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The Housing and Mortgage Markets in Historical Perspective - Eugene N. White 2014-07-28 The central role of the housing market in the recent recession raised a series of questions about earlier episodes through economic history. Why were the underlying causes of housing and mortgage crises the same in earlier episodes? Has the scale of current developments overwhelmed the previous experiences? What are the economic, financial, and political consequences whilst others have actually benefited society. They reveal that bubbles start when investors and speculators react to new technology or innovation. This analysis of the cause and effect of bubbles highlights some surprising and sobering lessons.

The Real Estate Boom Will Not Bust - And How You Can Profit from It - William M. Rea 2007-12-18 The real estate boom is on. And it likely won't stop. Millionaire William M. Rea predicts that in the coming years, the real estate market will remain strong. The "creative" financing of home mortgages and "creative" marketing of financial securities based on these mortgages to countries around the world, are part of the story of how a financial house of cards was built up—and then collapsed. The book includes a new preface by the author, as well as a new introduction by the NBER Macroeconomics Annual 2015 editor, Phillip G. Payne.
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Efraim Benmelech and Nittai Bergman analyze the sharp declines in debt issuance and the evaporation of market liquidity that coincide with most financial crises. In another, John Cochrane asks which macro models most naturally explain the post-financial-crisis macroeconomic environment, which is characterized by the co-existence of low and negligible inflation rates, near-zero short-term interest rates, and an explosion in monetary aggregates. Manuel Adelino, Antoinette Schoar, and Felipe Severino examine the causes of the lending boom that precipitated the recent U.S. financial crisis and Great Recession. Stacey Dubrule and Anumeha Sohailah investigate whether increases in income inequality cause lower levels of economic mobility and opportunity. Charles Manski explores the formation of expectations, considering the efficacy of directly measuring beliefs through surveys as an alternative to making the assumption of rational expectations. In the final research paper, Elliott Luberoff examines the issues of underwriting and the role of securitization and coinvesting in both the housing bubble and with mortgage market collapse, and how these events coincide with most financial crises. Blankenship’s keynote address discusses which distortions are central to understanding short-run macroeconomic fluctuations.

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The Great American Housing Bubble—Adam J. Levitin 2020-06-06 The definitive account of the housing bubble that caused the Great Recession—and earned Wall Street handsome profits. The American housing bubble of the 2000s caused the worst global financial crisis since the Great Depression. In this definitive account, Adam Levitin and Susan Wachter present their source: the shift in mortgage financing from securitization by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to “private-label securitization” by Wall Street banks. This change set off a race to the bottom in mortgage underwriting standards, as banks competed in laxity to gain market share. The Great American Housing Bubble tells the story of the transformation of mortgage lending from a dysfunctional, local affair, featuring short-term, interest-only “bust loans,” to a robust, national fixture. The book examines the historical circumstances that set the stage for the housing bubble. It also analyzes why Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac failed—why the government-sponsored enterprises were not able to break their vicious cycle of growth and losses. The book also reveals why Fannie and Freddie’s mortgage market power kept risk in check until 2003, when mortgage financing shifted sharply to private-label securitization, as mortgage rates were falling and issuance of mortgage securities was increasing. By 2006, Fannie and Freddie together had fewer loans that had lower initial payments—enabling borrowers to borrow more—but much greater back-lit risks. These loans produced a vast oversupply of underpriced mortgage finance that drove up home prices unnaturally.

Are You Missing the Real Estate Boom?—David Lereah 2005-02-22 America’s leading economist reveals the shocking truth about: The latest financial regulations—what every consumer and businessperson needs to know The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010—how it will affect your home, Are You Missing the Real Estate Boom? will show you how you can dramatically increase your overall wealth. Author David Lereah, chief economist for the National Association of Realtors, shows you how to identify the new opportunities created by the most recent financial crisis. With specific and easy-to-follow strategies, he helps you understand home, business, and investment trends and explains how you can take advantage of it today! Are you missing the real estate boom? Can you increase your wealth from it? For most people—including current homeowners—the answer is a resounding yes. But it’s not too late to increase your stake in the greatest real estate boom of our generation. Whether you are a first-time buyer or already own your home, you are Missing the Real Estate Boom! This book is not about buying a home for personal living; it is about buying a home for personal investment. In this book, you will learn how to:

Get off track—John B. Taylor 2013-09-01 In this concise volume, leading economist John B. Taylor offers empirical research to explain what caused the current financial crisis, what prolonged it, and what dramatically worsened it more than a year after it began. The evidence he presents strongly suggests that specific, identifiable policymakers and government institutions were largely to blame and that any future government interventions must be based on a clearly stated diagnosis of the problems and a rationale for the interventions.

Shut Out—Jay W. Richards 2020-02-25 The latest financial regulations—what every consumer and businessperson needs to know The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010—how it will affect your home, America’s government and financial industry from the inside out—exposing the surprising history, the colorful characters, and the earthshaking events that got us here. Author Jay W. Richards reveals the shocking truth about: The latest financial regulations—what every consumer and businessperson needs to know The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010—how it will affect your home, America: be warned. A new wave of financial reformers has taken over—mandating regulations, taking away personal freedom, and killing the free market. | Home, Second Home Buyers and the Housing Boom and Bust—Daniel Garcia 2019

Mitigating the Deadly Ebrace in Financial Cycles—Mr Jaromir Benes 2016-04-12 This paper presents a new version of MAPMOD (Mark II) to study the effectiveness of macroprudential regulations. We extend the original model by explicitly modeling the housing market. We show how household demand for housing, house prices, and bank mortgages are intertwined in what we call a deadly embrace. Without macroprudential policies, this deadly embrace naturally leads to housing boom and bust cycles, which can be very costly for the economy, as shown by the Global Financial Crisis of 2008-09.

The Housing Boom and Bust—Greg Kaplan 2017 We build a model of the U.S. economy with multiple aggregate shocks (income, housing finance conditions, and beliefs about future housing demand) that generate fluctuations in equilibrium house prices. Through a series of counterfactual experiments, we study the housing boom and bust around the Great Recession and obtain three main results. First, we find that the main driver of movements in house prices and rents was a shift in beliefs. Shifts in credit conditions do not move house prices but are important for the dynamics of home ownership, leverage, and foreclosures. The role of housing revisions also matter, with too much housing credit causing a decrease in the price level and too little housing credit causing an increase in the price level. Second, our model predicts that the Great American Housing Bubble would have happened even if the corresponding swings in mortgage underwriting and the transmission mechanism is a wealth effect through household balance sheets. Third, our model suggests that a housing downturn begins with a reduction in housing prices and expenditures, but would have dramatically reduced foreclosures and induced a smaller, but sustained, increase in consumption during the recovery.

The Housing Boom and Bust-Peter King 2013-02-25 Housing bubbles burst, creating economic misery for millions. Over the past thirty years, the culture of property ownership has become so ingrained that policy makers and homeowners have taken for granted that housing is an investment and forgot about the boom and bust cycles. Explaining how the current crisis in housing markets has arisen, this topical and sharp analysis considers the causes of house price bubbles and the reason for the collapse in markets worldwide. Written for students, it explains the economic cycle of housing, ways in which future booms and busts can be mitigated and how the lessons of this latest housing bubble can finally be learnt.

The Foreclosure of America—Adam Michaelson 2006-01-06 New in paperback—an inside look at Countrywide Home Loans and the mortgage crisis, from a former mortgage lender-executive, this riveting account reveals how a small, unregulated mortgage company became the largest lender in the world. This book explains how and why Countrywide, an unregulated entity, allowed borrowers to pay down-risky subprime loans and provide insufficient documentation, which allowed Countrywide to sell those loans to Wall Street investors. This backfire led to the collapse of Countrywide itself and its collapse is the start of the Great American Housing Bubble. This book reveals the inside story of how the financial system and the government were corrupted by the housing bubble. It explains how and why Countrywide, a small company, had a devastating impact on America's housing and economy. The book also presents the case that the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble was not an isolated event, but the beginning of a greater crisis. It explains how the housing bubble is a part of a greater financial crisis and that the financial crisis was a result of the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble. It also explains how the housing bubble was caused by the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble. This book reveals the inside story of how the financial system and the government were corrupted by the housing bubble. It explains how and why Countrywide, a small company, had a devastating impact on America's housing and economy. The book also presents the case that the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble was not an isolated event, but the beginning of a greater crisis. It explains how the housing bubble is a part of a greater financial crisis and that the financial crisis was a result of the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble. It also explains how the housing bubble was caused by the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble. This book reveals the inside story of how the financial system and the government were corrupted by the housing bubble. It explains how and why Countrywide, a small company, had a devastating impact on America's housing and economy. The book also presents the case that the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble was not an isolated event, but the beginning of a greater crisis. It explains how the housing bubble is a part of a greater financial crisis and that the financial crisis was a result of the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble. It also explains how the housing bubble was caused by the collapse of Countrywide and the housing bubble.
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Evidence and Innovation in Housing Law and Policy - Lee Anne Fennell 2017-08-31 No area of law and policy is more central to our well-being than housing, yet research on the topic is too often produced in disciplinary or methodological silos that fail to connect to policy on the ground. This pathbreaking book, which features leading scholars from a range of academic fields, cuts across disciplines to forge new connections in the discourse. In accessible prose filled with cutting-edge ideas, these scholars address topics ranging from the recent financial crisis to discrimination and gentrification and show how housing law and policy impacts household wealth, financial markets, urban landscapes, and local communities. Together, they harness evidence and theory to capture the 'state of play' in housing, generating insights that will be relevant to academics and policymakers alike. This title is also available as Open Access.

Financial Liberalization, Structural Change, and Real Exchange Rate Appreciations - Carlos Urrutia 2010-03-01 We account for the appreciation of the real exchange rate in Mexico between 1988 and 2002 using a two sector dynamic general equilibrium model of a small open economy with two driving forces: (i) differential productivity growth across sectors and (ii) a decline in the cost of borrowing in foreign markets. These two mechanisms account for 60 percent of the decline in the relative price of tradable goods and explain a large fraction of the reallocation of labor across sectors. We do not find a significant role for migration remittances, foreign reserves accumulation, government spending, terms of trade, or import tariffs.

The Complete Guide to Flipping Properties - Steve Berges 2008-01-02 Now in a newly updated second edition, this guide covers all the ins and outs of buying, renovating, and reselling distressed properties at big profits. Berges shows investors how to excel at every aspect of flipping, from finding great deals to analyzing property values, negotiating sales, and closing deals.

Price Dynamics in China - International Monetary Fund 2010-09-01 Chinese inflation, particularly non-food inflation, has been surprisingly modest in recent years. We find that supply factors, including those captured through upstream foreign commodity and producer prices, have been important drivers of non-food inflation, as has foreign demand for Chinese goods. Domestic demand and monetary conditions seem less important, possibly reflecting a large domestic output gap generated by many years of high investment. Inflation varies systematically within China, with richer (and urban) provinces having lower, more stable, inflation, but this urban inflation also influences that in lower-income provinces. Higher Mainland food inflation also raises inflation in non-Mainland China.