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Holiday adjustment is an important part of seasonal adjustment. But it is often hard to measure. I would like to introduce the way we have been applying. Also, I would like to talk about the current plan for the routines to build in X-13ARIMA-SEATS.



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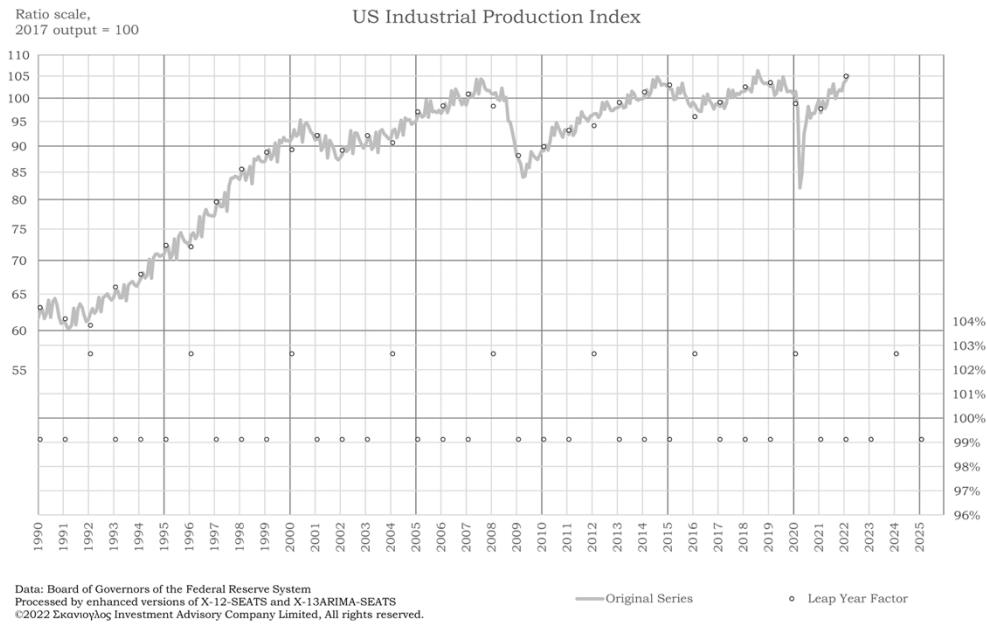


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Major holidays often affect to the country where the holidays are not publicly celebrated. This is an example to detect Chinese Year Factor from the industrial production index of the United States. This is the original series, or the series not seasonally adjusted yet.

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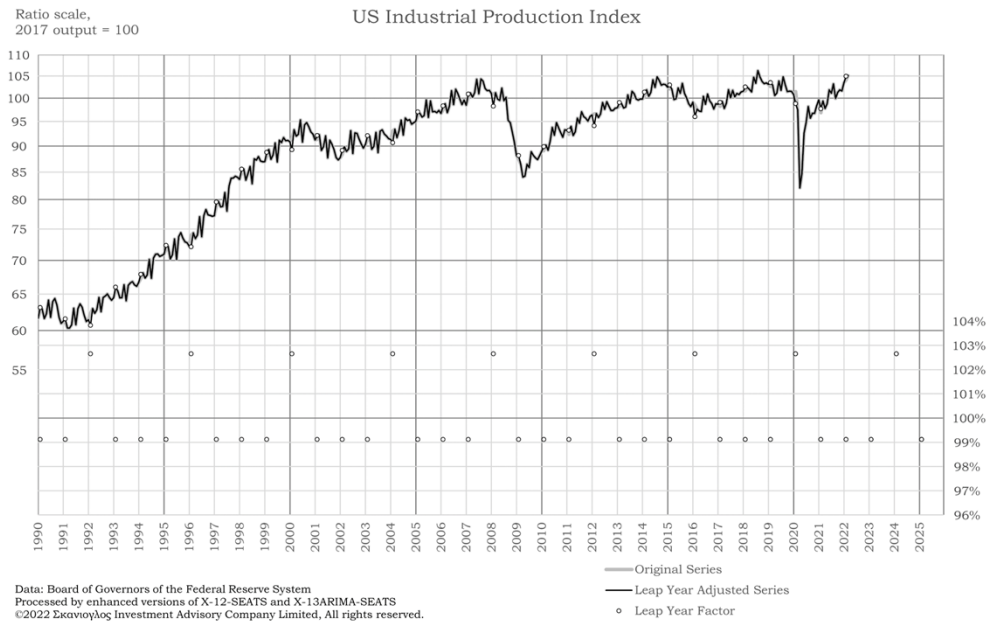


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Adjusted for the lengths of Februarys.

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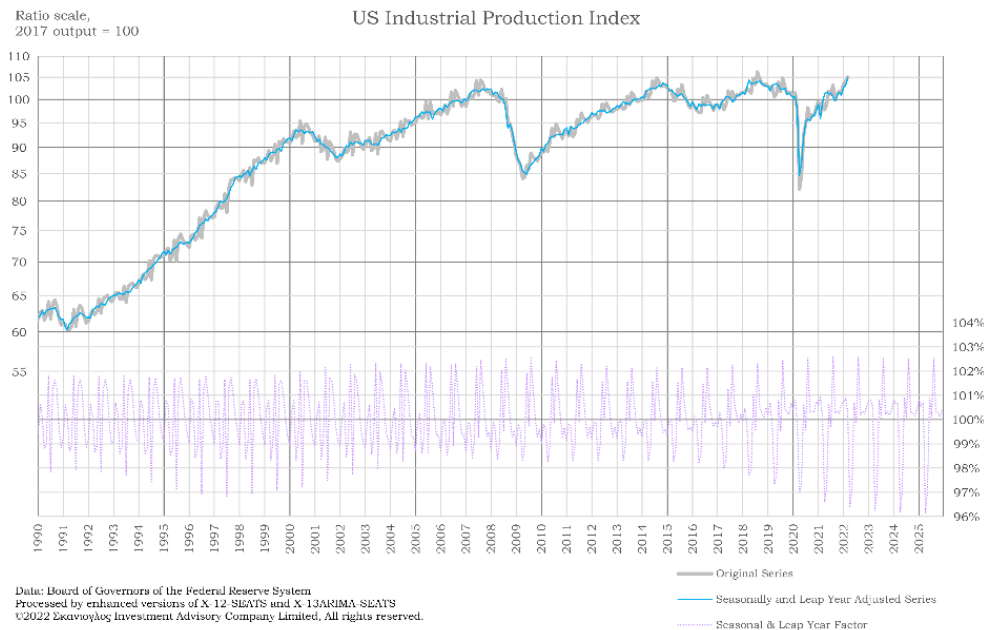


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Leap year adjustment.

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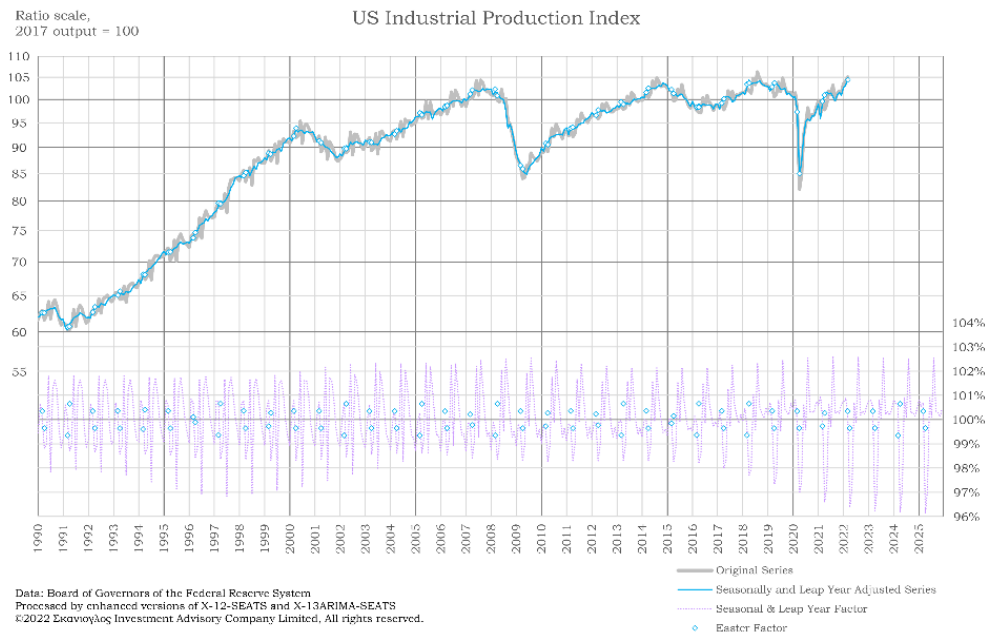


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Seasonal factor and leap year factor are plotted as one dotted line. They are removed from the solid line. But holiday factors are not removed yet.

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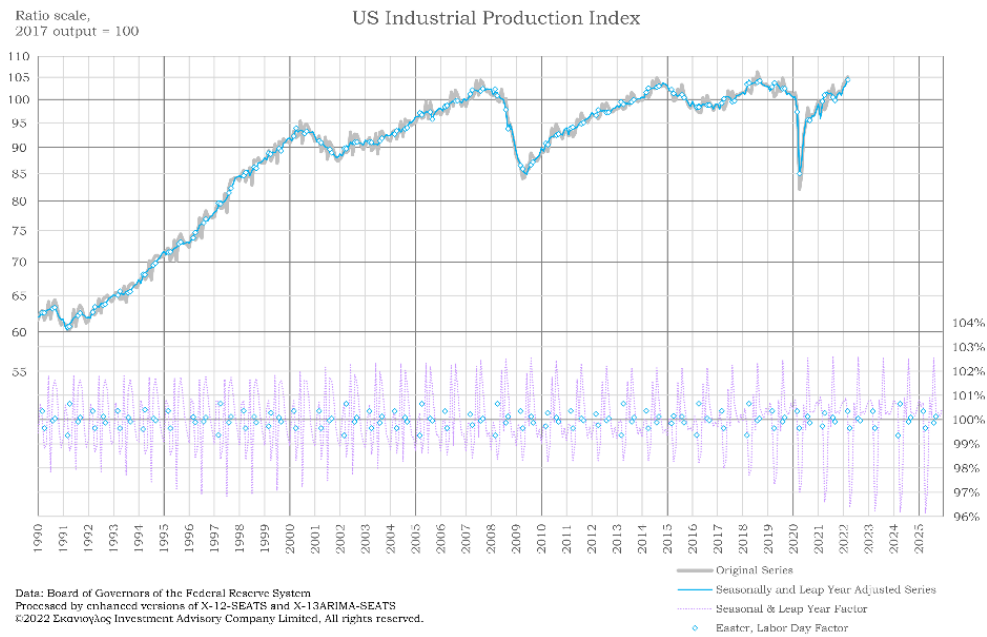


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Easter factor.

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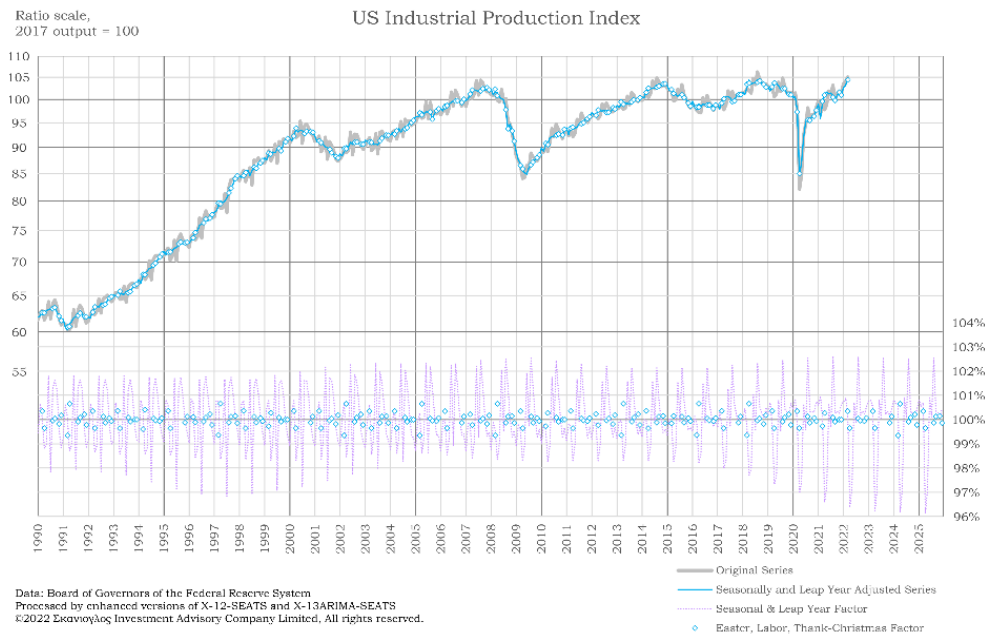


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Labor day factor.

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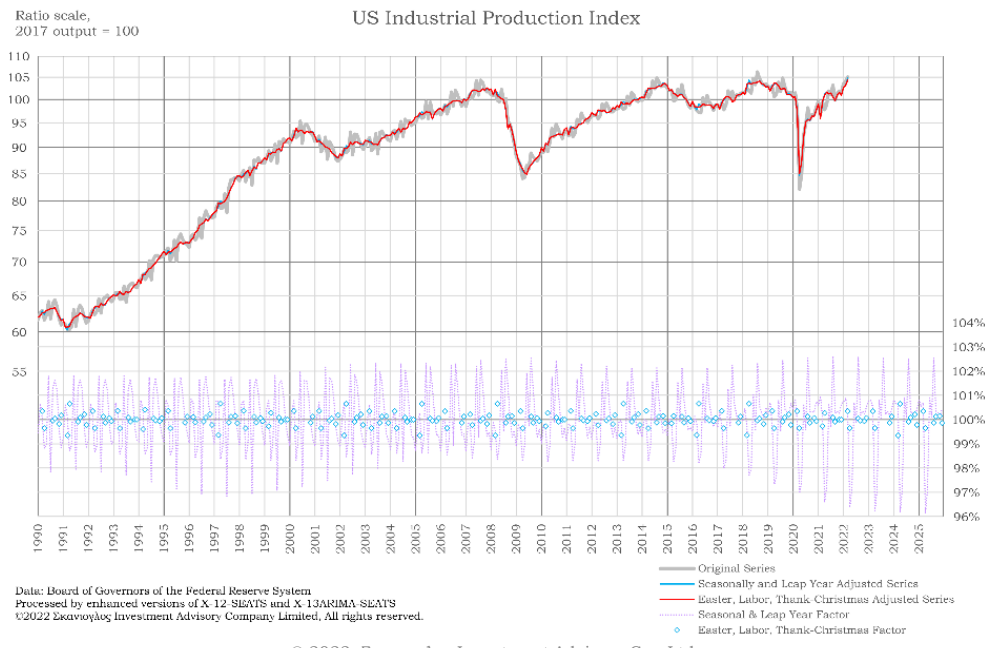


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Thanksgiving Christmas factor. These factors were estimated and removed.

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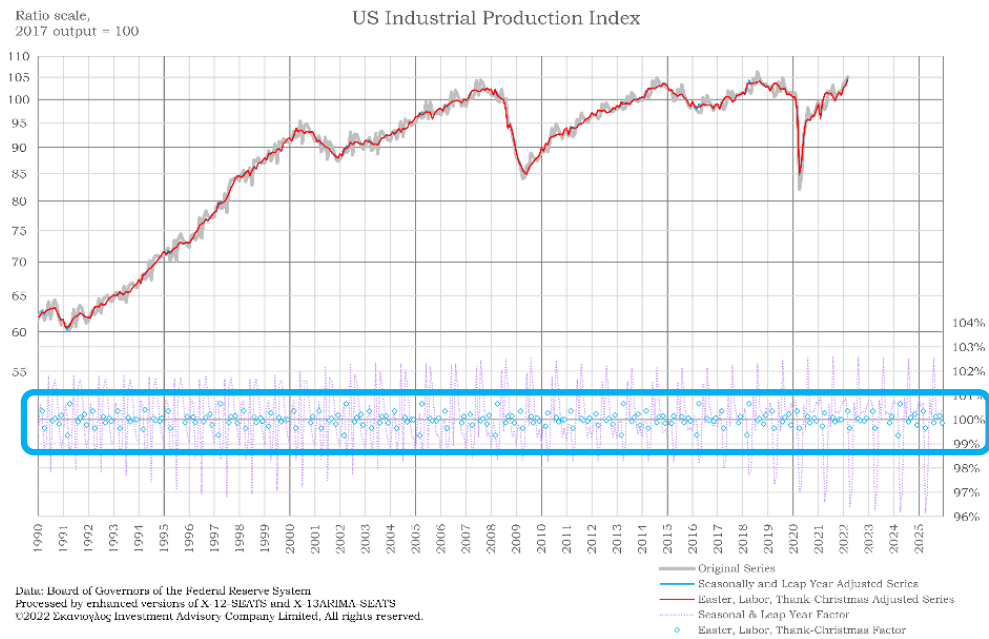


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Original Census Method can do this.

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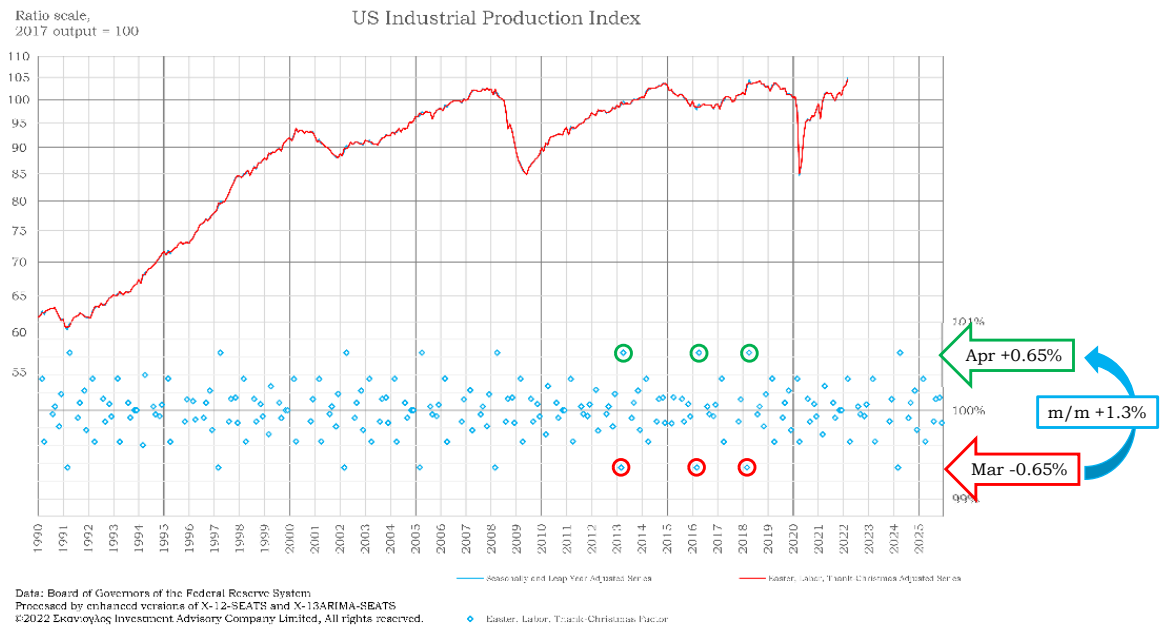


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Let the scale be changed for these holiday factors to compare with Chinese New Year factors. Because from earlier this century, industrial productions of many advanced countries often show fluctuations on January and February.

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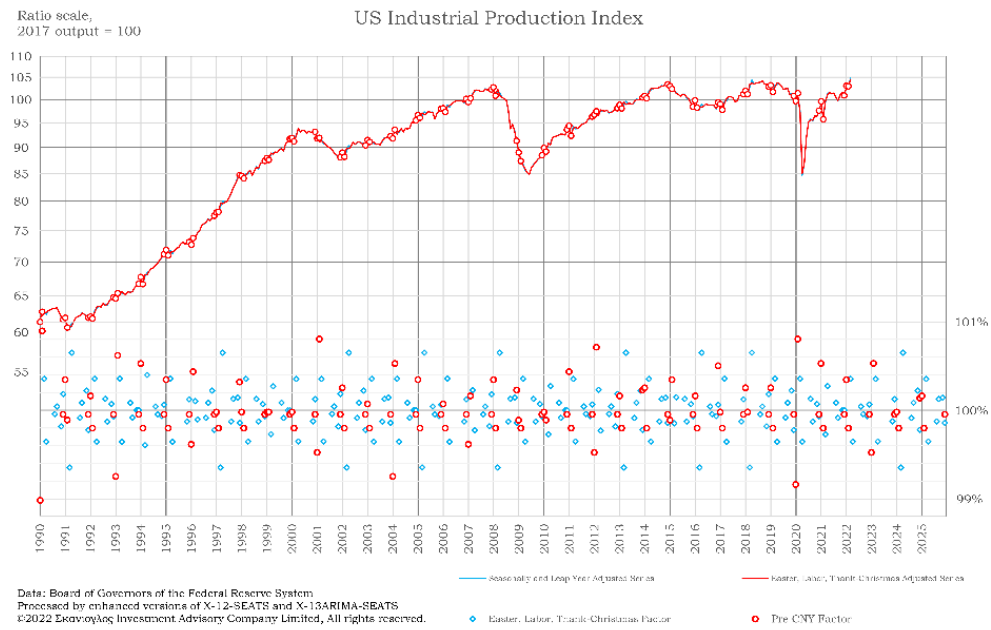


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Easter factor is the largest among these three holiday factors. Years like 2013, 16, 18, March productions were down by -0.65% and April productions were up by +0.65% as holiday effect. Therefore, month on month basis, holiday factor pushed up April monthly growth by 1.3%.

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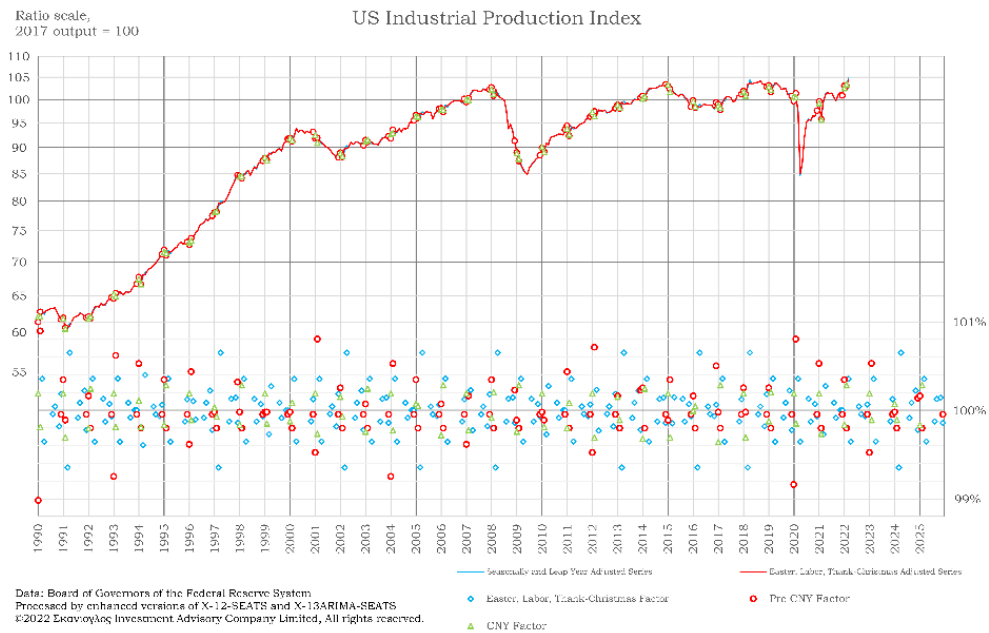


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Chinese New Year effect is divided into two factors. One is Pre Chinese New Year factor, to trace surge of production prior to the holiday.

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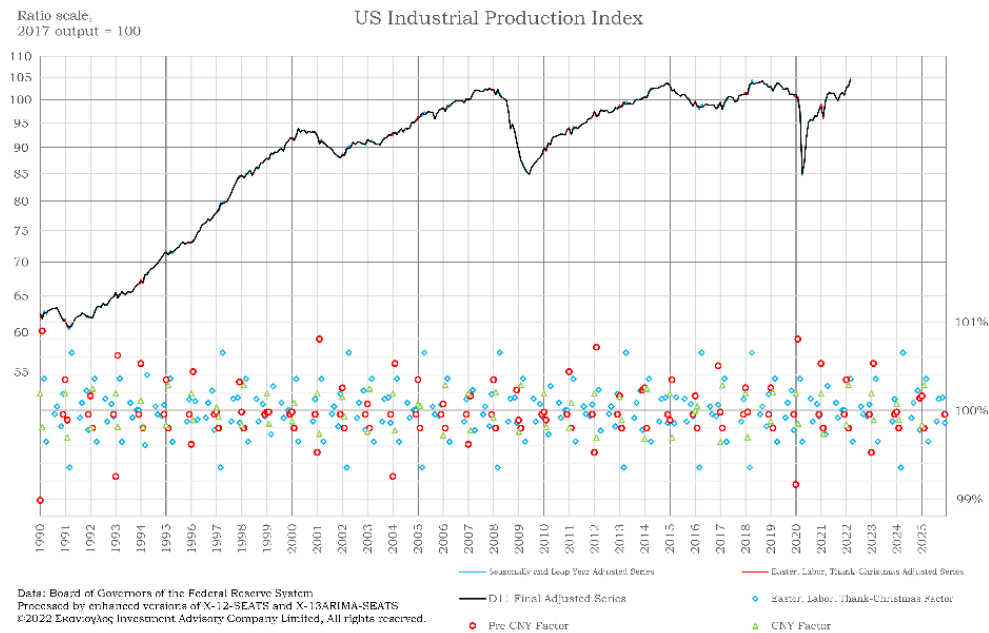


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Two is Chinese New Year factor, to trace low production period amid and after the holiday.

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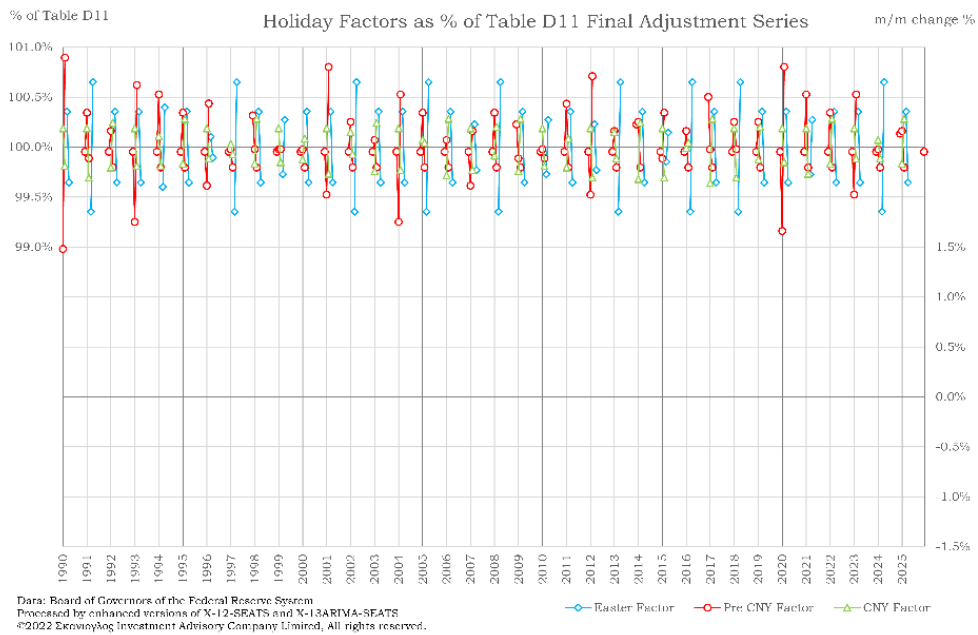


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Chinese New Year factors were accepted by the AIC test of the Census Method. Magnitudes of them are not so different from the Easter, as charted in the lower part of this figure. Let us look at the lower part of this chart, holiday factors for a while.

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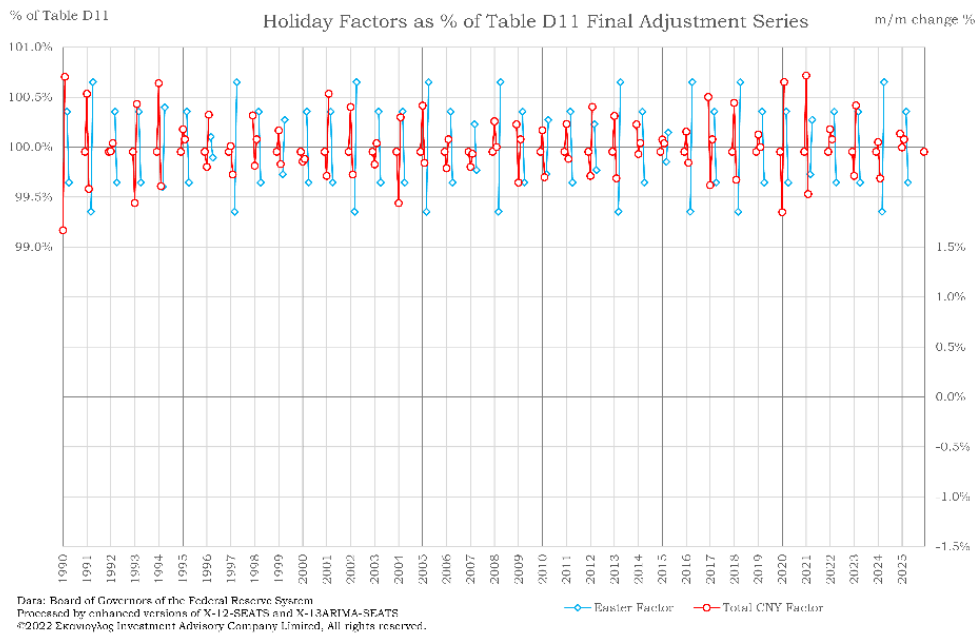


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Pre Chinese New Year factor and Chinese New Year factor cross out each other. Let the product of both factors to name Total Chinese New Year factor.

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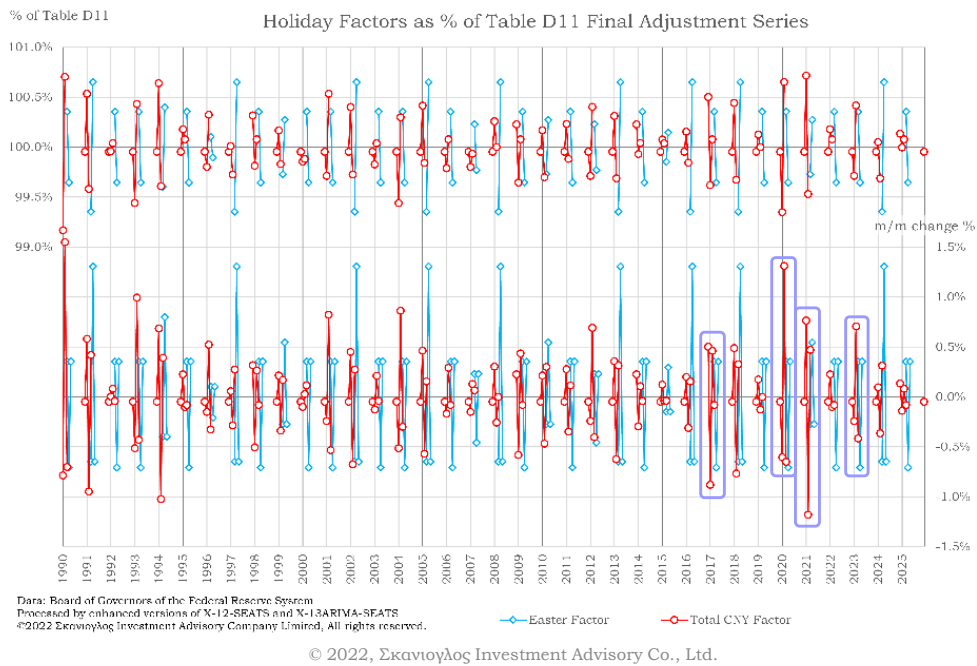


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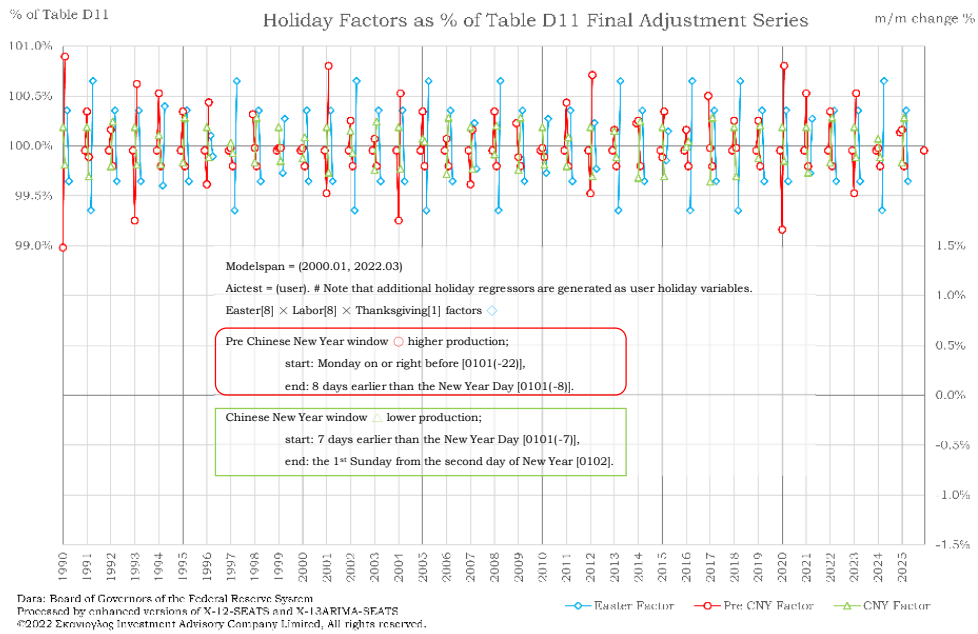
Easter factor occurs on March and April in this model. For other months, value of Easter factor is 100% which means neutral. Chinese New Year factor occurs from December to February, and other months are 100% in this model.

1. Detection of holiday effects (3)



Upper part is level of holiday factors. Lower part is month on month change of holiday factors. For the years 2017, 20, 21, and year 2023, Total Chinese New Year factor is estimated to be larger than Easter factor. For the purpose of, say, international comparison of equally adjusted series, Chinese New Year would be a candidate.

1. Detection of holiday effects (3)



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Then, how the Chinese New Year factors were estimated while there are no such official holidays in the USA?

1. Detection of holiday effects (4)

Modelspan = (2000.01, 2022.03)

Aictest = (user). # Note that additional holiday regressors are generated as user holiday variables.

Easter[8] × Labor[8] × Thanksgiving[1] factors ◇

Pre Chinese New Year window ○ higher production;
start: Monday on or right before [0101(-22)],

Pre holiday window, written in the rounded rectangle, starts at Monday, on or right before, the 22 days earlier than Chinese New Year.

1. Detection of holiday effects (4)

Modelspan = (2000.01, 2022.03)

Aictest = (user). # Note that additional holiday regressors are generated as user holiday variables.

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start: Monday on or right before [0101(-22)],
end: 8 days earlier than the New Year Day [0101(-8)].

Pre holiday window ends at eight days earlier than the Chinese New Year.

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end: 8 days earlier than the New Year Day [0101(-8)].

Chinese New Year window △ lower production;

start: 7 days earlier than the New Year Day [0101(-7)],

Holiday window, in the rectangle, starts at seven days earlier than the Chinese New Year.

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Chinese New Year window △ lower production;

start: 7 days earlier than the New Year Day [0101(-7)],

end: the 1st Sunday from the second day of New Year [0102].

Holiday window ends at the first Sunday on or right after new year the second.

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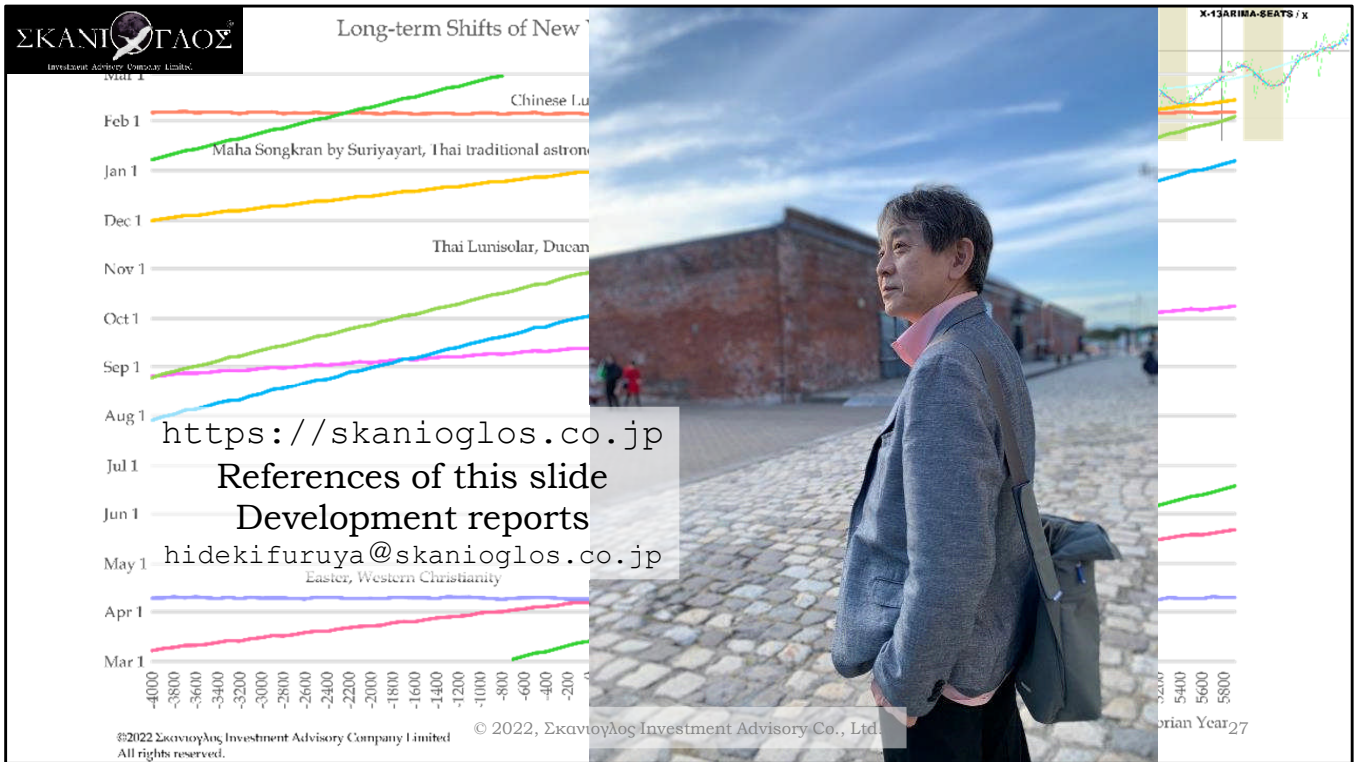
Lower AICC than else.

These windows were selected from various windows because they had lower AICCs than other windows. How these windows were chosen?

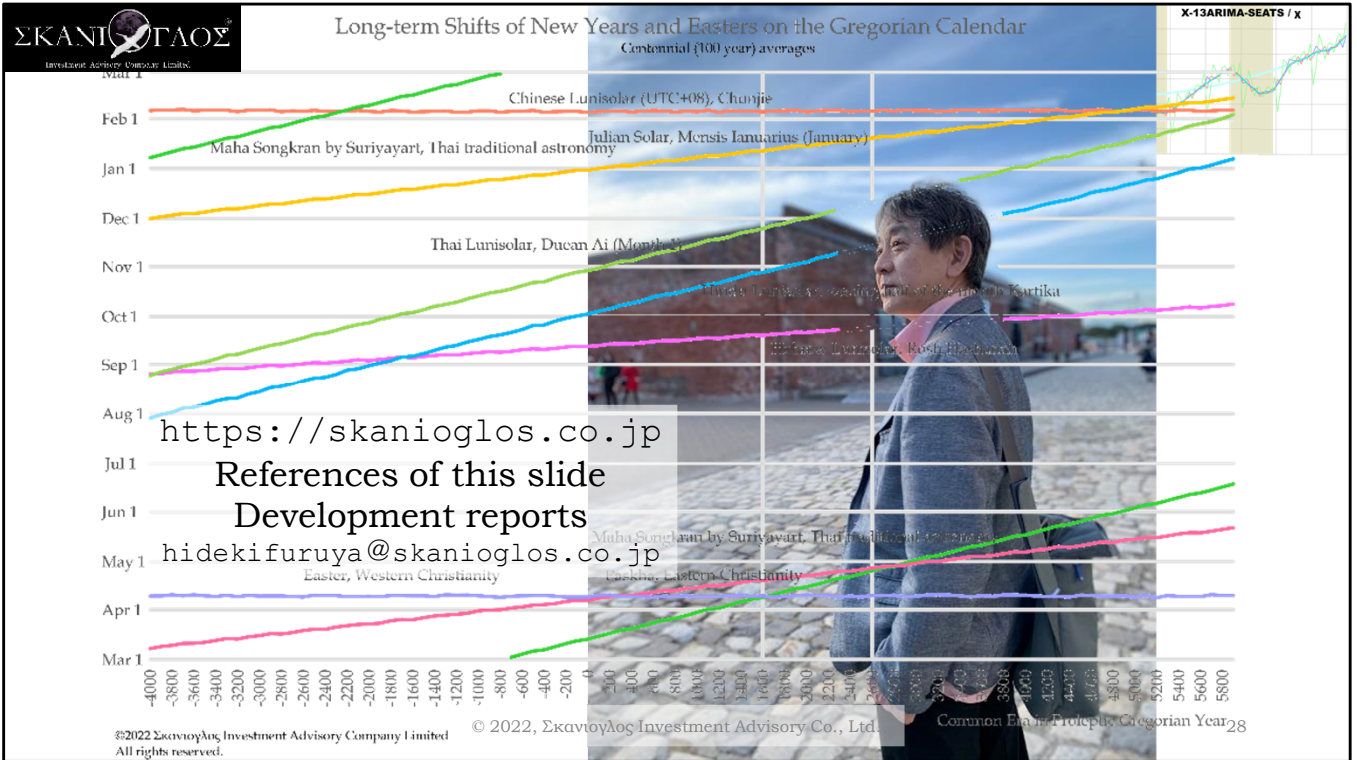
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Use of model selection criteria is explained in the section 5.5 of the reference manual.



That is the former half of the story, holiday effects which dates are not public holiday. And the story continues to the latter half.



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The story continues. Procedure of detection can be divided into three steps. One. Outliers, differencing operators, and other regressors which usually applied should be fixed.

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Two. Compare various holiday regressors and choose one.

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3. Apply chosen holiday regressors and estimate with `automodel` or other automatic selections if needed.

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3. Holiday windows

Holiday windows are the dates which are assumed to be affected by the holiday.

Ex. 1, begins at the New Year's Eve, ends at the 3rd of the New Year.

Ex. 2, begins at the 3rd Monday prior to the day before New Year's Eve, ends at the day before New Year's Eve.

Holiday windows are the dates which are assumed to be affected by the holiday. For example one. A window begins at the New Year's Eve, and ends at the third of the New Year. Example two. A window begins at the third Monday prior to the day before New Year's Eve, and ends at the day before New Year's Eve.

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Detection of unknown holiday windows;

three regressor model: $y_t = \beta'X_t + \sum_{i=1}^3 \alpha_i H_i(\tau, t) + z_t$,

where, $y_t = \ln Y_t$, logarithm of the original series,

$\beta'X_t$, other regressors, say, trading day regressors, or other holiday regressors,

$\alpha_i H_i(\tau, t)$, holiday regressors of the period t , which month in Gregorian calendar is τ ,

pre-holiday $H_1(\tau, t) = N_1(\tau, t)/N_1(\tau)$, phase of higher production prior to the holiday,

For the detection of unknown holiday windows, three-regressor model may be applicable. The first of three regressors is for pre-holiday, the phase of higher production prior to the holiday.

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post-holiday $H_3(\tau, t) = N_3(\tau, t)/N_3(\tau)$, phase of recovery of production after the holiday,

$N_i(\tau, t)$, number of dates within above phase in the period t , which month is τ ,

$N_i(\tau)$, long-term average of $N_i(\tau, t)$ which month is τ ,

and, z_t , residual to follow ARIMA process.

The third of three regressors is for post-holiday, the phase of recovery of production after the holiday.

3. Holiday windows

Or;

two regressor model: $y_t = \beta' X_t + \sum_{i=1}^2 \alpha_i H_i(\tau, t) + z_t$,

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Also, two regressor model can be applicable. The first of two regressors is for pre-holiday, the phase of higher production prior to the holiday.

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holiday $H_2(\tau, t) = N_2(\tau, t)/N_2(\tau)$, phase of low production and recovery after the holiday.

The second of two regressors is for holiday, the phase of low production and recovery after the holiday.

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one regressor model: $y_t = \beta' X_t + \alpha H(\tau, t) + z_t$,

$\alpha H(\tau, t)$, holiday regressor of the period t , which month in Gregorian calendar is τ ,

holiday $H(\tau, t) = N(\tau, t)/N(\tau)$.

Of course, one regressor model may be applicable.

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holiday $H(\tau, t) = N(\tau, t)/N(\tau)$.

Holiday window to monthly regressor (or regressor of any given seasonal period longer than daily)
⇒ to be built into the enhanced X-13ARIMA-SEATS.

Then, holiday window would be changed to holiday regressor by the program.

4. Border of holiday windows

- Compare AICCs of holiday regressors and choose one

Let me explain about the procedure which has been applied. The first to fix is, border of holiday windows with a 7-day pre-holiday window and a 7-day holiday window.

4. Border of holiday windows

- Compare AICCs of holiday regressors and choose one
 - Find border between pre-holiday and holiday window.

Compare AICCs of various borders and, find the lowest. Of course the windows can be overlapped. But I prefer to separate the holiday periods.

4. Border of holiday windows

- Compare AICCs of holiday regressors and choose one
 - Find border between pre-holiday and post-holiday windows.
 - Find start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window.

Next, find start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window.

4. Border of holiday windows

- Compare AICCs of holiday regressors and choose one
 - Find border between pre-holiday and post-holiday windows.
 - Find start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window.

1. Public holiday

AICC₃; pre-holiday: [$d_{3,y,11}$ $d_{3,y,12}$], peri: [$d_{3,y,21}$ $d_{3,y,22}$], post: [$d_{3,y,31}$ $d_{3,y,33}$]
peri window = public holiday.

Border of windows. If there exists public holiday, test three window models. Let the peri-holiday to be the public holiday dates.

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AICC₂; pre-holiday: [$d_{2,y,11}$ $d_{2,y,12}$], (peri & post) holiday: [$d_{2,y,21}$ $d_{2,y,22}$]
 $d_{2,y,21}$ = beginning of public holiday, or the weekend right before.

And two window models. Let the beginning of holiday window as beginning of public holiday, or the weekend right before.

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Three windows or two windows? After all, compare AICC₃ and AICC₂ of best models.

After fixing the beginning of pre-holiday window and the end of holiday window, compare the AICCs of best models and choose one.

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2. No public holidays.

Ex., set as initial values: pre-holiday = [$d_{y,21}-8$ $d_{y,21}-1$], holiday = [$d_{y,21}$ $d_{y,21}+7$].

Then compare AICC's of various $d_{y,21}$.

If the series is merchandise import or export, the span can be as long as several months.

If there are no public holidays and the series is affected via merchandise trade, border of holiday windows is unknown. Experimentally fix pre-holiday window and holiday window to 7 days. Move the border from several months earlier to several months later. Then, choose the lowest AICC as the border.

4. Border of holiday windows

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1. Public holiday

AICC₃; pre-holiday: [$d_{3,y,11}$ $d_{3,y,12}$], peri: [$d_{3,y,21}$ $d_{3,y,22}$], post: [$d_{3,y,31}$ $d_{3,y,33}$]
peri window = public holiday.

AICC₂; pre-holiday: [$d_{2,y,11}$ $d_{2,y,12}$], (peri & post) holiday: [$d_{2,y,21}$ $d_{2,y,22}$]

$d_{2,y,21}$ = beginning of public holiday, or the weekend right before.

Three windows or two windows? After all, compare AICC₃ and AICC₂ of best models.

2. No public holidays.

Ex., set as initial values: pre-holiday = [$d_{y,21}-8$ $d_{y,21}-1$], holiday = [$d_{y,21}$ $d_{y,21}+7$].

Then compare AICC's of various $d_{y,21}$.

If the series is merchandise import or export, the span can be as long as several months.

Hence, the border of holiday window is fixed.

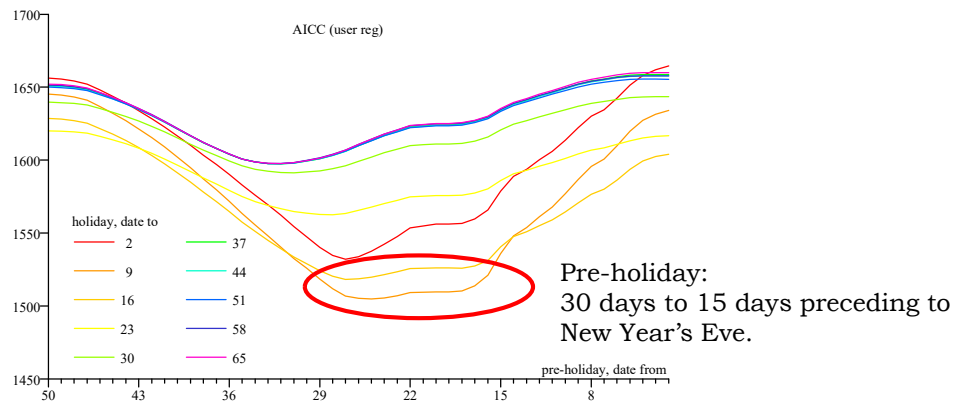
5. Start and end of holiday windows

- Find start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window.

$$\text{pre-holiday} = [d_{y,11} \ d_{y,21}-1], \text{ holiday} = [d_{y,21} \ d_{y,22}].$$

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Then, fix the start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window, you can get regressors. This chart and coming charts trace the procedure to find holiday windows of the lowest AICC for industrial production of Taiwan.

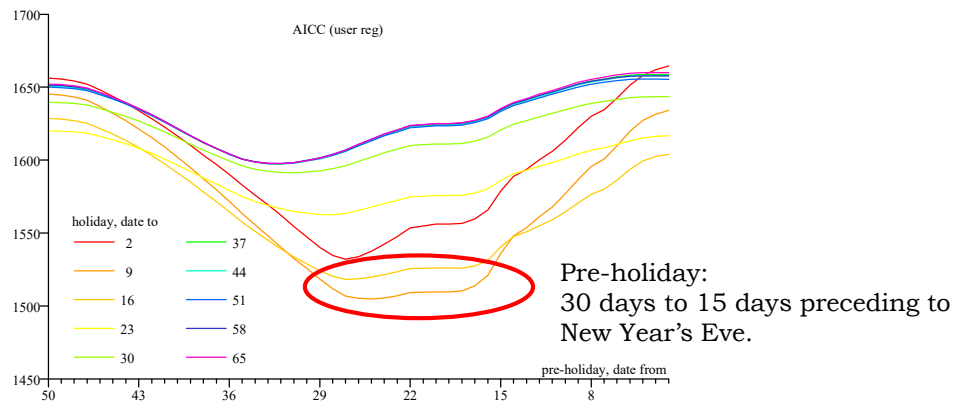
6. Border of holiday windows again

➤ Find start The Day before New Year's Eve New Year's Eve holiday window.

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This case, end of pre-holiday window was fixed as the day before New Year's Eve. Start of holiday window was also fixed as New Year's Eve.

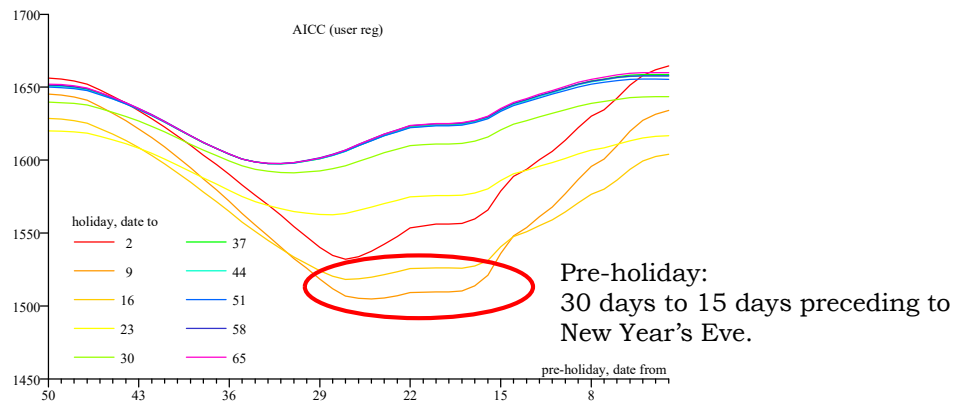
7. Start of pre-holiday window

- Find start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window.

pre-holiday = $[d_{y,11} d_{y,21} - 1]$, holiday = $[d_{y,21} d_{y,22}]$.

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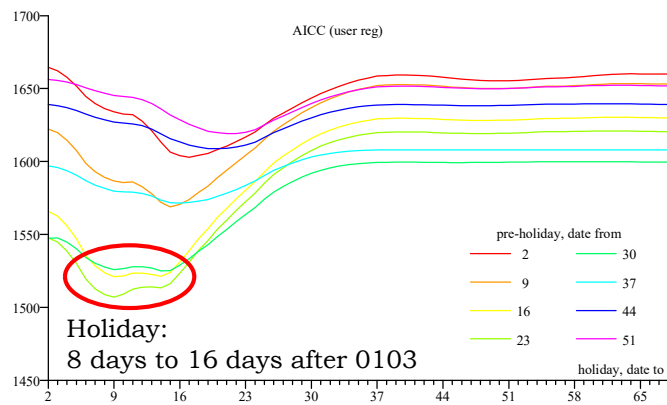
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Comparing various start of pre-holiday window, lower AICC's were seen among pre-holiday window, which start from, 30 days to 15 days preceding to the New Year's Eve.

8. End of holiday window

➤ Find start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window.

pre-holiday = $[d_{y,11} \ d_{y,21}-1]$, holiday = $[d_{y,21} \ d_{y,22}]$.



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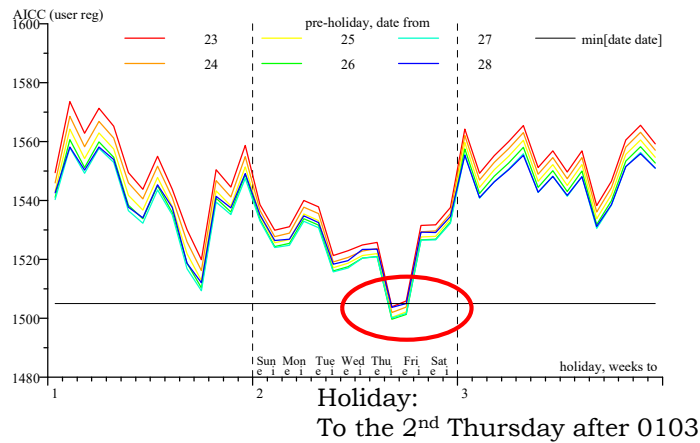
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End of holiday window. Lower AICC's were found among, 8 days to 16 days after the third day of the New Year.

9. End of holiday window in day-of-week

➤ Find start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window.

pre-holiday = $[d_{y,11} d_{y,21}-1]$, holiday = $[d_{y,21} d_{y,22}]$.



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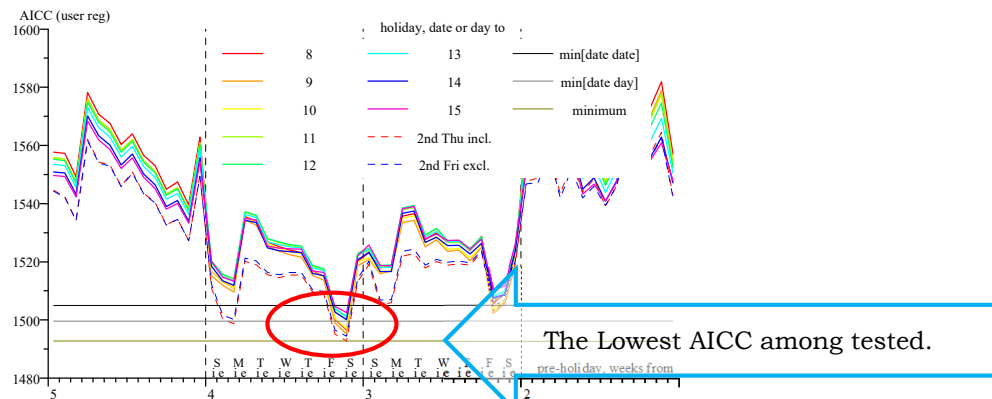
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End of holiday window continues. End of windows defined by day-of-week had lower AICC's. Among them, end at the second Thursday after New Year the third was selected.

10. Start of pre-holiday window in day-of-week

➤ Find start of pre-holiday window and end of holiday window.

pre-holiday = $[d_{y,11}, d_{y,21}-1]$, holiday = $[d_{y,21}, d_{y,22}]$.



Pre-holiday:
From the 4th Saturday preceding to New Year's Eve.

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Start of pre-holiday windows were as well. From the fourth Saturday preceding to the New Year's Eve had the lowest AICC.

2. Procedure

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2. Compare AICCs of holiday regressors and choose one. Stored in the file METAFILE.SLG.
3. Apply chosen holiday regressors and estimate with `automodel` or other automatic selections if needed.

Let's back to the procedure section. Assume all the holiday regressors are tested. Also assume key statistics including AICC's, regressed parameters, and chosen models are stored into one file named meta file dot SLG. Choose one model from the low AICC group within this file.

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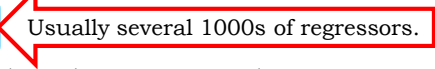
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Note that above process needs to compare several thousands of regressors for each holiday.

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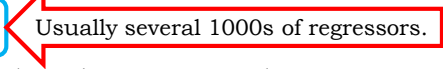
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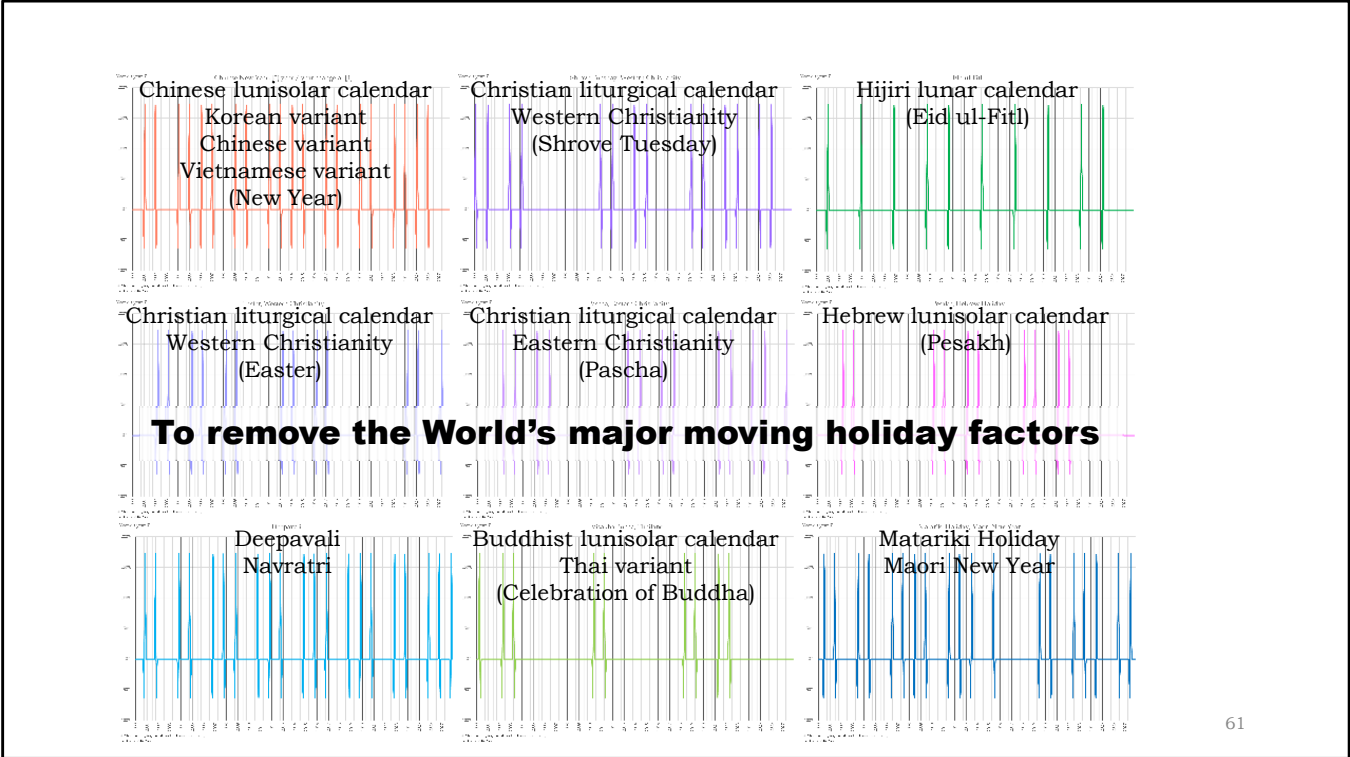
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I will automate above process for easier detections.



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The author is thankful that this site allowed to retrieve very many times as a free user.

{1001 years from 1600 to 2600 + (10 year backcast span + 10 year forecast span) + (maximum 1 year lead + maximum 1 year lag)} × 6 cities × 4 holidays = 28,872. At least, 28,872 times.

The Gregorian Calendar was introduced to set proper dates of Easter (*ad rectam Paschalis festi*). In the today's title "Inter Gravissimas", Pope Gregory XIII stated as three appropriate that

- first, correct placement of the vernal equinox; **The first condition is, March equinox to fall around March 21st.**
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- and lastly, the first Sunday which follows that same fourteenth day of the moon.

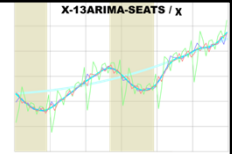
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