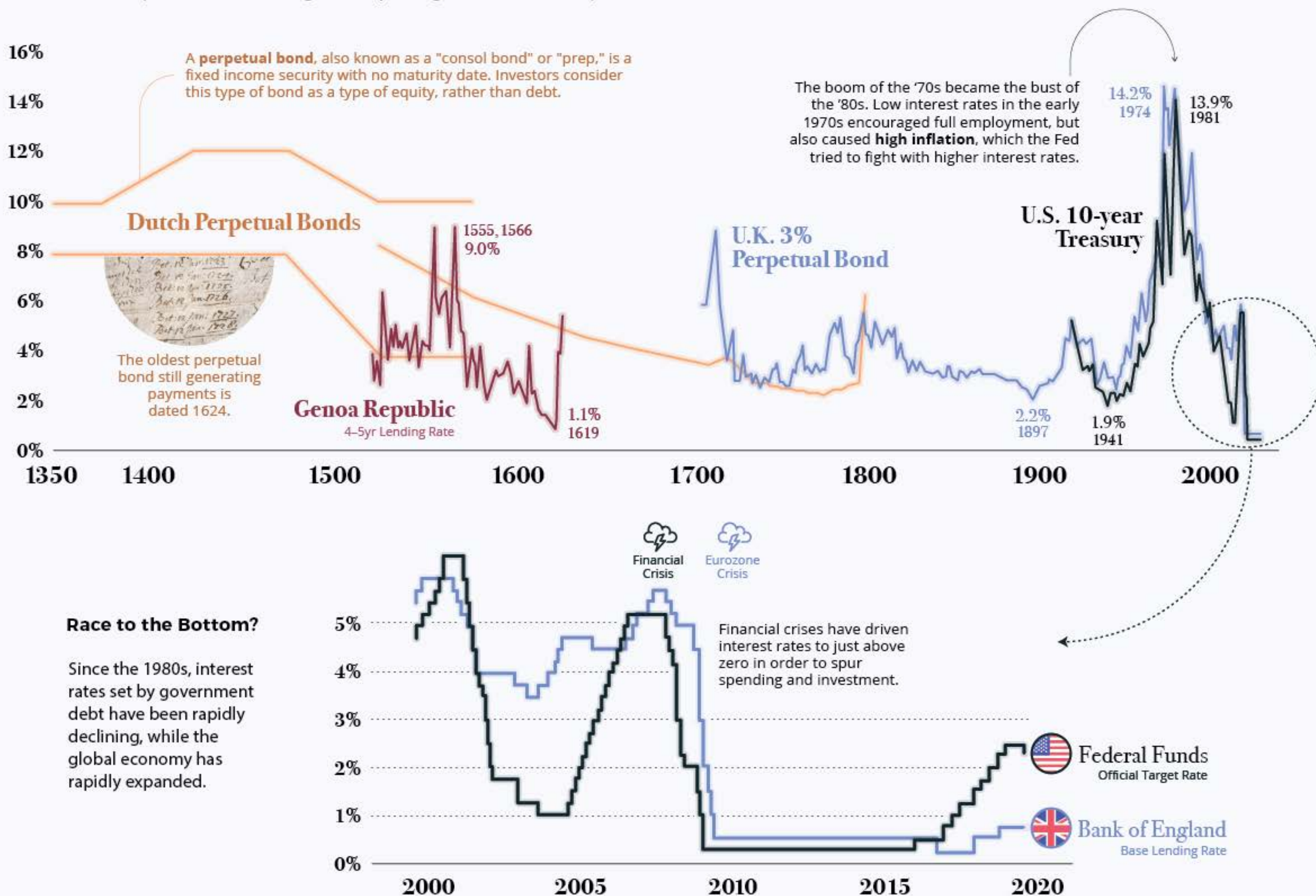




Visualizing Interest Rates Throughout History

Interest rates since 1350 – how low can they go?

Loaning money out used to be risky, but as this chart shows, governments have lent out more and more money at ever decreasing rates, spurring economic activity and confidence in the financial markets.



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