

extent determined by market forces. It is not far fetched to believe that wages for illegal workers have developed in approximately the same way as those for legally employed.

The relative absence of variations in unemployment rate makes it clear that it is an insensitive measure even if its few variations seem to be in the right direction. Its extremely low level does not seem realistic.

To sum up, wage data appear to be fairly acceptable indicators of real income changes; unemployment data seem to be more deficient.

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