

# Globalization Disrupted

[ Will world trade continue to disappoint? ]



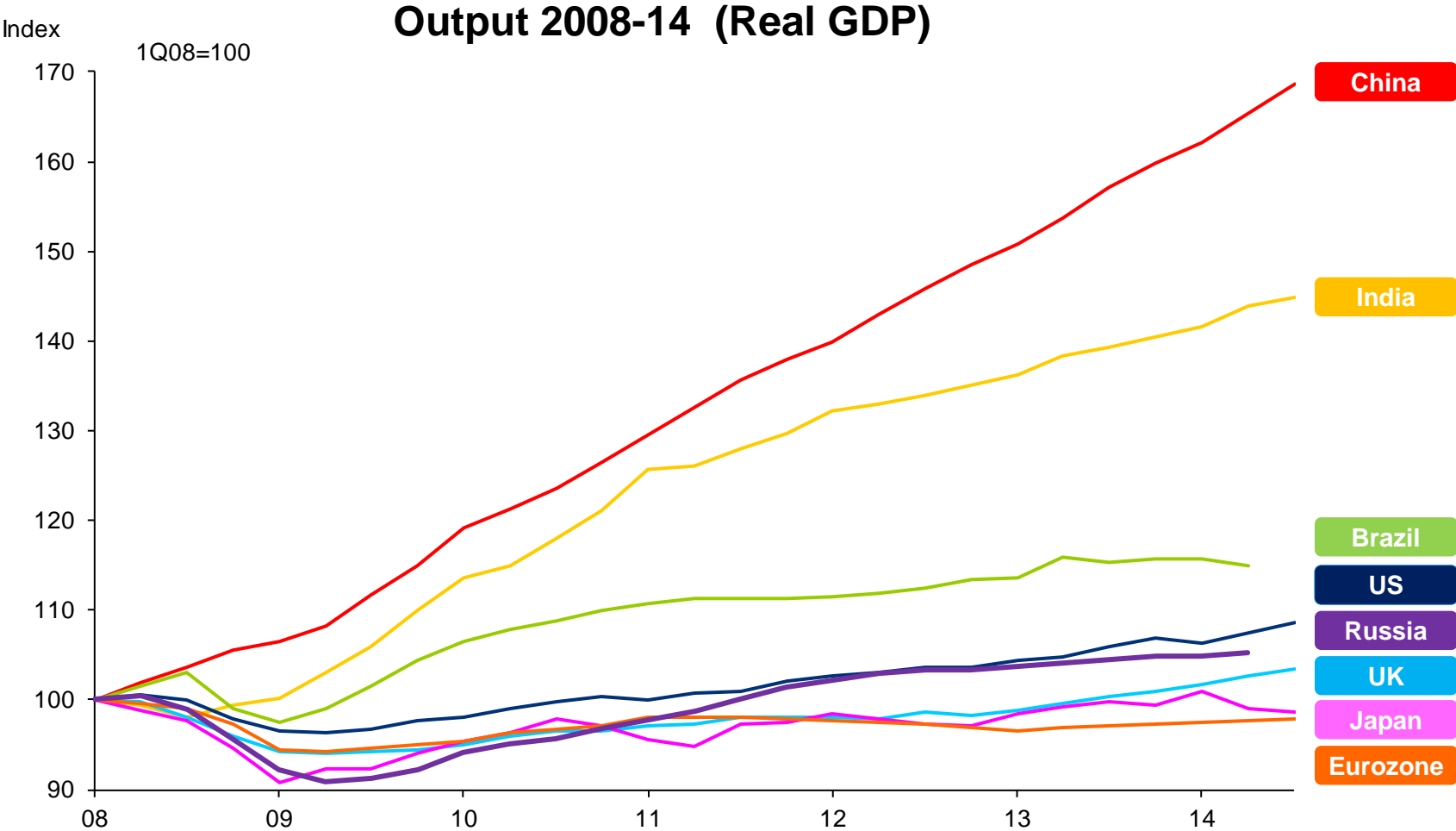
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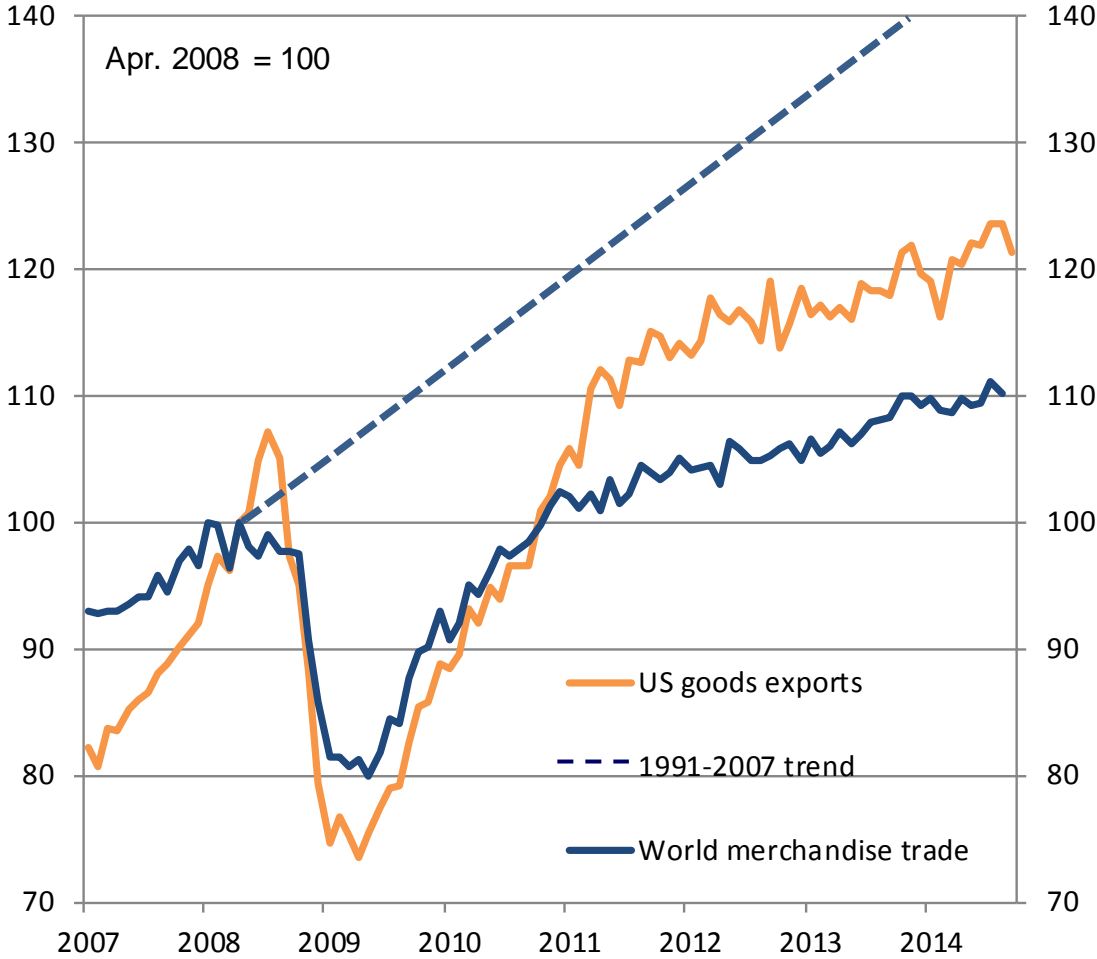
# China sets the pace...

...as the developed world struggles with the post-crisis legacy



# World trade – a partial recovery

US exports do relatively well...

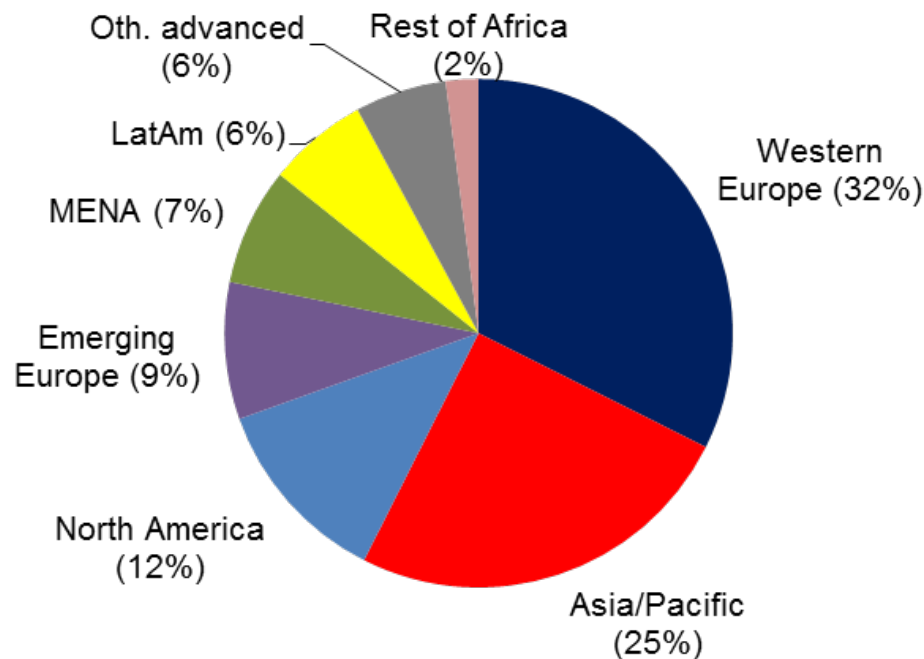


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# Emerging markets account for 1/2 of world trade

## World Merchandise Exports

Share in world total, 2013

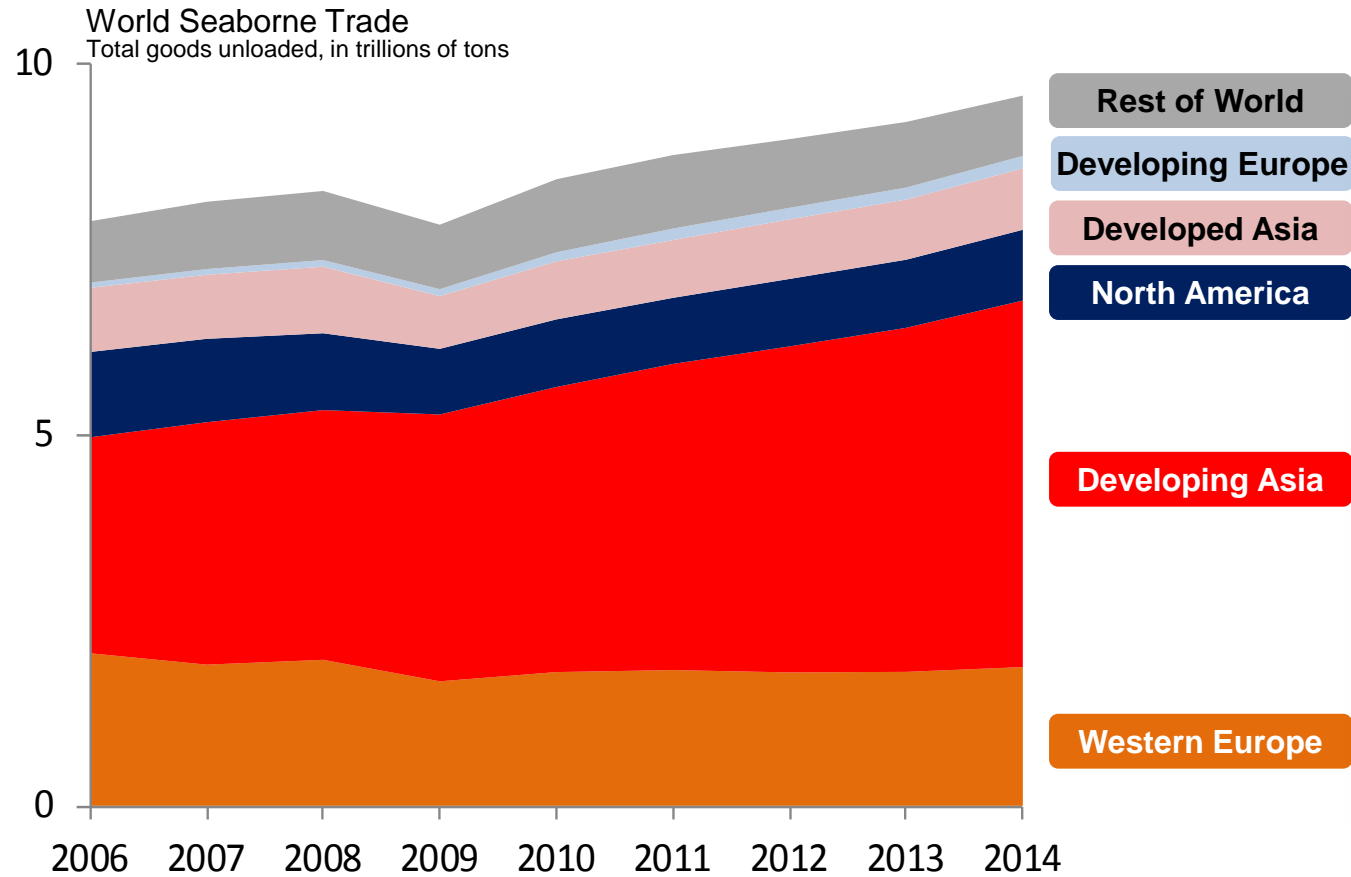


Source: OE, ING calculations.

Note: Asia/Pacific excludes Japan, North America = US & Canada, Emerging Europe includes Russia & Turkey, MENA = Middle East & North Africa, LatAm = Latin America, Other Advanced Economies = Australia, Japan & New Zealand..

# Asia dominates seaborne trade

Reflecting appetite for bulk and manufacturing expansion

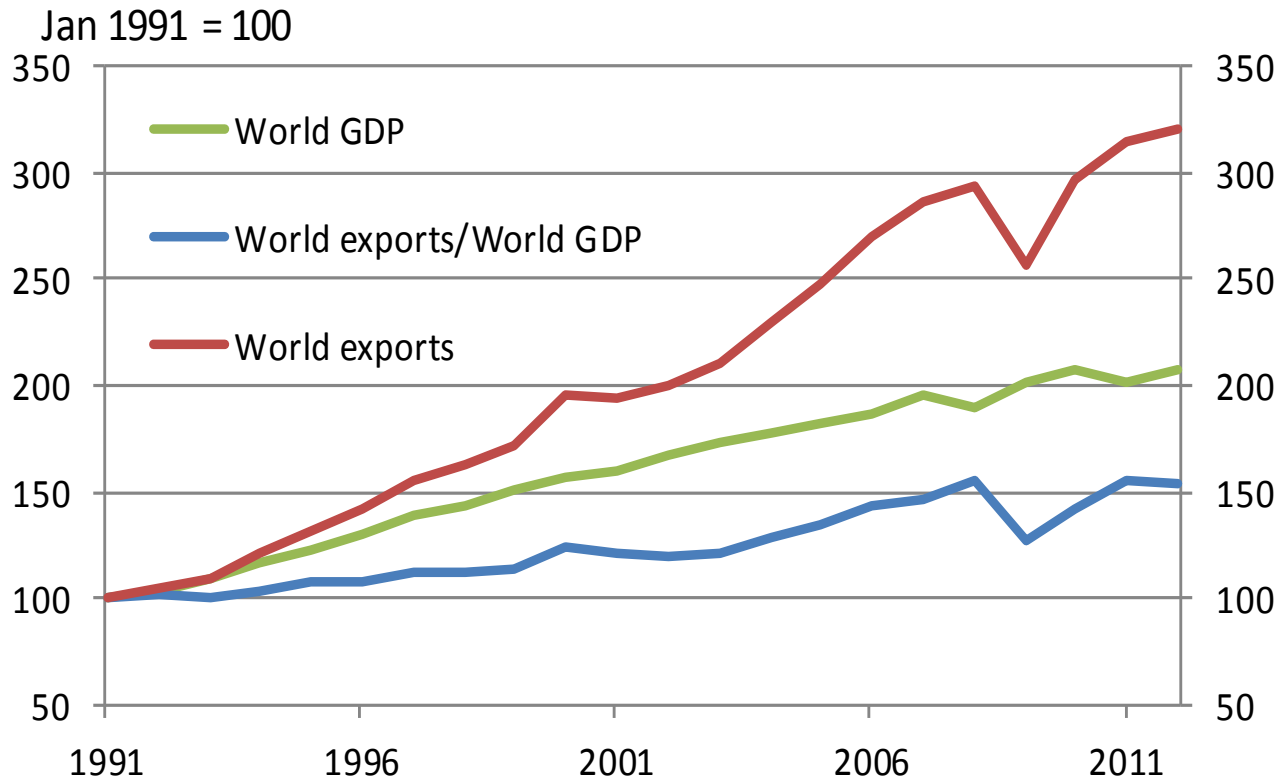


Source: UNCTAD, ING estimates for 2013 and 2014



# World trade – no longer outpacing output

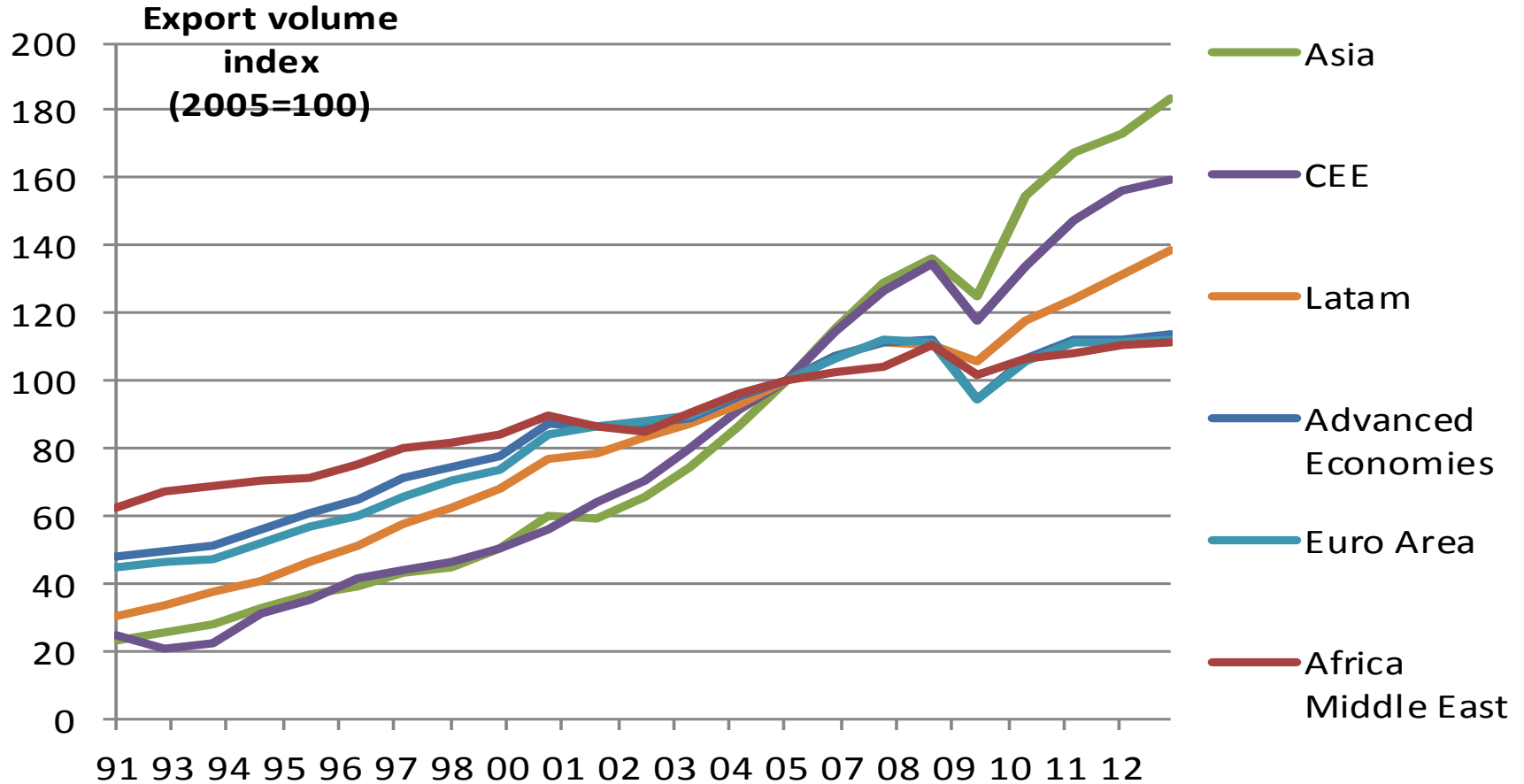
## Growth has disappointed since the financial crisis



- Prior to the global financial crisis world trade grew twice as fast as GDP...
- ...its share of world GDP almost doubled in less than 20 years
- After its rebound following the crisis-induced plunge, trade is growing no faster than GDP

# The problem is mainly in developed markets

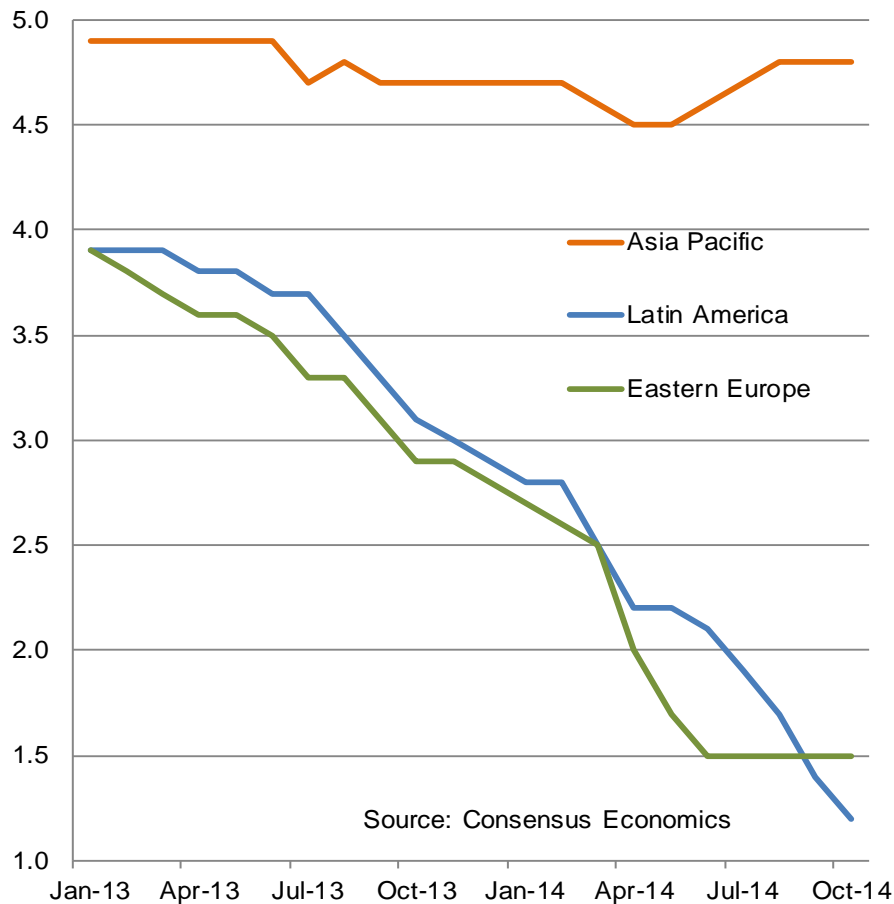
## Asia pulls ahead



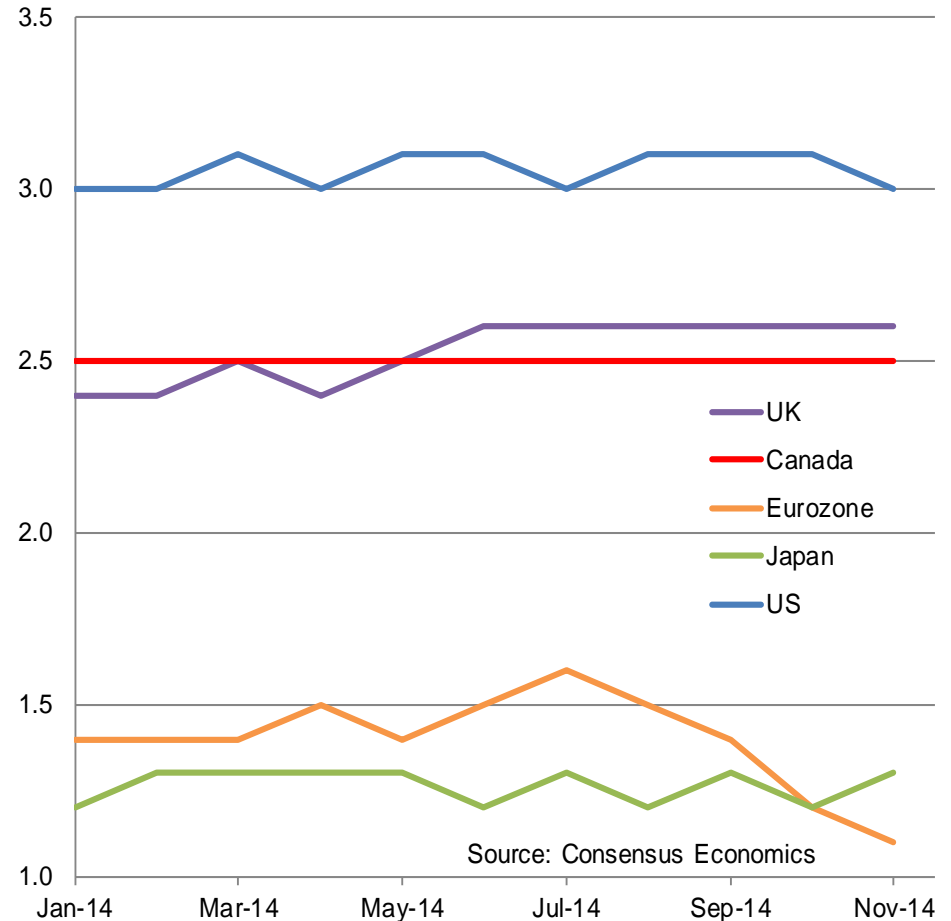
# Recent slowdown in Latam and Europe

## Russia/Ukraine tension hurts CEE and Eurozone

2014 GDP consensus forecasts (YoY%)



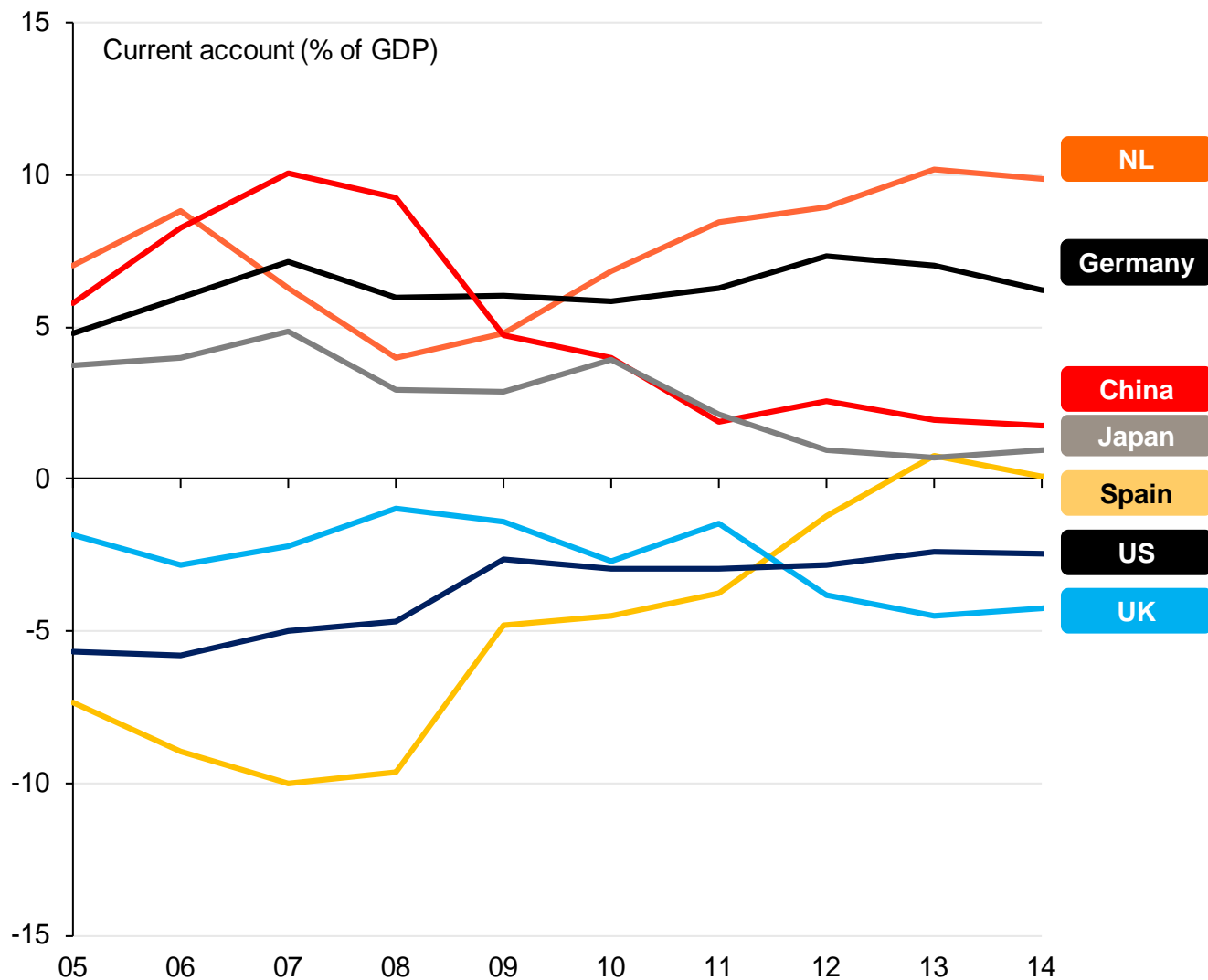
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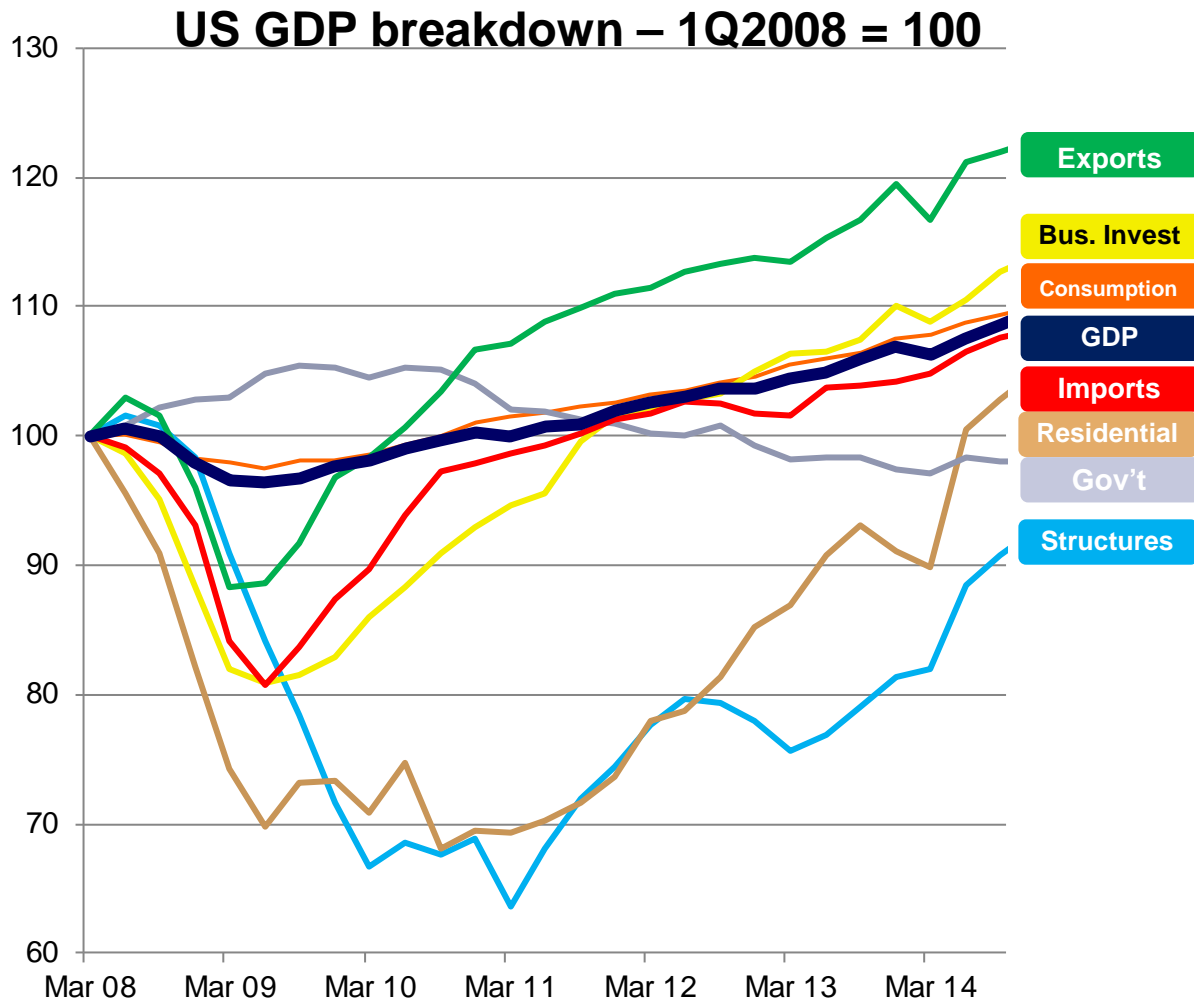


# Current Account imbalances narrow

## Deficit countries aim to be German, and China rebalances...



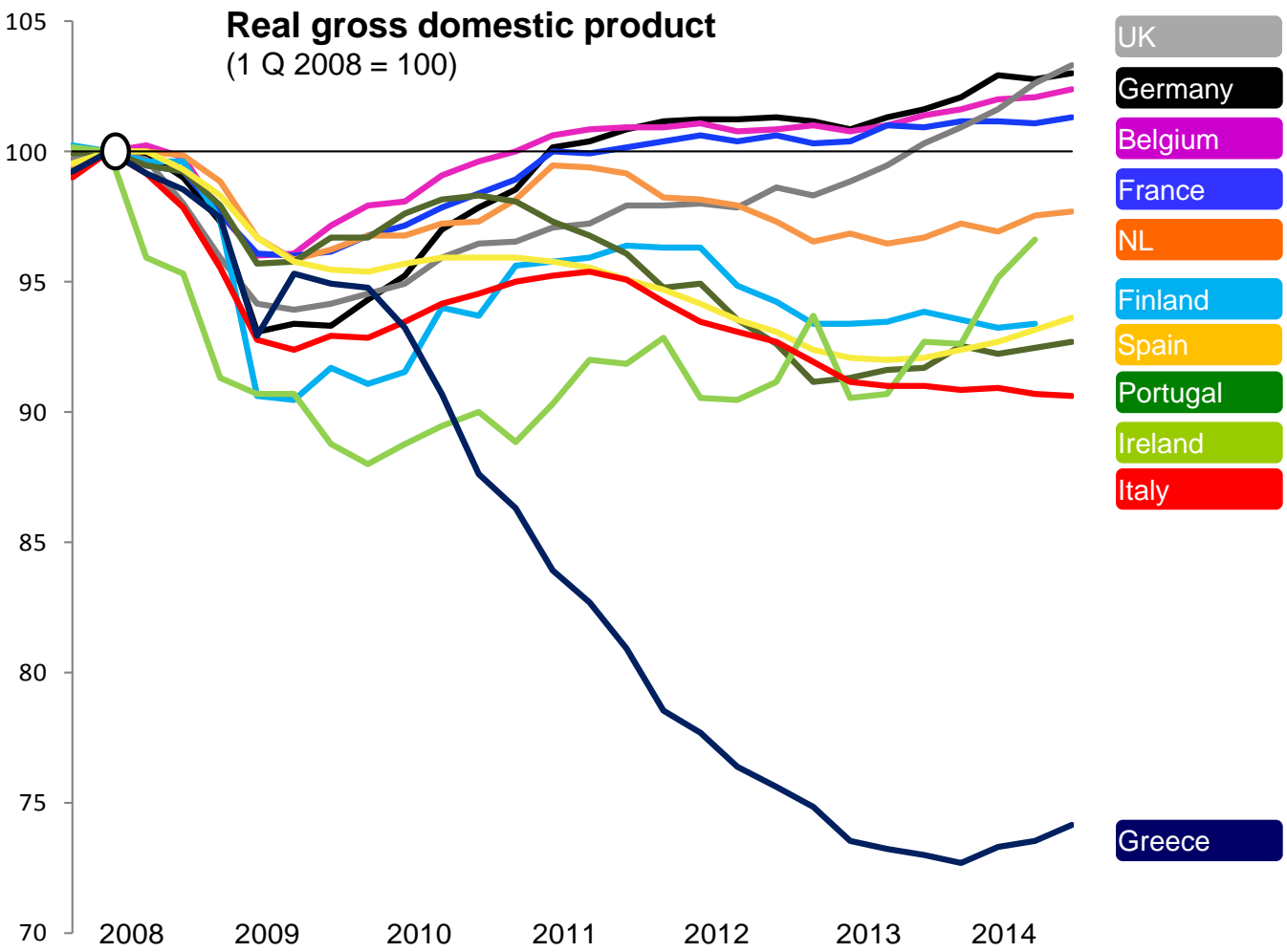
# What's been driving US growth?



- Exports have led the way out of US recession
- But consumer spending and business investment have kept pace with overall GDP
- Imports have not, and government spending still depressed
- Construction rebounding, but from low levels
- Inventories (not shown) have been very important

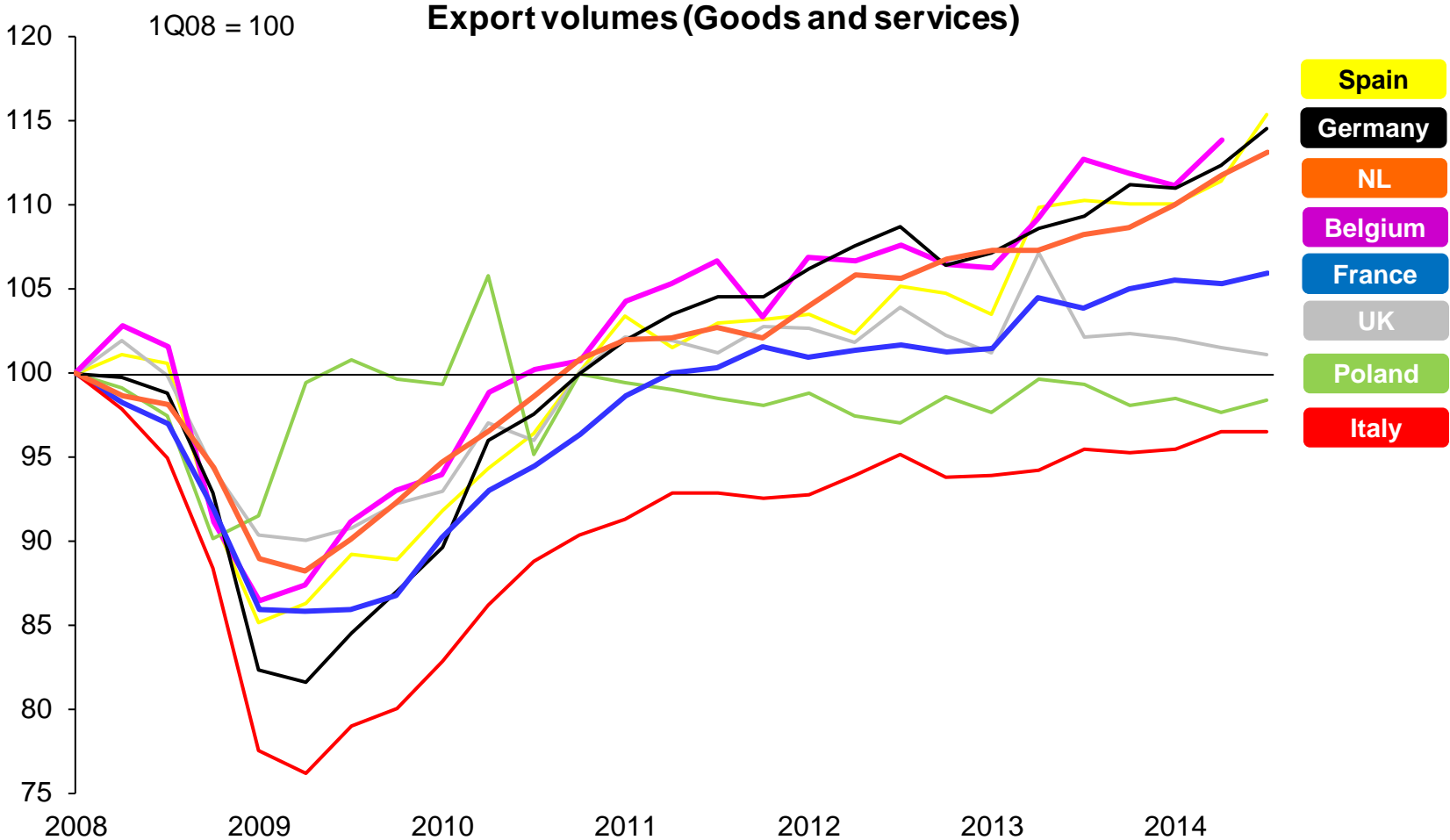
# Eurozone recovery gains some traction

But the recovery is still uneven and fragile



# Exports – key to recovery

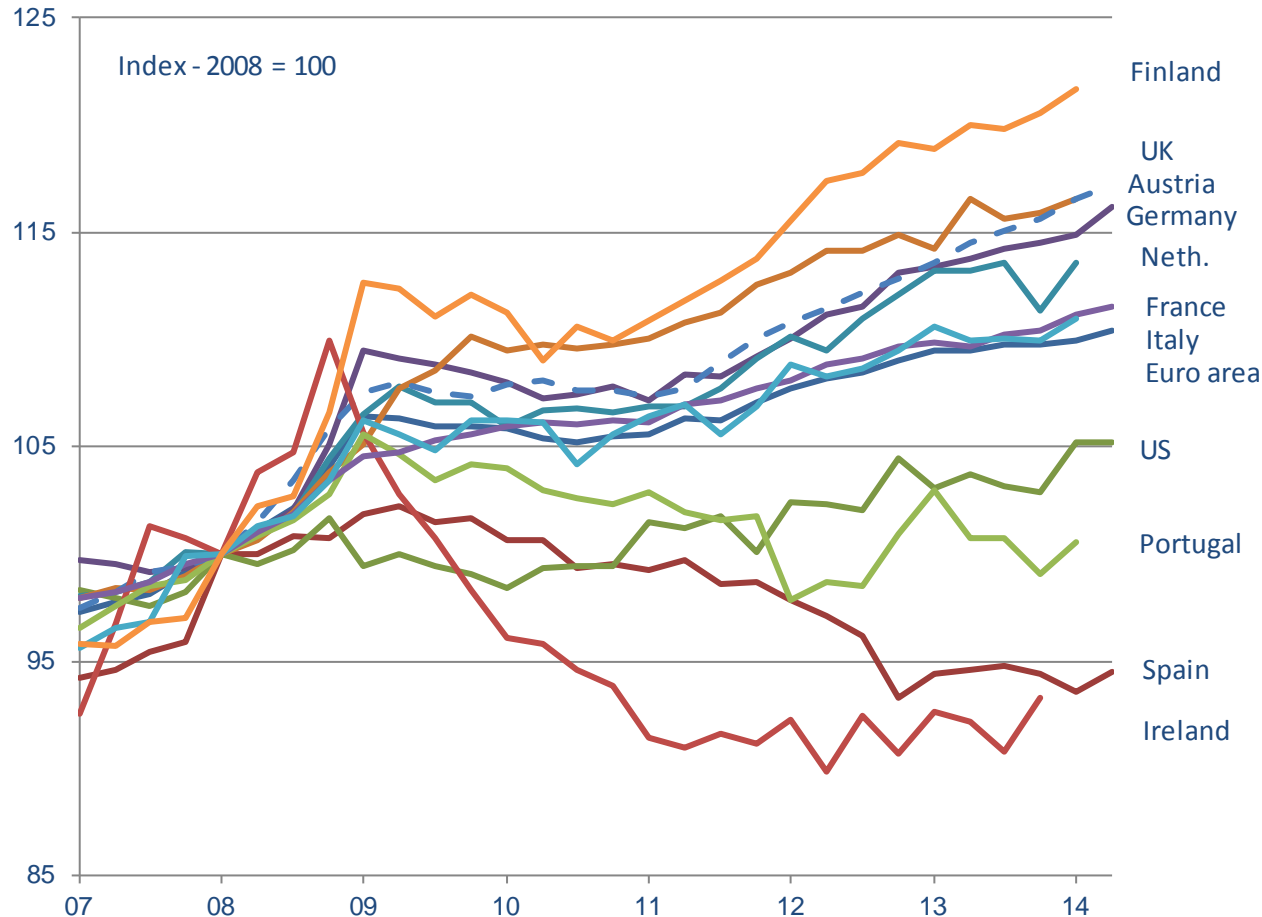
Spain even outpaces Germany



# Eurozone Periphery - improving competitiveness

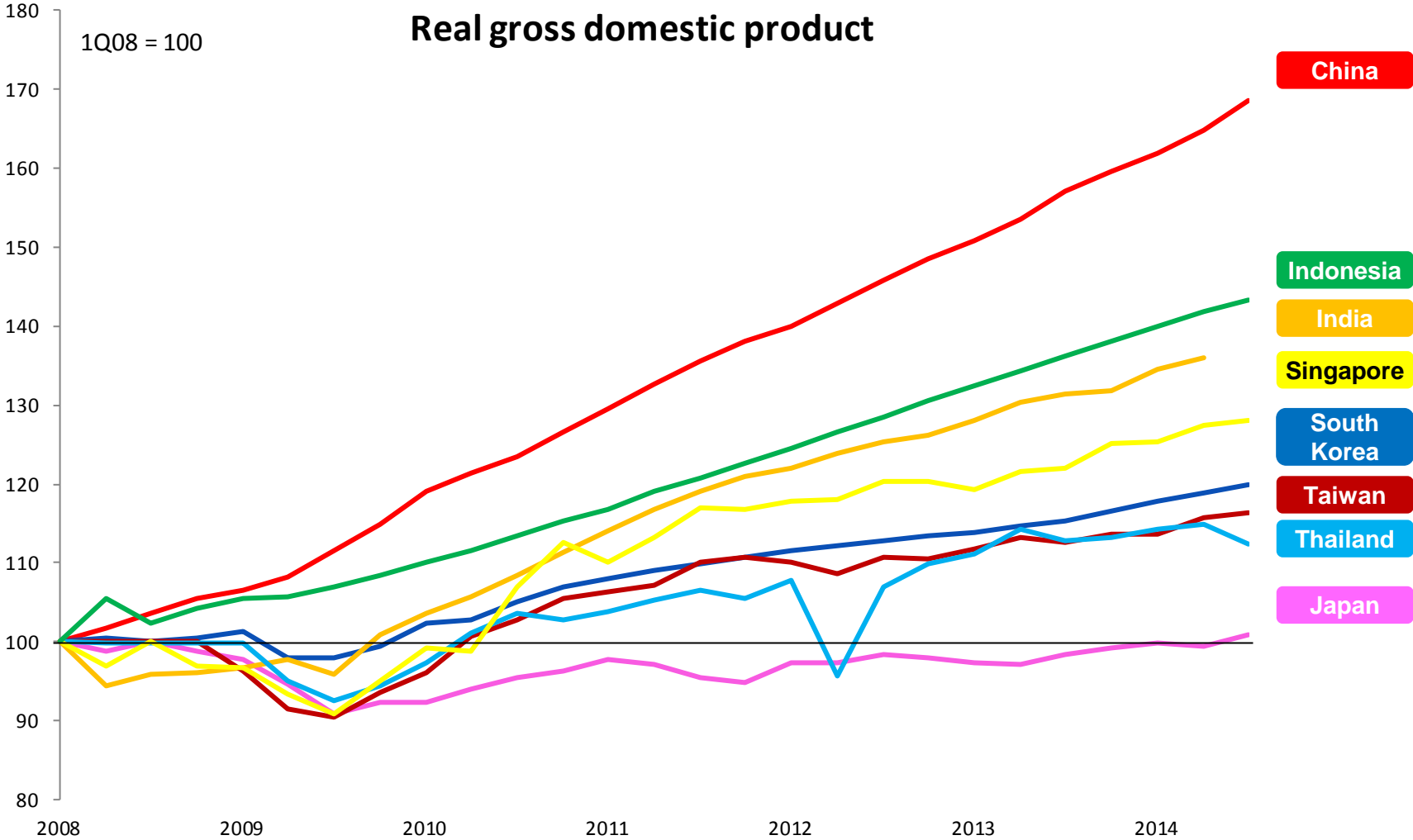
Cost cutting helps them reverse previous losses

## Relative unit labour cost comparison

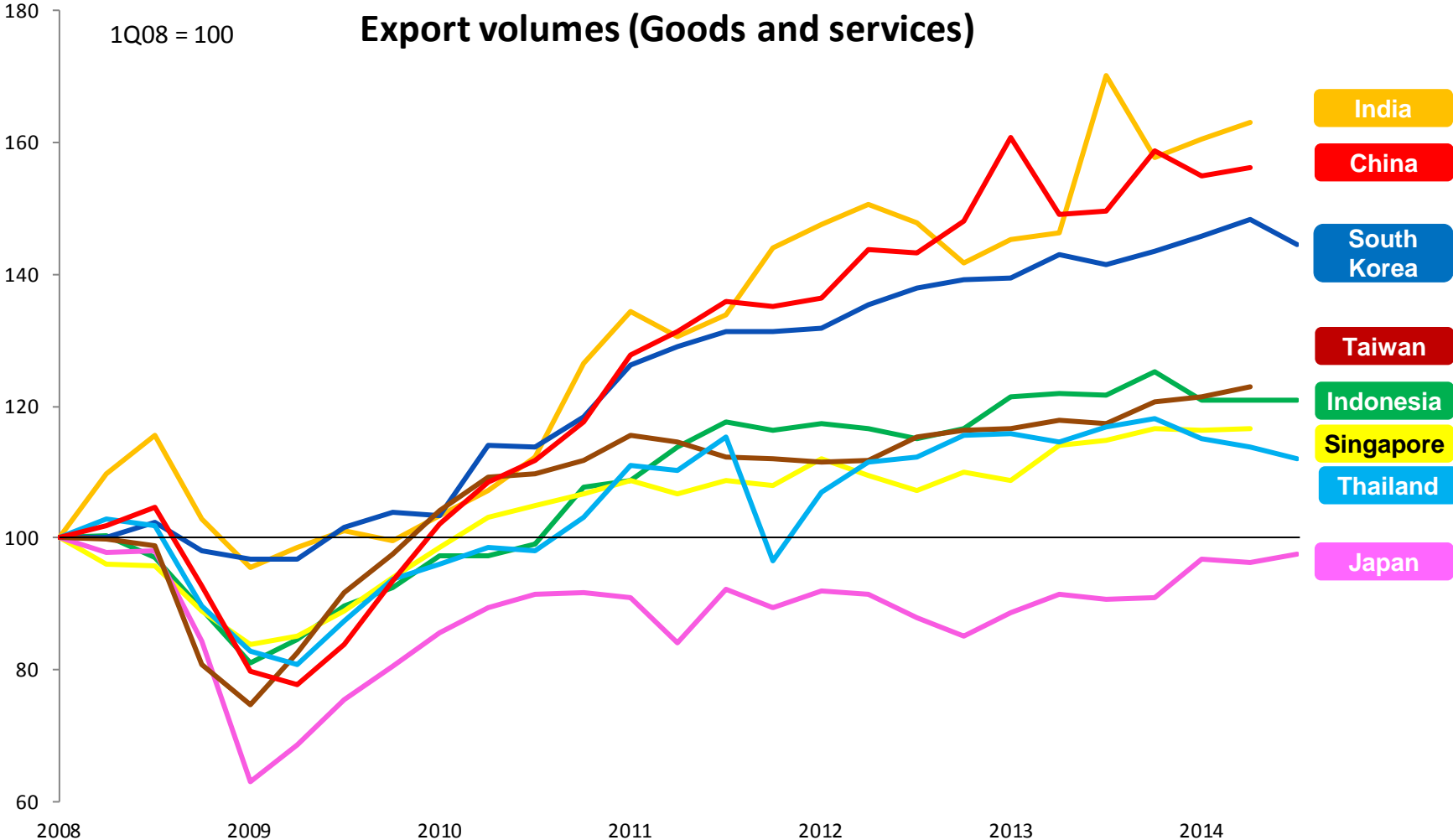


- Crisis has led to reforms in parts of the Eurozone periphery...
- ...enabling them to play catch up with "core" Europe
- Recent euro decline will help the whole region

# The Asian growth divide



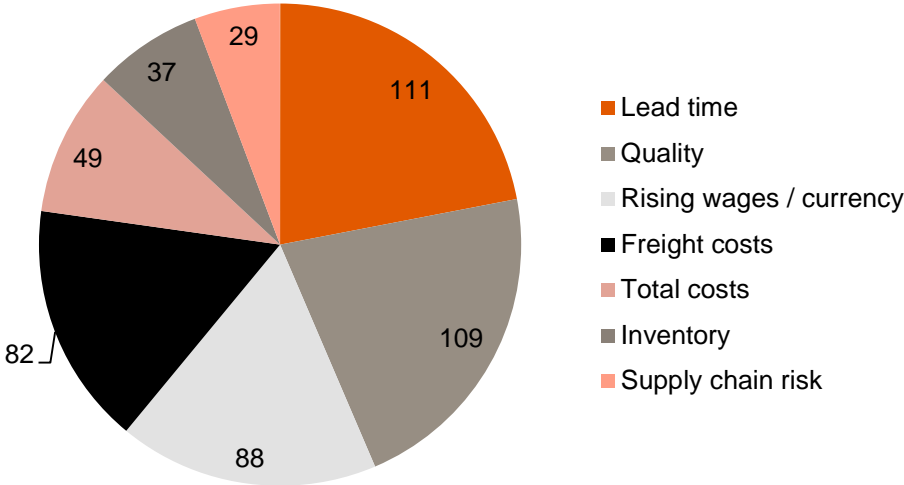
# Chinese exports have more competition...



# Why is the US re-shoring?

## Main negative reasons for re-shoring

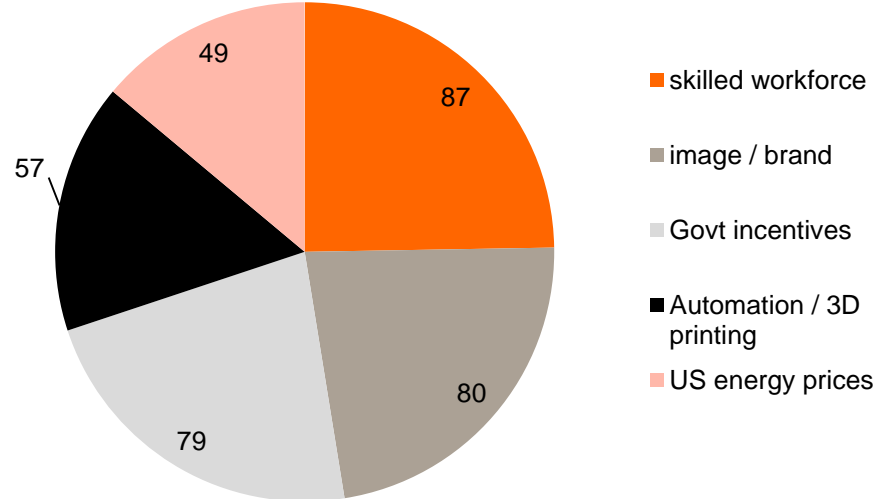
Number of case studies



Source: Re-shoring initiative

## Top 5 Positive reasons for re-shoring

Number of case studies



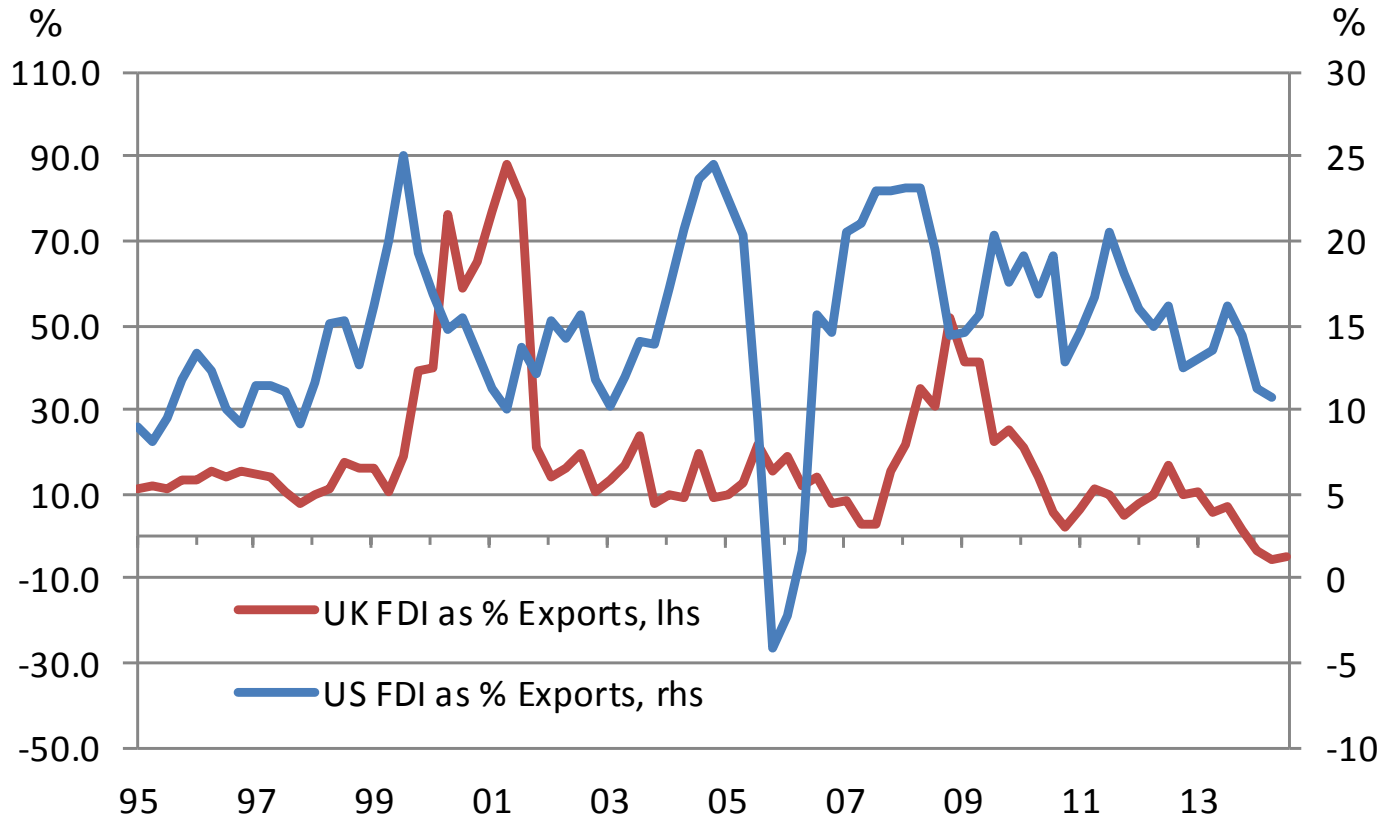
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- Others include:
- Delivery, communications, environment, control, travel cost / time, price

- Others include:
- Re-design, productivity, R&D, Infrastructure, customer responsiveness, real estate cost, customs



# Is it FDI?.....No



- FDI is arguably a substitute for trade...
- ... (though empirical evidence suggests it supports trade)...
- Either way, it has been ordinary in the US...
- ... and falling in the UK

# Is it re-shoring (on-shoring)? Could be....

- Most of these have relocated from China...
- ...or elsewhere in Asia
- (NCR from China, other Asia and Brazil)



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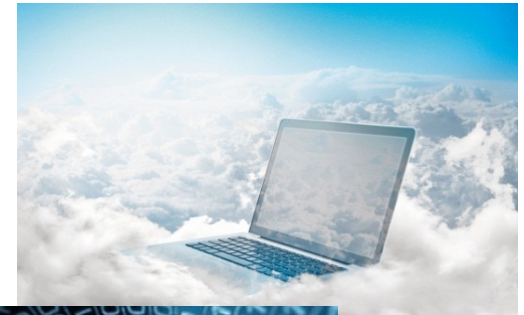
# Disruptive technologies – light and local

Many new technologies reduce the need for movement of goods

## *An impressive list of disruptive technologies...*

1. Internet of Things
2. Mobile internet
3. 3D Printing
4. Knowledge work automation
5. Advanced Robotics
6. Biotechnology and genomics
7. Nano-technology and advanced materials
8. Cloud technology
9. Self-driving vehicles
10. Renewable energy
11. Energy storage
12. Advanced oil and gas recovery

Source: McKinsey Global Institute/ING



# Transatlantic Trade & Investment Partnership (TTIP)

Economically beneficial, but political divisions delay progress...

Reduce Tariffs to encourage Trade in Goods

- Reduced tariffs boost competition and trade
- Particularly in agricultural products, textiles and clothing and footwear (tariffs on shoes as high as 66% in the US<sup>1</sup>)

Harmonise regulation and industry standards

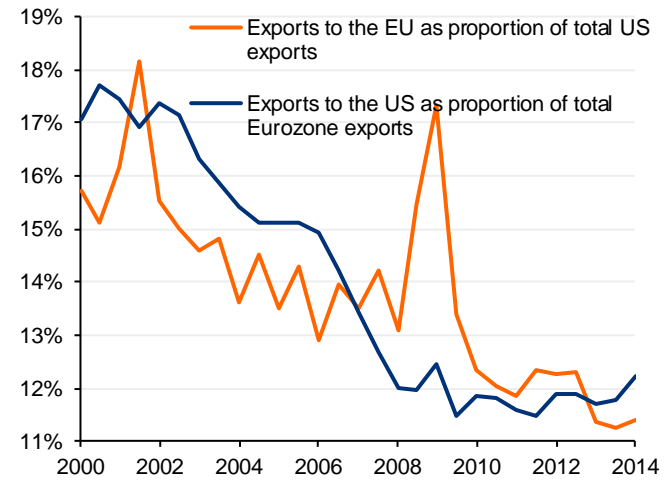
- e.g. Joint car safety and drug registration regulations would prevent double tests in the US and EU.

Relax "Buy America" procurement rules

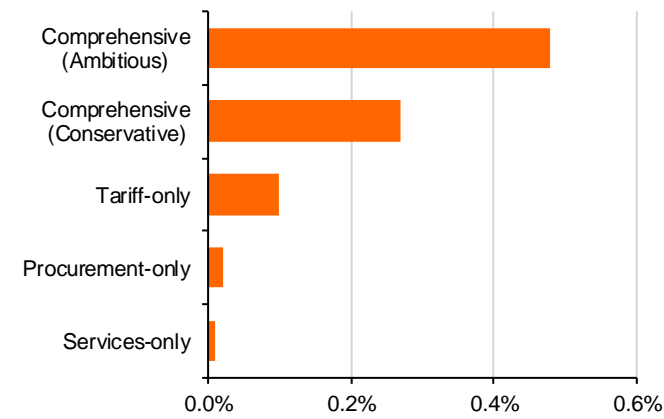
- Currently only 32% of US Federal procurement market is open to EU businesses.

<sup>1</sup> Source: BBC

Proportion of trade between US and EU has decreased...



Estimated increase in EU GDP from TTIP



Source: European Commission



# Trans-Pacific Partnership

Political momentum softens here as well...



**40% of Global Trade<sup>1</sup>**

- ✓ **Stricter IP protection**
- ✓ **Reduce unfair treatment** of state-owned enterprises
- ✓ **Investor-state dispute** settlement for unfair treatment
- ✓ **Exceptions for some industries** (e.g. *Japanese Agricultural*)

## **But tricky negotiations...**

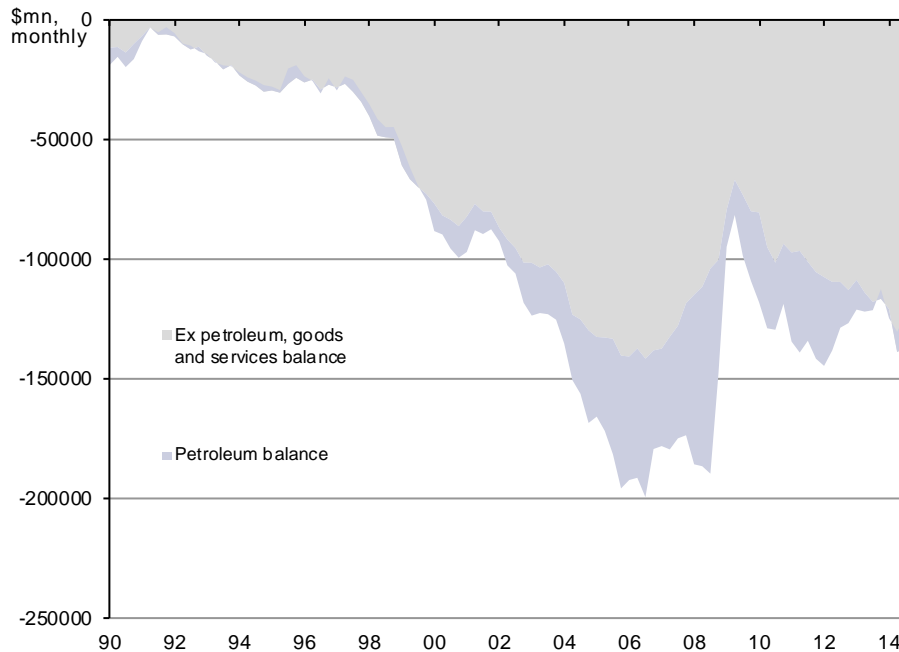
- Reluctance to reduce state-controlled industry
- Conflict over FX intervention
- Compromise on protected industries contentious

<sup>1</sup> Source: USTR

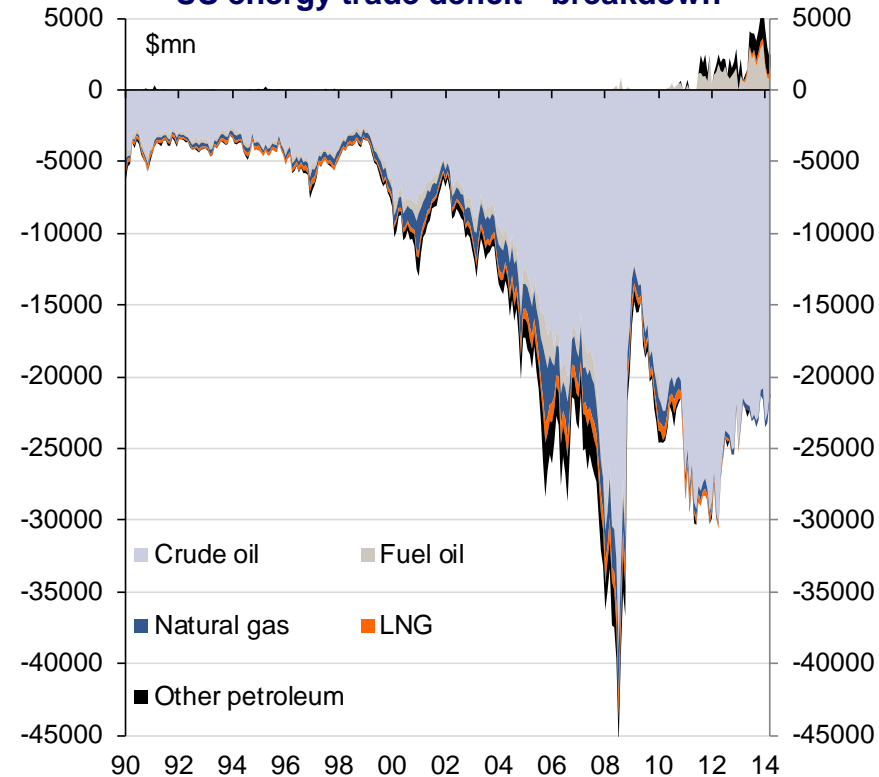
# Net exports boosted by energy “independence”

## Ukraine crisis may add impetus to the US energy revolution

US trade deficit – total and petroleum



US energy trade deficit - breakdown



- The US Current account deficit is now only about 2.4% GDP, down from 6% in 2006
- The crisis has “helped” by curtailing imports, but so too has the falling energy deficit...
- ...in particular, the gas deficit has turned into a surplus
- Ukraine crisis could accelerate moves to step up US energy exports

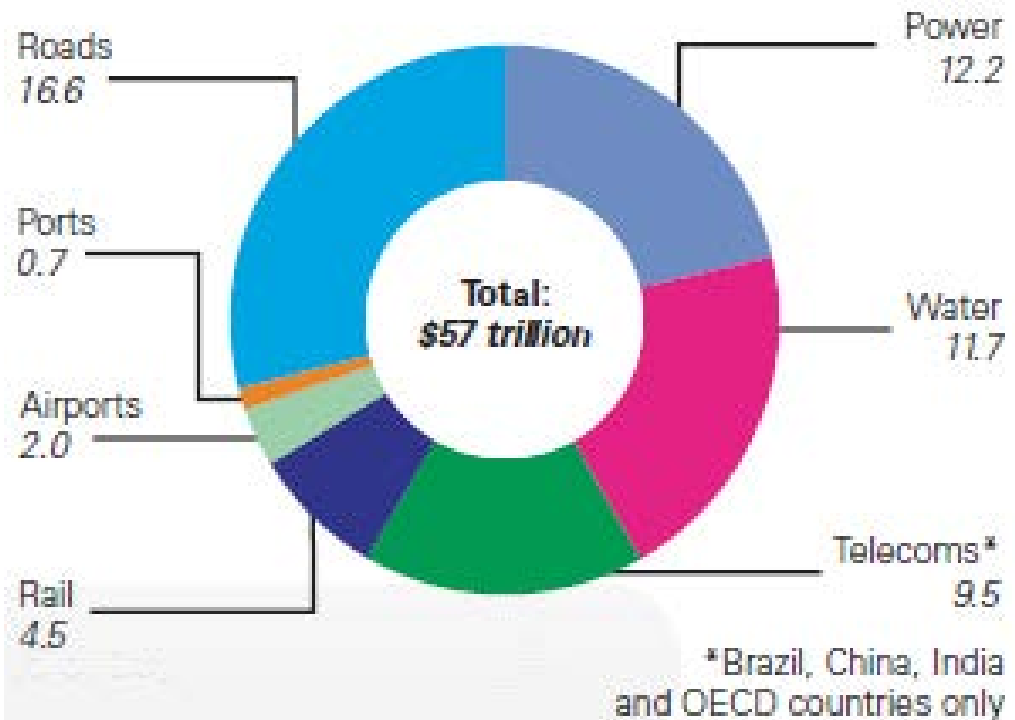
# Will policy shift to boost infrastructure?

If so, global trade in 'heavy stuff' could benefit

- Fiscal austerity, bank deleveraging and derisking has constrained global infrastructure spending
- S&P and McKinsey estimate \$57 trillion, or \$3.2 trillion a year, will be needed to finance infrastructure development up to 2030
- Continued weak growth and low financing costs could lead to a policy shift to address this...
- ...boosting global trade

## Global infrastructure investment required

2013–30, \$ trillion, 2010 prices



Source: McKinsey Global Institute

# Conclusions

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- **Post the financial crisis, trade is no longer growing twice as fast as output**
- **Growth in the developed markets is slower, reflecting sluggish domestic demand...**
- **...especially in big deficit nations, which are trying to emulate Germany's export success...**
- **...with varying degrees of success – US and Spain have done well**
- **Offshoring and re-imports have waned**
- **Disruptive technologies may also reduce trade in the long term**
- **But there could be positives from...**
  1. Trade liberalisation and the spreading of FDI from China
  2. New energy flows, especially from the US
  3. A policy shift to boost infrastructure



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