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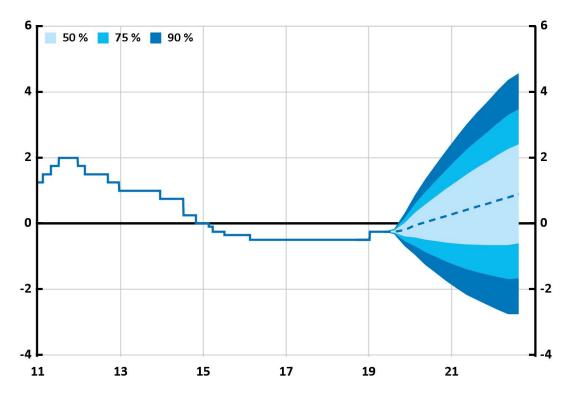






#### Figure 1.1. Repo rate with uncertainty bands

Per cent

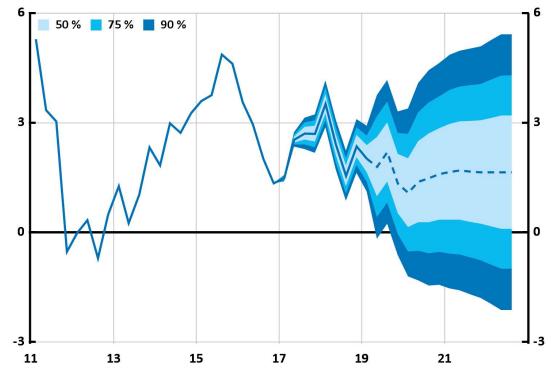


Note. The uncertainty bands for the repo rate are based on the Riksbank's historical forecasting errors and the ability of riskpremium adjusted forward rates to forecast the future repo rate for the period 1999 up to the point when the Riksbank started to publish forecasts for the repo rate during 2007. The uncertainty bands do not take into account the fact that there may be a lower bound for the repo rate. Outcomes are daily rates and forecasts refer to quarterly averages. Source: The Riksbank



#### Figure 1.2. GDP with uncertainty bands

Annual percentage change, seasonally-adjusted data

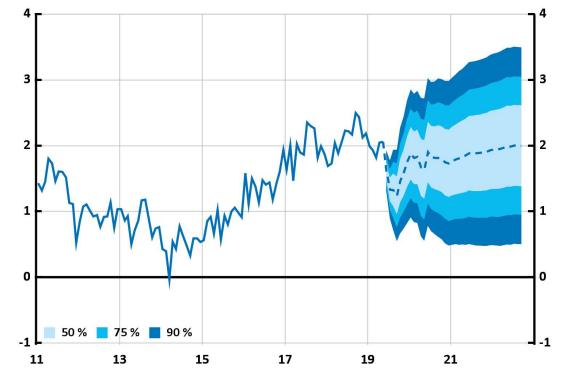


Note. The uncertainty bands are based on the Riksbank's historical forecasting errors. The reported outcomes for GDP are also uncertain, as the National Accounts figures are revised several years after the first publication.



#### Figure 1.3. CPIF with uncertainty bands

Annual percentage change

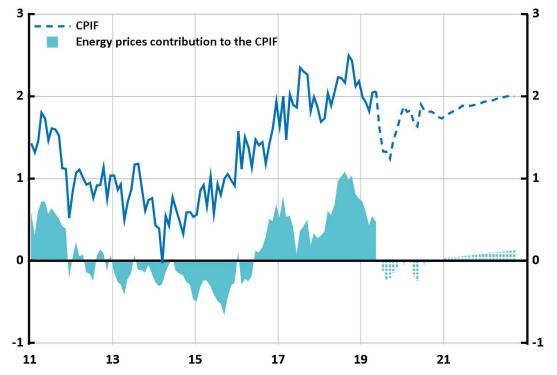


Note. The uncertainty bands are based on the Riksbank's historical forecasting errors.



## Figure 1.4. CPIF and contribution from energy prices

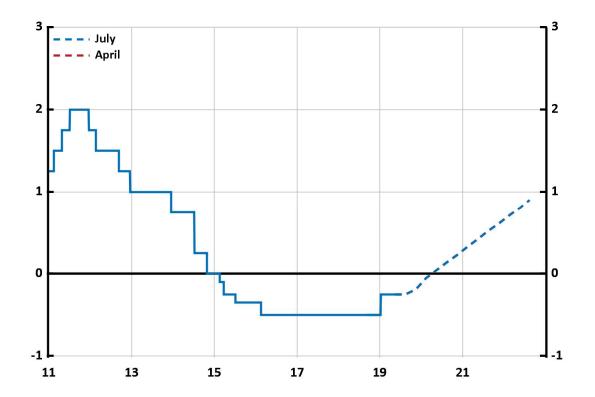
Annual percentage change and percentage points, respectively



Note. The contribution of energy prices to the CPIF in the forecast is calculated as the annual percentage change in energy prices multiplied by their current weight in the CPIF.



#### Figure 1.5. Repo rate

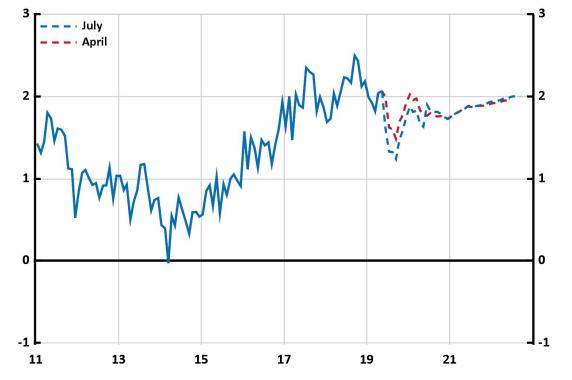


Note. Outcomes are daily data and the forecasts refer to quarterly averages.

Source: The Riksbank



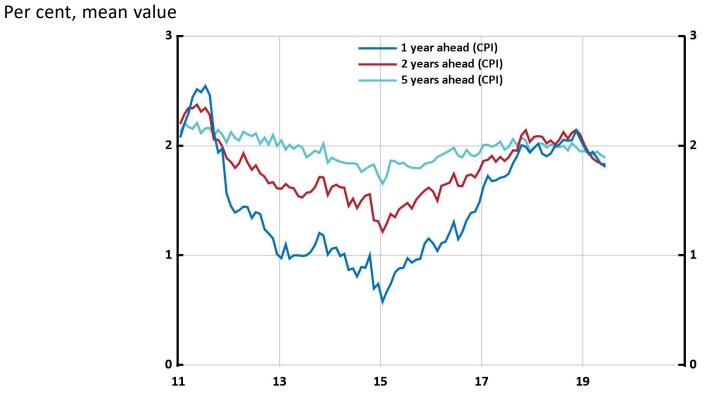
#### Figure 1.6. CPIF



Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



### Figure 1.7. Inflation expectations among money market participants

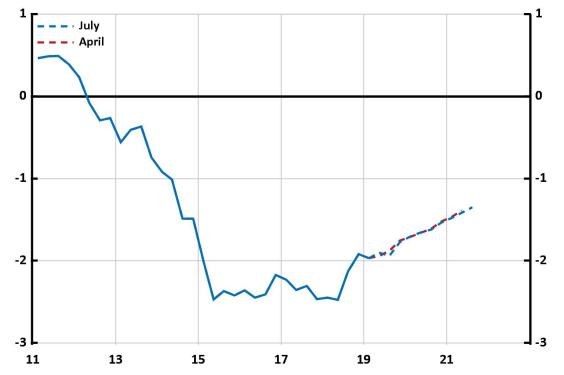


Source: Kantar Sifo Prospera



#### Figure 1.8. Real repo rate

Per cent, quarterly averages



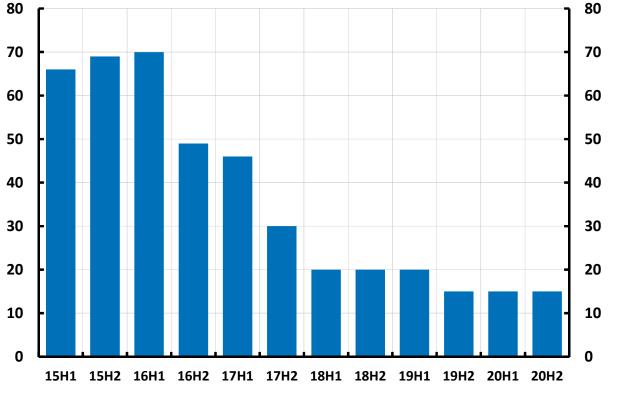
Note. The real repo rate is the Riksbank's expected real interest rate, calculated as a mean value of the Riksbank's repo rate forecast for the year ahead minus the inflation forecast (CPIF) for the corresponding period. Outcomes are based on the latest forecasts at that time.

Source: The Riksbank



### Figure 1.9. The Riksbank's purchases of government bonds

Nominal amounts, SEK billion

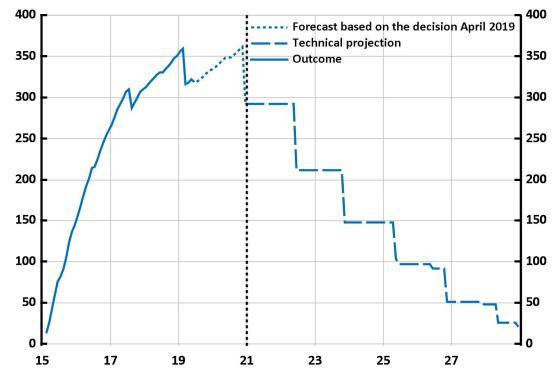


Source: The Riksbank



#### Figure 1.10. The Riksbank's holdings of government bonds

Nominal amounts, SEK billion



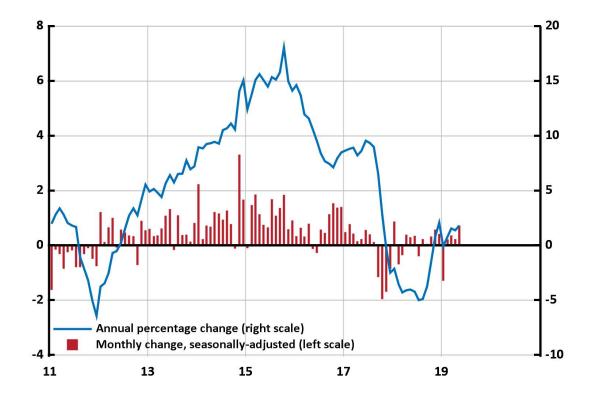
Note. Forecast up until December 2020, after that a technical projection with the assumption that no further purchases are made. The vertical line marks the shift between the forecast and technical projection.

Source: The Riksbank



### Figure 1.11. House prices according to HOX Sweden

Per cent

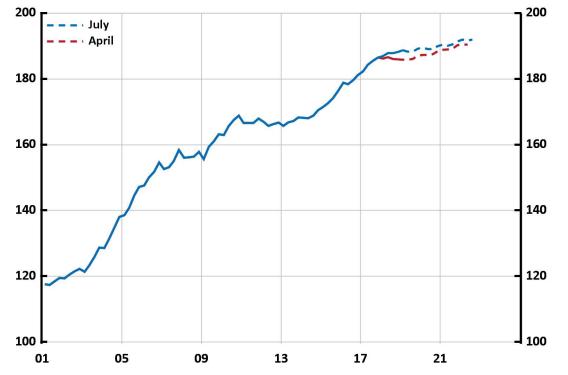


Sources: Valueguard and the Riksbank



#### Figure 1.12. Household debt ratio

Per cent of yearly disposable income



Note. Households' total debts as a share of their disposable income totalled over the past four quarters.

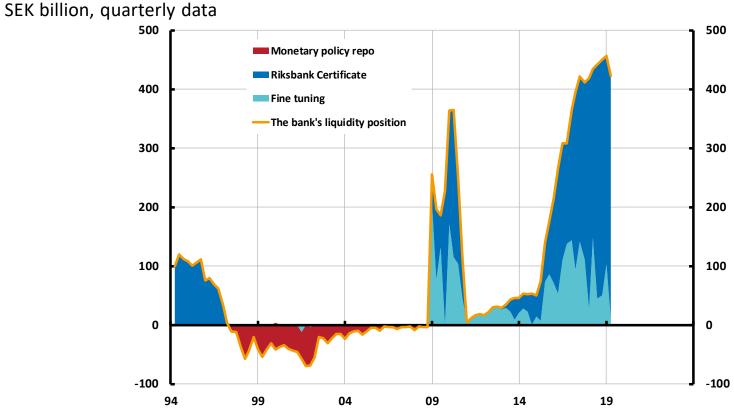
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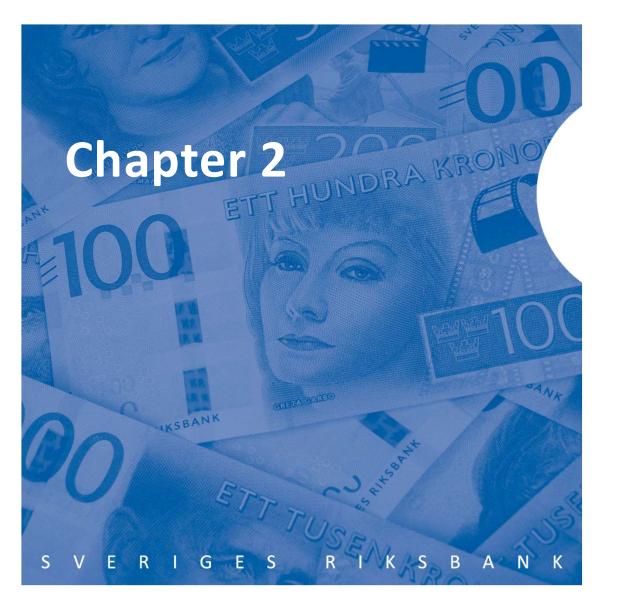
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### Figure 1.13. The banks' liquidity position in relation to the Riksbank



Source: The Riksbank

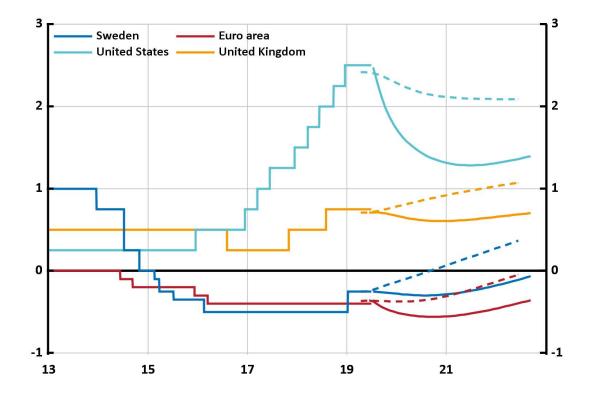






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Per cent

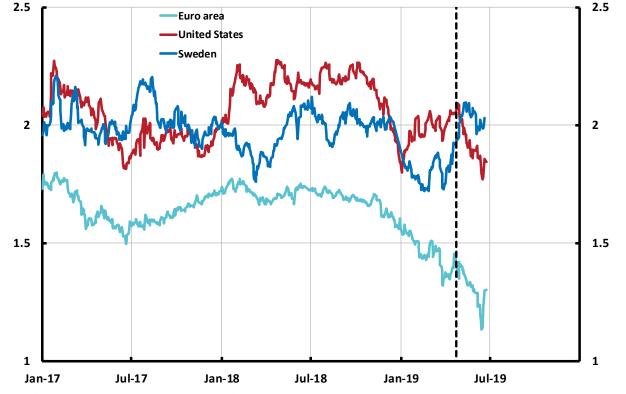


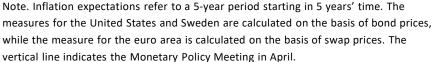
Note. Forward rates describe the expected overnight rate. Unbroken lines refer to 28 June 2019, broken lines refer to 18 April 2019.

Sources: The national central banks, Macrobond and the Riksbank

#### Figure 2.2. Market-based measures of longterm inflation expectations

Per cent



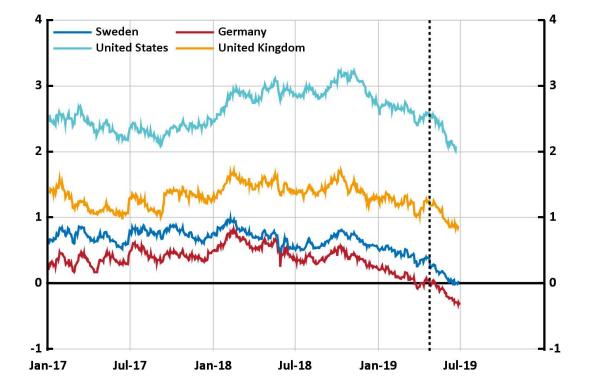


Sources: Bloomberg, Macrobond and the Riksbank



## Figure 2.3. Government bond yields with 10 years to maturity

Per cent

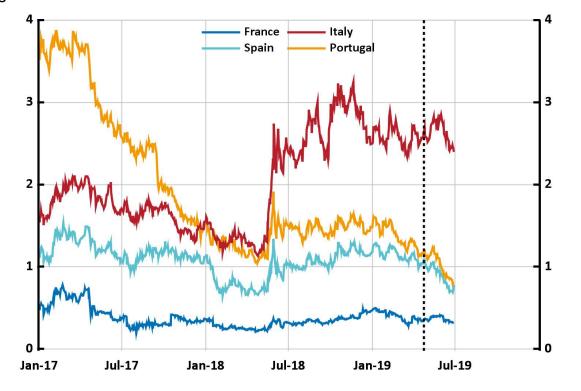


Note. Implied zero-coupon yields from government bonds for Sweden, Germany and United Kingdom. 10-year benchmark bonds for the United States. The vertical line indicates the Monetary Policy Meeting in April. Sources: The national central banks and the Riksbank



## Figure 2.4. Yield differential in relation to Germany, 10-year

Percentage points



Note. Yield differentials refer to 10-year benchmark bonds. The vertical line indicates the Monetary Policy Meeting in April.

Source: Macrobond



### Figure 2.5. Stock market movements in domestic currency

Index, 3 January 2017 = 100



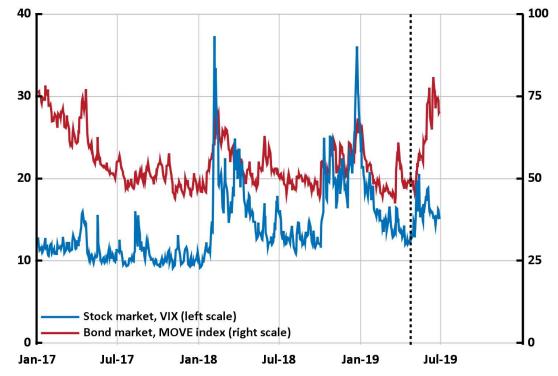
Note. The vertical line indicates the Monetary Policy Meeting in April.

Source: Macrobond



## Figure 2.6. Volatility index for US equity and bond markets

Per cent and index respectively



Note. Volatility Index (VIX) shows the expected volatility on the US stock market based on options prices. Merrill Lynch Option Volatility Estimate (MOVE) Index is a measure of the expected volatility of US government bonds based on options prices. The vertical line indicates the Monetary Policy Meeting in April.

Sources: Chicago Board Operations Exchange and Merrill Lynch

#### Figure 2.7. Yield differential between corporate bonds with a good credit rating and government bonds for the US



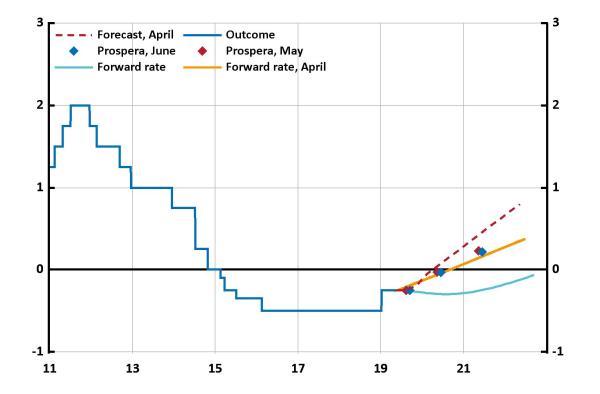
Note. Yield differentials refer to 5-year and 10-year benchmark bonds. The vertical line indicates the Monetary policy Meeting in April. Source: Macrobond





#### Figure 2.8. Repo rate and market repo rate expectations

Per cent

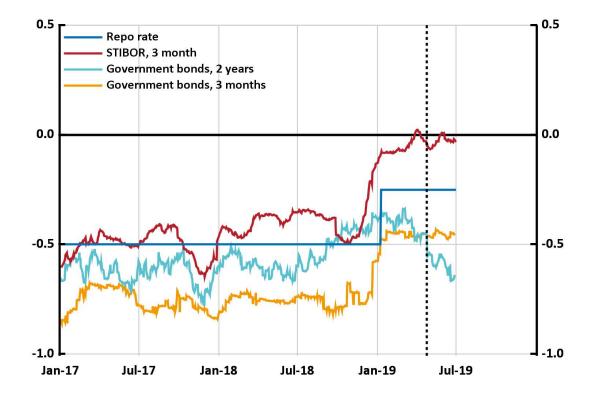


Note. The forward rate refers to 28 July 2019 and is a measure of the expected repo rate. The Prospera survey responses show the average for money market participants 24 April 2019 (Prospera May) respectively 29 May 2019 (Prospera June). Sources: Macrobond, Kantar Sifo Prospera and the Riksbank



### Figure 2.9. The repo rate, interbank rates and market rates

Per cent

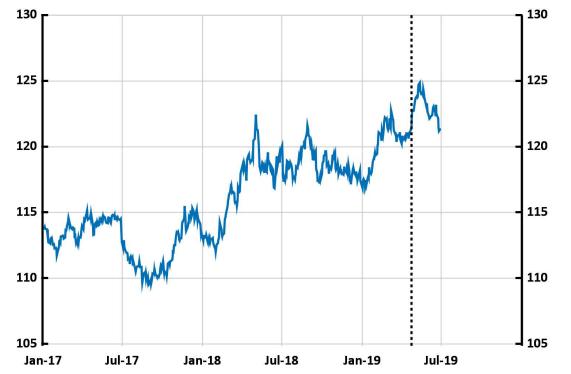


Note. Zero coupon yields are calculated on government bonds. The vertical line indicates the Monetary Policy Meeting in April. Sources: Macrobond and the Riksbank



## Figure 2.10. Competition-weighted nominal exchange rate, KIX

Index, 18 November 1992 = 100

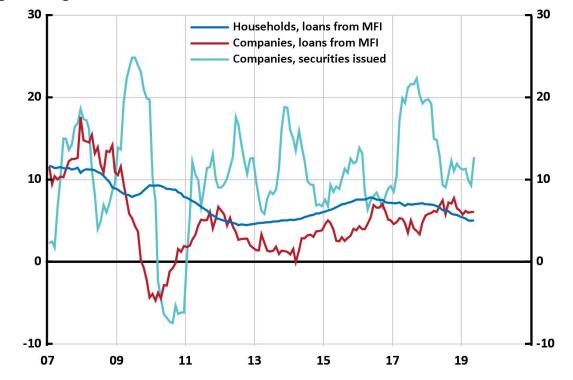


Note. The KIX (krona index) is a weighted average of the krona exchange rate against currencies in 32 countries that are important for Sweden's international transactions. A higher value indicates a weaker exchange rate. The vertical line indicates the Monetary Policy Meeting in April.



## Figure 2.11. Bank lending to households and companies

Annual percentage change



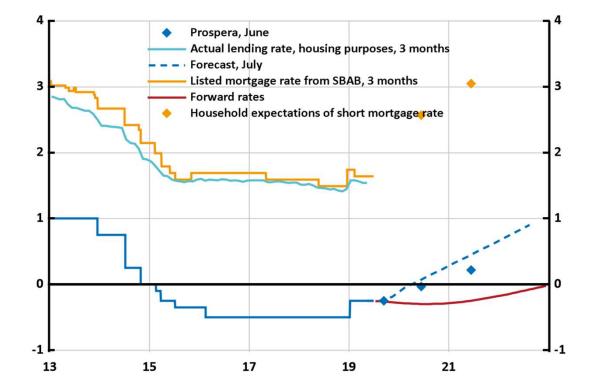
Source: Statistics Sweden

Note. Lending by Monetary financial institutions (MFI) to households and non-financial corporations adjusted for reclassifications and bought and sold loans, according to financial market statistics. Securities issued by non-financial corporations have been adjusted for currency impact.



#### Figure 2.12. Repo rate and lending rate to households

Per cent

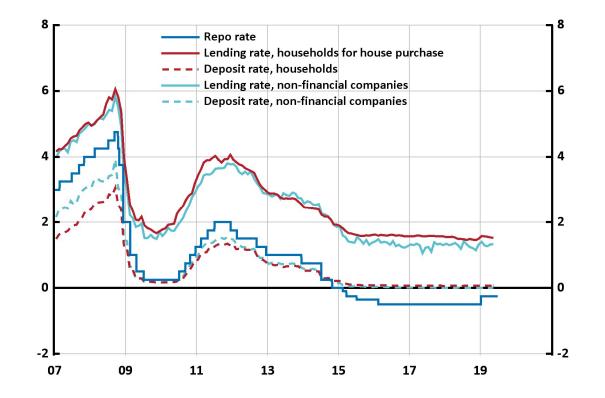


Note. Forward rates are estimated on 28 June 2019 and are a measure of the expected repo rate. Survey responses show the mean value for money market participants on 29 May 2019. Household expectations of the short mortgage rate are according to the Economic Tendency Survey in June.

Sources: Macrobond, Kantar Sifo Prospera, Statistics Sweden, National Institute of Economic Research and the Riksbank

# Figure 2.13. Repo rate together with the average deposit and lending rate to households and companies, new contracts

Per cent

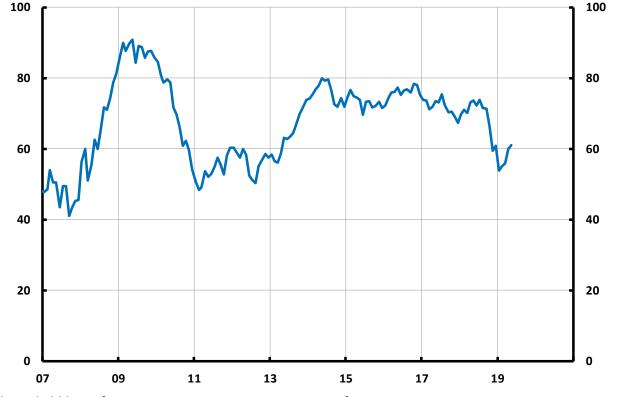


Note. MFIs' average deposit and lending rates are a weighted average of all interest rates for different maturities.



### Figure 2.14. Percentage of households' new loans at variable rates

Per cent



Source: Statistics Sweden

Note. Refers to new household loans from mortgage institutions. Percentage of loans in each category is calculated based on the value of the loans. Variable rate refers to interest-rate fixation periods up to and including three months.







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Figure 3.1. CPIF and variation band

Note. The pink area shows the Riksbank's variation band and covers about three-quarters of the outcomes since January 1995. The variation band is a way of showing whether the deviation from the inflation target is unusually large. The broken line represents the forecast for the upcoming 6 months.

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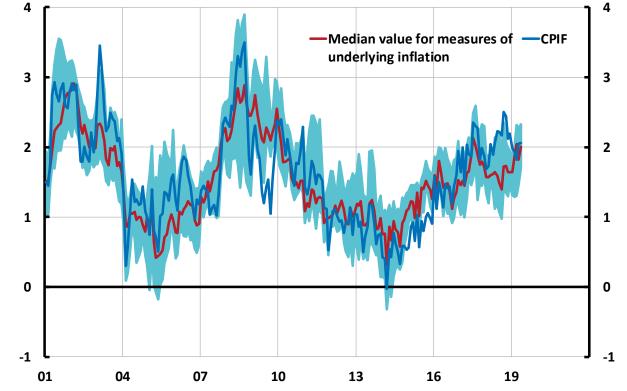
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Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank

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#### Figure 3.2. CPIF and different measures of underlying inflation

Annual percentage change

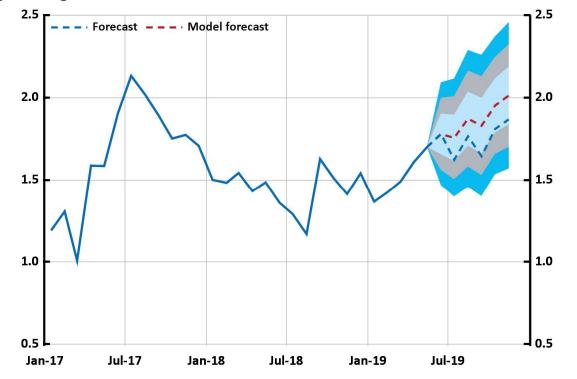


Note. The field shows the highest and lowest outcomes among different measures of underlying inflation. The measures included are CPIF excluding energy, UND24, Trim85, CPIF excluding energy and unprocessed food, persistence-weighed inflation (CPIFPV), factors from principal component analysis (CPIFPC) and weighted median inflation (Trim1).



### Figure 3.3. CPIF excluding energy, model forecast with uncertainty bands

Annual percentage change

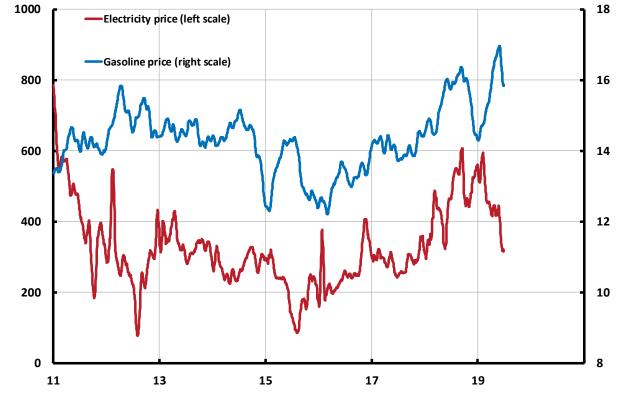


Note. The uncertainty bands 50, 75 and 90 per cent are based on the models' historical forecast errors.



#### **Figure 3.4. Energy prices**

SEK per MWh and SEK per litre respectively, 15-day average

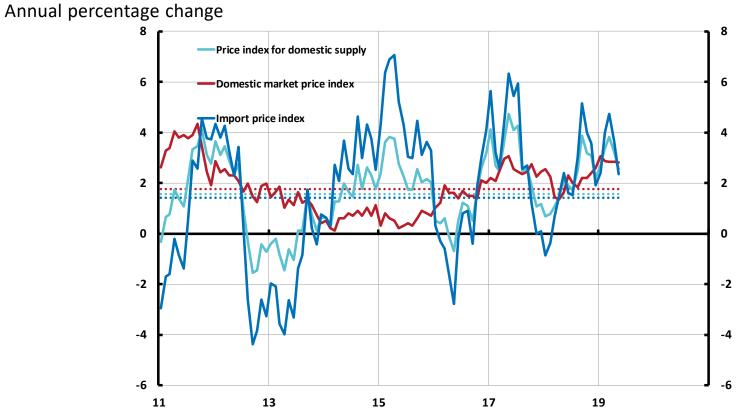


Note. Prices refer to a 15-day average of the system price per MWh electricity and 95-octane gasoline.

Sources: Macrobond and Nordpool



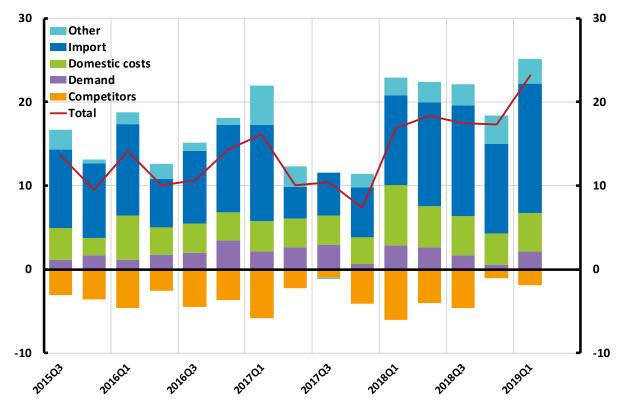
# Figure 3.5. Producer prices for consumer goods



Note. Import price index measures what Swedish importers pay for their goods at the border. Domestic market pricesSources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbankmeasure what Swedish producers are paid when sale takes place in Sweden. The price index for domestic supply is anaggregate of the import- and home market price index. Broken lines refer to average rate of increase since the year 2000.



## Figure 3.6. The driving forces behind price changes by companies in the trade and services sectors Net figures

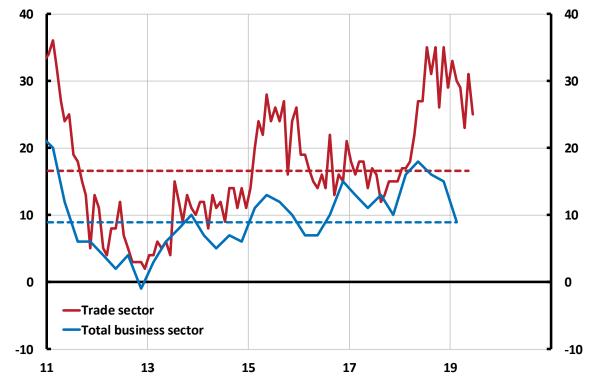


Note. The figure shows how different factors have affected the unweighted net figure for the question of what has happened with prices in the last three months in both the trade and services sectors. Sources: National Institute of Economic Research and the Riksbank



# Figure 3.7. Pricing plans in the business and trade sectors

Net figures, seasonally-adjusted data



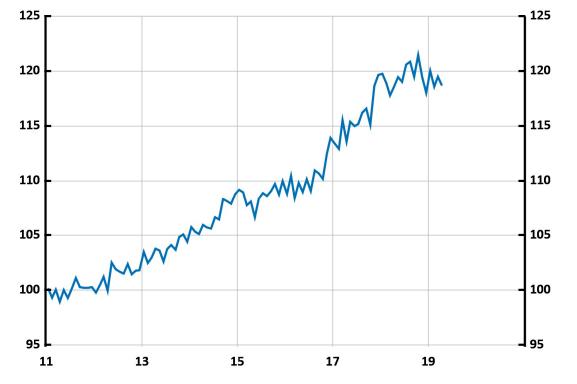
Note. The net figure is the difference between the proportion of companies stating that they expect higher sales prices and those expecting lower sales prices over the next three months. Broken lines represent the averages since May 2003.

Source: National Institute of Economic Research



## Figure 3.8. World trade volume

Index, 2011 = 100



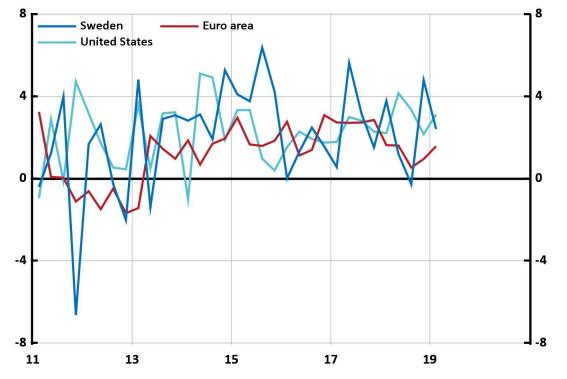
Note. Refers to trade in goods.

Source: CPB Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis



## Figure 3.9. GDP in Sweden and abroad

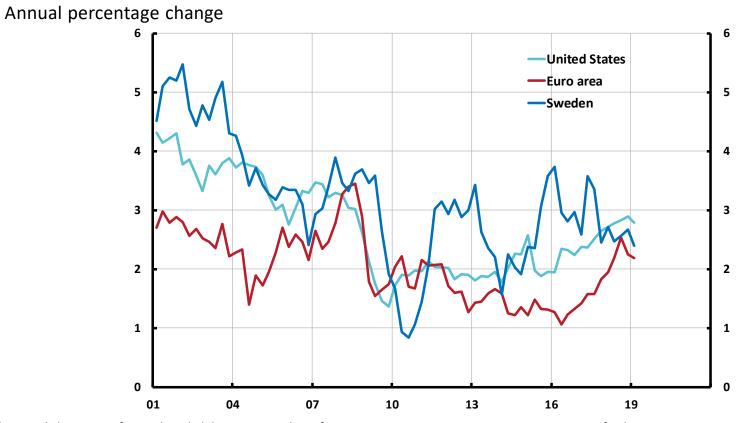
Quarterly change in per cent, annualised, seasonally-adjusted data



Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Eurostat and Statistics Sweden



# Figure 3.10. Labour costs in Sweden and abroad

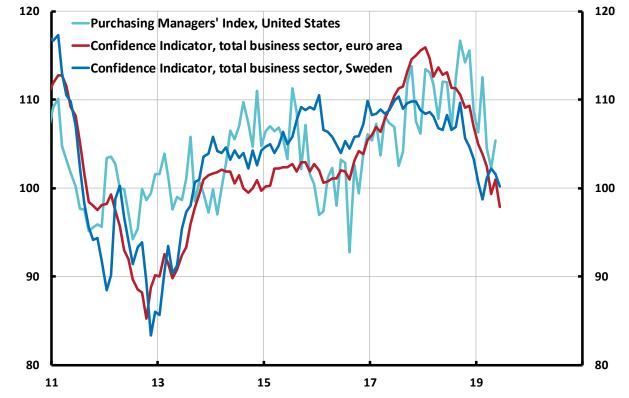


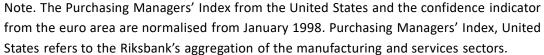
Note. The Swedish series refers to hourly labour cost and is a four-quarter moving average. For the United States and the euro area, the figures refer to labour costs per employee. Sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics, ECB and Statistics Sweden



# Figure 3.11. Confidence indicators in Sweden and abroad

Index, average = 100, standard deviation = 10



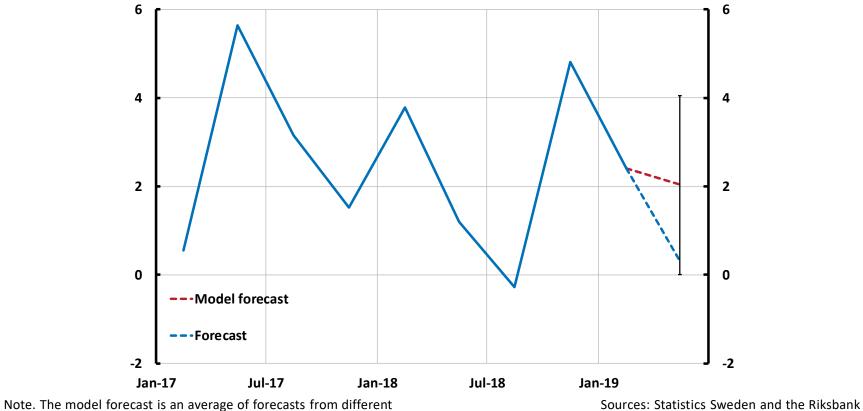


Sources: European Commission, Institute for Supply Management (ISM), National Institute of Economic Research and the Riksbank



# Figure 3.12. GDP, model forecast with uncertainty bands

Quarterly change in per cent, annualised, seasonally-adjusted data



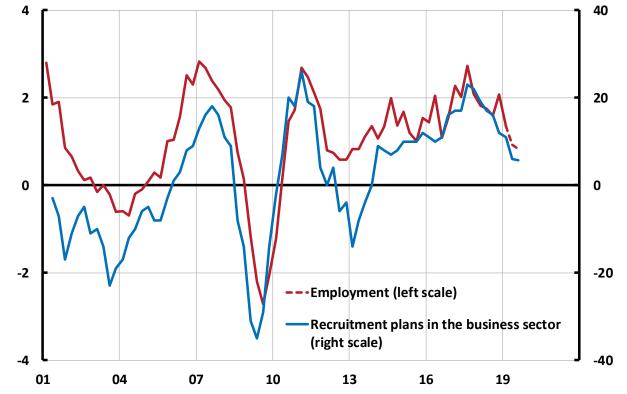
band based on the models' historical forecast errors.

statistical models. The vertical line refers to a 50 per cent uncertainty



# Figure 3.13. Employment and recruitment plans

Annual percentage change and net figures, respectively, seasonally-adjusted data



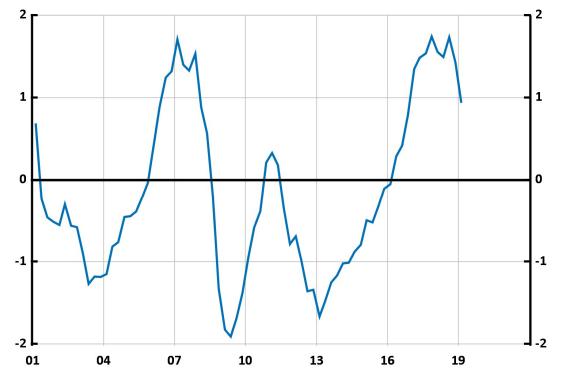
Note. Recruitment plans refer to expectations of the number of employed in the business sector three months ahead, moved forward one quarter. Recruitment plans for 2018 Q2 refer to an average of the outcomes in April to June 2019.

Sources: National Institute of Economic Research, Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



## Figure 3.14. Resource utilisation indicator

Standard deviations



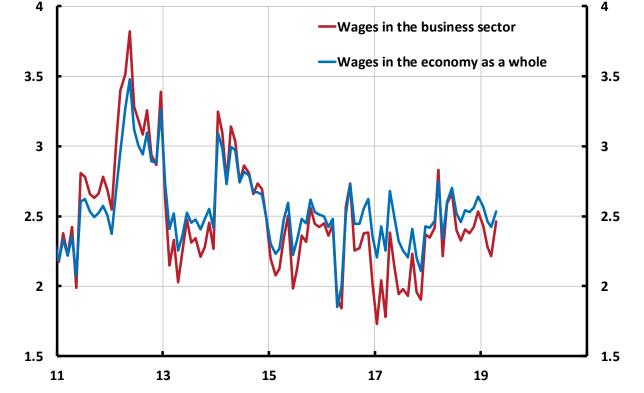
Note. The RU indicator is a statistical measure of resource utilisation. It is normalised so that the mean value is 0 and the standard deviation is 1.

Source: The Riksbank



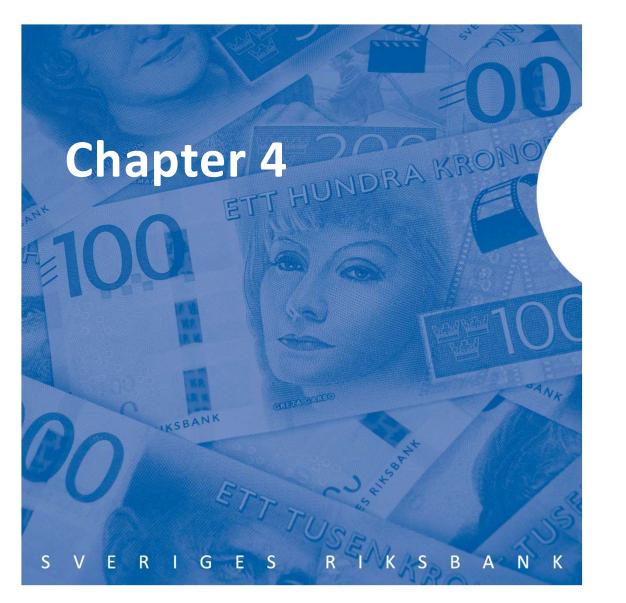
# Figure 3.15. Wages in the business sector and economy as a whole

Annual percentage change



Note. The National Mediation Office's forecast of final outcome May 2018–April 2019.

Source: National Mediation Office



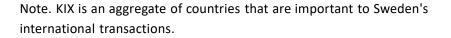




# Figure 4.1. GDP in various countries and regions

Annual percentage change



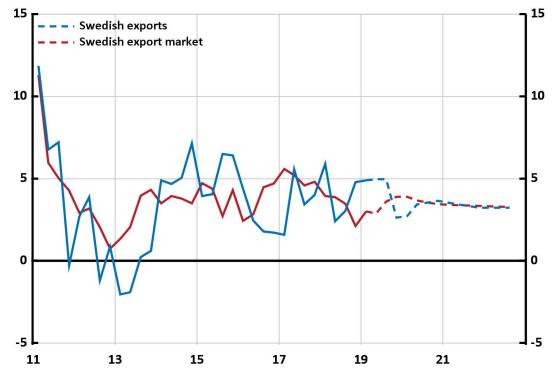


Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Eurostat, national sources, Office for National Statistics and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.2. Exports and the Swedish export market

Annual percentage change, calendar-adjusted data



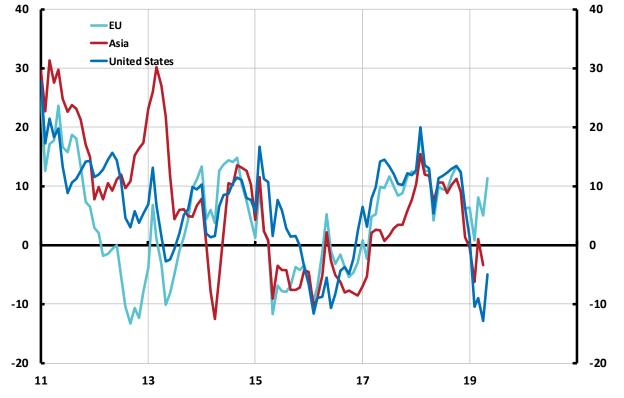
Note. The Swedish export market index aims to measure import demand in the countries to which Sweden exports. This is calculated by aggregating 32 countries and covers around 85 per cent of the total Swedish export market.

Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



## **Figure 4.3. Chinese exports**

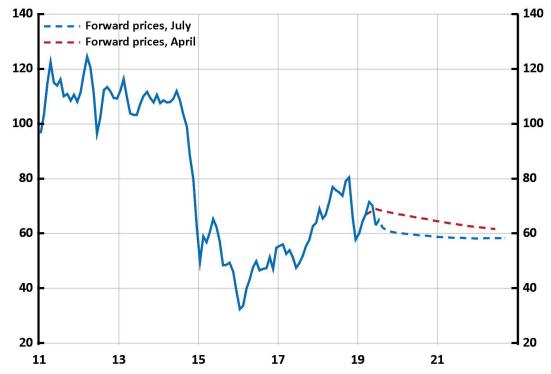
Annual percentage change, current prices, three-month moving average



Source: China General Administration of Customs (GAC)



### Figure 4.4. Price of crude oil USD per barrel, Brent oil



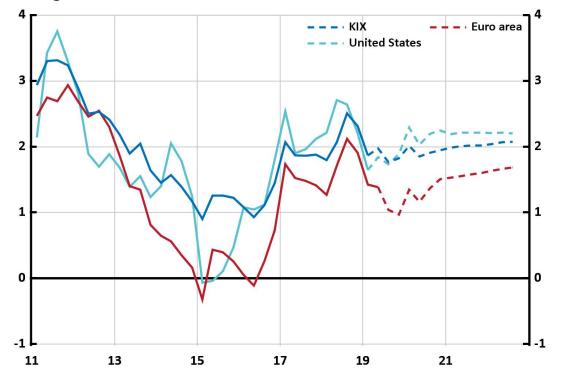
Note. Forward prices are calculated as a 15-day average. The outcomes refer to monthly averages of spot prices.

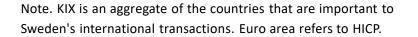
Sources: Macrobond and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.5. Consumer prices in various countries and regions

Annual percentage change



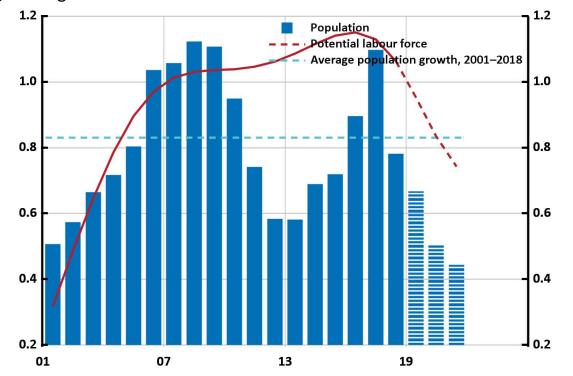


Sources: The Bureau of Labor Statistics, Eurostat, national sources and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.6. Population and potential labour force, 15–74 years

Annual percentage change



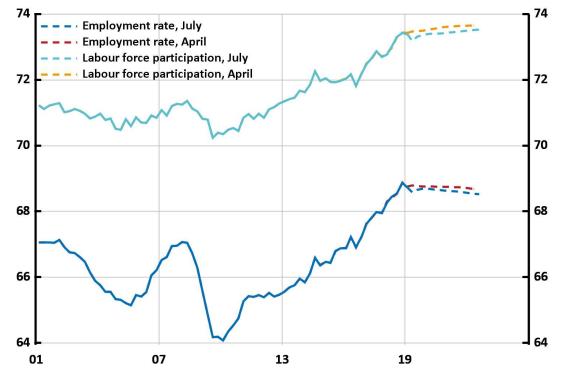
Note. Potential labour force refers to the long-term sustainable level according to the Riksbank's assessment.

Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.7. Employment rate and labour force participation

Percentage of the population, aged 15–74, seasonally-adjusted data

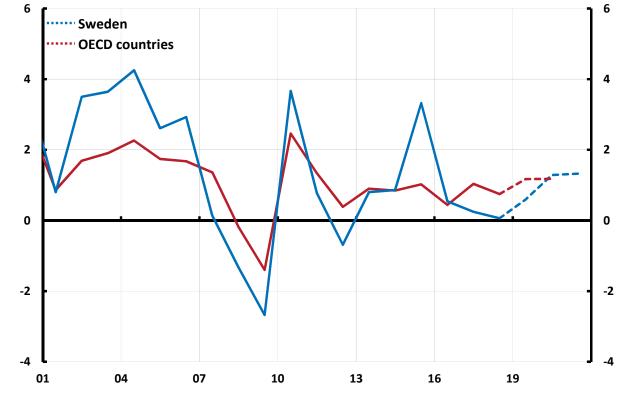


Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



## **Figure 4.8. Productivity**

Annual percentage change, calendar-adjusted data



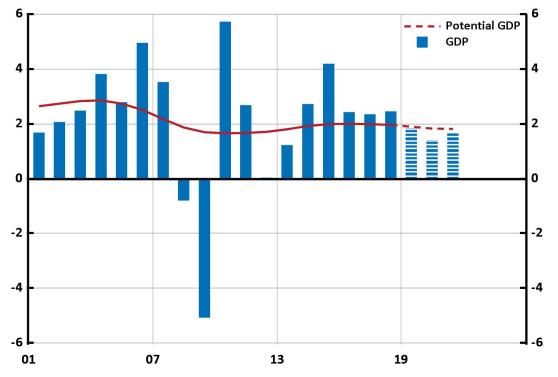
Note. The forecast for the OECD is taken from Economic Outlook, May 2019. Productivity for the OECD refers to GDP per employee. For Sweden, it refers to GDP per hour worked.

Sources: OECD, Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



## Figure 4.9. GDP

Annual percentage change, calendar-adjusted data



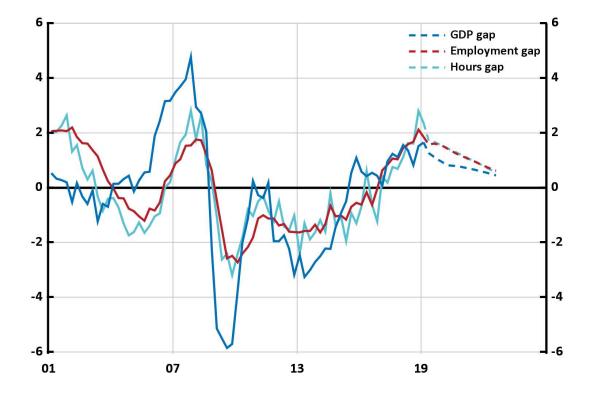
Note. Potential GDP refers to the long-term sustainable level according to the Riksbank's assessment.

Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.10. GDP gap, employment gap and hours gap

Per cent



Note. The gaps refer to the deviation of GDP, the number of those employed and the number of hours worked from the Riksbank's assessed trends. Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank

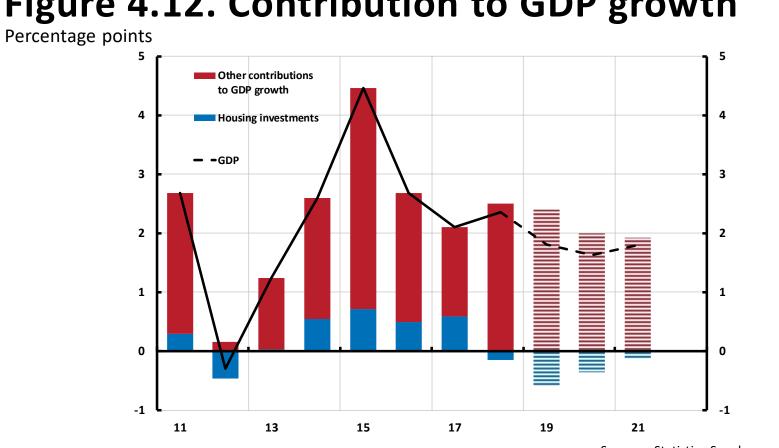


## Figure 4.11. Sweden's current account and net exports Per cent of GDP

**Current Account** Net exports Е n 

Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank





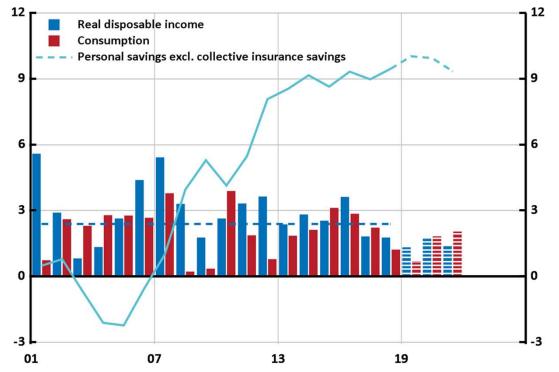
## **Figure 4.12. Contribution to GDP growth**

Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.13. Households' real disposable income, consumption and savings ratio

Annual percentage change and per cent of disposable income, respectively

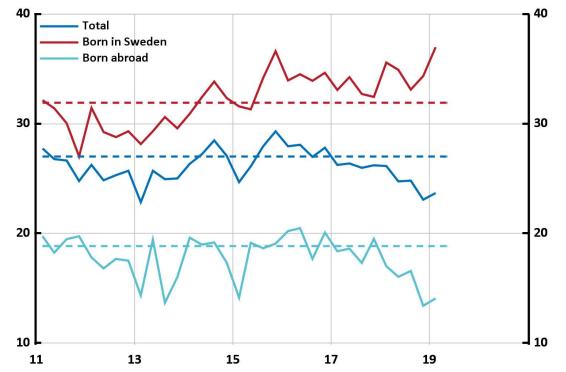


Note. Disposable income has been deflated using the household consumption deflator. Broken line is the Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank average of consumption growth 1994–2018. Collective insurance savings consist of savings that households do not control themselves, such as premium pensions and group insurance policies.



## Figure 4.14. Job finding rate

Per cent of the unemployed, aged 15–74, seasonally-adjusted data

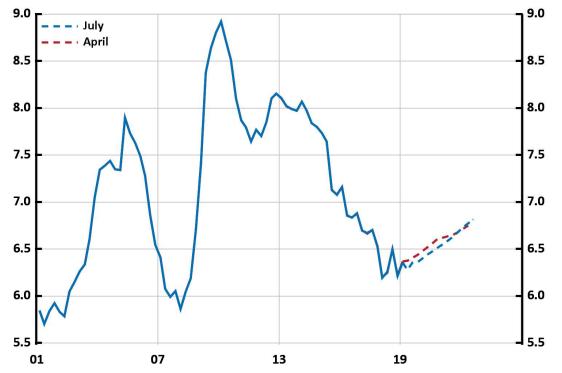


Note. The job-finding rate refers to the percentage of unemployed who become employed each quarter. The broken lines represent the mean value since Q3 2005.

Source: Statistics Sweden



## **Figure 4.15. Unemployment** Per cent of the labour force, aged 15–74, seasonally-adjusted data

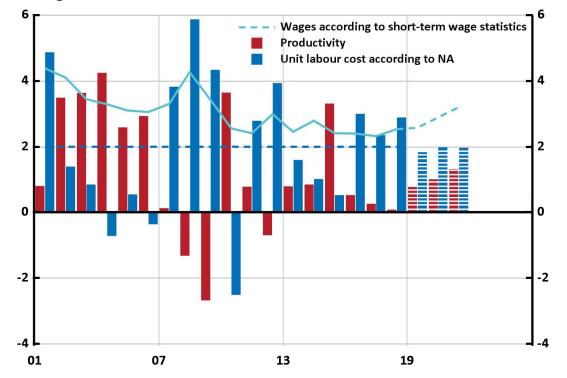


Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.16. Wages and labour costs in the whole economy

Annual percentage change



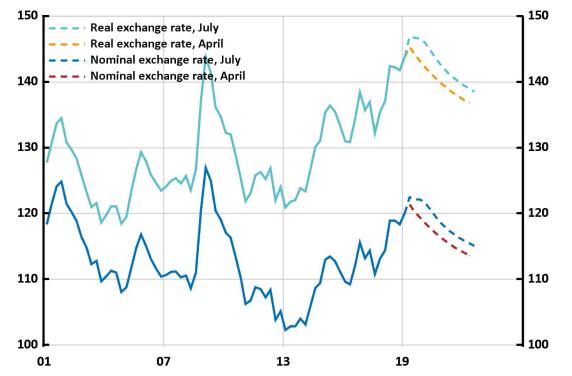
Broken line is the average of unit labour cost according to NA 1994-2018.

Sources: National Mediation Office, Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.17. Real and nominal exchange rate, KIX

Index, 18 November 1992 = 100



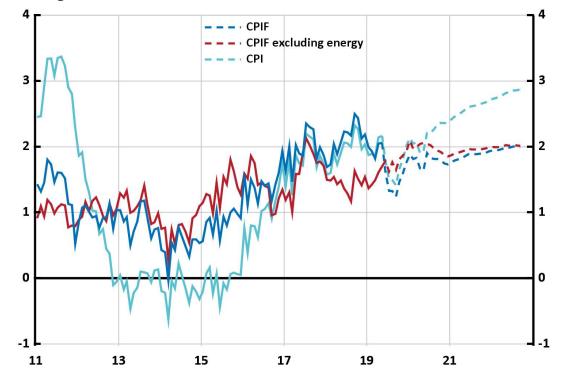
Note. The real exchange rate is calculated using the CPIF for Sweden and the CPI for the rest of the world. The KIX (krona index) is a weighted average of the krona exchange rate against currencies in 32 countries that are important for Sweden's international transactions. A higher value indicates a weaker exchange rate.

Sources: National sources, Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.18. CPIF, CPIF excluding energy and CPI

Annual percentage change

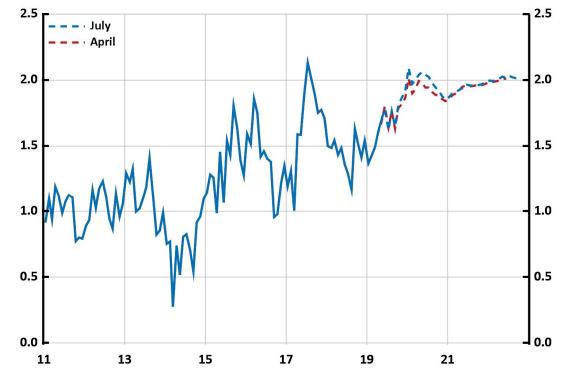


Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



## Figure 4.19. CPIF excluding energy

Annual percentage change



Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank



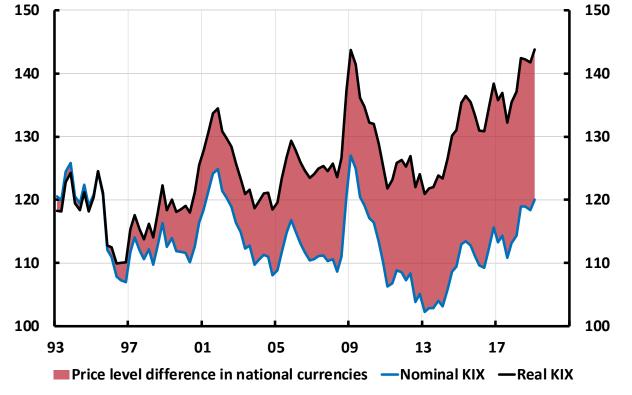
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# Figure 4.20. Real KIX divided into nominal KIX and price level difference

Index 18 November 1992=100

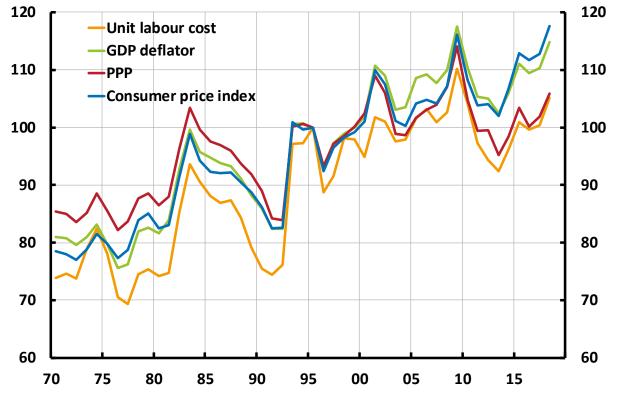


Source: The Riksbank



# Figure 4.21. Different measures of the Swedish real effective exchange rate

Index 1995=100, annual data up to and including 2018



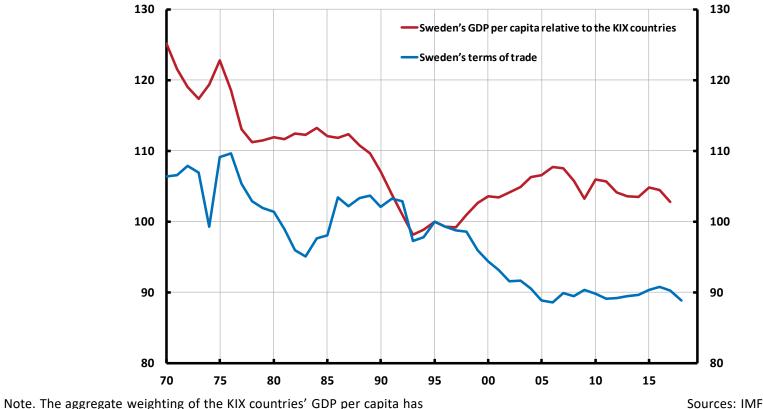
Note. The names specify which price or cost measure has been used to deflate the real exchange rate. There are no data for certain measures for certain countries prior to 1995. The sample is limited to countries and years in which there are data available for the measures based on the consumer price index, PPP and GDP deflator. The real exchange rate based on unit labour costs is an inverted and reindexed version of the OECD's "Competitiveness Indicator, Relative Unit Labour Costs, Overall Economy".

Sources: OECD, World Bank and the Riksbank



# Figure 4.22. Sweden's terms of trade and GDP per capita relative to other countries

Index 1995=100, annual data up to and including 2018 (for GDP per capita in 2017)

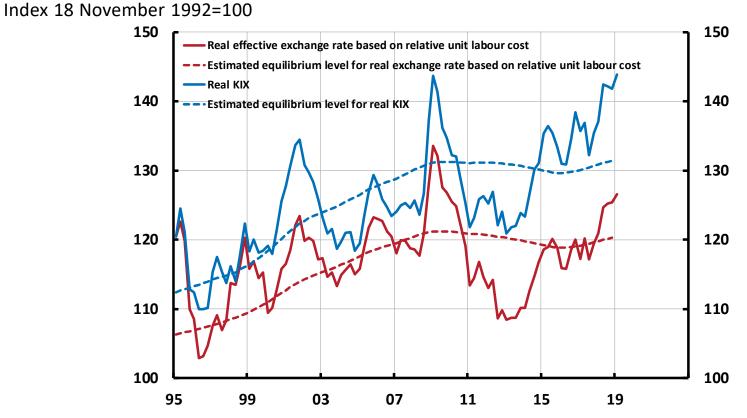


Sources: IMF and World Bank

been done using the same sample of countries and years as those described in the note to Figure 4:21 and in footnote 20.

# Figure 4.23. Estimated equilibrium level for real exchange rate measured using two different

### measures





Source: The Riksbank

### Tables

The forecast in the previous Monetary Policy Report is shown in brackets unless otherwise stated.

### Table 1. Repo rate forecast

Per cent, quarterly averages

	Q2 2019	Q3 2019	Q4 2019	Q3 2020	Q3 2021	Q3 2022
Repo rate	-0.25 (-0.25)	-0.25 (-0.25)	-0.19 (-0.19)	0.14 (0.14)	0.52 (0.52)	0.90
Source: The Riksbank						

### Table 2. Inflation

### Annual percentage change, annual average

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
2.0 (2.0)	2.1 (2.1)	1.7 (1.8)	1.8 (1.8)	1.9 (1.9)
1.7 (1.7)	1.4 (1.4)	1.7 (1.7)	2.0 (1.9)	1.9 (1.9)
1.8 (1.8)	2.0 (2.0)	1.8 (2.0)	2.2 (2.3)	2.6 (2.6)
1.9 (1.9)	2.0 (2.0)	1.7 (1.8)	1.8 (1.8)	1.8 (1.8)
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Note. HICP is an EU harmonised index of consumer prices.

Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank

### Table 3. Summary of financial forecasts

### Per cent, unless otherwise stated, annual average

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	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Repo rate	-0.5 (-0.5)	-0.5 (-0.5)	-0.2 (-0.2)	0.1 (0.1)	0.5 (0.5)
10-year rate	0.7 (0.7)	0.7 (0.7)	0.3 (0.5)	0.6 (1.0)	1.1 (1.4)
Exchange rate, KIX, 18 November 1992 = 100	112.9 (112.9)	117.6 (117.6)	121.7 (120.3)	120.2 (117.5)	117.1 (115.2)
General government net lending*	1.4 (1.4)	0.9 (0.9)	0.3 (0.6)	0.3 (0.5)	0.3 (0.5)
General government net lending*	1.4 (1.4)	0.9 (0.9)	0.3 (0.6)	0.3 (0.5)	

\* Per cent of GDP. Outcome and forecast for general government net lending are based on EDP statistics published at the end of March by Statistics Sweden

Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank

### Table 4. International conditions

#### Annual percentage change, unless otherwise stated

GDP	PPP-weights	KIX-weights	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Euro area	0.11	0.49	2.5 (2.5)	1.9 (1.8)	1.2 (1.2)	1.4 (1.4)	1.4 (1.5)
USA	0.15	0.08	2.2 (2.2)	2.9 (2.9)	2.5 (2.4)	1.6 (1.8)	1.6 (1.6)
Japan	0.04	0.02	1.9 (1.9)	0.8 (0.8)	0.8 (0.6)	0.5 (0.5)	0.9 (0.9)
China	0.19	0.08	6.7 (6.9)	6.7 (6.6)	6.0 (6.1)	5.9 (6.0)	5.9 (6.0)
KIX-weighted	0.75	1.00	2.9 (2.9)	2.6 (2.5)	2.0 (2.0)	2.0 (2.1)	2.0 (2.1)
World (PPP-weighted)	1.00	_	3.8 (3.7)	3.6 (3.7)	3.3 (3.4)	3.5 (3.6)	3.6 (3.6)

Note. Calendar-adjusted growth rates. The PPP weights refer to the global purchasing-power adjusted GDP weights for 2018, according to the IMF. KIX weights refer to weights in the Riksbank's krona index (KIX) for 2019. The forecast for GDP in the world is based on the IMF's forecasts for PPP weights. The forecast for KIX-weighted GDP is based on an assumption that the KIX weights will develop in line with the trend during the previous five years.

CPI	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Euro area (HICP)	1.5 (1.5)	1.8 (1.8)	1.2 (1.4)	1.3 (1.6)	1.6 (1.6)
USA	2.1 (2.1)	2.4 (2.4)	1.8 (1.9)	2.2 (2.3)	2.2 (2.2)
Japan	0.5 (0.5)	1.0 (1.0)	0.6 (0.7)	1.4 (1.5)	1.1 (1.2)
KIX-weighted	1.9 (1.9)	2.2 (2.2)	1.9 (1.9)	1.9 (2.0)	2.0 (2.0)
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Policy rates in the rest of the world, per cent	-0.1 (-0.1)	0.1 (0.1)	0.2 (0.2)	0.2 (0.3)	0.3 (0.5)
Crude oil price, USD/barrel Brent	54.8 (54.8)	71.5 (71.5)	63.9 (67.0)	59.5 (65.9)	58.5 (63.4)
Swedish export market	5.0 (5.0)	3.3 (3.4)	3.4 (3.2)	3.6 (3.7)	3.4 (3.5)

Note. International policy rate is an aggregate of policy rates in the US, the euro area (EONIA), Norway and the United Kingdom.

Sources: Eurostat, IMF, Intercontinental Exchange, national sources, OECD and the Riksbank

### Table 5. GDP by expenditure

Annual percentage change, unless otherwise stated

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Private consumption	2.2 (2.2)	1.2 (1.2)	0.7 (1.8)	1.8 (2.1)	2.0 (2.0)
Public consumption	0.0 (0.0)	0.9 (0.9)	0.8 (0.9)	0.8 (0.8)	0.8 (0.8)
Gross fixed capital formation	6.0 (6.0)	4.0 (3.3)	0.4 (0.8)	1.5 (1.9)	1.8 (1.9)
Inventory investment*	0.1 (0.1)	0.4 (0.4)	0.0 (0.0)	-0.2 (-0.2)	0.0 (0.0)
Exports	3.2 (3.2)	3.9 (3.5)	4.3 (3.5)	3.8 (4.0)	3.6 (3.8)
Imports	4.8 (4.8)	3.8 (2.9)	1.9 (2.5)	3.1 (3.1)	3.4 (3.6)
GDP	2.1 (2.1)	2.4 (2.3)	1.8 (1.7)	1.6 (1.9)	1.8 (1.8)
GDP, calendar-adjusted	2.4 (2.4)	2.5 (2.4)	1.8 (1.7)	1.4 (1.7)	1.7 (1.7)
Final domestic demand*	2.4 (2.4)	1.8 (1.6)	0.6 (1.2)	1.4 (1.6)	1.6 (1.6)
Net exports*	-0.5 (-0.5)	0.2 (0.4)	1.2 (0.5)	0.5 (0.5)	0.3 (0.3)
Current account (NA), per cent of GDP	3.7 (3.7)	3.1 (3.4)	4.4 (3.7)	4.7 (4.0)	4.8 (4.1)

\*Contribution to GDP growth, percentage points

Note. The figures show actual growth rates that have not been calendar-adjusted, unless otherwise stated. NA is the National Accounts. Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank

### Table 6. Production and employment

Annual percentage change, unless otherwise stated

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Population, aged 15–74	1.1 (1.1)	0.8 (0.8)	0.7 (0.7)	0.5 (0.5)	0.4 (0.4)
Potential hours worked	1.1 (1.1)	1.1 (1.1)	1.0 (1.0)	0.9 (0.9)	0.7 (0.7)
Potential GDP	2.0 (2.0)	2.0 (2.0)	1.9 (1.9)	1.8 (1.8)	1.8 (1.8)
GDP, calendar-adjusted	2.4 (2.4)	2.5 (2.4)	1.8 (1.7)	1.4 (1.7)	1.7 (1.7)
Number of hours worked, calendar-adjusted	2.1 (2.1)	2.4 (2.4)	1.0 (1.1)	0.4 (0.4)	0.3 (0.4)
Employed, aged 15–74	2.3 (2.3)	1.8 (1.8)	0.9 (1.0)	0.5 (0.5)	0.4 (0.4)
Labour force, aged 15–74	2.0 (2.0)	1.4 (1.4)	0.9 (1.1)	0.6 (0.6)	0.5 (0.5)
Unemployment, aged 15–74 *	6.7 (6.7)	6.3 (6.3)	6.3 (6.4)	6.5 (6.5)	6.6 (6.6)
GDP gap**	0.8 (0.8)	1.3 (1.3)	1.3 (1.1)	0.8 (1.0)	0.7 (0.9)
Hours gap**	0.5 (0.5)	1.8 (1.8)	1.8 (2.0)	1.4 (1.5)	1.0 (1.2)

 $\ast$  Per cent of the labour force  $\ast\ast$  Deviation from the Riksbank's assessed potential level, per cent

Note. Potential hours refer to the long-term sustainable level for the number of hours worked according to the Riksbank's assessment.

Sources: Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank

#### Table 7. Wages and labour costs for the economy as a whole

Annual percentage change, calendar-adjusted data unless otherwise stated

<b>18 2019</b> 2.6 (2.7)	2020 2021
2.6) 2.6 (2.7)	20(20) 22(22)
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2.2) 2.6 (2.8)	2.9 (3.0) 3.2 (3.3)
0.5) 0.1 (0.1)	0.1 (0.1) 0.1 (0.1)
2.6) 2.7 (2.9)	3.0 (3.1) 3.3 (3.4)
0.0) 0.8 (0.6)	1.0 (1.3) 1.3 (1.3)
2.9) 1.8 (2.3)	2.0 (1.8) 2.0 (2.0)
() ()	(2.2) 2.6 (2.8)   (0.5) 0.1 (0.1)   (2.6) 2.7 (2.9)   (0.0) 0.8 (0.6)

\* Difference in rate of increase between labour cost per hour, NA and hourly wages, NA, percentage points

Note. NMO is the National Mediation Office's short-term wage statistics and NA is the National Accounts. Labour cost per hour is defined as the sum of actual wages, social-security charges and wage taxes (labour cost sum) divided by the number of hours worked by employees. Unit labour cost is defined as labour cost sum divided by GDP in fixed prices. Sources: National Mediation Office, Statistics Sweden and the Riksbank