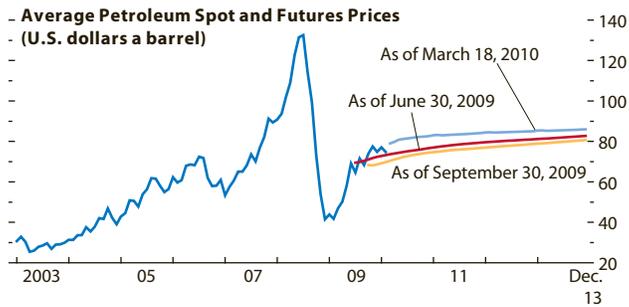
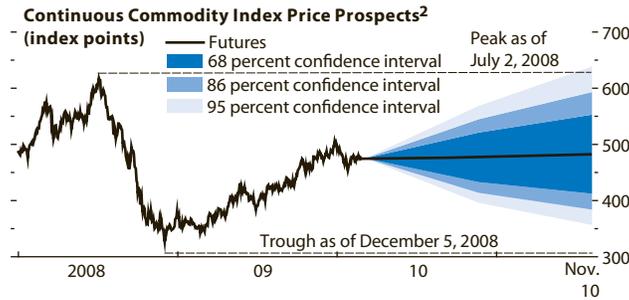
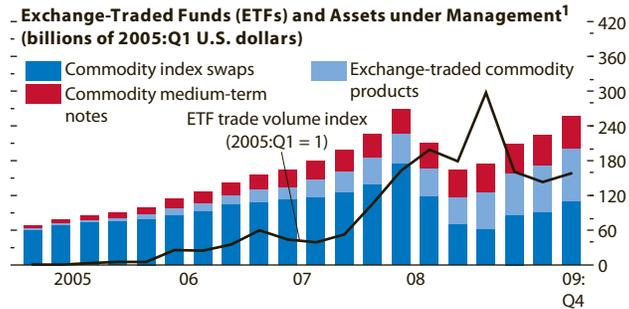
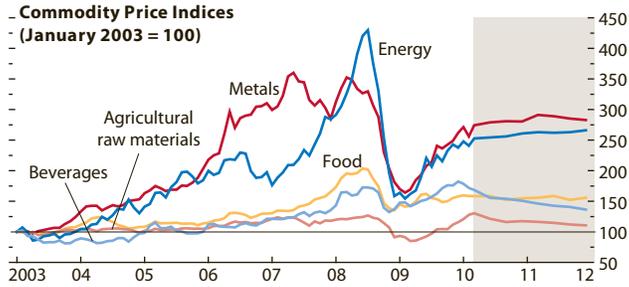


**Figure 1.18. Commodity and Petroleum Prices**



Sources: Barclays Capital; Bloomberg Financial Markets; and IMF staff estimates.

<sup>1</sup>The current dollar figures provided by Barclays Capital were deflated by the IMF commodity price index to take out the effect of valuation changes due to commodity price movements.

<sup>2</sup>The Continuous Commodity Index is a futures contract on a composite of 17 commodity futures prices (equally weighted), which is traded at the New York Board of Trade. Price prospects are based on prices of futures options as of March 10, 2010.