

MARKET MUSINGS & DATA DECIPHERING

# Breakfast with Dave

## WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING

The drama continues following S&P's slice to Greece's debt rating (to junk status of BB+, a three-notch decline, which prompted a surge in 2-year bond yields to a Zeus-like 15%) and the two-notch decline to Portugal's rating, to A- from A+. The Euro has bounced back this morning and the flight to higher quality German and French bonds has partly reversed course as the markets are swirling with speculation that the IMF is about to announce a stepped-up aid package (yet again!) and the ECB's Trichet ("Mr. Euro" himself) is set to make a trip to Berlin to meet with German parliamentarians today. (In the U.S., the huge rally in Treasuries has subsided too as the bond market braces for \$42 billion of fresh 5-year T-notes today). JGBs have rallied all the way to four-month lows, in terms of yield, to 1.28% — talk about a switch to defense (not to mention a slap in the face to the conventional wisdom that JGBs are an accident waiting to happen — see *Clock is Ticking on Japan's Low Debt Yields* on page 23 of the FT).

The problem of course is that if Greece is bailed out then surely Portugal, Ireland, Spain and perhaps even Italy may not be too far behind. The inability of Greece — and others within EMU — to enact an independent monetary policy at a time of crisis has exposed the flaws of the union. The lack of a cohesive national government is another flaw in times of turbulence, which is why the U.S.A. has longevity and the Eurozone likely does not. It may well be the time to assess why it was that past attempts at unionization in the region — the Latin Monetary Union and the Scandinavian Monetary Union in the late 19th century — ultimately fizzled out.

While the Euro has come back this morning (temporary) from its year-low abyss, global equities are still reeling from the contagion concerns (the MSCI Asia Pac index down 1.5% today) and a stock market priced for perfection is once again confronting a world with blemishes. (Add to that the U.S. government's attacks on Goldman Sachs as another blemish, at least as far as the investment community is concerned — even John McCain got involved in yesterday's populist lynching: *"From the reading of these emails, there is no doubt their behavior was unethical and the American people will render a judgment."*)

Anyone notice the volume on the U.S. exchanges swell as the selling picked up steam yesterday in yet another in the long list of "distribution" sessions? (Volume on the exchanges surged to a combined 7.6 billion shares — the second highest level for the year.) Portugal's stock market has traded down to a 12-month low and it's so bad in Greece that the government has banned short selling for two months. (Hey, it worked in the once-capitalistic U.S.A. didn't it?) We see in the NYT that Barclay's analysts believe that Greece needs €90 billion to see them through, €40 billion for Portugal and €350 billion for Spain!

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That is €480 billion of refinancing help, which dwarfs the latest €45 billion EU-IMF joint aid announcement by a factor of TEN (according to Ken Rogoff, the IMF is maxed out after €200 billion)! Do euros grow on trees as fast as Bernanke-bucks? Would the ECB, modeled after the Bundesbank, ever resort to the printing press for a fiscal bailout? Where exactly is this money going to come from? You can see why commodities are still under pressure as V-shaped recovery hopes are given a sober second thought. Even in countries like Canada, small and open as it is, has seen its currency lose some of its altitude despite the widespread perception that the local economic and financial backdrop is pristine as can be (Canada is in relatively good shape, indeed, but we challenge some of that conventional wisdom below). What a time for the Bank of Canada to have moved the domestic money market to price in a 275 basis point tightening cycle. (Remember how the Asian crisis, which started with tiny Thailand, stopped the Fed's planned rate hikes in 1997 in its tracks and who knew that time that more rate cuts were coming down the pike? How many times has the front end of the Canada curve looked this attractive before?)

With that in mind, the Fed had better be very careful about changing any of its wordings in today's post-meeting press release (especially the day after the VIX index soars 30%). Recall the Bank of Canada's strident tone last week (watered down a tad by Governor Carney in yesterday's statement to the House of Commons) which prompted the money market or immediately price-in a rate hike at the June 1 meeting.

Yesterday was really as much, if not more, about Portugal than it was about Greece. Contagion risks are spreading as they were amidst the turmoil around Bear Stearns in early 2008 and we know how that turned out. Bear was not too big to fail; neither was Lehman thought to be at the time. And then the Obama team decided to bail out the other large banks with fiscal costs in the future that will massively constrain domestic economic growth.

Let's look ahead — beyond Greece and Portugal to Spain. Its combined fiscal and current deficits are the highest in the industrialized world, save for Iceland (and we know what shape it is in). The amount of debt it has to refinance in the coming year is as large as the entire Greek economy (though the latter is getting smaller by the day). So this is not even a case of being too big to fail as much as being too interconnected globally to default. Think of all the global banks, most of them in Europe, which hold onto all this spurious Club Med debt. Moreover, if the other two major rating agencies follow S&P's lead and cuts Greece to "junk", then the ECB would be in a real bind for it cannot hold below-investment-grade bonds on its balance sheet. If the ECB does accept junk-rated Greek debt as collateral, then the sanctity of its balance sheet will be seriously undermined; though this ostensibly didn't matter too much to the Fed in the name of saving the system.

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At the same time, refusing to accept Greek debt would exert tremendous strains on the European banking system (see *Hobson's Choice for Germany ECB* on page C16 of the WSJ; and also have a look at *Debt Crisis Poses Risks to ECB Balance Sheet* on page A12 of the WSJ). Whether or not all these countries can be saved by the IMF, Germany or the ECB, the reality is that the downside to the Euro, even at 1.32, is huge. Think of a retest to the lifetime lows of 0.85 at some point down the line.

The Chinese stock market is down now for the fifth session in a row – the longest losing streak in 16 months and the lowest close since October 12, 2009 (dare we say when the S&P 500 was trading 100 points south of where it is today, and the Dow lower by a 1,000 points). And the index leads commodities by four months, so this is not exactly a constructive signpost as far as the near-term outlook for resource prices is concerned (see more below).

So, we have the problems in Euroland, signs of a property bubble in China, and the darling Brazilian economy now in overheating phase to such an extent that the central bank is about to hike rates 100bps in one fell swoop (did we mention the Henry Tax Review in Australia, which is due out on Sunday and set to propose tax changes for the resource and banking sectors?) – and yet all we hear from the rose-coloured bullish pundits is how we have to now measure the U.S. equity market based on “global considerations”, not merely the American economy. Yesterday, we heard a classic rear-view-mirror comment from UPS CEO Scott Davis that went: “*Economies around the world are showing signs of recovery.*” Every word in that comment was accurate except the tense – replace “are” with “were” (not to mention that this is classic top-of-the-market that defines the term “famous last words”).

#### QUICK COMMENT ON YESTERDAY'S ACTION

Equities closed at their lows and the S&P 500 slipping below 1,200 and the Dow below 11,000 – the two milestones (first achieved 11 years ago). Gold rallied 1.2% even with an advancing dollar while Treasury yields slid below 3.7% as both asset classes flexed their safe-have muscles (and a barbell strategy that has worked wonders for a decade now).

First, the equity market wobbled yesterday even in the aftermath of CAT's and Whirlpool's earnings reports, which was an early sign that a whole lot of good news – and then some – is already being discounted. On the Greece file, the big concern now is contagion risks to the rest of the Club Med countries. The headlines were all about Greece, but the real action was in Portugal – and it's not pretty.

So, what we are talking about is heightened risk premia at a time when a 17x VIX index is underscoring a very high level of confidence over the outlook for the economy and financial market performance. Keep in mind that Europe comprises a nontrivial 20% of global GDP and the prospects for recovery have been dealt a big blow as the fiscal tourniquet tightens around the periphery.

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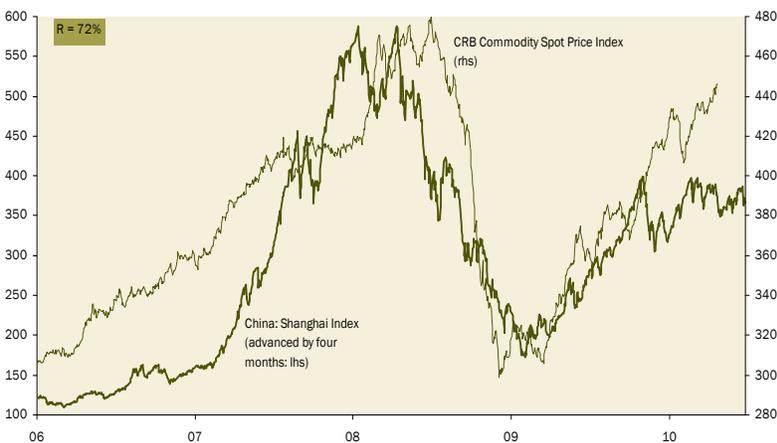


For all the talk of the B.R.I.C. countries, the Euro region is three times as important for U.S. producers. I believe that for the first time in this 13-month flashy rally off the lows, investors are going to be re-introduced to the notion of risk and that equity valuation can move in both directions.

**CHINESE STOCK MARKET LEADS COMMODITY PRICES**

To very little fanfare, the Chinese stock market – the first index to turn around in late 2008 – has slipped into a bear market. It is down 15 % from the nearby high and 20% from last year’s interim peak. Why this is important is because the Shanghai index leads the CRB commodity spot price index by four months with a 72% correlation (and over an 80% correlation with the oil price). Don’t get us wrong – we are long-term secular commodity bulls; however, we have been agnostic this year from a tactical standpoint – never hurts to take profits after a double!

**CHART 1: TIME TO TAKE PROFITS – CHINESE STOCK MARKET LEADS THE CRB INDEX BY FOUR MONTHS**



Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

**HOME PRICES FINALLY DECLINE AGAIN**

The Case-Shiller seasonally adjusted (SA) home price index fell 0.1% MoM in February for the 20-city composite index and the nonseasonally adjusted (raw) data showed a 0.85% MoM slide. This was the first decline on an SA basis since April 2009 and the largest raw decline since March of last year when we were facing the abyss. Yes, yes, the perennial bulls are out with their story that the YoY trend turned positive for the first time since December 2006, but this is totally skewed by the depressed base of a year ago when prices sank 2.2% sequentially.

On a regional basis, 19 of the 20 cities recorded price declines during the month on a NSA basis; 15 on a SA basis. This validates all of the other home price series that have come out of late and remember that C-S is a three-month average (the raw data are down now for FIVE months running). Home price deflation is back, Jack, and with a *de facto* 16 months' supply of unsold inventory, there is such a huge supply overhang that more price reduction is very likely on its way.

Los Angeles seems to be a "leading indicator" – condo prices there started falling about 12 months before the other cities and note that it is now down two months in a row in February in NSA terms (and fell 0.4% MoM in SA terms).

### CONFIDENCE RETURNS ... SORT OF

U.S. consumer confidence rose 5.6 points in April, to 57.9 – the highest level since September 2008. This may appear like good news, but if we are truly in an economic recovery, then this metric would be closer to 102 by now. Actually, at 57.9, this level is way below the average during recession (70.8) and the average that we typically see at the end of a recession (71.5).

While the job components did improve, what did not was the homebuying intentions index, which sagged to 2.0 in April from 2.8 in March – the low-watermark for the year. While expectations for jobs in six-months were up in April, to 18.0 from 14.1 – the highest since August 2009, expectations for income out six months actually fell – down to 10.3 from 10.8. And, it's the income people get from their job that they spend (though with almost 20% of personal income now coming from government transfers, there is always the chance that the Obama team will find a way to tap the bond market for some funds to give away).

### CANADA – JUST HOW PRISTINE?

The quote below is from the Bank of Canada's Financial System Review, which was published back on December 2009 – forewarned is forearmed:

*"Financial institutions need to carefully consider the aggregate risk to their entire portfolio of household exposures when evaluating even an insured mortgage, since a household defaulting on an insured mortgage would likely be unable to meet its other debt obligations. This implies that the overall quality of a bank's loan portfolio would deteriorate, even if no loss is incurred on the insured mortgage itself. In addition, claims to recover losses on insured mortgages are not themselves without cost.*

*The potential for system-wide stress arising from substantial credit losses on Canadian household loan portfolios remains a relatively low-probability risk at the moment, particularly given the near-term prospects for growth. However, the likelihood of this risk materializing in the medium term is judged to have risen as a result of increased indebtedness.*

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*While this suggests that positive momentum in the global economy is stronger than envisioned at the time of the last FSR, economic growth is nonetheless likely to remain subdued for some time as necessary structural adjustments take place.*

*Deleveraging of the balance sheets of both financial institutions and households, for example, remains incomplete.*

*Although the uncertainty surrounding the global economic outlook has diminished somewhat, it nevertheless remains elevated. As well, there is a risk that self-sustaining growth in private demand, a prerequisite for a solid recovery, may take longer than expected to materialize, given that the recovery currently relies on an unprecedented level of policy stimulus. Reflecting the high level of uncertainty worldwide, there is a wide divergence in forecasts for global economic growth.*

*With the slow pace of the recovery, the global economy is vulnerable to additional negative shocks. While the probability of a renewed, synchronous decline in world output is fairly low, even a slower-than-expected recovery may have important implications for the international financial system. If the global recovery does not live up to market expectations, a market correction could ensue. A modest market correction can normally be considered a useful purging of excess risk taking and a re-evaluation of fundamental factors. In the current environment, however, an economic downturn or a significant market correction arising from renewed pessimism could, in a worst-case scenario, reactivate the adverse feedback loop between the real economy and financial markets (by which declines in overall economic growth and in markets reinforce each other)."*

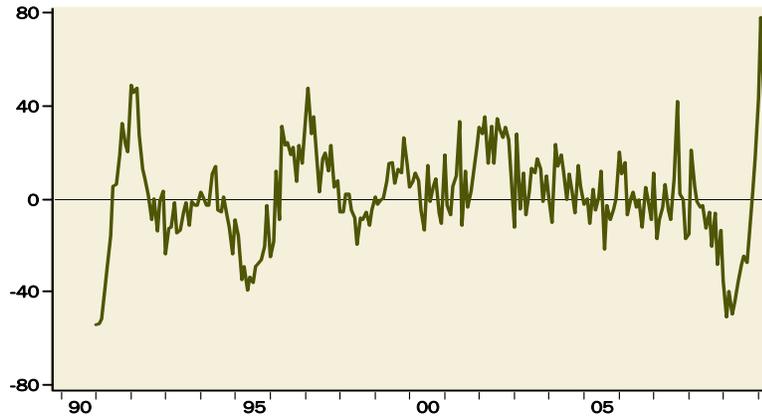
Consider the charts below:

As of February, housing starts were up a record 78% year-over-year (and in March up a hefty 38%). Build it and they will come.

The homebuilders are now adding 200,000 annualized housing starts in the stock of residential real estate, well above the 175,000 increment demand from net household formation.

### CHART 2: HOMEBUILDERS KEEP ON BUILDING

**Canada: Housing Starts**  
(year-over-year percent change)

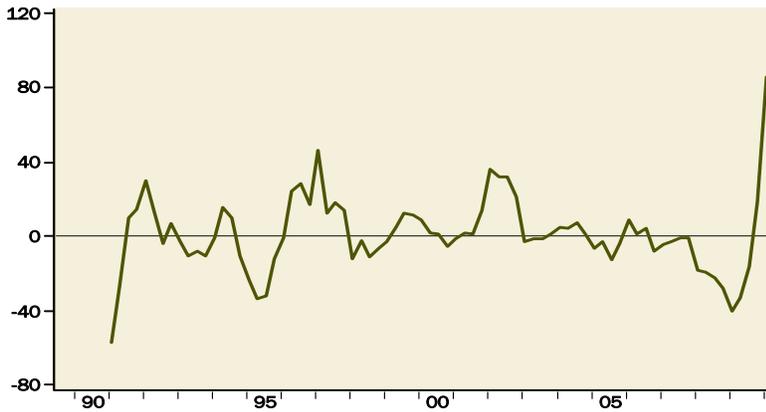


Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

And, we are seeing a parabolic bubble in single-family construction.

### CHART 3: PACE OF SINGLE-FAMILY STARTS RUNNING AT 86% YoY

**Canada: Single-Family Housing Starts**  
(year-over-year percent change)

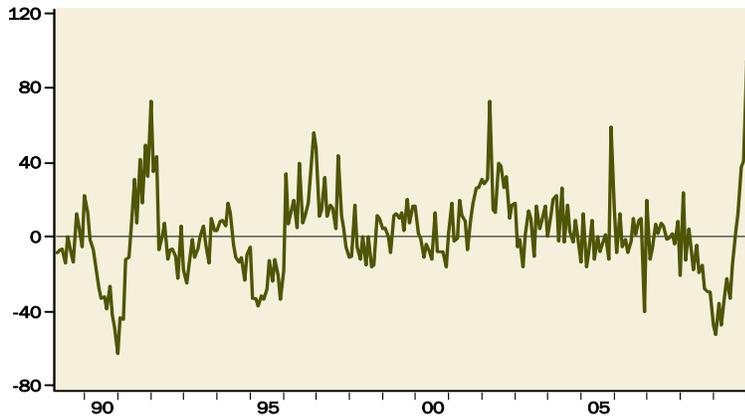


Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

With building permits up a resounding 60% from a year ago, even more supply is on its way.

**CHART 4: MORE SUPPLY IS ON ITS WAY**

**Canada: Residential Building Permits**  
(year-over-year percent change)



Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

Then Bank of Canada is about to hike rates at a time when housing affordability is flirting with all-time lows. House price gains have swamped the growth in wage income.

**CHART 5: HOUSING AFFORDABILITY FLIRTING WITH ALL TIME LOWS**

**Canada: Housing Affordability Index**  
(ratio)

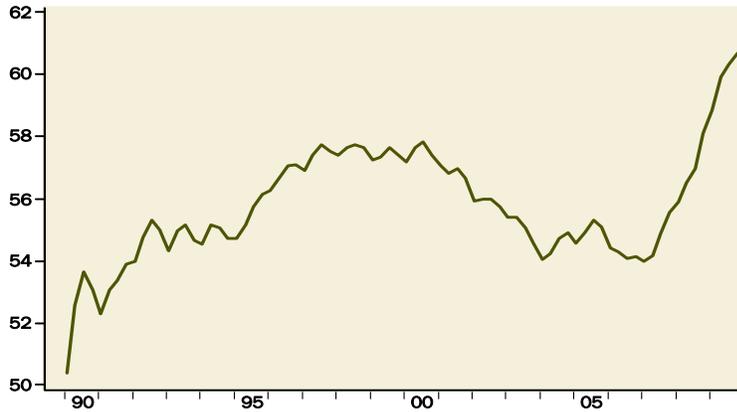


Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

The ratio of residential mortgage-to-real estate assets has risen nearly three-percentage points in the past year, to now stand at 60.7%.

**CHART 6: MORTGAGES RELATIVE TO RESIDENTIAL ASSETS NOW AT A RECORD 60.7%**

**Canada: Mortgages-to-Residential Structures Ratio**  
(percent)



Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

Debt bubble – Canadian style. The ratio of household debt-to-GDP is up almost 10 percentage points in the past year, to 94%. This is unprecedented.

**CHART 7: Debt Bubble – Canadian Style**

**Canada: Household Debt-to-GDP Ratio**  
(percent)

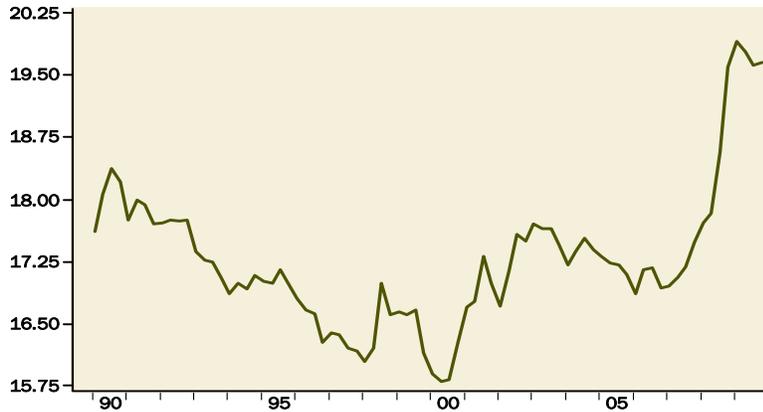


Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

The ratio of household debt to assets is nearly a third higher today than it was a decade ago.

**CHART 8: HOUSEHOLD DEBT TO ASSET RATIO NEAR RECORD HIGHS ...**

**Canada: Debt-to-Total Assets Ratio**  
(percent)

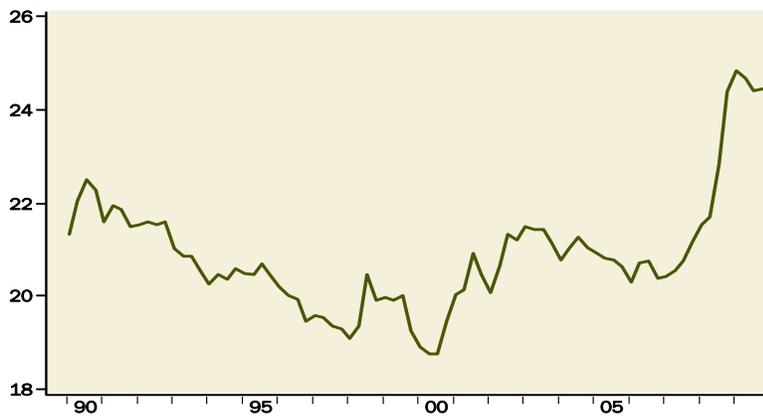


Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

Ditto for debt-to-net worth. We may be more American than we would like to believe.

**CHART 9: ... DITTO FOR DEBT-TO-NET WORTH**

**Canada: Debt-to-Net Worth Ratio**  
(percent)

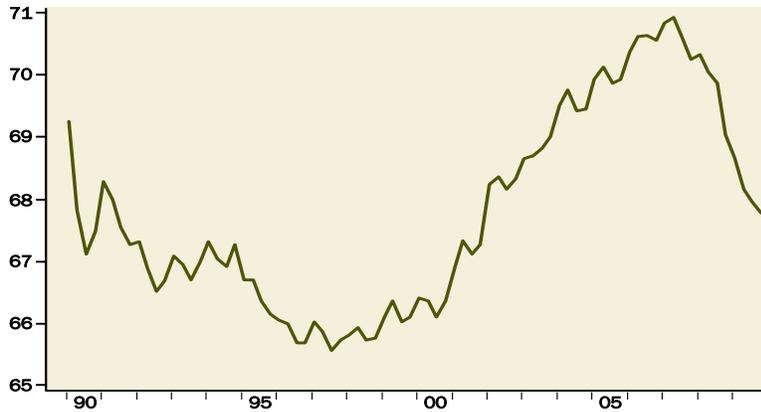


Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

Canadians have steadily been taking on higher home loan-to-value mortgages. Hence the decline in owners' equity to decade lows.

**CHART 10: ... DITTO FOR DEBT-TO-NET WORTH**

**Canada: Homeowners' Equity as a percent of Real Estate**  
(percent)

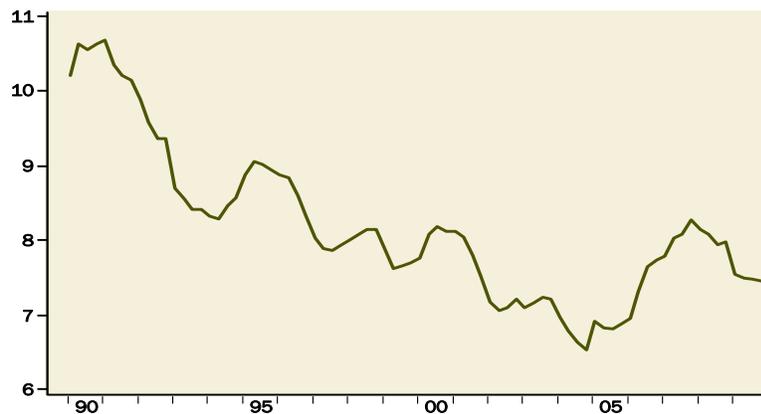


Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

Even though interest rates sank to record lows, household interest payments did not because of the massive runup in debt. If the Bank of Canada goes on a 2004-07 style tightening cycle, it would drain about \$25 billion in household spending. That alone would be a 2-3% hit to the base-line growth in Canadian consumer spending.

**CHART 11: DEBT-SERVICE RATIO SADDLED BY MASSIVE RUNUP IN DEBT**

**Canada: Household Debt Service Ratio**  
(percent)



Source: Haver Analytics, Gluskin Sheff

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