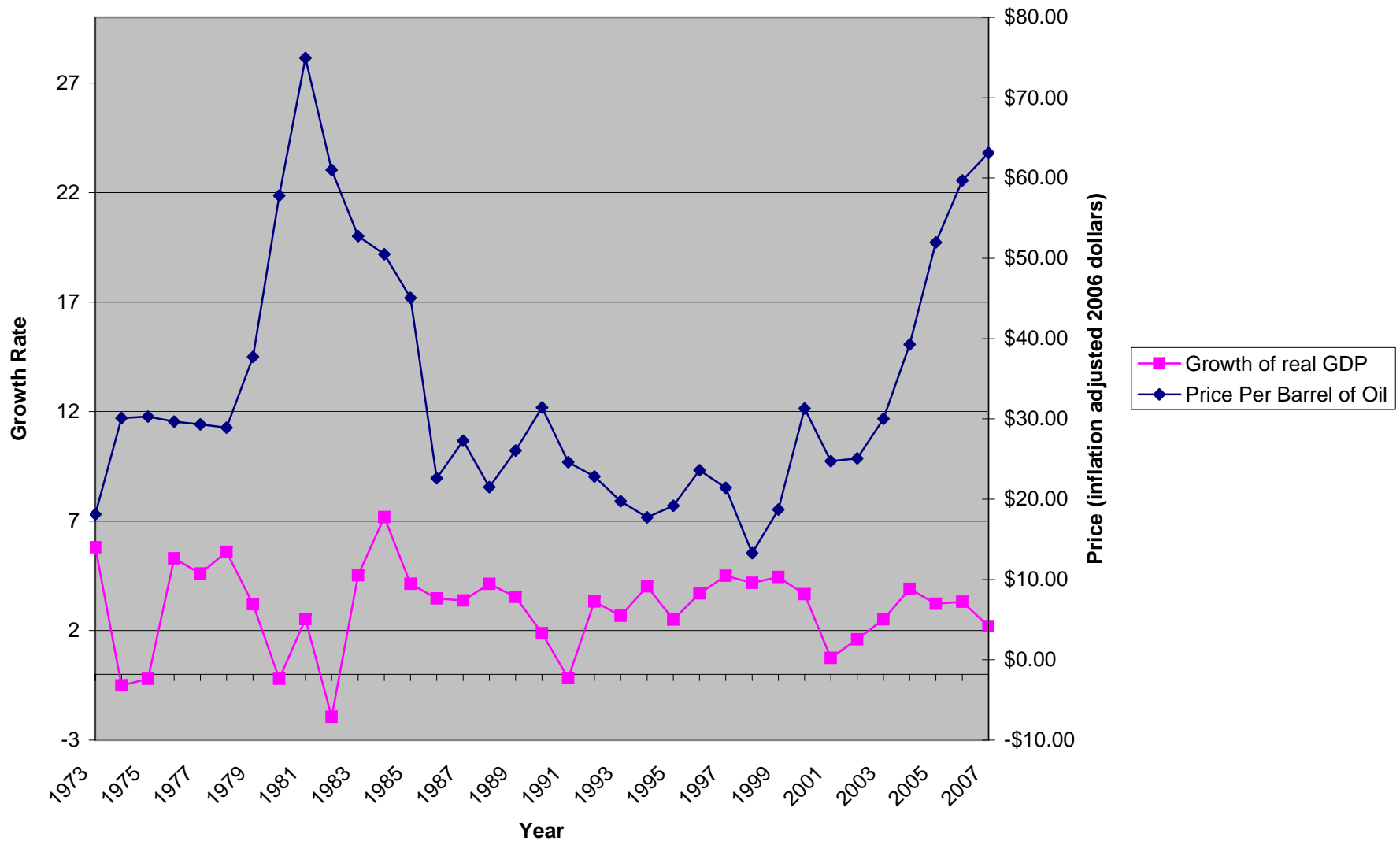


Figure 2: Price of Oil and Changes in US Real GDP



Source: (1) Price of oil from Department of Energy, table 9.1 crude oil price summary, http://tonto.eia.doe.gov/merquery/mer_data.asp?table=T09.01
 (2) GDP data from Bureau of Economic Analysis, <http://www.bea.gov/national/xls/gdpchg.xls>