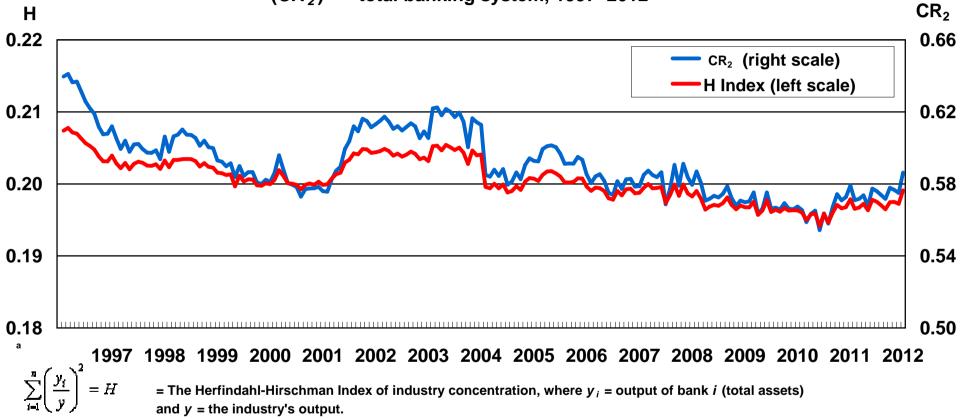
Figure 1.4
The Herfindahl-Hirschman (H) Index^{a,c} and the Market Share Index for the two largest banks $(CR_2)^{\rm b,c}$ - total banking system, 1997–2012^d



^b CR₂ = The market share of the two largest banks in the system (Leumi and Hapoalim).

SOURCE: Based on published financial statements, and reports to the Banking Supervision Department.

^c Calculated based on the total assets of the commercial banks.

^d In 2012, the indices were affected, *inter alia*, by the completion of the mergers of Discount Mortgage Bank and Leumi Mortgage Bank into their parent banks.