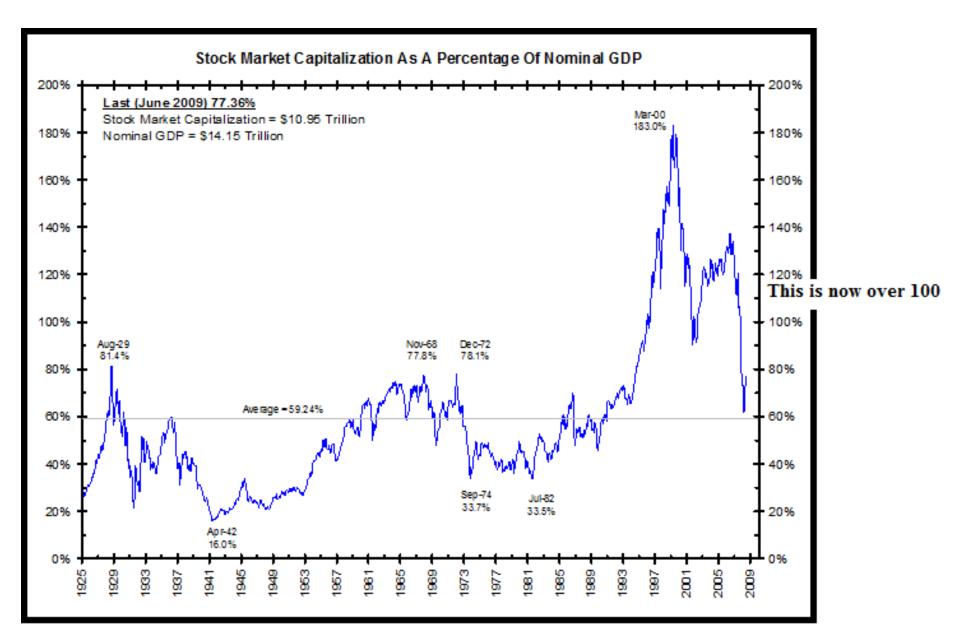
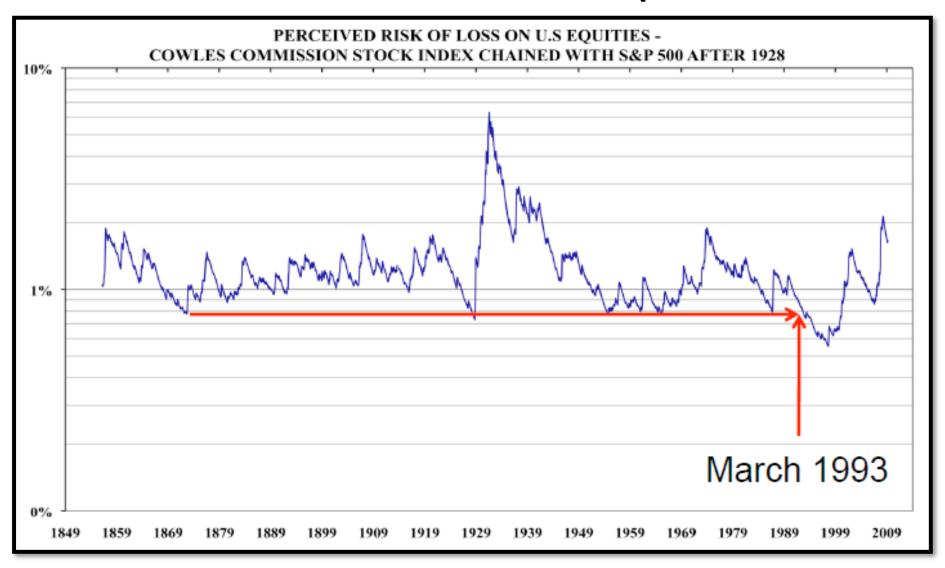
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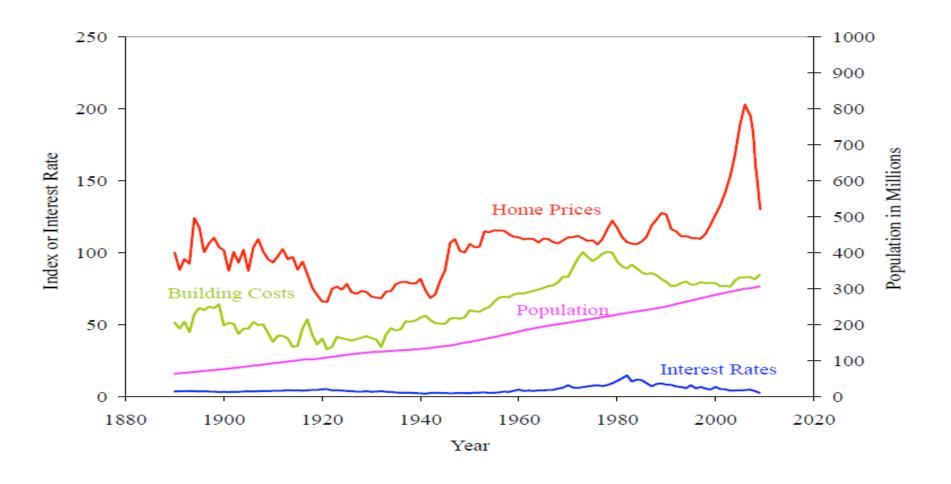
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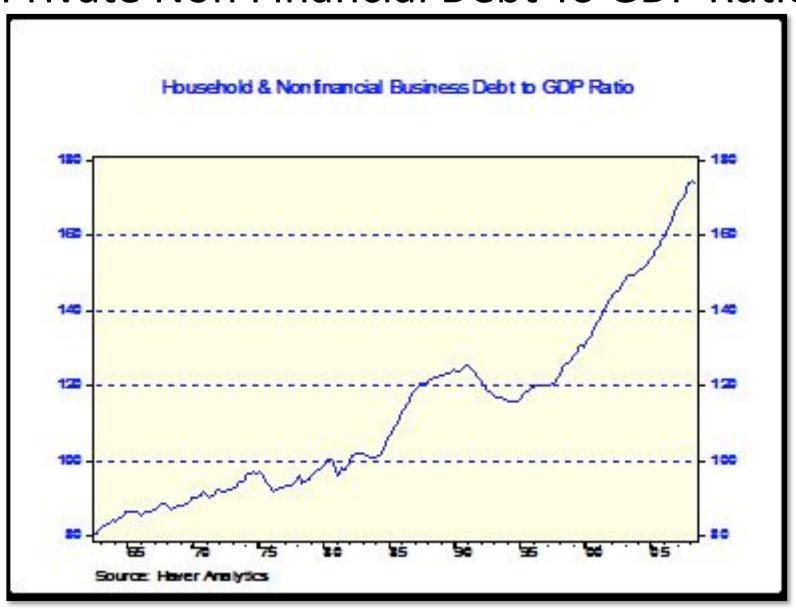
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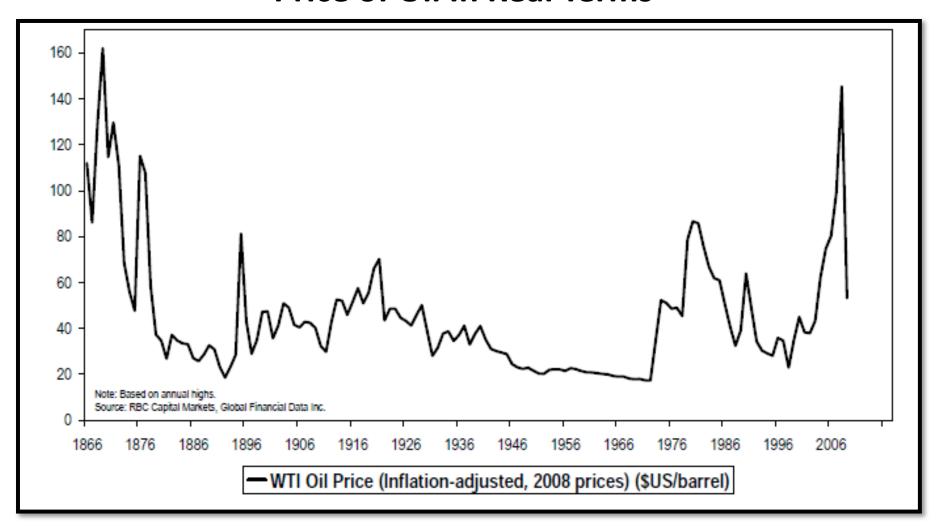
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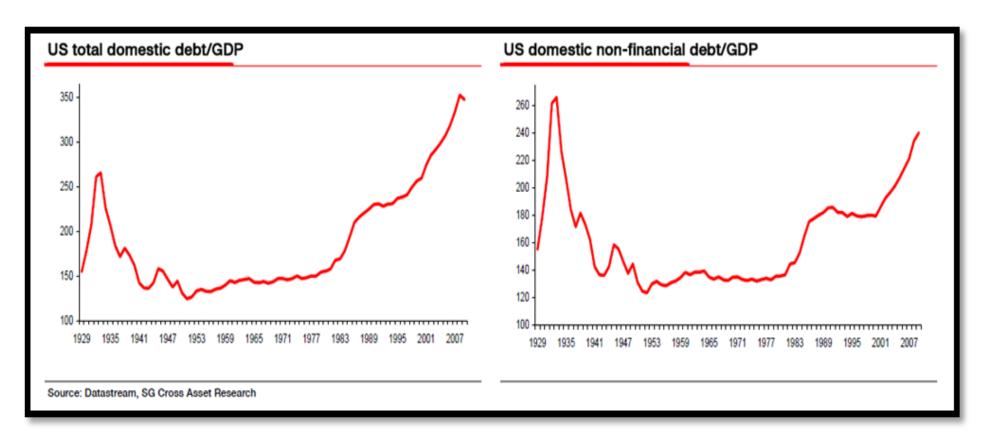
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#### **Total Debt to GDP**



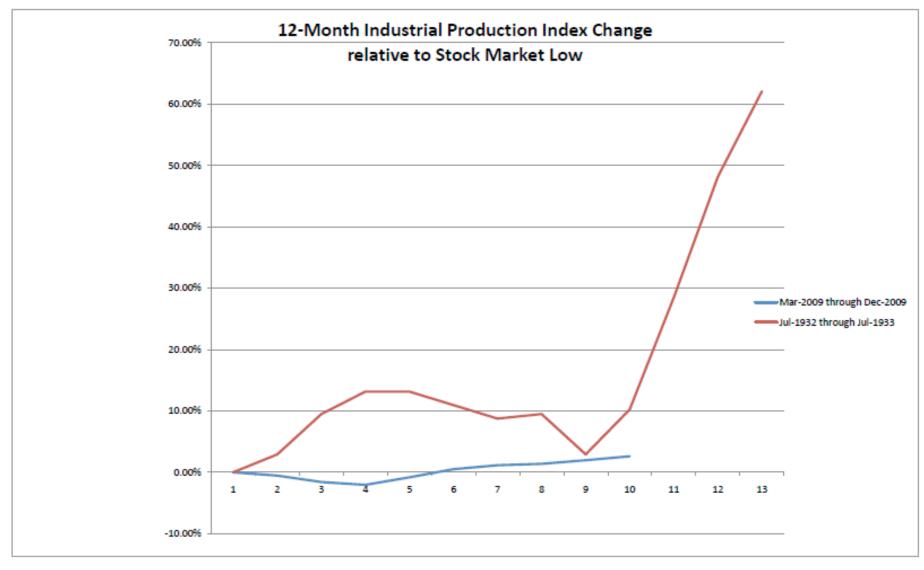
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US Bear Markets: S&P	500 Composite		
		Peak to	12-mo
Mkt Top	Mkt Bottom	Trough Decline, %	After Bottom
Oct-2007	Mar-2009	-56.8	68.2%*
Mar-2000	Oct-2002	-49.1	33.7%
Jul-1998	Oct-1998	-19.2	39.2%
Jul-1990	Oct-1990	-19.9	29.1%
Aug-1987	Dec-1987	-33.5	22.8%
Nov-1980	Aug-1982	-27.1	58.3%
Sep-1976	Mar-1978	-19.4	12.6%
Jan-1973	Oct-1974	-48.2	38.0%
Nov-1968	May-1970	-36.1	43.7%
Feb-1966	Oct-1966	-22.2	33.2%
Dec-1961	Jun-1962	-28.0	32.7%
Aug-1956	Oct-1957	-21.6	31.0%
May-1946	Jun-1949	-29.6	42.1%
Nov-1938	Apr-1942	-45.8	53.7%
Mar-1937	Mar-1938	-54.5	29.2%
Jul-1933	Mar-1935	-33.9	81.4%
Sep-1932	Feb-1933	-40.6	95.5%
Sep-1929	Jul-1932	-86.2	171.7%
Average		-37.3	50.9%
Median		-33.7	38.6%

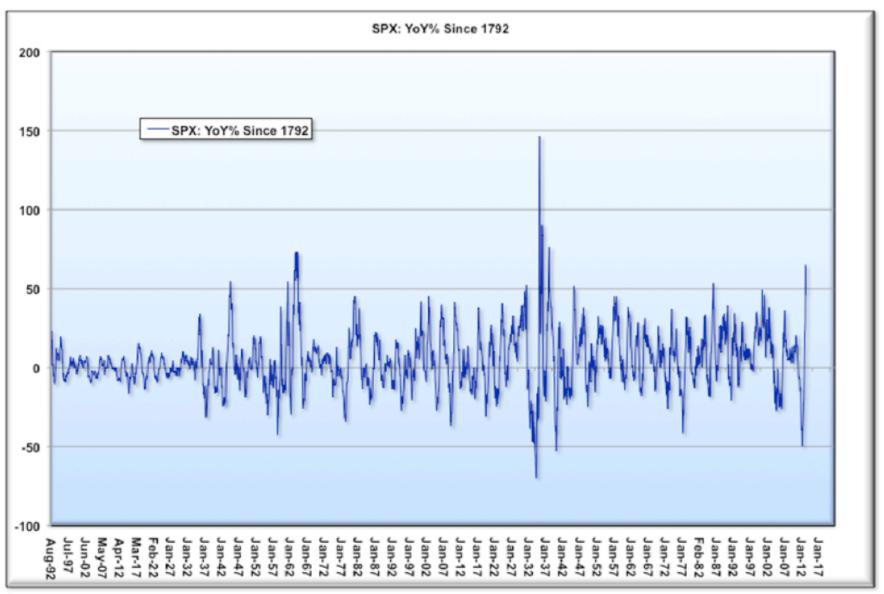
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Source: Global Financial Data Inc.

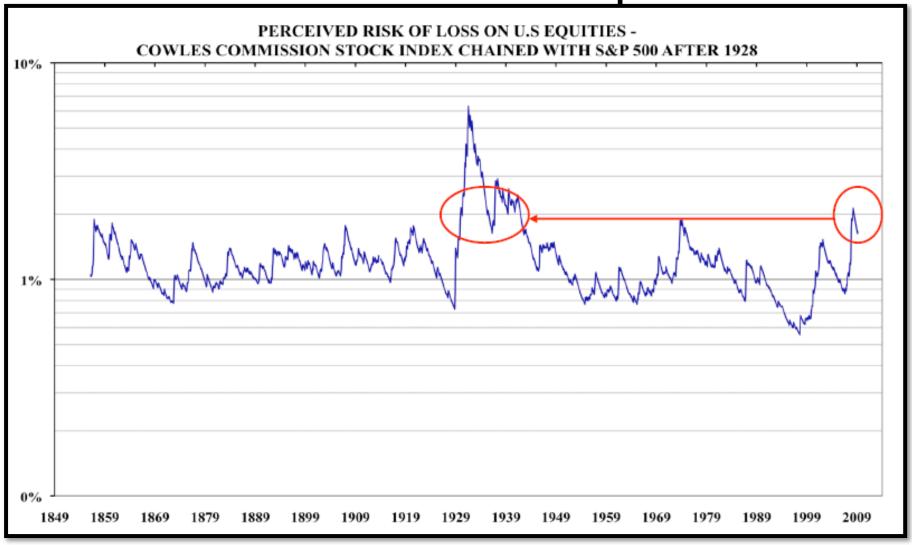
### Industrial Production 1933 & Now



## Year Over Year % Since 1972



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#### Simulation over a 6-month horizon

	Perceived equity return	Cyclically- adjusted PE	Equilibrium cyclically-adjusted PE
March 31st, 2010	3.39%	25.14	14.99
-20%	1.59%	19.68	12.39
-25%	1.19%	18.45	11.81
-30%	0.79%	17.22	11.23

## Core Logic

