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World economy and markets : is the 2008 crisis really over ?

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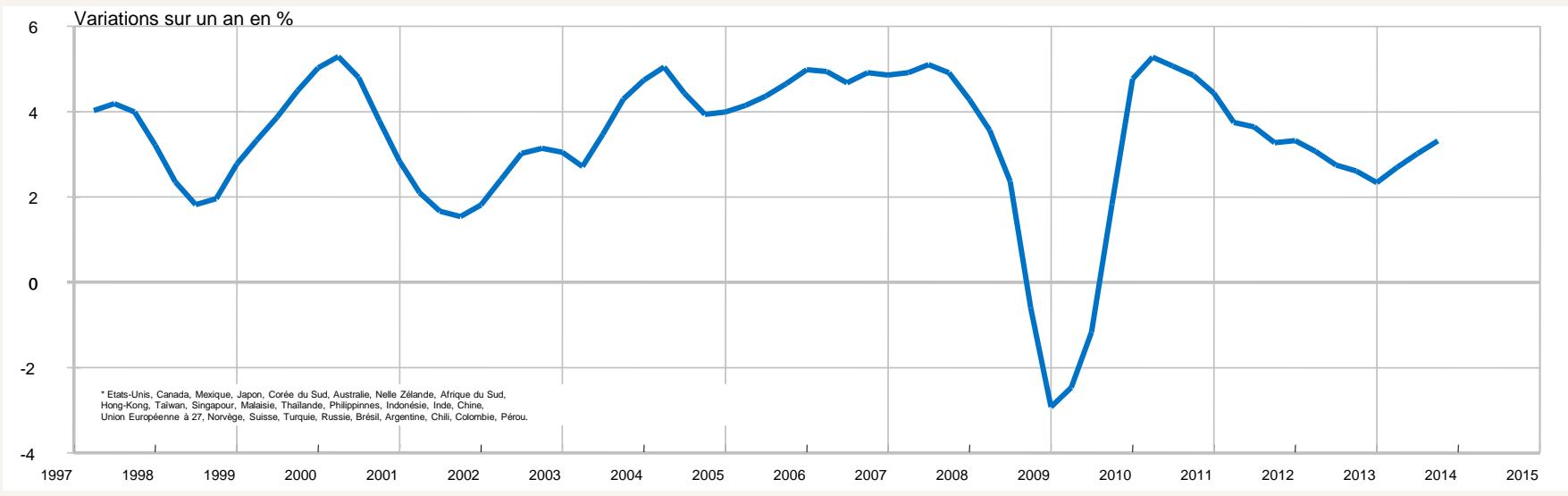
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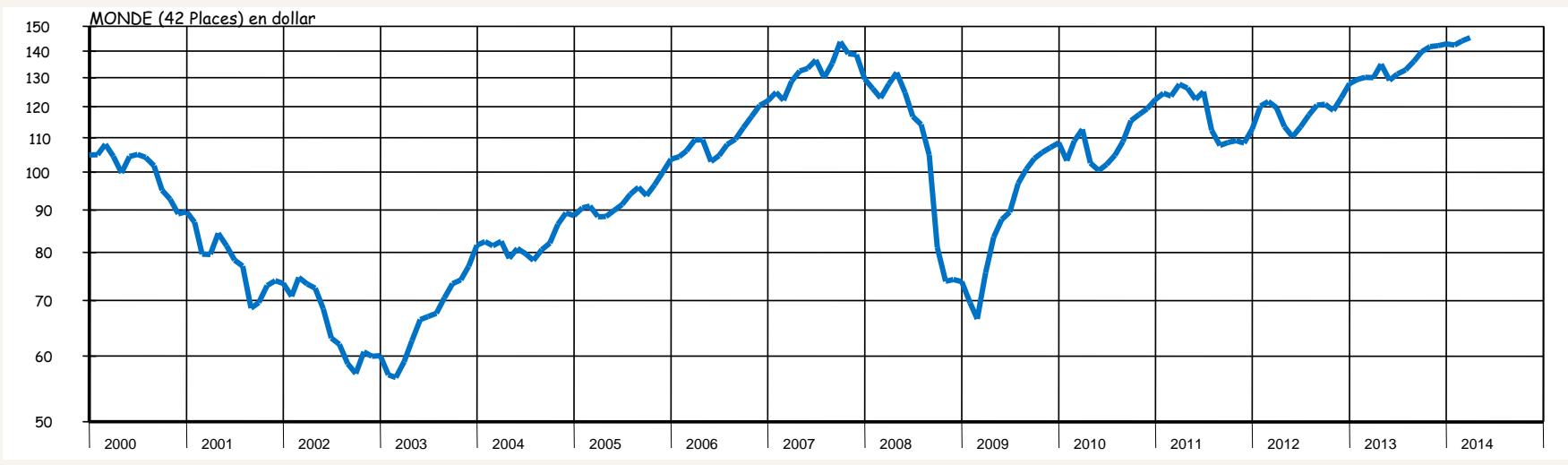
Is the « 2008 economic crisis » really over ?

Croissance du PIB mondial * en volume



World equity markets do think so

Indice boursier mondial
(base 100 au 30.12.2005)

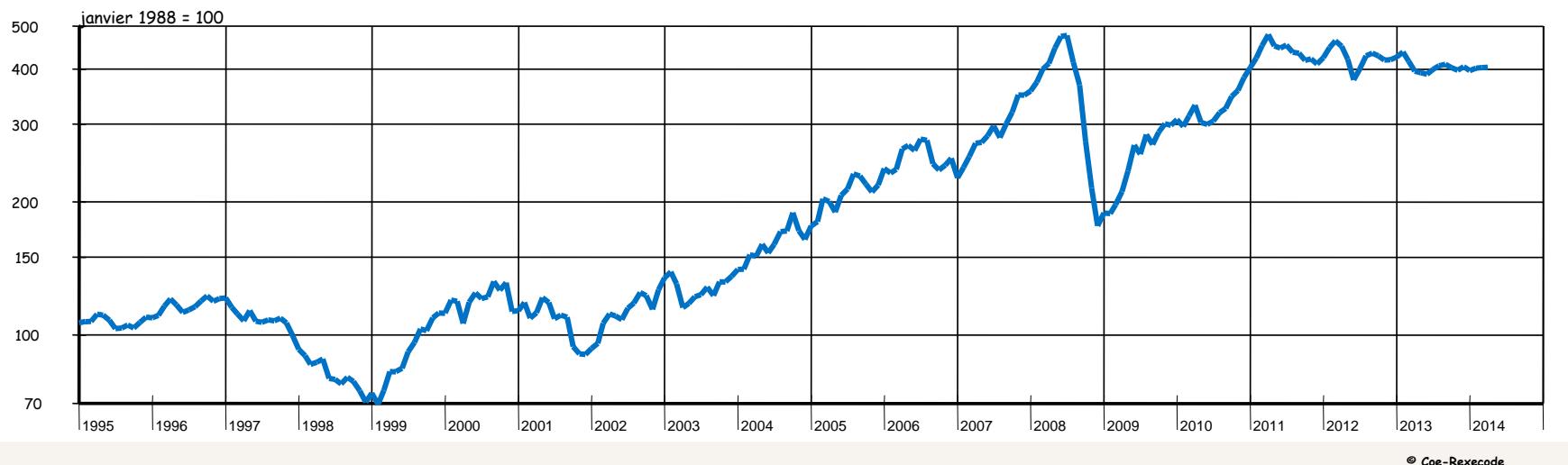


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And the same for world commodity markets

Ensemble y c. métaux précieux et pétrole

Indices Rexexecode des cours des matières premières en \$

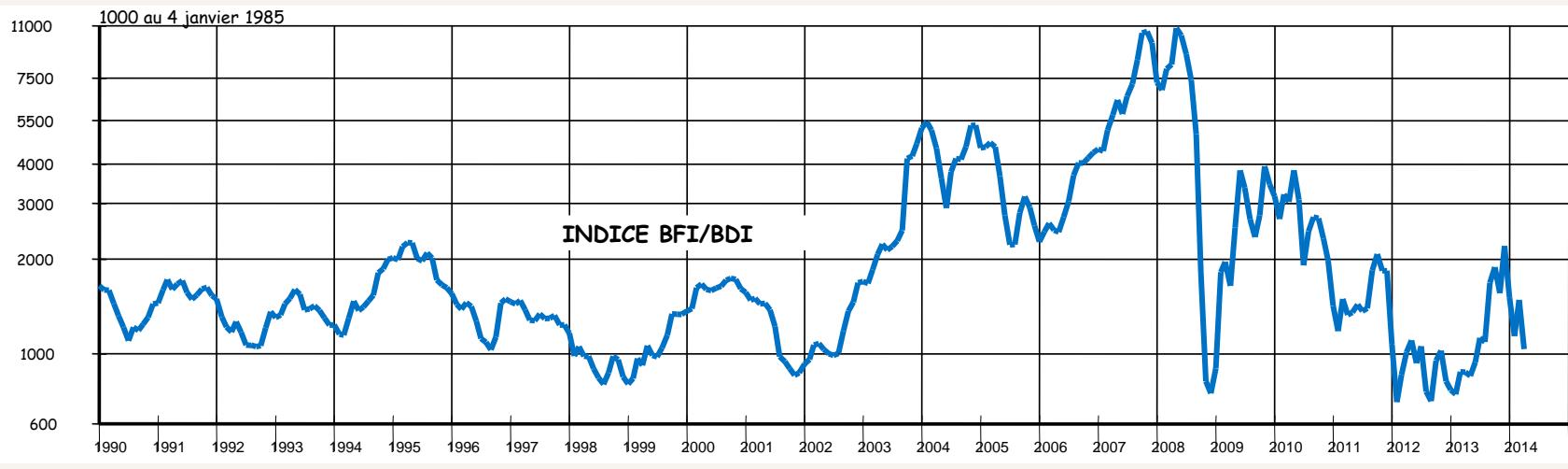


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With the exception of dry freight

Frêts maritimes (cargaisons sèches)

Cours des matières premières



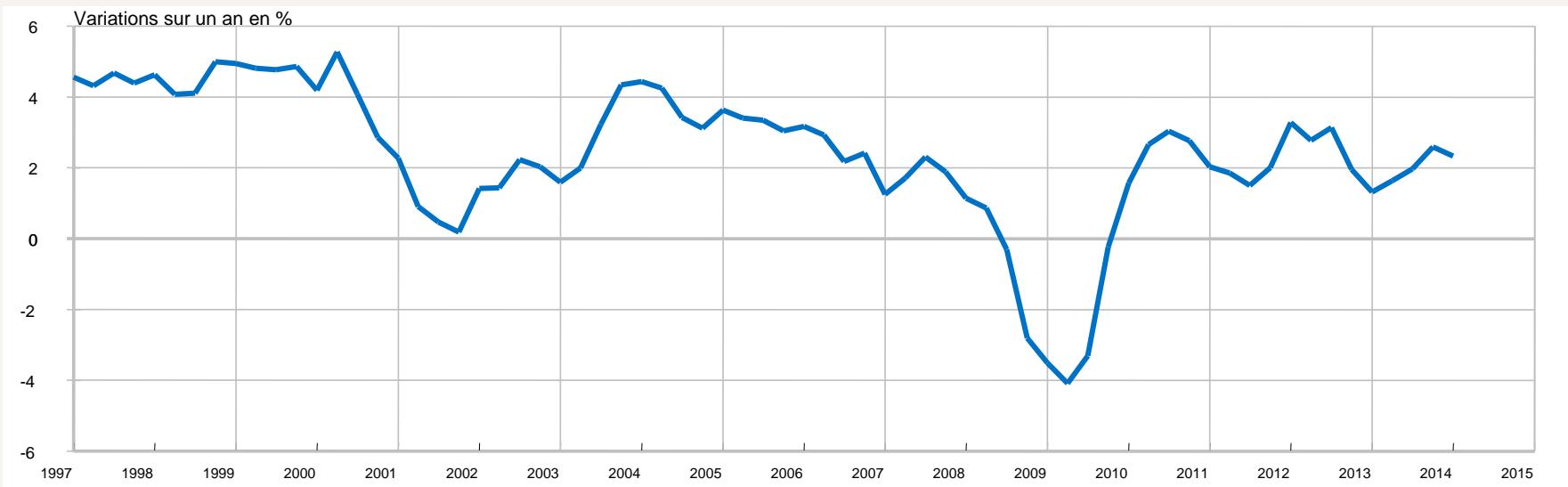
But you may have many doubts

- . For . Eurozone
- . Japan
- . China
- . India

and so many others

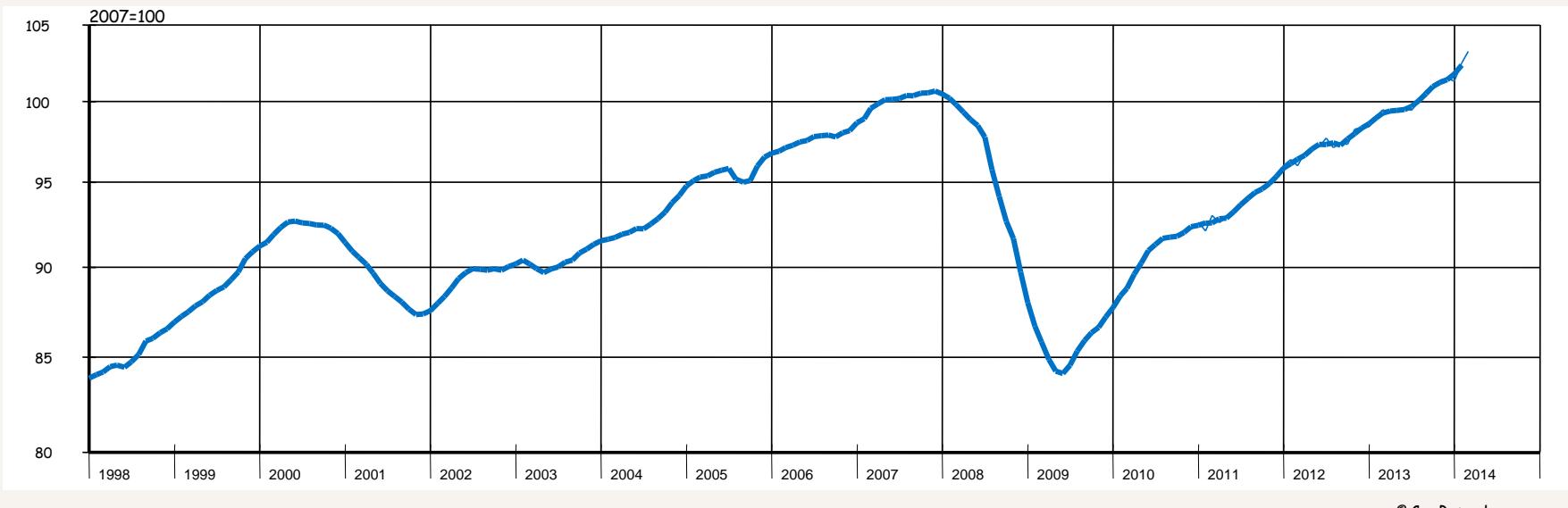
Ok for the US

Etats-Unis : croissance du PIB en volume



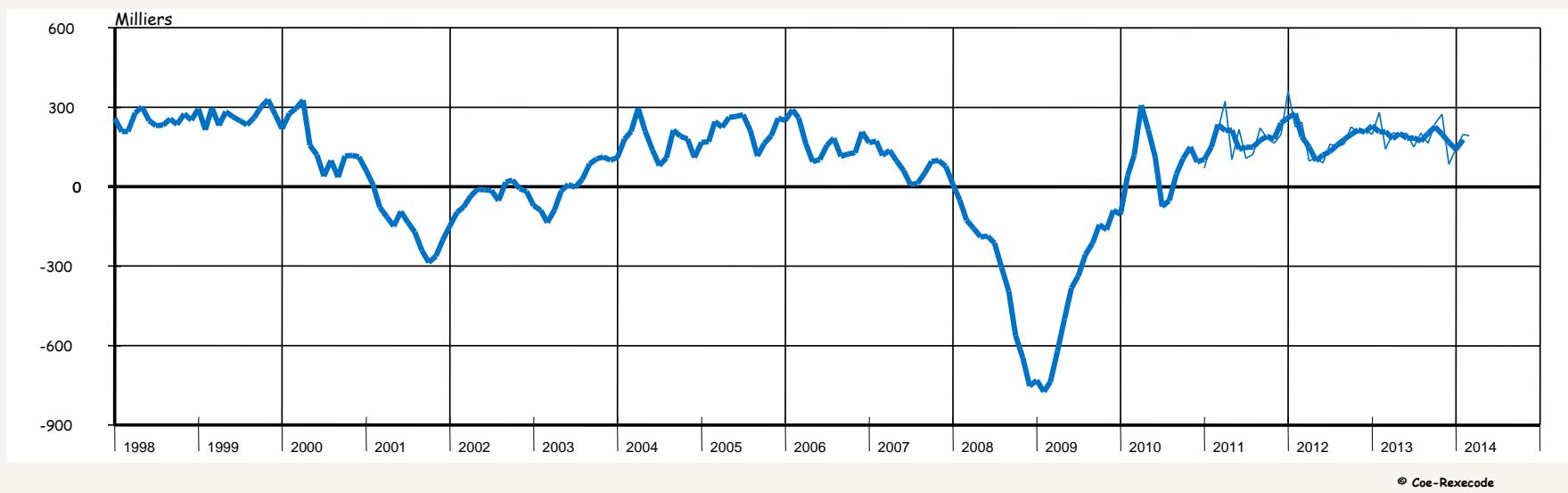
Industrial production is back above 2008

Etats-Unis : production industrielle



And the economy is creating some jobs

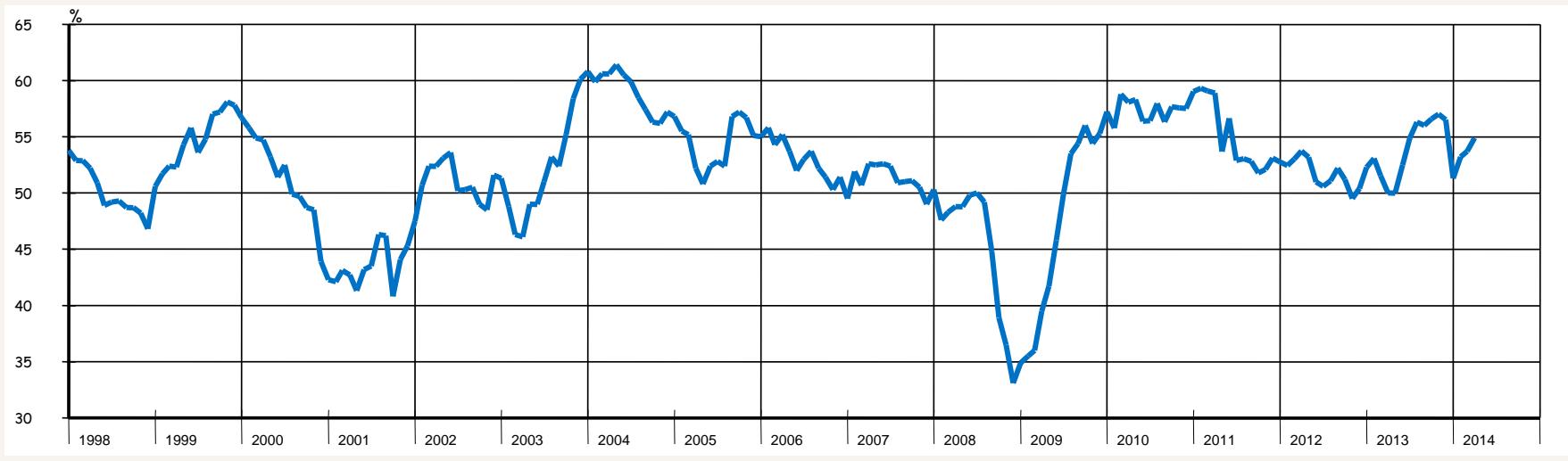
Etats-Unis : créations d'emplois
Salariés du secteur non agricole



But all this is a bit disappointing when you
Take the US energy revolution into account

Etats-Unis

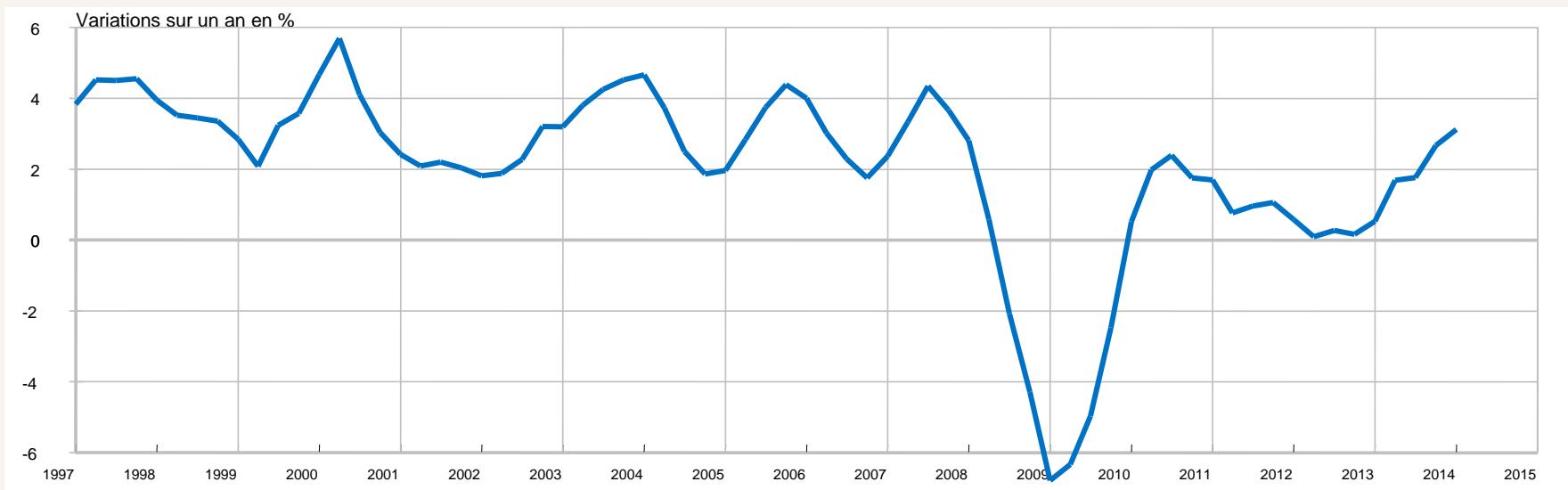
Enquête auprès des directeurs d'achat - ISM manufacturier



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The UK is in a better shape

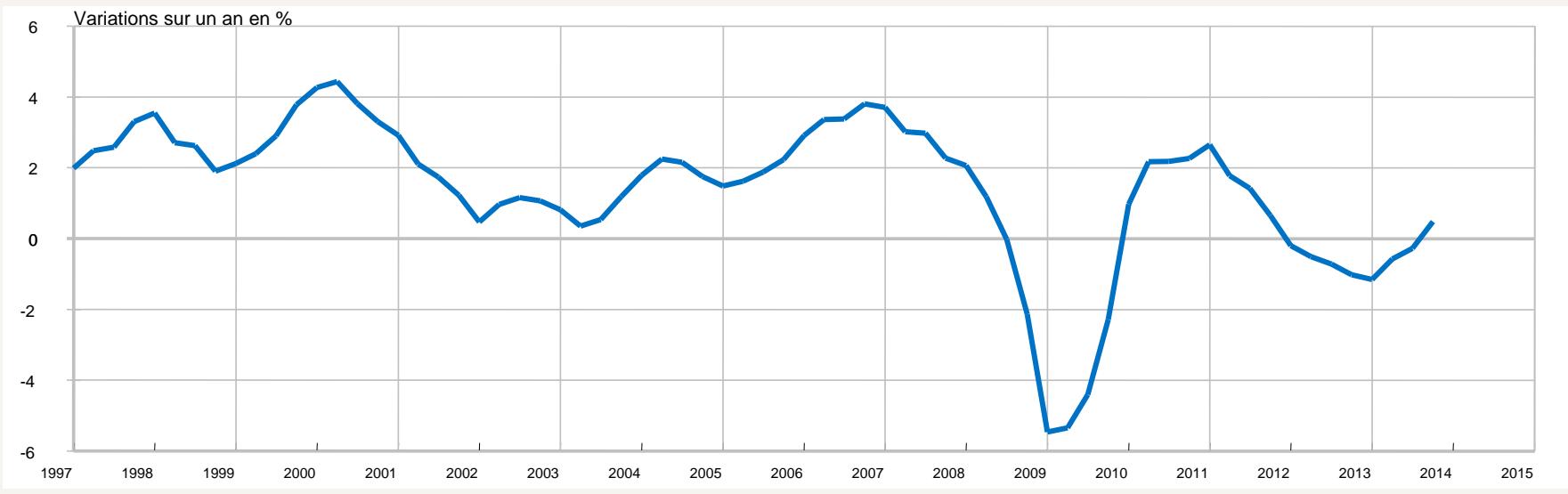
Royaume-Uni : croissance du PIB en volume



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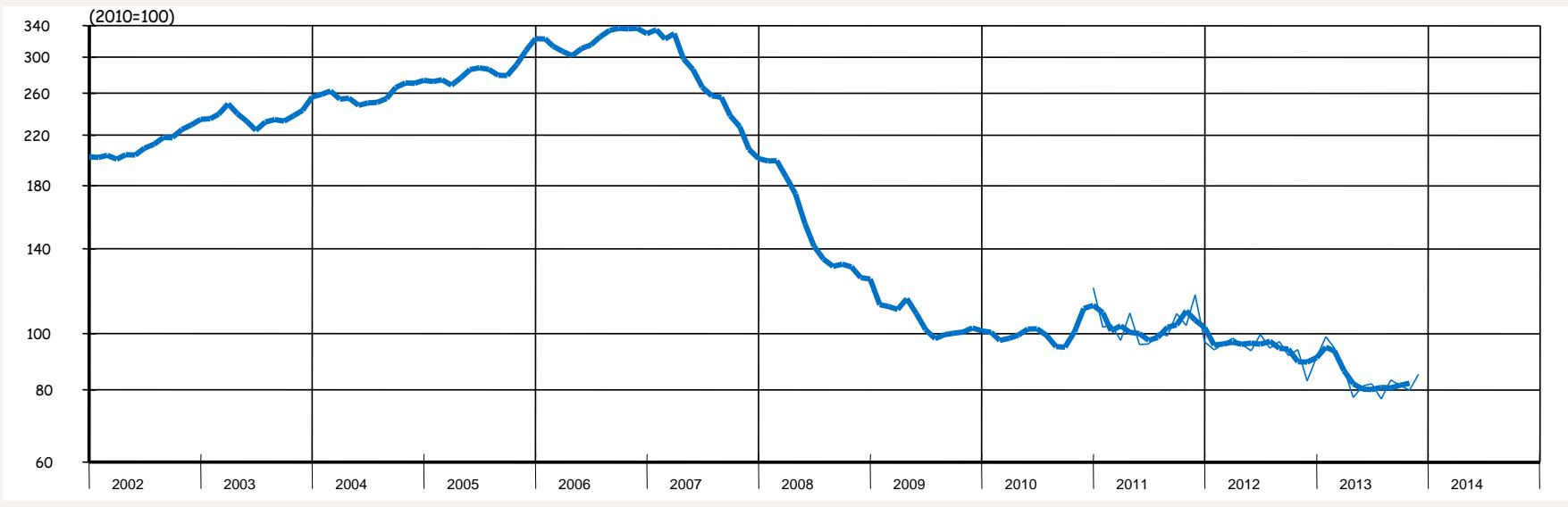
But Eurozone is lagging behind

Zone euro : croissance du PIB en volume



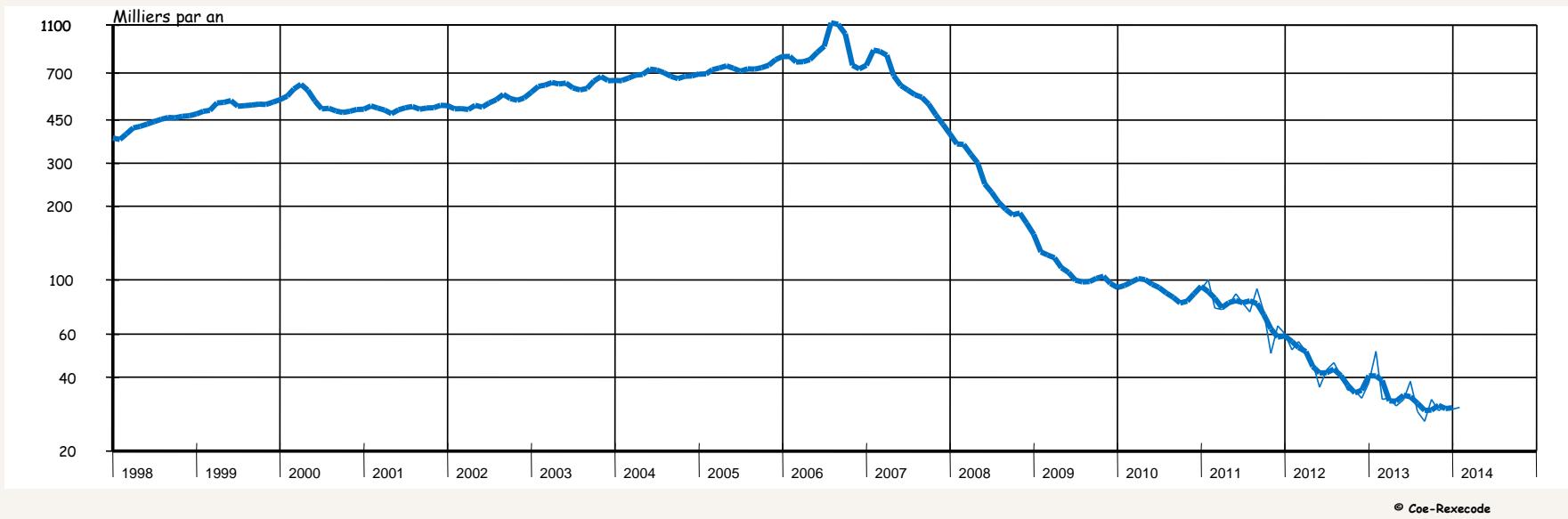
European housing is depressed

Zone euro : permis de construire résidentiels



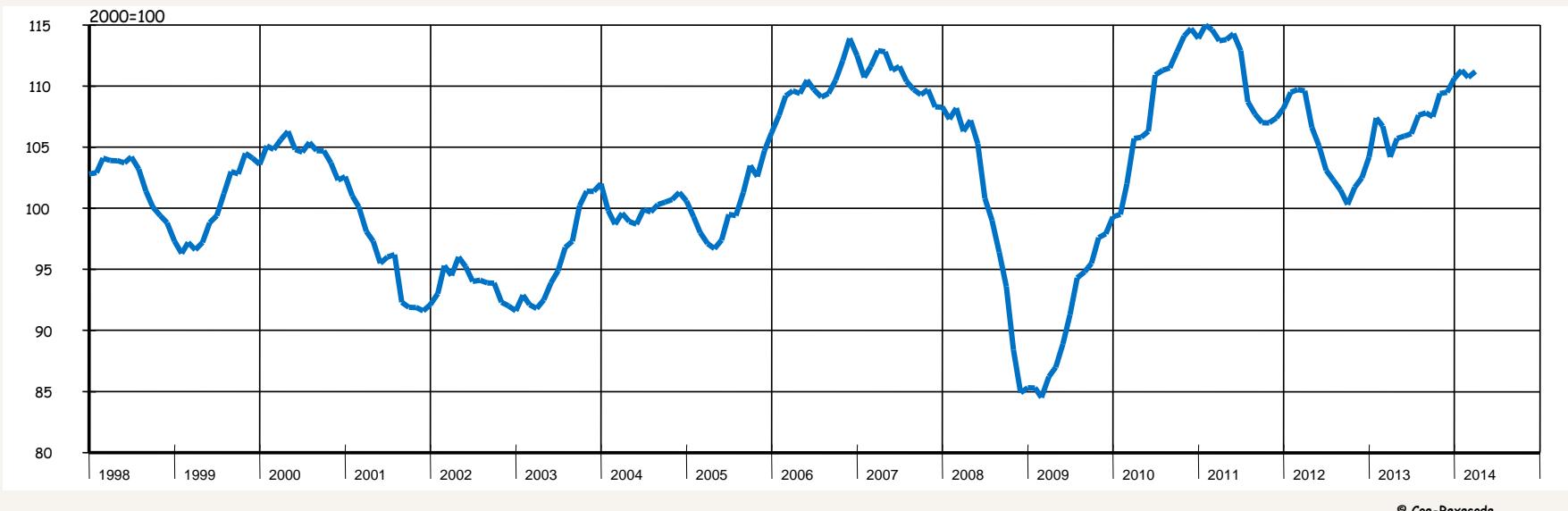
Spanish housing at its worst

Espagne : logements autorisés



The Germans are more upbeat

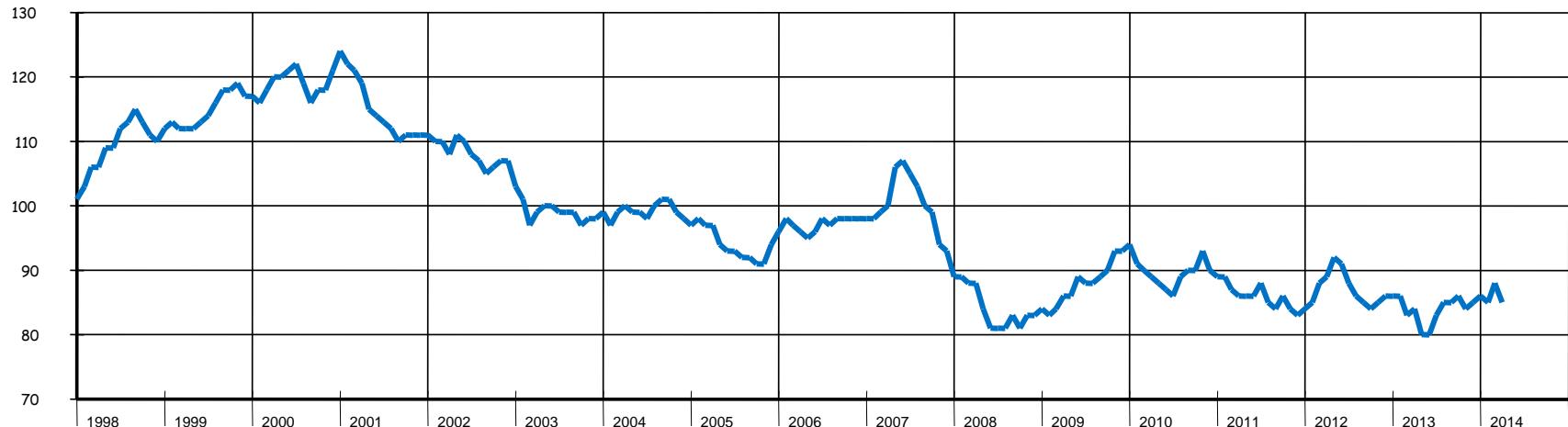
Allemagne : Enquêtes IFO - climat des affaires



And the French think that the worst is coming

France : indicateur synthétique de confiance des ménages

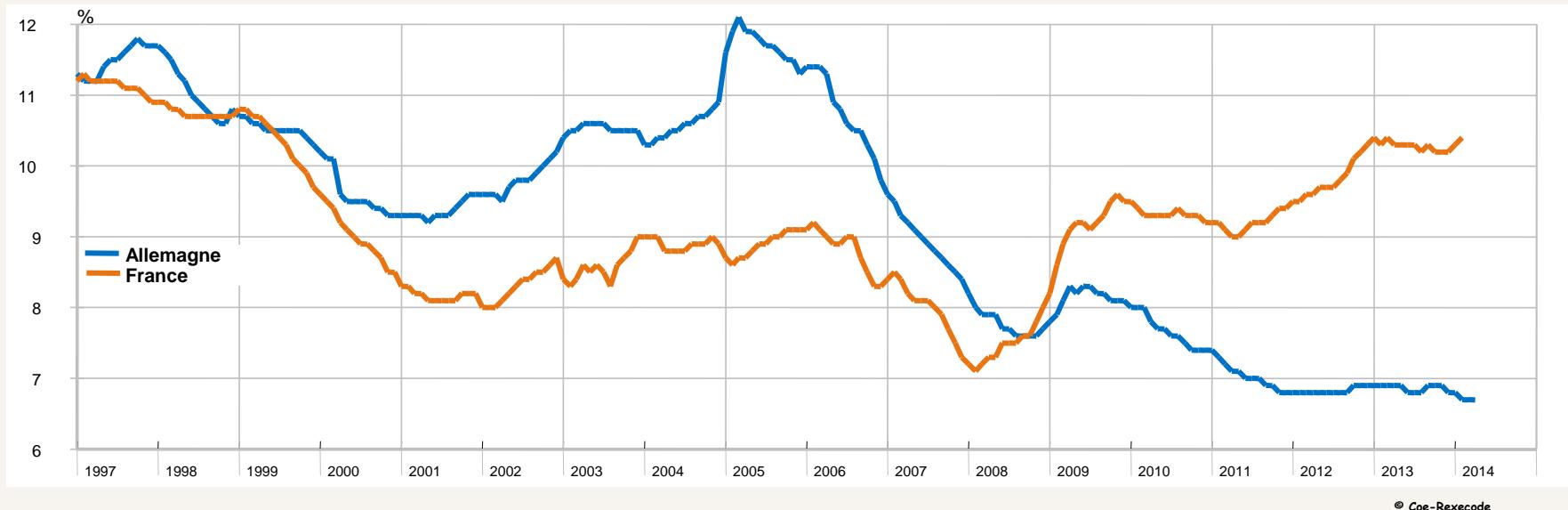
Indicateur synthétique de confiance des ménages avec une moyenne de 100 et un écart type de 10 pour la période 1987-2010



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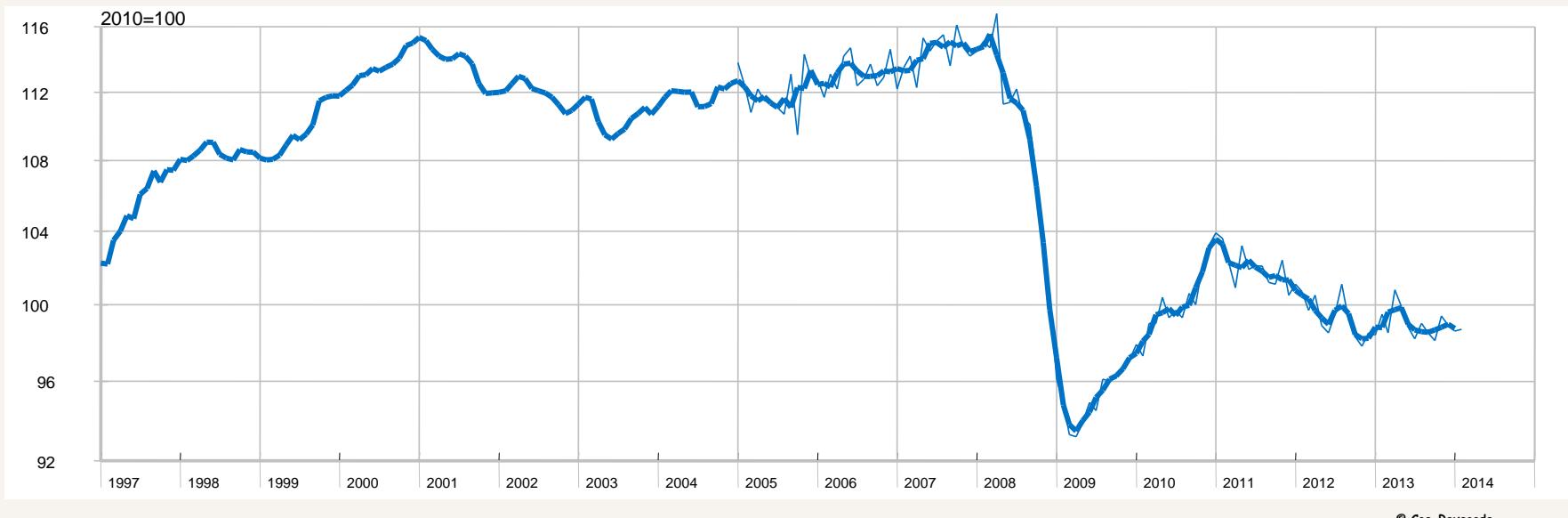
And they may be right if you look at unemployment

Taux de chômage



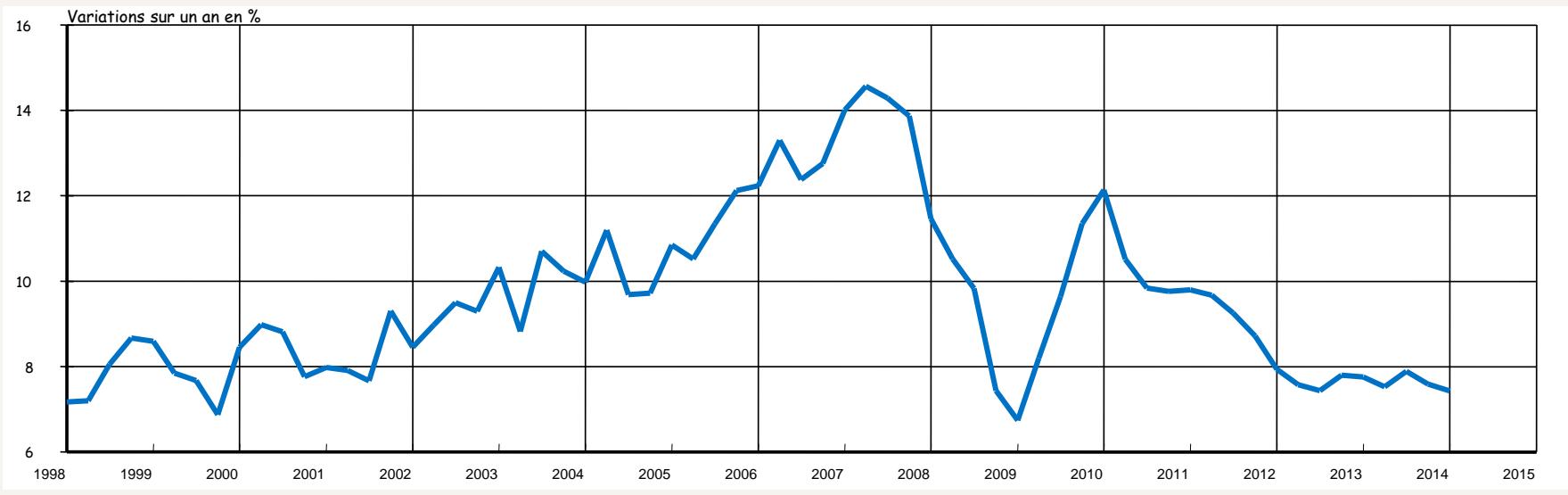
And French industrial production

France : production industrielle



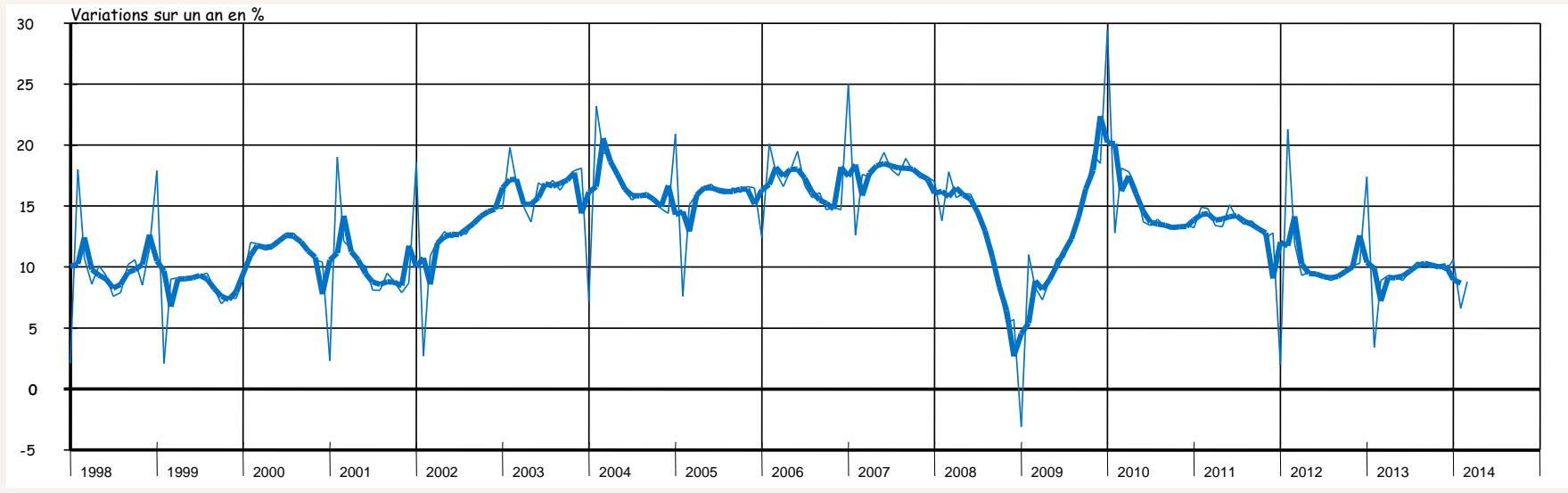
Among emerging countries China is our biggest worry

Chine : croissance du PIB en volume



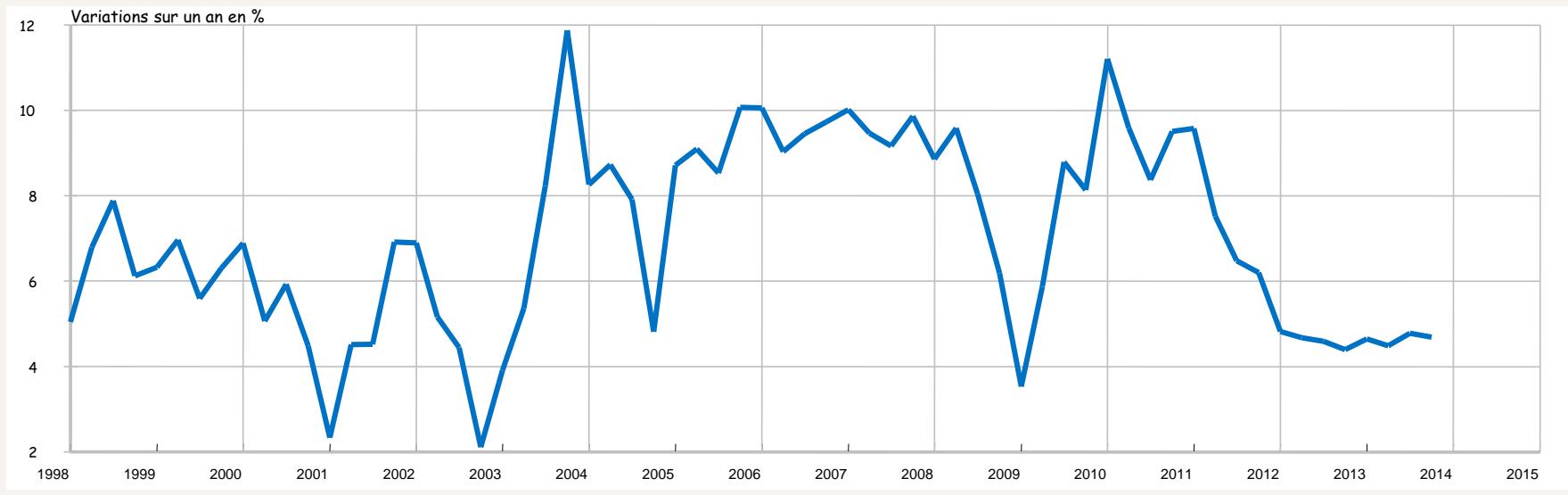
Would a Chinese « soft landing » have a sense ?

Chine : croissance de la production industrielle



India in the midst of its elections

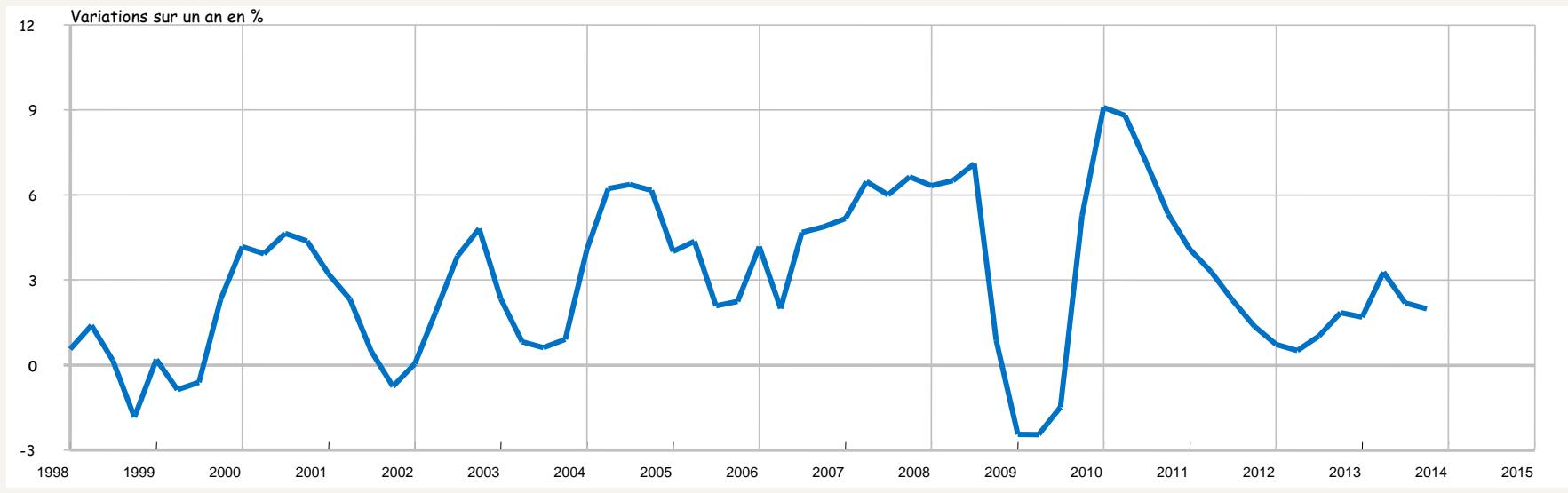
Inde : croissance du PIB en volume



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And Brazil before its elections

Brésil : croissance du PIB en volume



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The world is still in the « 2008 crisis»

- . Advanced countries are slowly getting out of the crisis

US + 2.7

UK + 2.5

Japan + 1

Euroland + 0.8

- . While emerging countries are slowing

China + 8

India + 5

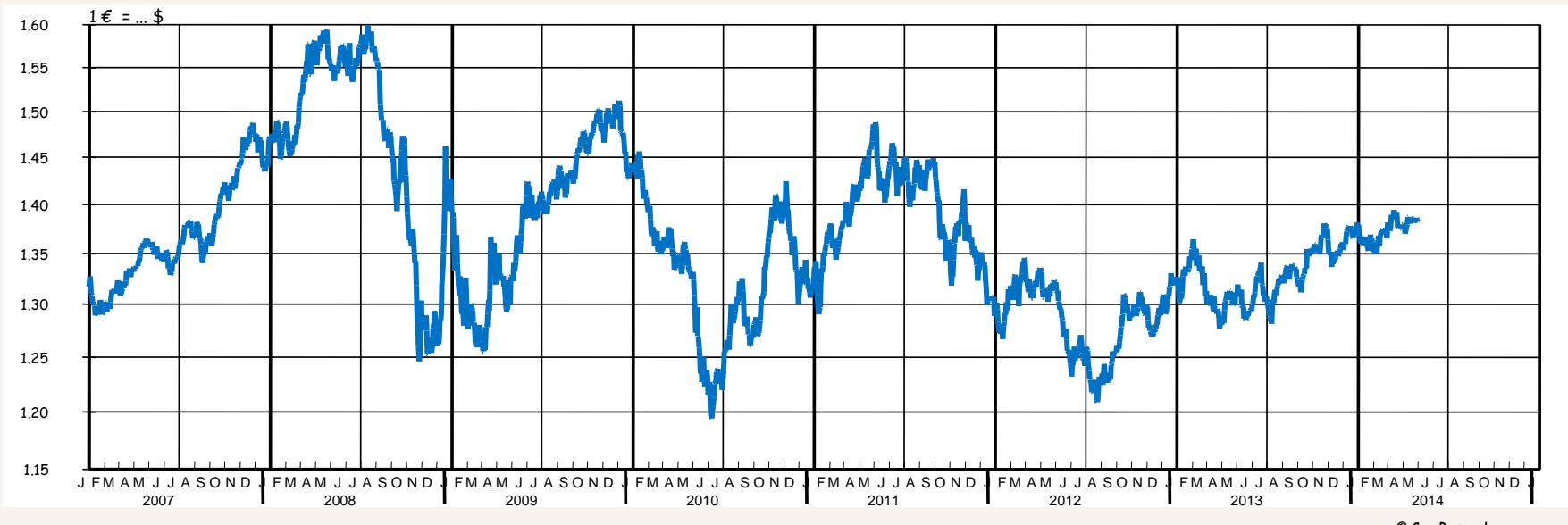
Brazil + 2

Russia 0

And the world : + 3 / 3.5

And a big question about the dollar

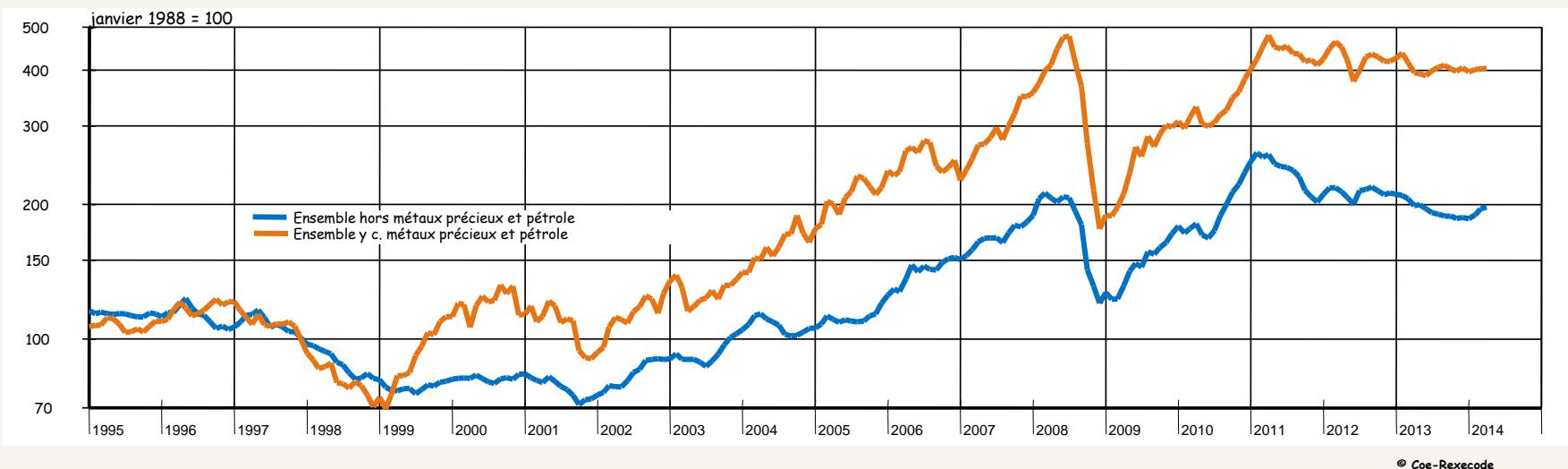
Cours de l'euro (1 euro = ... dollar)



World commodity markets look pretty stable

Indices globaux

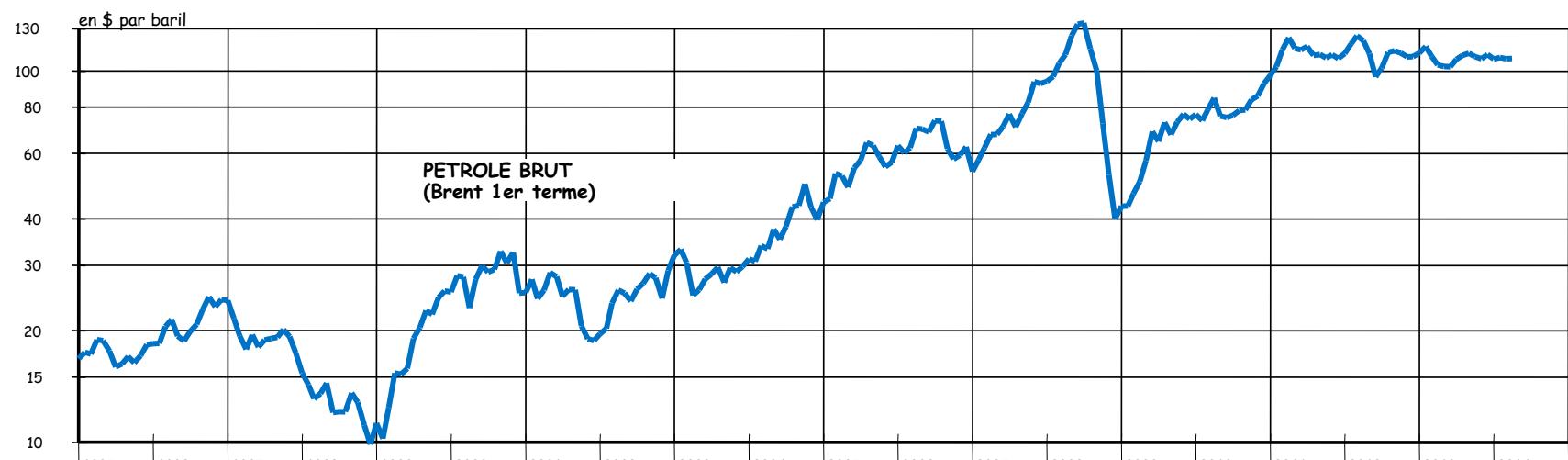
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And this is true for oil

Pétrole brut

Cours des matières premières

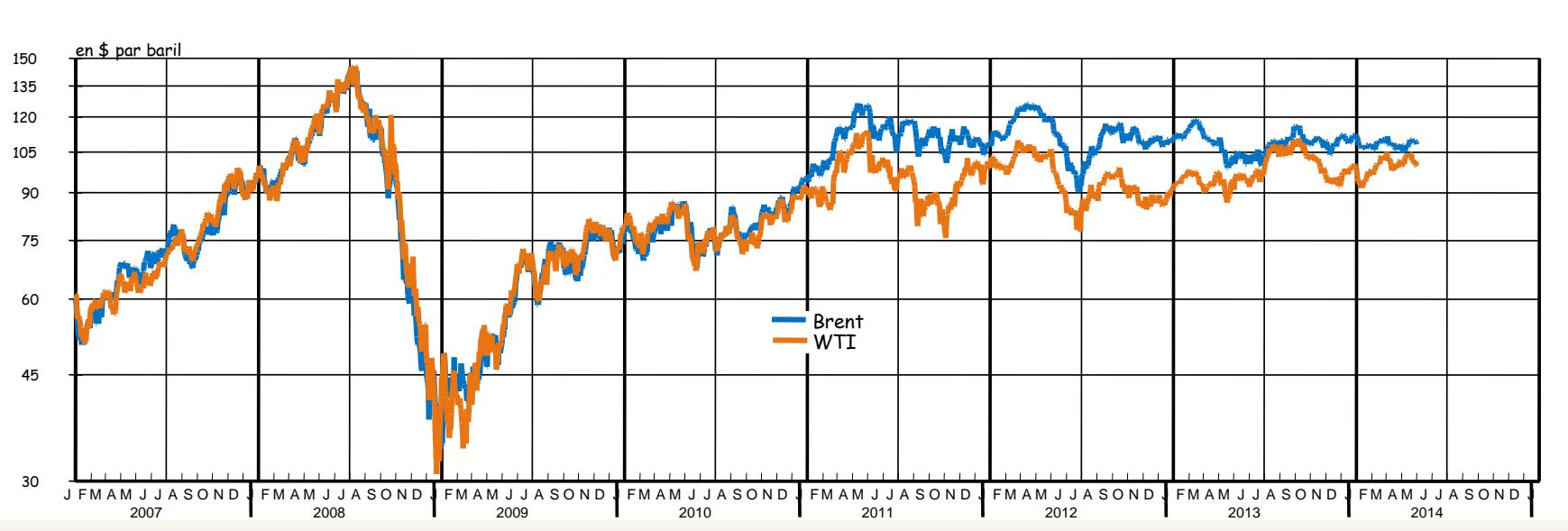


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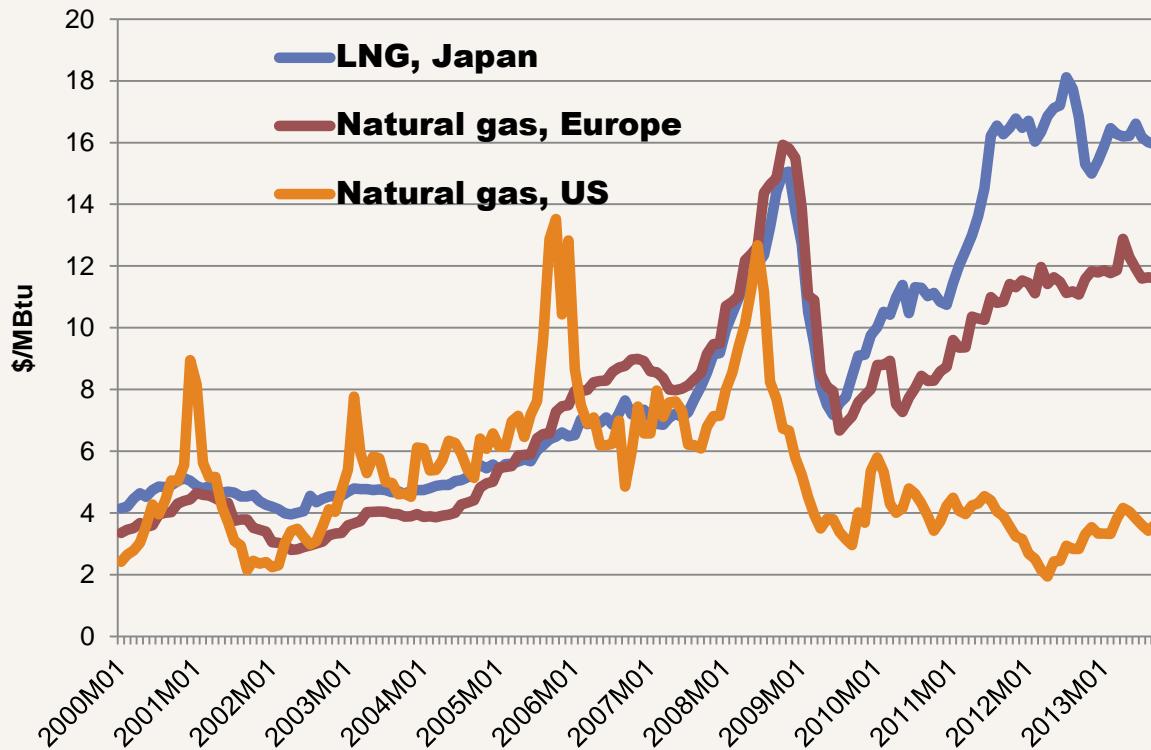
Even if you take into account the Brent – WTI spread

Pétrole brut

Cours des matières premières



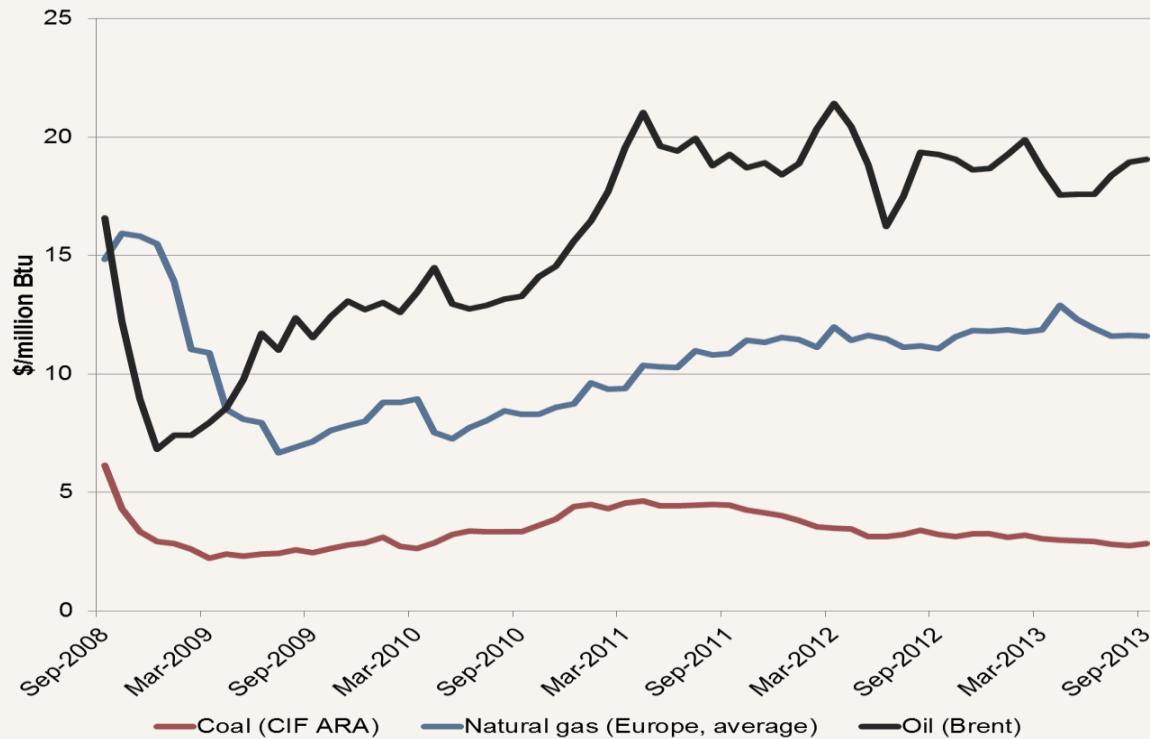
But the real story is on the US gas market



Source: World Bank, 2013

US gas prices have been reduced by two-thirds since 2008. They are three times lower than European prices

And in Europe coal is the most competitive source of energy



Source: World Bank, EIA, ICR, 2013

Coal is three/four times cheaper than natural gas

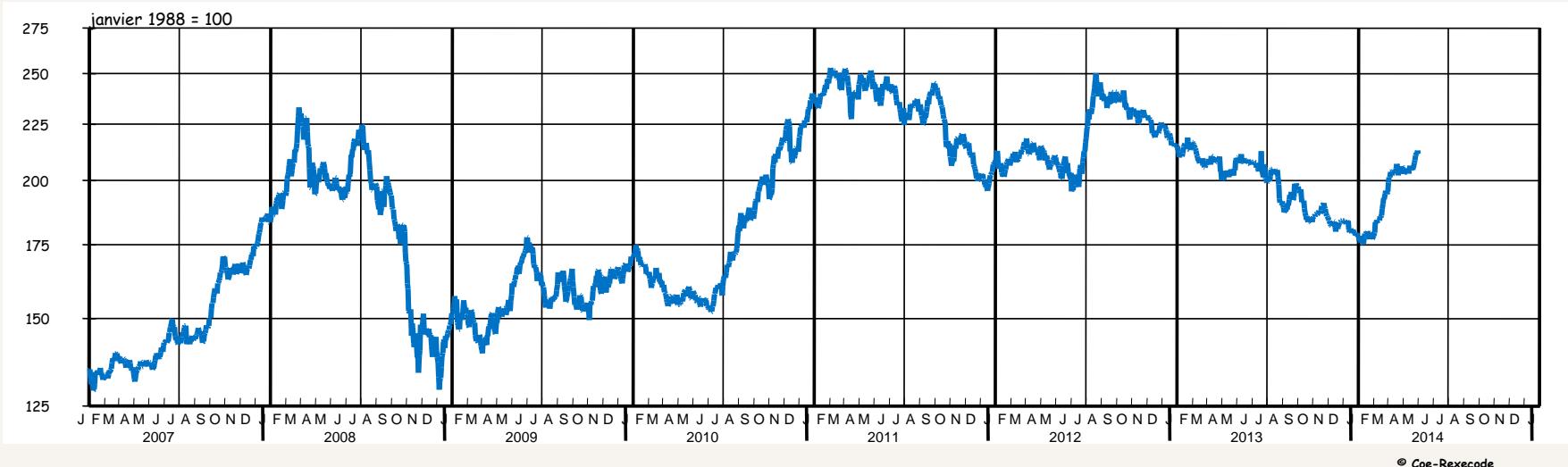
In fact markets are fairly anxious :

- . climate
- . geopolitics
- . economy

Climate and its consequences for world food markets

Produits alimentaires

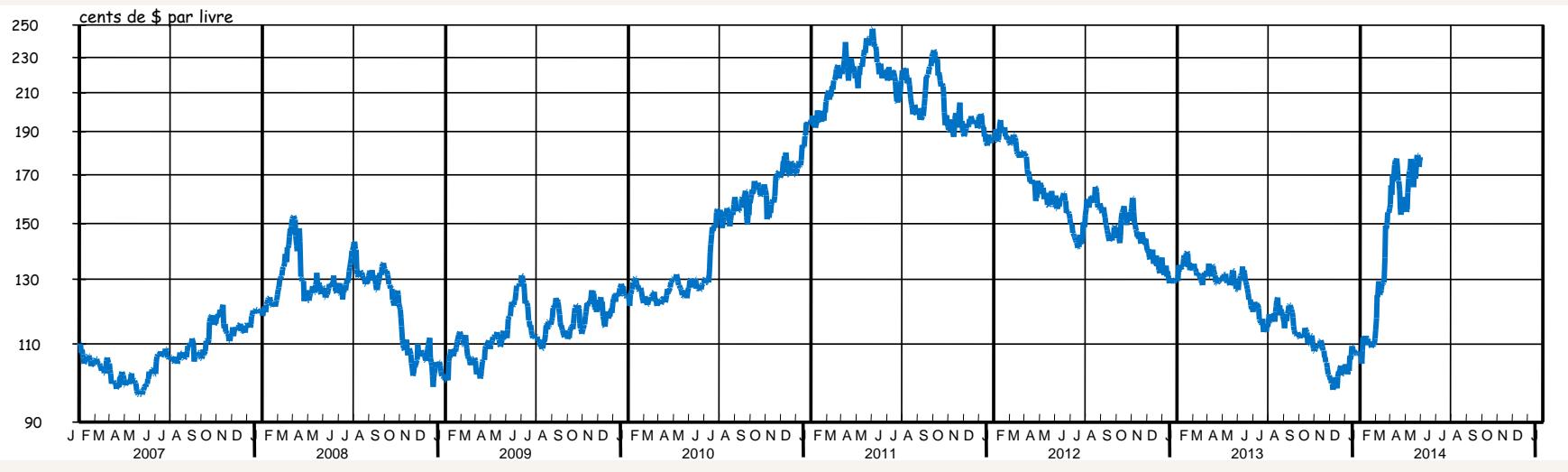
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A drought in Brazil and the surge of coffee prices

Café

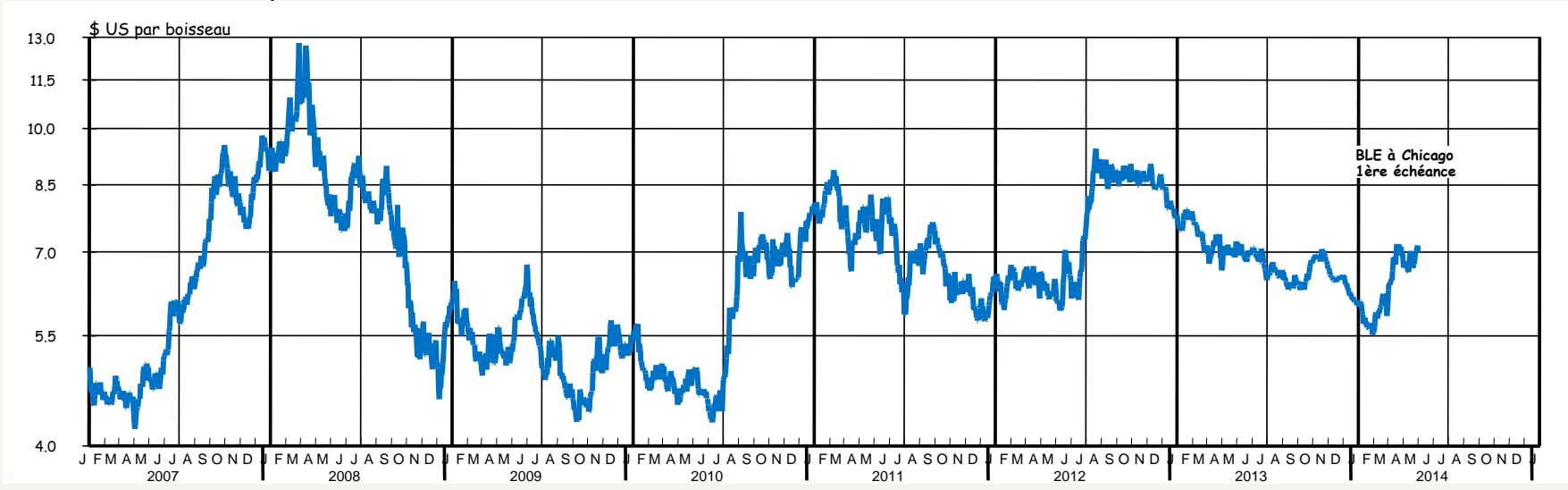
Cours des matières premières



Winter in North America and the price of wheat

Blé

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But the worst is to come :

- . short term : El Niño and its consequences for
 - grains (Australia)
 - rice (Asia)
 - palme oil (Malaysia - Indonesia)
 - meat and dairy* (Australia, NZ)
- . long term : *climate change*

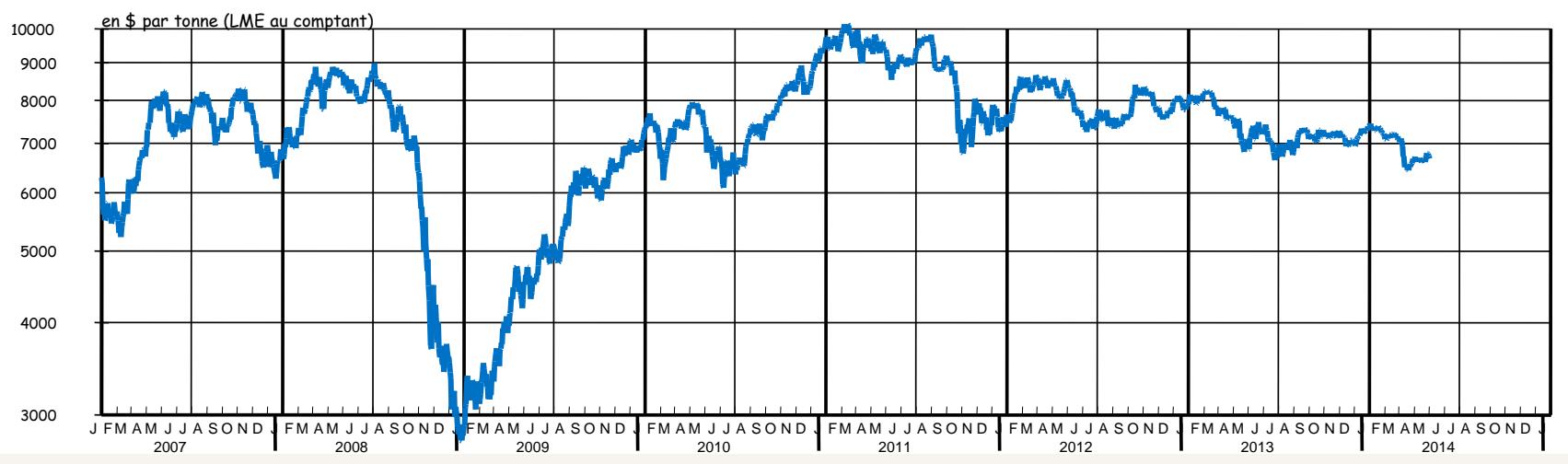
Geopolitics :

- . Ukraine and its impact on
 - . gas and energy markets :
30 % of European natural gas imports
 - . grains
 - Black sea is the world's second exporting region :*
 - 35 million tons of wheat*
 - 27 million tons of coarse grains*
 - 10 million tons of oil seeds*
 - . Middle East
 - . Indonesia and its minerals embargo

The main economic worry is of course Chinese and
Copper is a good indicator

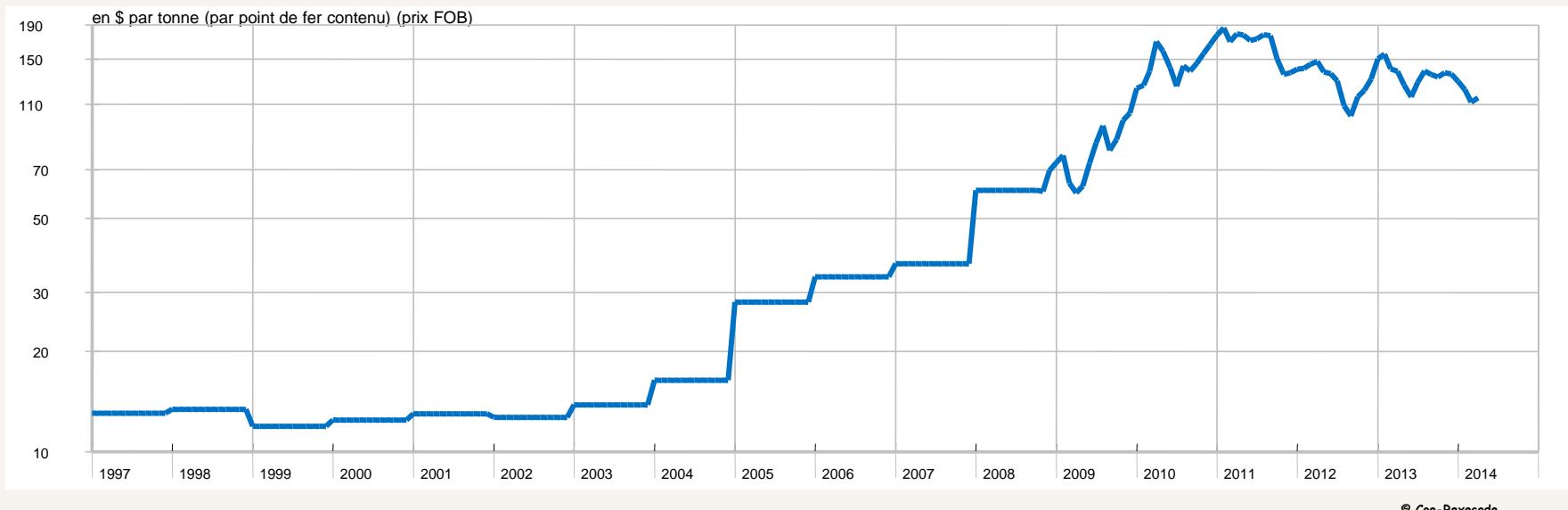
Métaux communs : cuivre

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As well as iron ore

Minerai de fer



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The 2008 economic crisis is not yet over

- . in the US :
 - . the end of « quantitative easing »
 - . the fate of the dollar
- . in Europe and Japan
 - . deflation versus inflation
 - . a huge pile of debts
 - . the failure of European governance
- . in emerging countries
 - . the « Fragile Five »
 - . China's soft landing ?
 - . the commodity curse from Russia to Algeria

In the months to come, you should watch :

- geopolitics from Ukraine to Syria
- climate and El Nino
- China of course
- debts and deflation
- but ... be positive : the third industrial revolution is still going on