



U.S. Monetary Policy and Emerging Markets' Challenges

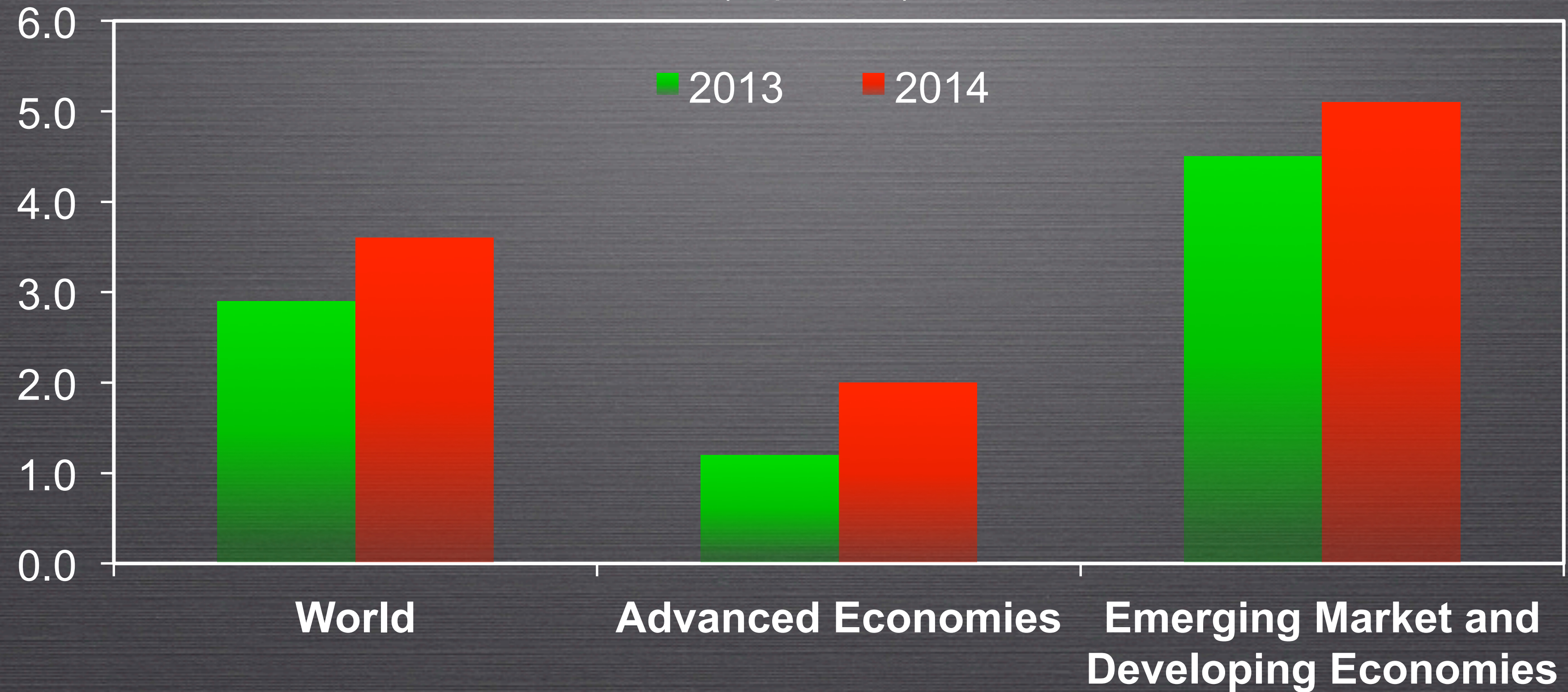
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Recovery of the global economy continues ...

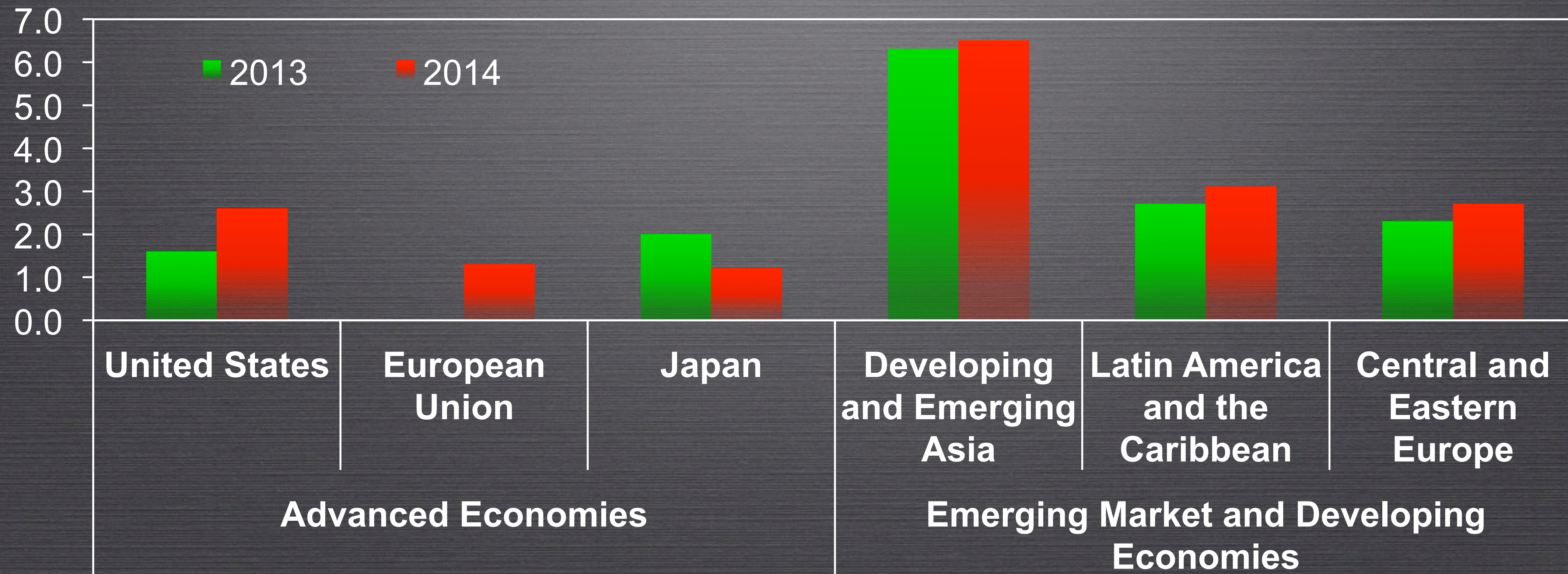
GDP Growth Projections
(In percent)



Source: World Economic Outlook (WEO, October 2013)

... with regional differences

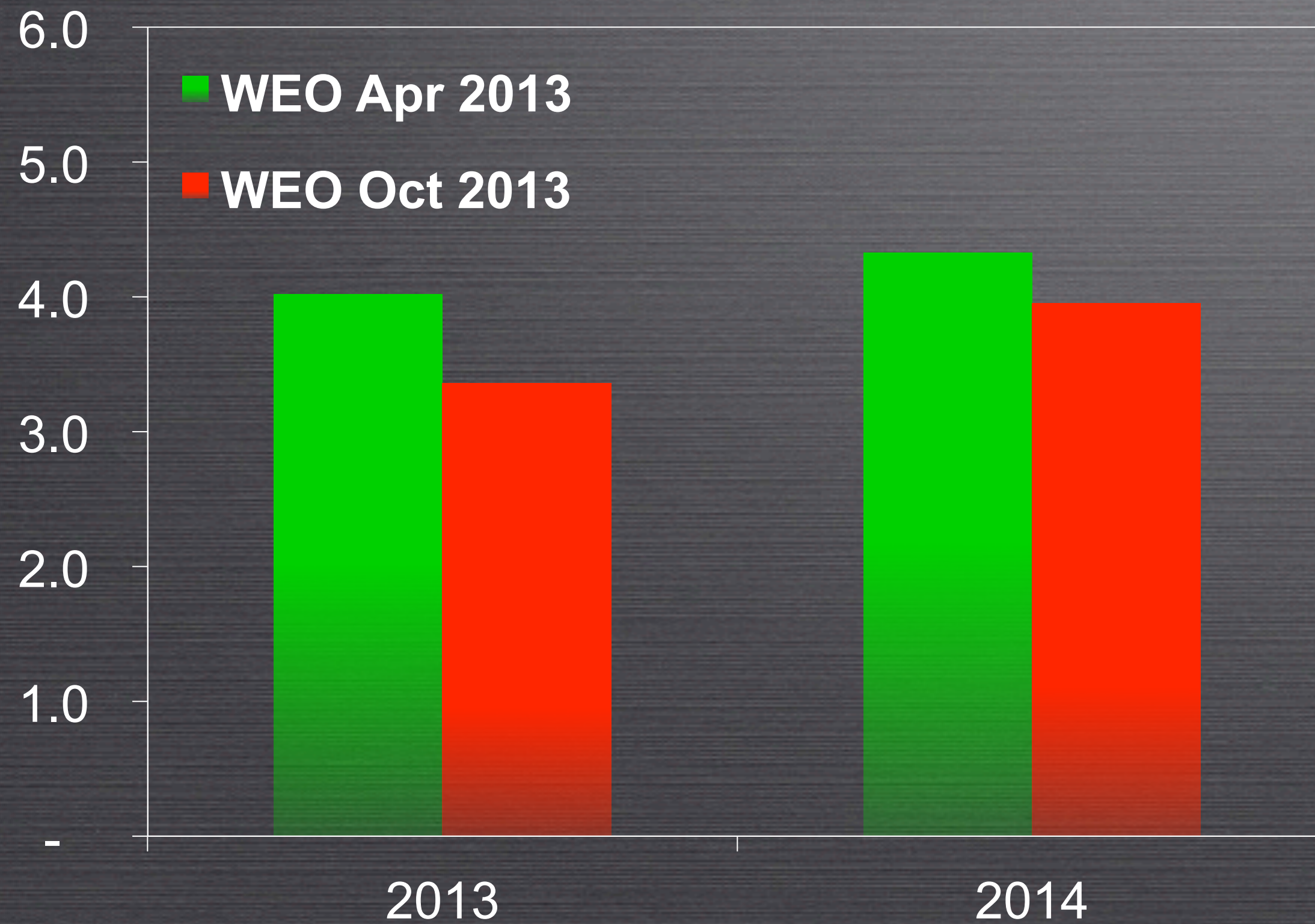
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Key challenges for emerging markets: internal and external

Emerging Markets - GDP Growth Projections (In percent)

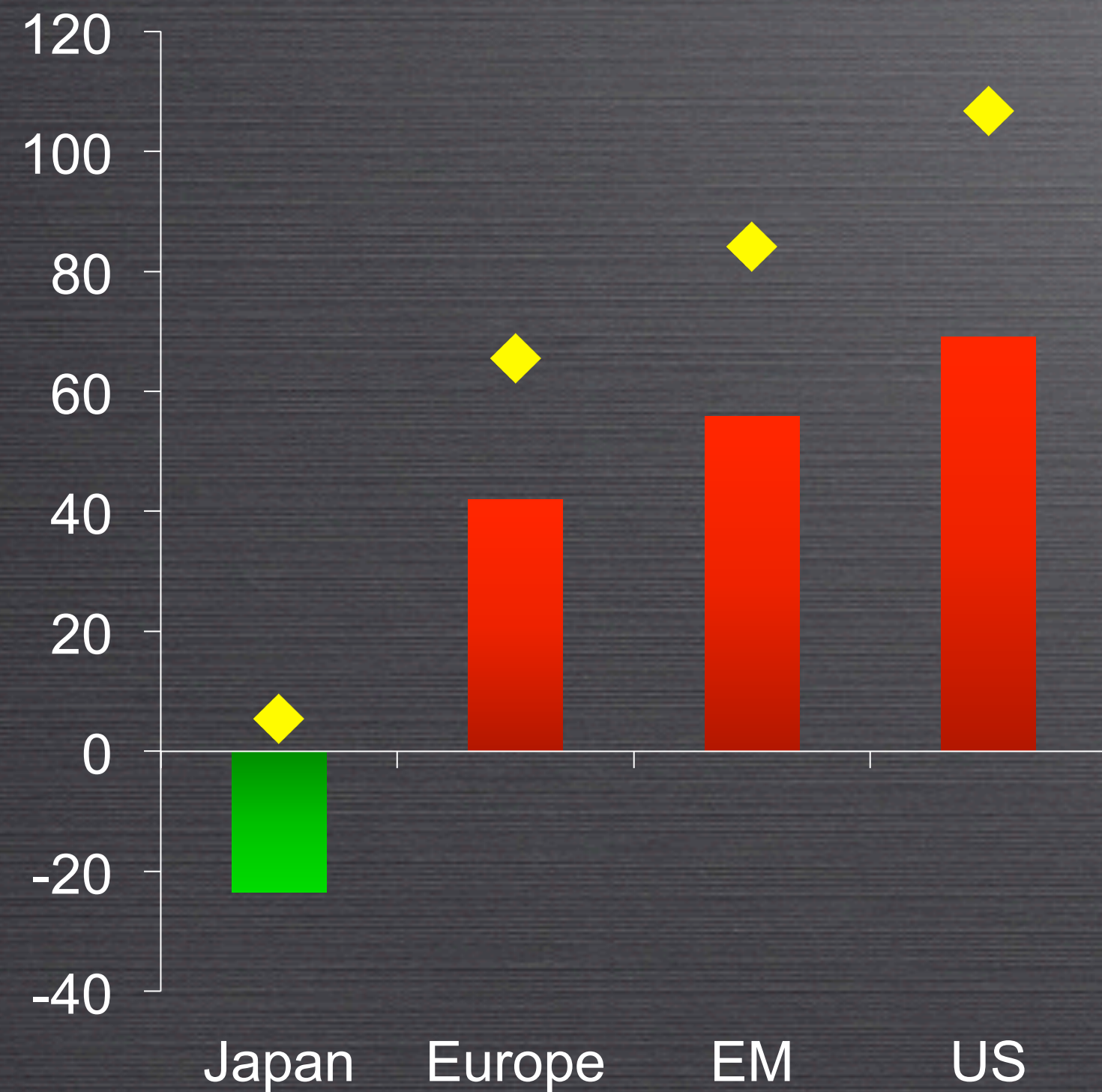


10 Year U.S. Government Bond Yield



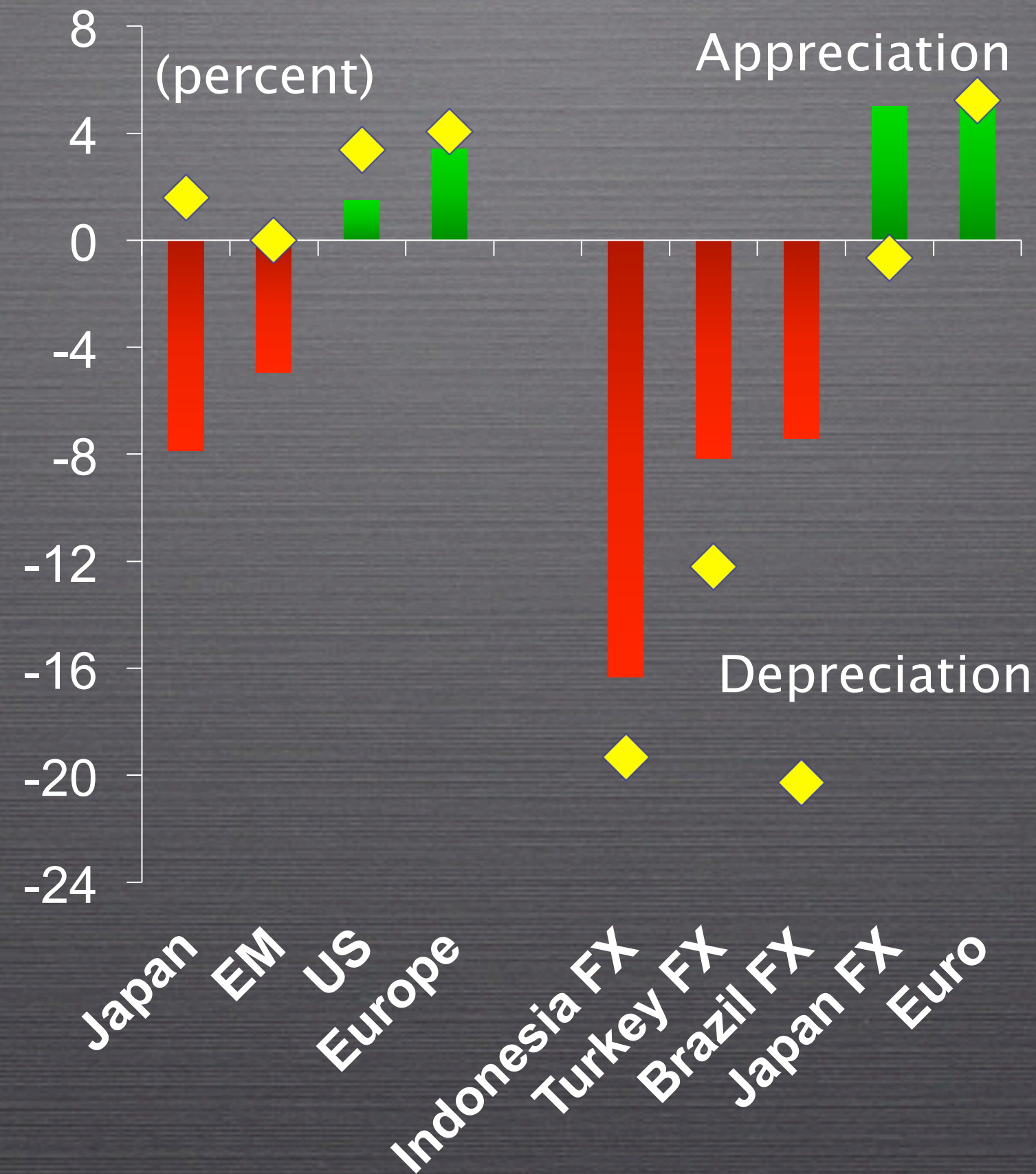
Recent market turbulence: temporary or more to come?

Bond Yield
(basis point)



Equity

(percent)



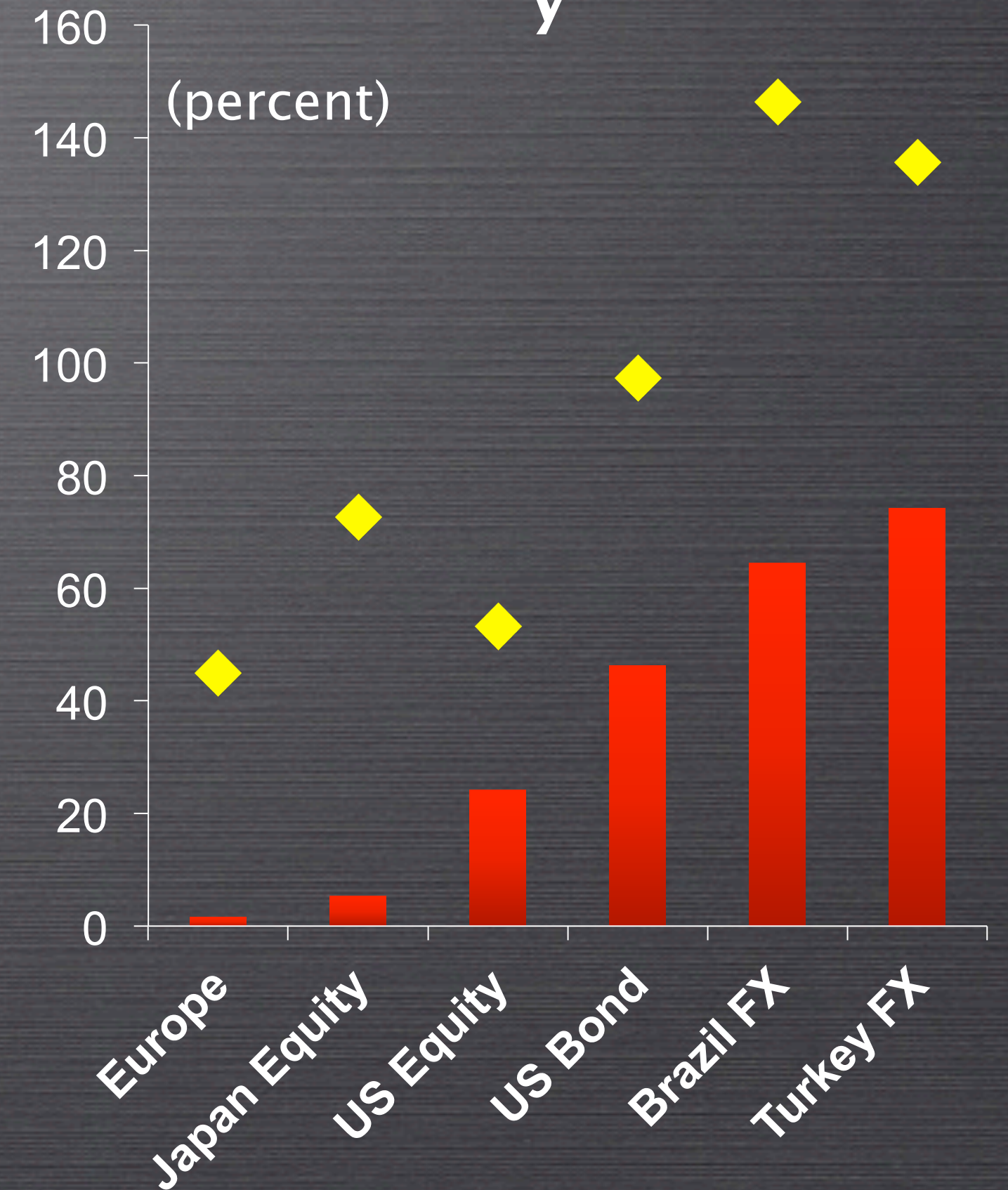
Currency

Appreciation

Depreciation

Volatility
y

(percent)

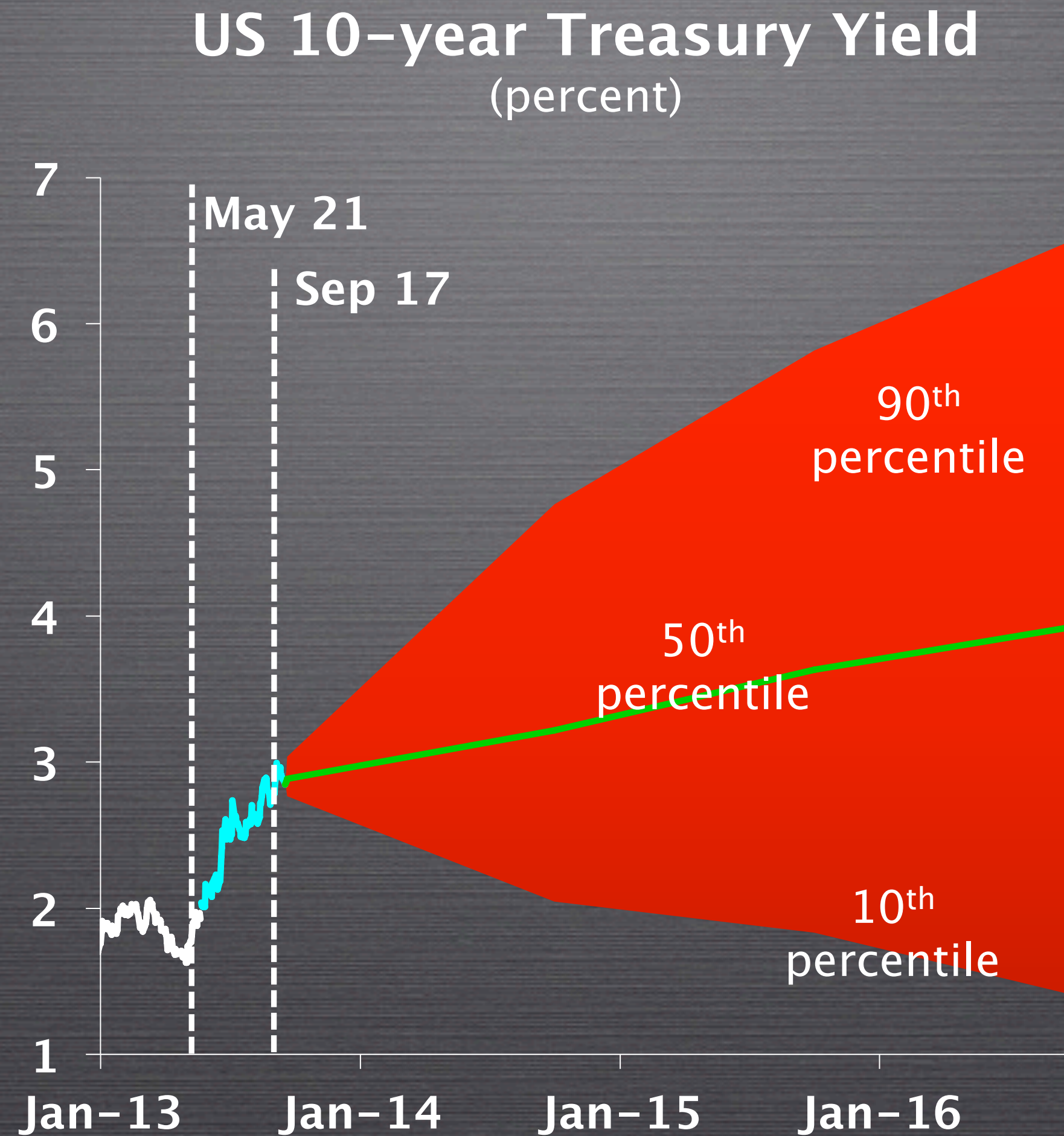


■ ■ Change since May 21, 2013 to current
 ◆ Change since May 21, 2013 to peak

How will the U.S. monetary exit be?

Smooth

- Gradual recovery expected
- Tapering smooth and tightening gradual
- Much already “priced in”
- Volatile adjustment largely behind us



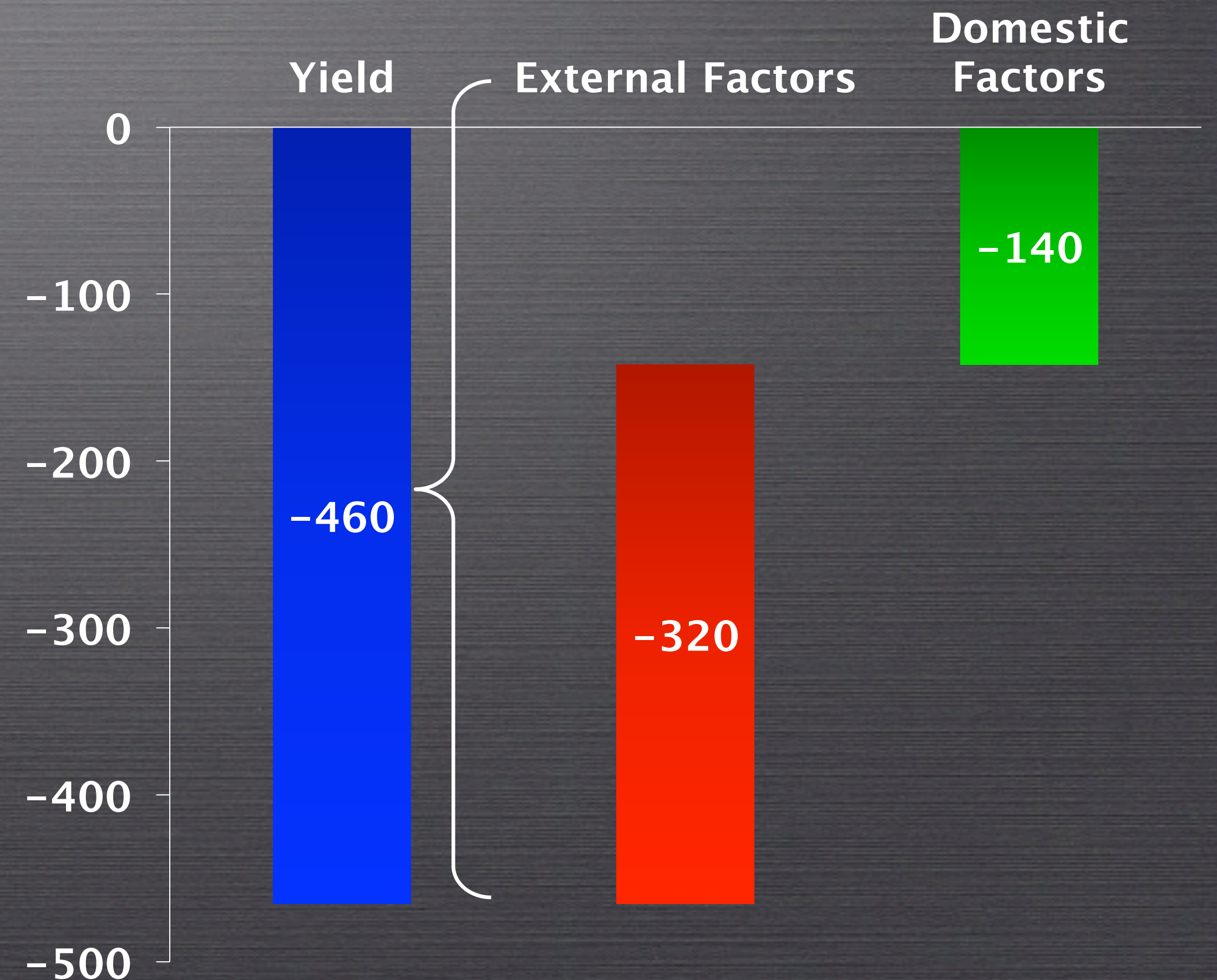
Bumpy

- Timing of recovery uncertain
- Tapering has not even started, let alone tightening
- Unchartered territory
- Fed doesn't control long-term rates
- Potentially destabilizing market dynamics

Potential impact on emerging markets

Local currency yield tightening (Dec 08–
Dec 12)
(basis point)

- External conditions
- Quality of domestic fundamentals

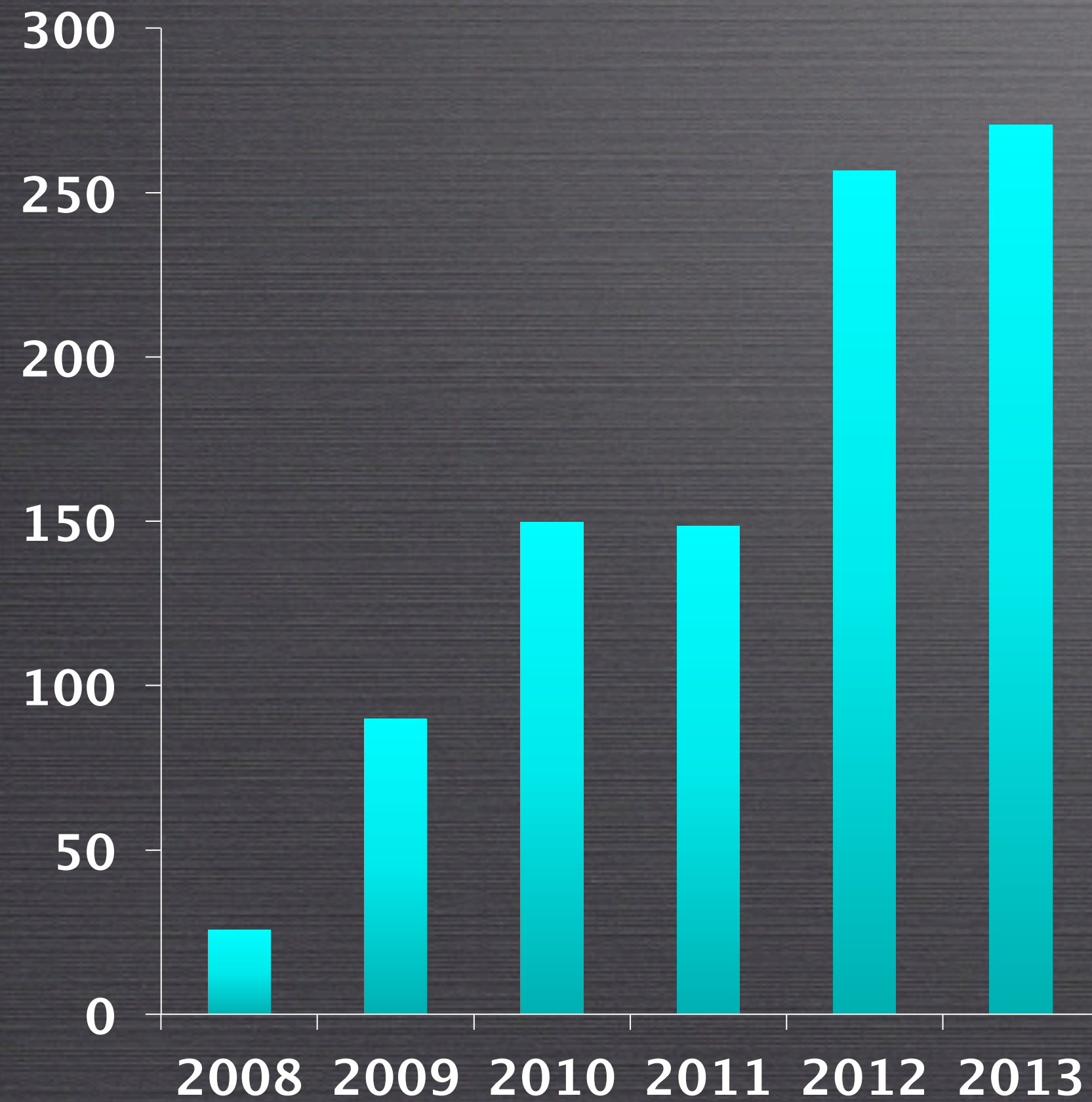


Volatility amplifiers in the U.S. monetary exit process

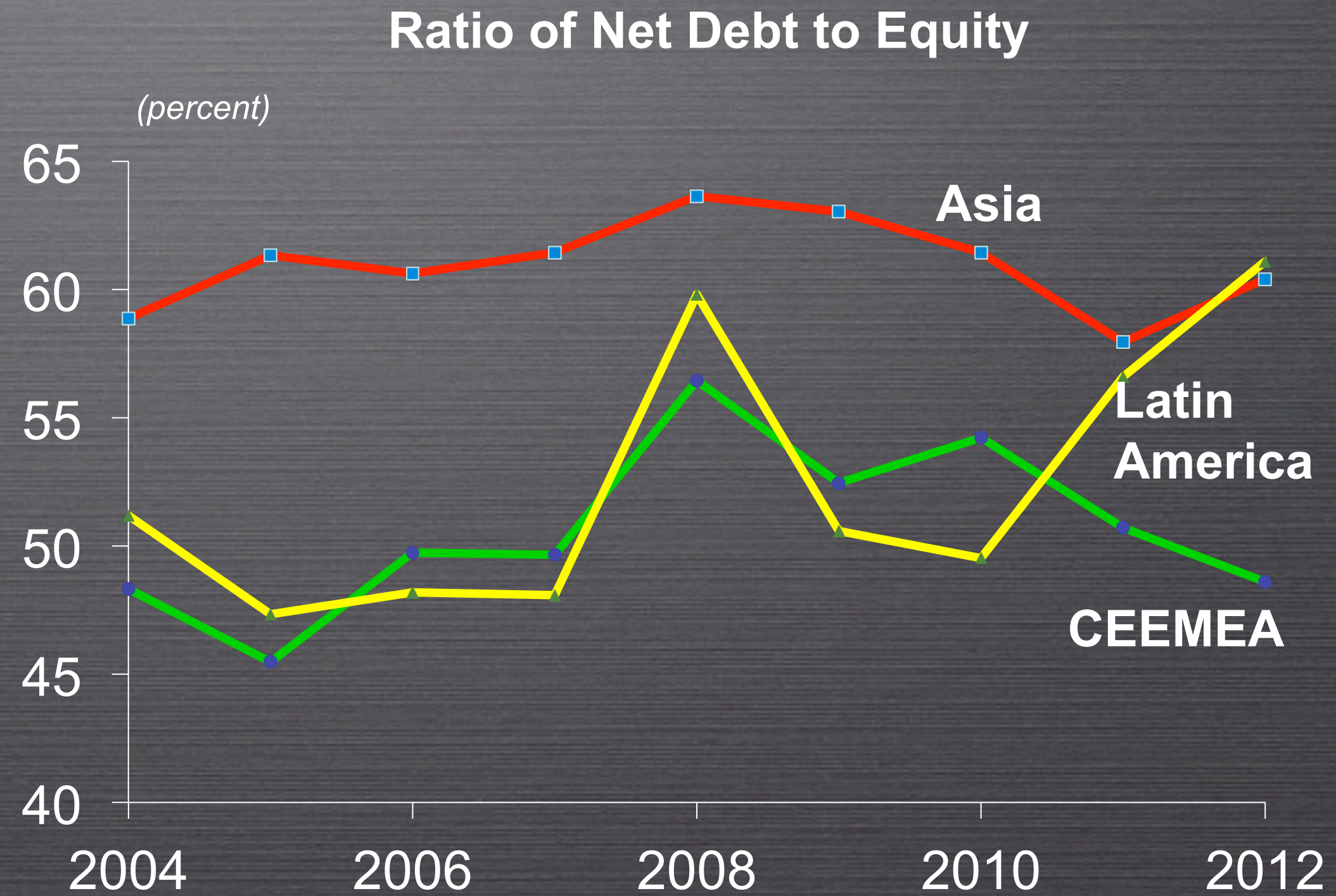
- Massive shift to fixed income (U.S., EM)
- Increased duration (U.S., EM)
- Structurally lower market liquidity (U.S., EM)
 - Foreign investors have crowded in local markets (EM)
 - Higher role of cross-over investors (EM)

Rising corporate leverage in emerging markets

New issuance of corporate debt (billions of US dollar)



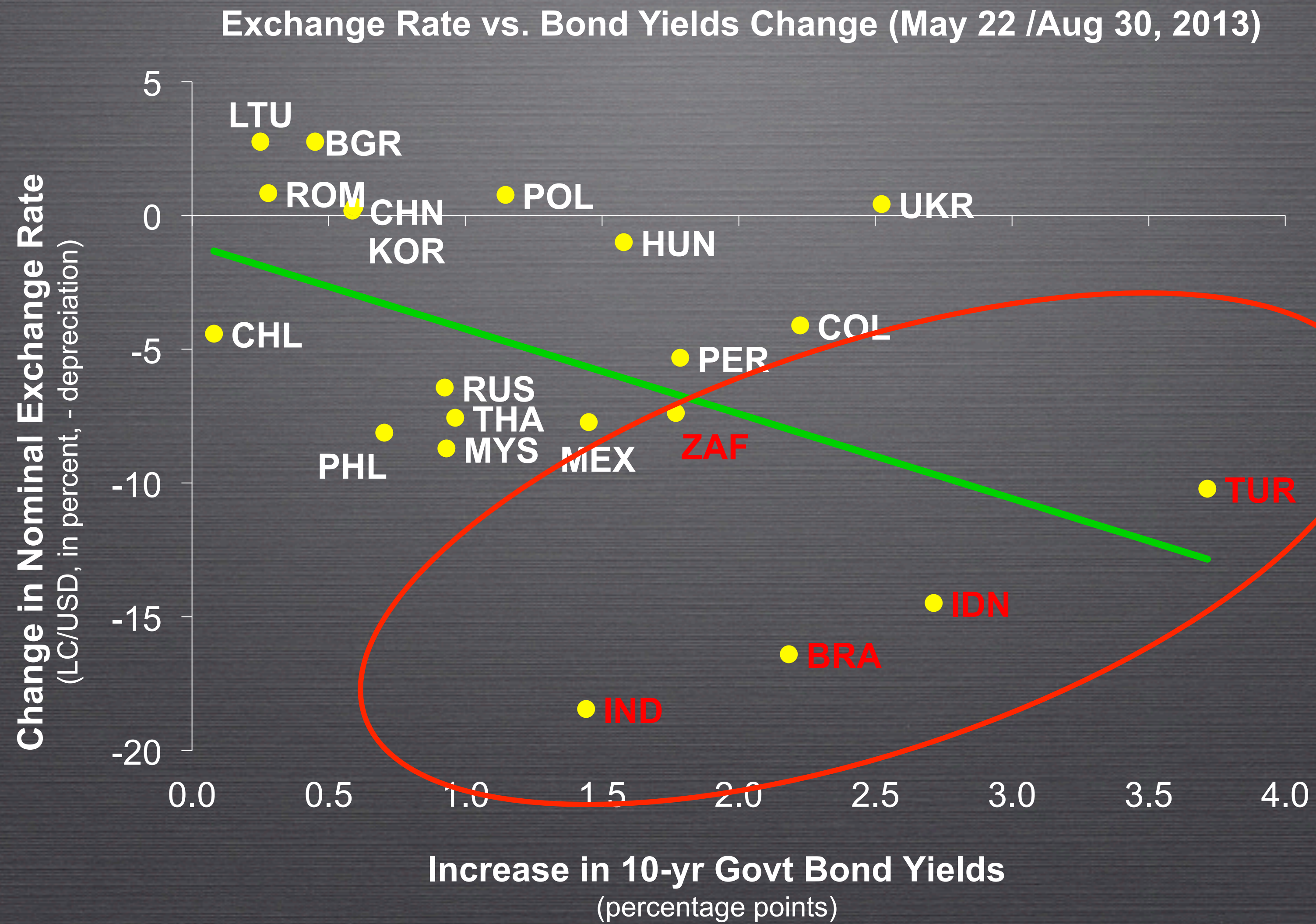
Nonfinancial Corporate Balance Sheet Metrics



Sources: Bloomberg L.P.; and IMF staff calculations.

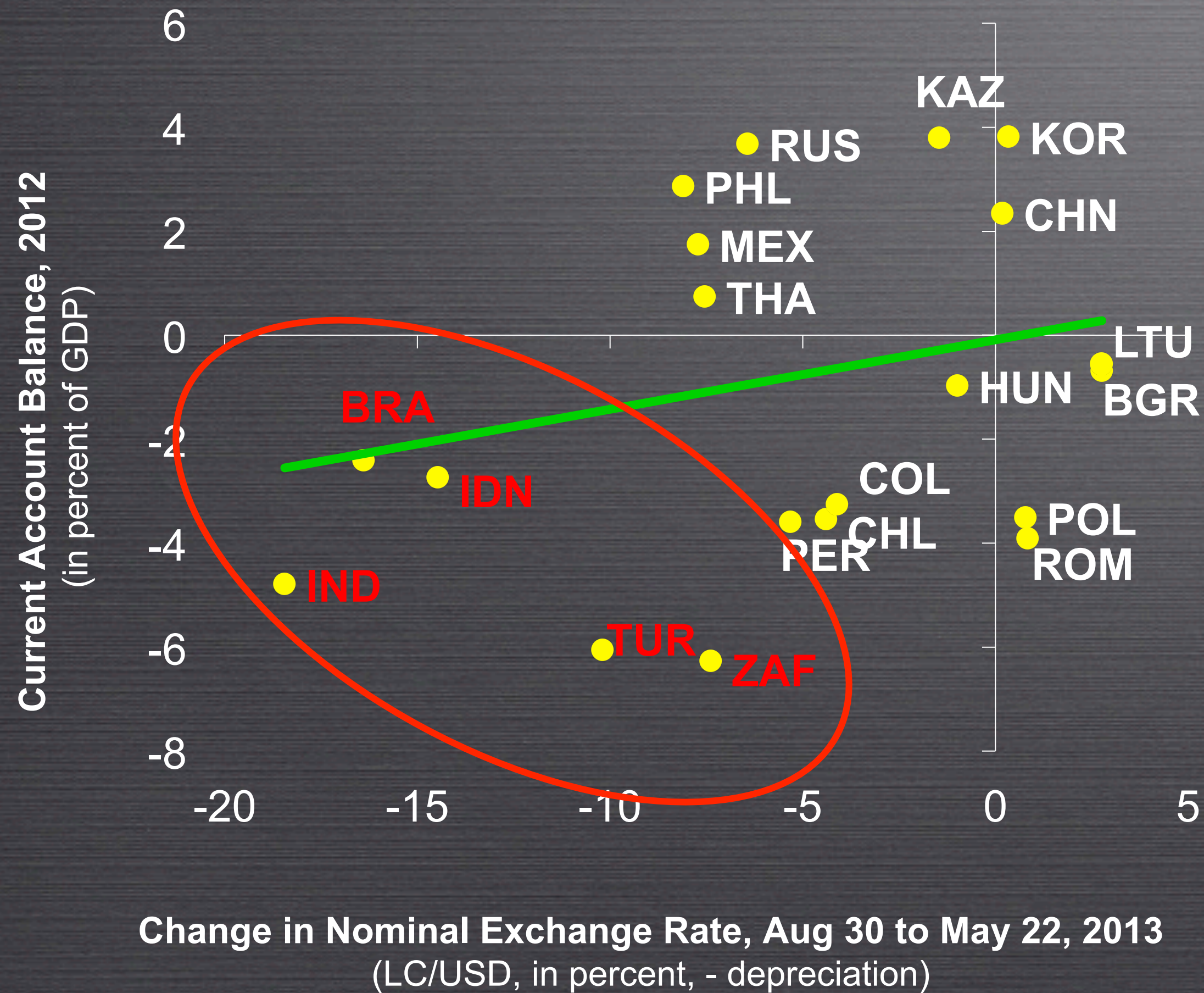
Note: Computed as the median of all available firm data. CEEMEA - central and eastern Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. Firms with negative net debt were excluded.

Recent “mini-stress” tests: currencies and bonds hit the most

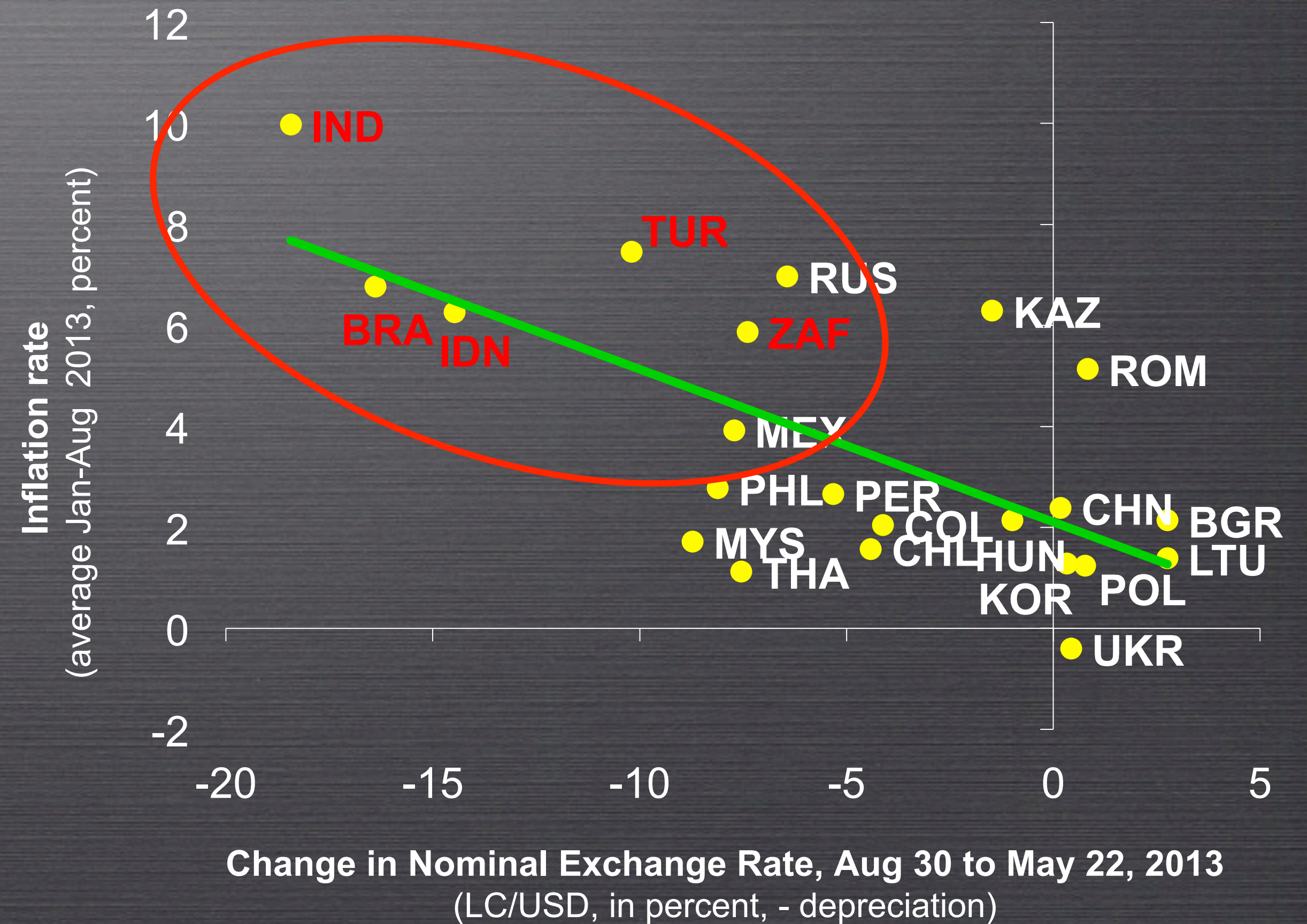


Recent “mini-stress” tests: fundamentals matter

Exchange Rates vs. Current Account Balance



Exchange Rates vs. Inflation Rate



It takes two to tango

US

- Manage tapering and tightening (execute + communicate)
- Prudential policies key for stability

Emerging
Markets

- Strengthen macro-financial policy frameworks and buffers
- Facilitate orderly market adjustment

Specifically for emerging markets

- In preparation → strengthen fundamentals/keep them in check
- If serious tensions arise:
 - Allow exchange rates to adjust in line with fundamentals
 - Provide liquidity
 - Adjust macroeconomic policies
 - Prudential policies
 - Swap lines, IMF facilities