

Stock Market Briefing: S&P 500 Earnings Squiggles

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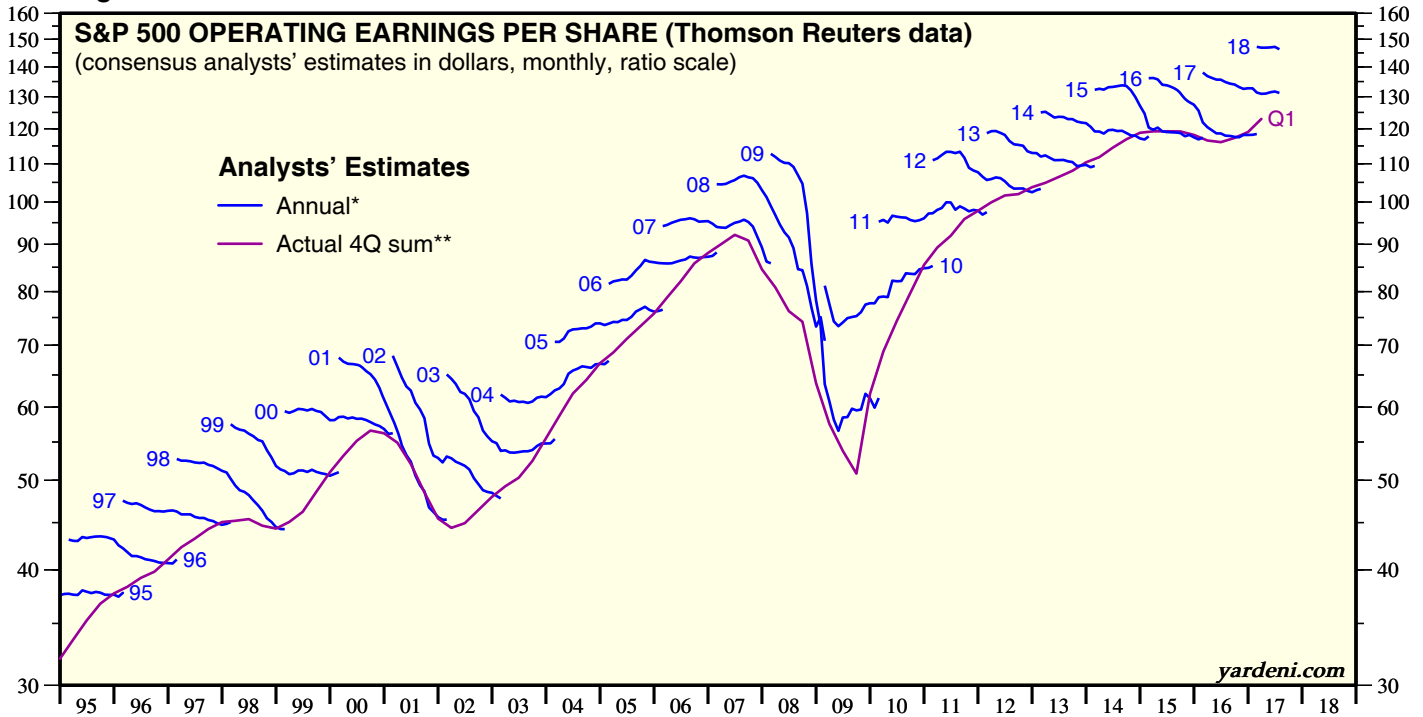
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S&P 500 Earnings Squiggles (Monthly)

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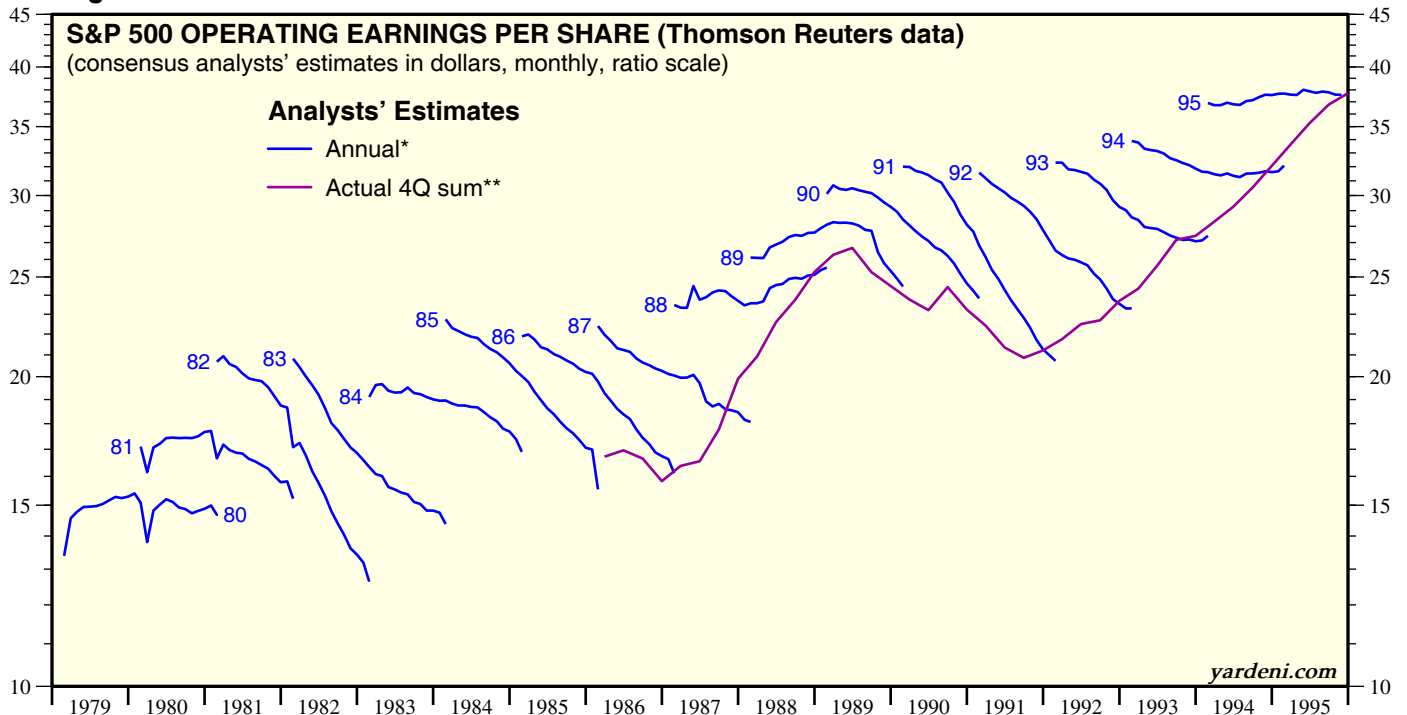


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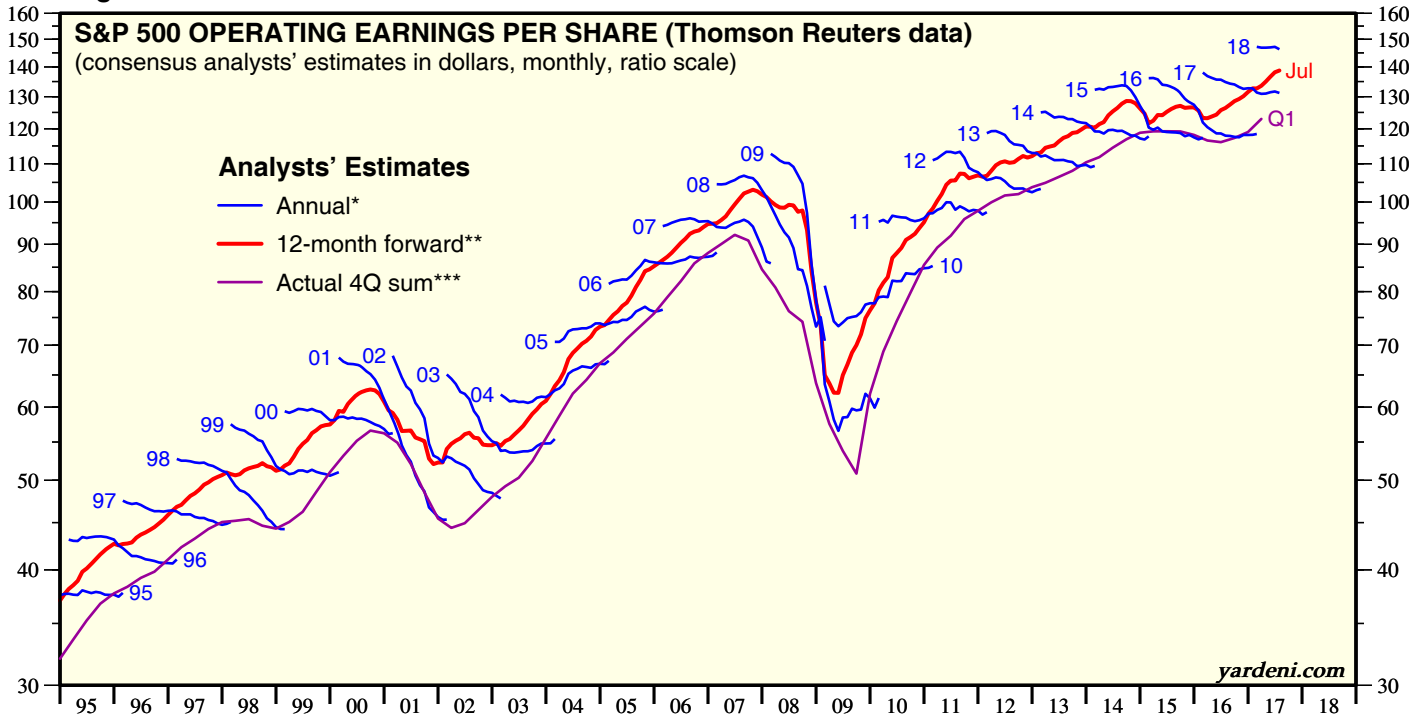
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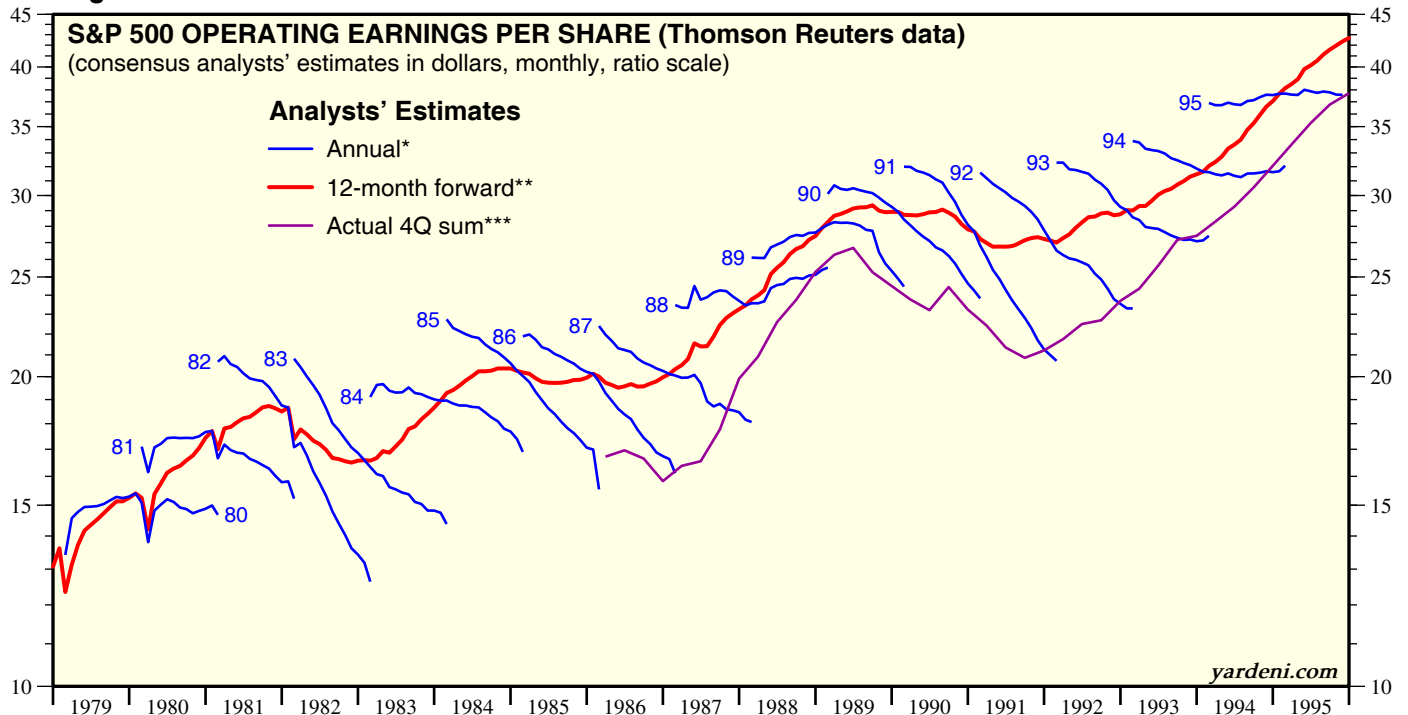
S&P 500 Earnings Squiggles (Monthly)

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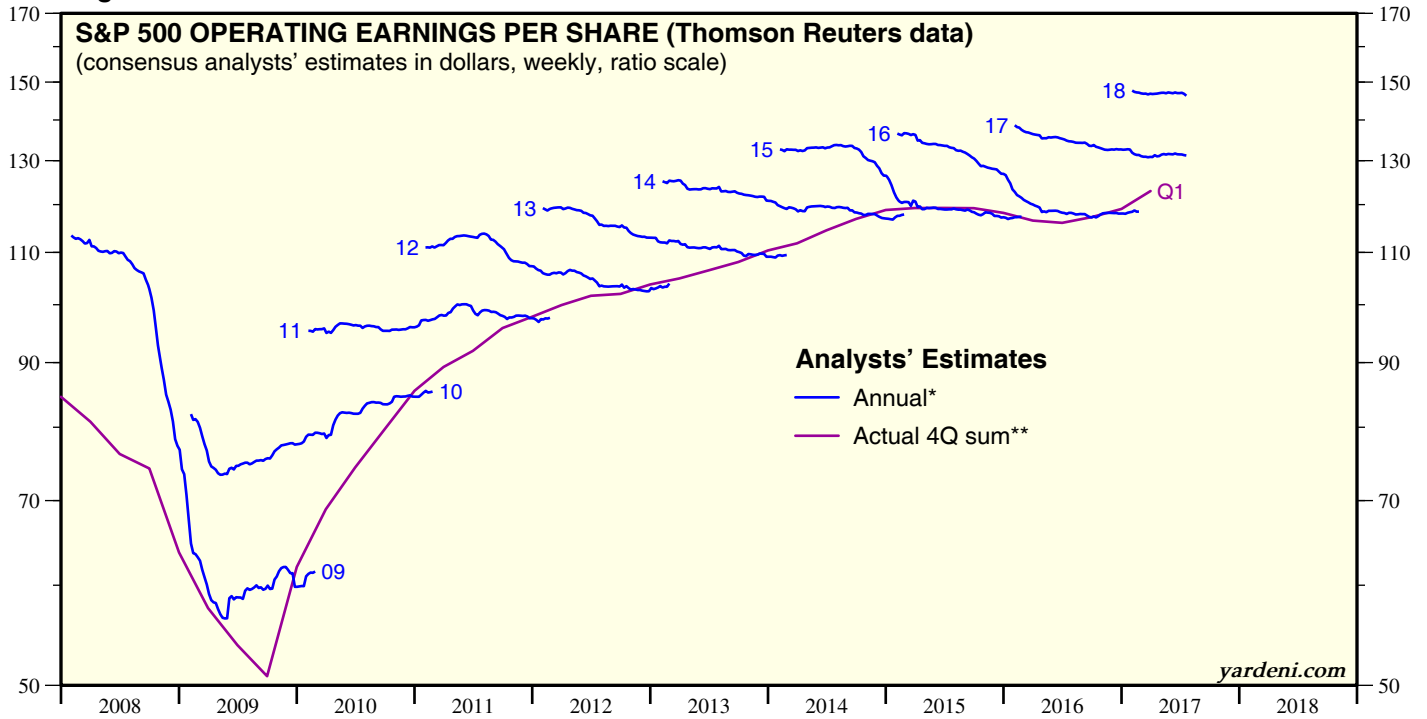
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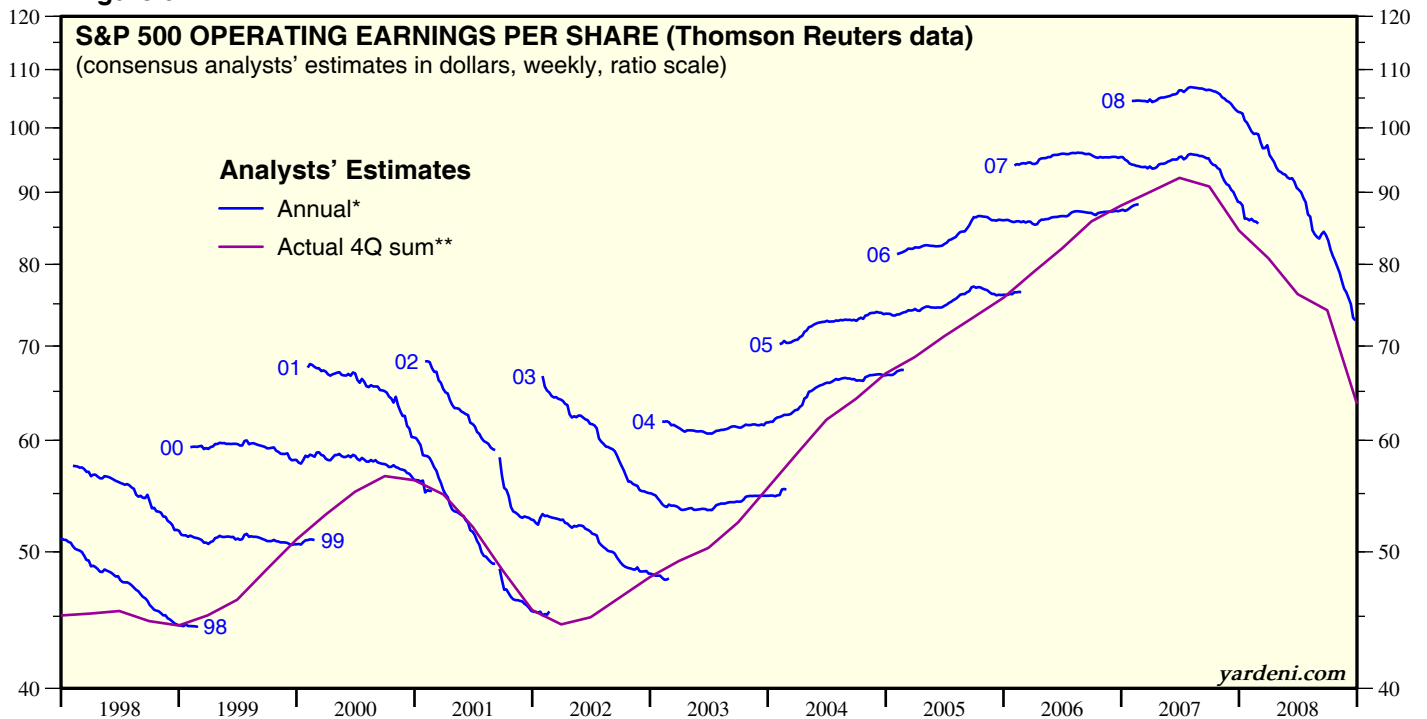


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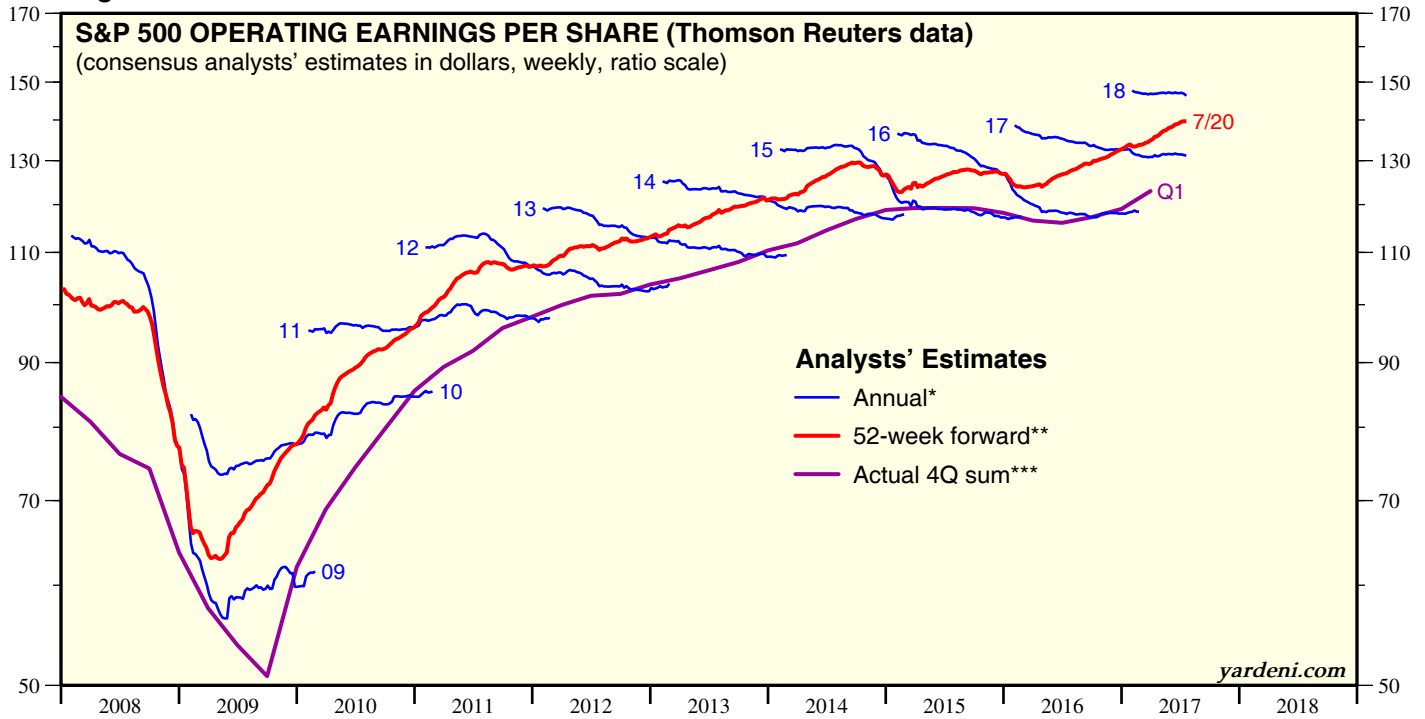
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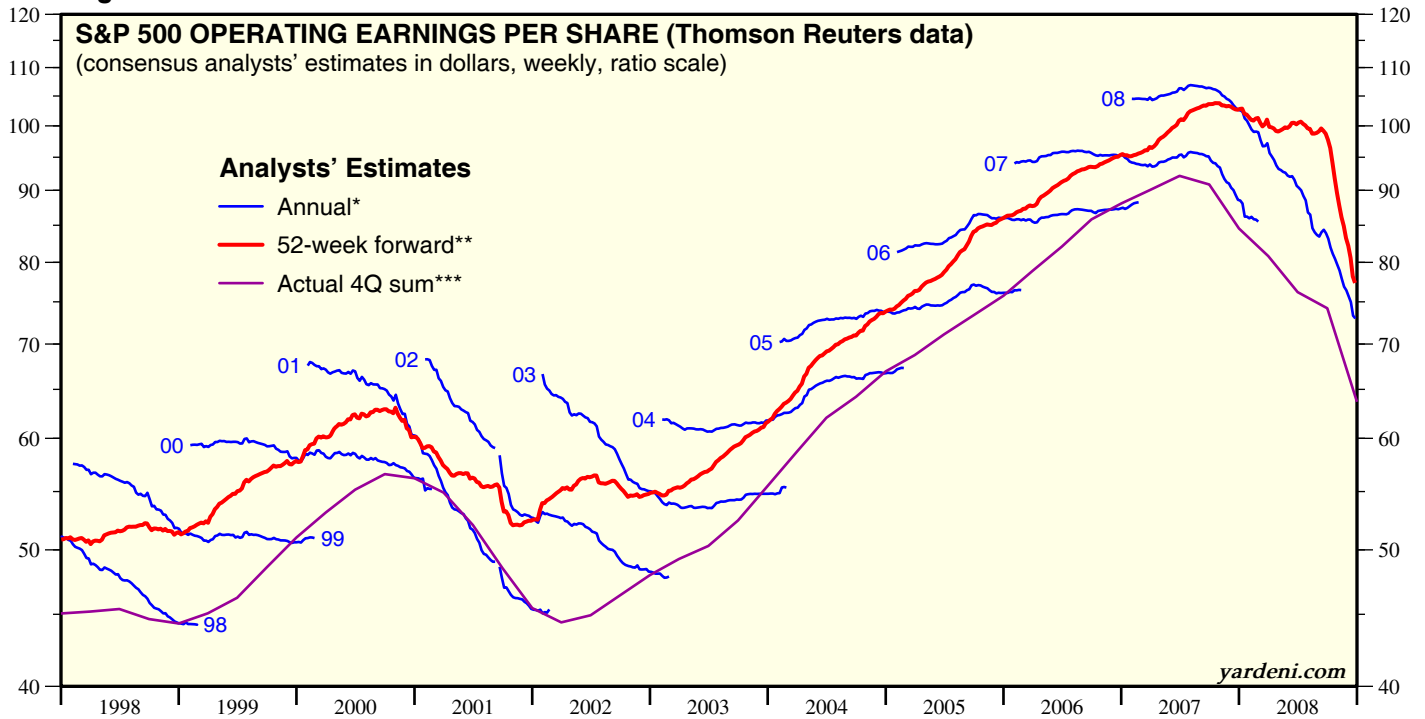
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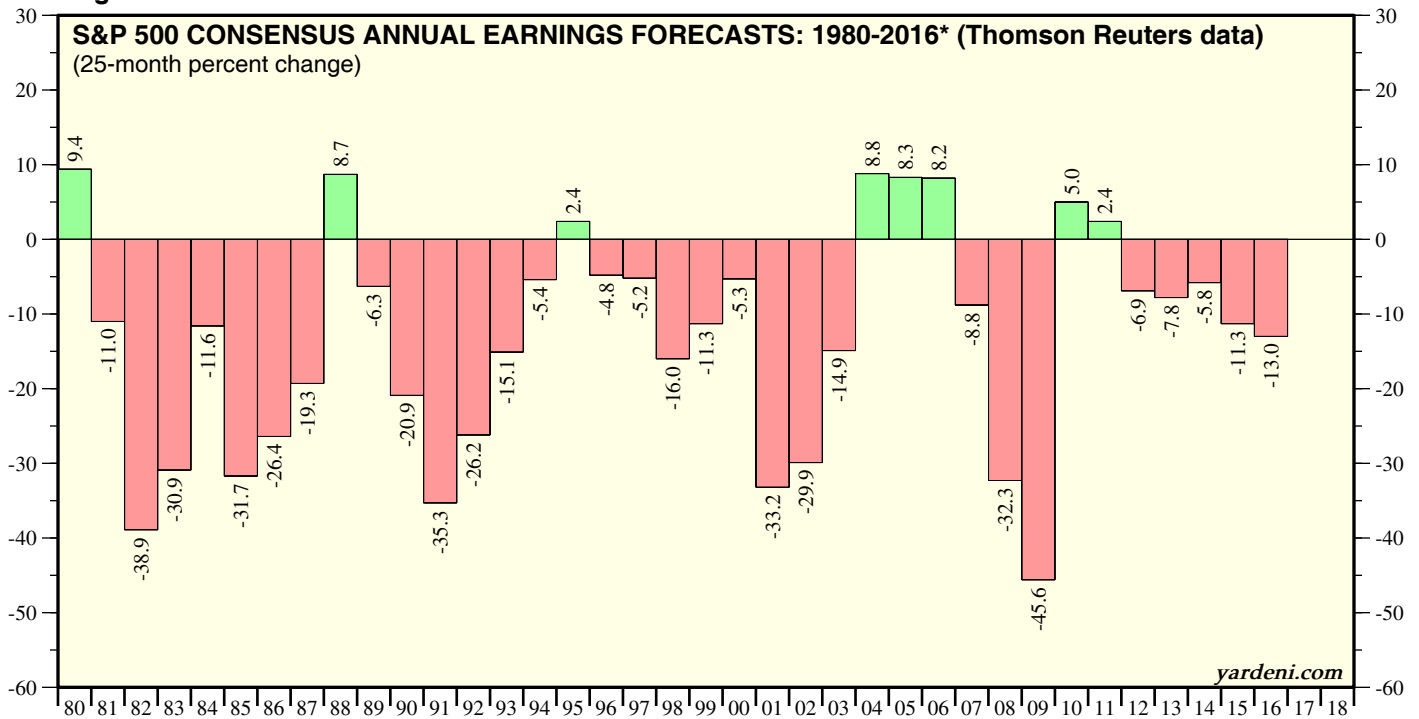
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Annual Earnings Squiggles Performance & Long-Term NERI

Figure 9.



* Percent change in consensus annual forecast from initial forecast to actual, e.g., from February 1979 to February 1981 for calendar year 1980.
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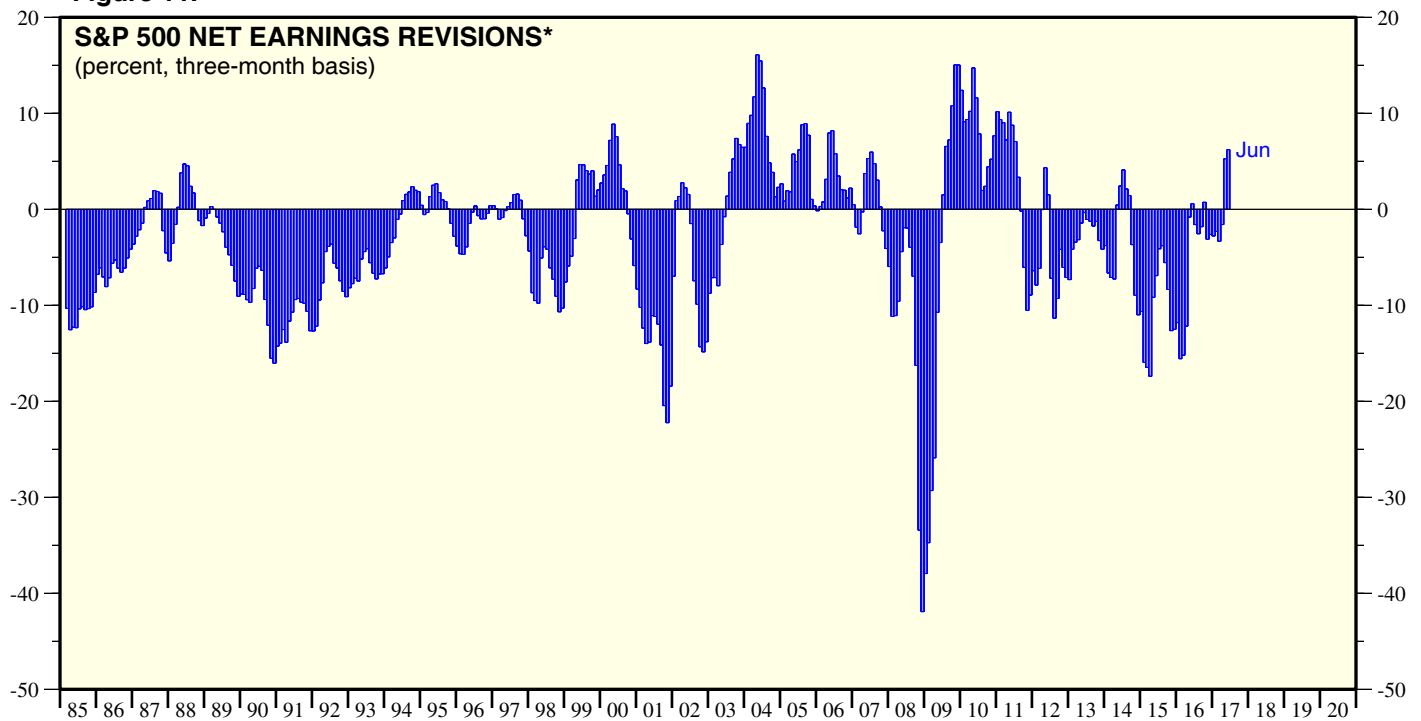
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Source: Thomson Reuters I/B/E/S.

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Figure 11.



* Three-month moving average of the number of forward earnings estimates up less number of estimates down, expressed as a percentage of the total number of forward earnings estimates.
Source: Thomson Reuters I/B/E/S.

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