Hillswick Asset Management, LLC

Macro Driven Performance

600 Summer Street | Suite 203 | Stamford, Connecticut 06901 | 203.425.1420

www.HillswickAsset.com

Presenting for

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Monday, September 9th, 2013

Presenters: Anders Ekernas, Chairman and CIO Mark McDonnell, Sr. Portfolio Manager

Hillswick Asset Management, LLC

Macro Driven Performance

Performance as of 08/31/2013

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Snapshot

Benchmark: Merrill Lynch CG1T5

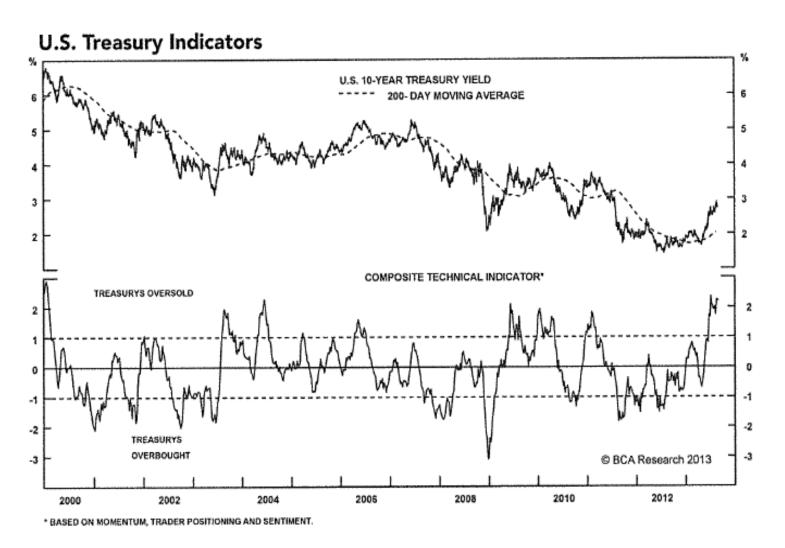




Bond yields and mortgage rates have already discounted not only tapering but a reversal of QE 2 and QE 3





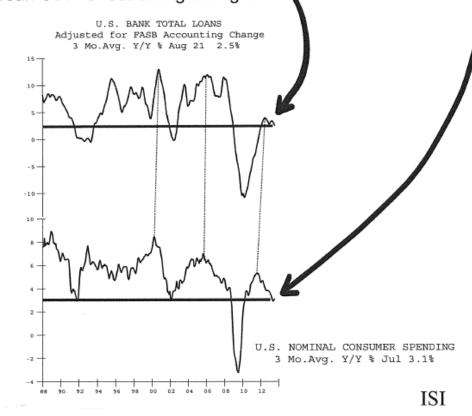


Courtesy of BCA Research

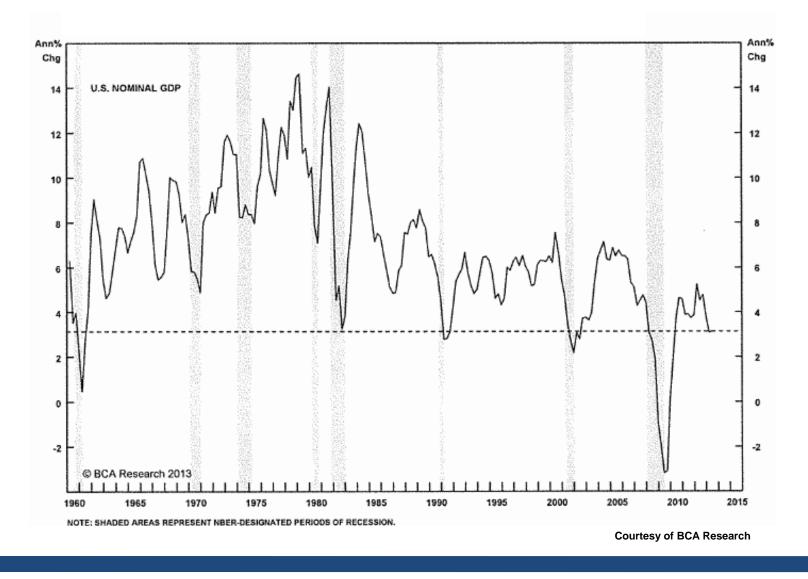
Weak Loan and Weak GDP Reinforcing One Another



Nominal GDP in 3Q will probably be up just +3.1% y/y, close to July's +3.1% increase in nominal consumer spending. Both are highly correlated with the +2.5% growth in bank loans in Aug. Weak loan growth is restraining GDP, and weak GDP is restraining loan growth.

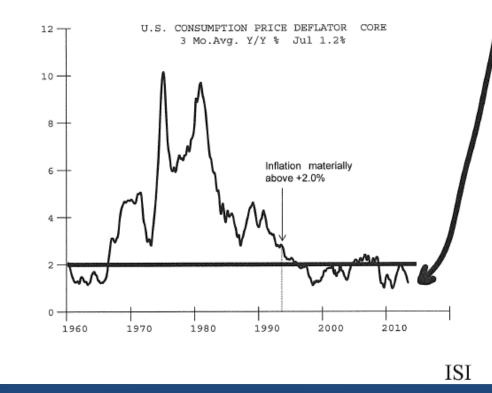


Nominal GDP Growth is the Weakest Outside of a Recession



Fed's Preferred Inflation Measure Well Below Target

The core PCE deflator increased just +0.1% m/m in July and just +1.4% y/y (3 Mo.Avg. +1.2%), well below the Fed's implied target of +2.0%. Basically, core inflation hasn't been materially above +2.0% for two decades.

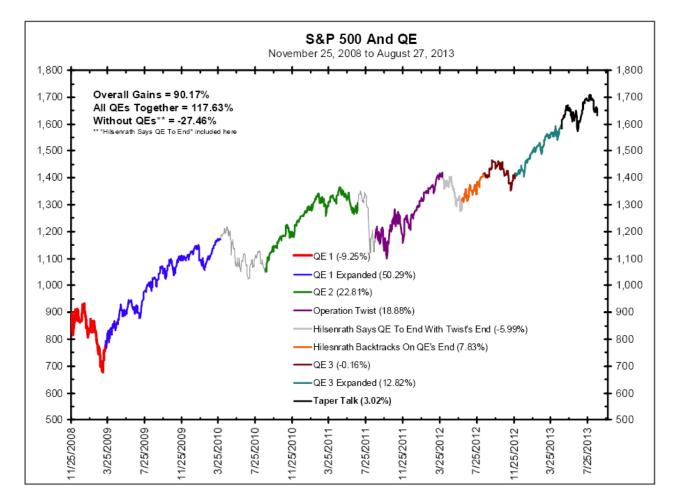


Month/Month Change in US Manufacturers' New Orders



A Short History of QE and the Stock Market





Courtesy of Bianco Research, LLC