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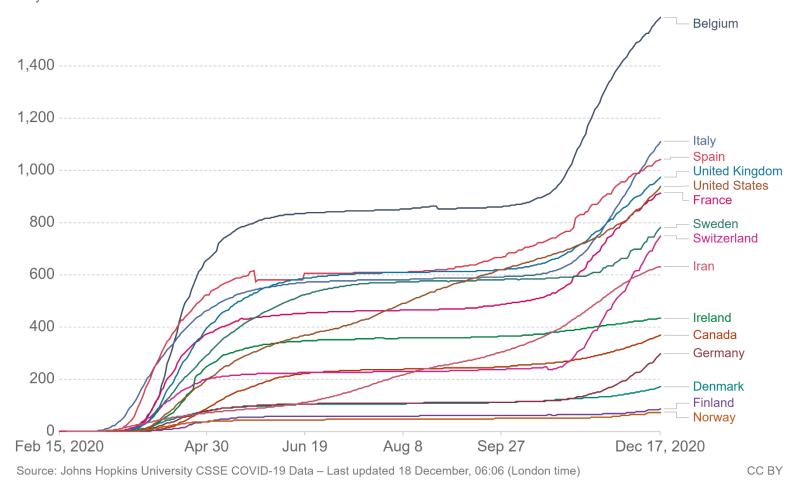
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Flattening the epi-curve

Cumulative confirmed COVID-19 deaths per million people

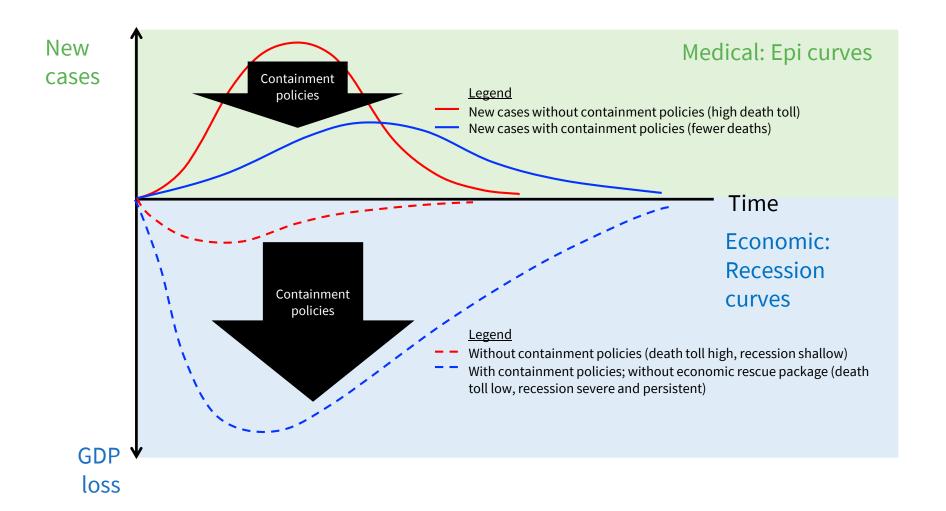


Limited testing and challenges in the attribution of the cause of death means that the number of confirmed deaths may not be an accurate count of the true number of deaths from COVID-19.



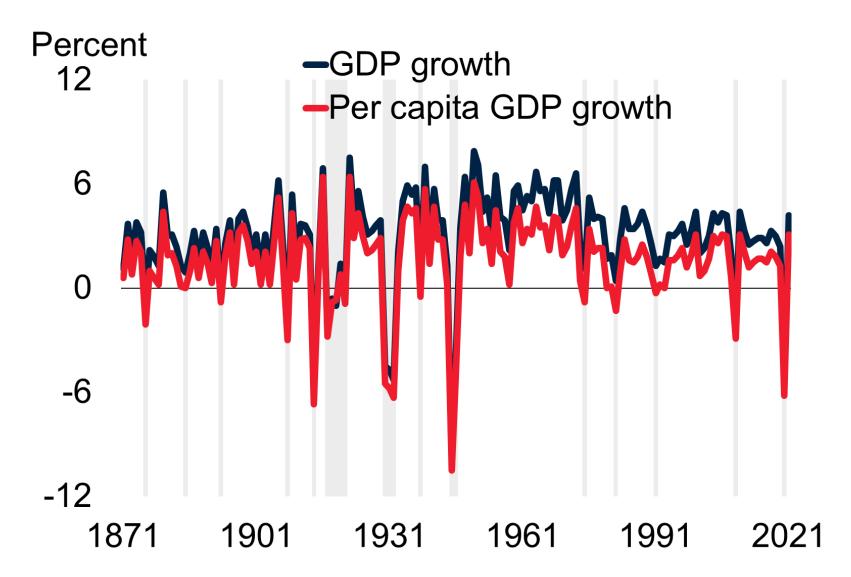


Flattening the epi-curve deepens the recession curve





The 4th worst global recession since 1871





Results based on our recent work

A Counterfactual Economic Analysis of Covid-19 Using a Threshold Augmented Multi-Country Model*

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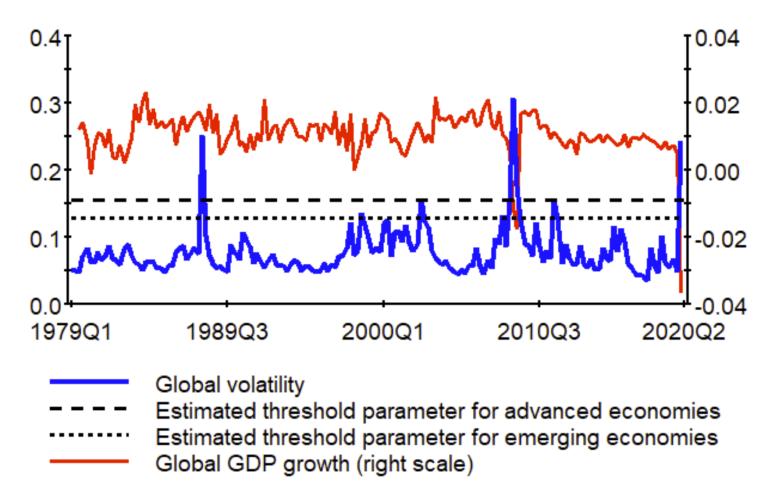
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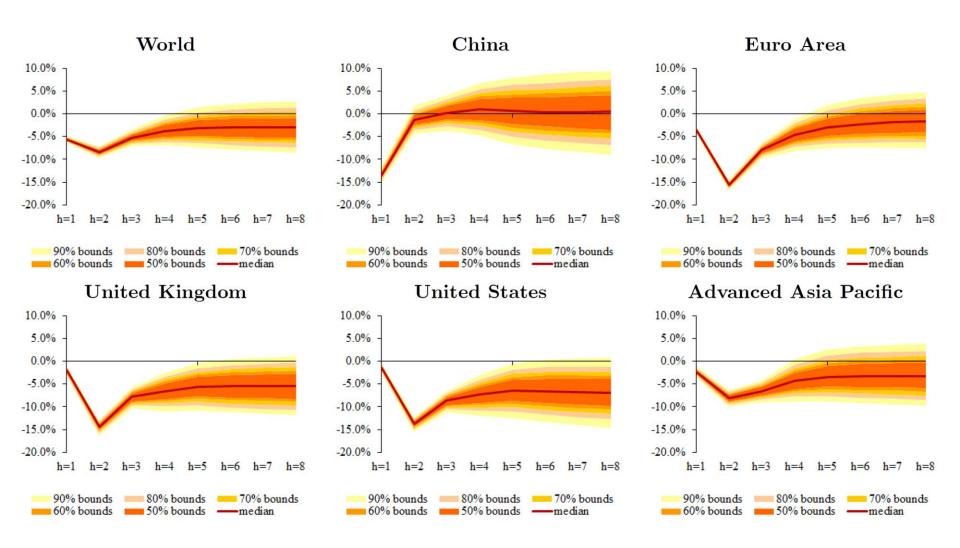
Threshold effects: Global volatility and growth

Figure 1 Global volatility and GDP growth, 1979Q1-2020Q1



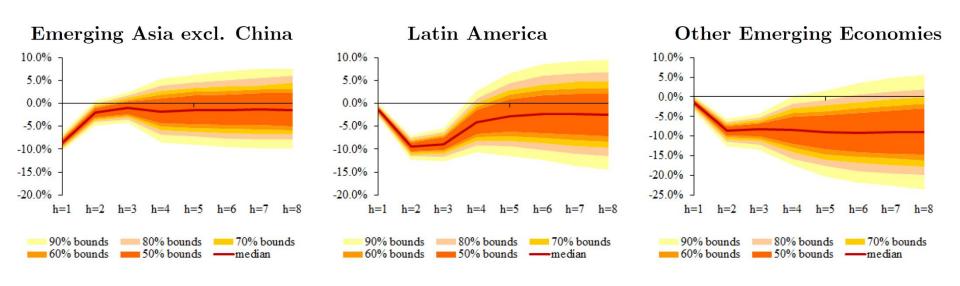


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China: from silent streets to packed pools?

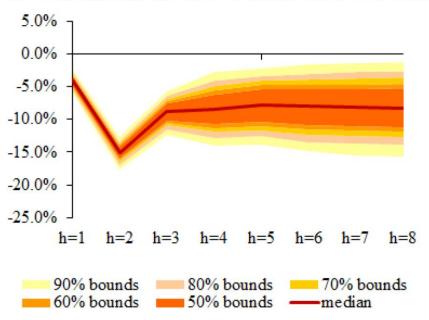




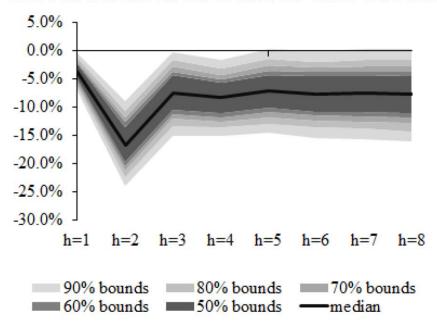
Wuhan Maya Beach Water Park, 16-17th of August 2020

Nobody Can Escape the Economic Effects of Covid-19

Growth shocks in all countries incl. Sweden



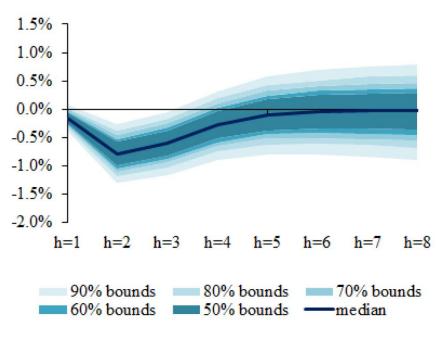
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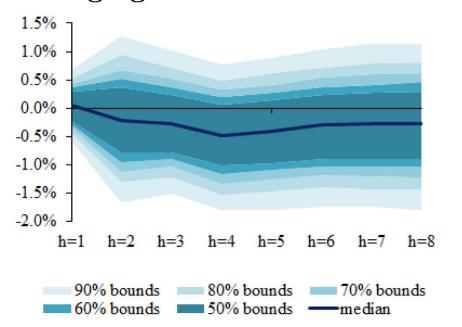


The impact of Covid-19 on long-term interest rates

Advanced Economies



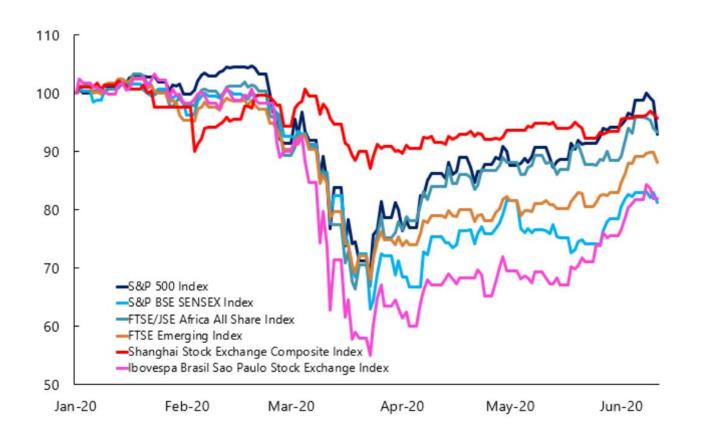
Emerging Economies excl. China





Divergence of financial markets from the real economy

(equity market index, January 1, 2020 = 100)



Source: Bloomberg; L.P.

Note: Data through June 11, 2020.



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Source: Refinitiv • By The New York Times



Bill Gates: the Covid-19 pandemic will be over by the end of 2021







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