



# 15th Singapore Economic Roundtable

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# Recent Developments

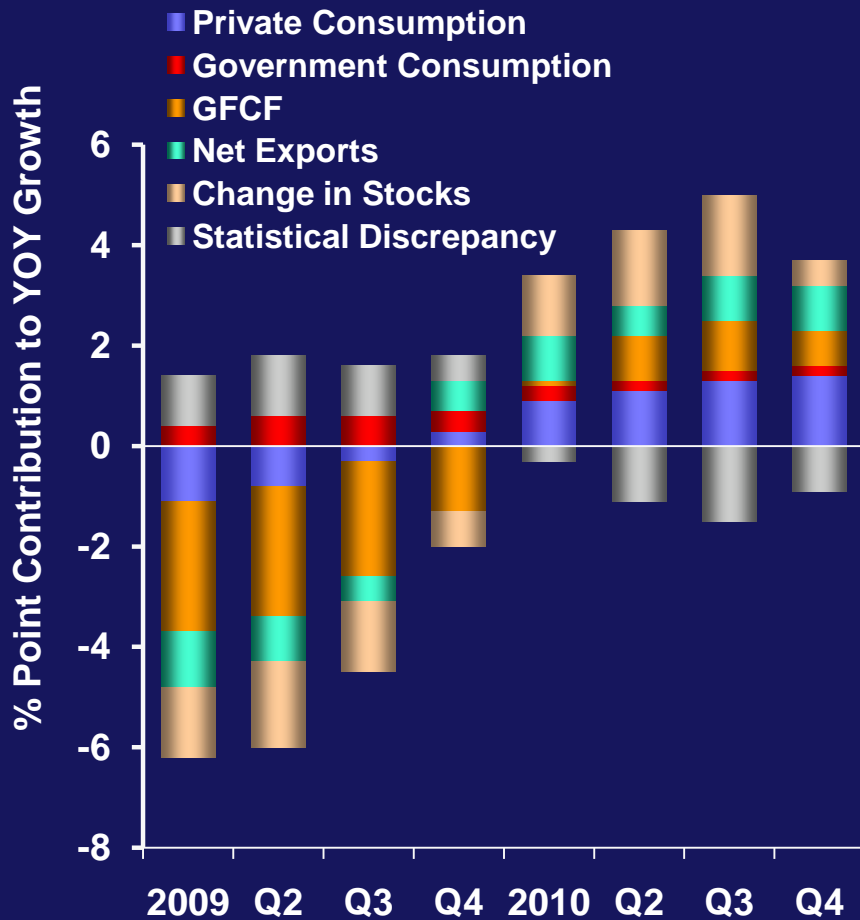


## In the Singapore Economy

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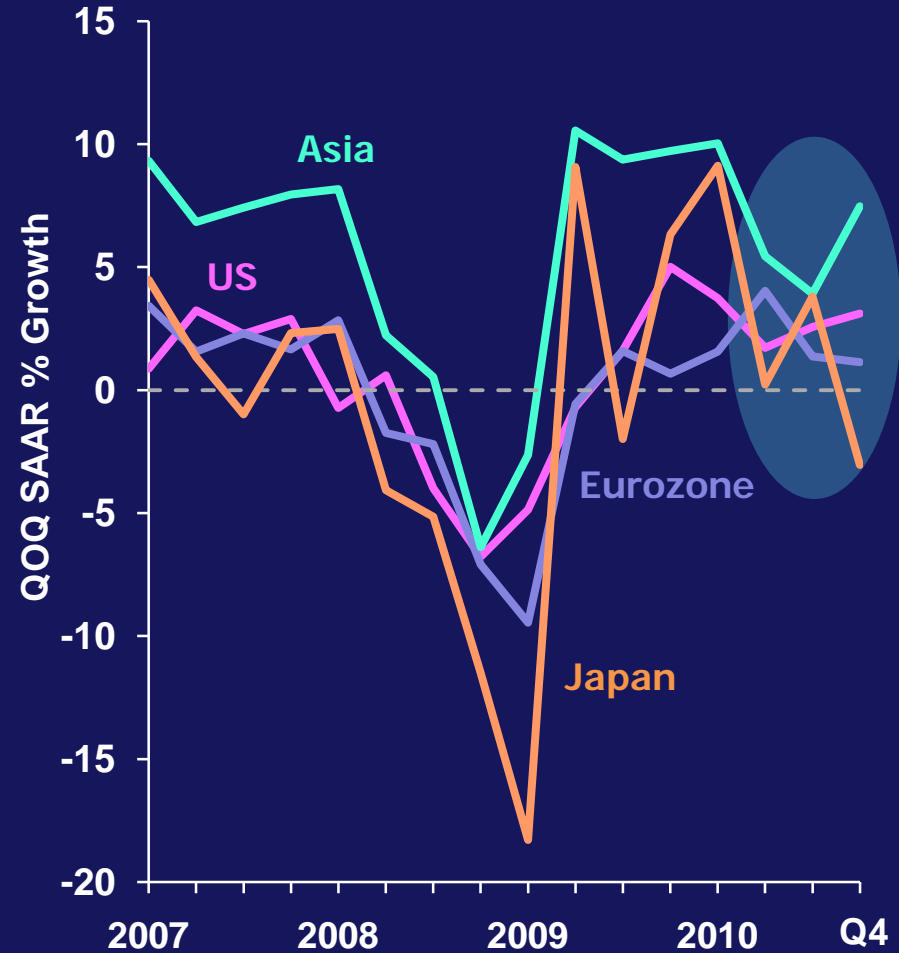
# Global growth has picked up.

Contribution to Global GDP Growth\*



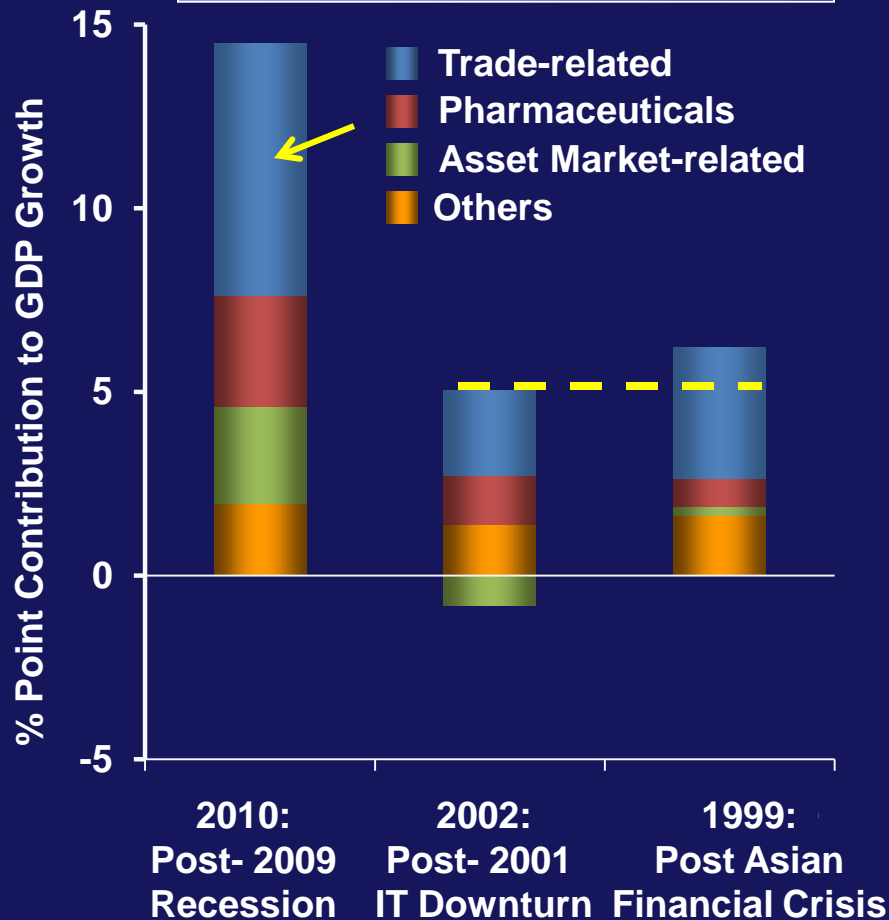
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Global GDP Growth

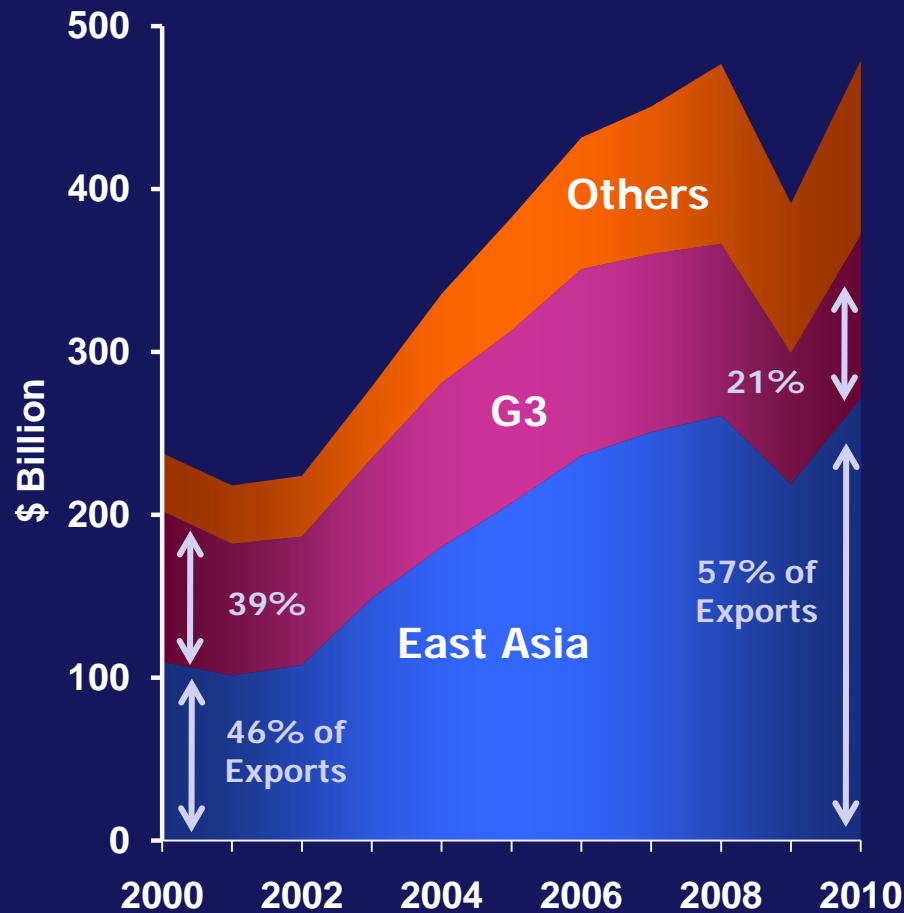


# GDP growth in 2010 was underpinned by regional demand.

Domestic Economy's Recovery from Downturns



Singapore's Total Exports by Region

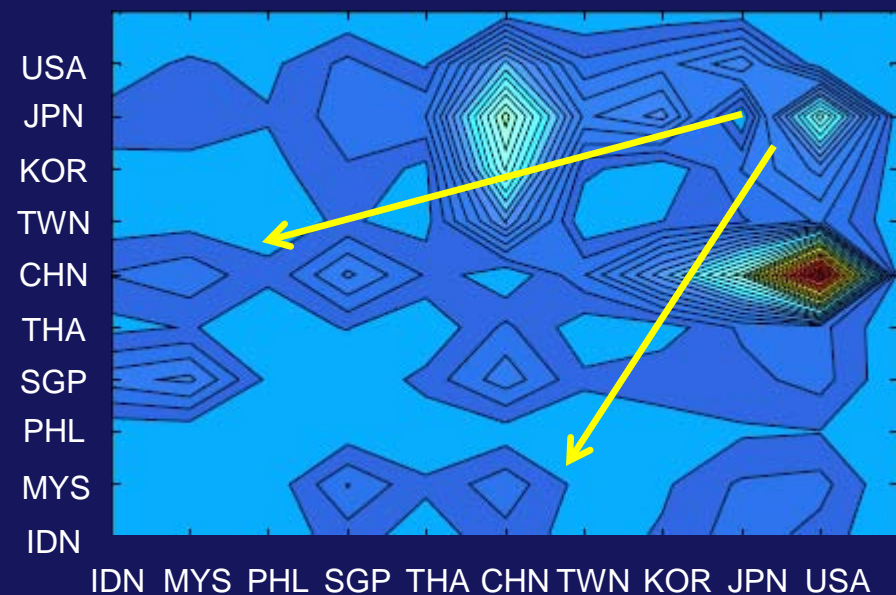
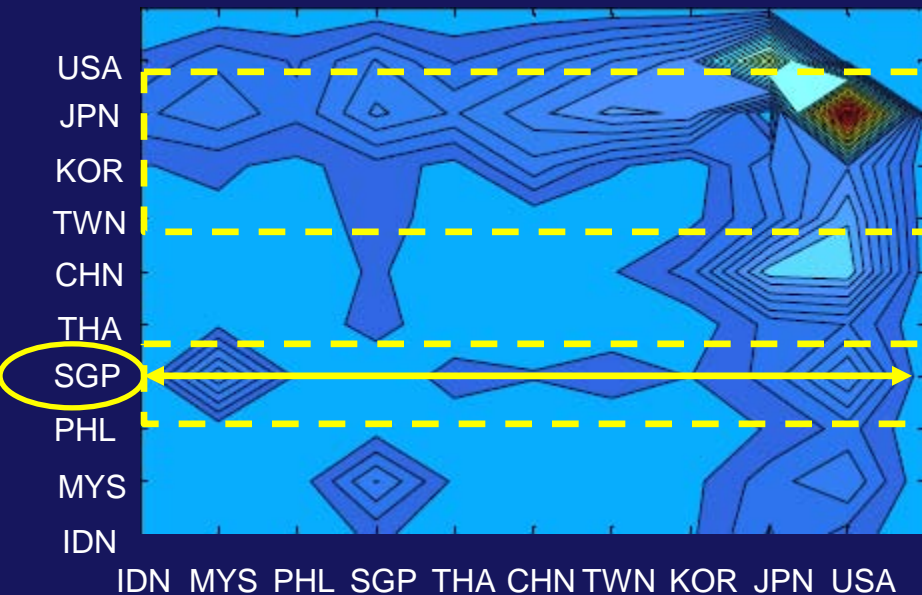


# Asia's trade has become more region-centric...

## Total Exports to Asia-9 and USA

1997

2009



## Trade Intensity



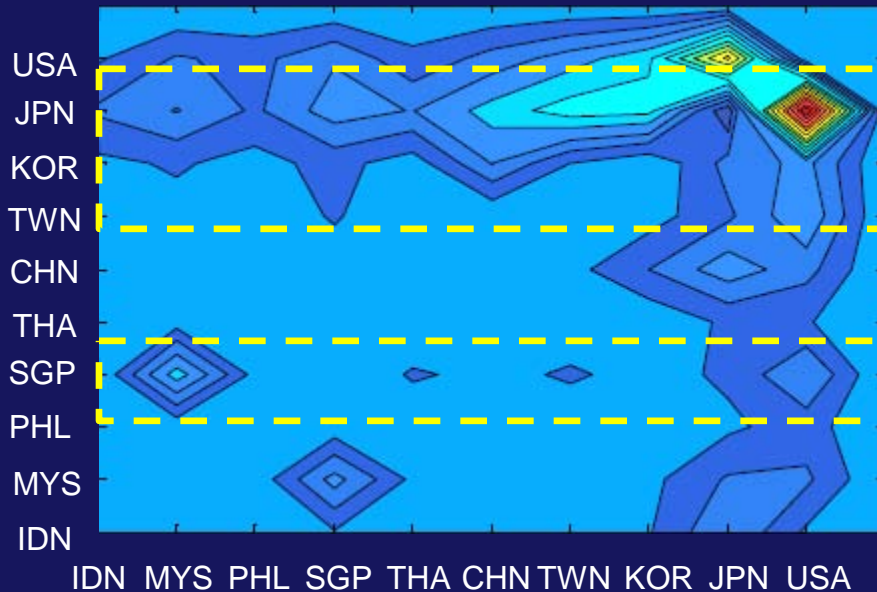
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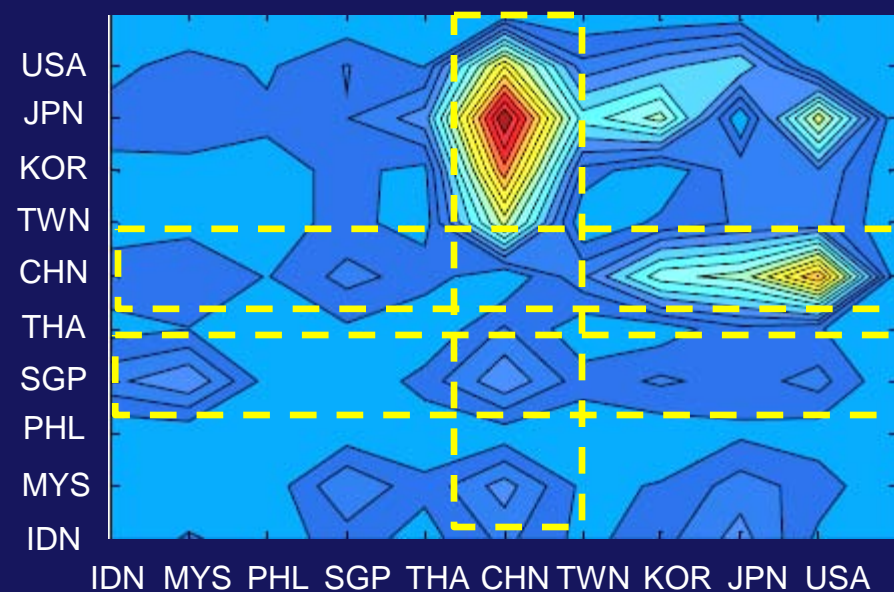
# ...and the rise of the production network has benefitted Singapore.

Exports of Intermediate Goods to Asia-9 and USA

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2009



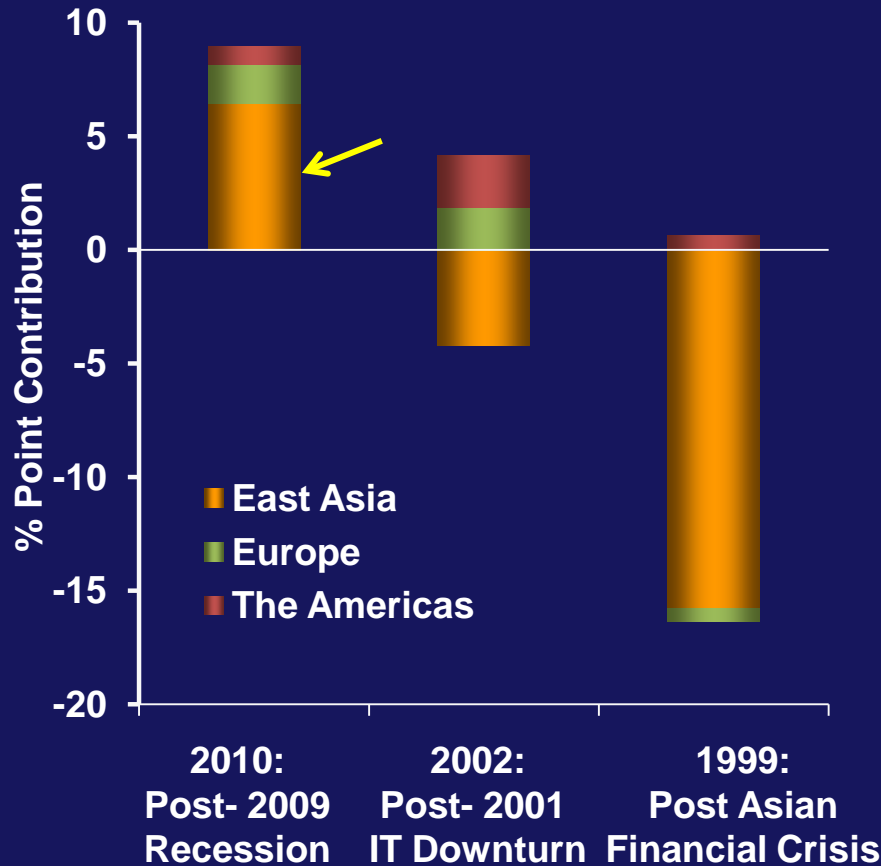
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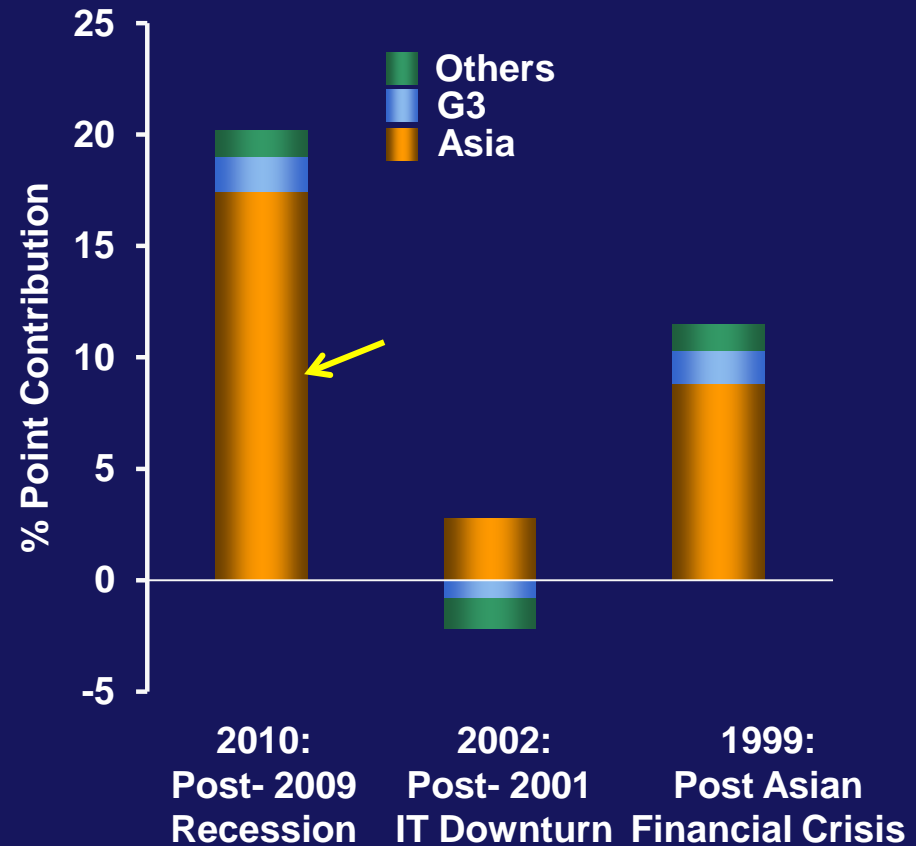
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# Regional demand also underpinned growth in financial services and tourism.

Contribution to Growth in ACU Non-bank Lending

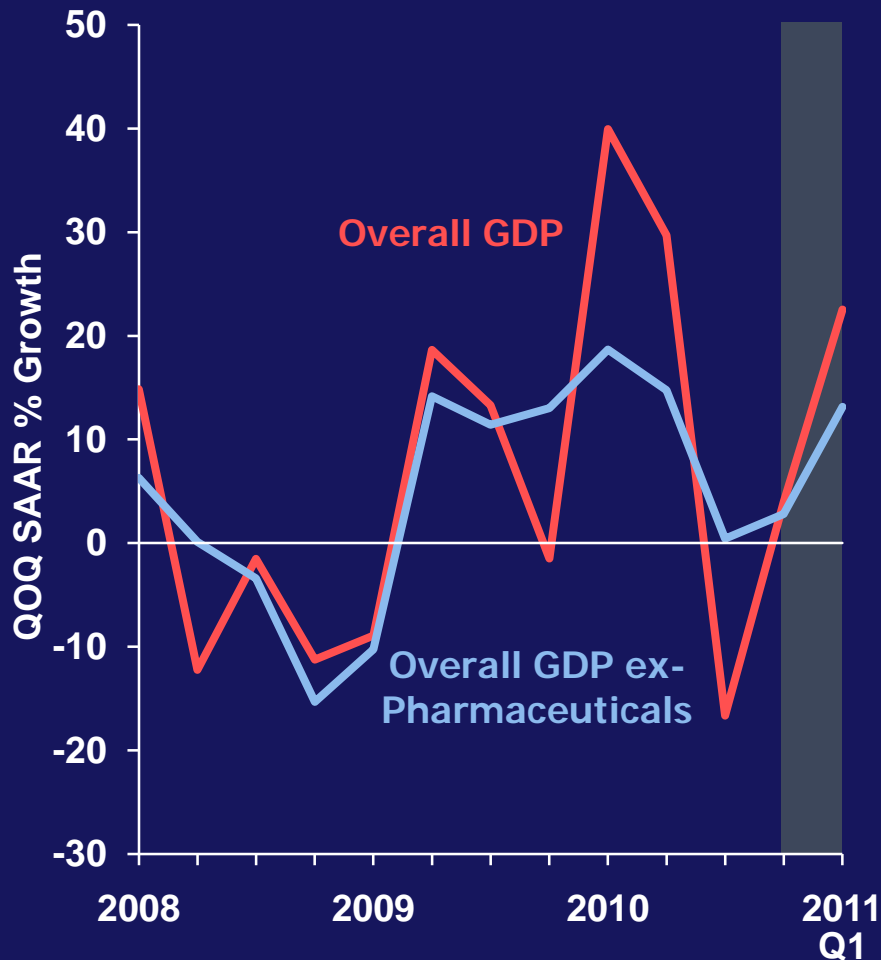


Contribution to Tourist Arrival Growth in Singapore

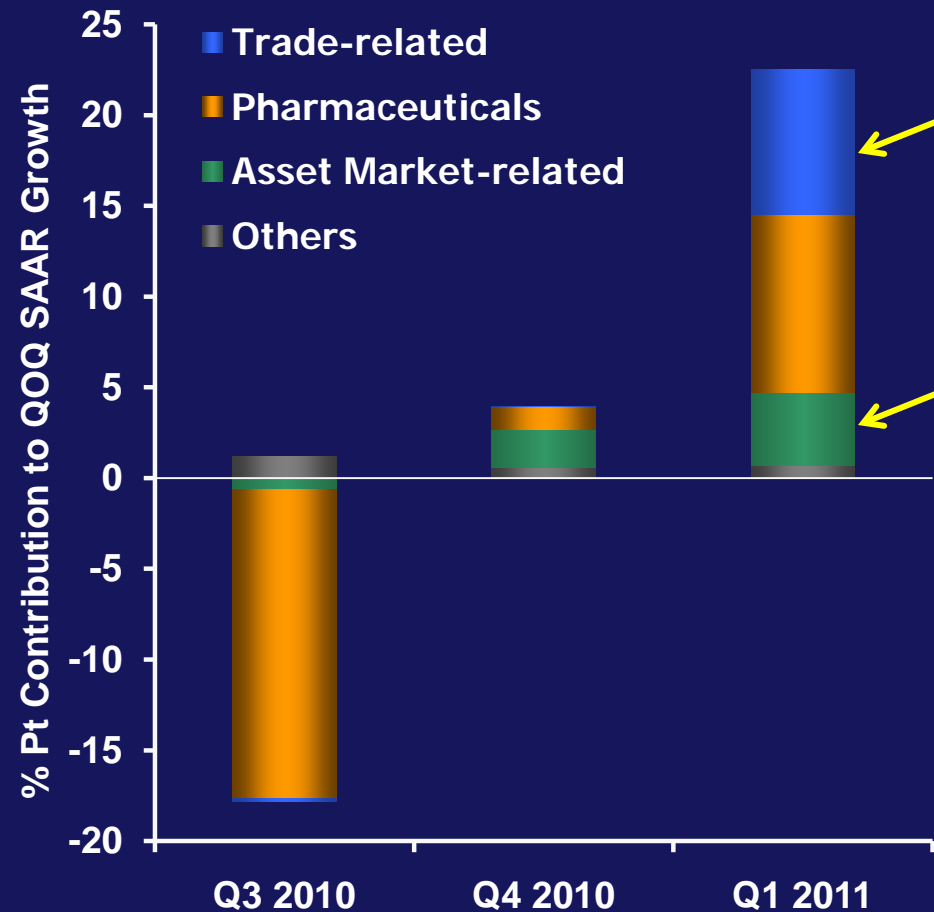


# There was a step-up in domestic activity in Q1 2011.

## Singapore's GDP Growth



## Contribution to GDP Growth





Wage-Price

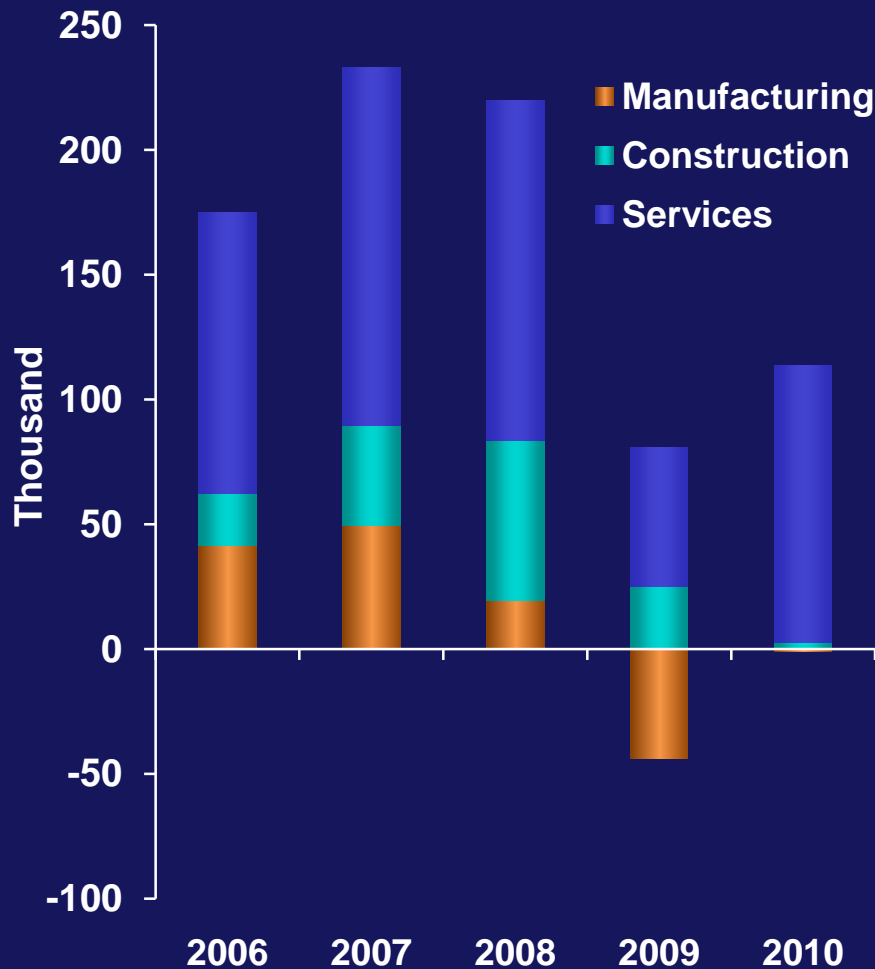
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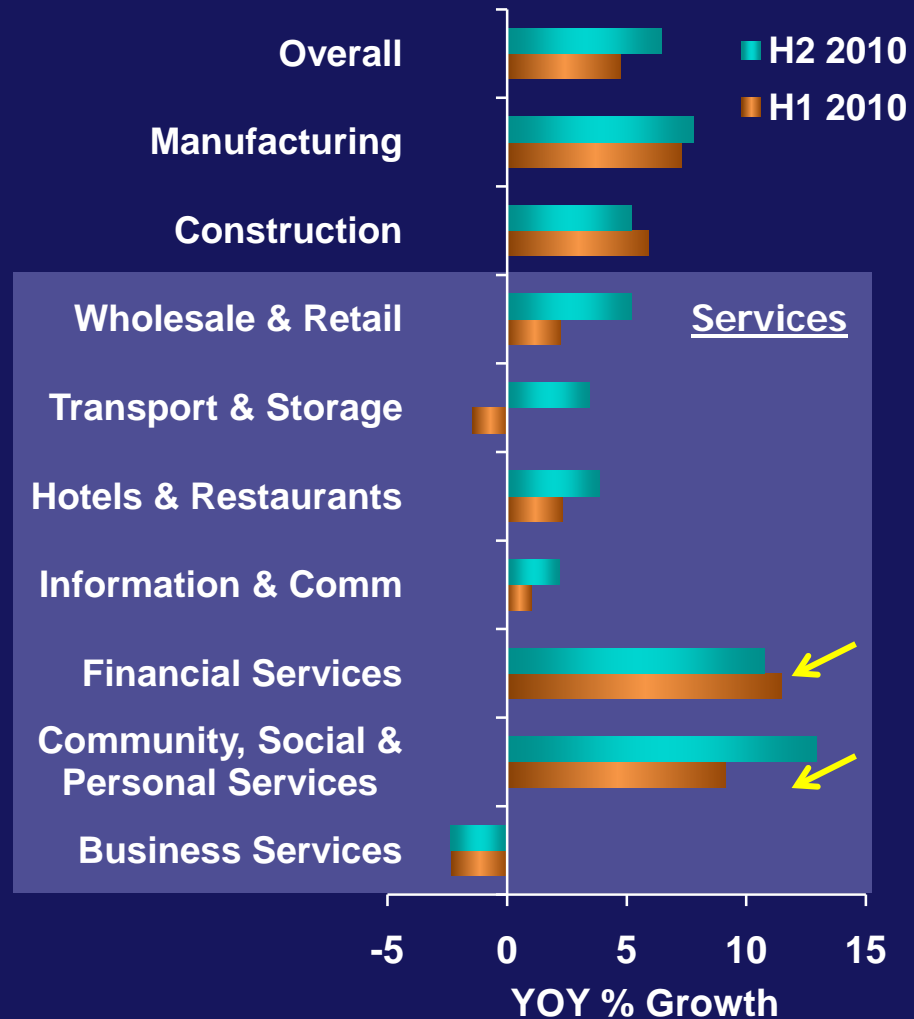
Dynamics

# Services accounted for the bulk of job gains in 2010.

Total Employment Changes

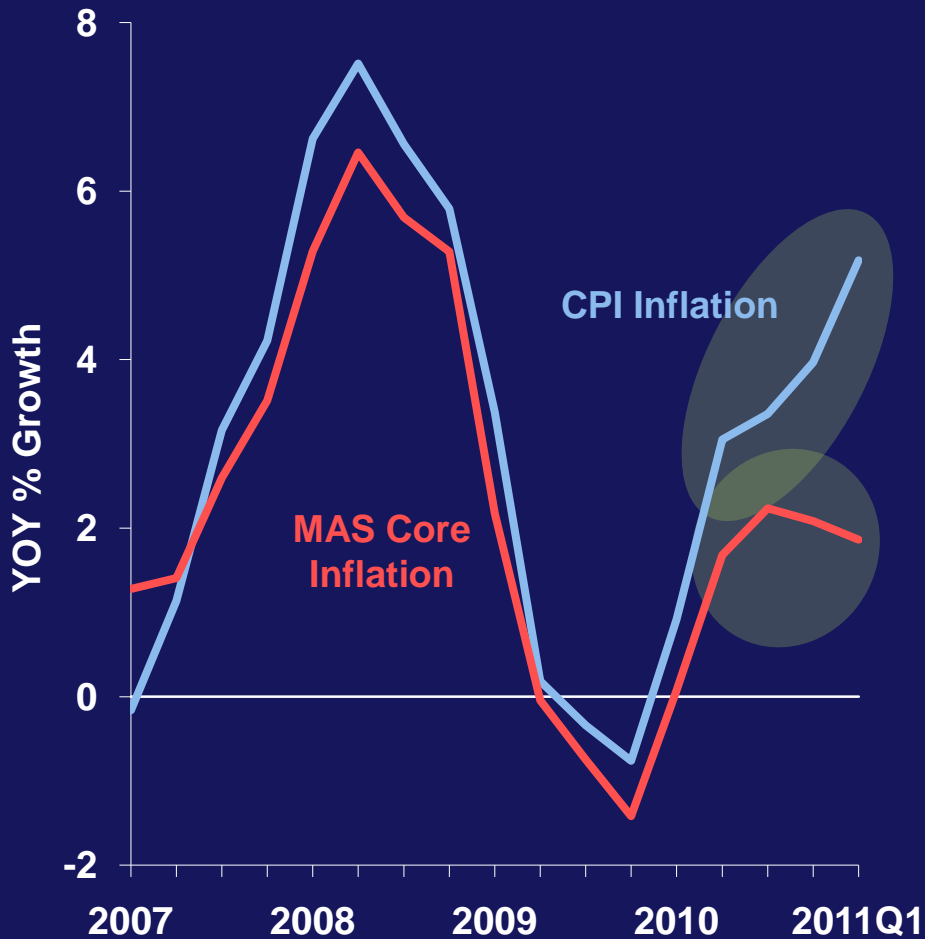


Nominal Wage Growth by Industry

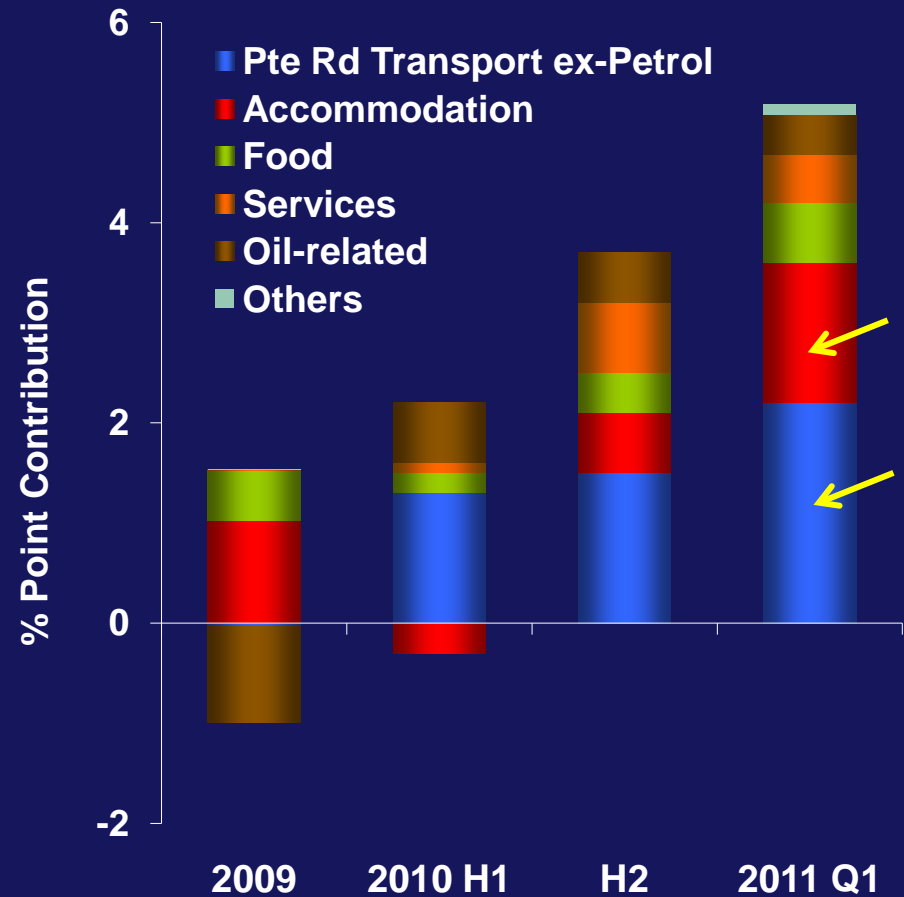


# CPI inflation increased in line with robust growth.

CPI and MAS Core Inflation



Contributions to CPI Inflation



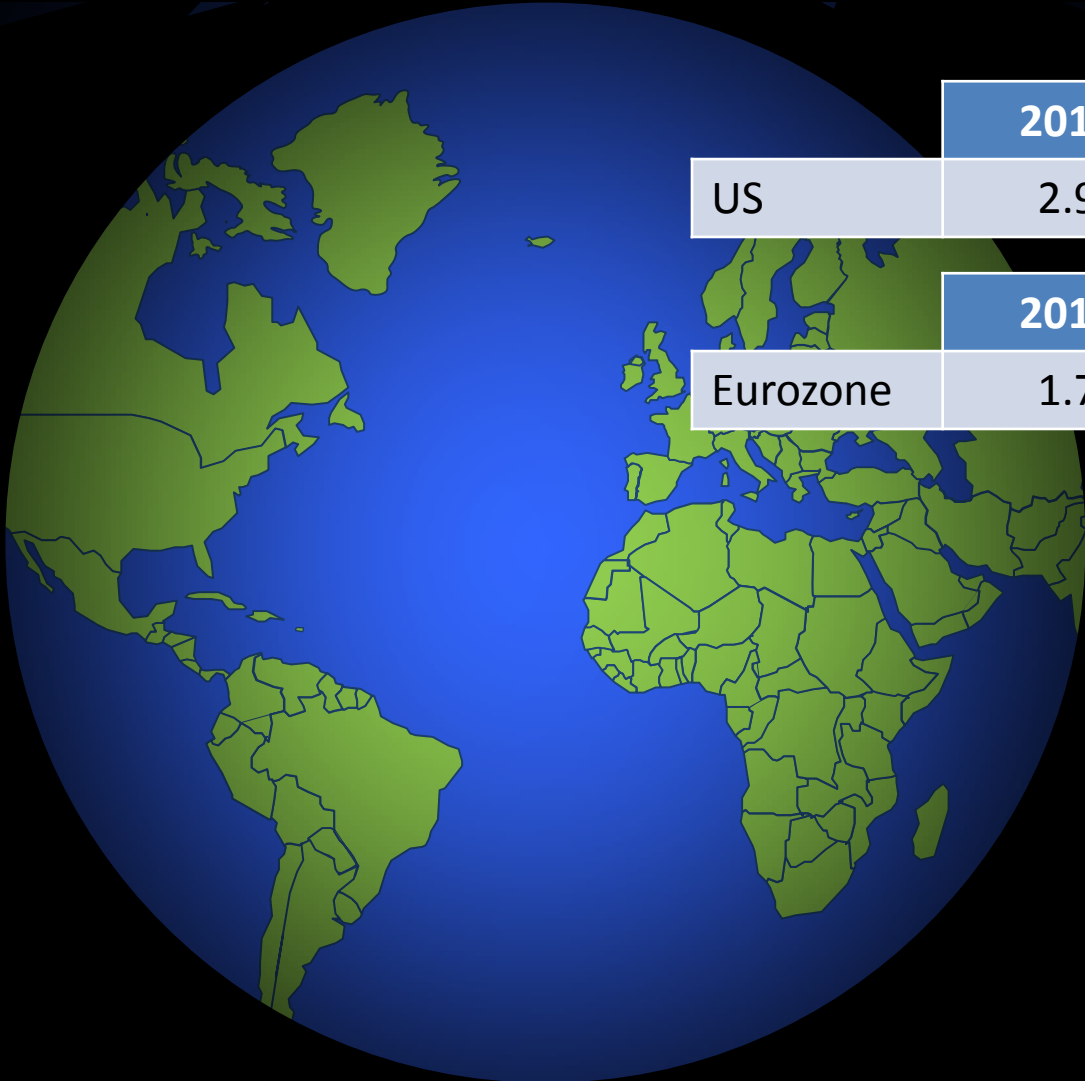
# Outlook

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# The global recovery is set to continue.



(%)

	2010	2011
US	2.9	2.7
Eurozone	1.7	1.7



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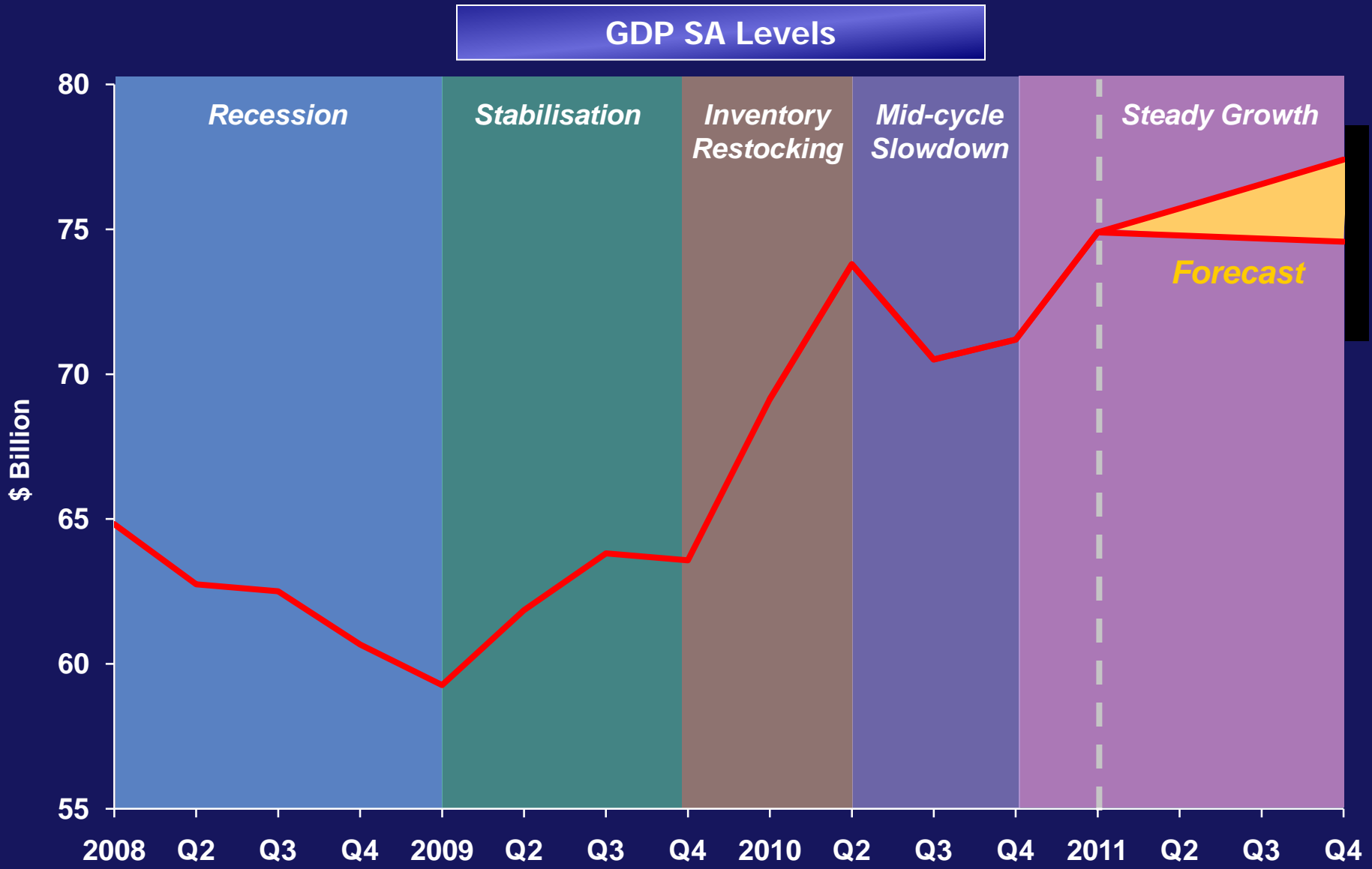
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	2010	2011
Japan	4.0	0.0

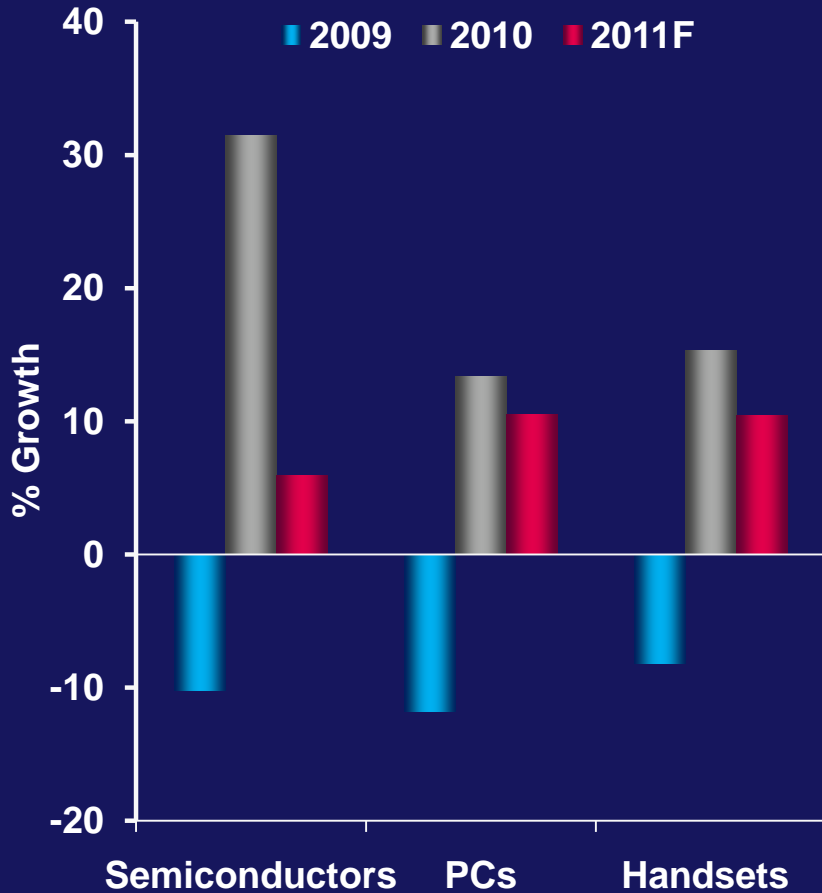
	2010	2011
HK	6.8	5.3
Korea	6.2	4.4
Taiwan	10.8	4.6
Indonesia	6.1	6.3
Malaysia	7.2	5.2
Thailand	7.8	4.2
Philippines	7.3	5.1
China	10.3	9.3
India	8.6	8.0

# The Singapore economy is expected to come in at 5-7% in 2011 ...

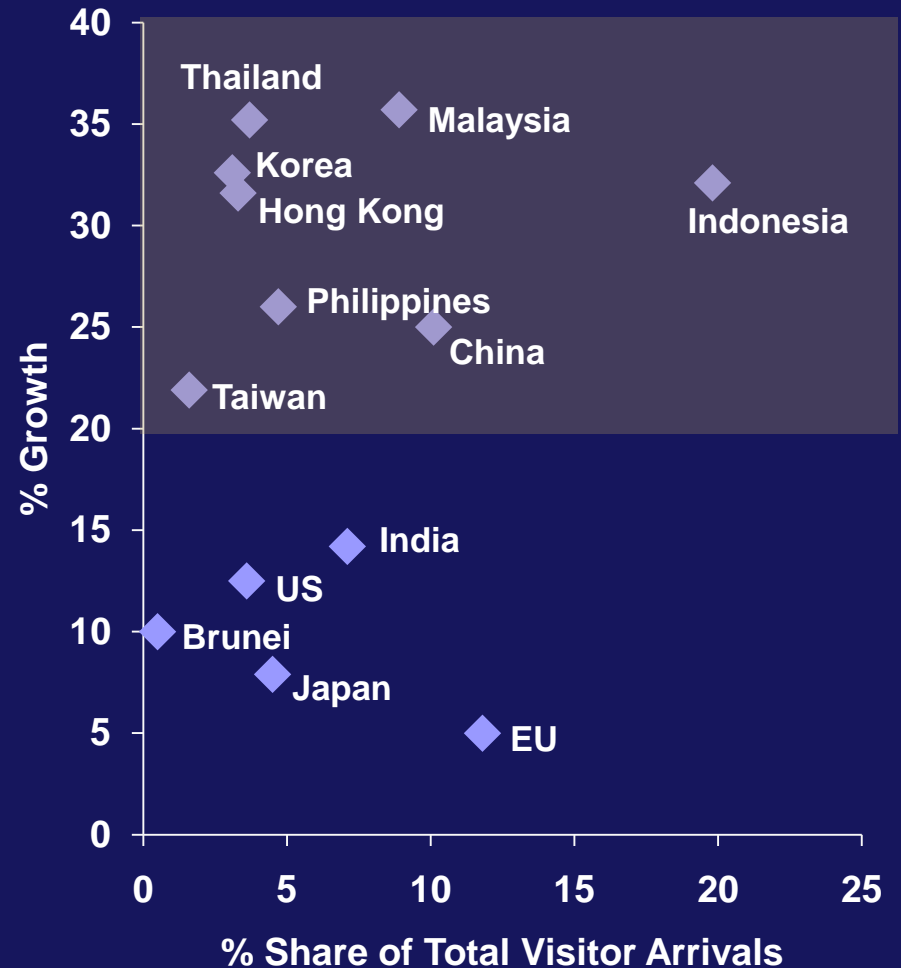


... underpinned by a broad range of industries.

Global IT Forecast

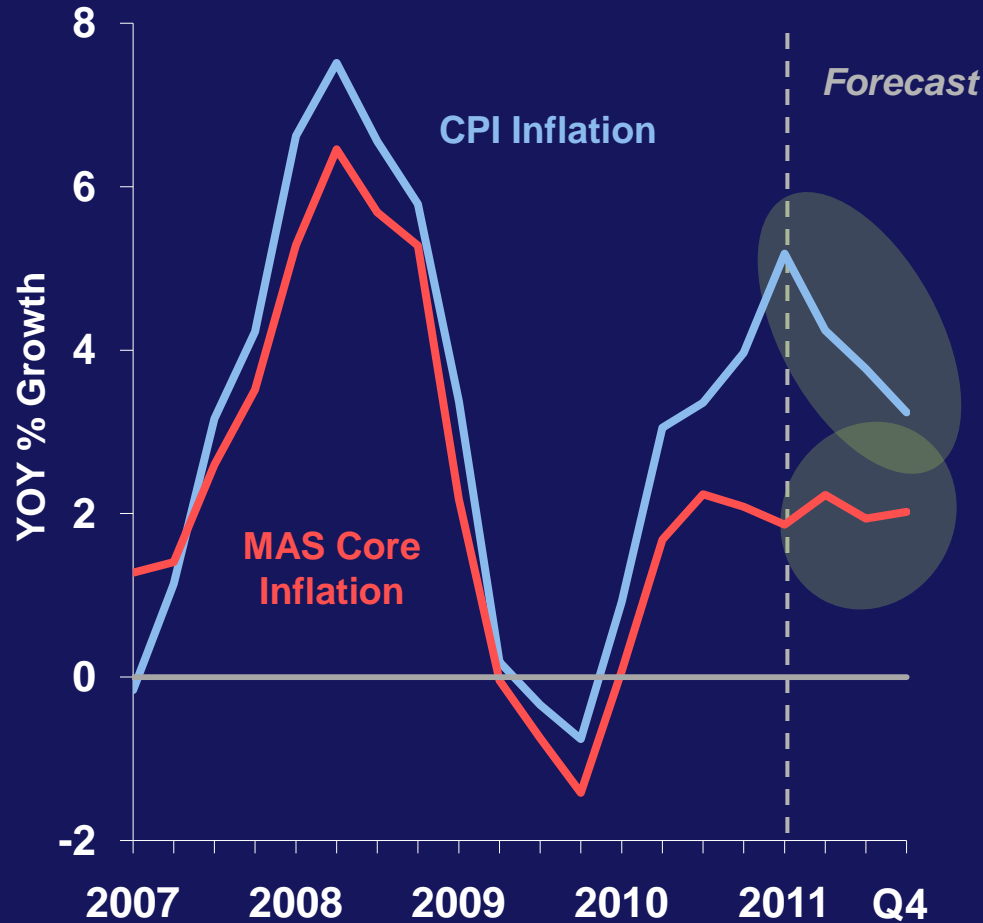


Visitor Arrivals to Singapore by Country of Origin in 2010

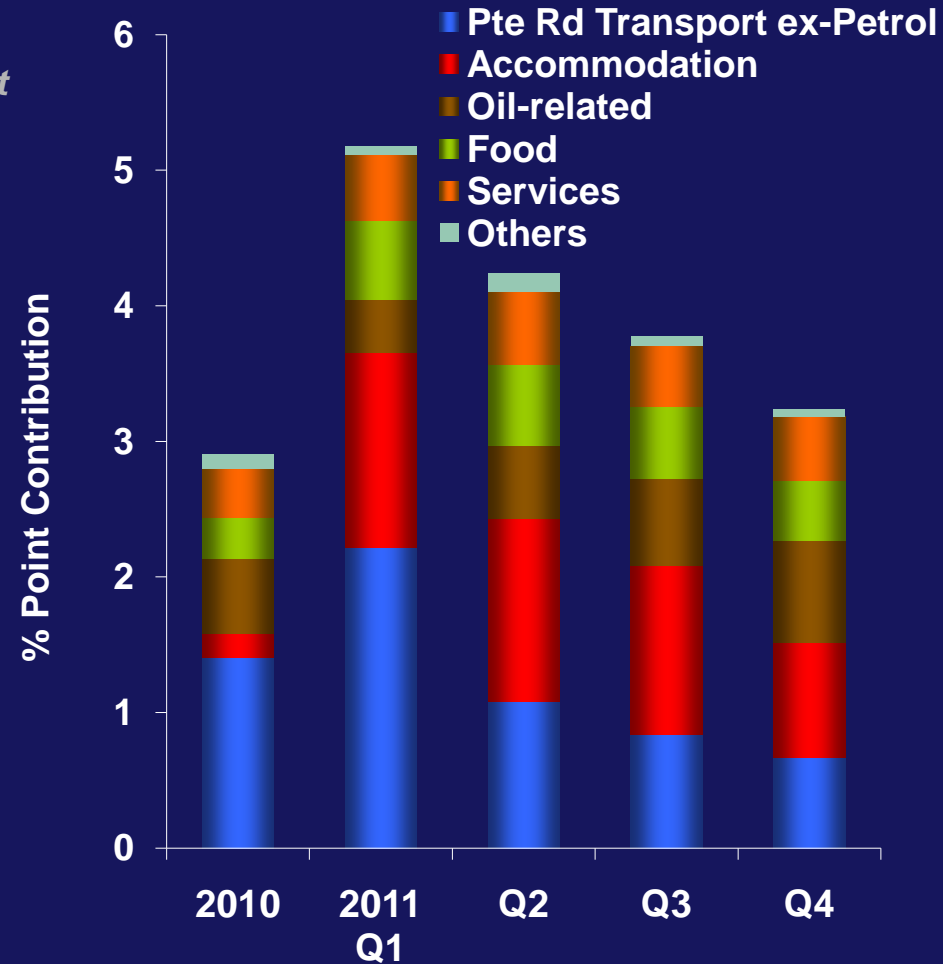


# CPI inflation should come in at the upper half of the 3-4% forecast range.

CPI Inflation and MAS Core Inflation



Contributions to CPI Inflation



# Sum-up

The Singapore economy took a step-up in Q1 2011, expanding by 22.5% q-o-q SAAR. Growth was broad-based, with the non-pharma manufacturing and services sectors strengthening.

Notwithstanding the turmoil in the Middle East and the earthquake in Japan, the level of activity is projected to remain high across a broad range of industries. GDP growth is expected to be 5-7% this year.

CPI Inflation is expected to have peaked at 5.2% in Q1, and will moderate slowly to around 3% in Q4 2011. CPI inflation is expected to be in the upper half of the 3-4% forecast range, while the MAS Core Inflation is projected to come in at 2-3%.



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