

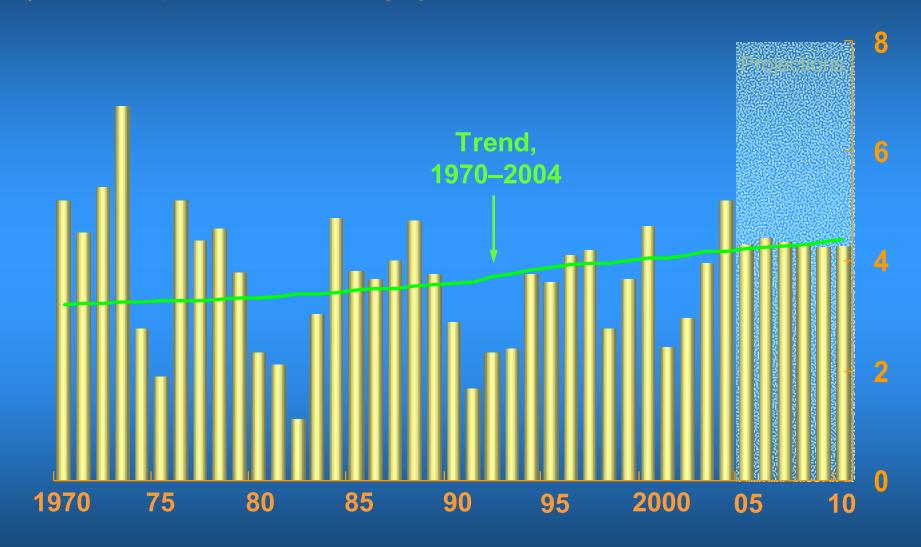
Economic Outlook

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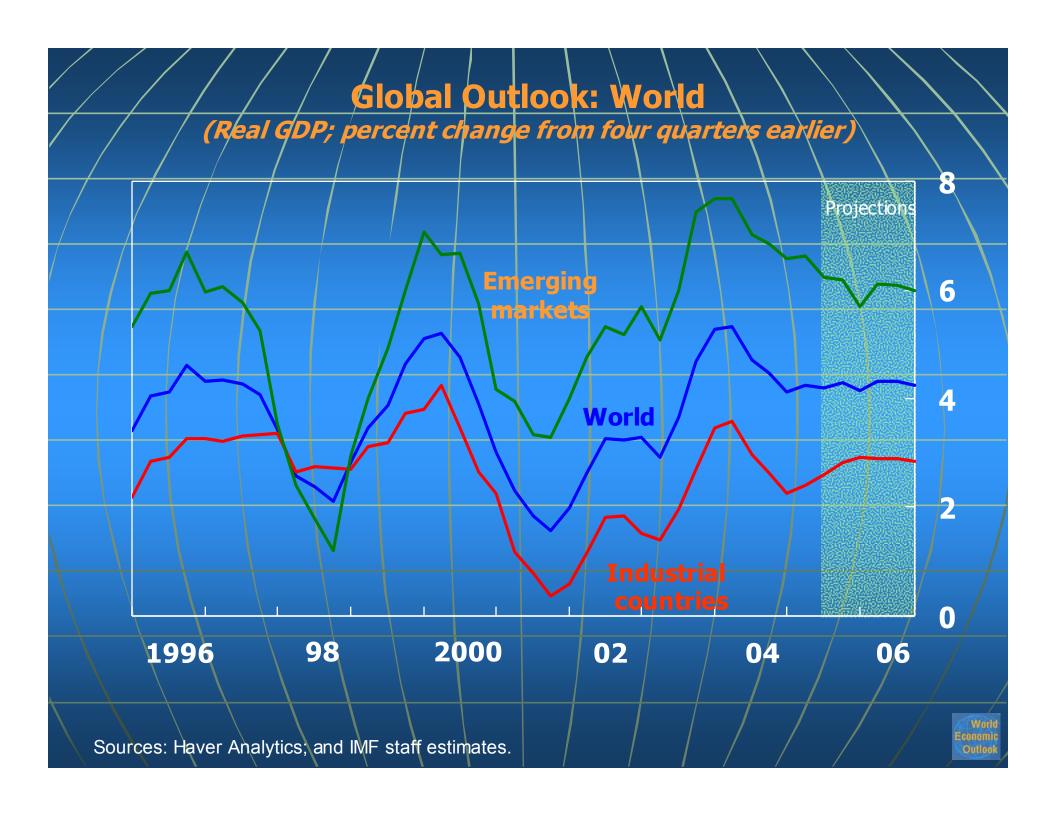
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World Real GDP Growth

(Annual percent change)







What drives the expansion in 2005

- Macroeconomic policies are still accomodative
- Supportive financial market conditions
- Improving corporate balance sheets
- Employment growth
- China

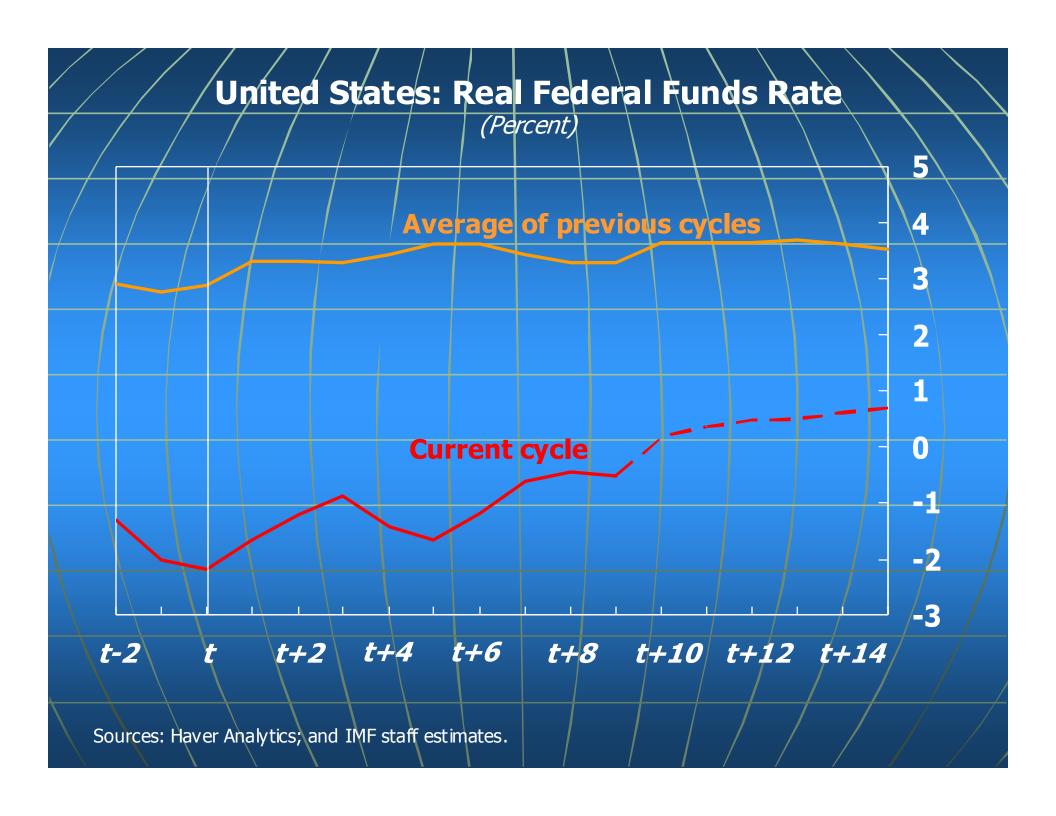
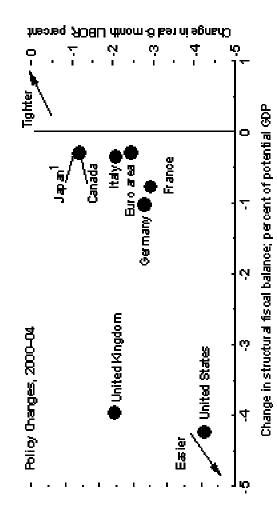
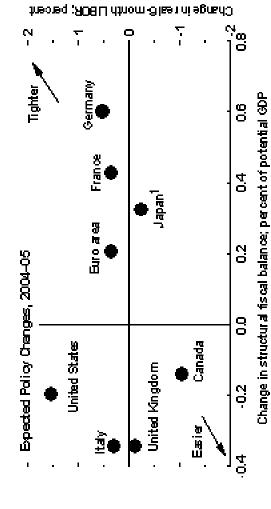


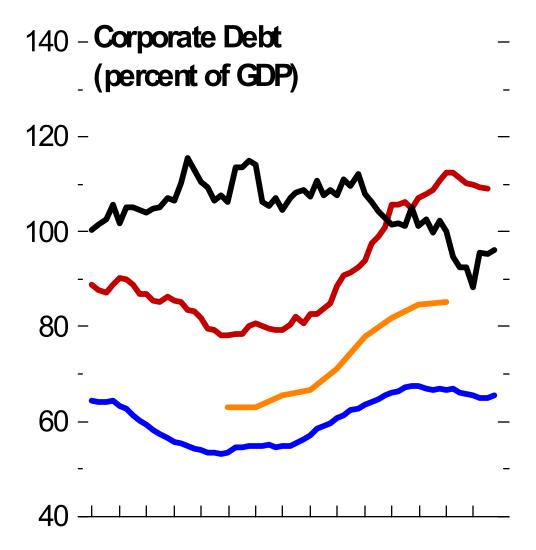
Figure 1.8. Fiscal and Monetary Policies in the Major Advanced Courtries

Monetary policies are generally expected to tighten moderately in 2005, although fiscal policies are more mixed.



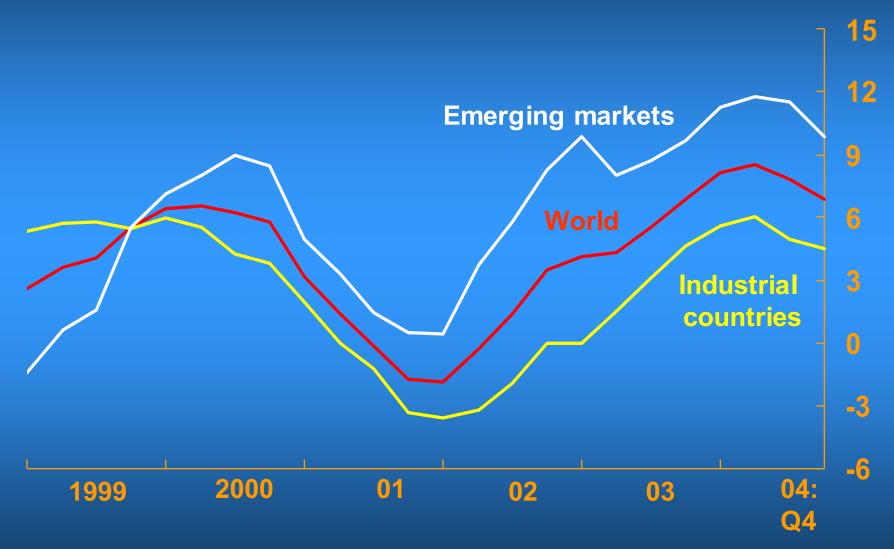


Source: IMF staff estimates. 1 For Japan, excludes bank support.



Global Investment

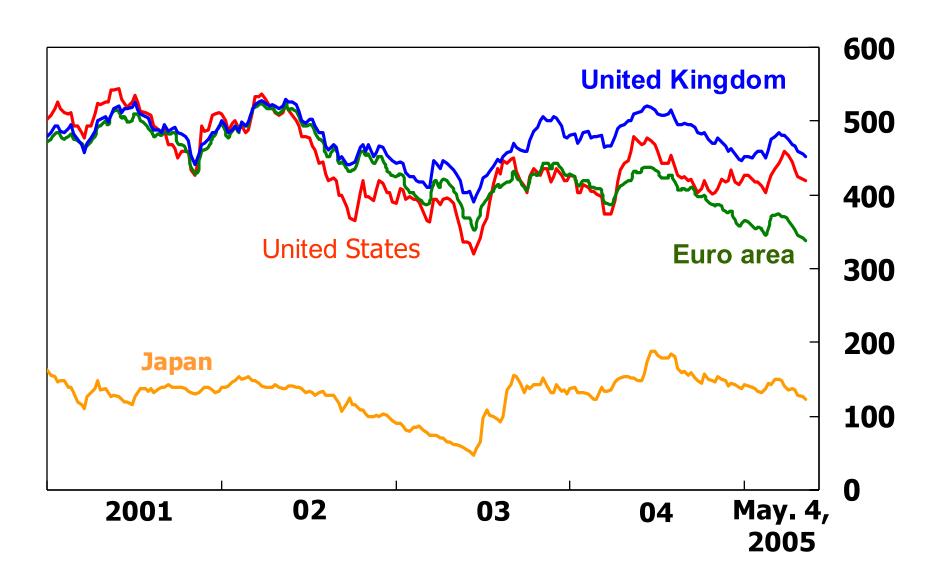
(Percent change from a year ago)





Source: Haver Analytics.

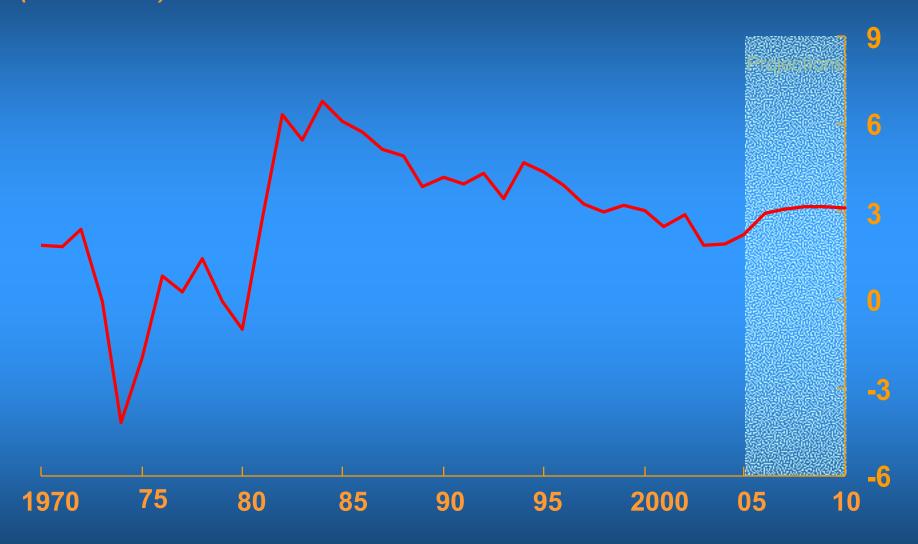
Long-Term Interest Rates (Basis points)



Source: Bloomberg Financial Markets, LP.

World Real Long-Term Interest Rate

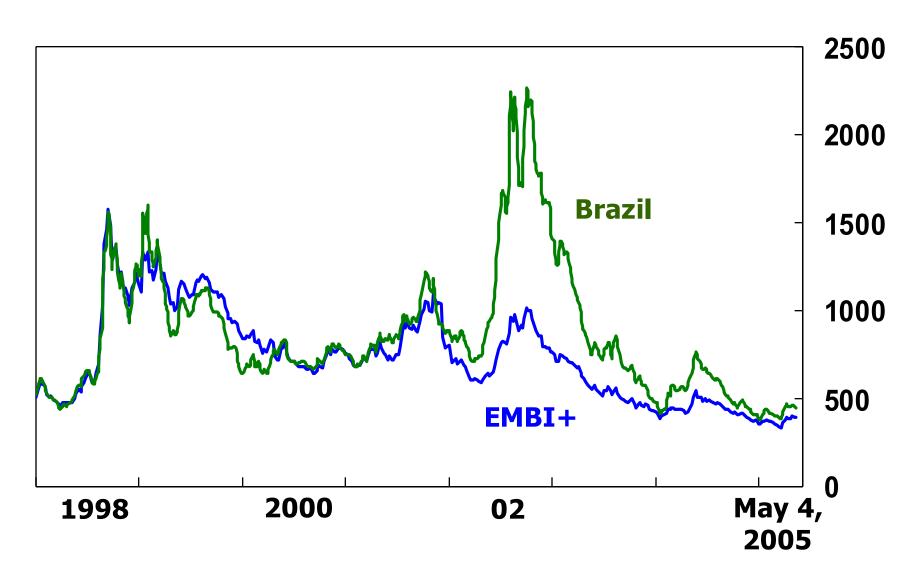
(Percent)





Emerging Market Spreads

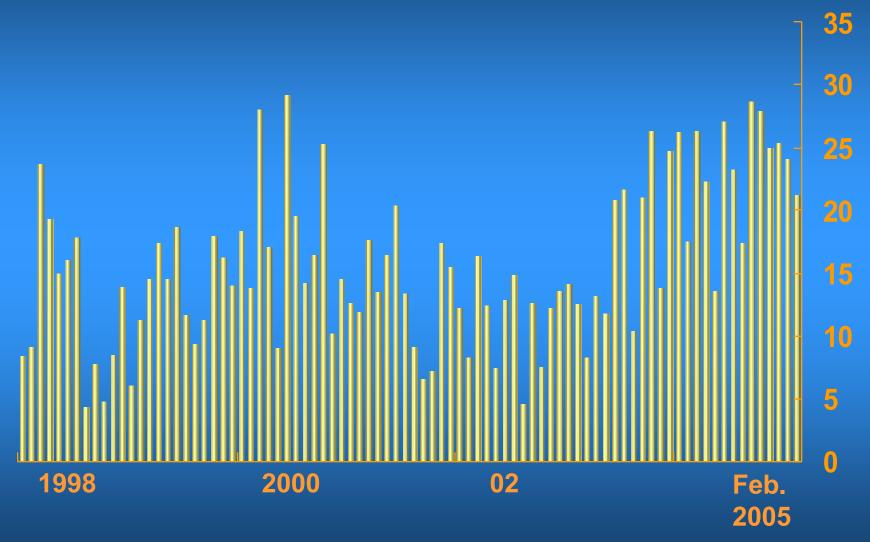
(Basis points)



Source: Bloomberg Financial Markets, LP.

Emerging Market Financing

(Billions of U.S. dollars)





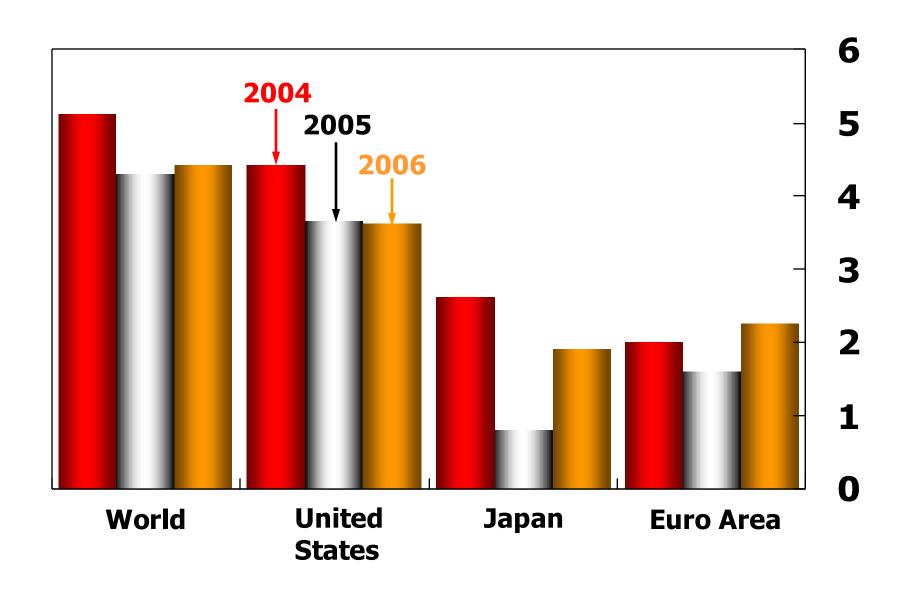
Source: Capital Data.

A Less Balanced Expansion in 2005

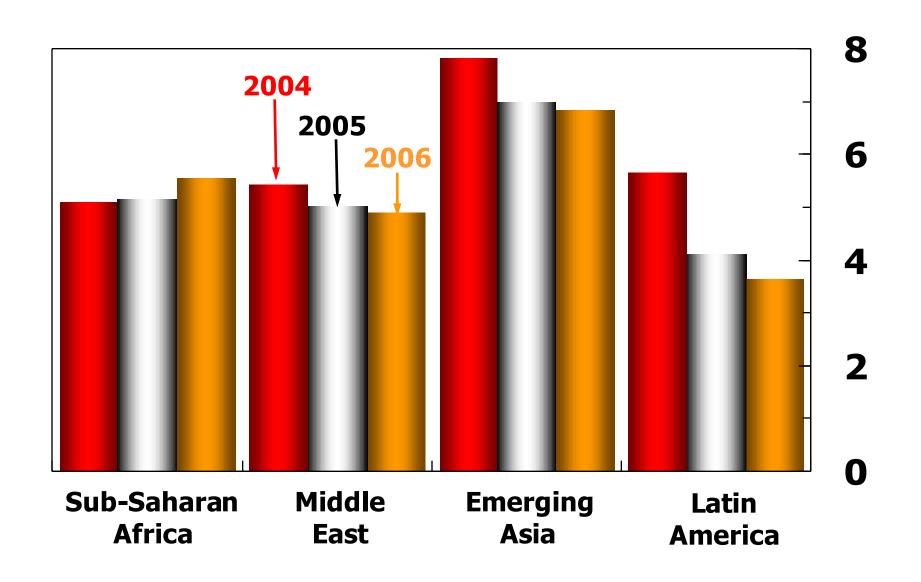
	Sept. 2004	<u>April 2005</u>	Difference
Global growth	4.3	4.3	
Advanced	2.9	2.6	-0.3
U.S.	3.5	3.6	+0.1
Euro area	2.2	1.6	-0.6
Japan	2.3	0.8	-1.5
Developing	5.9	6.3	+0.4
China	7.5	8.5	+1.0

Global GDP Growth

(Percent)

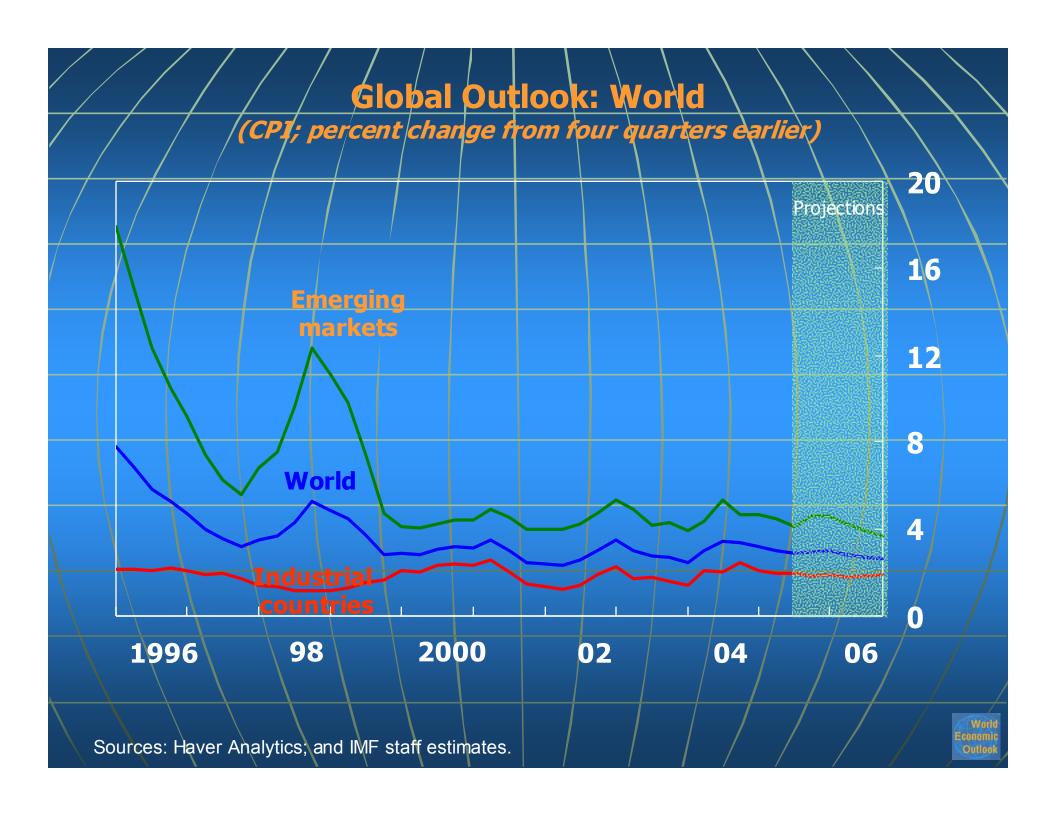


Developing Country GDP Growth (Percent)



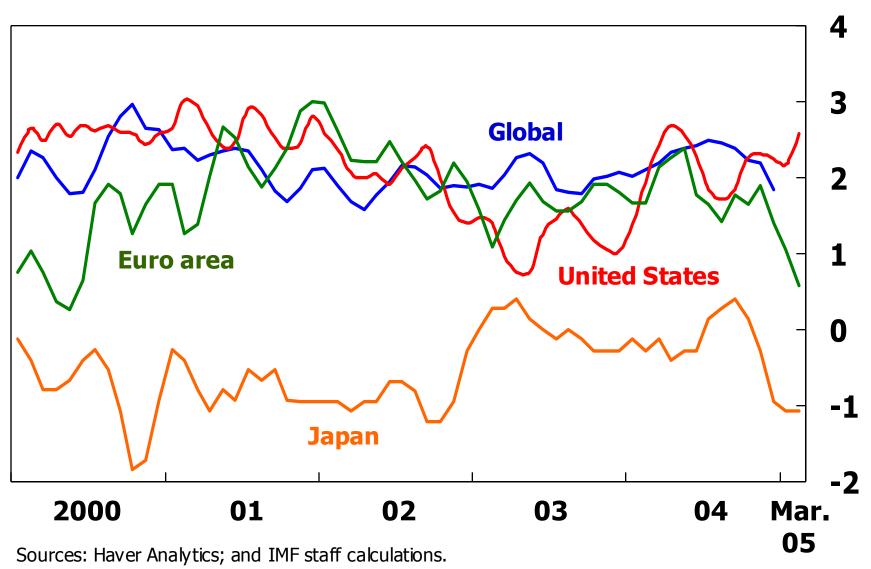
Short-term Risks

- Tighter financial market conditions
- Rising oil prices
- The unbalanced expansion

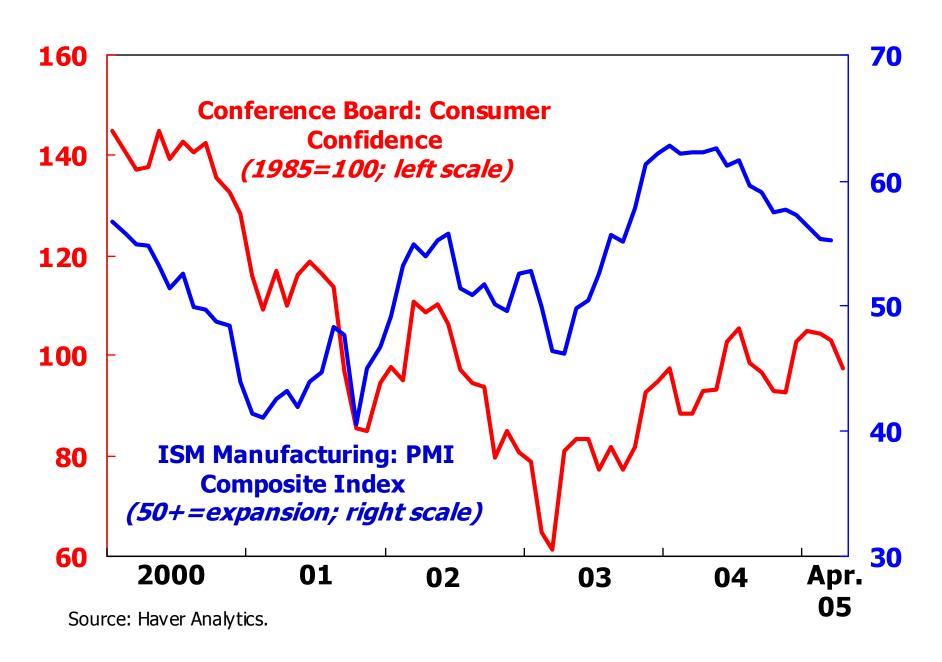


Core Inflation

(Annualized percent change of three-month moving average over previous three-month average)

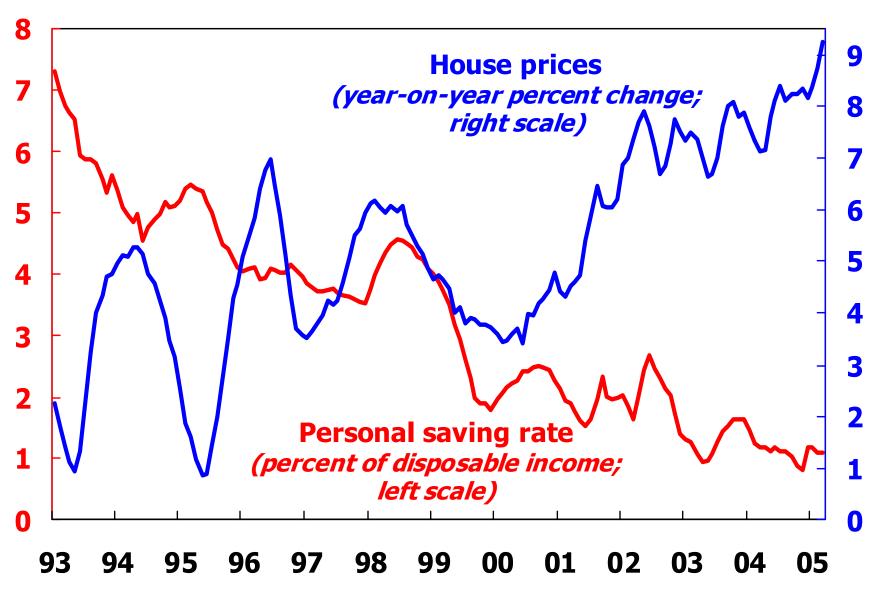


United States: Confidence



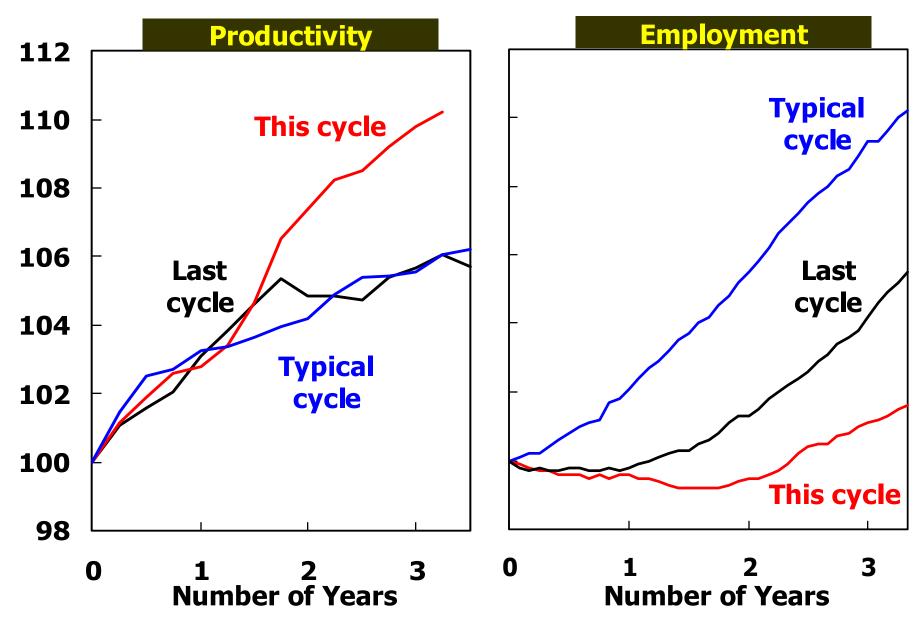
United States: Personal Savings Rate

(six-month moving averages)

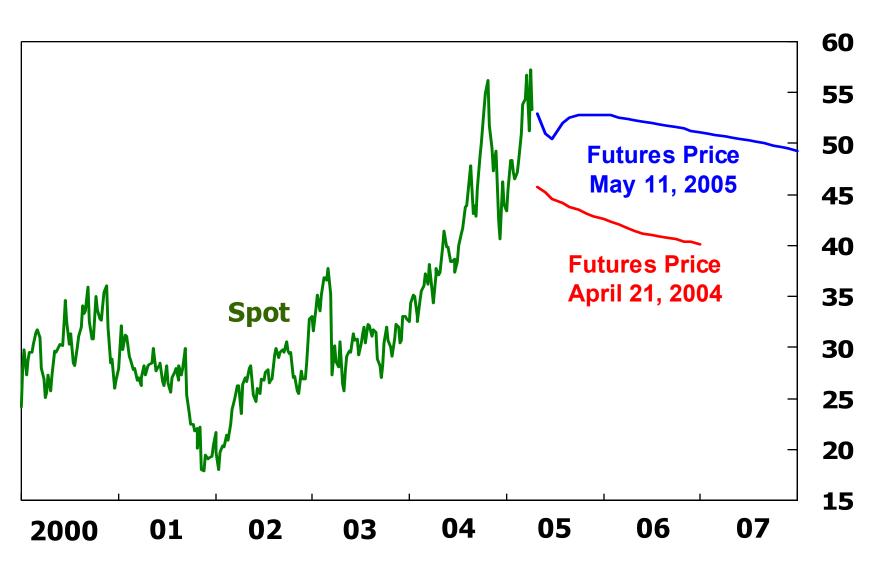


U.S. Business Cycle

(Index; trough=100; Payroll survey)

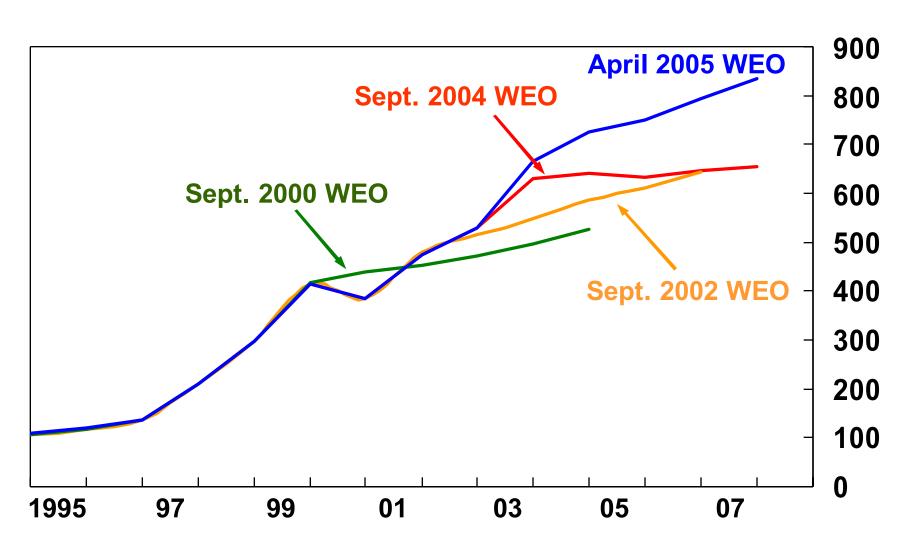


Oil Prices (U.S. dollars per barrel; west Texas Intermediate)



Source: Bloomberg Financial Markets, LP.

The U.S. Current Account Deficit (Billions of dollars)



Current Account Balances

(Percent of GDP) 10 10 8 8 **Emerging Asia¹** 6 6 **China** 4 4 **Japan** 2 2 0 0 **-2** -2 **Euro Area** -4 -4 **United States** -6 -6 -8 -8

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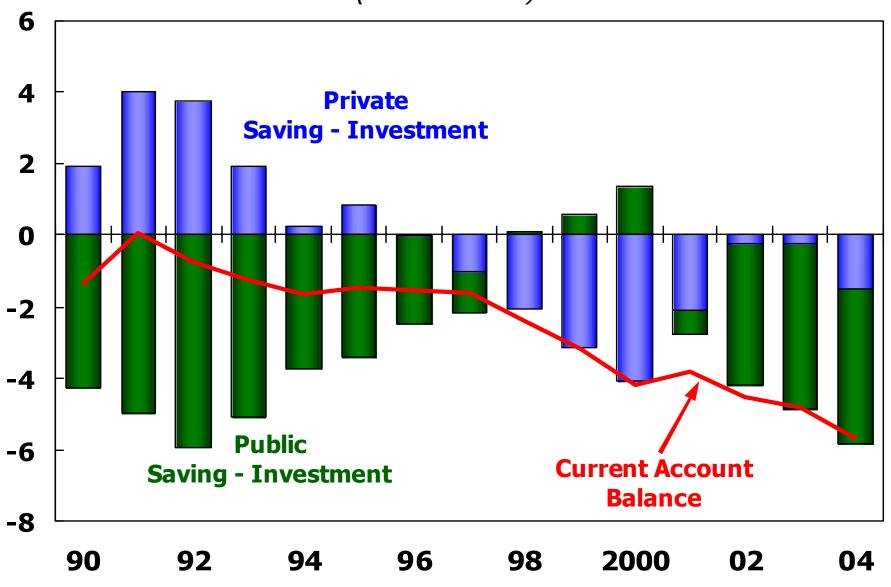
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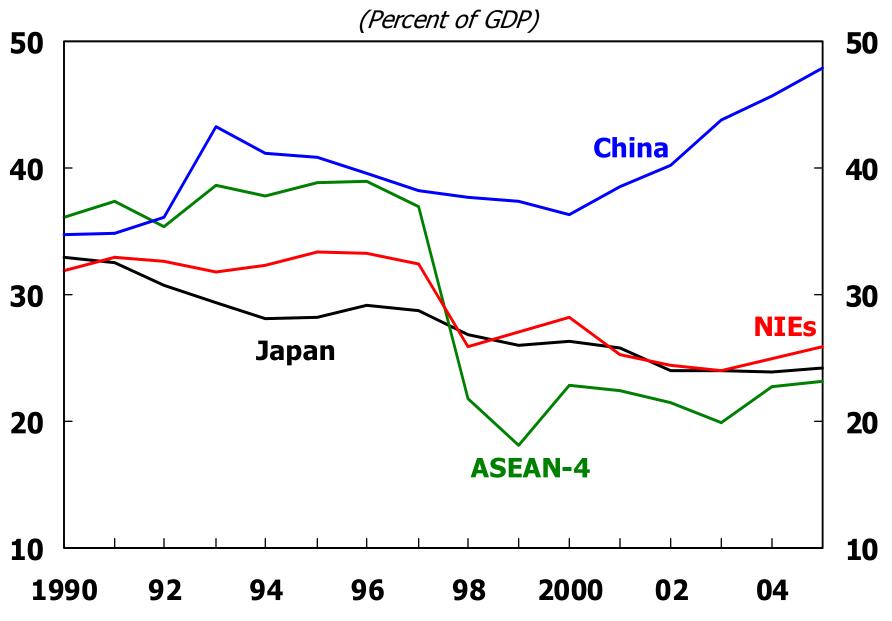
¹ NIEs and ASEAN-4.

U.S. Current Account Balance and Saving-Investment

(Percent of GDP)

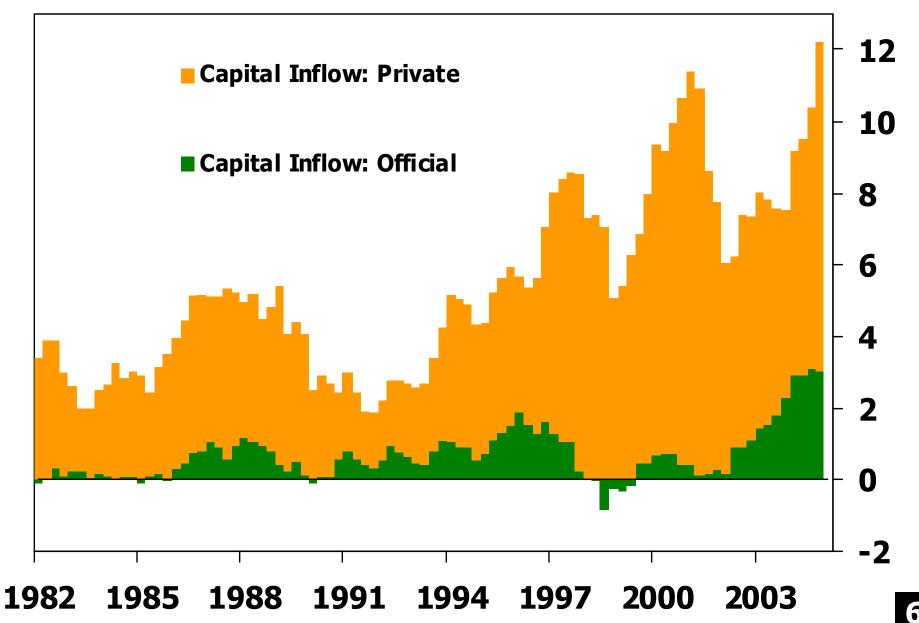


Investment in Asia



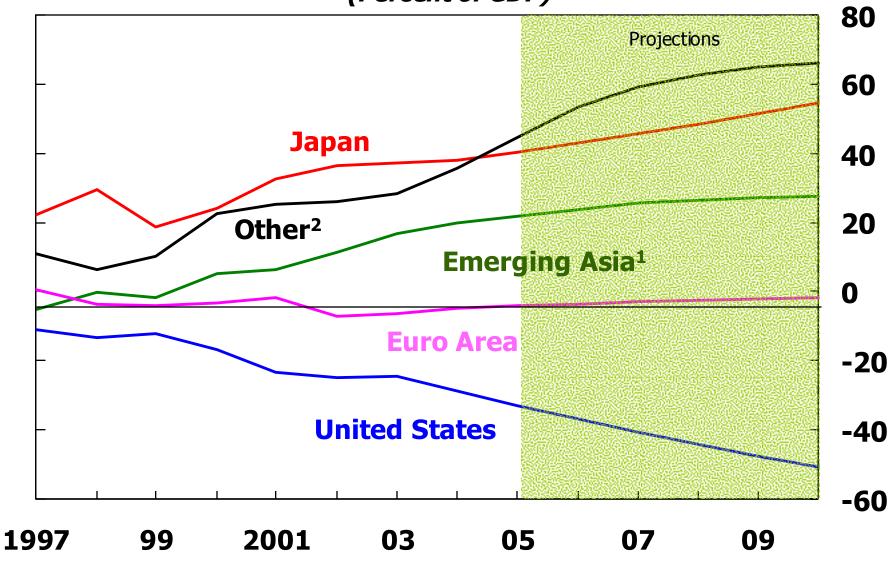
United States: Gross Capital Inflow

(In percent of GDP; four-quarter moving average)



Net Foreign Assets

(Percent of GDP)

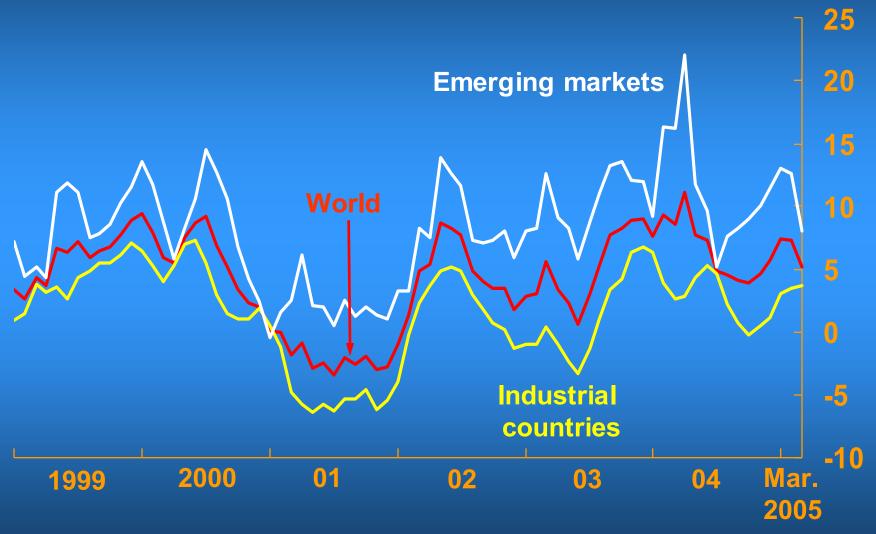


¹Consists of China, Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan Province of China, and Thailand.

²Consists of Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Russia, and Saudi Arabia.

Industrial Production

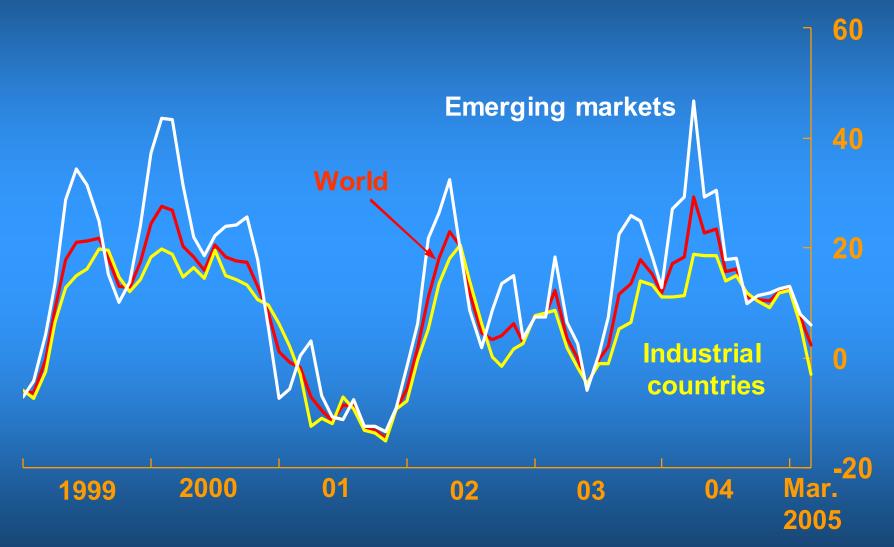
(3-month moving average)





Global Trade

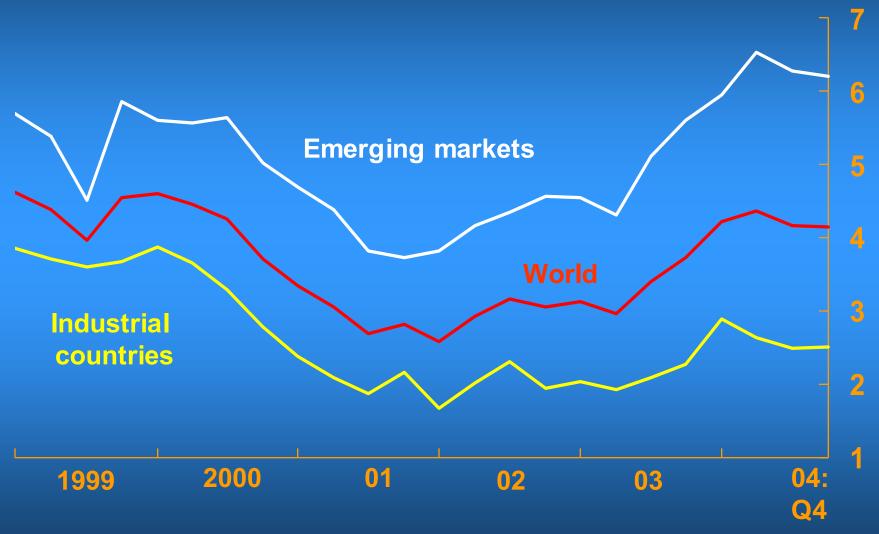
(In SDR terms; 3-month moving average)





Global Private Consumption

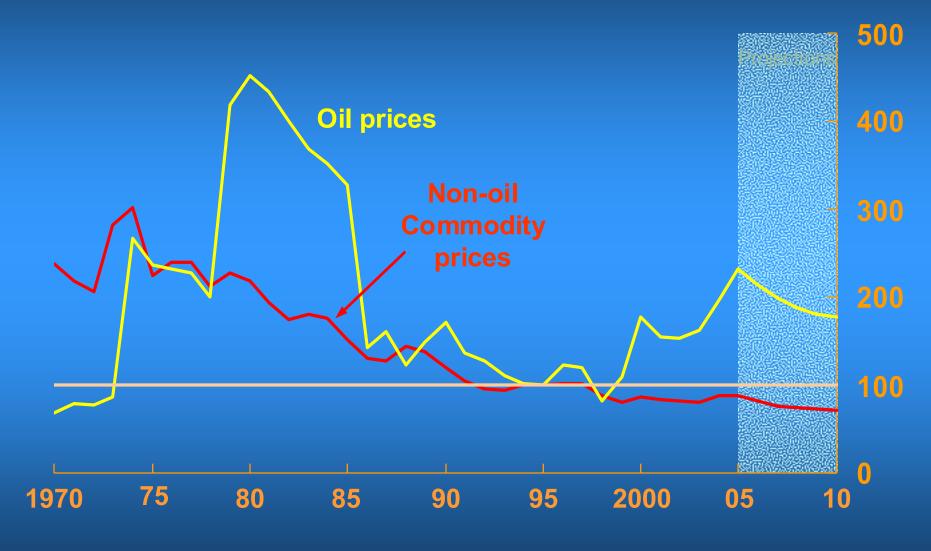
(Percent change from a year ago)





Real Commodity Prices

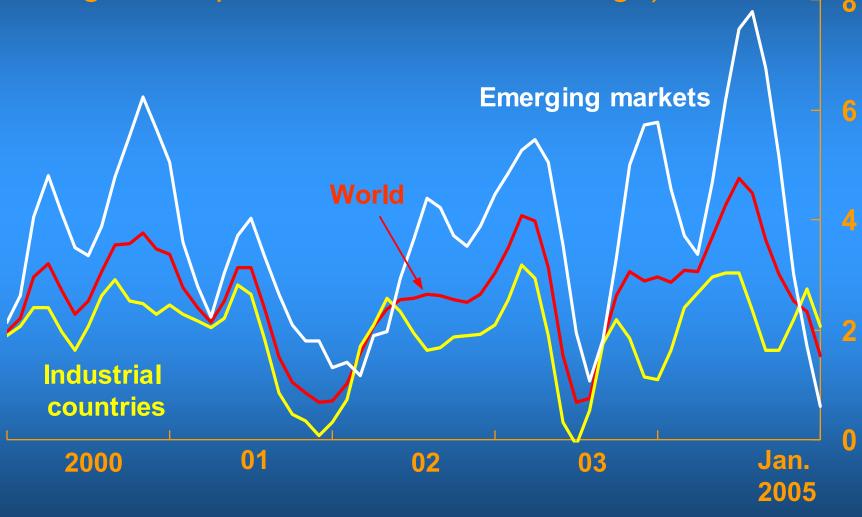
(1995 = 100)





Headline Inflation

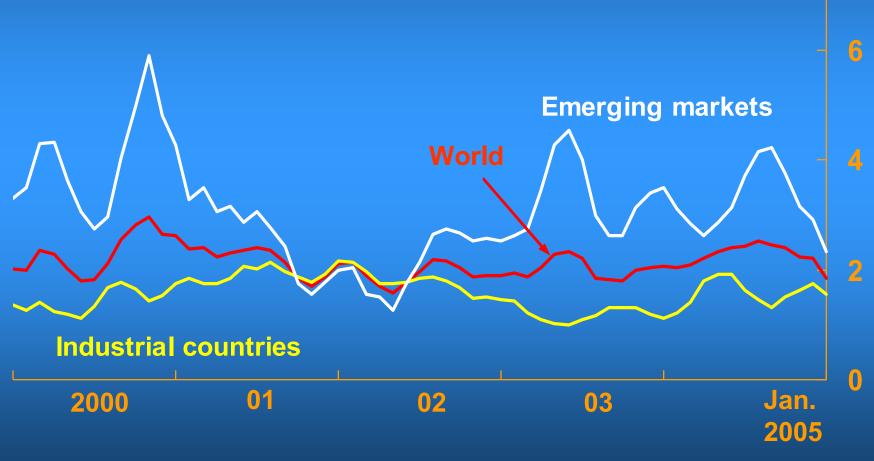
(Annualized percent change of 3-month moving average over previous 3-month average)





Core Inflation

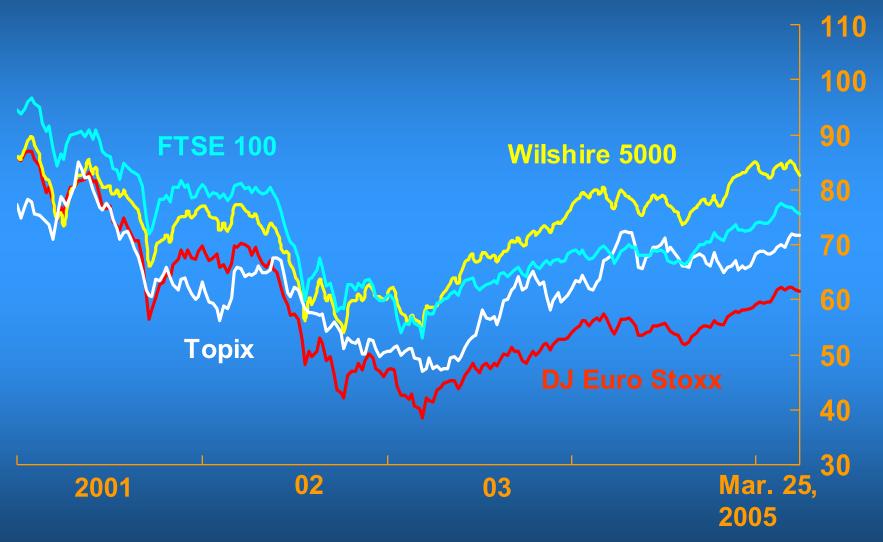
(Annualized percent change of 3-month moving average over previous 3-month average)





Mature Equity Markets

(March 2000 = 100; national currency)





Long-Term Interest Rates

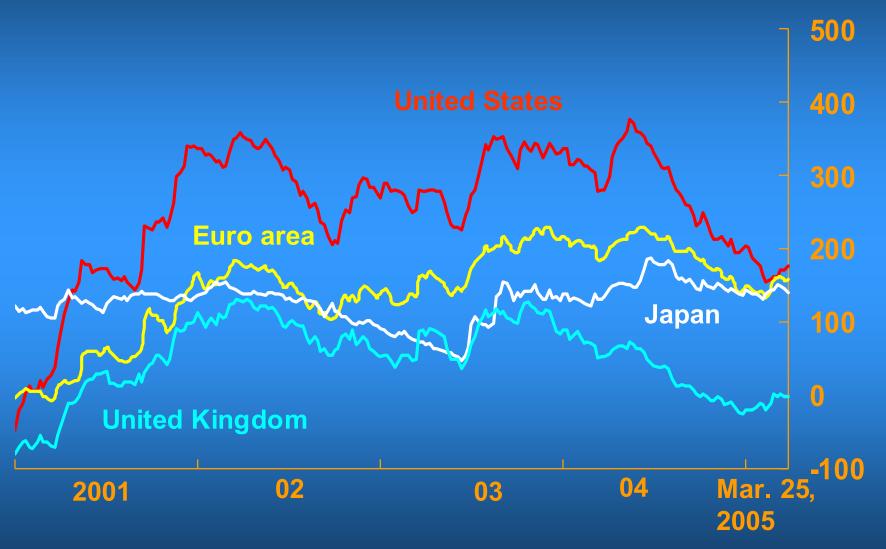
(Basis points)





Yield Curve Slopes

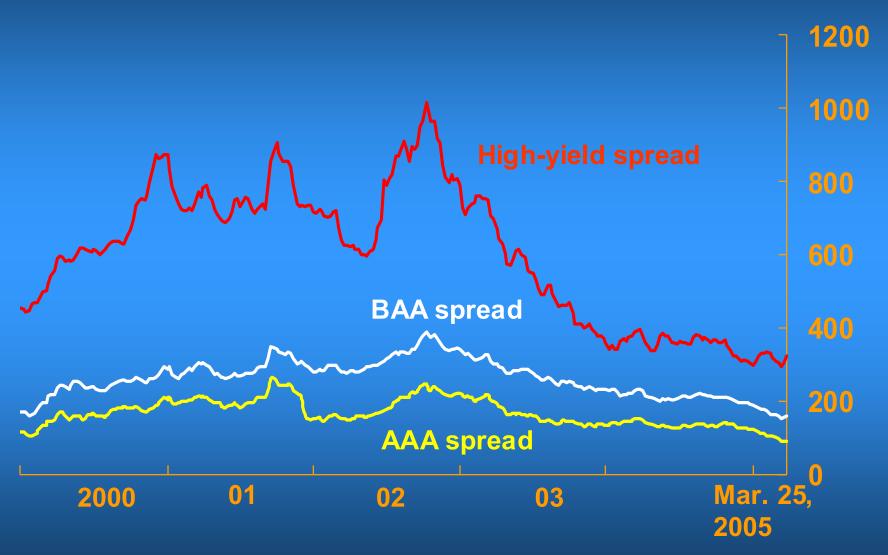
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Interest Rate Spreads

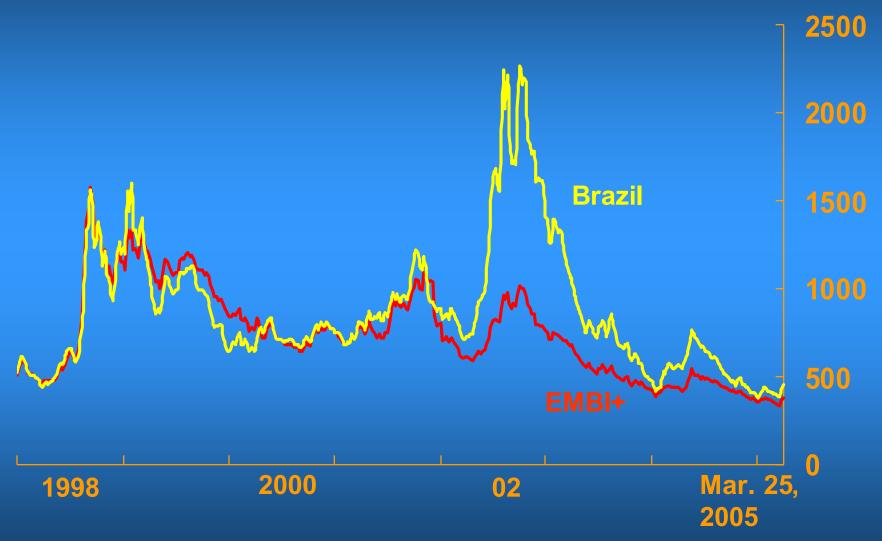
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Emerging Market Spreads

(Basis points)



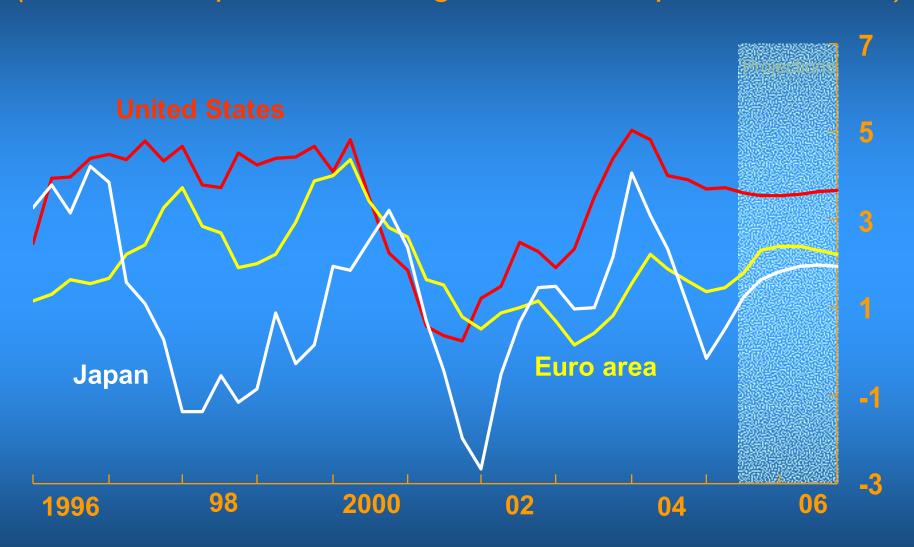


Global Outlook: World



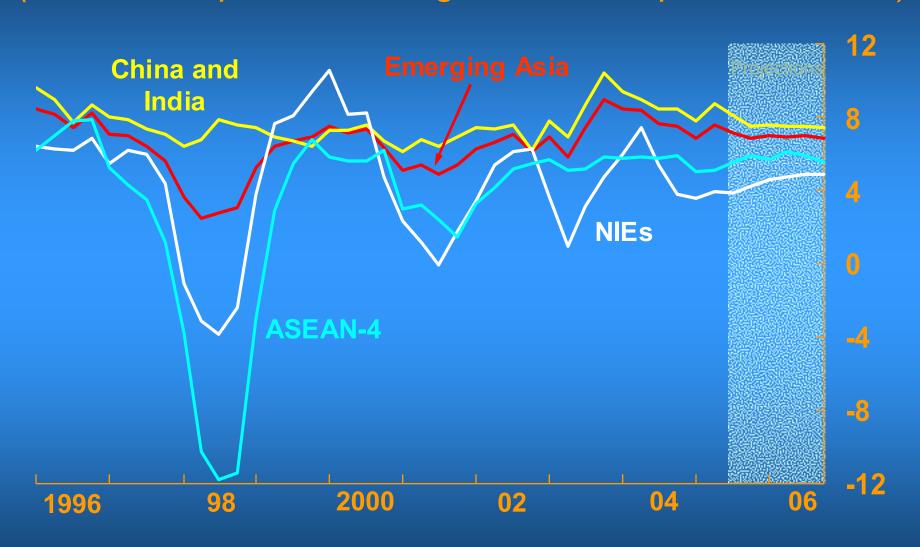


Global Outlook: Advanced Economies



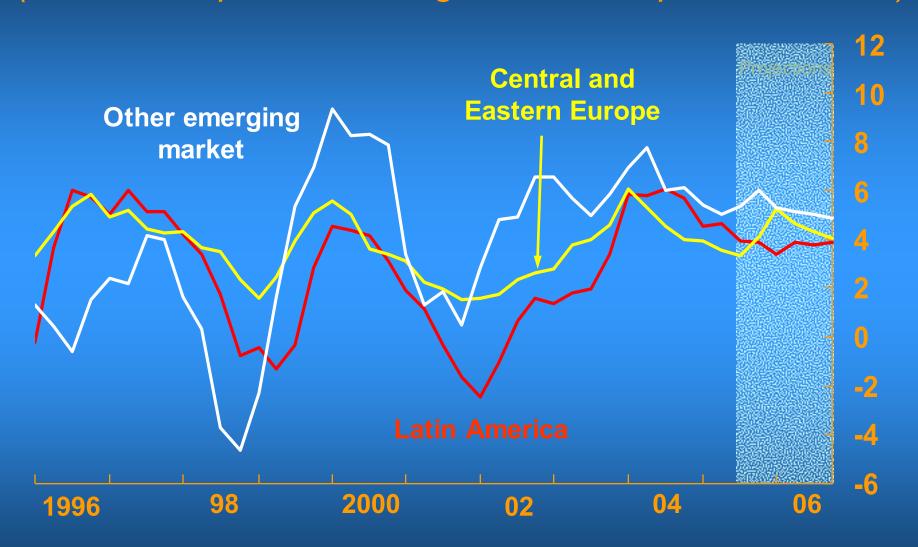


Global Outlook: Emerging Asia





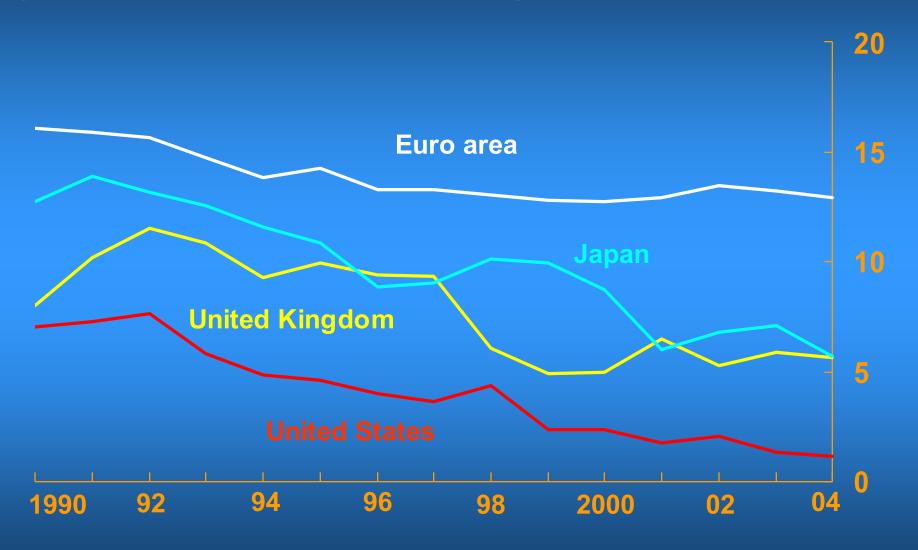
Global Outlook: Other Emerging Market





Household Saving Ratio

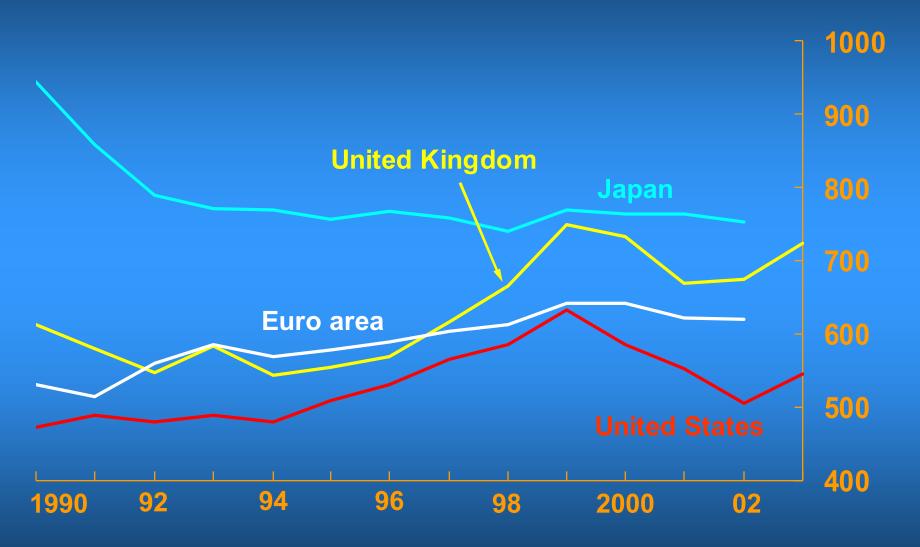
(Percent of disposable income)





Household Net Wealth

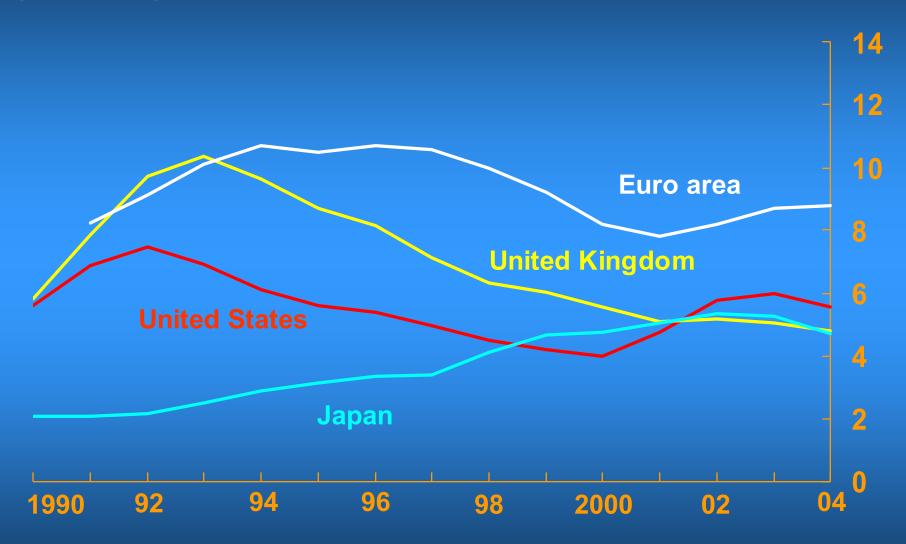
(Percent of disposable income)





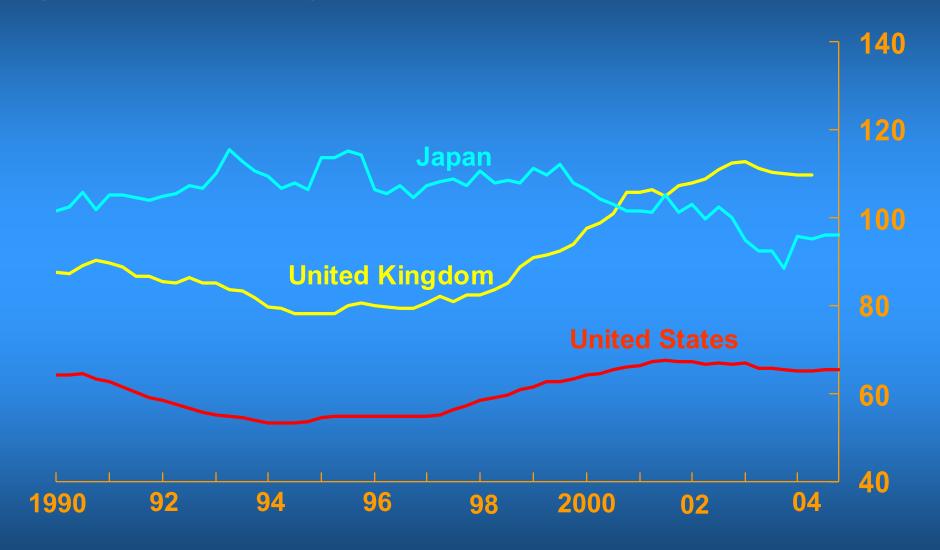
Unemployment Rate

(Percent)





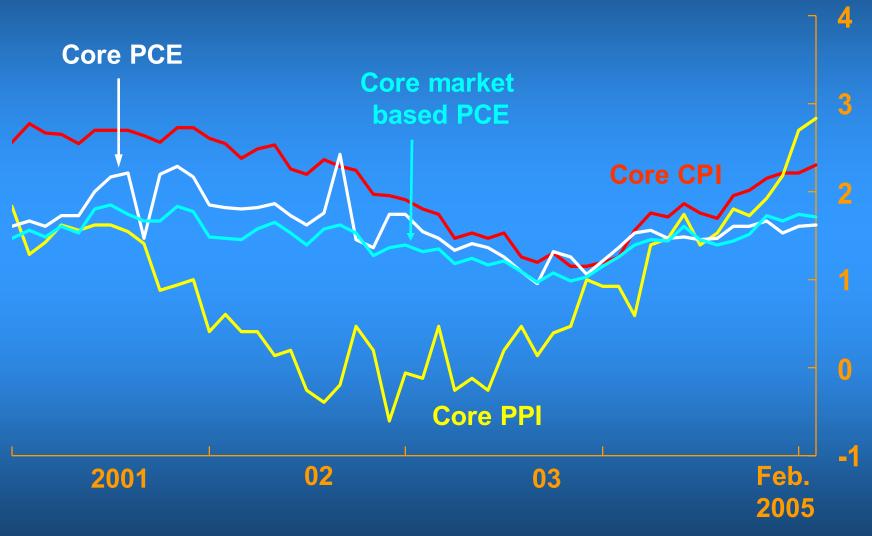
Corporate Debt (Percent of GDP)





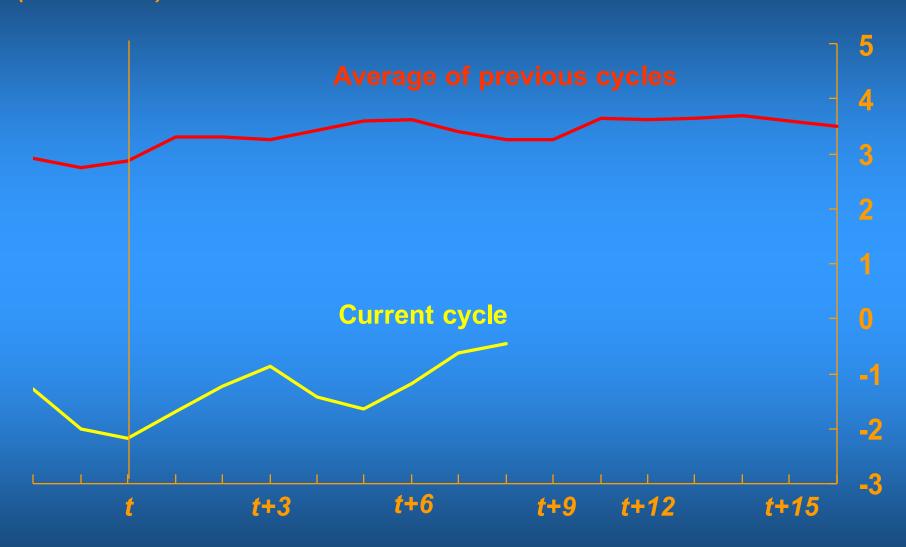
United States: Core Inflation

(Percent change from a year ago)





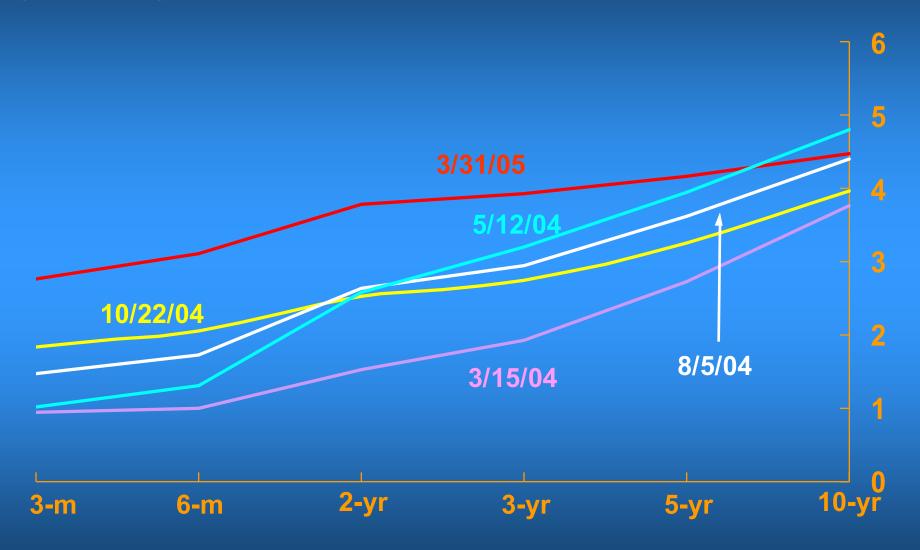
United States: Real Federal Funds Rate *(Percent)*





United States: Yield Curves

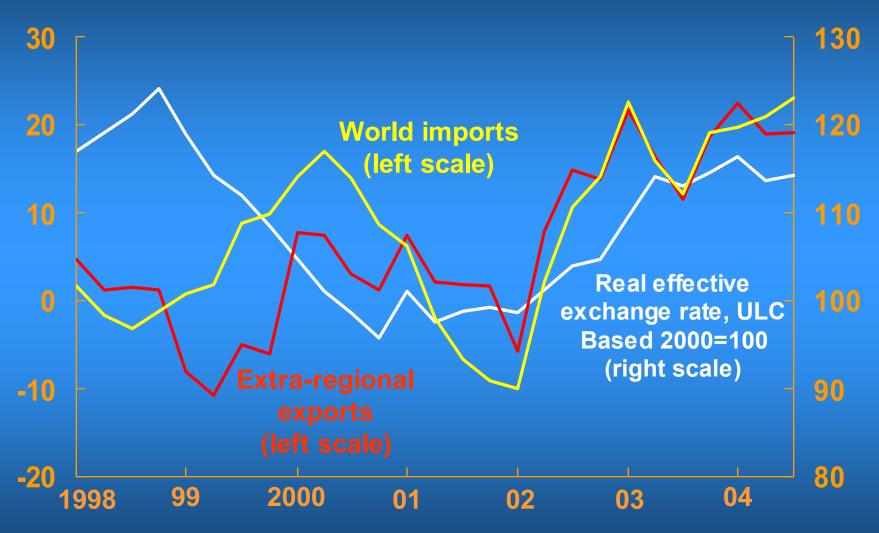
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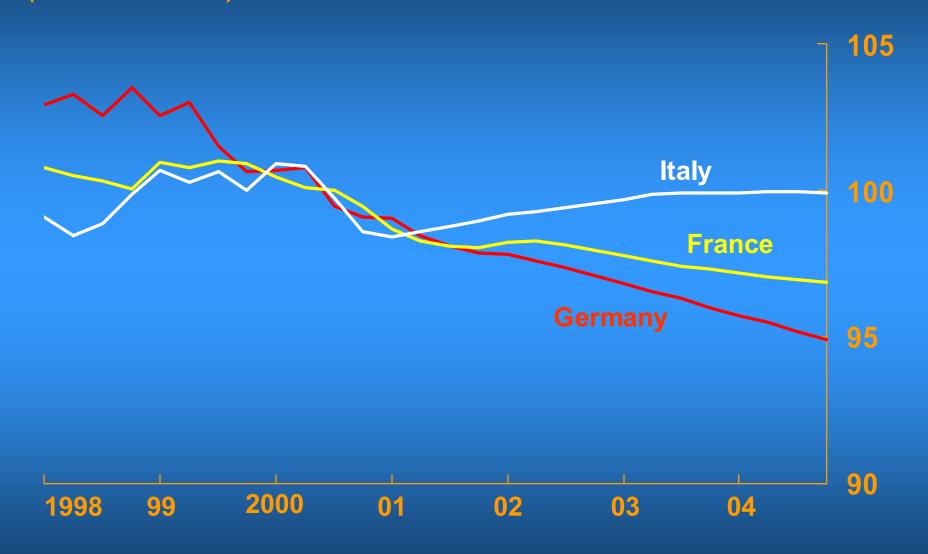
Euro Area Export Performance

(Percent change from year ago)





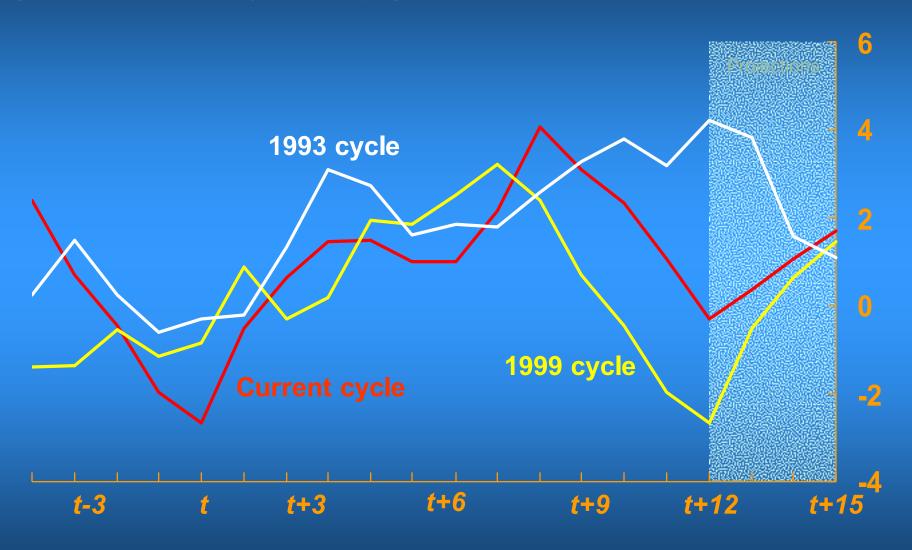
Western Europe: Relative Unit Labor Cost (2000 = 100)





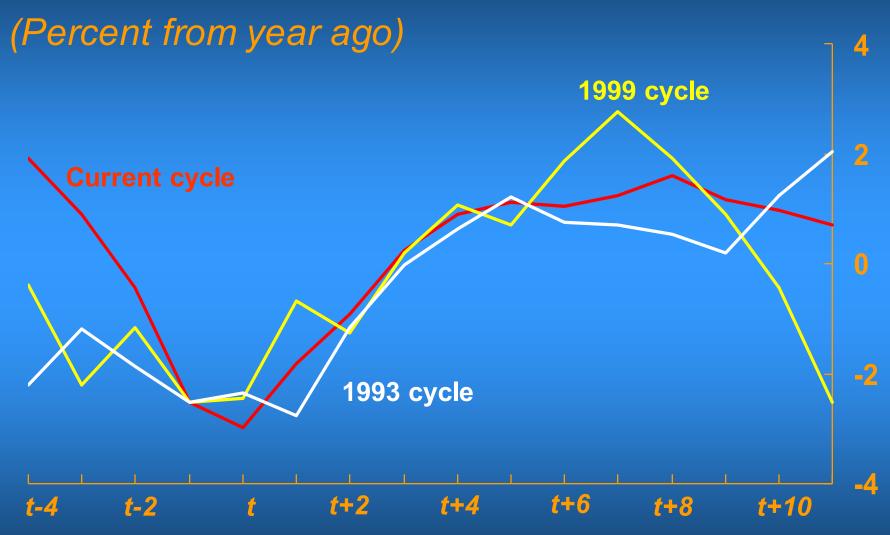
Japan: Real GDP Growth

(Percent from year ago)





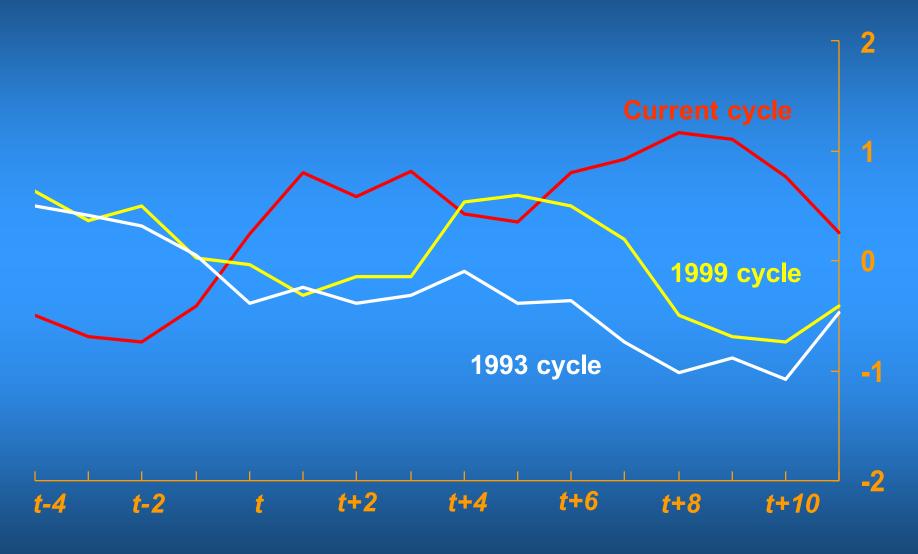
Japan: Growth Contribution of Private Investment





Japan: Growth Contribution of Net Exports

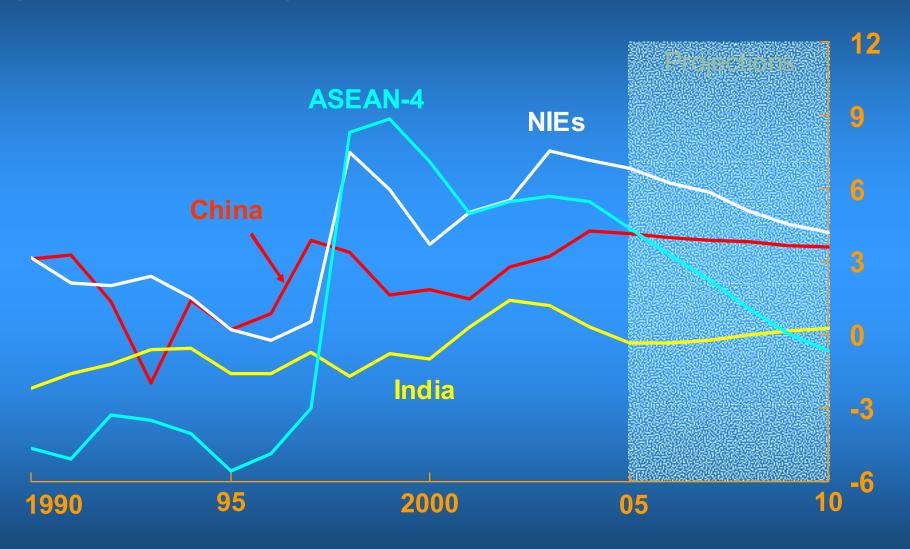
(Percent from year ago)





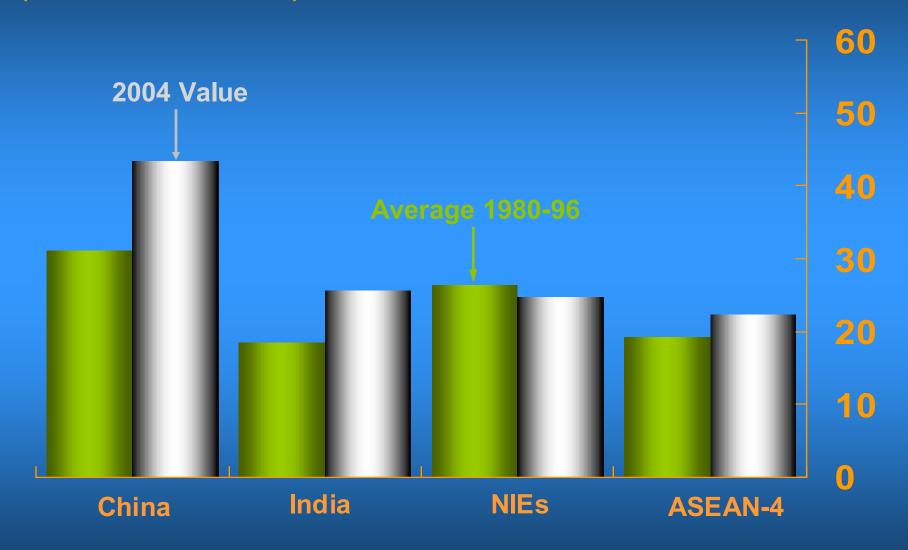
Emerging Asia: Current Account

(Percent of GDP)





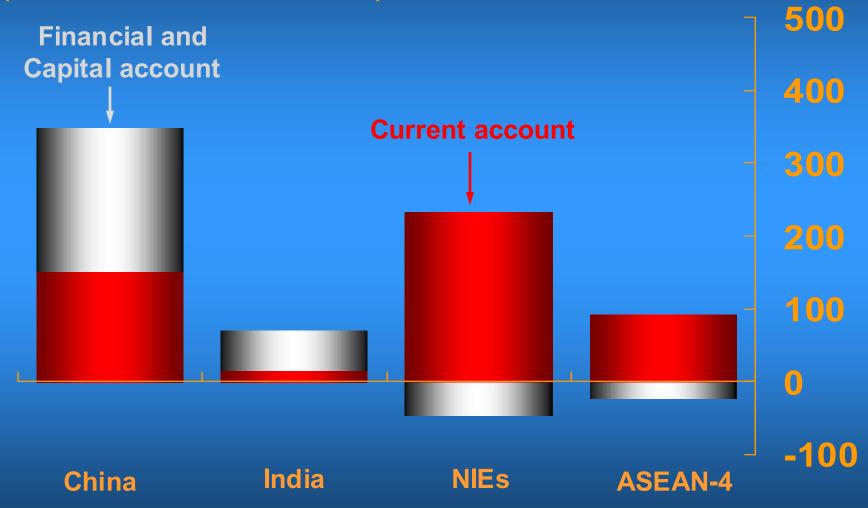
Emerging Asia: Gross Private Saving (Percent of GDP)





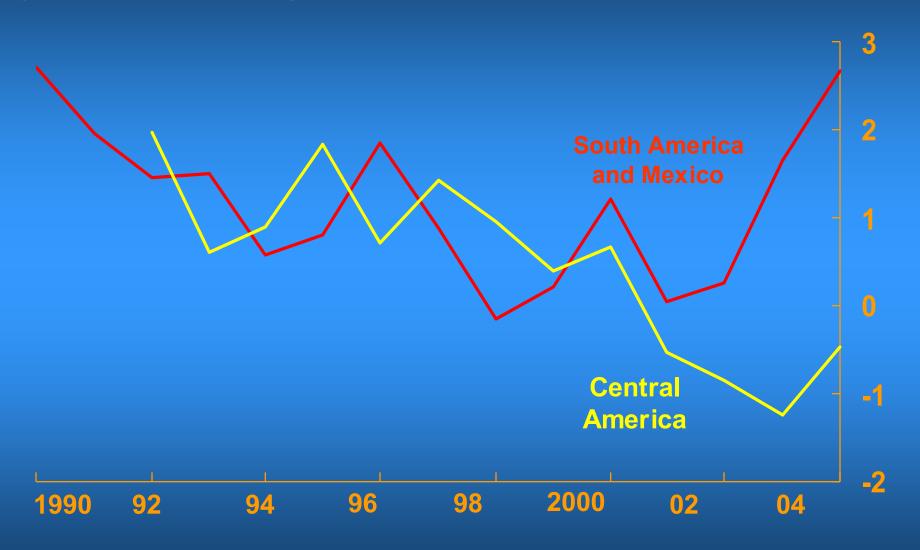
Emerging Asia: Reserve Accumulation, 2002-04

(Billions of U.S. dollars)



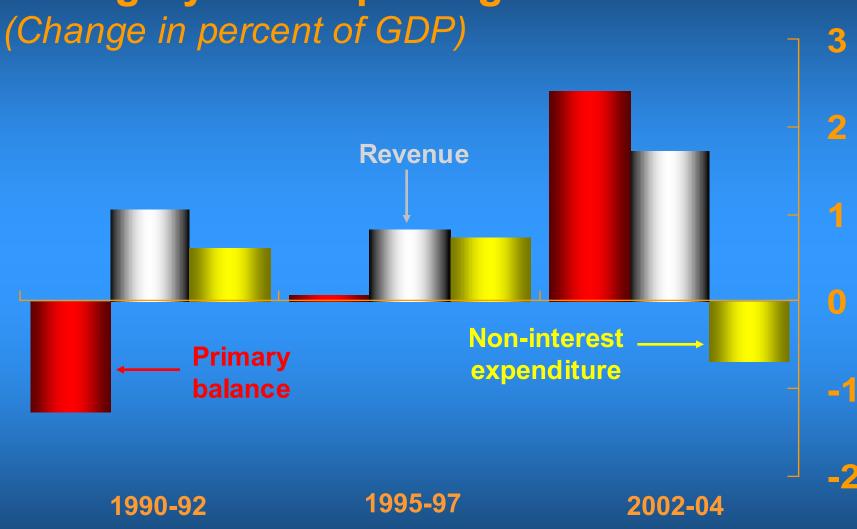


Latin America: Primary Budget Balance (Percent of GDP)





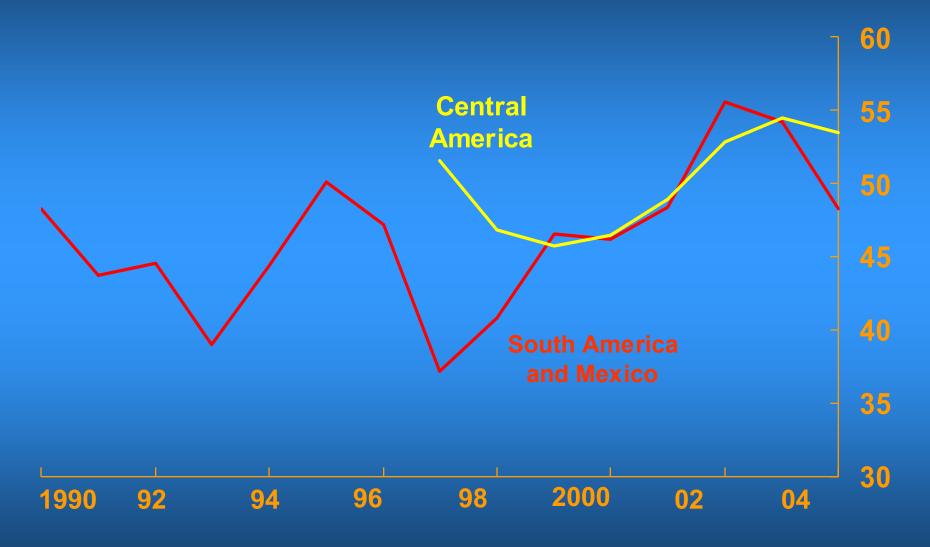
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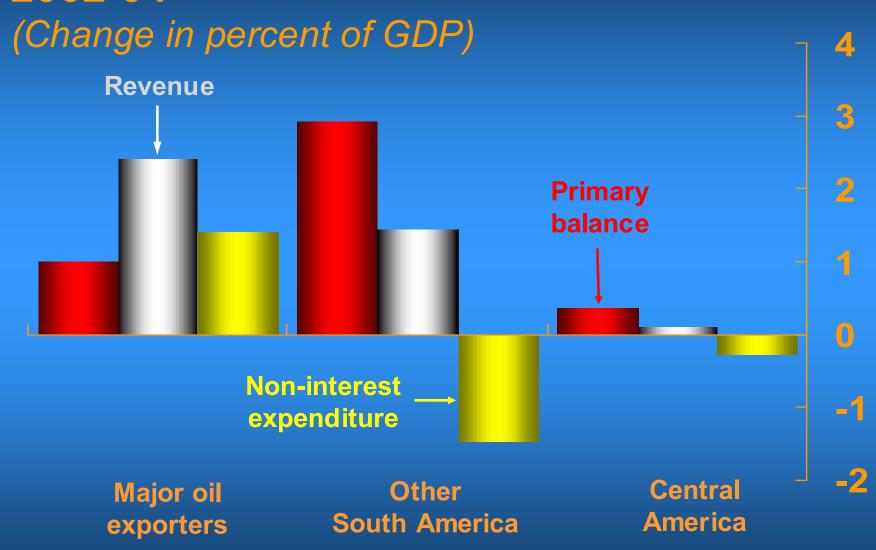
Latin America: Public Debt

(Percent of GDP, medium value)





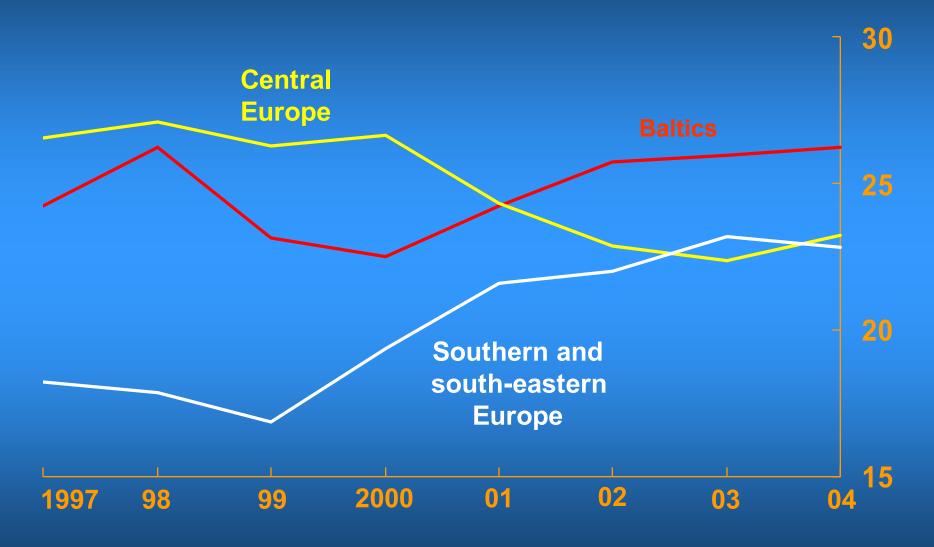
Latin America: Recent Fiscal Performance, 2002-04





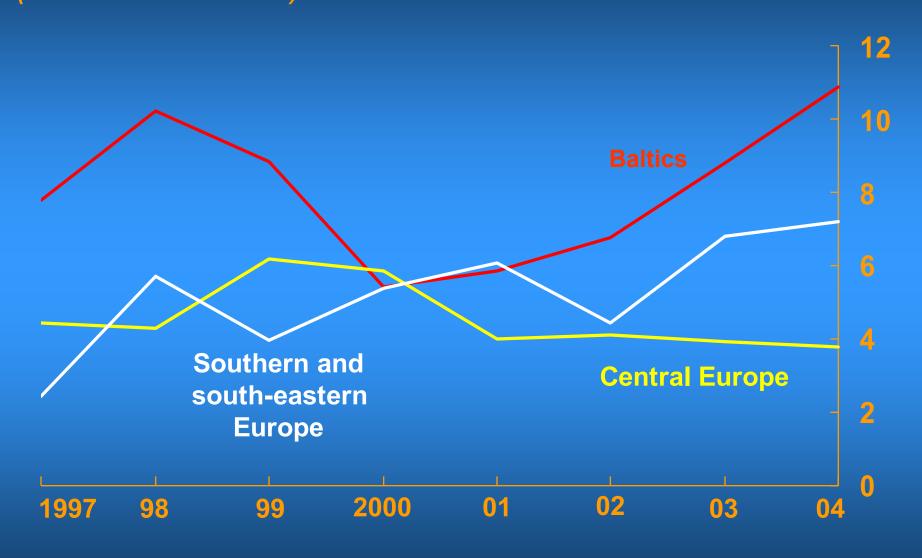
Emerging Europe: Gross Investment

(Percent of GDP)



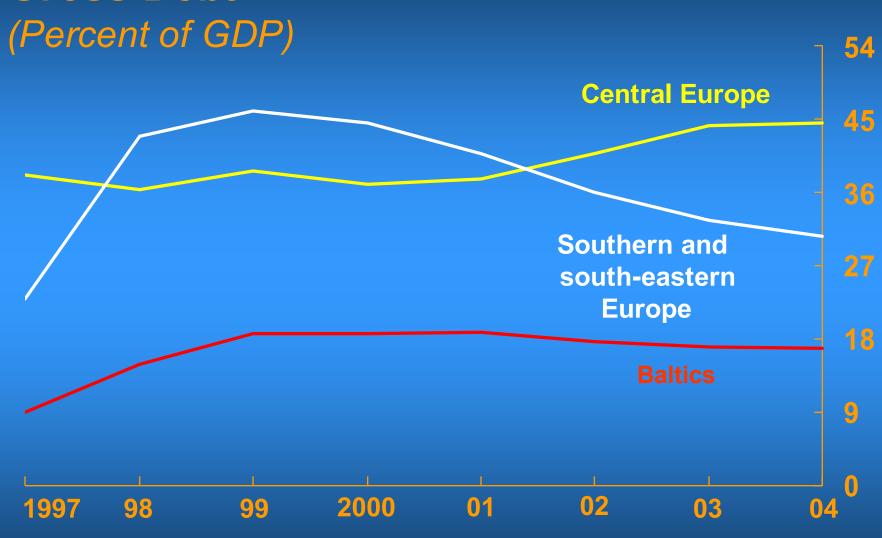


Emerging Europe: Current Account Deficit (Percent of GDP)



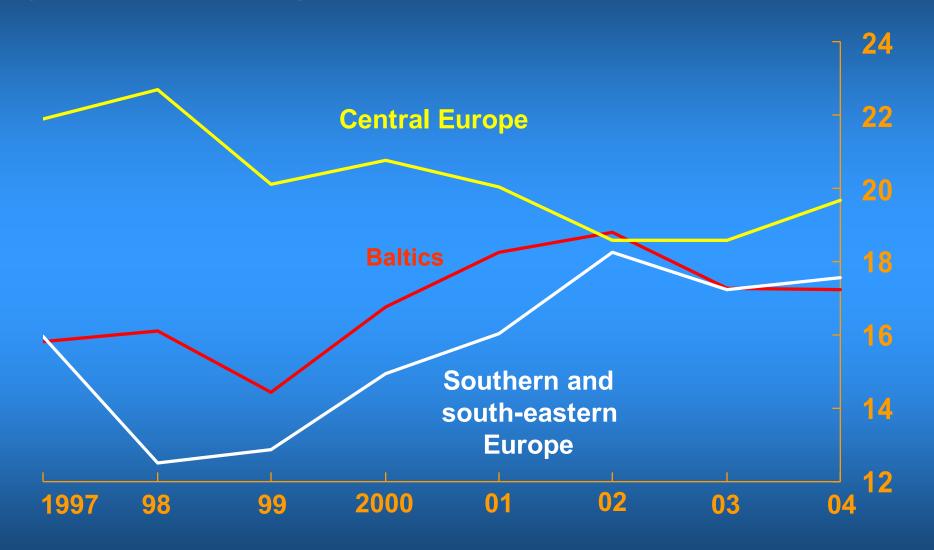


Emerging Europe: General Government Gross Debt





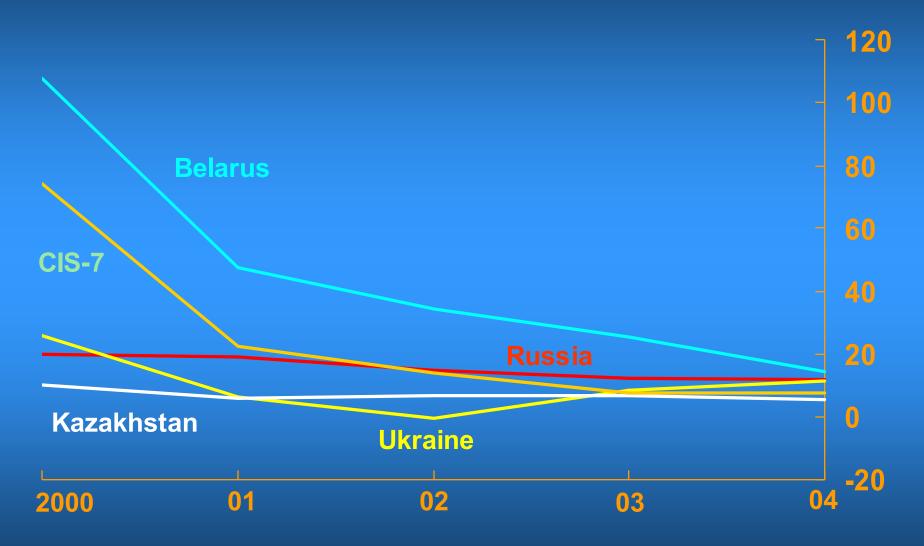
Emerging Europe: Gross National Savings (Percent of GDP)





CIS: CPI Inflation

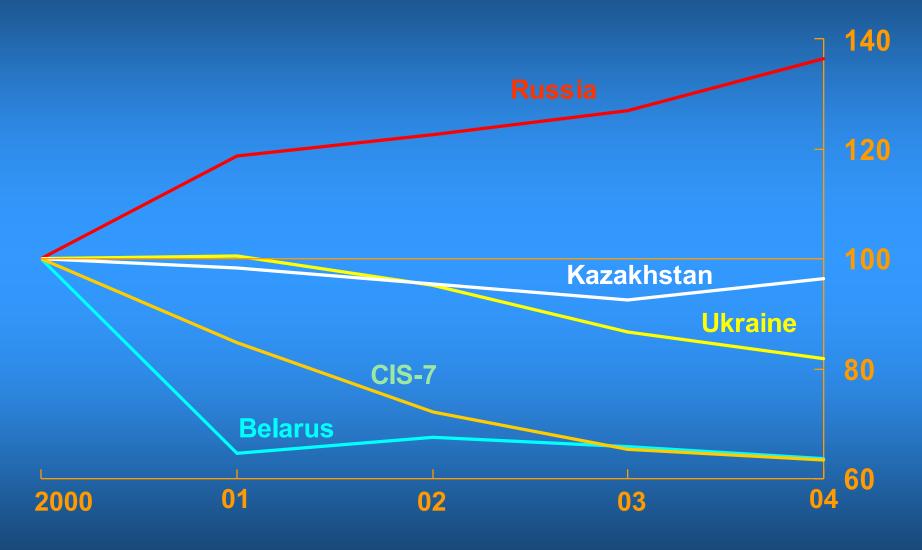
(Percent change)





CIS: Real Effective Exchange Rate

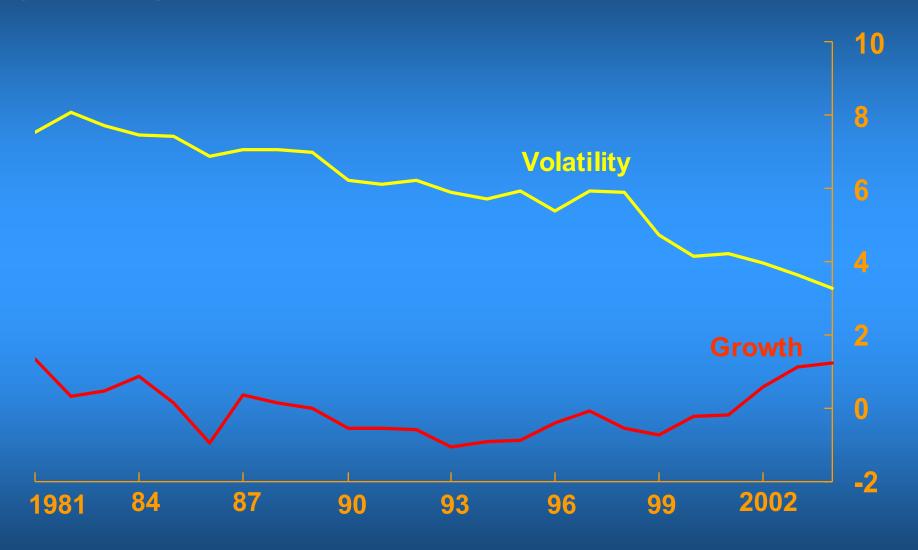
(CPI-based, 2000=100)





CFA: Growth and Volatility

(Percent)





Non-CFA: Growth and Volatility

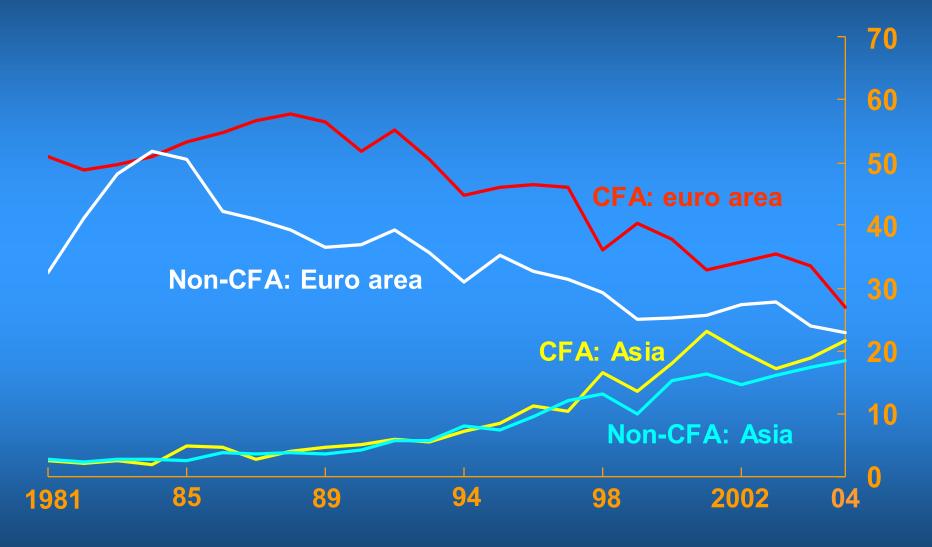
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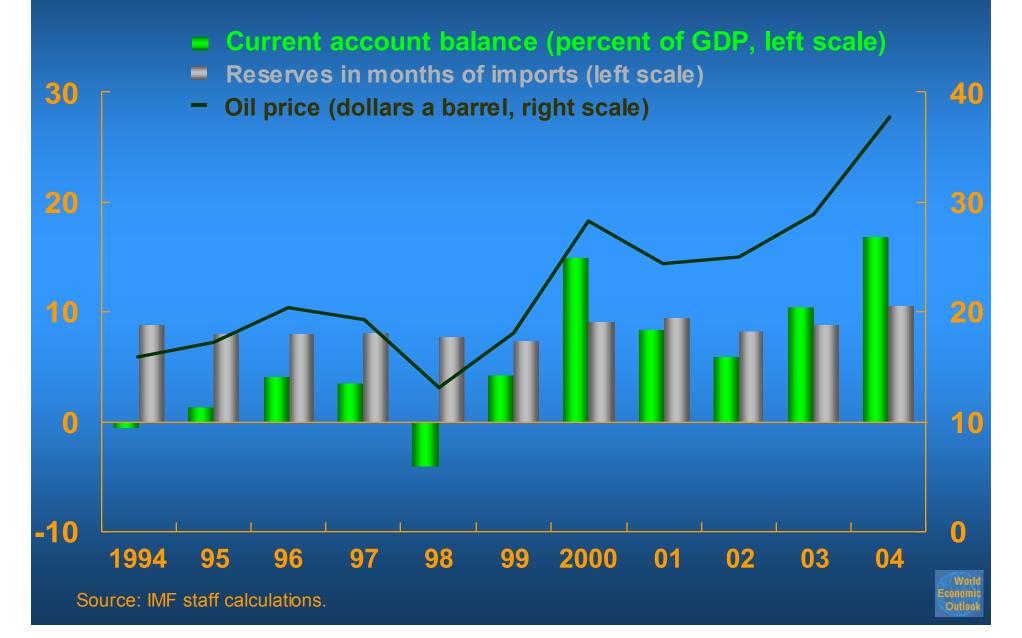
Sub-Saharan Africa: Regional Exports

(Percent of total exports)





Middle East: Current Accounts, Reserves, and Oil Price



Middle East: Uses of Additional Oil Export Revenues

(Percent of additional oil exports)



1998-00

2002-04



Stock of Middle Eastern OPEC Member Reserves





Source: IMF staff calculations.

