

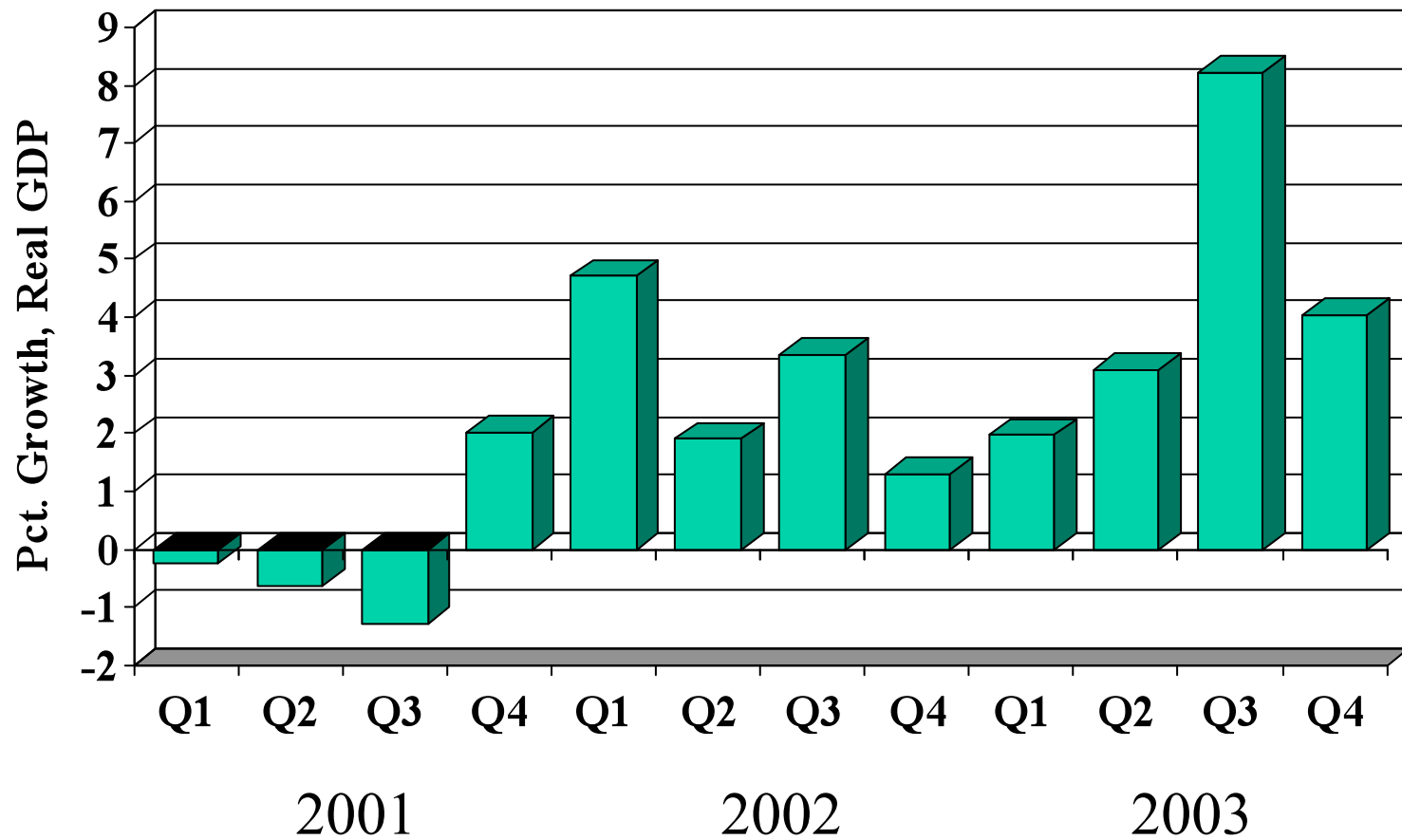
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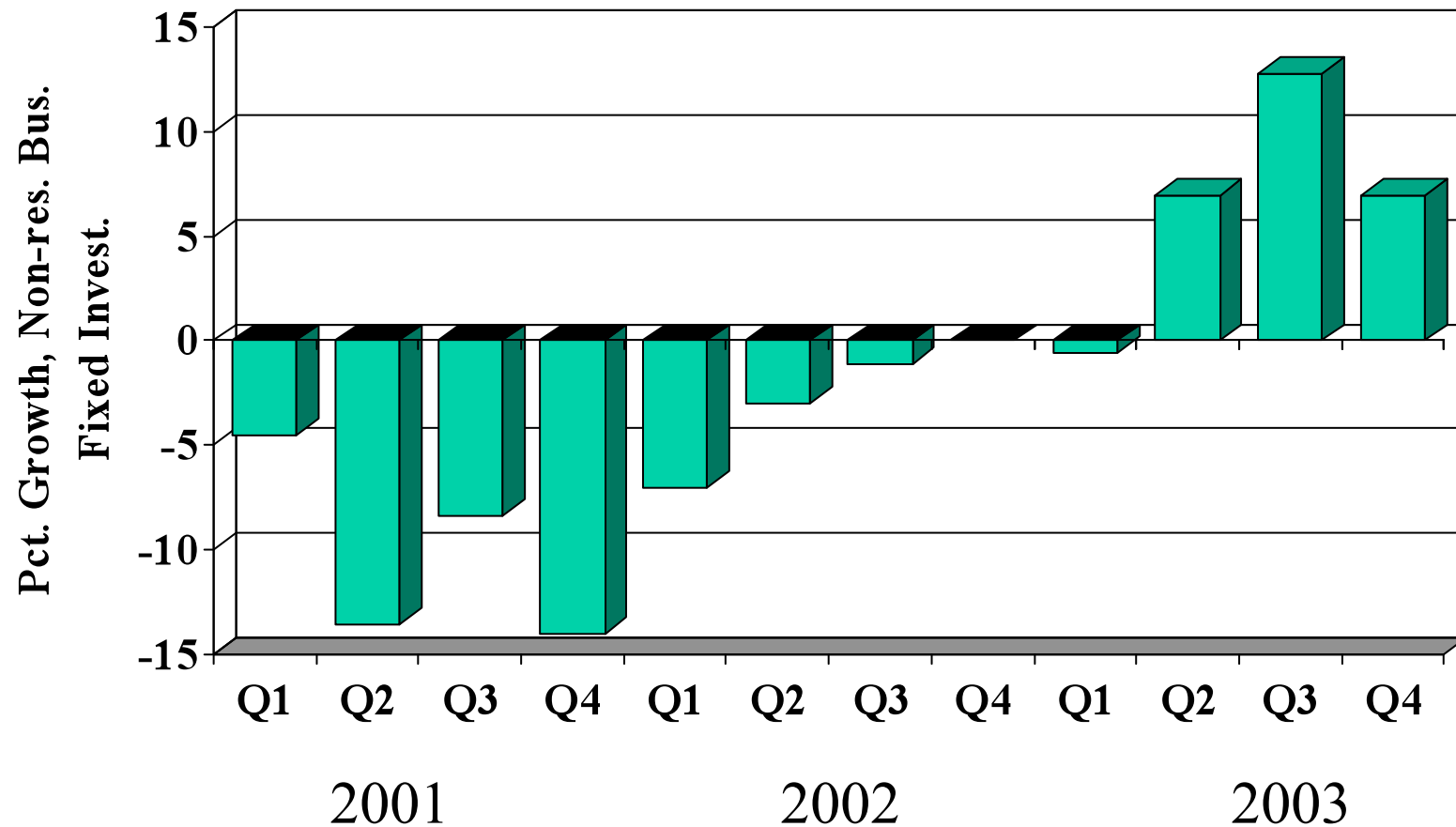
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- GDP expansion remains healthy at 4.0% in fourth quarter
- Sources of strength: business spending and exports
- Manufacturing recovery now seven months old
- Data revisions recast the story of the 2001 recession

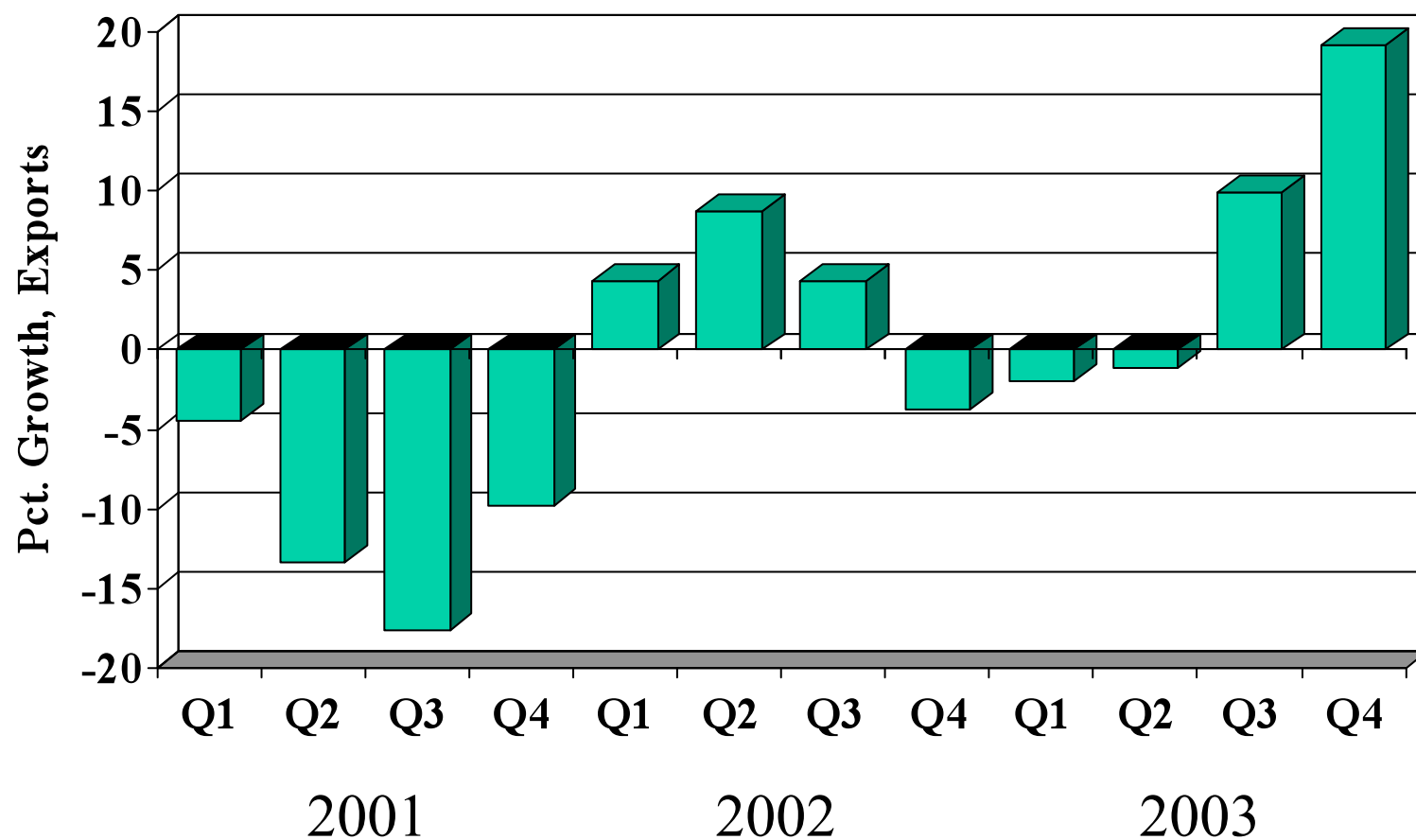
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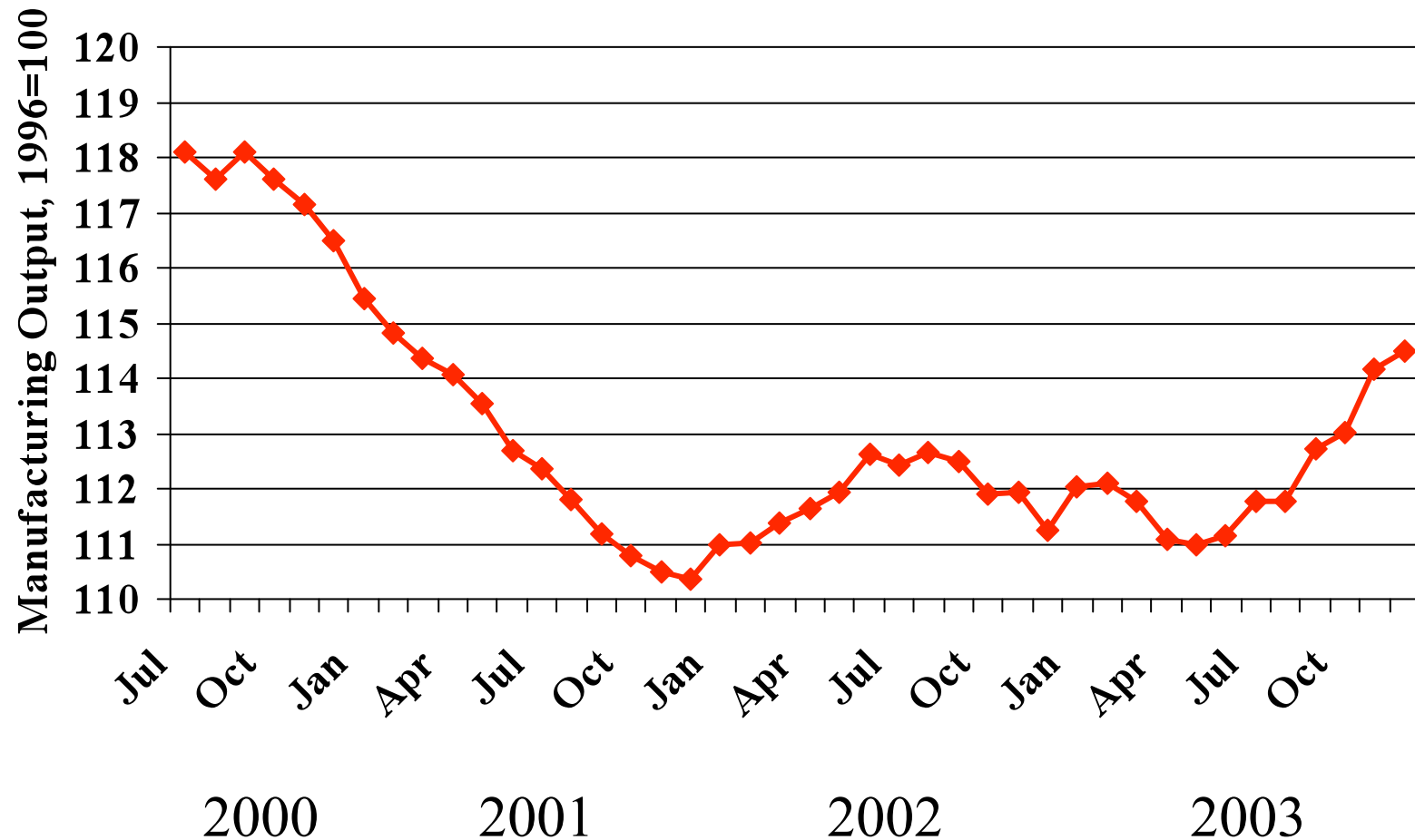
# Business Investment is Off the Sickbed



# The Weak Dollar is Showing Up in Exports

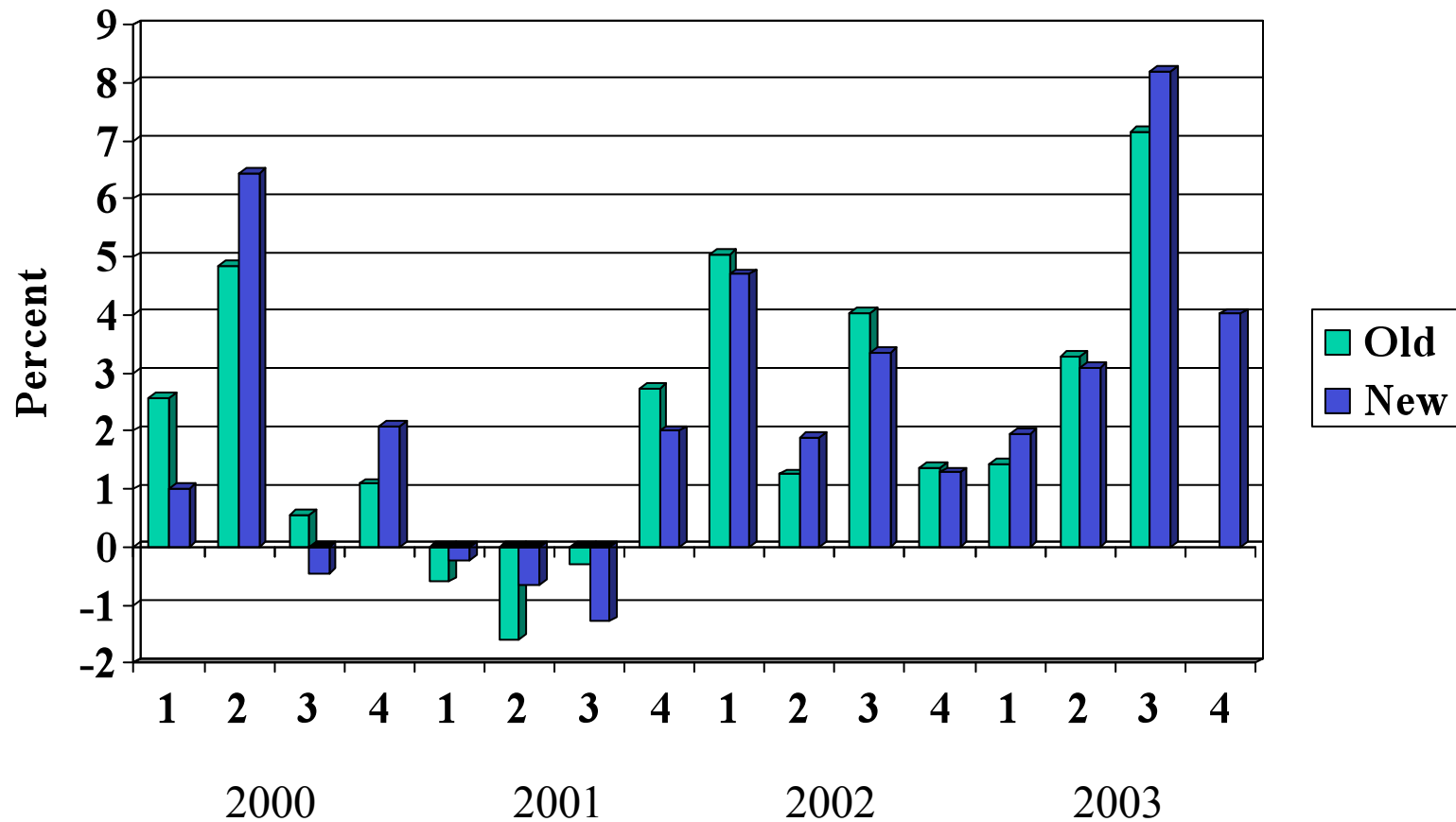


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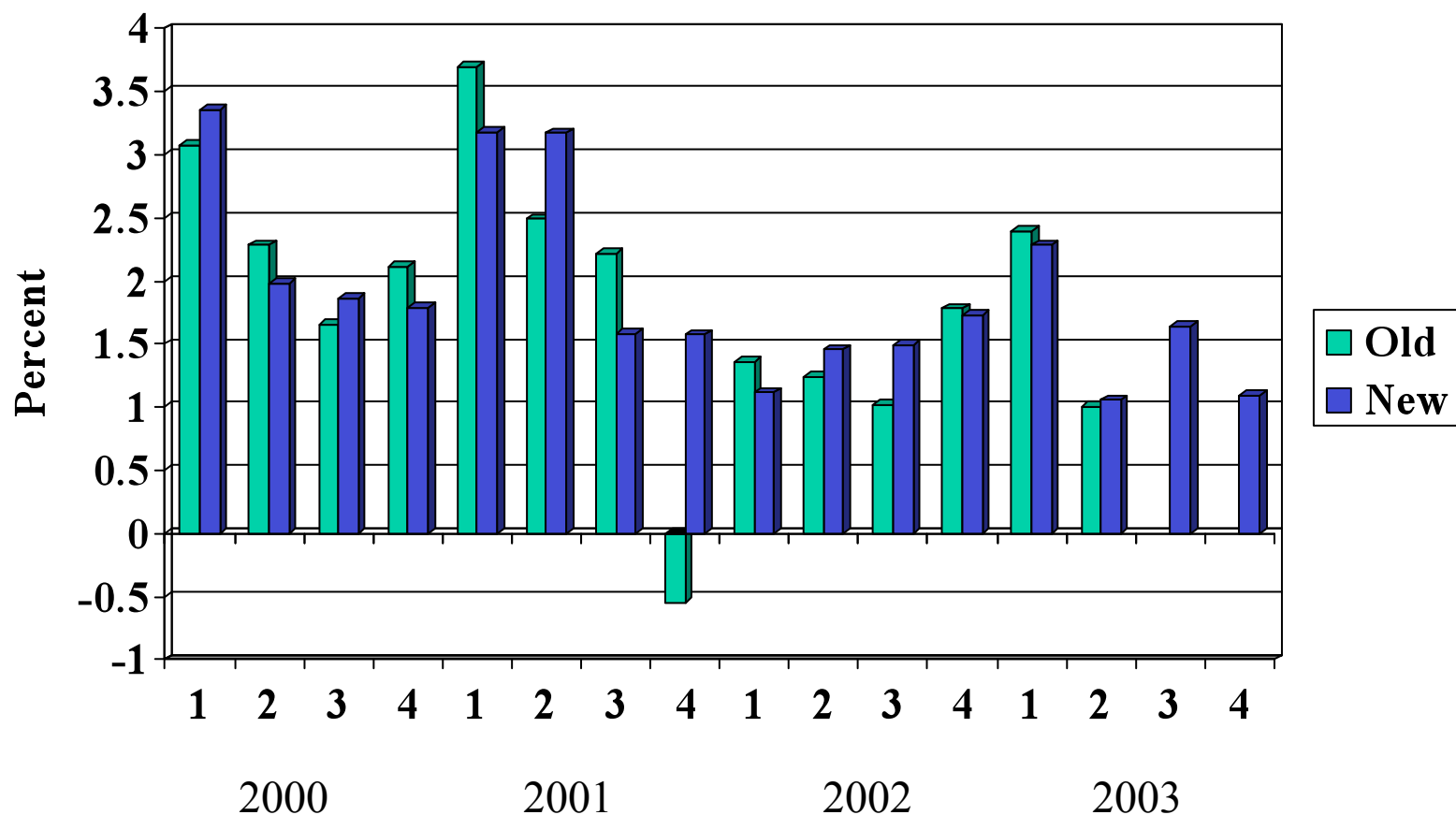
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## Gross Domestic Product Growth



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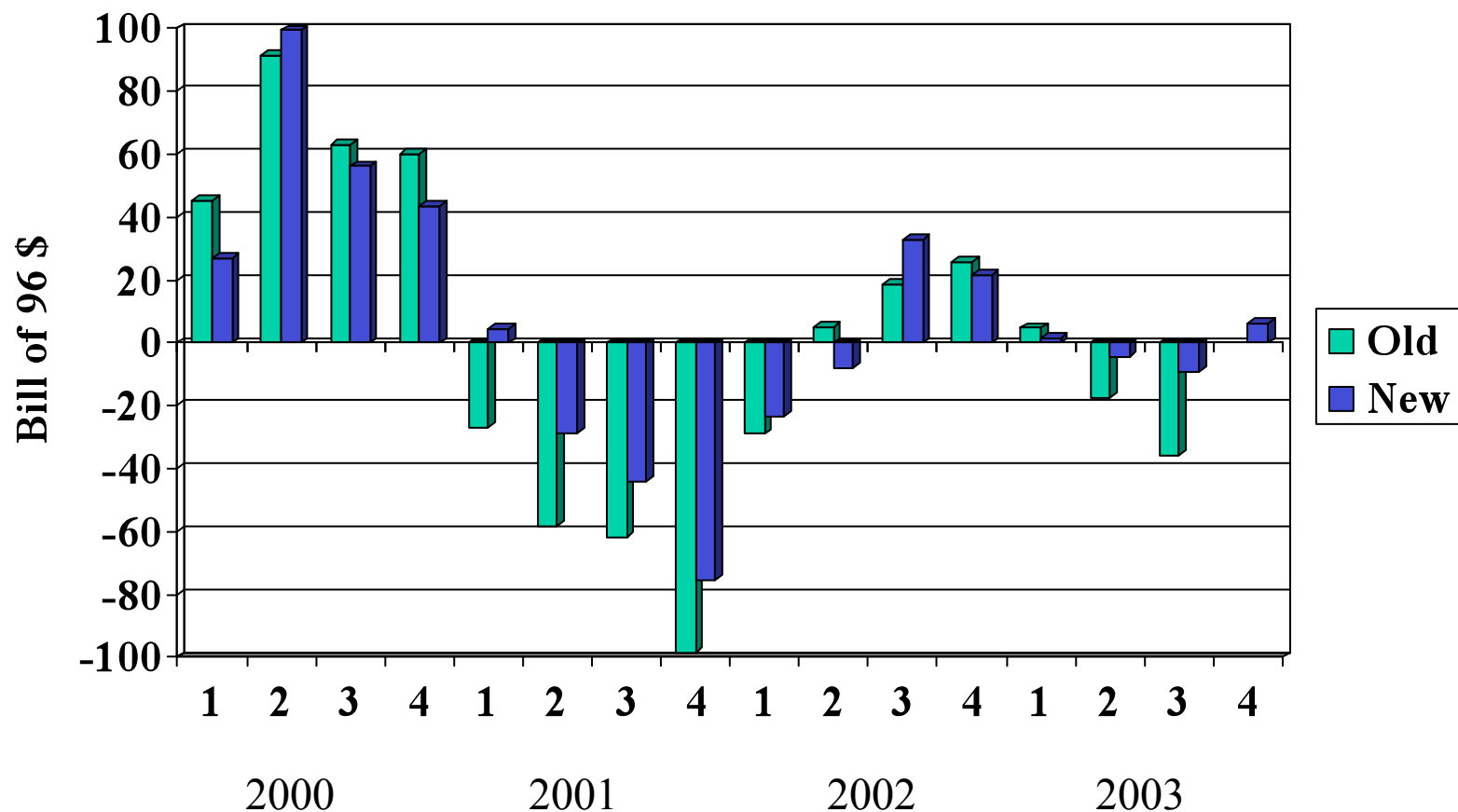
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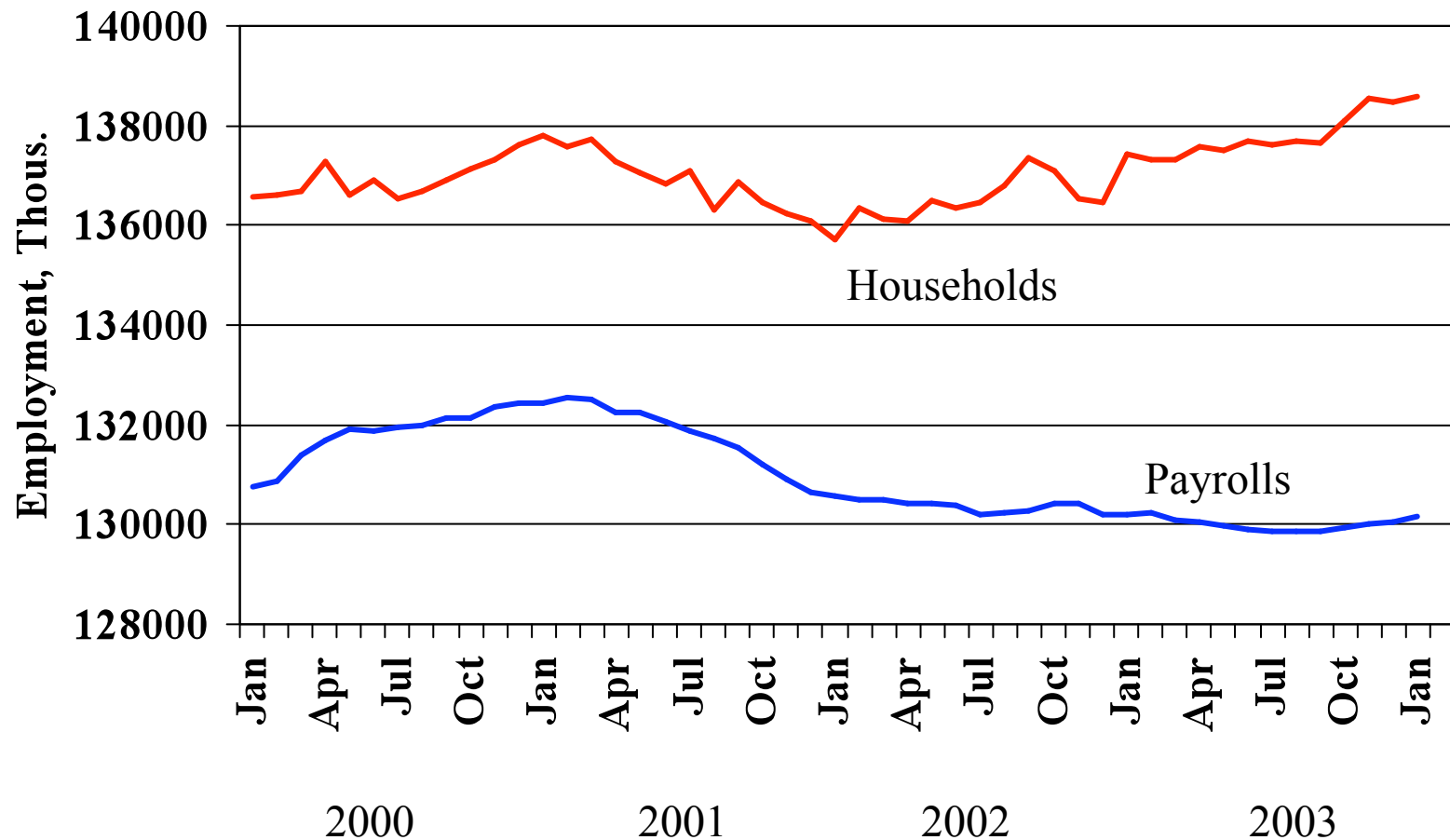


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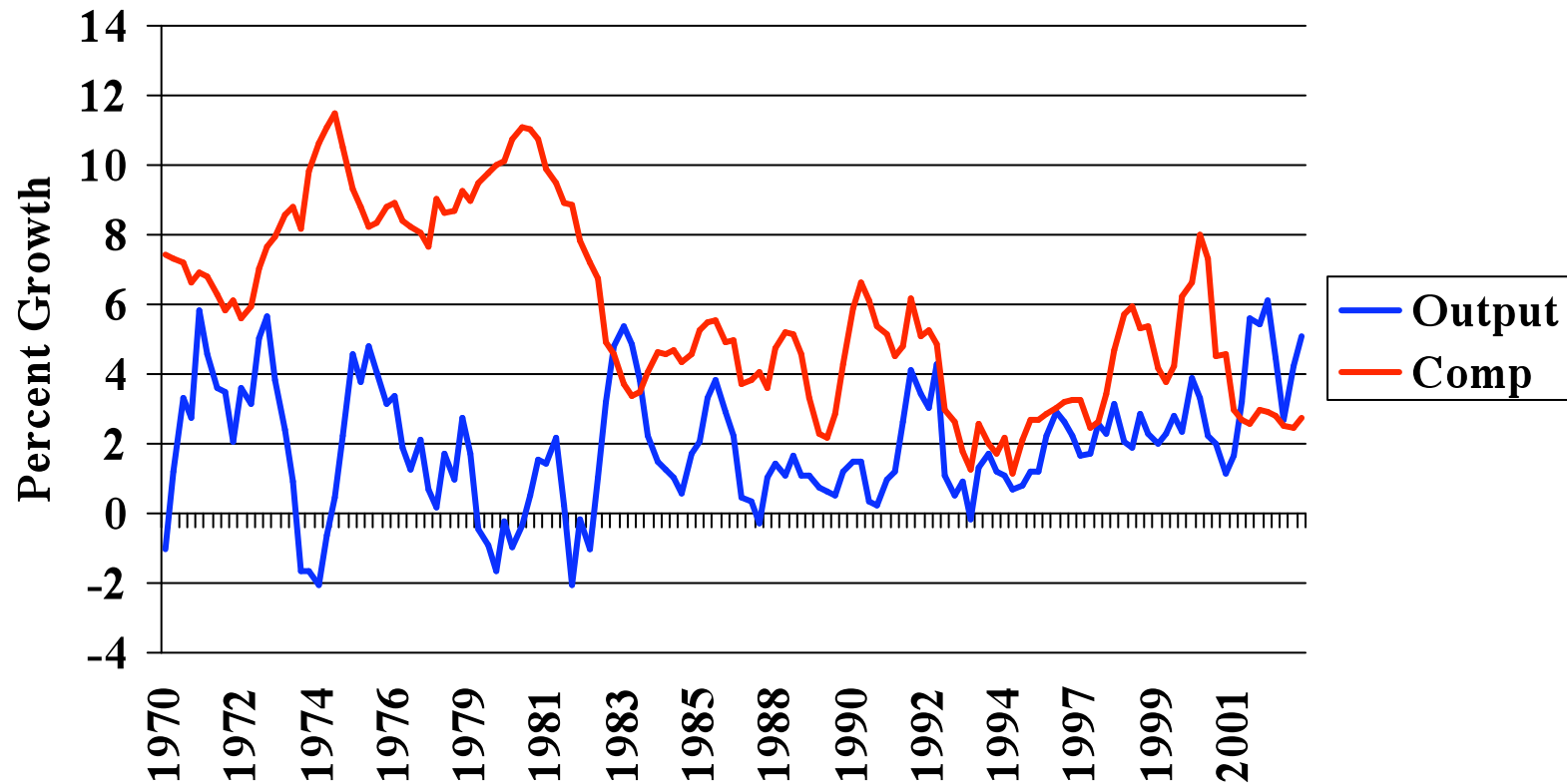
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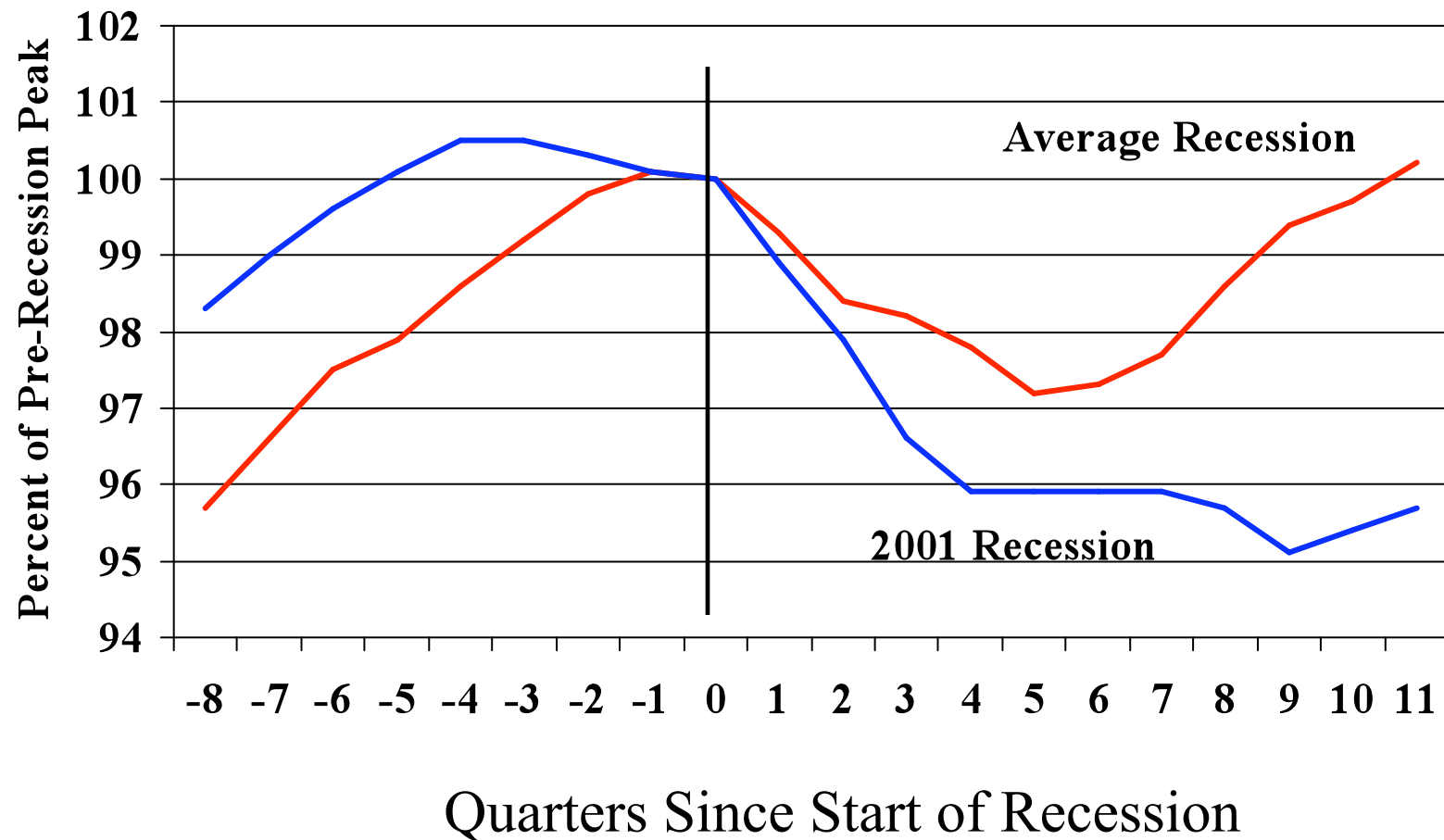
# Two Different Sources, Two Different Employment Stories



# U.S. Compensation and Output Per Hour, 1970-2003



# U.S. Hours Worked in Recessions



# U.S. Output Per Hour in Recessions

