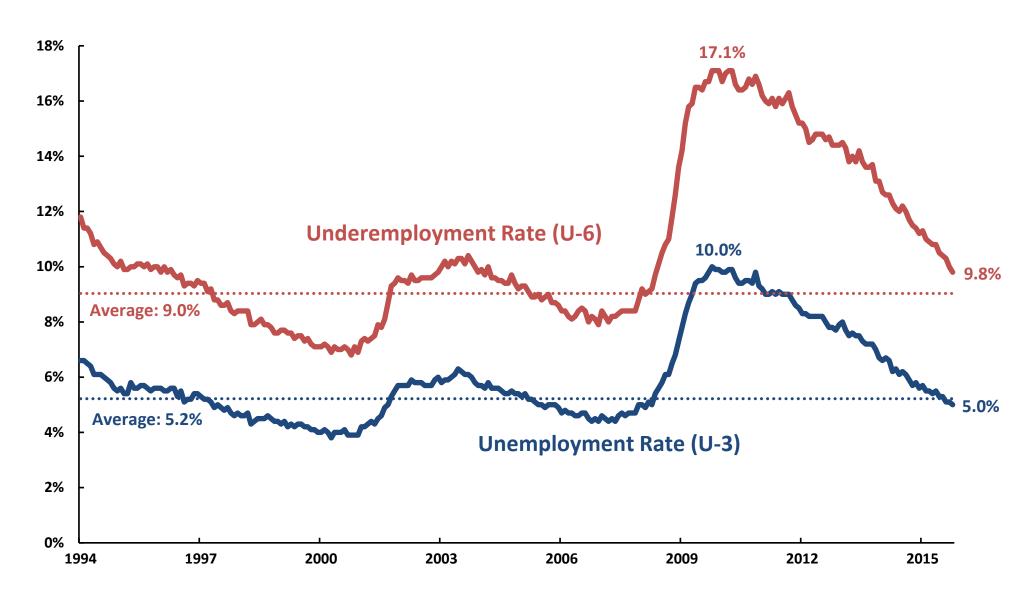
Unemployment (U-3) and Underemployment Rates (U-6)

January 1994 to October 2015



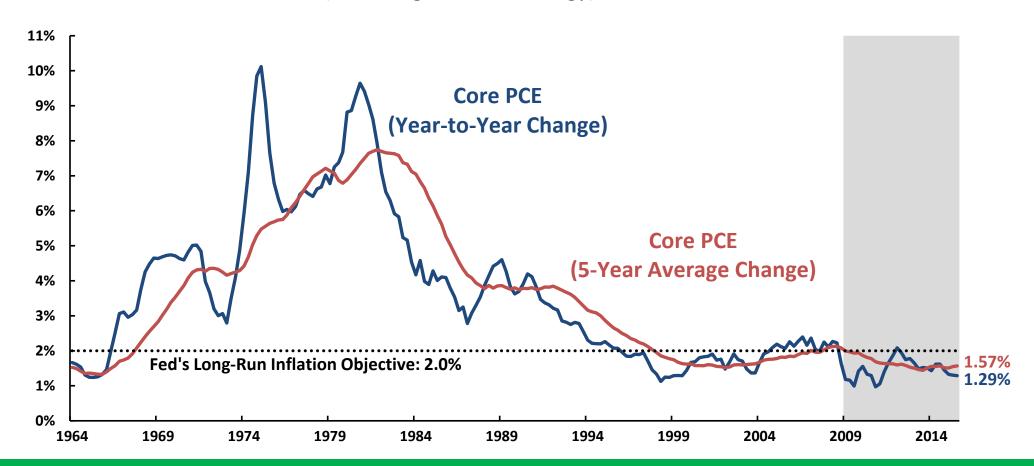
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics (updates next on December 4, 2015)

Notes: Dotted lines represent the average rates during the last full business cycle (March 2001 to December 2007); "Underemployment Rate (U-6)" includes those marginally attached to the labor force and those employed part time for economic reasons; seasonally-adjusted data



Percentage Change in Core Personal Consumption Expenditures (Core PCE)

Core PCE (excluding food and energy), Q1 1964 to Q3 2015



Core PCE has been persistently below the Fed's target of 2.0 percent since 2009

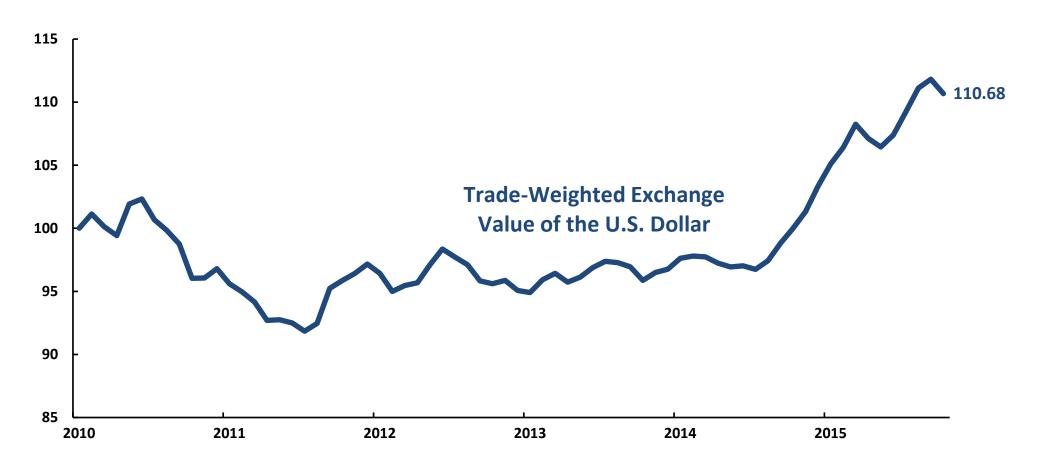
Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Notes: Dotted line represents the long-run inflation objective of the Federal Open Market Committee (2.0 percent); the core PCE price index measures the prices paid by consumers for goods and services without the volatility caused by movements in food and energy prices to reveal underlying inflation trends



Trade-Weighted Exchange Value of the U.S. Dollar

Real value, broad index, January 2010 to October 2015



The U.S. dollar has risen in value compared to other currencies

Source: JEC Democratic staff calculations based on data from the Federal Reserve Board

Notes: The broad index is a weighted average of the foreign exchange values of the U.S. dollar against the currencies of a large group of major U.S. trading partners (January 2010=100); the index weights, which change over time, are derived from U.S. export shares and from U.S. and foreign import shares



10-Year Expected Inflation Rate

January 1982 to November 2015



The inflation rate is expected to be less than 2 percent on average over the next decade

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

Notes: Grey areas represent periods of recession as determined by the National Bureau of Economic Research; dotted line represents the long-run inflation objective of the Federal Open Market Committee (2.0 percent)

