Figure 3.7. Household Saving Rate and Net Lending before and after Business Cycle Peaks

(Peak in output at $t = 0$)

In episodes of financial crisis, households dissave during expansions and restore balance sheets during recessions.

Household Saving Rate
- (median year-over-year difference; percentage points)
  - “Big Five” financial crises
  - Financial crises
  - All other recessions

Change in Household Net Lending in Selected Financial Crisis Episodes
(percent of gross disposable income; positive denotes increase in saving)
  - Denmark
  - Finland
  - Norway
  - United Kingdom

Source: IMF staff calculations.