

**Buffalo State
State University of New York
COUNCIL MEETING
October 7, 2014, 4:00 PM
Cleveland Hall 518
MINUTES**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Melissa Brinson; Mr. Jim Brandys; Mr. Todd Brason; Mr. Gary Brost; Ms. Linda Dobmeier; Mr. Charles Naughton; Mr. Robert Zak; and Student Representative, Mr. Muhammed Sumbundu.

FACULTY & STAFF PRESENT:

President Katherine Conway-Turner; Provost Dennis Ponton; Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Susanne Bair; Vice President for Finance and Management Michael LeVine; Vice President for Student Affairs, Hal Payne; Chief Diversity Officer, Karen Clinton Jones; Interim Chief Information Officer, Brad Fuster; Chief of Staff and Secretary to the College Council, Bonita R. Durand; Associate Provost and Dean of the Graduate School, Kevin Railey; Dean, University College, Scott Johnson; Dean, School of Natural and Social Sciences, Mark Severson; Buffalo State UUP President and Associate Professor of Technology, Richard Stempniak; Public Relations Director, Jerold Dalgren; Senior Associate Director, Intercollegiate Athletics, Tom Koller; Associate Professor, History & Social Studies, Cynthia Conides, Chair and Associate Professor, Economics and Finance, Ted Byrley; Buffalo State Record Reporter, Autumn Evans; Staff Assistant, Melissa Slisz; Students: David Ashelman and Nicole Cangella.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Dobmeier called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Dobmeier welcomed all to a new and exciting academic year at Buffalo State. She officially welcomed the 9th President of Buffalo State College, Katherine Conway-Turner on behalf of the College Council. She said the Council is delighted to have President Conway-Turner as the leader of this fine institution and look forward to working with her as they help to advance the mission of Buffalo State College.

ACTION ITEMS

Ms. Dobmeier called for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2014 meeting. Mr. Brandys moved that the minutes be approved; the motion was seconded by Mr. Brost. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Conway-Turner reported on Enrollment, Student Housing, Budget, Administrative Leadership changes and other Campus Updates (see attached). She mentioned that Provost Dennis Ponton will retire in June 2015, after 37 years on campus. She introduced Dr. Ponton; who introduced the academic presentation along with Dean Mark Severson, and Professors Cynthia Conides and Ted Byrley who each introduced their graduate students: Nicole Kondziela (Politics of Yesterday and Today: Revisting Cartoonist Bruce Shanks) and David Ashelman (Social Costs of Quantitative Easing in Monetary Policy); each student provided a presentation on their research to the Council. (See attached) reports. The students both received awards at the Deans Advancement Council meeting.

President Conway-Turner thanked Mr. Brandys, Ms. Dobmeier, Vice President Bair and the Advancement staff for their dedication and hard work that led to a successful Transforming Lives campaign.

The President encouraged all to attend the week of Inauguration activities especially the Day of Service of October 18th and the Investiture on October 21st.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Student Affairs

Mr. Jim Brandys informed the Council that a Housing Master Plan was under development and six focus groups will be talking to students, reviewing and

recommending, short term and long term objectives throughout the semester. The student affairs committee will keep all updated on the findings.

Naming of Buildings and Grounds

Ms. Linda Dobmeier put forth resolutions for three naming opportunities for Helen Wernejowski Costello and Salvatore J. Costello, naming of the main banquet area in the proposed Jacqueline V. LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor's Center, Dr. D. Bruce Johnstone and Mrs. Gail Johnstone, naming of the Art Conservation Conference Room in Rockwell Hall and Dr. F. Christopher Tahk, naming of the Conservation Science Lab in Rockwell Hall. (See attached) Ms. Dobmeier called for a motion to approve the three resolutions. Mr. Brost moved that the resolutions be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brandys. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Government Relations

Mr. Gary Brost reported that the college received \$2 million from Senator Grisanti for the Alumni House and Visitor's Center. The campus also received a gift of \$150 thousand dollars from the State for the Great Lakes Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Dobmeier called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Sumbundu moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Naughton seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bonita R. Durand". The signature is fluid and elegant, with the first name "Bonita" being more prominent than the last name "Durand".

Bonita R. Durand, Ph.D.
Secretary to the Council

Report to the Buffalo State College Council

October 2014

Progress Report, Updates, and Significant Accomplishments since the April 8, 2014 meeting.

Prepared by: Kate Conway-Turner, President

The fall 2014 semester is off to an ambitious start. We have several issues to address in a variety of arenas that are important to the growth and success of the college. I will share a few of the issues in my first report of the year and keep you apprised of these issues in subsequent reports.

Enrollment

In August, I welcomed approximately 1880 first year students, the largest class on record, and 1040 new transfer students to the college in two convocation ceremonies. It was inspiring to see all of our new students in their orange shirts full of excitement and anticipation as they begin their new adventure as a Buffalo State student. Our total enrollment with returning students and graduate students is 10,557. Buffalo State increased applications from prospective first year students by 10.2%, the second highest increase in SUNY for fall 2014. In addition to our new first year and transfer students, we have 357 new graduate students. This fall we have 2826 students in residence halls, the highest number in recent history. Included among our resident students are 1396 returning, 231 transfers, and 1146 first-year students. These students are being served by 81 Residence Life staff.

Student Housing

This increase in the number of new first year students and having one of our residence halls off line for much needed repair and renovation has created some challenges for campus housing. All of our first year students who are on campus are living three to a room. One hundred sixty of our transfer students are being housed at Canisus College and shuttled to and from Canisus to Buffalo State for classes and other activities. Also many of our first year students living within 35 miles of the campus who had requested on campus housing could not be accommodated due to lack of available beds. I personally believe that students are much better positioned to be successful if they can live in the environment in which they learn. So, I don't view this as an

ideal situation for student housing. However, we will continue to monitor the situation closely to ensure success for all of our students. We do, however face a larger strategic issue with housing in the future and will begin this semester to put a strategy in place to address it. Vice Presidents Hal Payne and Mike Levin have initiated a housing study that will result in a master plan for student housing. This plan will help us to forecast the number of beds we can anticipate needing into the future and help us further evaluate how to meet this demand with current housing stock and new housing as needed.

Budget Update

The decrease in graduate enrollment and the lower than expected return of returning students will create a budget deficit of approximately \$800,000 for this year. We will handle this with campus reserves. It is clear that graduate student recruitment and increasing retention must be a priority to maintain our ideal enrollment as we move forward. This issue will continue as a priority for the college.

Administrative Leadership Changes

We have three changes in administrative team that I would like to share with you. First, Ms. Erin R. Alonzo was appointed associate vice president for enrollment management, effective September 1. Her appointment followed a national search. Erin comes to us from Lone Star College, in Houston, Texas, where she was director of student services. She brings enrollment management experience in both the public and private sectors of higher education, including experience with financial aid, admissions, and student services offices.

Secondly, I appointed Dr. Bradley Fuster as Interim Chief Information Officer, also effective September 1. Brad will provide leadership for the Information Services and System area which includes Computing and Technology Services and Library and Instructional Technology while a search for a permanent CIO takes place. I appreciate Brad's willingness to lead this division and address the strategic needs during this time of transition.

Finally, Provost Dennis Ponton has informed me of his plans to retire from his position effective June 30, 2015. I will launch a national search to identify his successor. Dr. Ponton came to Buffalo State in 1977. During his tenure at the college, he has held a number of academic

administrative positions. He has been a devoted, steady and reliable member of the Buffalo State family for the past 37 years. His presence and leadership will be missed. I had the pleasure and privilege of working with Dennis as a fellow provost before coming to Buffalo State. He is highly regarded among his peers for his dedication, professionalism and collegial demeanor.

I invite you all to join me in thanking Dennis for his exceptional service to SUNY Buffalo State and in wishing him and his wife, Libby, all the best as they embark upon this next new, exciting and fulfilling phase of their lives.

Campus Updates

There have been many accomplishments and movement toward campus goals since the last College Council meeting. I will highlight a few of the most noteworthy items in this report. I have organized them by division for continuity.

Academic Affairs

The campus adopted SUNY Buffalo State Strategic Plan 2014 – 2017 (emphasis on academic initiatives and high impact learning practices). We continue to use these general goals to develop division wide goals for the campus.

Several major events celebrating engagement and accomplishments of students have occurred in the last few months: Student Research and Creativity Celebration; Anne Frank Project; Art Conservation Student Presentations are examples.

The 2014-2015 academic year has been designated as Year of the Innovator. This is led by School of the Professions and the first major event occurred in September 2014

The program array study nears completion. Multiple-year trend data for all academic programs was collected and provided to departments and deans. This intent is to identify new program opportunities, assess viability of existing programs, and identify potential new online offerings. The Academic Program Array Review/Institutional Sustainability initiative will be completed in fall 2014

New program initiatives include expansion of 3+2 program with numerous Chinese universities; opening a second fully online Master's degree in Music Education (summer 2014); and proposing two online programs (Adult Education; Music Education) for inclusion in OPEN SUNY Wave II

Student Affairs

Our Student Success Office has implemented an online tutoring System (Star NY) and has advanced the COMPASS Program to provide additional support for an increased enrollment of students. Each school has designated a staff person to work with the Office of Student Success in identifying and providing support services for high risk students.

The Buffalo State Child Care Center has received high marks in an unannounced visit by their accreditors, The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The college Counseling Center has been reaccredited by the International Association of Counseling Services.

Overall the athletics program finished 4th in the State University of New York Athletics Conference (SUNYAC) Commissioner Cup, its highest finish ever

A highly successful **Community Meet and Greet event** was held on August 30, 2014 by the Committee on University and Community Relations to promote positive student and community relations. This event demonstrated the positive impact gained from town-gown collaborations led by the Vice President for Student Affairs, with support from the Dean of Students, Health Promotions and the Orientation offices.

Pre-collegiate programs and the Dean of Students office undertook new recruitment efforts to increase the enrollment yield of students who participate in the college's pre-collegiate programs (Liberty Partnerships, STEP and Upward Bound), resulting in a fall, 2014 yield rate of 26% (33 students out of 129 graduating seniors enrolling), an increase of 9% over fall, 2013.

Advancement

This was a record fundraising year for the division at \$6.8M as listed in the Voluntary Support of Education/annual report compiled by the Council of Aid for Education (CAE).

This year the assets of the foundation reached an all-time high and exceeded \$50M in total assets.

The Department of Art Conservation received a competitive Mellon Foundation grant to support programing. The amount received was \$1.25M and the college must raise a matching amount of \$750,000 over 3 years.

To support the long awaited Alumni House project, the campus secured a state grant of \$2M for LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor's Center.

The need to continually update the college's website resulted in the launching of new main website for campus (200+ pages).

Finance and Administration

Housing Master Plan: Buffalo State opened a 500-bed student apartment complex in 2011 and is in the process of renovating its Scajaquada Tower residences. Still, the campus has many residence halls that have not received significant renovations since their construction. With the demand for student housing on the increase, this project will help the campus to plan strategically to meet students' housing needs. The study will provide guidance about the optimal quantity of student housing, as well as the proper mix of residence hall styles for Buffalo State's students. The Housing Master Plan process will be under way until spring 2015. Consultants are Trudeau Architects and Brailsford & Dunleavy.

Exterior Signage and Wayfinding Project: This project, slated for a fall 2014 completion, is providing a much-needed campus update, replacing all exterior signage at Buffalo State and adding tools for better wayfinding. Large, lighted signs are being placed at all four entrances to the campus: Elmwood, Grant, Coyer, and Iroquois. New vehicular and pedestrian directional

signs are being installed to help with campus navigation, and the parking lots have been renamed in a more logical fashion. In addition, kiosks throughout the campus provide maps for pedestrian navigation, aided by new building identification signs at every entrance to every building. This project has \$1.1 million budget. Consultants are Corbin Design and Architectural Graphics, Inc.

Facilities and Construction:

Construction and renovation projects have progressed as follows:

- A major renovation to **Houston Gymnasium** -- the first since construction - was completed in summer 2014, creating a signature space that supports an evolving athletics program and the needs of our students. The once-mazelike building has been reconfigured and transformed to a naturally lit, open and inviting space. The Houston Gym ribbon-cutting ceremony is scheduled for Friday, October 17, at 3:00 p.m. This \$27 million project was led by Clough Harbour Associates and Turner Construction.
- Other facilities projects beginning are continuing include: Renovation of **Caudell Hall** began in summer 2014; Coyer **Field Press Box**; renovation of all four of its **Scajaquada Towers**; and phase 2 of the **Science and Mathematics Complex** project.

Sustainability:

A number of recent campus activities have supported the goal of sustainability:

- The first fully electric Buffalo CarShare car has arrived on campus. It is one of three CarShare cars located at Buffalo State.
- The campus is near completion of a Bicycle Master Plan, with the goal of achieving nationally recognized Bicycle Friendly University status.
- Buffalo State now offers a 20% discount off parking permits for Smartway Elite-rated standards for environmental sustainability.
- A Buffalo State sustainability website was launched in May 2014.

Reorganization of CDHS: Historically the campus Research Foundation operations and the Center for the Development of Human Services (CDHS) – the primary generator of facilities and administrative (F&A) cost recovery for the campus -- have operated, for the most part,

independently of the campus and of each other. The Office of Sponsored Programs is working with both the campus business offices and CDHS to consolidate operations where feasible, in order to create efficiencies, reduce costs, and address compliance issues.

Information Services and Systems:

Interim CIO, Bradley Fuster was appointed to lead the unit and to provide strategic direction for the division.

Several organizational changes were made to streamline the efficiency and to provide appropriate leadership.

Equity and Diversity:

This division has made the several important plans including the completion of SUNY/OCR Title IX Resolution Agreement and several annual/quarterly reports.

Buffalo State received the 2014 Insight to Diversity Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award.

Conclusion:

I look forward to providing you updates on additional and unfolding projects in the future. I also look forward to the College Council participation in inauguration events beginning Oct. 14 and ending with my formal installation on Oct. 21, 2014.



SOCIAL COSTS OF QUANTITATIVE EASING IN MONETARY POLICY

Preliminary Findings
David Ashelman, SPHR



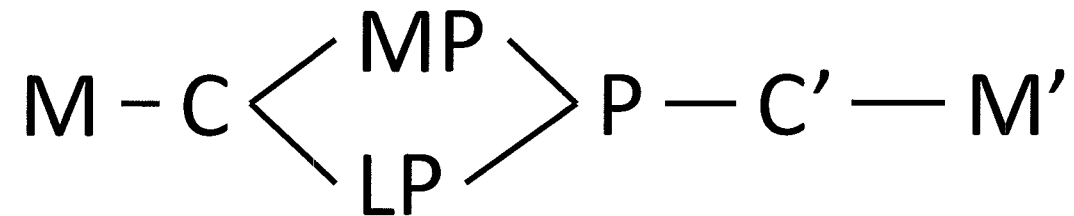
Three Phases of Quantitative Easing

- QE1 Nov. 2008: Federal Reserve buys MBS, Treasuries, and GSE (Fannie and Freddie)
- QE2 Nov 2010: Federal Reserve buys U.S. Treasury Bonds
- QE3 Sep 2012: Federal Reserve buys MBS & U.S. Treasuries

Goals

- 1) Take bad mortgages off of banks' balance sheets
- 2) Re-capitalize banks so that they could survive a run
- 3) Make credit available again in the economy
- 4) Spur increased employment through increased Capital investment

Theoretical Perspectives – Circuit Model



- General Hypothesis: Labor Power becomes an externality in the reproduction of capital
- Labor Power is becoming less of an input of the reproduction of capital
- The “reserve labor force” includes the underemployed

Keynesian Problems

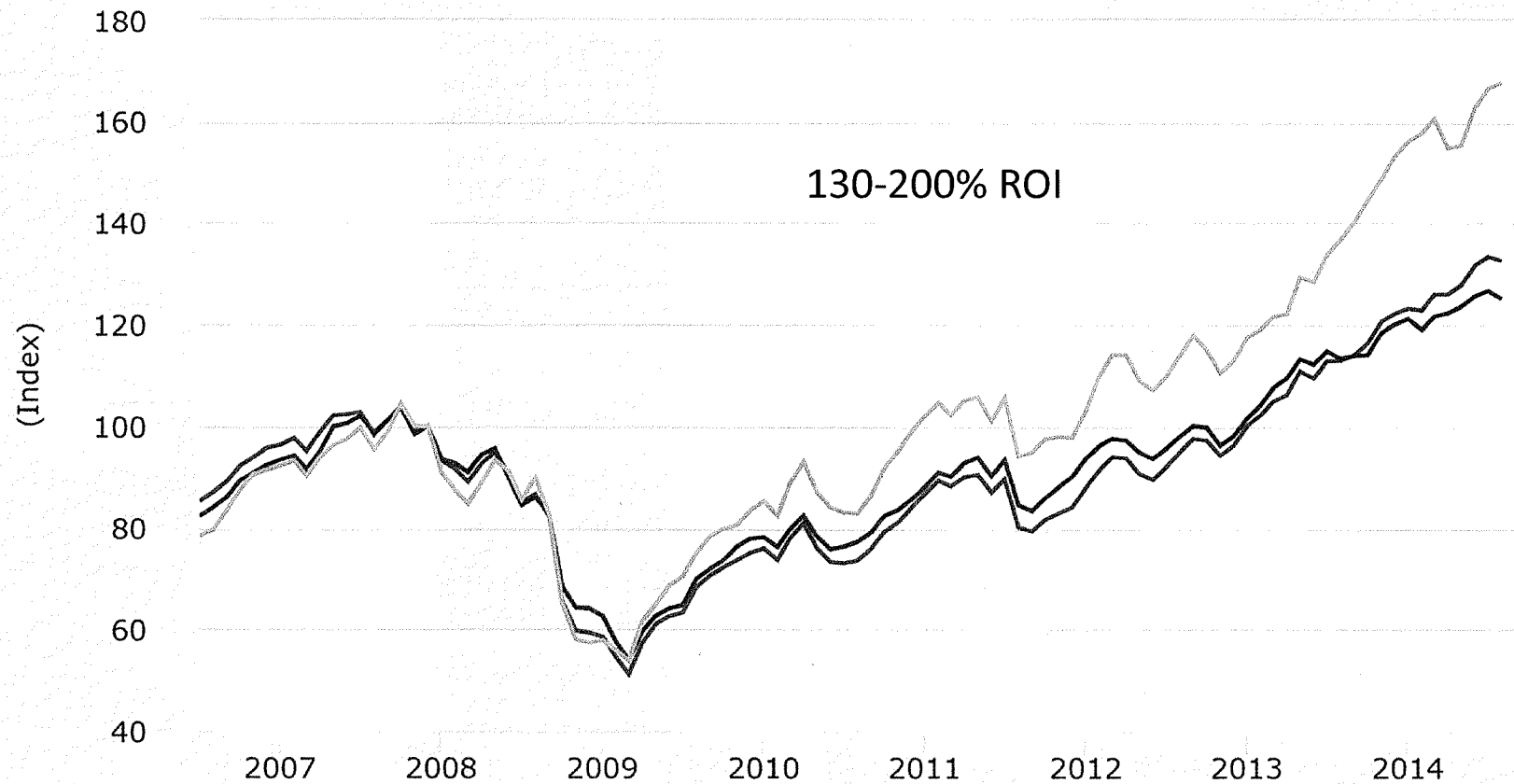
1. Full employment is never clearly defined
2. Keynes never addresses under employment or wages
3. Sticky growth in the “short run” has been six years long so far

Where there are winners, there are losers

The Winners: Markets

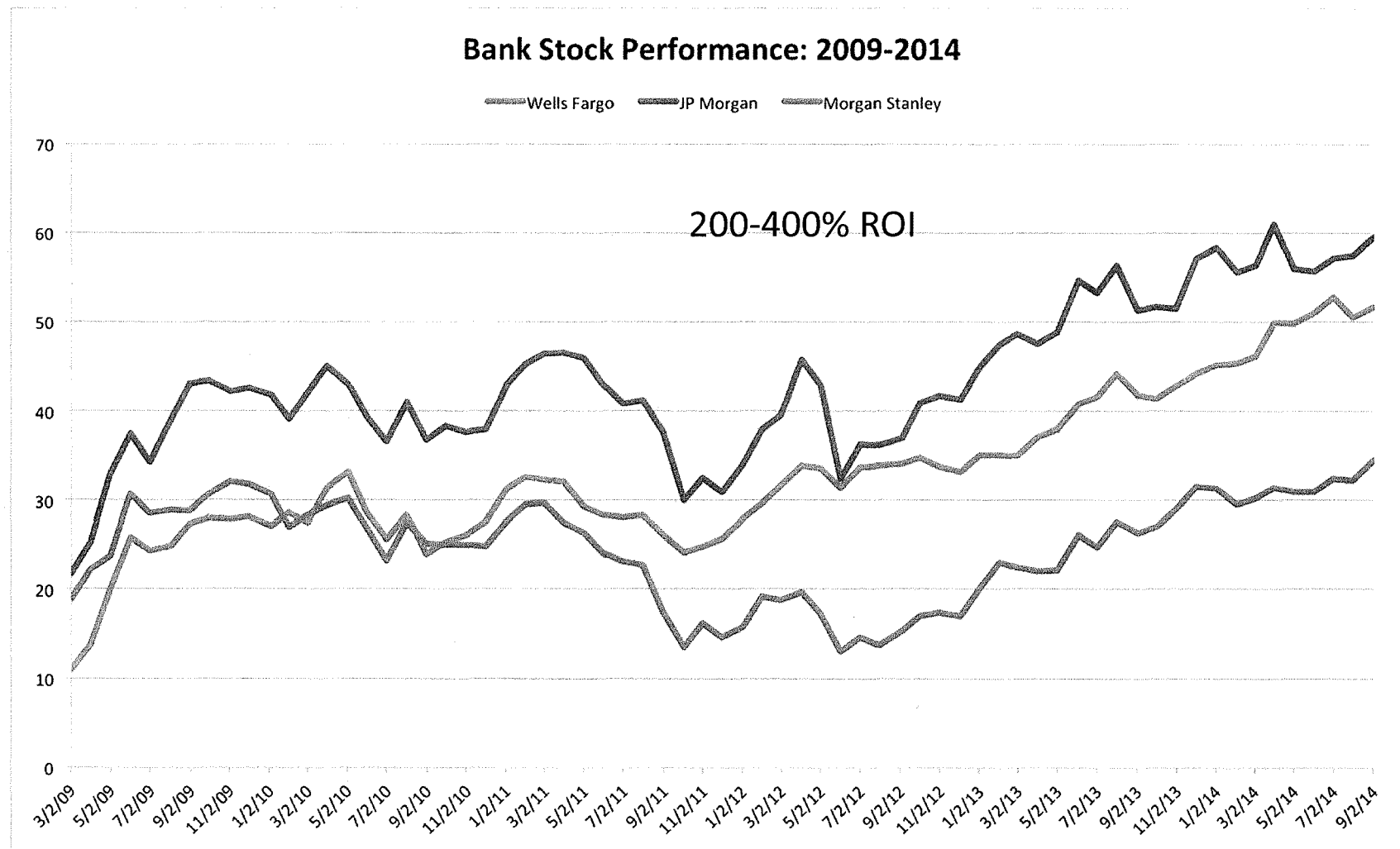
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— S&P 500®, 2007-12=100
— Dow Jones Industrial Average®, 2007-12=100
— NASDAQ Composite Index®, 2007-12=100



Shaded areas indicate US recessions - 2014 research.stlouisfed.org

The Winners: Banks

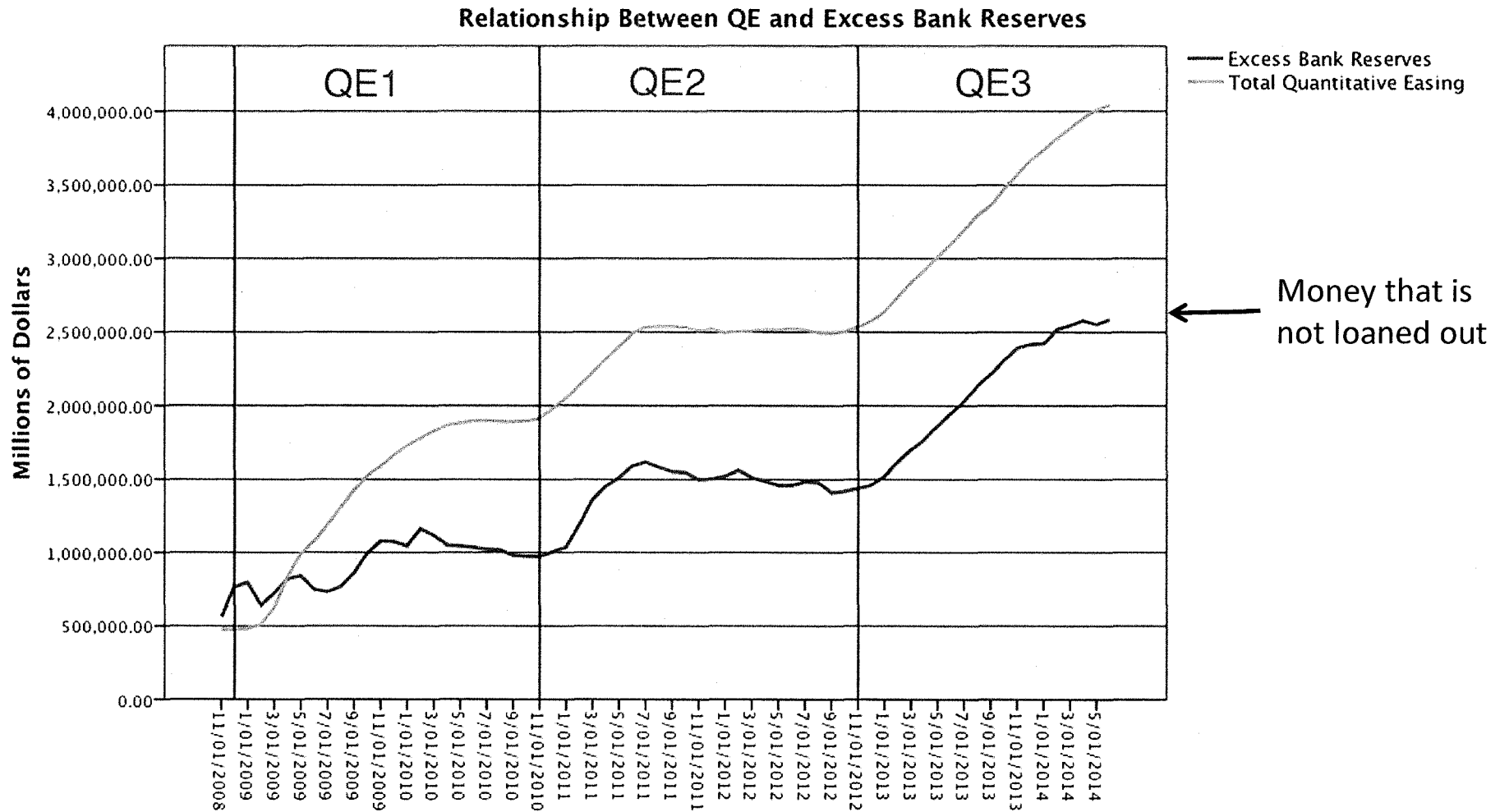


Data: New York Stock Exchange

Banks Excess Reserves

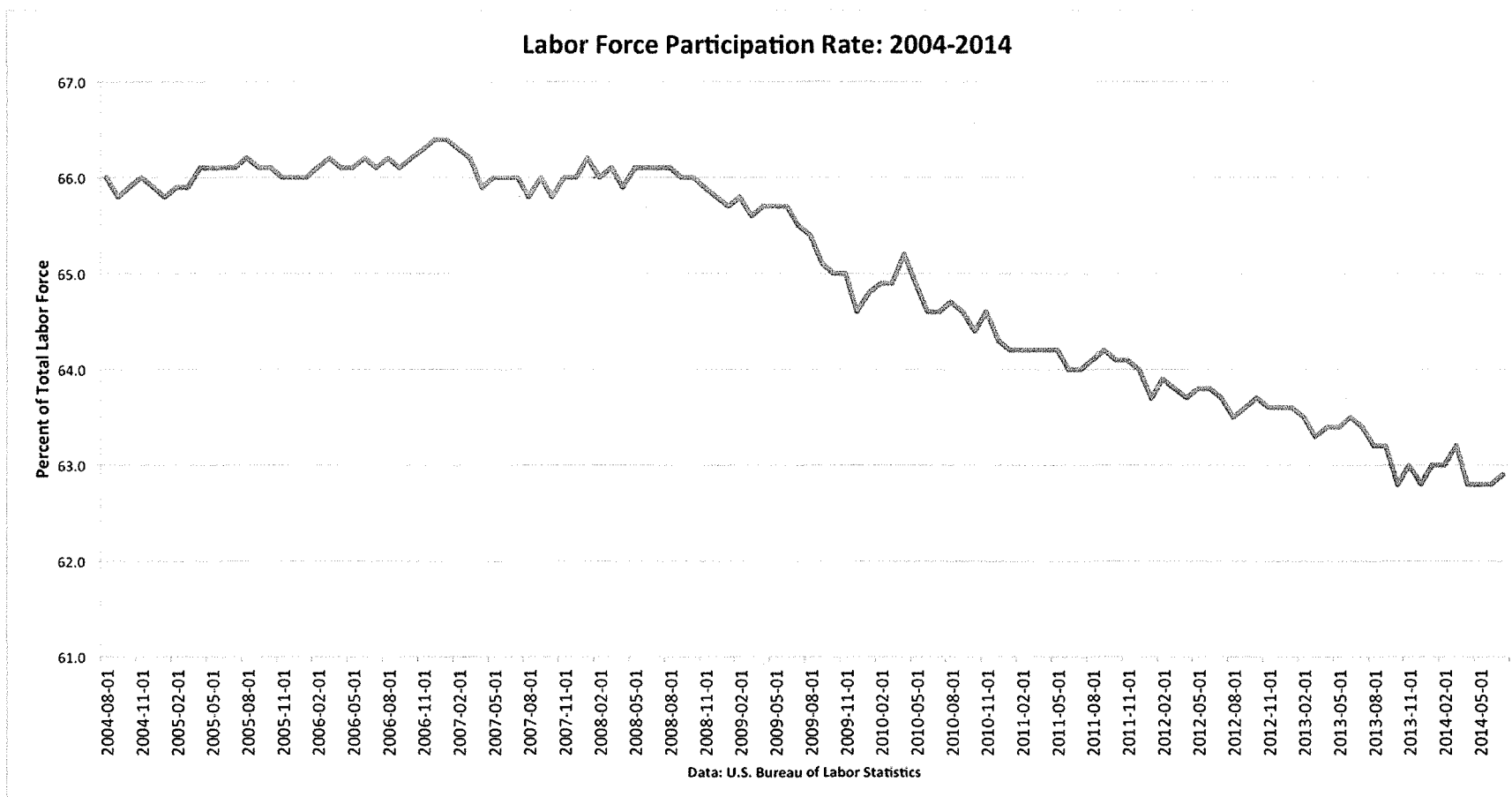
Currently \$2.6 Trillion in bank reserves versus \$4.1 Trillion in total Bank Bailouts

\$225 Billion paid to banks to date for their excess reserves – **RISK FREE**



Monthly Data: Federal Reserve Economic Database

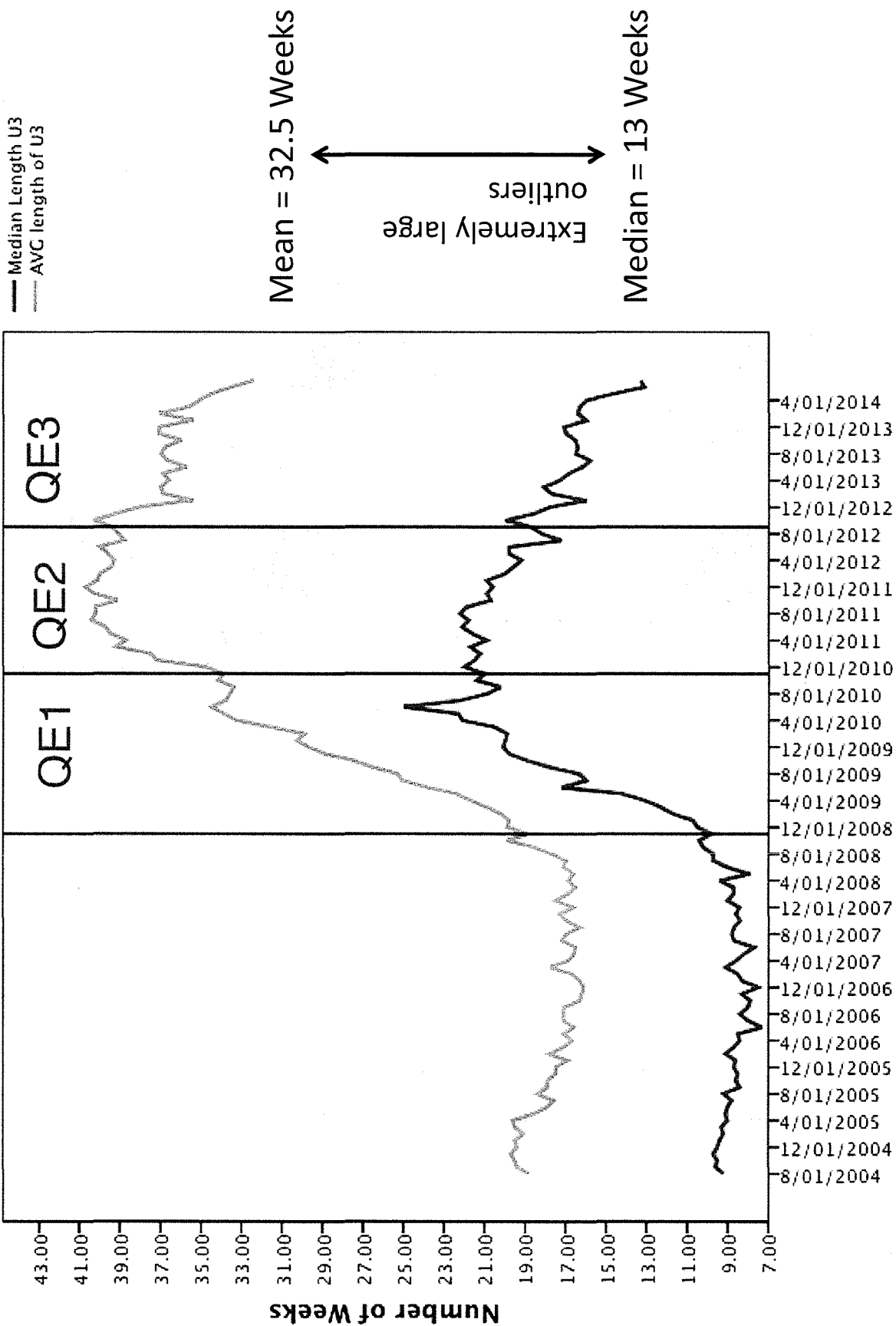
The Losers: Labor Markets



4,400,000 Workers simply disappeared from statistical measures. Known as the “missing labor force.”

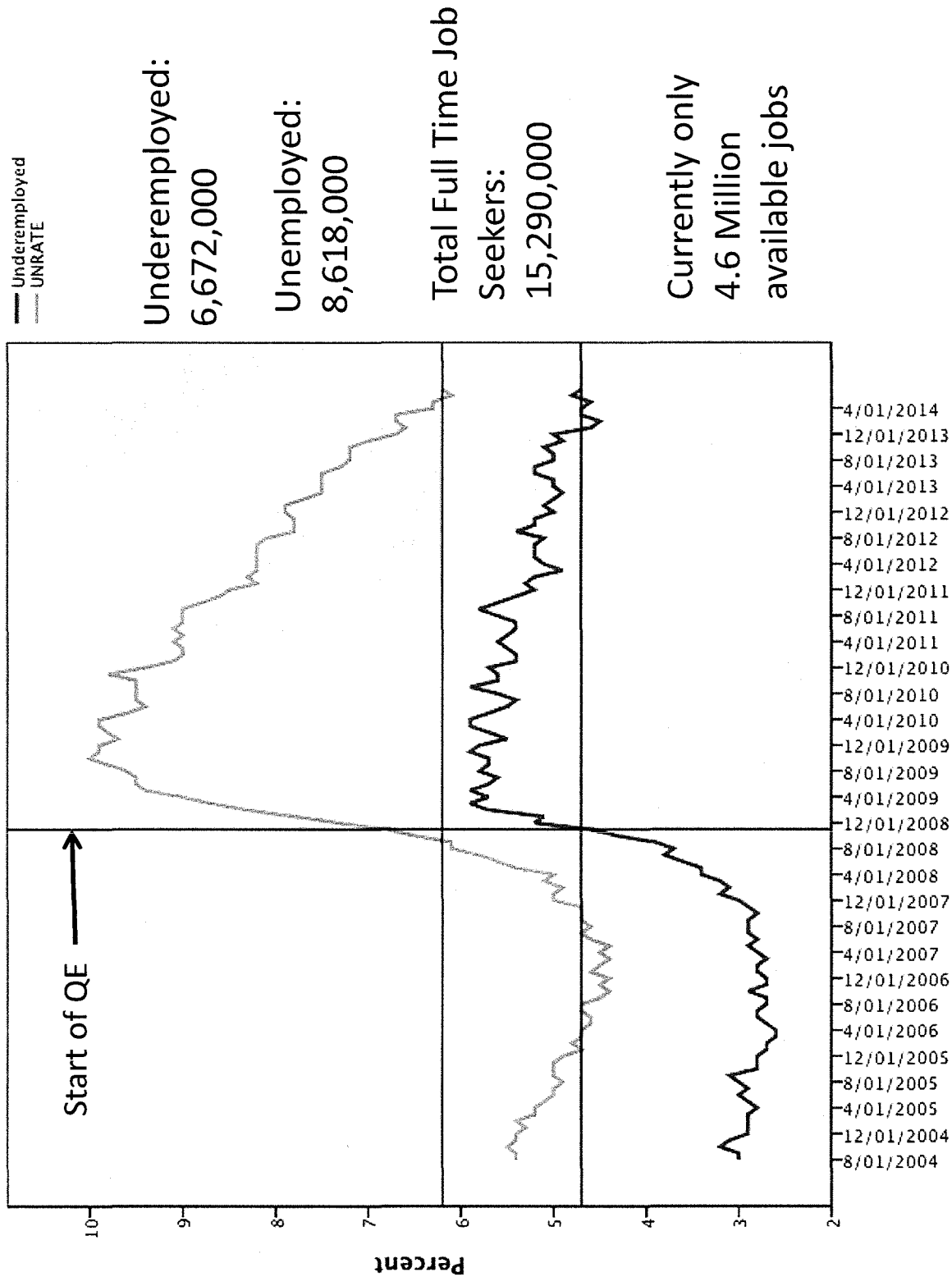
The LFPR is being depressed by the average length of unemployment. This did not happen before QE

Average Versus Median Weeks of Unemployment



Data: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

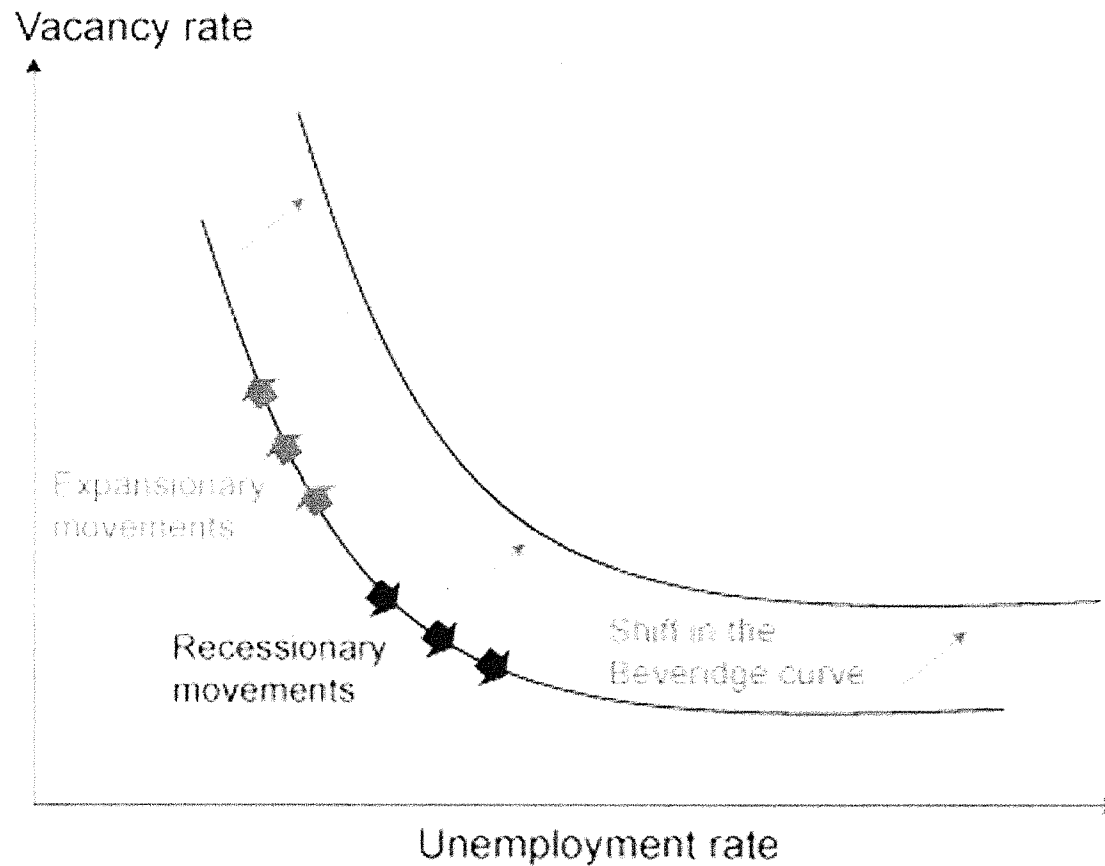
Relationship of Underemployed to Unemployed



Data: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Old Labor Measures: The Beveridge Curve

Beveridge Curve

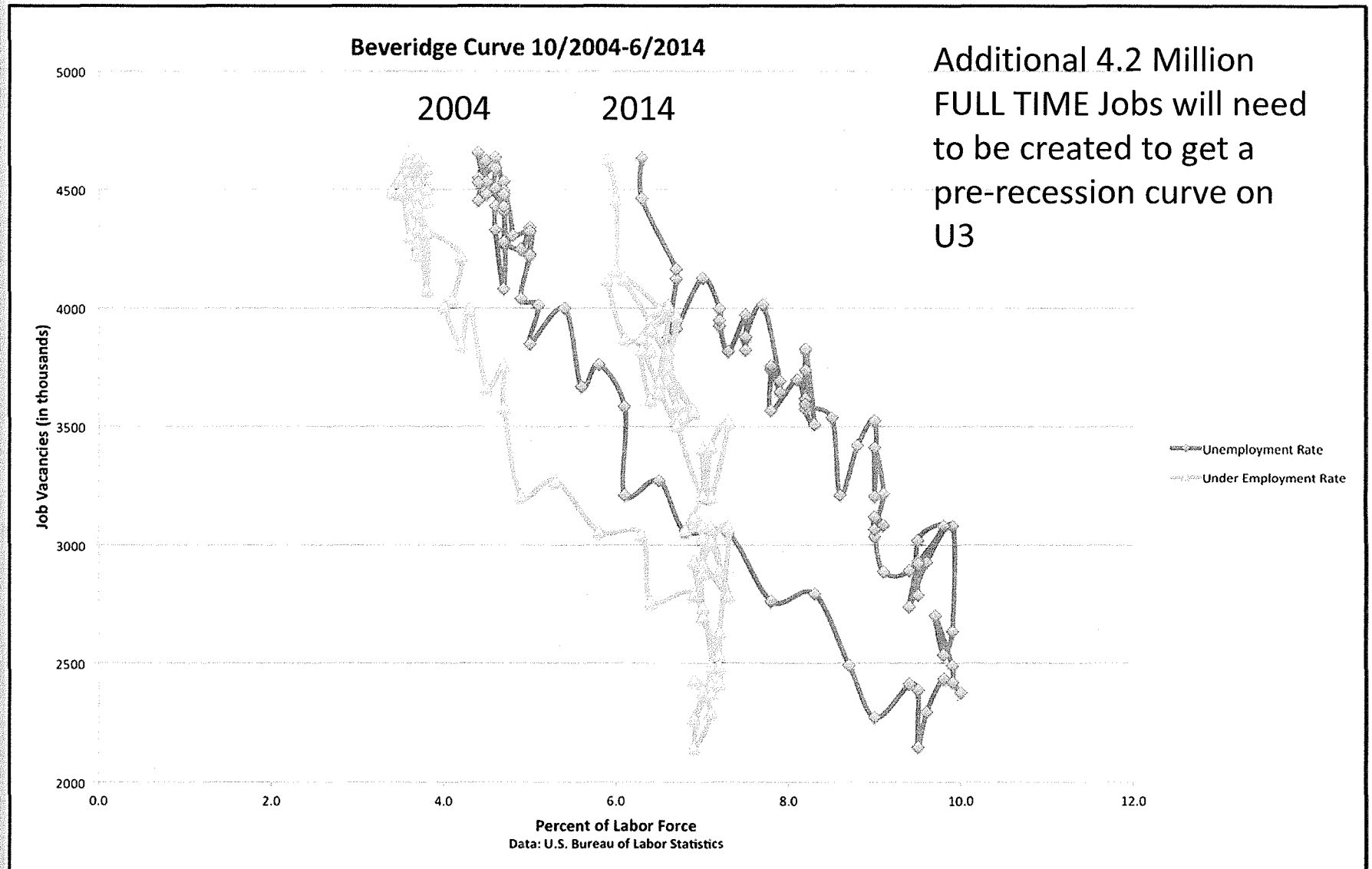


With QE, Expansionary or Recessionary movements are not the only factors that determine job vacancies or unemployment levels.

Problems with the curve:

- U3 is no longer an accurate measure of unemployment
- Vacancy rates from attrition are counted
- Firms leave vacancies unfilled to control labor costs, boosting share value
- Underemployed competing for better jobs are not factored

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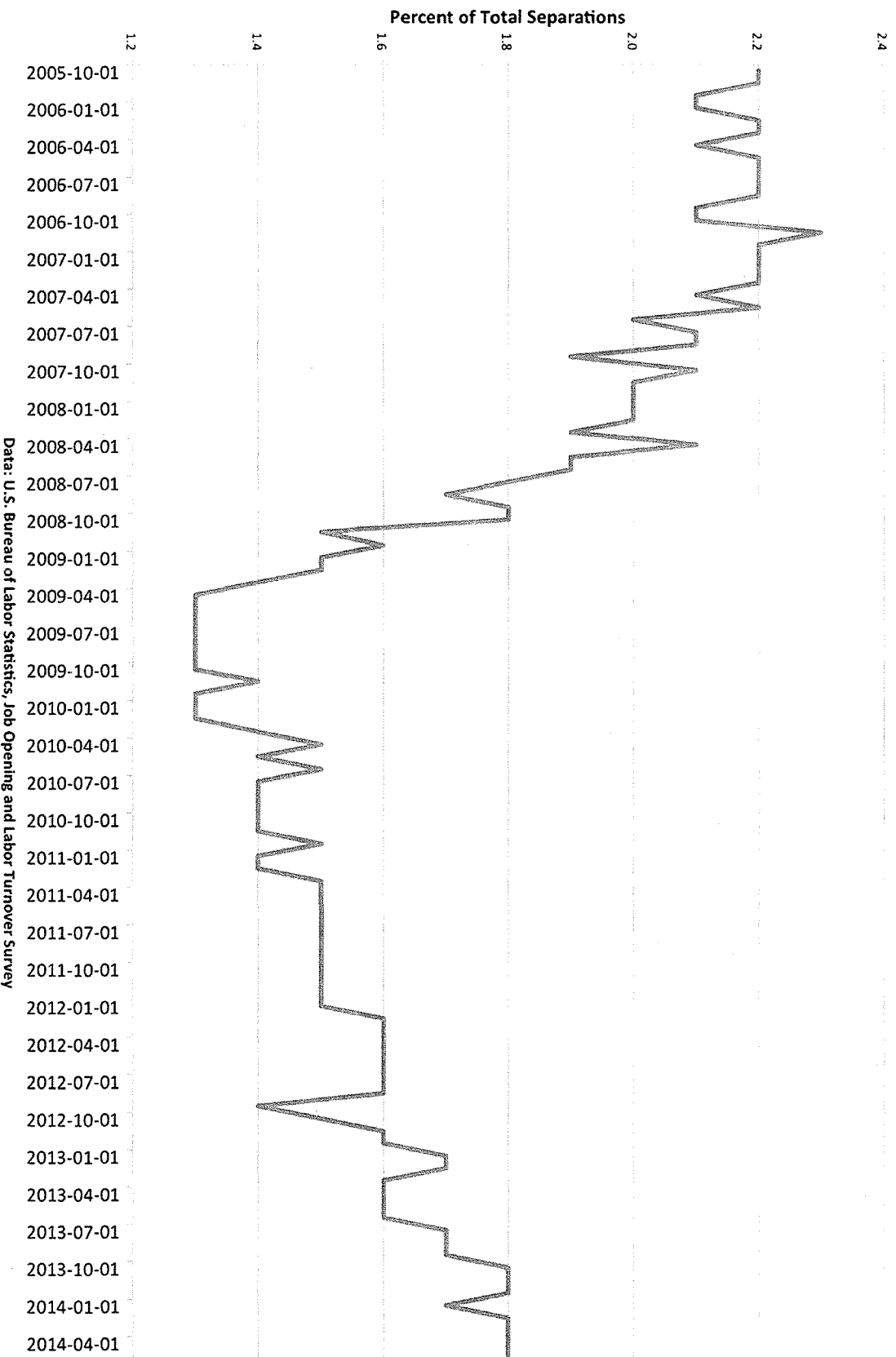


2004-2008 Labor Correlations		Labor Force Participation Rate	UNRATE	Underemployed	AVG length of U3
Labor Force Participation Rate	Pearson Correlation	1	-.352*	-.219	-.464**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.011	.118	.001
	N	52	52	52	52
UNRATE	Pearson Correlation	-.352*	1	.879**	.633**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.011		.000	.000
	N	52	52	52	52
Underemployed	Pearson Correlation	-.219	.879**	1	.319*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.118	.000		.021
	N	52	52	52	52
AVG length of U3	Pearson Correlation	-.464**	.633**	.319*	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.001	.000	.021	
	N	52	52	52	52
Median Length U3	Pearson Correlation	-.436**	.774**	.625**	.750**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.001	.000	.000	.000
	N	52	52	52	52
U3 >27WKS (% of U3)	Pearson Correlation	-.471**	.623**	.385**	.823**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.005	.000
	N	52	52	52	52
Discouraged Workers	Pearson Correlation	.011	.311*	.266	.192
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.936	.025	.057	.174
	N	52	52	52	52
Marginalized Workers	Pearson Correlation	-.211	.336*	.245	.420**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.133	.015	.080	.002
	N	52	52	52	52
Job Vacancies	Pearson Correlation	.426**	-.923**	-.784**	-.710**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.002	.000	.000	.000
	N	52	52	52	52
Job Separations	Pearson Correlation	.087	-.381**	-.496**	.190
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.539	.005	.000	.177
	N	52	52	52	52
Total Hires	Pearson Correlation	.213	-.776**	-.899**	-.132
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.129	.000	.000	.353
	N	52	52	52	52

2004-2014 Labor Correlations		Labor Force Participation Rate	UNRATE	Underemployed	AVG length of U3
Labor Force Participation Rate	Pearson Correlation	1	-.560**	-.685**	-.929**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.000	.000	.000
	N	119	119	119	119
UNRATE	Pearson Correlation	-.560**	1	.964**	.739**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000		.000	.000
	N	119	119	119	119
Underemployed	Pearson Correlation	-.685**	.964**	1	.799**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000		.000
	N	119	119	119	119
AVG length of U3	Pearson Correlation	-.929**	.739**	.799**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.000	
	N	119	119	119	119
Median Length U3	Pearson Correlation	-.757**	.909**	.896**	.916**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.000	.000
	N	119	119	119	119
U3 >27WKS (% of U3)	Pearson Correlation	-.821**	.873**	.882**	.949**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.000	.000
	N	119	119	119	119
Discouraged Workers	Pearson Correlation	-.697**	.867**	.868**	.838**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.000	.000
	N	119	119	119	119
Marginalized Workers	Pearson Correlation	-.776**	.620**	.680**	.795**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.000	.000
	N	119	119	119	119
Job Vacancies	Pearson Correlation	.149	-.855**	-.773**	-.344**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.106	.000	.000	.000
	N	119	119	119	119
Job Separations	Pearson Correlation	.780**	-.872**	-.889**	-.885**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.000	.000
	N	119	119	119	119
Total Hires	Pearson Correlation	.474**	-.931**	-.932**	-.607**
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Socioeconomic Changes

JOLTS Quit Rate



Socioeconomic Changes



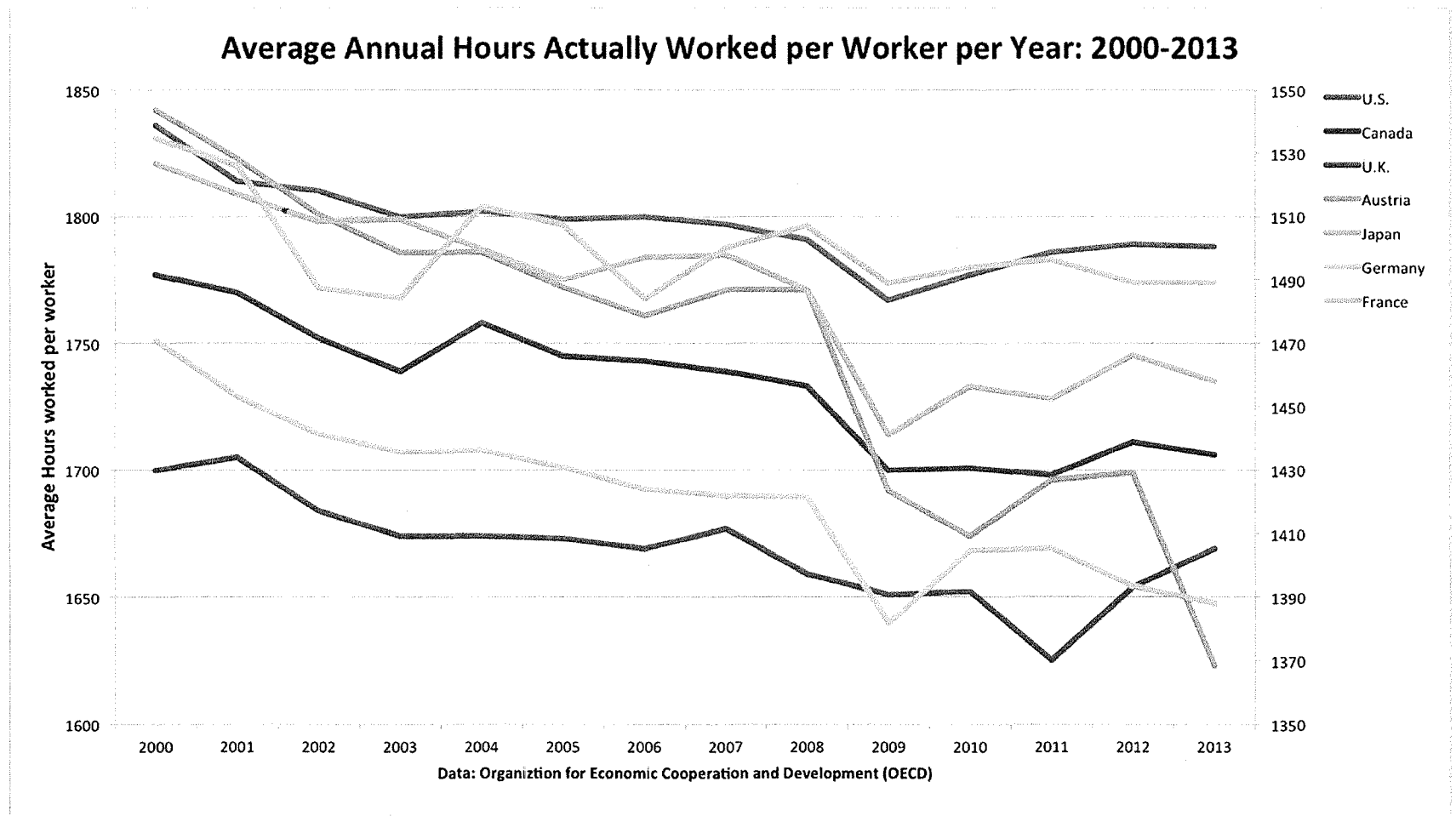
A worker's personal agency is mediated by fear.

Labor is not free to negotiate an exchange, and becomes an involuntary participant in the market

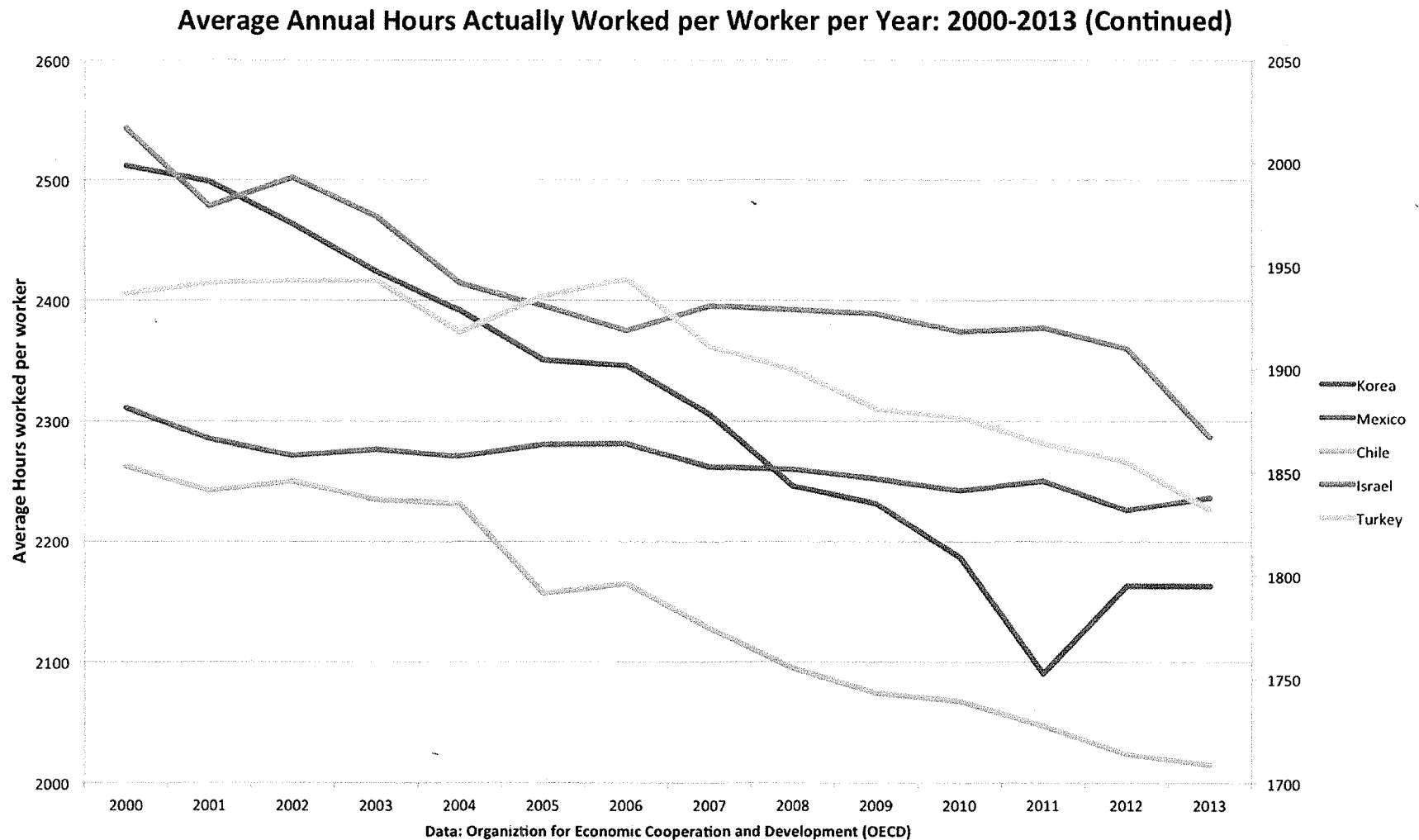
There may be competition between the underemployed and the unemployed

Low occupation and income change the socioeconomic formula – spurring multigenerational poverty

Underemployment is a Global Problem



Underemployment is a Global Problem





Policy Implications

Labor has less of a role in Capitalism and needs to have a greater role in the reproduction of capital

The average length of unemployment and LFPR must be addressed

More attention needs to be paid to the under employed:

- To reduce competition between labor and itself
- To increase aggregate demand
- Geopolitical considerations



FIRST

New measures have to be used that utilize the LFPR as a variable

Traditional models and measures of the labor force have to be abandoned

DATA SOURCES:

- U.S. Department of Labor
 - Bureau of Labor Statistics
 - Job Opening and Labor Turnover Survey
- U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
- Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
- General Social Survey, NORC, University of Chicago
- National Social Survey, Cornell University
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development (OECD)
- New York Stock Exchange
- U.S. Census Bureau
 - Community Population Survey
 - American Community Survey

All data modeling and statistical analysis compiled with IBM SPSS

QUESTIONS?



Politics of Yesterday & Today: Revisiting Cartoonist **Bruce Shanks**

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Naming of Building and Grounds Committee Report

**Buffalo State College Council Meeting
October 7, 2014**

In accordance with the Guidelines for Naming Opportunities on State University Campuses; and in recognition of a gift to Buffalo State from Helen Wernejowski Costello and Salvatore J. Costello; President Katherine S. Conway-Turner has approved the naming of the main banquet area in the proposed Jacqueline V. LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor's Center.

Buffalo State will record this transaction in the record of named spaces maintained at the college. Arrangements will be made to dedicate the Jacqueline V. LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor's Center main banquet area in honor of Mrs. Helen Wernejowski Costello and in memory of Salvatore J. Costello at a date to be specified.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair, Naming of Building and Grounds Committee

RESOLUTION

At its October 7, 2014 meeting, the Buffalo State College Council recommended; and President Conway-Turner approved; that the main banquet area in the proposed Jacqueline V. LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor's Center be named for Helen Wernejowski Costello and Salvatore J. Costello.

Helen Wernejowski graduated from SUNY Buffalo State in 1950 with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Reading. While at Buffalo State she was invited to become a member of the national honorary education fraternity, Kappa Delta Pi.

She taught for 35 years with the Buffalo Board of Education, teaching at School 52 and later at Campus School at Buffalo State, retiring in 1985. Mrs. Costello enjoyed working with student teachers and with students who had graduated but needed to complete their student teaching. She described her teaching style as 'organized confusion.'

Mrs. Costello also earned a degree in Principlism, the system of ethics based on the four moral principles of autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence, and justice. She also worked in a government reading program.

She and her late husband, Salvatore (Sam) J. Costello, moved to Florida in 1995 to enjoy their retirement. Mrs. Costello has designated her planned gift for the Jacqueline V. LoRusso Alumni House Fund.

This honor is given in consideration of a gift made to Buffalo State by Helen Wernejowski Costello, and in recognition of her years of dedicated service to education and her love of Buffalo State College.

Howard Zemsky, Chair, Buffalo State College Council

Bonita R. Durand, Secretary to the College Council

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In accordance with the Guidelines for Naming Opportunities on State University Campuses; and in recognition of a gift to Buffalo State College from Dr. D. Bruce Johnstone and Mrs. Gail Johnstone; President Katherine S. Conway-Turner has approved the naming of the Art Conservation Conference Room in Rockwell Hall.

Buffalo State will record this transaction in the record of named spaces maintained at the university. Arrangements will be made to dedicate the Art Conservation Conference Room in honor of Dr. D. Bruce Johnstone and Mrs. Gail Johnstone at a date to be specified.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair, Naming of Building and Grounds Committee

RESOLUTION

At its October 7, 2014 meeting, the Buffalo State College Council recommended; and President Conway-Turner approved; that the Art Conservation Conference Room in Rockwell Hall be named in honor of Dr. D. Bruce Johnstone and Mrs. Gail Johnstone.

D. Bruce Johnstone was the 5th president of Buffalo State College, serving in that capacity from 1979 to 1988. During his tenure, the campus was transformed both intellectually and structurally. Academic programs were refocused to more fully integrate a liberal arts education with vocational and professional programs, a new general education core was introduced, the academic minors program was expanded, and a campaign to expand and beautify the campus environment was launched. Dr. Johnstone brought several programs to the campus that became signature programs, including the All College Honors Program and the Art Conservation Program. He also inaugurated the President's Medal to recognize student academic excellence, which is presented annually at Commencement.

Dr. Johnstone left Buffalo State in 1988 to become the Chancellor of SUNY. He returned to Buffalo in 1994 and accepted a faculty position at the University at Buffalo. Since leaving Buffalo State, Dr. and Mrs. Johnstone have continued to be strong supporters of the college.

Gail Johnstone has been a dynamic member of the Western New York community since coming to Buffalo in 1979. Not only has she been an active supporter of Buffalo State, Mrs. Johnstone also served as the planning director of the City of Buffalo, was the vice president for planning at Roswell Park Cancer Institute, and is the retired executive director of the Community Foundation of Greater Buffalo.

This honor is given in consideration of a gift made to Buffalo State by Dr. D. Bruce Johnstone and Mrs. Gail Johnstone and in recognition of many years of service as members of the Buffalo State College community.

Howard Zemsky, Chair, Buffalo State College Council

Bonita R. Durand, Secretary to the College Council

Naming of Building and Grounds Committee Report

**Buffalo State College Council Meeting
October 7, 2014**

In accordance with the Guidelines for Naming Opportunities on State University Campuses; and in recognition of a gift to Buffalo State from Dr. F. Christopher Tahk; President Katherine S. Conway-Turner has approved the naming of the Conservation Science Lab in Rockwell Hall.

Buffalo State will record this transaction in the record of named spaces maintained at the college. Arrangements will be made to dedicate the Conservation Science Lab in honor of Dr. F. Christopher Tahk at a date to be specified.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair, Naming of Building and Grounds Committee

RESOLUTION

At its October 7, 2014 meeting, the Buffalo State College Council recommended; and President Conway-Turner approved; that the Conservation Science Lab in Rockwell Hall be named for Dr. F. Christopher Tahk.

Dr. F. Christopher Tahk dedicated his life to art conservation. Originally chemistry major, Dr. Tahk completed his Ph.D. in organic chemistry in 1966 and taught chemistry at the University of Rochester and Kent State University before enrolling in the Art Conservation Program at SUNY College at Oneonta in 1972 and joined the program faculty in 1974 teaching conservation science.

Dr. Tahk became Director of the Art Conservation Program in 1983, a position he held until his retirement in 2004. Under his direction, the program moved from SUNY College at Oneonta to Buffalo State. Dr. Tahk worked tirelessly to build the department and secure financial support for this unique program, one of three in the United States, and its students. His dedication was recognized in 1997 when he was named a Distinguished Service Professor.

The following year his record of excellence in the education and training of conservation professionals was recognized by the American Institute of Conservation when he received the Caroline and Sheldon Keck Award. Dr. Tahk was a fellow of the American Institute of Conservation and of the International Institute for the Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works and a member of the American Chemistry Society.

In recognition of Dr. Tahk's extraordinary role in securing vital funding for student fellowships and other programmatic support, the Buffalo State College Foundation presented him with the Faculty Leadership Award in 1992 and the Chair's Recognition Award in 1995. He also received the Faculty of Arts and Humanities Dean's Research Award in 1996.

At his retirement, the faculty, students and alumni of the department, and members of the Buffalo State College community established the F. Christopher Tahk Endowed Fellowship to honor his extraordinary contribution to the department, and, through his students, to the care and preservation of material culture worldwide.

Dr. Tahk has remained active as a conservator. In 2008, he and Marv DeBoy and Fred Robjent dedicated several months to restoring the Apostolic Clock, one of the Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society's most treasured artifacts.

This honor is given in consideration of gifts totaling \$47,551.95 from alumni and friends to the F. Christopher Tahk Endowed Fellowship in recognition of Dr. F. Christopher Tahk's dedicated service to art conservation and Buffalo State College.

This honor is given in consideration of a gift made to Buffalo State by Dr. F. Christopher Tahk, and in recognition of his years of dedicated service to art conservation and Buffalo State College.

Howard Zemsky, Chair, Buffalo State College Council

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