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Perspectives on Global and Spanish Economy Q3-2018

July 2018



GLOBAL

Economic growth in 2018 and forecasts for 2019

Robust economic growth, but with downward and less synchronised outlook



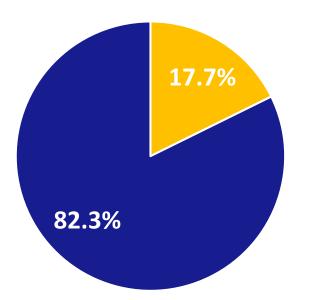


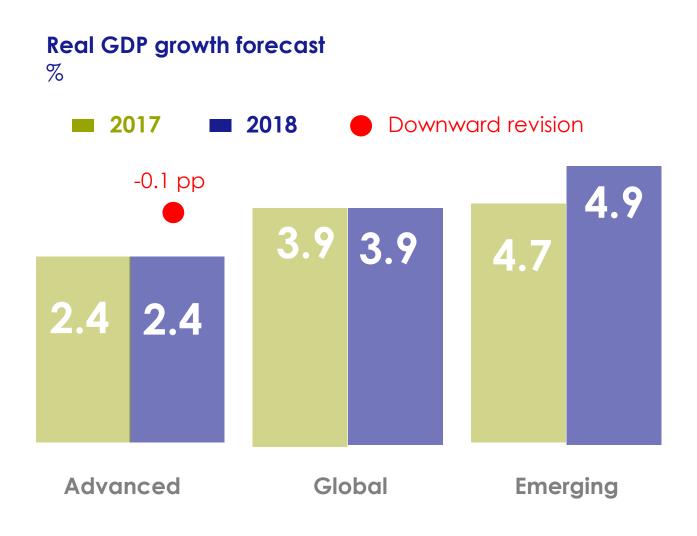
Solid global growth, but gloomy prospects for 2019



Countries with growth forecasts of >2% % of total countries in the world as of 2018

Countries with growth < 2%
 Countries with growth >2%



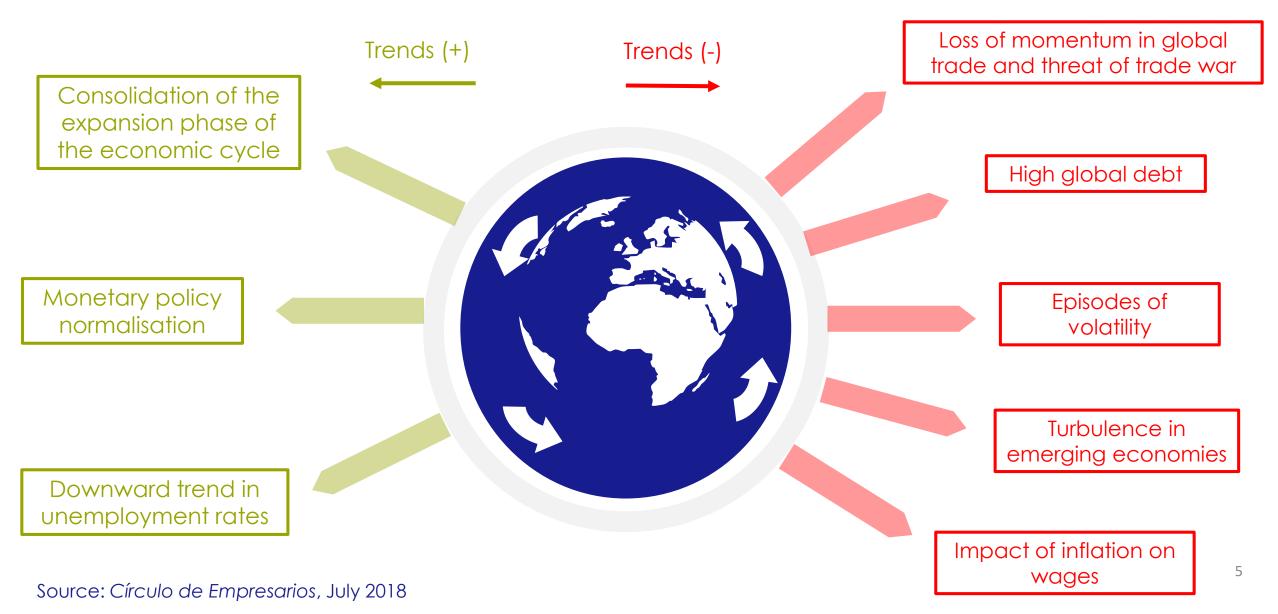


Note: the % of countries in recession in 2018 stands at 4.2% Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on IMF, July 2018

Global situation

In recent months, global risks are on the rise

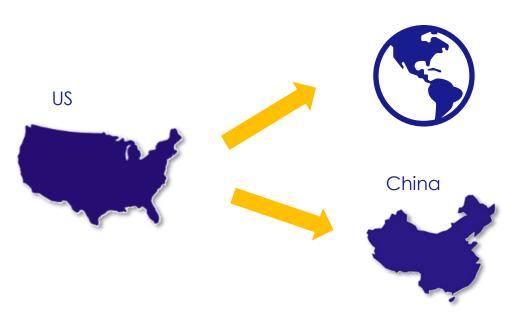




Timeline of global trade war



US trade actions (June 2018)



Effective date: 1 June 2018

The US imposes tariffs on **steel** (25%) and **aluminium** (10%) which affects \$46 billion worth of US imports (0.2% of its GDP)

Effective date: 6 July 2018

\$32-34 billion on Chinese technology goods

+ Threatens tariffs on...

\$14-16 billion on Chinese technology goods

China's retaliatory tariffs on imports from US

China Effective date: 6 July 2018 \$ 30 billion on agricultural products +

+ Threatens tariffs on...

\$15 billion on automobiles and auto parts, chemical products, petroleum products, and medical equipment

Note: Trump announced that he is ready to impose tariffs on \$500 billion of Chinese goods Source: *Círculo de Empresarios* based on Economic and Security Review Commission, 2018

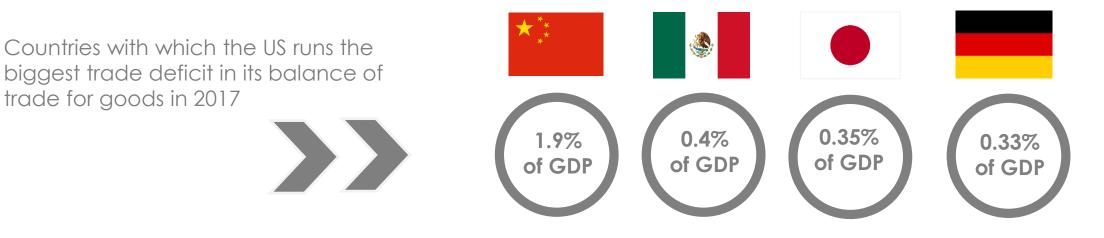
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on United States Census Bureau, 2018

Trade scenario

In 2017, the US ran a deficit in the balance of trade for goods & services of 2.9% of its GDP (4.1% of its GDP if only goods) with its trading partners around the world





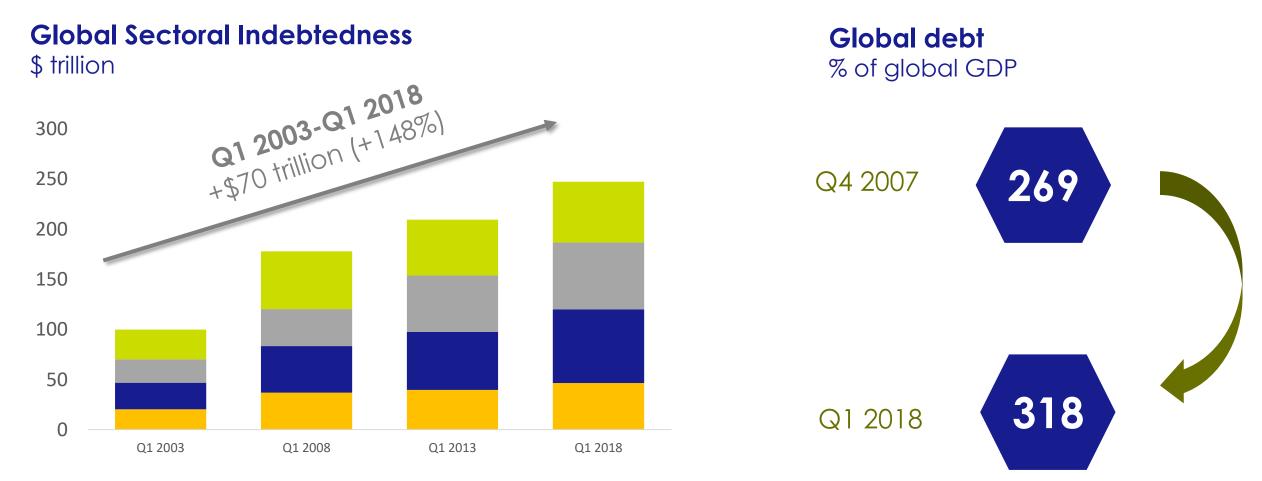




Global debt reaches 318% of global GDP

The increasing debt at a faster pace hits a record high of \$247 trillion (Q1 2018)



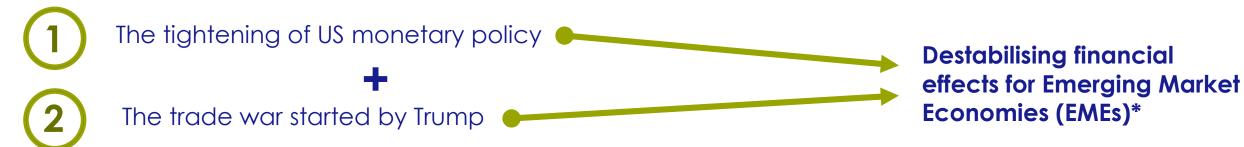


■ Households ■ Non-financial companies ■ Public sector ■ Financial companies

Total global GDP estimated by the IMF for 2018: \$87.5 trillion Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on IIF & Bloomberg, 2018

Imbalances in Emerging Market Economies (I)

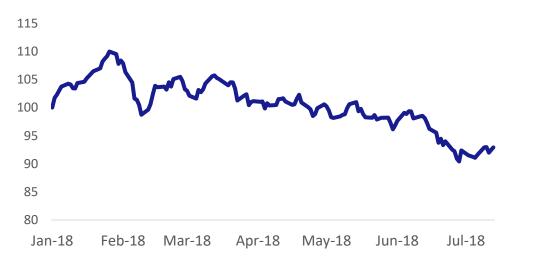




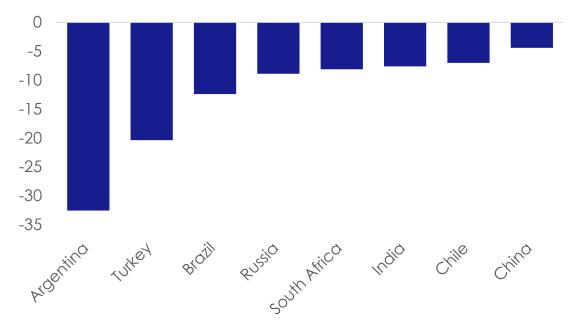
Which has resulted in a stock market correction in emerging markets ...



January 2018=100



Variation between January – July (2018)



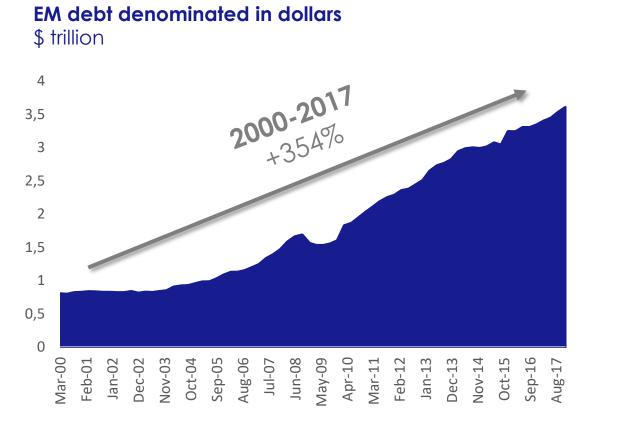
* These countries account for 60% of global GDP, and two thirds of global GDP growth since 2010

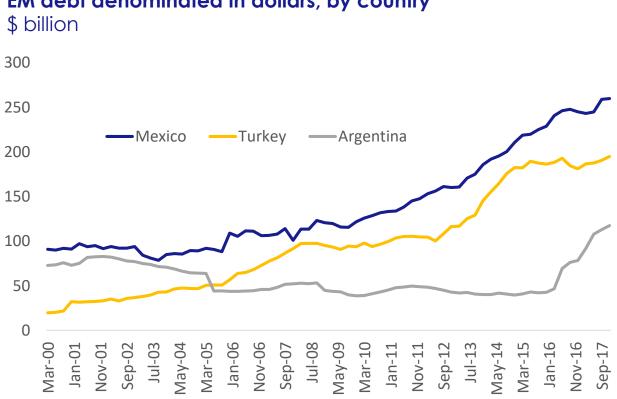
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Bloomberg, 2018

Emerging Market currencies in 2018

Imbalances in Emerging Market Economies (II)

Vast proportion of debt held in dollars in EMEs (mainly Mexico, Turkey, and Argentina)





EM debt denominated in dollars, by country

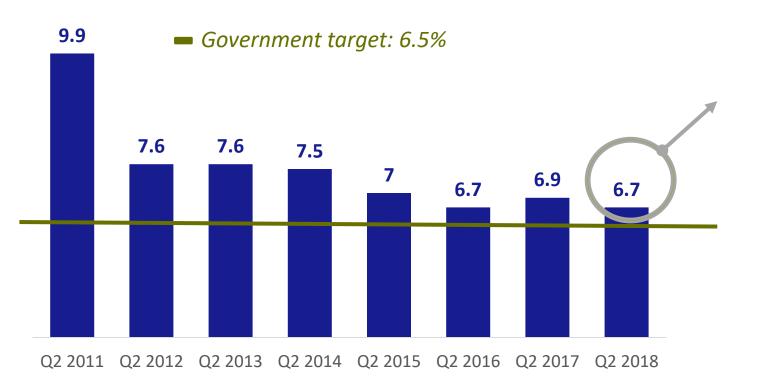


...although data reveals performance was well above the government's target of 6.5% economic growth for 2018

In China, the signs of slowdown are accentuated...

China GDP growth

% year-on-year



Signs of growth deceleration

- In May, the growth of **retail** was at its lowest since June 2003

- Fall of **investment in fixed assets** due to the negative impact of oil on global demand, the reduction of credit, and the fall of confidence due to the trade war with the US

- Industrial production decelerates markedly faster than forecasted



Financial crisis in Argentina: IMF bailout request



The IMF agrees to Ioan \$50 billion (7.8% of GDP*) in wake of the Argentine financial crisis to reduce its main imbalances: inflation and deficit.

Causes of the financial crisis

External factors



Falling **export revenues** due to the severe drought

Oil price increase

Tightening of US monetary policy (dollar appreciation and interest rates hike)

Internal factors



High levels of deficit and public debt

High inflation rate





Lagging economic indicators forecast, 2018



* In cumulative terms with respect to the GDP of 2018 in the 3 years in which the loan will be given Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Bloomberg & IMF, 2018

Mexico: Obrador wins the elections



Scoring a historic landslide victory (receiving more than double the total of his closest rival who had 22% of the votes)

Election Results



53.0 - 53.8% INE's Rapid Count

53.0% PRFP

Andrés Manuel López Obrador MORENA

93.5628% of total vote





16.4% PRFP José Antonio Meade

PRI



5.3 - 5.5% INE's Rapid Count

5.1% PRFP Jaime Rodríguez IND

Trump's **immigration speech** and the **NAFTA renegotiation** may severely harm investor confidence in Mexico

22.1 - 22.8%

INE's Rapid Count

Ricardo Anaya

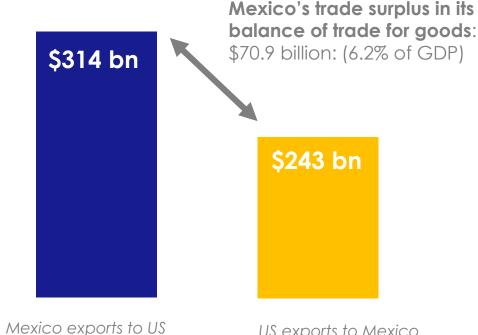
22.5%

PRFP

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In terms of trade

Mexico's exports to US account for 80% of its total exports



US exports to Mexico

USA: robust growth



Fiscal reform and private consumption boost economic growth

Real GDP (%)

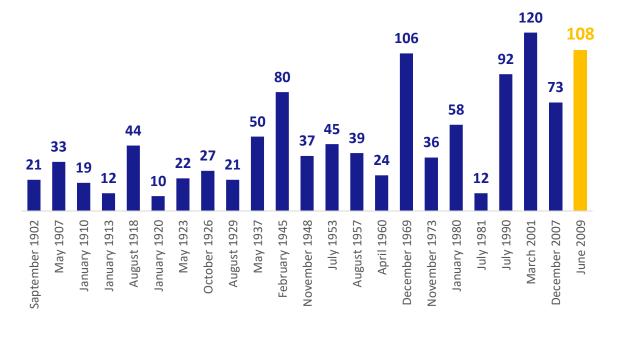


The current US expansion phase is the 2nd longest in its history



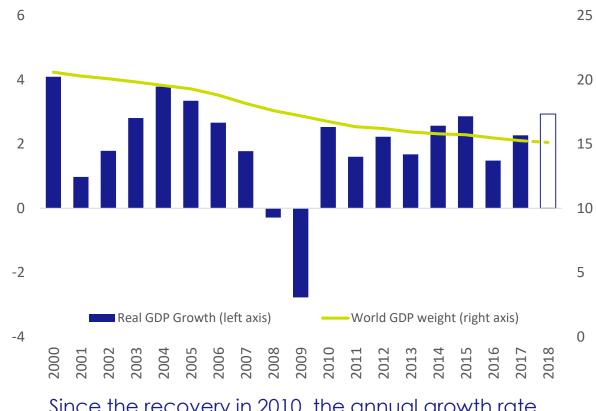
Since the Great Depression, the US has had 14 periods of economic expansion

Length of economic expansion in the US Months



End date of expansion phase — Start date of expansion phase

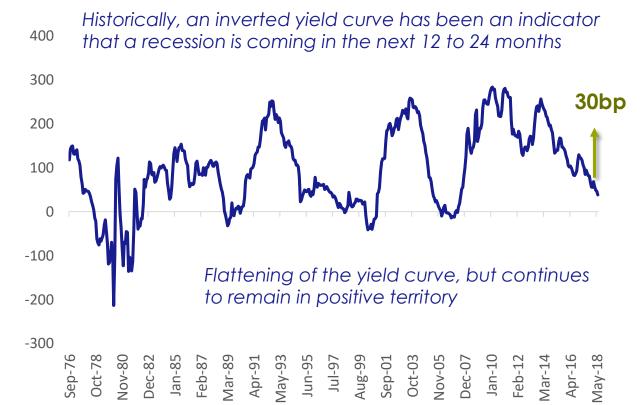
US economic weight & economic growth % of global GDP & annual change



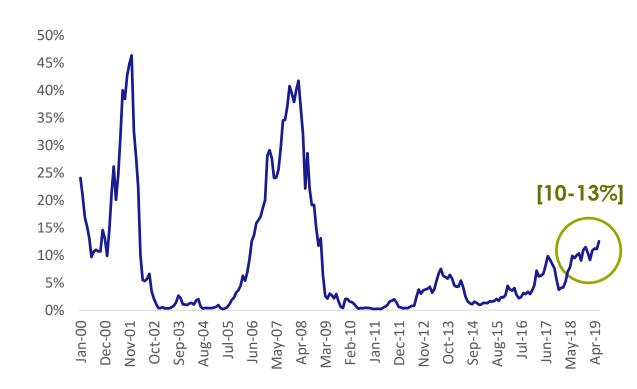
Since the recovery in 2010, the annual growth rate has been 2.3%

Although some leading indicators point to an unsettling possibility of the economy overheating





Probability of recession in the US % (next 12 months)





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* Personal consumption expenditures excluding food and energy

Swap 5y5y: Measure of inflation expectations

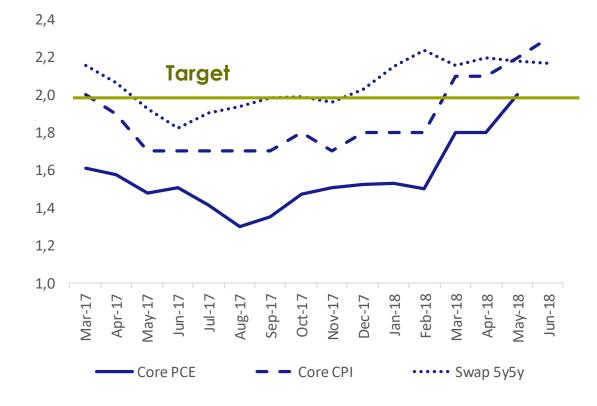
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on BEA, Focus Economics, & St. Louis Fed, 2018

Inflation rate hits Fed goal

The indicator (core PCE*) that is most often followed by the Fed stands at 2% with an unemployment rate of 4%

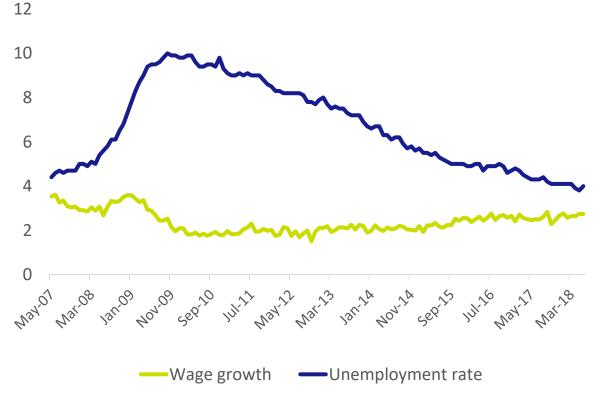
US inflation indicators

Year-on-year change



US wage growth & unemployment rate

Year-on-year change, % of active population



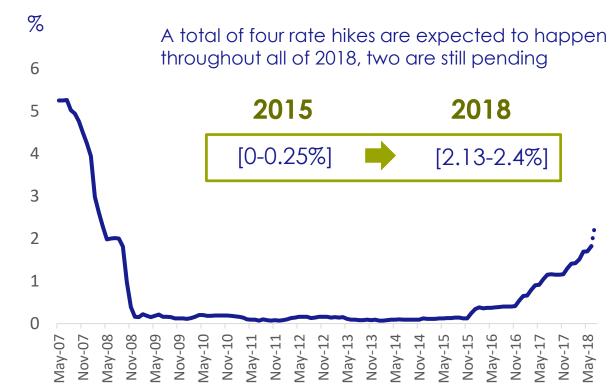


The Fed increases the benchmark interest rate again

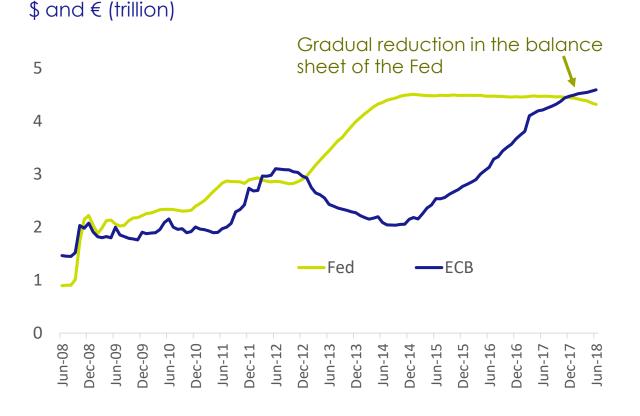


The Federal Reserve raises rates for the second time this year (2018) or the seventh time since the beginning of the **monetary policy normalisation**

Fed benchmark interest rates



Central bank account balance



Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on St. Louis Fed, 2018

US 10-year Treasury yield climbs toward 3%



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Causes...



The **core PCE** hits 2%, and the unemployment rate and growth are at robust levels



Falling demand for US government bonds on the part of China and the Fed

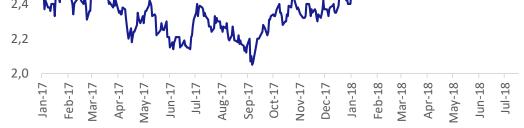


Supply of bonds increases due to **Trump's tax reform**, with a forecast that deficit widen from 3.9% of GDP in 2017 to 4.5% in 2019

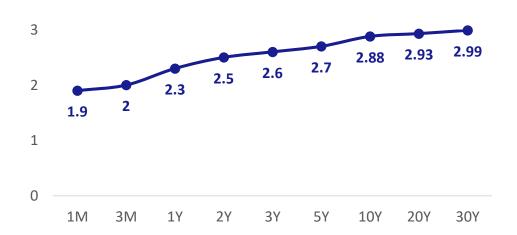
* July 2018

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Arcano & CBO, 2018

3,2 3,0 2,8 2,6



US Treasury yield curve* (%)

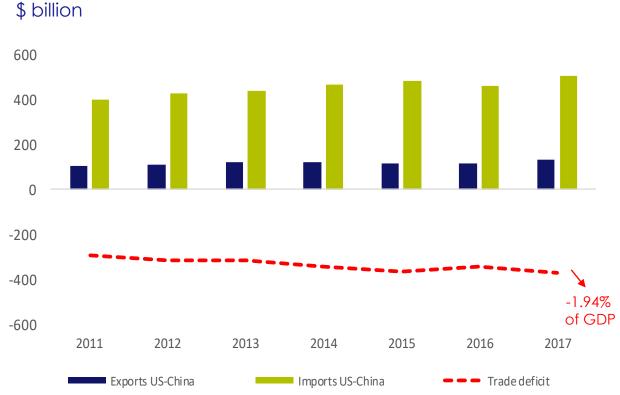


Evolution of 10-year US bond (%)

US: trade protectionism*

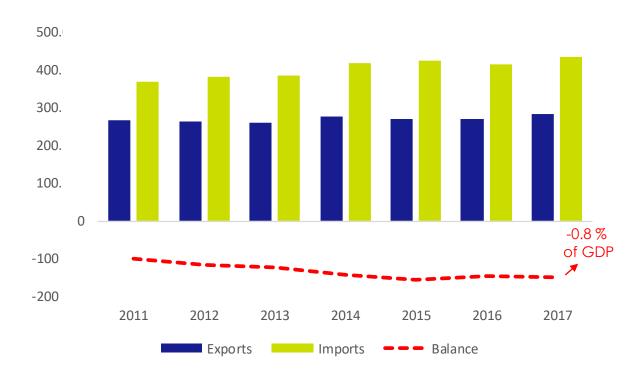


From January to May 2018, the deficit has widened with both China (+10% year-on-year) and with the EU (+15%)



US-China trade of goods

US-EU trade of goods \$ billion

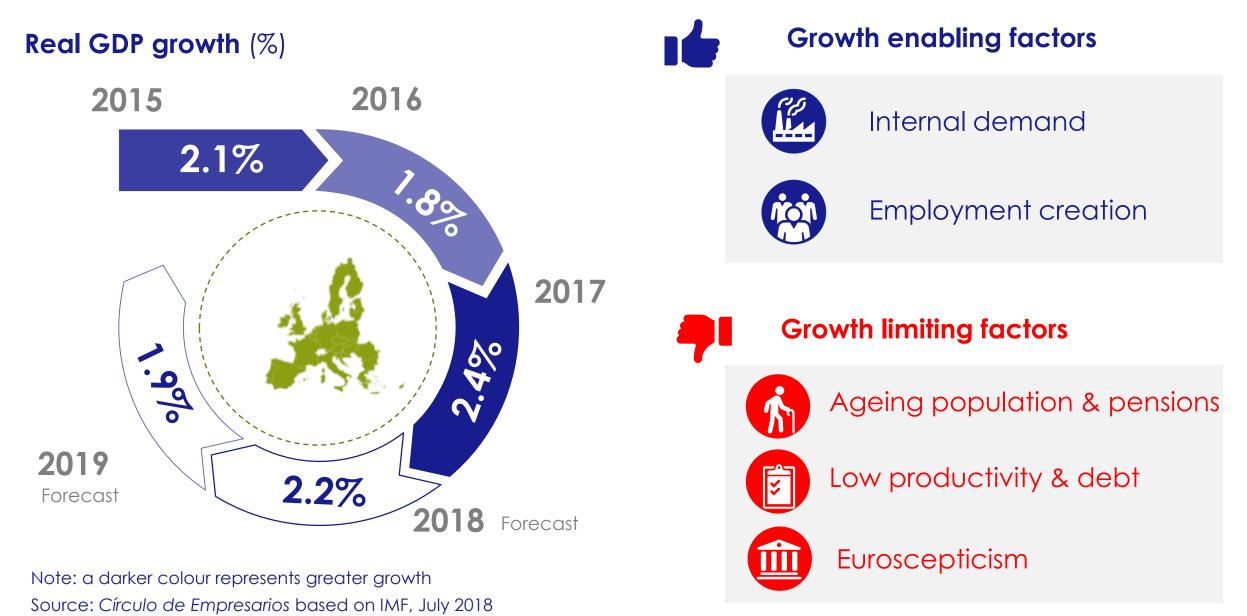


* In the last 50 years, global trade has gone from representing 10% of GDP to 60% of the world economy (BlackRock)

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on BBVA Research, US Census, The Economist, Bruegel ,2018

Robust growth in the euro area with prospects on the decline in 2019

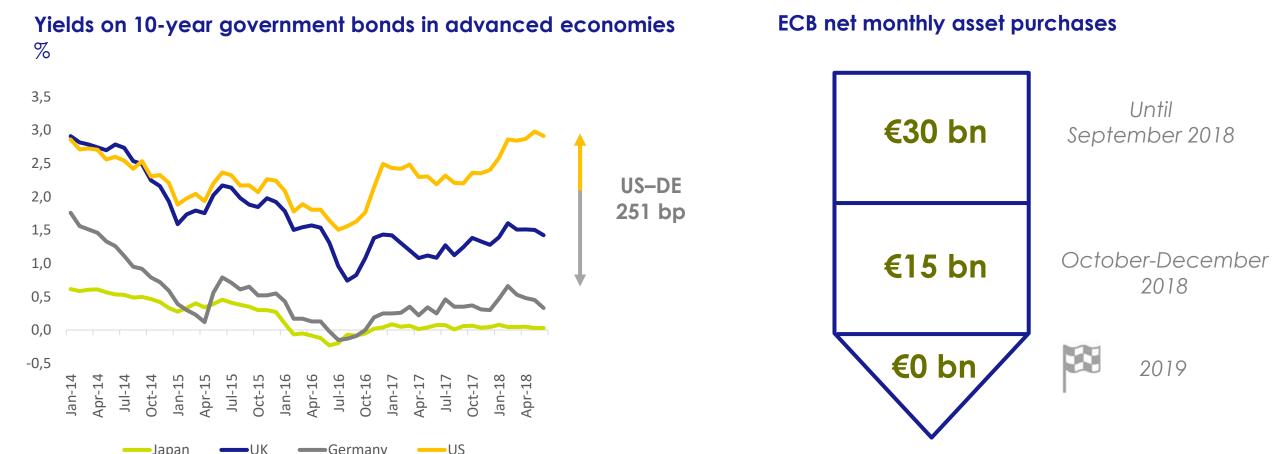




ECB: end of Quantitative Easing (QE) in December 2018



...while a stark divergence of the interest rate hikes between the ECB and the Fed is maintained, as observed in the debt issues



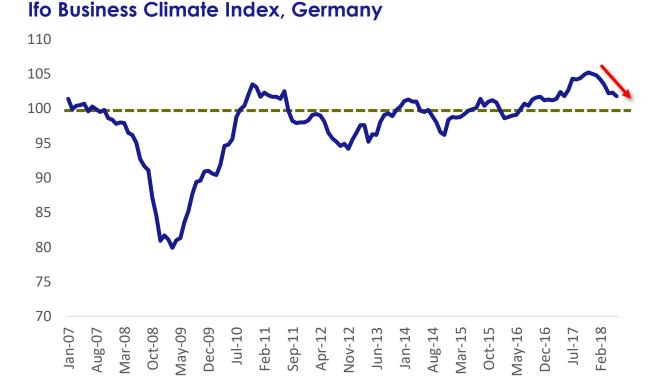
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Bloomberg, 2018

"Interest rates will remain at their current level until the summer of 2019" Mario Draghi

Germany: business climate deteriorates

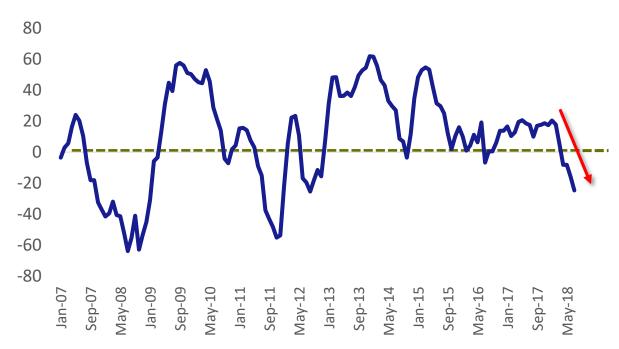
Escalating trade tensions with the US take a toll on business owner expectations





Note: the index value of 100 indicates the threshold between "good" and "poor" conditions.

Germany ZEW Economic Sentiment Index



Note: a positive number means that the share of optimists outweighs the share of pessimists

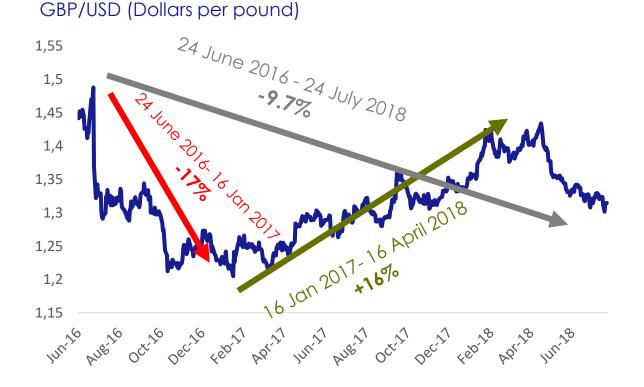
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Zew & CESifo Group, 2018

Brexit: two years since the referendum in the UK (I)



Looming uncertainty remains over UK exit, especially after the resignations of Davis (Brexit secretary) and Johnson (Foreign secretary)

The impact of Brexit on the depreciation of the pound persists...



...which has boosted the growth of the stock market



Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Bank of England, ONS, Schroders, 2018

Brexit: two years since the referendum in the UK (II)



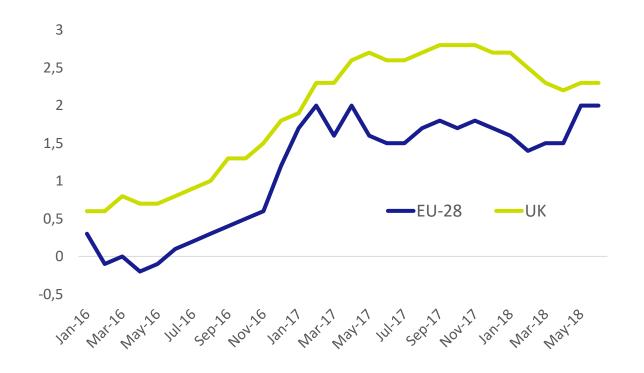
Negative impact on economic growth and inflation, conditioning its future to the terms of the final Brexit agreement

UK ■ EU-28 2.7 2.5 2.4 2.3 2.1 2 1.9 1.7 1.5 1.4 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

Real GDP growth

%

Rate of increase in prices Annual change



Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on OECD, IMF, 2018

Raw materials (I): oil prices on the rise



The actions of OPEC*, a greater global demand, and geopolitical instability condition the movements in oil price

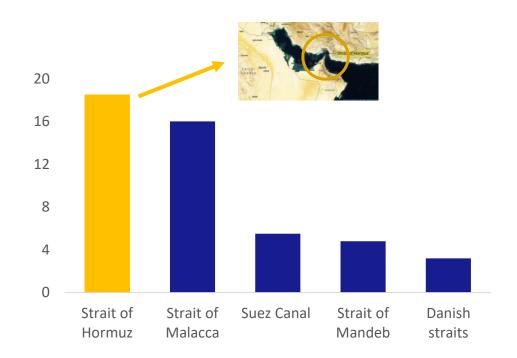
Brent barrel spot price \$ Increase in crude oil production 85 US stocks drawdown and speculation on sanctions 80 being imposed on Iran** 75 70 US exit from the Iran agreement, conflicts in the Middle East and 65 oil production falls in Venezuela 60 Feb-18 Mar-18 Apr-18 May-18 Jun-18 Jan-18 Jul-18

*OPEC accounts for approximately 70% of total oil reserves (BP) **OPEC's third-largest producer

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on EIA & Bloomberg, 2018

Also, in the face of US sanctions, **Iran** has threatened to block the **Strait of Hormuz** (30% of global crude oil traffic)

Oil traffic (millions of barrels per day)



Currency market: dollar strength



The dollar appreciates against the main currencies of advanced and emerging economies

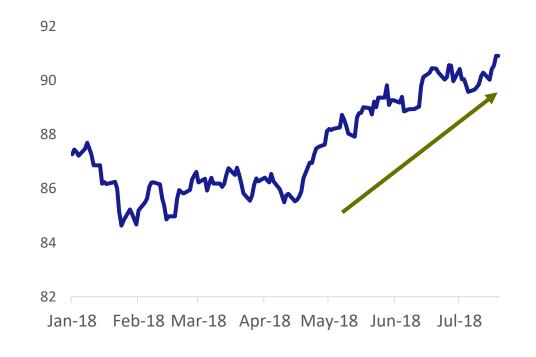
Main causes...



Weight of the dollar in the International Monetary System % of total



Exchange rate of the dollar against the major currencies of advanced economies (1975=100)



Financial markets (I)

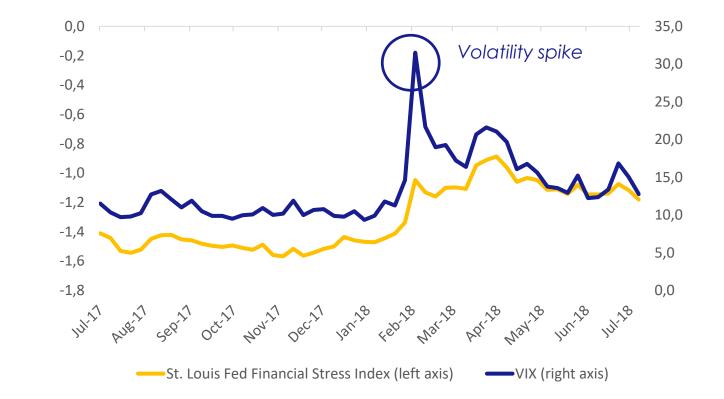
Uncertainty increases financial instability



In the last 6 months, in the financial markets ...



Financial conditions of financial markets



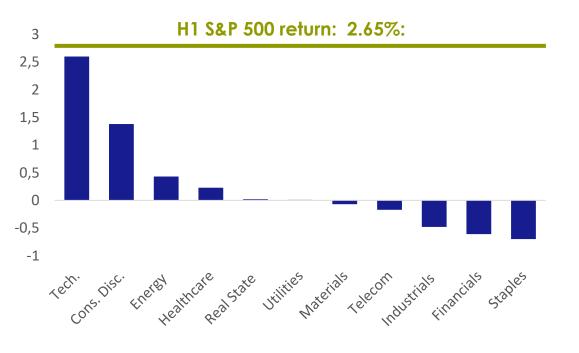
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Bloomberg & Caixabank Research, 2018

Financial markets (II)

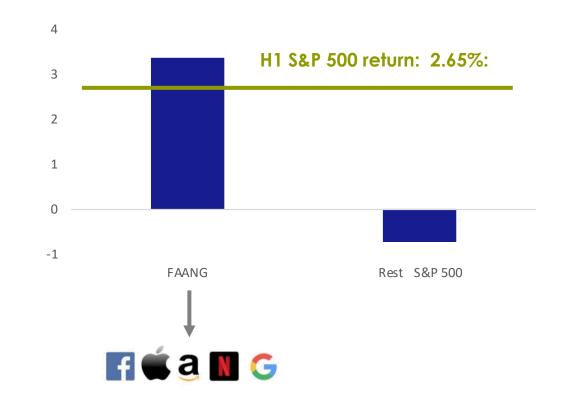


Technology companies spearhead the stellar rise in US stock markets (98% of the rise of the S&P 500 in H1 2018)

Contribution to the S&P 500 return, by sectors H1 2018, %



Contribution of the FAANG to the S&P 500 return, H1 2018, (%)



FAANG: Facebook, Apple, Amazon, Netflix, & Google

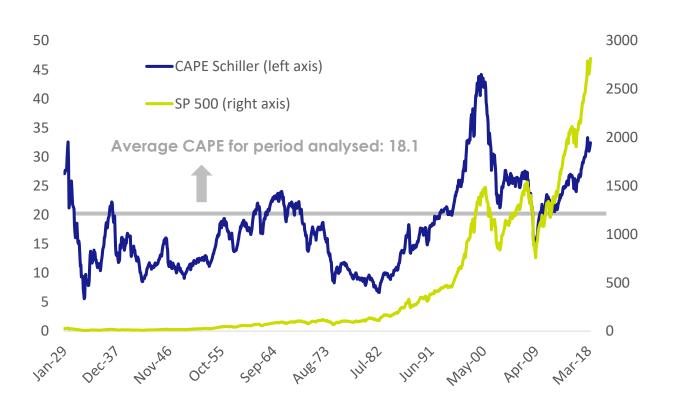
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on S&P, Bank of America Merrill Lynch US Equity, 2018

Financial markets (III)

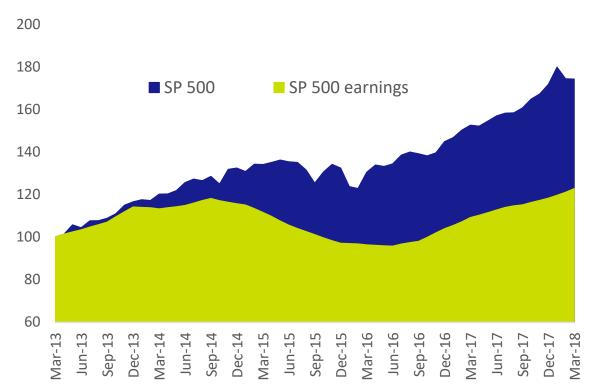


Valuations higher than the historical average, although the earnings of S&P 500 in Q1 grew at their fastest rate in seven years

S&P 500 and CAPE (Cyclically Adjusted Price-to-Earnings ratio*)



S&P 500 growth vs S&P 500 Real Earnings Growth March 2013=100



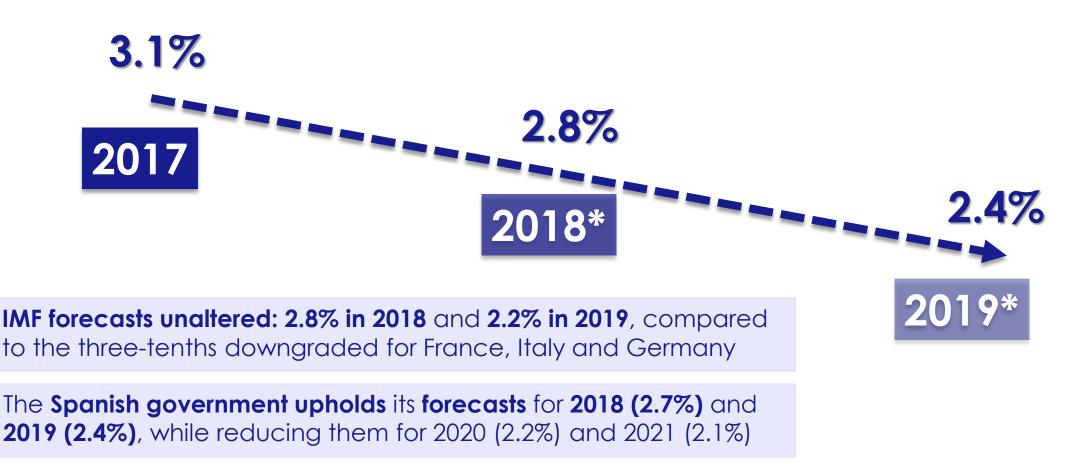
*CAPE Shiller: relation between the price of stock market and the average of 10 years of earnings adjusted for inflation Source: *Círculo de Empresarios* based on Yale, 2018



Growth forecast at a slower rate



The **European Commission** has reduced Spain's growth by one-tenth for **2018** to **2.8%**, maintaining the figure for **2019** at **2.4%**



* Forecast

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on European Commission & IMF (WEO Update, July), 2018

Factors that curtail growth



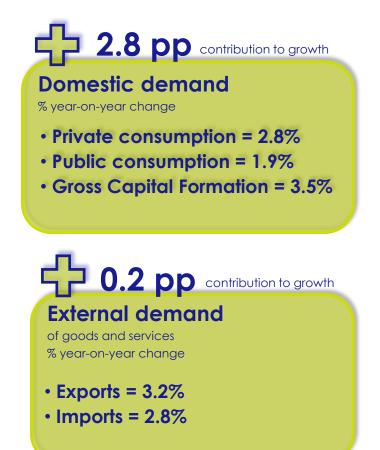
- Paralysis of the reform impulse in the wake of a minority government and the near future electoral period
- Impact of the easing on the fiscal consolidation policy
- Persistent structural unemployment
- Stagnation of productivity
- Announcement of **increase** in **corporate tax**
- Monetary policy normalisation
- Impact of inflation on the purchasing power
- **Rise** in the **prices** of **raw materials**

Domestic demand sustains growth and the contribution of the external sector has slowed



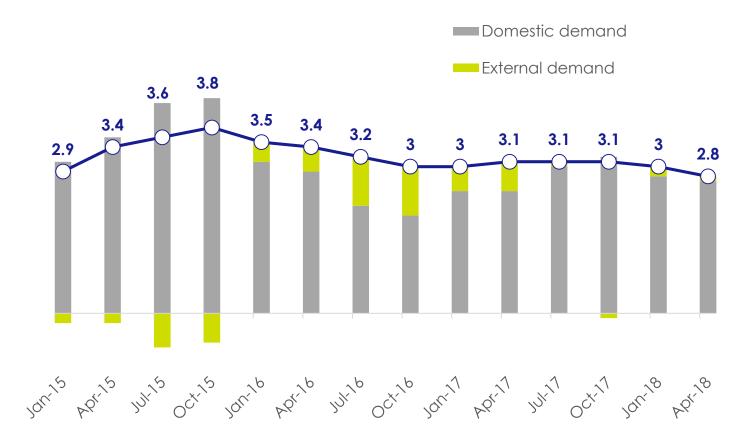
<u>Q1 2018</u>

Year-on-year GDP growth= 3%



In April, growth eased = 2.8% year-on-year

GDP (year-on-year change) and contribution of domestic and foreign demand (pp)



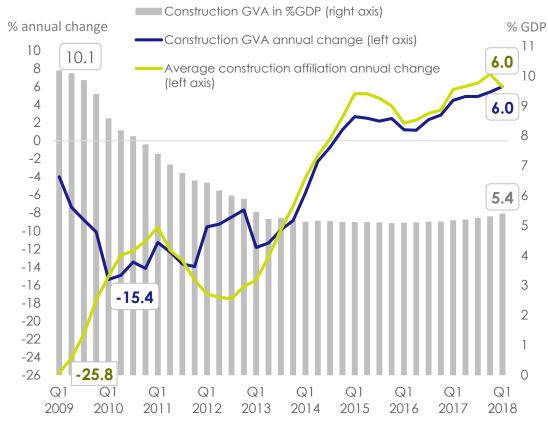
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Bank of Spain & FUNCAS, July 2018

The construction sector and the residential market recover



Evolution of the construction sector

% of GDP and annual change



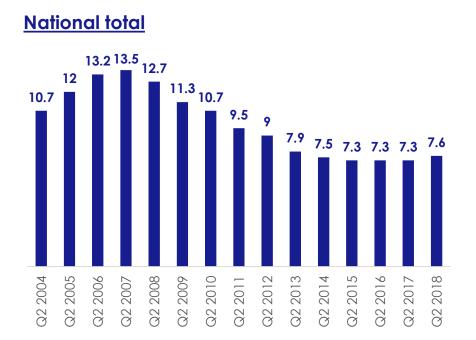
Evolution of sales transactions and the price of

housing

Millions and % change year-on-year



The real estate effort* is greater in the Balearic Islands, Catalonia, and Madrid

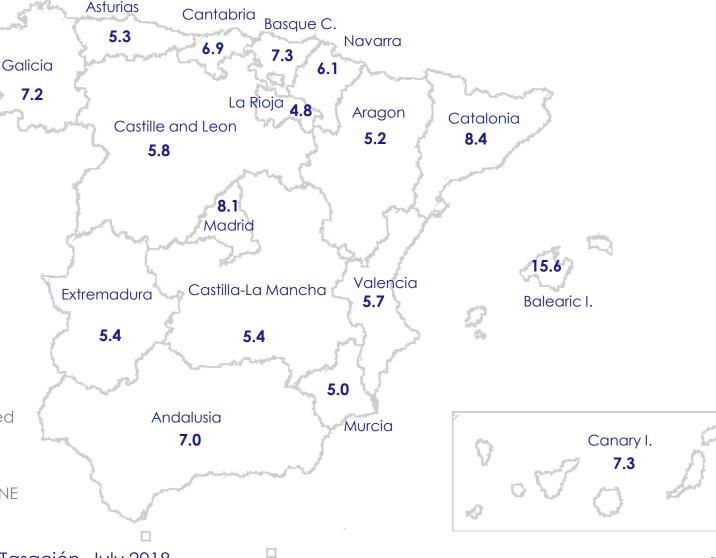


* Real Estate Effort Index

Number of years of full salary that an average citizen would need to allocate for the purchase of a medium-sized home

It is calculated using the quotient of the market value of the home and the gross annual average income published by the INE (Wage structure survey)

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Sociedad de Tasación, July 2018



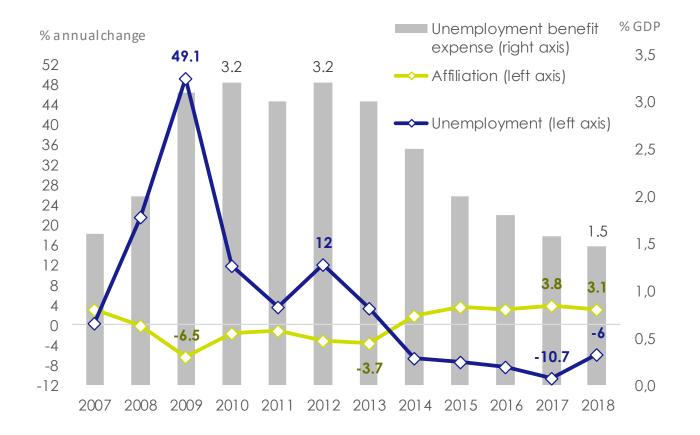




Job creation drops off

Evolution of affiliation, registered unemployment and unemployment benefit expense

% change year-on-year June/June and % of GDP





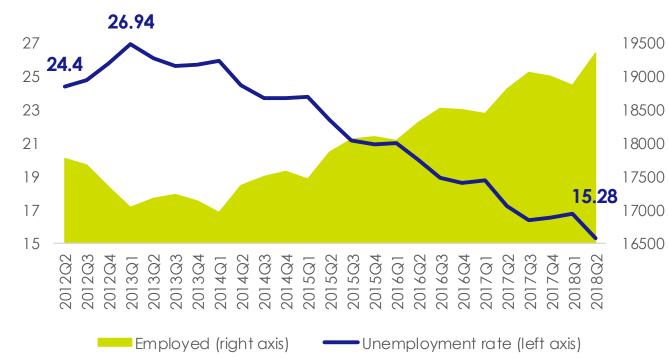
- In June, the pace of unemployment reduction and affiliates growth in year-onyear terms slows down
- From all-time highs in 2013, with more than 5 million unemployed, unemployment has fallen by almost 2 million to 3.16 million
 - At the same time, **unemployment benefits** expenses have been reduced since 2013
- **2.63 million more affiliates** than 5 years ago, up to a total of 19 million
- The affiliates-pensioners ratio has recovered to levels of 2016, standing at 2.29

Unemployment rate falls (LFS Q2 2018)



Unemployment rate & evolution of the number of employed

% of active population & number of people (thousands)



Q2 2018 vs Q1 2018

- The unemployment rate fell by 1.46 points to 15.28% of the active population, to a total of 3,490,100 unemployed people
- The number of employed people increased
 by 469,900 people (+2.49%) to 19,344,100
- **79% of the increase** in employment is concentrated in the **service sector**

In year-on-year terms, unemployment was reduced by 424,200 people and 530,800 jobs were created, 21.5% in the public sector

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Labour Force Survey Q2 2018 (INE), 2018

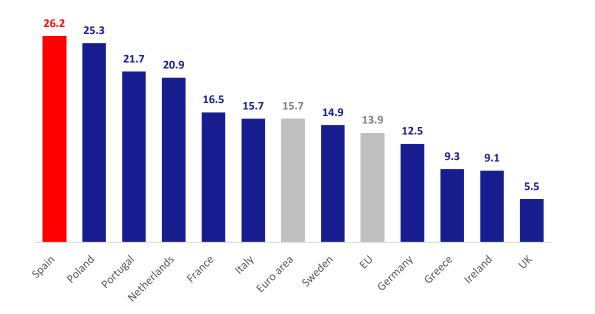
The lack of reforms allow for duality to exist in the labour market in Spain



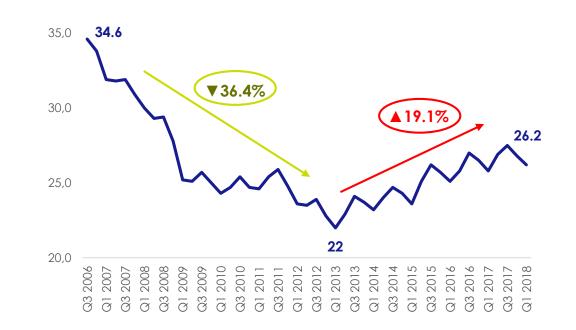
Spain is the EU country with the highest rate of temporary contract employment: 26.2%

Rate of temporary employment

% of employed aged 16 to 65 years



Evolution of rate of temporary employment % of employed aged 16 to 65 years



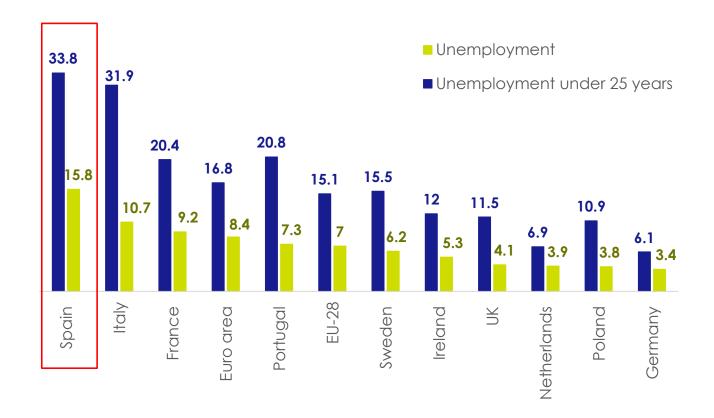
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Eurostat, 2018

And unemployment continues to double the euro area average

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Unemployment EU 28

May 2018, % over active population

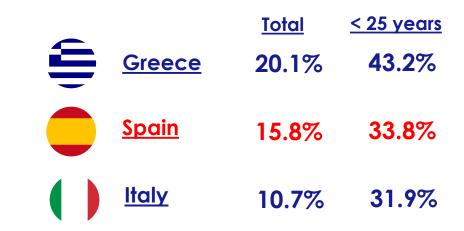


Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Eurostat, 2018



Spain continues to have very high rates of unemployment

2nd country of the EU 28 in total and youth unemployment after Greece

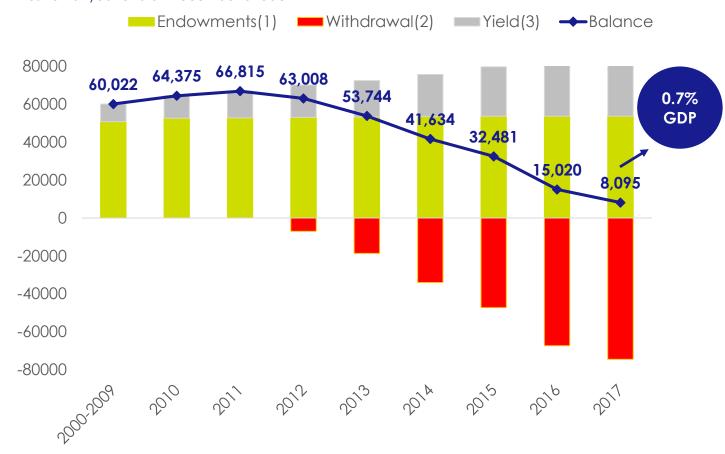


The Social Security Reserve Fund is running out



Accumulated balance of the Social Security Reserve Fund

Millions € (at acquisition price) Position at year end 31 December of each FY



Between 2000 & 2017, €94.2 billion have been used along with the SS contributions to pay pensions:

- **Provisions of the Reserve Fund**: €74.4 bn
- Surplus from the Contingency Reserve
 Fund: €9.6 bn
- Loan of the Treasury to the Social Security
 in 2017: €10.1 bn (€5.9 bn in July & €4.2 bn
 in December)

In 2018, a new loan of \in 15.1 billion is requested

(1) From its creation in 2000 to December 31, 2017
 (2) From 2012 to December 31, 2017
 (3) Since its creation in 2000 until December 31, 2017.
 Profitability accumulated in the period stands at 4.27% in annualized terms

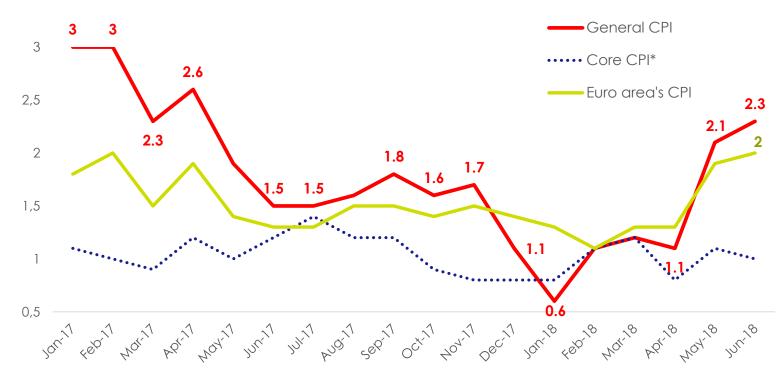
Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Ministry of Labour, Migrations & Social Security, 2018

Risk for Spanish competitiveness: rise in inflation

In June, for the second consecutive month, inflation in Spain exceeds that of the euro area

Evolution of prices





^{*} General index without unprocessed foods or energy products

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on INE & Eurostat, 2018

Since January, inflation has accelerated in Spain by 1.7 pp.

• Increase in fuel prices (+11.9%) and its impact on:

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- ✓ Transport (+6.1%)
- ✓ Housing (+2.6%)
- Rise in fresh produce

The **difference with the euro area** stands at 0.3 points, the highest in 8 months



Private debt maintains its downward trend...



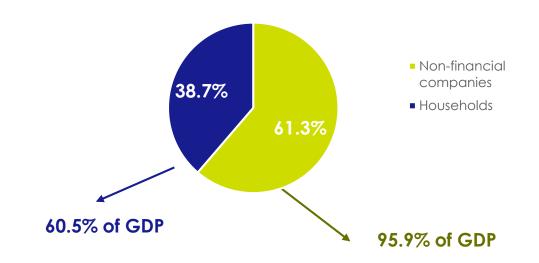
In Q1 2018, the private debt of non-financial corporations and households reached €1.83 trillion, accounting for 156.4% of GDP, 9.4 pp less than in Q1 2017

Evolution of debt of non-financial corporations & households Unconsolidated debt* Trillion € and % of GDP



Debt of non-financial corporations & households

% of the total debt of non-financial corporations & households



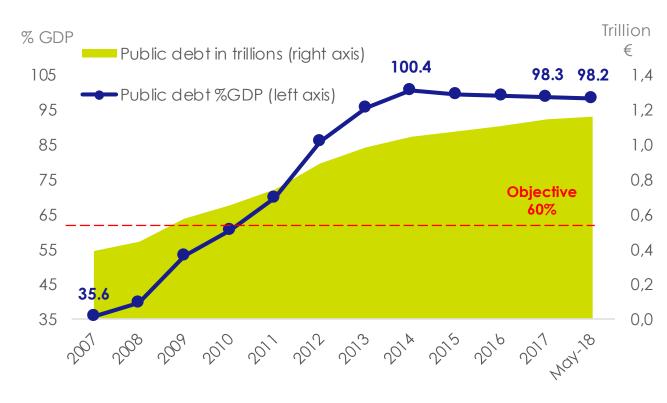
* In consolidated terms, the debt of both sectors amounts to ${\in}1.6$ trillion in Q1 2018, which is 137% of GDP

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Financial Accounts of the Spanish Economy Q1 2018, Bank of Spain, 2018

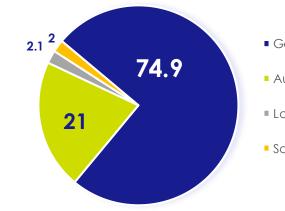
... while public debt remains at similar levels

Public debt stood at 98.2% of GDP in May, exceeding the target set for 2018 (96.8%)

Evolution of public debt % of GDP and trillion €



- Volume in May 2018: €1.15 trillion
- +2.7% year-on-year, mainly due to an increase in the State's debt: 4.3%
- **By Administrations (May 2018)** % of total



- General Government
- Autonomous communities

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- Local corporations
- Social Security

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Bank of Spain, 2018

The new deficit targets delay the reduction in public debt



The government slows down fiscal consolidation:

• The deficit widens to 2.7% in 2018 and 1.8% in 2019

(where the objectives of the Stability Program are 2.2% and 1.3%, respectively)

It would mean an **increase of the public debt** in almost €40 billion in gross terms (the largest since 2014)

- Lowering of the Autonomous Communities deficit target in 2019 to 0.3% (as opposed to the 0.1% forecast)
- Proposed expenditure cap for 2019 = €125 billion
 (+4.4% year-on-year)

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Mineco, Minhafp & AMECO, 2018

Balance and deficit targets % of GDP

	Balance 2017	Target 2018	Target 2019
General Government	-1.9	-0.8	-0.4
Autonomous communities	-0.3	-0.6	-0.3
Local corporations	0.6	0.1	0,0
Social Security	-1.5	-1.3	-1.1
Total Public administration	-3.1	-2.7	-1.8

Note: data without financial help

Evolution of the public budget balance % of GDP



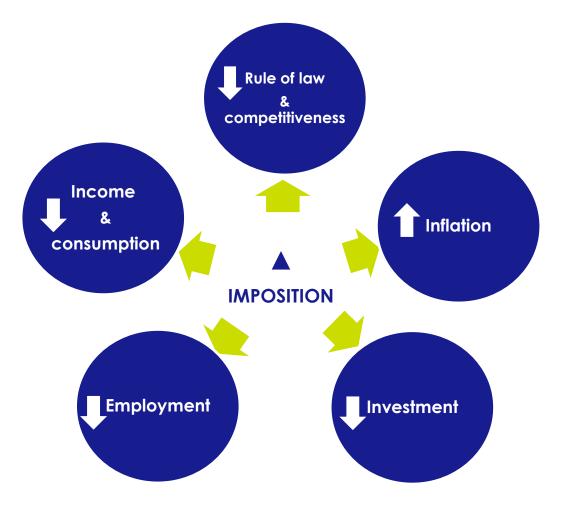
Risk of changing the tax policy



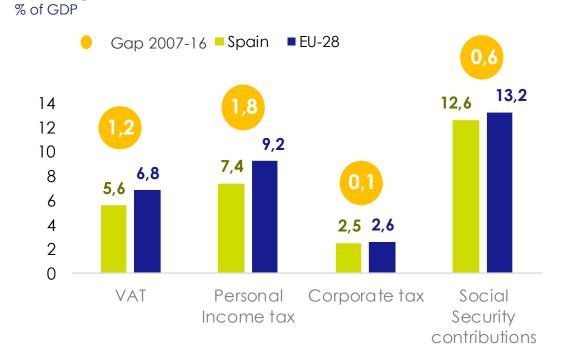
New measures announced - Tax increase on diesel, technology and banking

- Set a **minimum Corporate Tax rate** for large companies: 15%

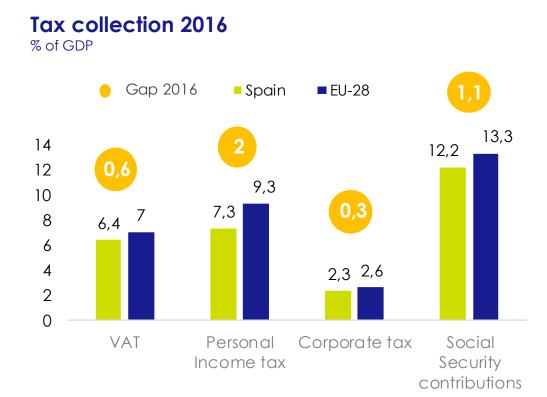
- Dispose of the upper limit on Social Security contributions



Although **Spanish rates** are in **line with the European average**, between 2007 and 2016 the **greatest difference in collection** with the **EU28** occurred in **income tax and VAT**



Average tax collection 2007-16



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Fiscal situation compared to the European average

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Spanish Tax Agency & Eurostat, 2018

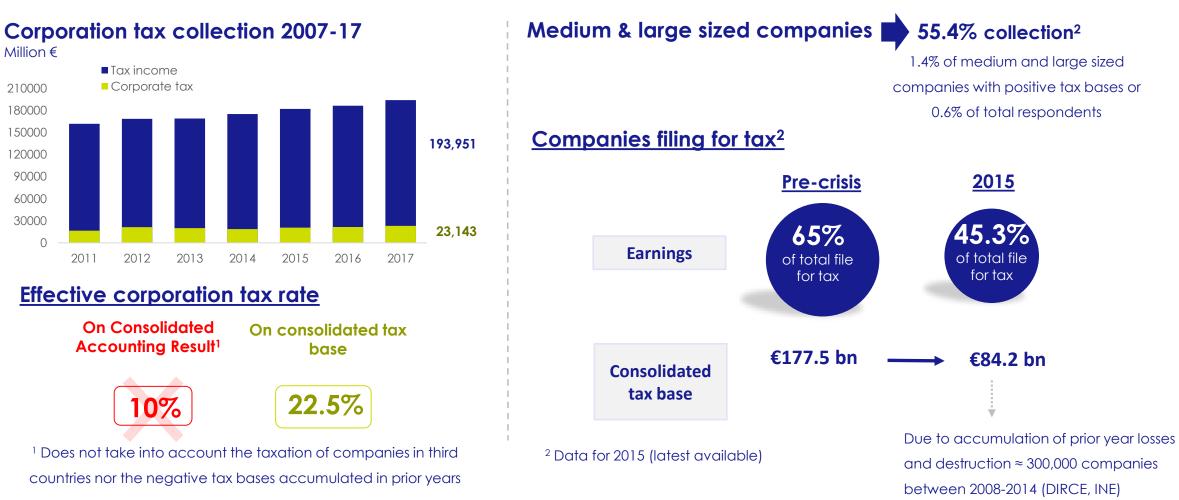
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Corporation tax collection begins to recover

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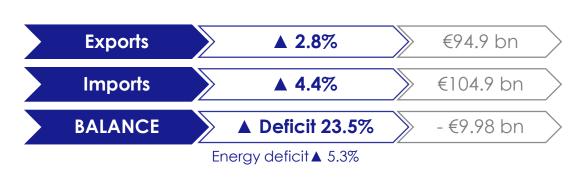
Between 2011 and 2017, **collection** has increased from **10.3% to 11.9% of total tax revenues**, despite the fact that 54.7% of companies presented losses in 2015 and the destruction of 300,000 companies during the crisis



Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on Spanish Tax Agency, & DIRCE (INE), 2018

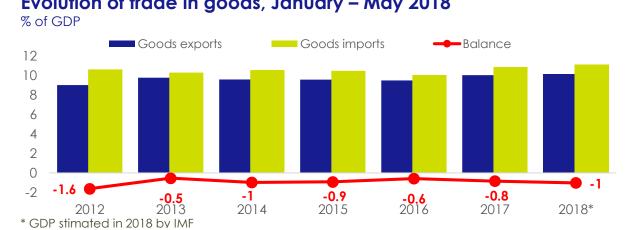
The trade deficit widens





Balance of trade, Sectorial distribution

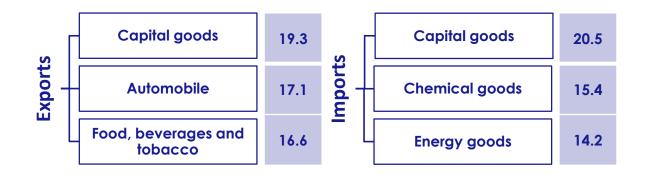
Change with respect to the same period of the previous year



Evolution of trade in goods, January – May 2018

Sectorial distribution, January – May 2018

% of total



Geographical distribution, January – May 2018 % of total

	Exports	Imports		
Europe	72.5	60.6		
EU	66.7	54.6		
America	10.1	10.1		
Asia	8.9	20.3		
China	2.1	7.8		
Africa	6.4	8.6		
Others	2.1	0.4		

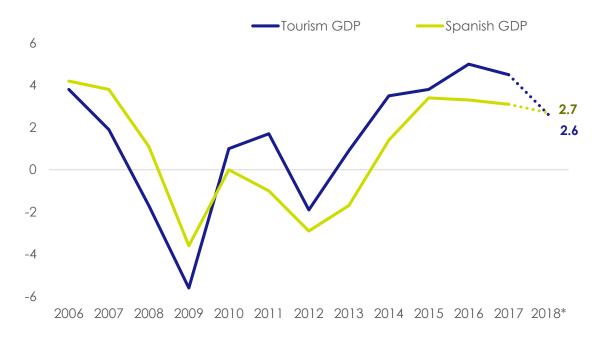
Tourism contributes less to growth



In Q2 2018, the growth of tourism GDP in Spain slowed down to 2% year-on-year (vs 3.1% in Q1 2018), reducing the growth forecast for the whole year to 2.6%

Annual tourism GDP growth & general GDP of the Spanish economy 2006-2018

% change year-on-year



* Forecast

Determining factors of downward correction:

- Slowdown in Q2 due to the worst weather conditions and lower national demand
- Recovery of the market share by the
 Eastern Mediterranean competitors
- Fewer tourist arrivals from Germany and the UK

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on EXCELTUR, 2018

Tourists increase their spending



Between January and May, 28,573,668 international tourists arrived in Spain, 2% more than in the same period of the previous year, and spent €29.5 billion, 4.1% more than in 2017

TOP 3 sender countries, January-May 2018		TOP 3 host Autono	omous C	mous Communities,		
	% of total tourists	% change YoY	% of total spending	January-May 2018	8 % of total	% change YoY
United Kingdom	21.9%	-2.3%	19.2%	Catalonia	23.2%	-2.1 %
Germany	13.8%	-2.7%	13.4%	Balearic isles	13.8%	0%
France	13.7%	0.6%	7.8%	Andalusia	13.7%	2.4%

Catalonia continues to lead the reception of tourists between January and May of 2018, but the influx is reduced by 2.1% in year-on-year terms

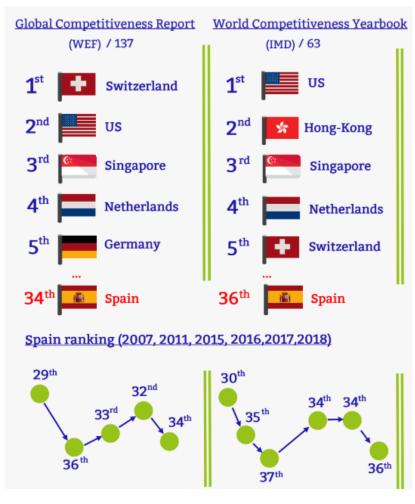
84.6% come to Spain for holidays, and the remaining 15.4% for professional reasons and others

Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on FRONTUR & EGATUR (INE), 2018

Competitiveness of Spain



Spain is not ranked among the 20 most competitive countries in the world...



Advantages and difficulties identified in the Barometer of the Circles 2018

Advantages

- Quality assessment and cost of skilled labour
- Quality of physical infrastructure
- Size and location of the domestic market
- Important and growing export sector

Difficulties

- Quality of the Spanish education system
- Effort put into innovation and technological adaptation
- Inefficient functioning of the public administrations
- Duality of the labour market
- Corruption and shadow economy
- Sustainability of the pension system

Interest rates and risk premium

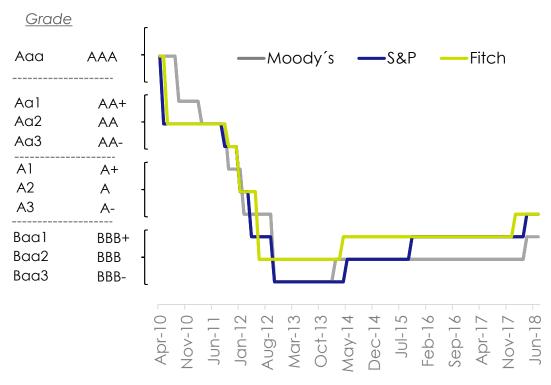


The risk premium exceeds 90 basis points, although it still maintains the gap with Italy

Risk premiums from Spain and Italy compared with the 10-year German bond



Evolution of Spain's rating 2010-2018



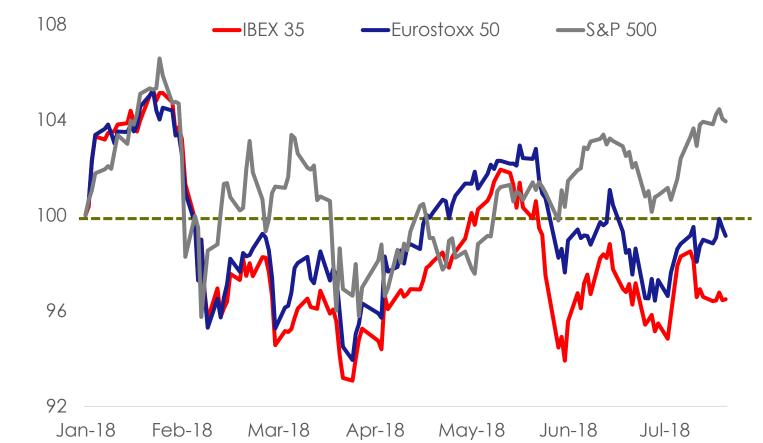
Financial markets



The stock markets face an environment of higher volatility and greater political uncertainty

Evolution stock market

January 2018=100



* Includes: Continuous market, trading floors of the four stock exchanges, MAB (The Alternative Spanish Equity Market), & Latibex Source: Círculo de Empresarios based on BME, 2018



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