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2014) -

Ibex-35 index levels (ibex35) - correlogram (lags 0-40) - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) - correlogram (lags 0-40) - DF-GLS test results for ibex35 (levels) - table with test statistics for lags 1-3 (6659 observations) - DF-GLS test results for ribex35 (returns) - table with test statistics for lags 1-3 (6658 observations)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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## 6. Seasonality: Spanish inflation index

**Slide:** 22/69 **Exercise:** Analysis of seasonal patterns in Spanish inflation using monthly and annual returns with correlograms **Series Used:** - Spanish inflation index - monthly returns (%) (Jan 2003 to Jan 2015) - Spanish inflation index - annual returns (%) (Jan 2003 to Jan 2015) - Monthly inflation returns (monthly\_inflation) - correlogram (lags 0-40) with Bartlett's 95% confidence bands - Annual inflation returns (annual\_inflation) - correlogram (lags 0-40) with Bartlett's 95% confidence bands

**Source:** Spanish inflation index data

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## 7. Application: Modelling the VIX index

**Slides:** 34/69, 35/69, 36/69, 37/69, 39/69, 40/69, 41/69, 42/69 **Exercise:** Comprehensive analysis and modeling of the VIX volatility index including historical evolution, distributional analysis, unit root tests, ARMA model estimation, and out-of-sample forecasting

**Series Used:** - VIX index - historical evolution time series (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - VIX - summary statistics (mean, std dev, skewness, kurtosis, min, max) - log-VIX (lgvix) - summary statistics (mean, std dev, skewness, kurtosis, min, max) - VIX - kernel density estimate vs normal density - log-VIX - kernel density estimate vs normal density - log-VIX (lgvix) - correlogram (lags 0-40) with Bartlett's 95% confidence bands - log-VIX (lgvix) - partial correlogram (lags 0-40) with 95% confidence bands - log-VIX (lgvix) - DF-GLS unit root test results (maxlag=10, notrend, 6287 observations) - log-VIX - ARMA model selection table (comparing ARMA(1,0) through ARMA(6,0), MA(0,1) through MA(0,3), and ARMA(1,1), ARMA(2,1) with log-likelihood, AIC, BIC) - log-VIX (lgvix) - ARMA(2,1) estimates table (6298 observations) - log-VIX (lgvix) - ARMA(2,1) fitted correlogram vs empirical (lags 0-40) - log-VIX (lgvix) - ARMA(2,1) fitted partial correlogram vs empirical (lags 0-40) - VIX - out-of-sample forecasts vs actual (Jan 2015 to Jan 29, 2015)

**Source:** CBOE (Chicago Board Options Exchange) - computed from S&P500 index options prices

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## 8. Modelling GDP and Credit to non-financial companies

**Slides:** 50/69, 51/69, 52/69, 53/69, 54/69, 56/69, 57/69 **Exercise:** VAR modeling of GDP and credit growth including stationarity tests, scatter plots, cross-correlogram, model selection, estimation, and impulse response functions

**Series Used:** - Real GDP annual growth (%) (dgdg) - time series plot (Mar 1996 to Aug 2014) - Real Credit to non-financial companies annual growth (%) (dcredit) - time series plot (Mar 1996 to Aug 2014) - GDP growth (dgdg) vs Credit growth (dcredit) - scatter plot (contemporaneous) - GDP growth (dgdg) vs Lagged Credit growth (dcredit, L) - scatter plot - Lagged GDP growth (dgdg, L) vs Credit growth (dcredit) - scatter plot - GDP annual growth (dgdg) - DF-GLS unit root test (maxlag=2, notrend, 74 observations) - Credit annual growth (dcredit) - DF-GLS unit root test (maxlag=2, notrend, 74 observations) - Cross-correlogram: Corr( $\Delta$ GDP<sub>t</sub>,  $\Delta$ Credit<sub>t-1</sub>) for lags -20 to 20 - VAR model selection table (VAR(1), VAR(2), VAR(3)) with log-likelihood, AIC, BIC - VAR(2) estimation results - table with coefficients for dgdg and dcredit equations - Roots of companion matrix - scatter plot (stationarity check) - OIRF of Credit to a GDP positive shock - impulse response function (steps 0-20) - OIRF of GDP to a credit positive shock - impulse response function (steps 0-20)

**Source:** Spanish data (likely from Banco de España or official statistics)

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## 9. Cointegration: Unemployment rates example

**Slides:** 65/69, 66/69, 67/69, 68/69, 69/69 **Exercise:** Cointegration analysis of unemployment rates between neighboring regions/states

**Series Used:** - Unemployment rate in Madrid (%) - time series (Sep 1976 to Jun 2012) - Unemployment rate in Catalonia (%) - time series (Sep 1976 to Jun 2012) - Unemployment rate in Connecticut (%) - time series (Mar 1976 to Nov 2012) - Unemployment rate in Massachusetts (%) - time series (Mar 1976 to Nov 2012) - Madrid - DF-GLS unit root test (maxlag=3, notrend, 15 observations) - Catalonia - DF-GLS unit root test (maxlag=3, notrend, 15 observations) - Johansen cointegration test results for Madrid and Catalonia (lags=3, trend=rconstant, 153 observations, sample: 1977q2-2015q2) - Johansen cointegration test results for Connecticut and Massachusetts (lags=3, trend=rconstant, 156 observations, sample: 1976q4-2015q3) - Vector error-correction model (VECM) estimates for Connecticut and Massachusetts

**Source:** - Spanish data: likely from official statistics (INE - Instituto Nacional de Estadística) - US data: likely from Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)

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## Part 2: Volatility Models

### 10. Stylised facts: Lack of persistence in returns vs persistence in squared returns

**Slide:** 6/41 **Exercise:** Comparison of autocorrelation functions for Ibex-35 returns vs squared returns **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 returns (ribex35) - correlogram (lags 0-40) with Bartlett's 95% confidence bands - Ibex-35 squared returns (ribex35sq) - correlogram (lags 0-40) with Bartlett's 95% confidence bands

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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### 11. Stylised facts: Volatility clustering

**Slide:** 7/41 **Exercise:** Visualization of volatility clustering in Ibex-35 daily returns **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) (%) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Ibex-35 volatility, estimated with 60-day moving window - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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### 12. Stylised facts: Asymmetries and leverage effect

**Slide:** 8/41 **Exercise:** Regression analysis of squared returns on lagged squared returns and lagged returns to detect leverage effect **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 squared returns (sq\_ibex35) - dependent variable - Lagged squared Ibex-35 (l1\_sq\_ibex35, l2\_sq\_ibex35, l3\_sq\_ibex35) - independent variables - Lagged Ibex-35 returns (l1\_ribex35) - independent variable - Regression results table (2564 observations, F-statistic, R-squared)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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### 13. Stylised facts: Non-normality

**Slide:** 9/41 **Exercise:** Kernel density estimation comparing Ibex-35 returns distribution to normal distribution **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 returns (ribex35) - kernel density estimate vs normal density (Gaussian kernel, bandwidth = 0.1620)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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### 14. ARCH(1) example with Ibex-35 daily returns

**Slides:** 14/41, 15/41, 16/41 **Exercise:** ARCH(1) model estimation, volatility forecasting, and model diagnostics **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) - ARCH(1) estimates table (6587 observations, sample: 2-6588) - One-day-ahead volatility estimates in logs (log\_sigmat) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Squared Ibex-35 returns (ribex35sq) - correlogram (lags 0-40) vs squared standardized residuals (errorsq) - correlogram (lags 0-40) - Squared Ibex-35 returns (ribex35sq) - partial correlogram (lags 0-40) vs squared standardized residuals (errorsq) - partial correlogram (lags 0-40)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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### 15. ARCH(10) example with Ibex-35 daily returns

**Slides:** 17/41, 18/41, 19/41 **Exercise:** ARCH(10) model estimation, volatility forecasting, and model diagnostics **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) - ARCH(10) estimates table (ARCH terms L1-L10) - One-day-ahead volatility estimates in logs (log\_sigmat) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Squared Ibex-35 returns ( $y_t^2$ ) - correlogram (lags 0-40) vs squared standardized residuals ( $(y_t/\sigma_t)^2$ ) - correlogram (lags 0-40) - Squared Ibex-35 returns ( $y_t^2$ ) - partial correlogram (lags 0-40) vs squared standardized residuals ( $(y_t/\sigma_t)^2$ ) - partial correlogram (lags 0-40)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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### 16. ARCH vs GARCH: Likelihood fit comparison

**Slide:** 27/41 **Exercise:** Comparison of model fit across different ARCH and GARCH specifications **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) - model comparison table (ARCH(1), ARCH(10), GARCH(1,1)) with log-likelihood and number of parameters

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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### 17. GARCH(1,1) example with Ibex-35 daily returns

**Slides:** 23/41, 24/41, 25/41, 26/41 **Exercise:** GARCH(1,1) model estimation, interpretation, volatility forecasting, and model diagnostics **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) - GARCH(1,1) estimates table - One-day-ahead volatility estimates in logs (log\_sigmat) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Squared Ibex-35 returns ( $y_t^2$ ) - correlogram (lags 0-40) vs squared standardized residuals ( $(y_t/\sigma_t)^2$ ) - correlogram (lags 0-40) - Squared Ibex-35 returns ( $y_t^2$ ) - partial correlogram (lags 0-40) vs squared standardized residuals ( $(y_t/\sigma_t)^2$ ) - partial correlogram (lags 0-40)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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## 18. Asymmetric GARCH(1,1) estimates

**Slide:** 29/41 **Exercise:** Asymmetric GARCH model estimation to capture leverage effect **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) - Asymmetric GARCH(1,1) estimates table (aarch(1), aarch\_e L1, garch(1))

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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## 19. Likelihood fit comparison including Asymmetric GARCH

**Slide:** 30/41 **Exercise:** Model comparison including asymmetric specification **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) - model comparison table (ARCH(1), ARCH(10), GARCH(1,1), Asymmetric GARCH(1,1)) with log-likelihood and number of parameters

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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## 20. Ibex-35 example: Testing for Gaussianity

**Slide:** 35/41 **Exercise:** Jarque-Bera test for normality of standardized residuals **Series Used:** - GARCH(1,1) standardized residuals ( $\epsilon_t$ ) - Jarque-Bera test results table (Skewness: -0.35, Kurtosis: 6.79, Total JB: 4072.40)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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## 21. GARCH(1,1) with Student t innovations

**Slides:** 37/41, 38/41, 39/41 **Exercise:** GARCH(1,1) model with Student t distribution for innovations **Series Used:** - Ibex-35 daily returns (ribex35) - GARCH(1,1) with Student t estimates table (degrees of freedom: 7.645) - GARCH(1,1) innovations ( $\epsilon_t$ ) - kernel density plots comparing Kernel, Gaussian, and Student t densities (full distribution, left tail, right tail)

**Source:** Ibex-35 stock market index data

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## Part 3: Multivariate Dependence

### 22. Correlations between returns of euro area reference stock indices

**Slide:** 7/33 **Exercise:** Time-varying correlations using 100-day moving window **Series Used:** - Returns of euro area reference stock indices - time series of correlations (100-day moving window, May 1990 to May 2014) - Minimum, median, and maximum correlations across indices - line plot

**Source:** Euro area stock indices (specific indices not named on slide; could include Euro Stoxx 50, DAX, CAC 40, IBEX 35, FTSE MIB, AEX, etc.)

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### 23. Correlations between stock indices and sovereign bonds

**Slide:** 8/33 **Exercise:** Time-varying correlations between stock index returns and sovereign bond returns using 100-day moving window **Series Used:** - France: Stock index returns vs sovereign bond returns - correlation time series (Aug 1991 to Aug 2015) - Spain: Stock index returns vs sovereign bond returns - correlation time series (Aug 1991 to Aug 2015) - Germany: Stock index returns vs sovereign bond returns - correlation time series (Aug 1991 to Aug 2015)

**Source:** Euro area stock indices and sovereign bond data

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#### 24. Example: Overnight Index Swap (OIS) rates

**Slides:** 14/33, 15/33, 16/33, 17/33 **Exercise:** Principal Component Analysis (PCA) of OIS term structure  
**Series Used:** - 27 OIS rate series across different maturities - historical evolution (Aug 2005 to Aug 2015) - OIS rates for maturities: 0.02, 0.06, 0.17, 0.33, 0.50, 0.67, 0.83, 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 4.00, 6.00, 8.00, 10.00 years - Standard deviation of yield daily changes - term structure plot (across maturities) - PCA eigenvalues table (correlation matrix based, 2666 observations, 27 components, first 4 components retained) - PCA eigenvectors plot - first 4 principal components (PC1, PC2, PC3, PC4) across time horizons

**Source:** Overnight Index Swap (OIS) rates data

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#### 25. CCC (Constant Conditional Correlation) Example

**Slides:** 20/33, 21/33 **Exercise:** CCC-MGARCH model estimation for Spain and Germany **Series Used:** - Spain returns - CCC-GARCH estimates table (mean equation constant, ARCH(1), GARCH(1)) - Germany returns - CCC-GARCH estimates table (mean equation constant, ARCH(1), GARCH(1)) - Constant conditional correlation (Spain, Germany) - estimate: 0.709 - Log volatility Spain (*lgv\_Spain\_Spain*) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Log volatility Germany (*lgv\_Germany\_Germany*) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Constant correlation (*cor\_Germany\_Spain*) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015)

**Source:** Spanish and German financial/economic series (likely stock index returns)

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#### 26. DCC (Dynamic Conditional Correlation) Example

**Slides:** 23/33, 24/33 **Exercise:** DCC-MGARCH model estimation and comparison with CCC model  
**Series Used:** - Spain returns - DCC-MGARCH estimates (individual GARCH processes) - Germany returns - DCC-MGARCH estimates (individual GARCH processes) - Dynamic conditional correlation (*cor\_Germany\_Spain\_dcc*) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Constant correlation (*cor\_Germany\_Spain*) - reference line (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Log volatility Spain (*lgv\_Spain\_Spain*) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Log volatility Germany (*lgv\_Germany\_Germany*) - time series plot (Jan 1990 to Jan 2015) - Likelihood ratio test: DCC vs CCC (LR = 837.84, 2 degrees of freedom)

**Source:** Spanish and German financial/economic series (likely stock index returns)

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#### 27. Asymmetric and tail dependence: Equity index returns

**Slides:** 27/33, 28/33 **Exercise:** Analysis of asymmetric and tail dependence using exceedance correlations  
**Series Used:** - Spain equity index returns (ES) - standardized returns (*eyt*) - France equity index returns (FR) - standardized returns (*eyt*) - Germany equity index returns (DE) - standardized returns (*eyt*) - Italy equity index returns (IT) - standardized returns (*eyt*) - Asymmetric correlation ES-IT (*acorr\_es\_it*) - exceedance correlation plot - Asymmetric correlation ES-FR (*acorr\_es\_fr*) - exceedance correlation plot - Asymmetric correlation ES-DE (*acorr\_es\_de*) - exceedance correlation plot

**Source:** Euro area equity indices

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#### 28. Copulas: Scatter plots of cdf transforms

**Slide:** 31/33 **Exercise:** Visualization of copula relationships via cdf transforms **Series Used:** - Spain cdf transform (*es\_cdf*) vs Germany cdf transform (*de\_cdf*) - scatter plot - Spain cdf transform (*es\_cdf*) vs Italy

cdf transform (it\_cdf) - scatter plot - Spain cdf transform (es\_cdf) vs France cdf transform (fr\_cdf) - scatter plot

**Source:** Euro area equity indices (cdf transforms derived from standardized returns)

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## 29. Copulas: Contour plots of copula densities

**Slide:** 33/33 **Exercise:** Comparison of different copula specifications for Spanish vs German equity index returns **Series Used:** - Spanish equity index returns - German equity index returns - Contour plots for: Independent normals, Correlated normals, Symmetric mixture, Asymmetric mixture

**Source:** Euro area equity indices

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## Part 4: Risk Management

**Note:** Part 4 is primarily theoretical, focusing on definitions and concepts of Value at Risk (VaR) and risk management measures. No empirical applications with plots or tables were found in this section.

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## Complete List of Unique Series to Download

Below is the consolidated list of all unique time series identified across all empirical applications:

### Financial Market Indices

1. **Ibex-35 index** - Spanish stock market index (levels)
2. **Ibex-35 daily returns** (ribex35) - Percentage returns
3. **Ibex-35 monthly returns** - Percentage returns
4. **Ibex-35 squared returns** (ribex35sq) - For volatility analysis

### Sovereign Spreads and Interest Rates

5. **Long-term sovereign spread - Spain** (vs German yields, in basis points)
6. **Long-term sovereign spread - France** (vs German yields, in basis points)
7. **Long-term sovereign spread - Italy** (vs German yields, in basis points)
8. **German sovereign yields** - Long-term interest rates (benchmark)

### Macroeconomic Series

9. **Real GDP annual growth rates** (gdp\_real\_growth, dgdp) - Spain, percentage
10. **Real Credit to non-financial companies annual growth** (dcredit) - Spain, percentage
11. **Spanish inflation index** - Monthly data (to compute monthly and annual returns)
12. **Spanish inflation - monthly returns** (monthly\_inflation)
13. **Spanish inflation - annual returns** (annual\_inflation)

### Volatility and Options

14. **VIX index** - CBOE Volatility Index (levels and log-VIX)
15. **VIX** - Raw index values
16. **log-VIX** (lgvix) - Natural logarithm of VIX

## Unemployment Rates

17. **Unemployment rate - Madrid (%)** - Quarterly or monthly
18. **Unemployment rate - Catalonia (%)** - Quarterly or monthly
19. **Unemployment rate - Connecticut (%)** - Quarterly or monthly
20. **Unemployment rate - Massachusetts (%)** - Quarterly or monthly

## Euro Area Stock Indices (Returns)

21. **Spain equity index returns (ES)** - Daily or monthly returns
22. **France equity index returns (FR)** - Daily or monthly returns
23. **Germany equity index returns (DE)** - Daily or monthly returns
24. **Italy equity index returns (IT)** - Daily or monthly returns
25. **Euro area reference stock indices** (multiple, for correlation analysis) - Returns

## Euro Area Sovereign Bonds

26. **France sovereign bond returns** - Daily or monthly returns
27. **Spain sovereign bond returns** - Daily or monthly returns
28. **Germany sovereign bond returns** - Daily or monthly returns

## Interest Rate Derivatives

29. **Overnight Index Swap (OIS) rates** - 27 series for different maturities:
  - Maturities: 0.02, 0.06, 0.17, 0.33, 0.50, 0.67, 0.83, 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 4.00, 6.00, 8.00, 10.00 years

## Data Sources Identified

- **ECB Statistical Data Warehouse** - Sovereign spreads and harmonised long-term interest rates
- **Banco de España** - Spanish macroeconomic and financial data
- **CBOE (Chicago Board Options Exchange)** - VIX index
- **Spanish official statistics (INE)** - GDP, inflation, unemployment
- **US Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)** - US state unemployment rates
- **Stock exchange data** - Ibex-35, Euro area indices
- **Financial data providers** - OIS rates, sovereign bonds (likely Bloomberg, Reuters, or central bank sources)

## Notes

- Some series are derived (e.g., returns, growth rates, squared returns) and can be computed from underlying price/index levels
- Time periods vary by application but generally span from early 1990s to mid-2010s
- For Spanish data, quarterly or monthly frequency is common; daily frequency is used for financial market data
- For correlation analysis and multivariate models, series need to be aligned by date