# **OBSTACLES TO FINANCIAL STABILITY**

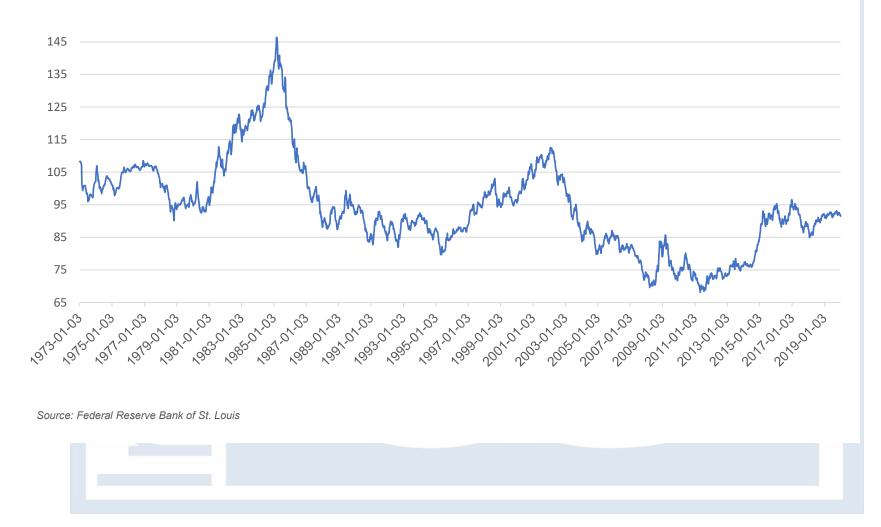
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## **Atlantic Economic Conference**

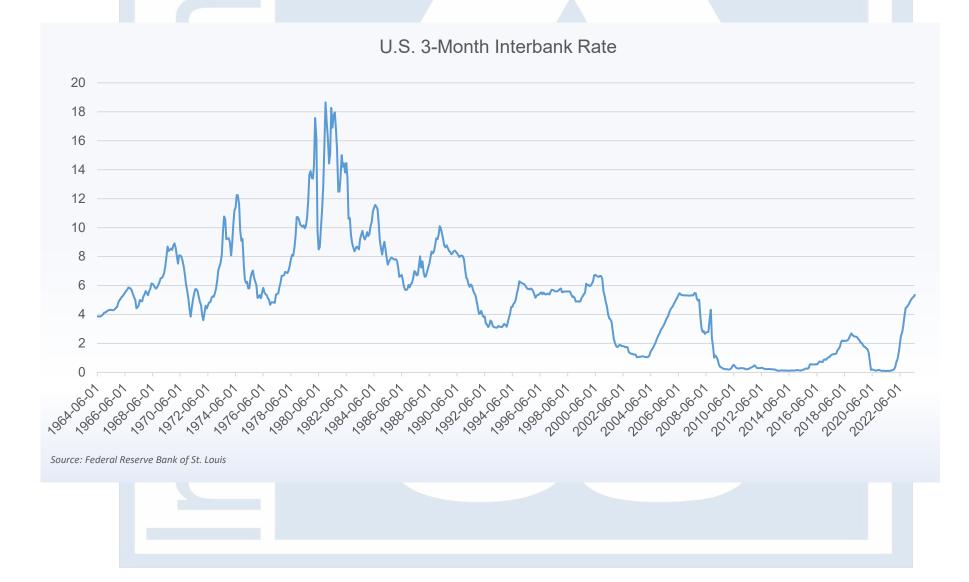
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### FLUCTUATIONS IN THE VALUE OF THE U.S. DOLLAR OVER THE PAST 50 YEARS

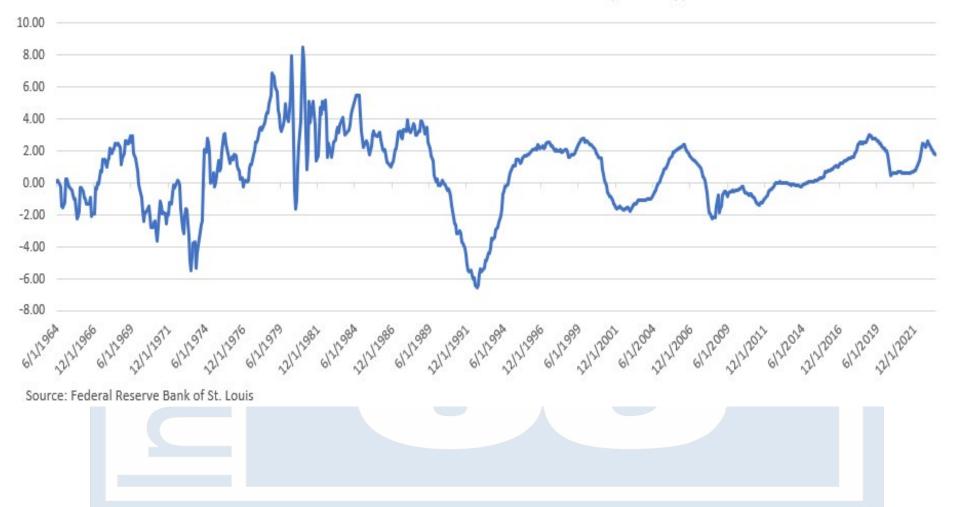
Trade Weighted US Dollar Index



#### **U.S. INTEREST RATE FLUCTUATIONS SINCE THE MID-1960S**

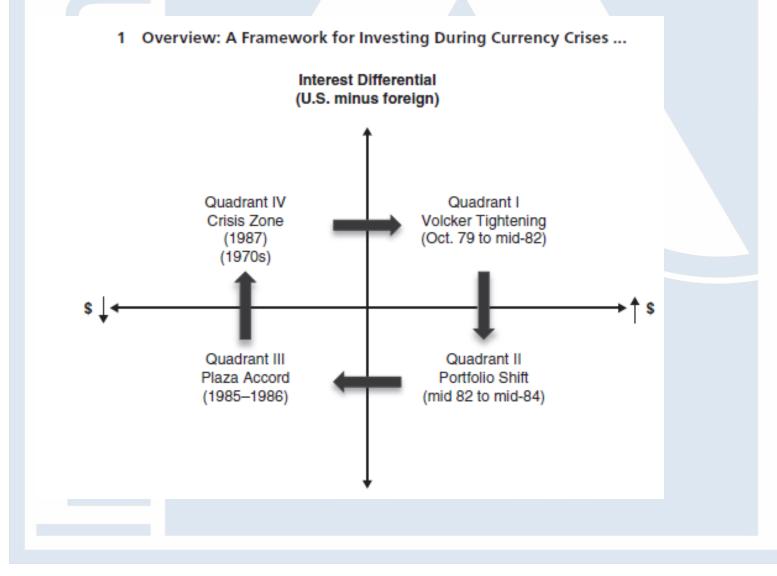


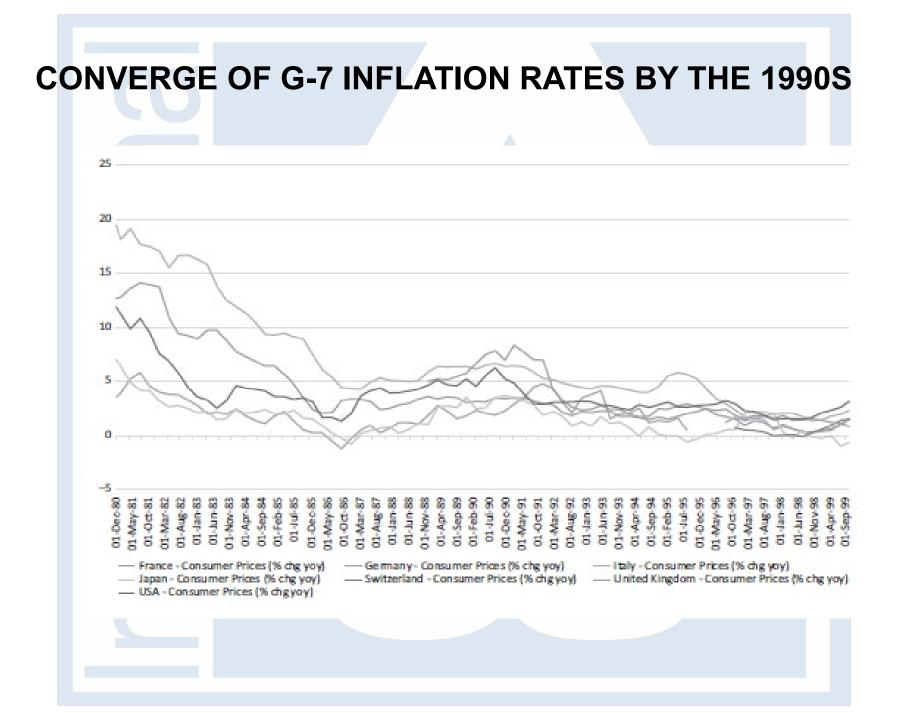
SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATE DIFFERENTIAL: U.S. VERSUS GERMANY



US 3-Month Rate - German 3-Month Rate (Monthly)

#### EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES AND INTEREST RATE DIFFERENTIALS, 1970-1980S





### CURRENT ACCOUNT IMBALANCES FOR THE US AND CHINA (PERCENT OF GDP)

Current Account as % of GDP

