

Managing Public Wealth

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Conceptual Framework



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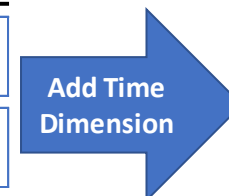
General Government Balance Sheet

Assets	Liabilities
Financial Assets	Debt
Non-Financial Assets	Non-debt



Public Sector Balance Sheet

Assets	Liabilities
Financial Assets	Debt
Non-Financial Assets	Non-debt
SOE Assets	SOE Liabilities



Intertemporal Public Sector Balance Sheet

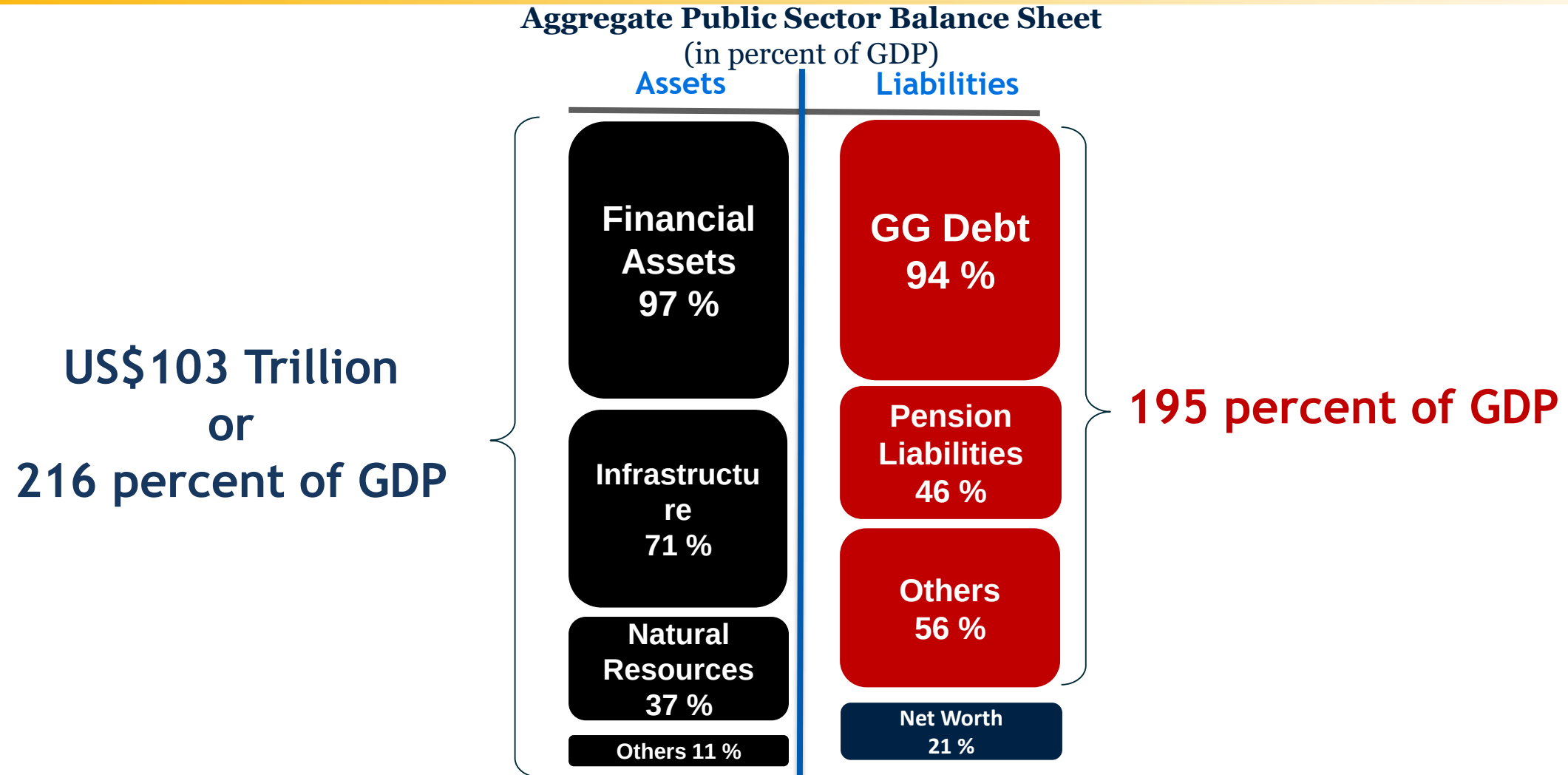
	Assets/Inflows	Liabilities/Outflows
Past	Financial Assets	Debt
	Non-Financial Assets	Non-debt
	Public Corp Assets	Public Corp Liabilities
Future	Future Revenues	Future Spending

I. The Public Sector Balance Sheet

Aggregate PSBS for 38 countries



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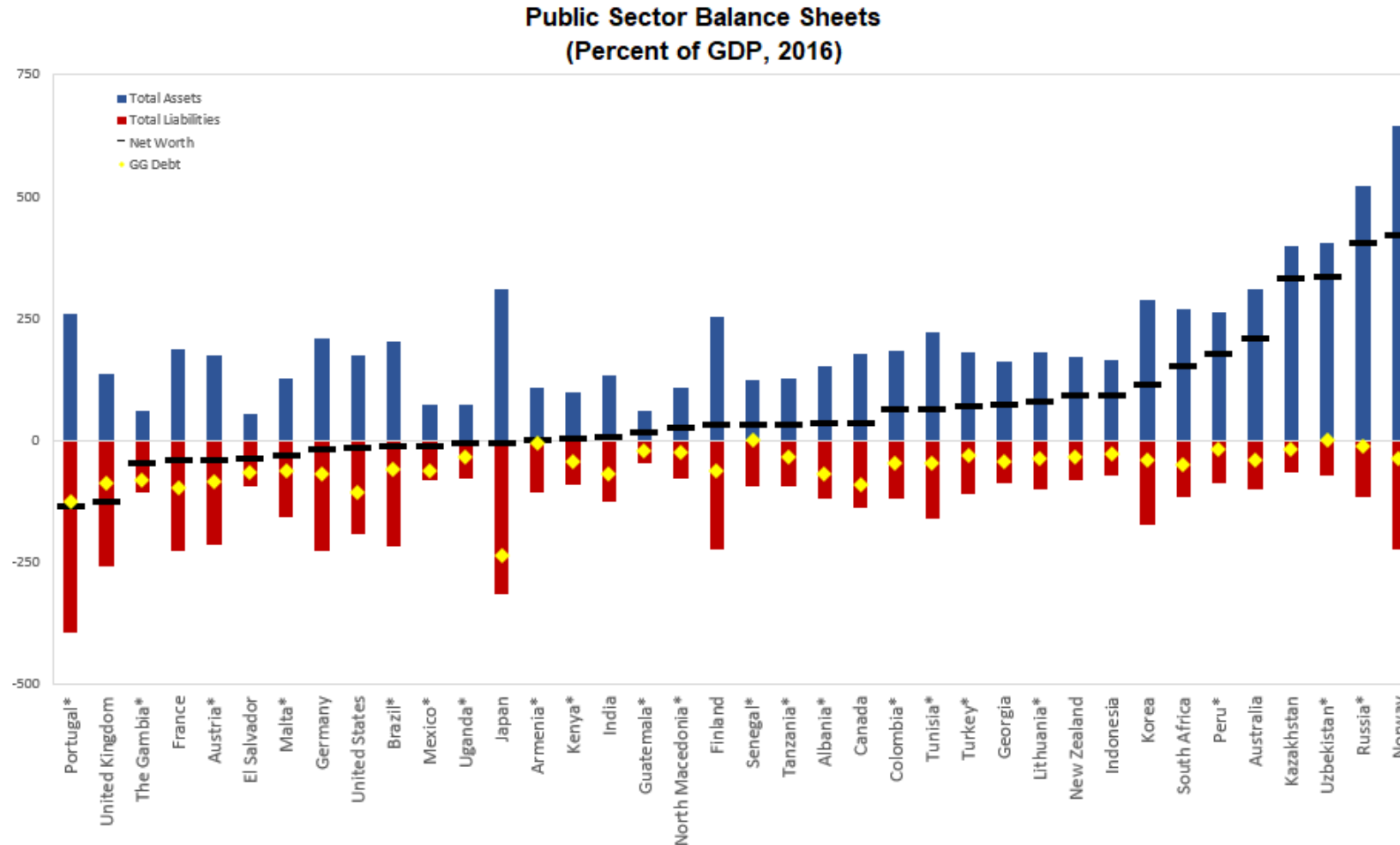
Source: IMF Public Sector Balance Sheet Database.

I. The Public Sector Balance Sheet

Individual country PSBS for 38 countries



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*Based on a single year of data, in most cases compiled as part of the Fiscal Transparency Evaluation: Albania, 2013; Armenia, 2016; Austria, 2015; Brazil, 2014; Colombia, 2016; The Gambia, 2016; Guatemala, 2014; Kenya, 2013; Lithuania, 2016; Malta, 2016; Mexico, 2016; Peru, 2013; Portugal, 2012; Russia, 2012; Senegal, 2016; Tanzania, 2014; Tunisia, 2013; Turkey, 2013; Uganda, 2015; Uzbekistan, 2016.

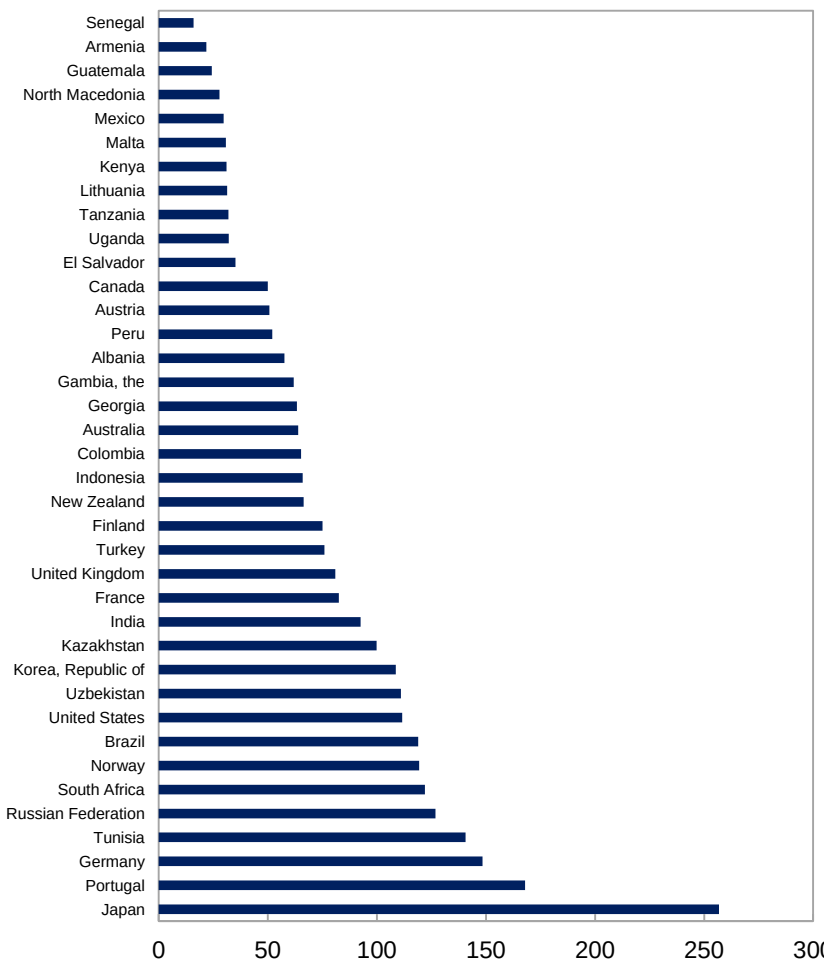
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New elements

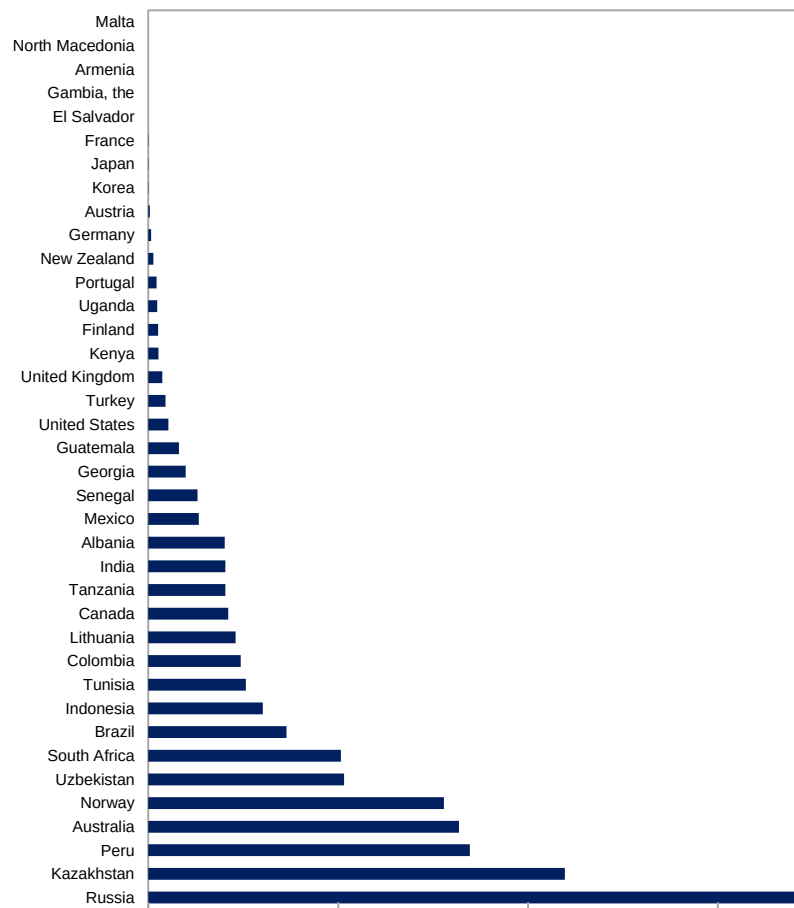


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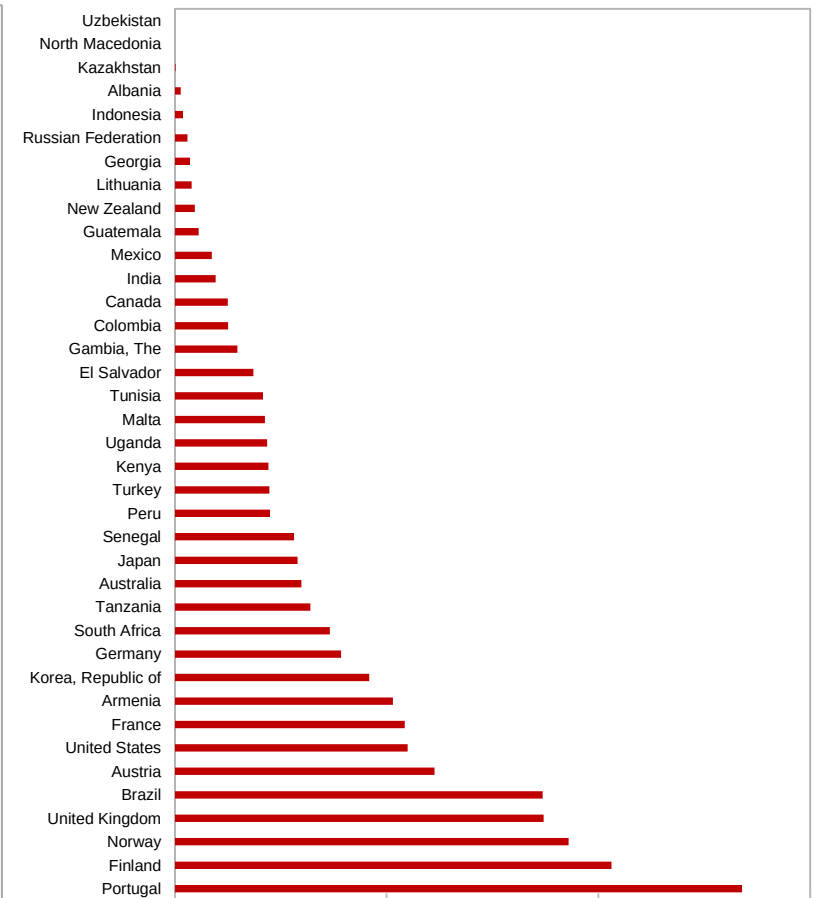
Public Corporation Assets
(Percent of GDP)



Natural Resource Assets
(Percent of GDP)



Accrued Pension Liabilities
(Percent of GDP)



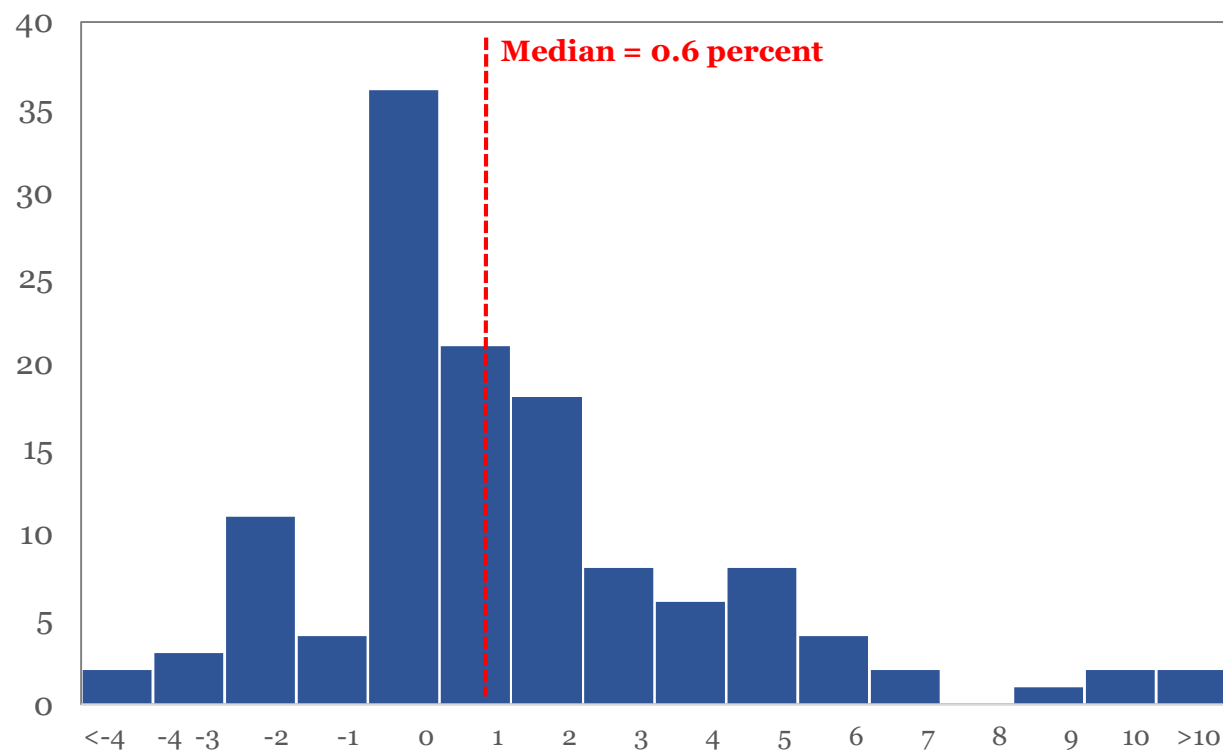
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Large Assets → Large Revenue Potential

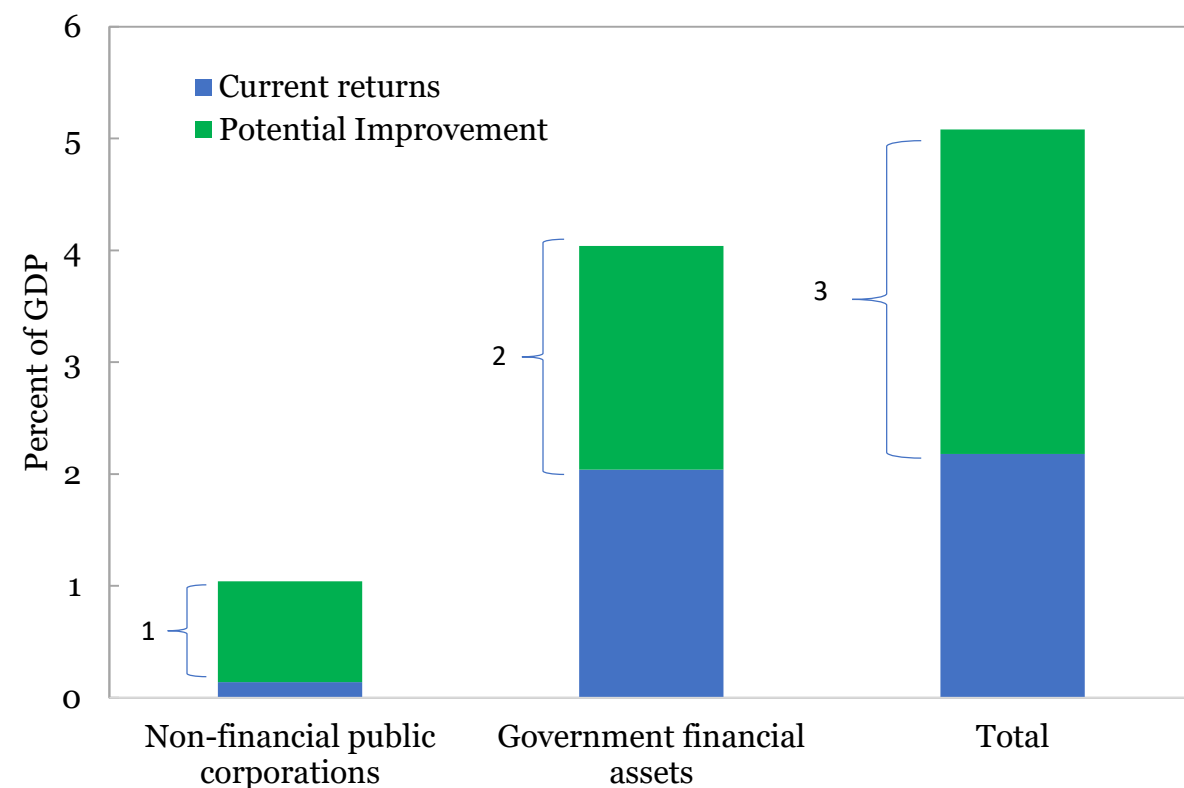


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Distribution of Annual Returns from Public Corporations
(Percent Return on Assets)



Potential Revenue Gains from Improved Asset Management
(in percent of GDP)

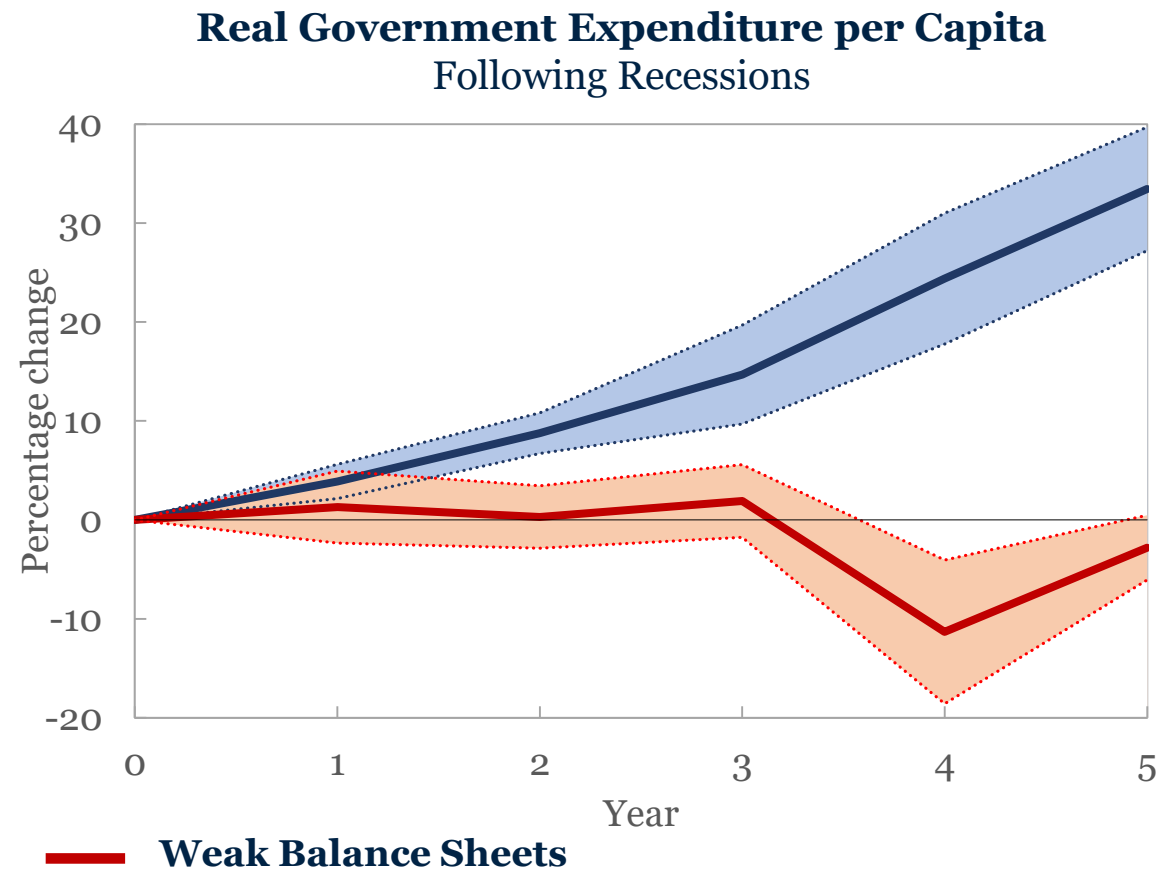
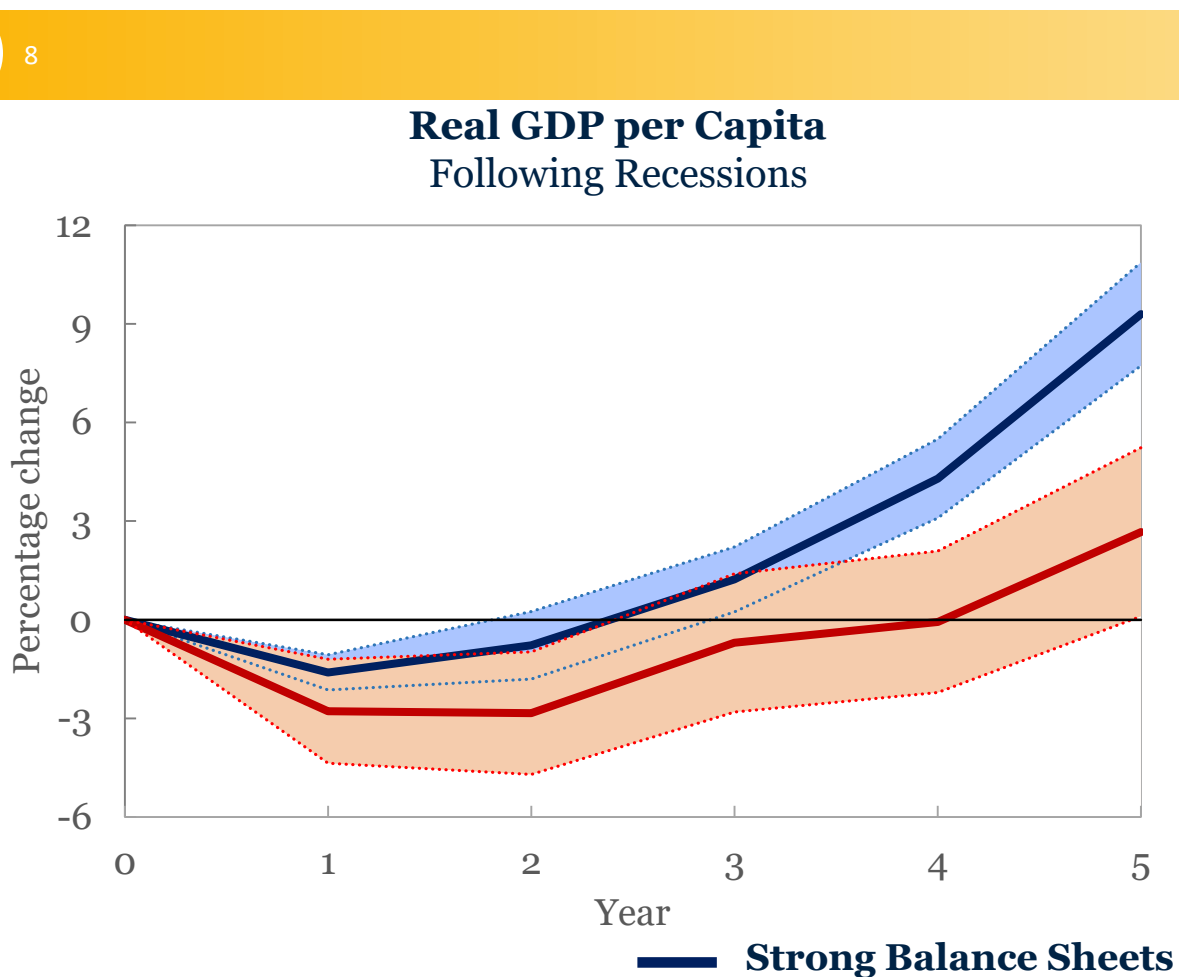


Source: IMF October 2018 Fiscal Monitor.

[New Zealand case study](#)

II. Why Does It Matter?

Stronger balance sheet → Greater resilience



Source: IMF October 2018 Fiscal Monitor.

Note: Shaded area represents 90 percent confidence interval.

[Kazakhstan case study](#)

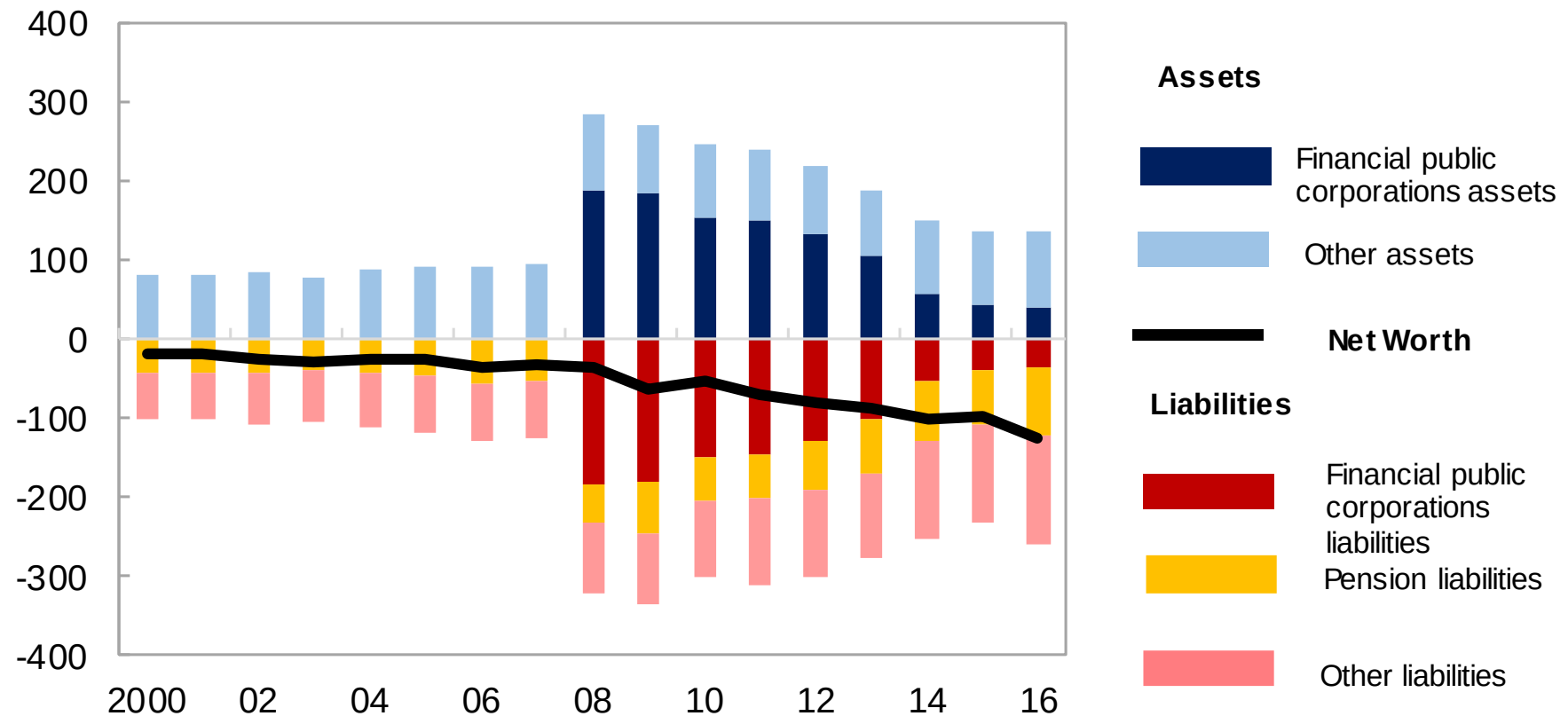
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Impact of the Crisis



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UK – Public Sector Balance Sheet
(percent of GDP)



Evolution since the crisis

Source: October 2018 Fiscal Monitor

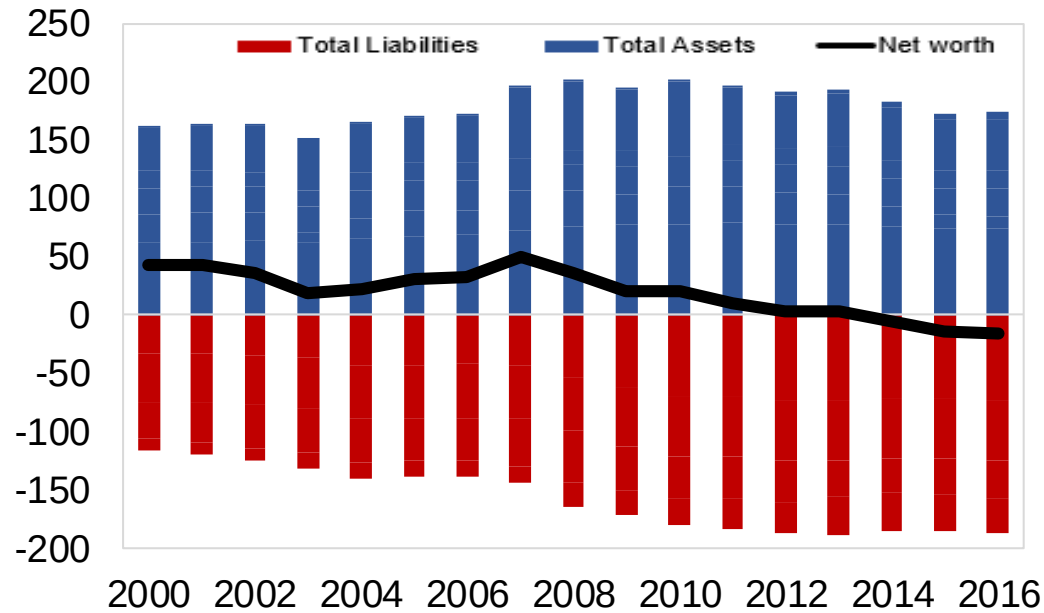
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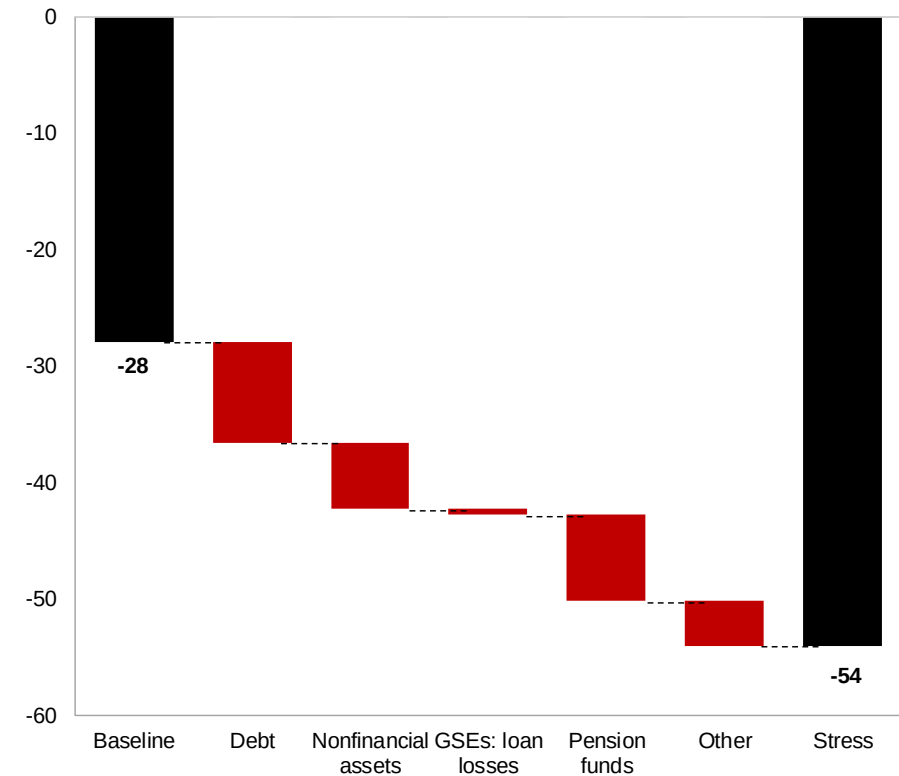


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US public sector balance sheet
(percent of GDP)



Fiscal stress scenario - 2020
(percent of baseline GDP)



Source: October 2018 Fiscal Monitor

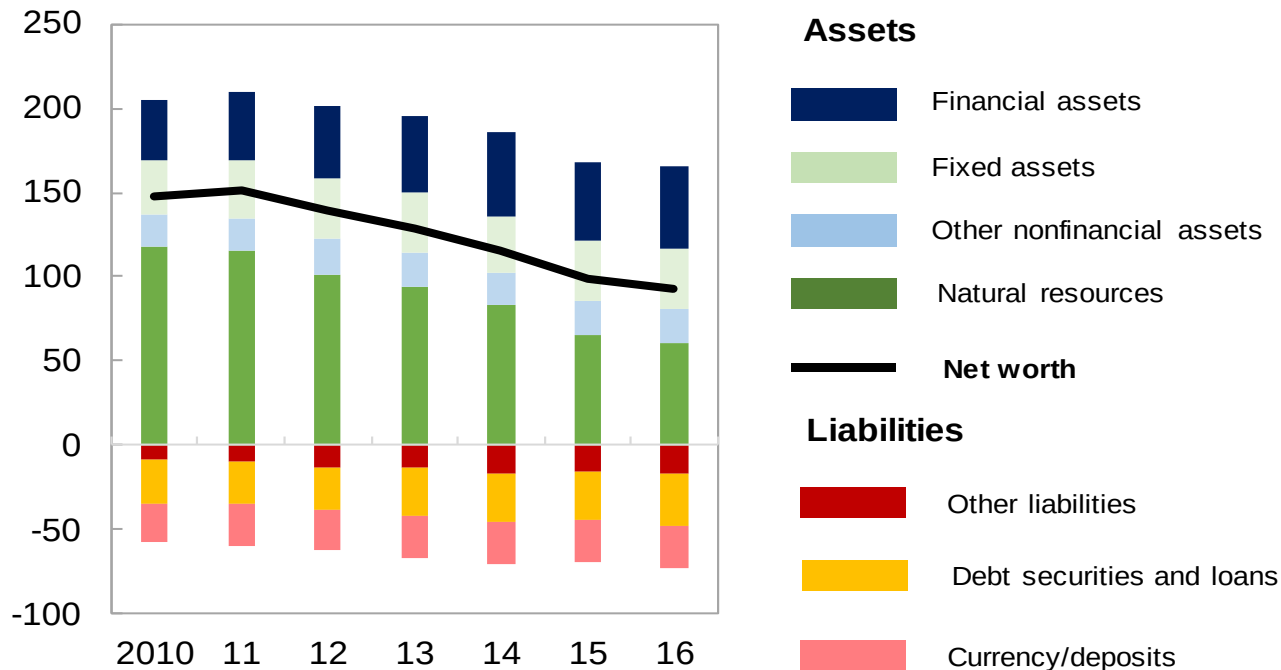
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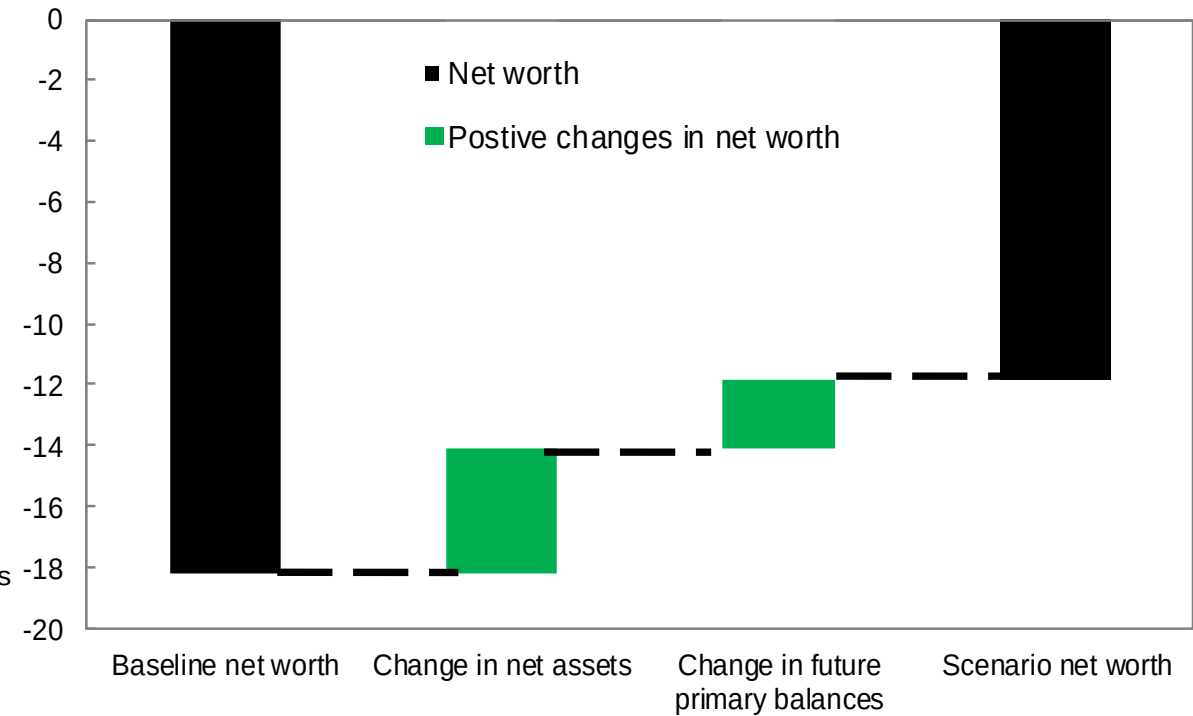


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Public Sector Balance Sheet
(percent of GDP)



Change in Intertemporal Net Worth from Higher Investment
(percent of 2023 baseline GDP)



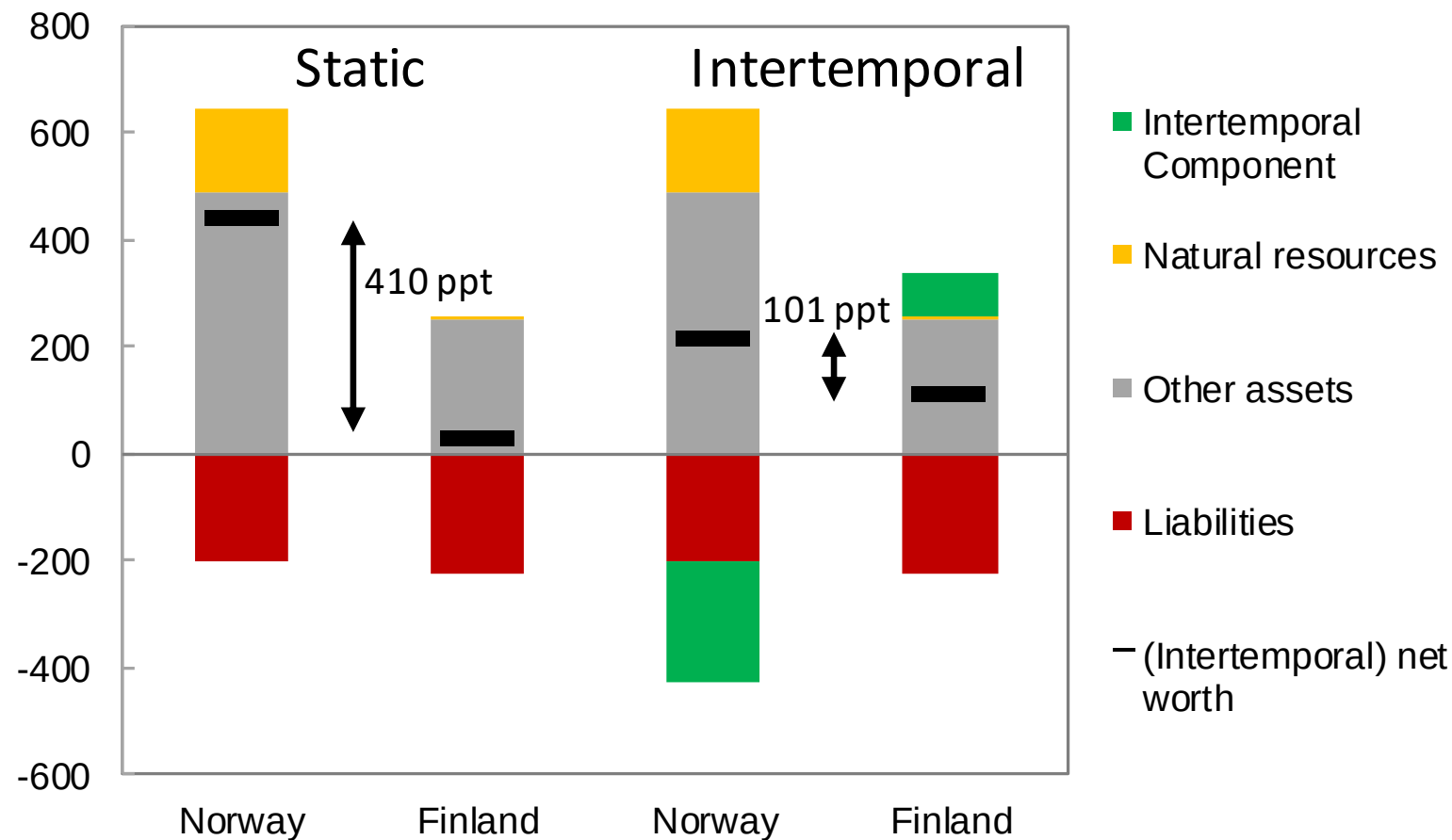
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Long-term Demographics – Intertemporal Balance Sheet



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Static and Intertemporal Net Worth
(percent of GDP)



Source: October 2018 Fiscal Monitor

[Construction of intertemporal balance sheet](#)



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Public Sector Balance Sheet Database

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IMF October 2018 Fiscal Monitor

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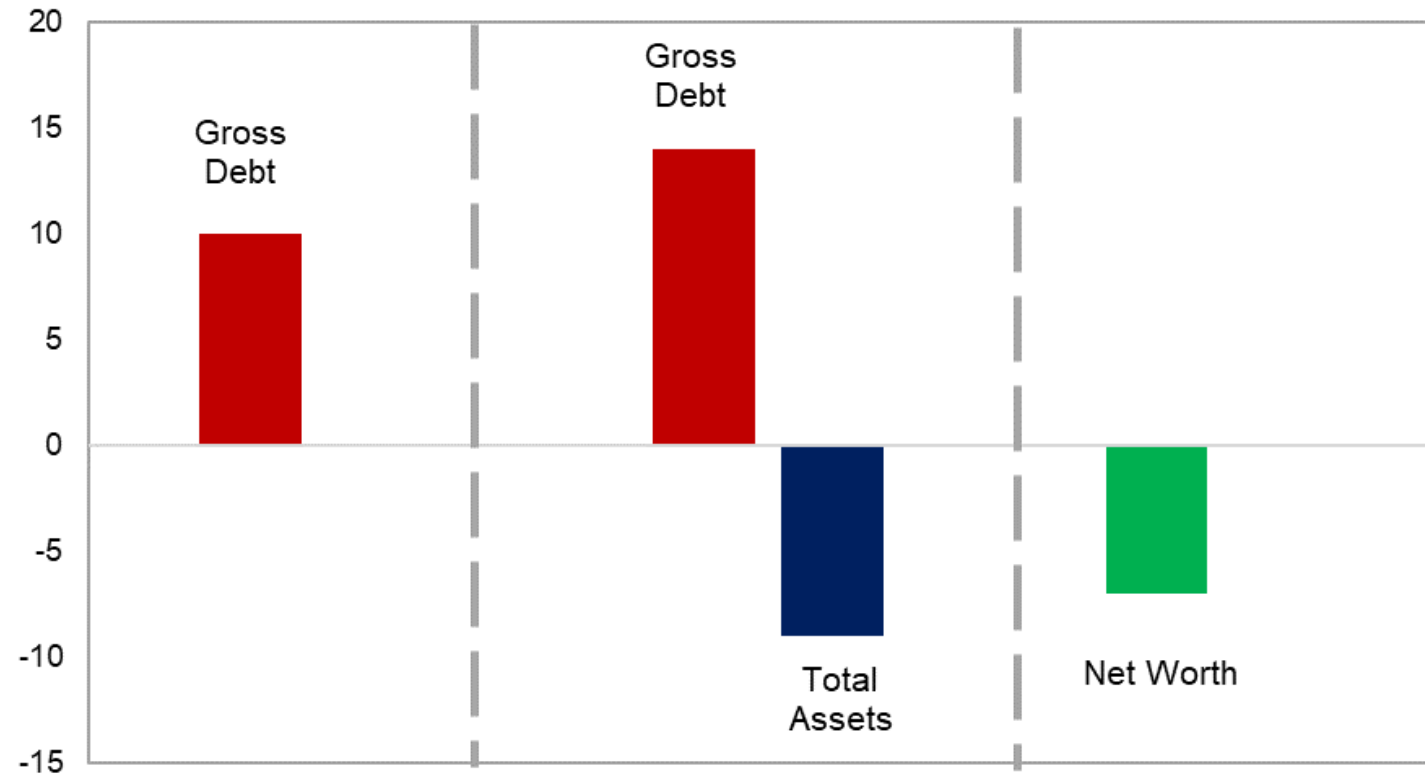
Why Does It Matter?

Stronger balance sheet → lower interest



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Impact of 10 ppt of GDP change on yields (in bps)



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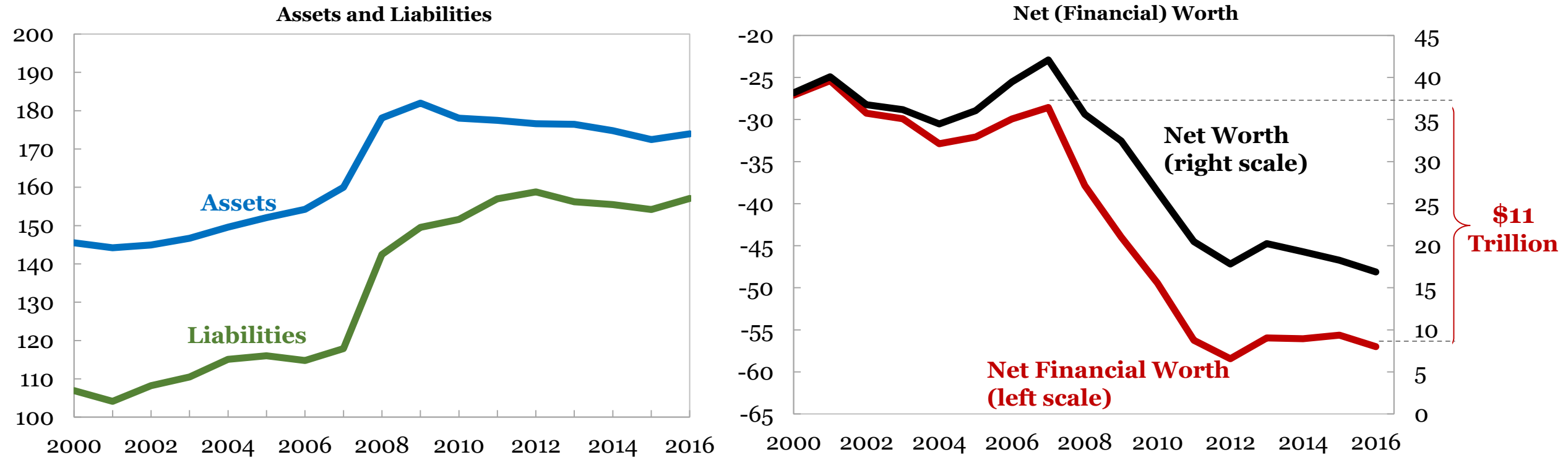
The Public Sector Balance Sheet

Evolution since the crisis



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Public Sector Balance Sheet
(Weighted average of 17 countries, percent of GDP)



Source: IMF Fiscal Monitor, October 2018.

Note: The data excludes natural resource assets and pension liabilities.

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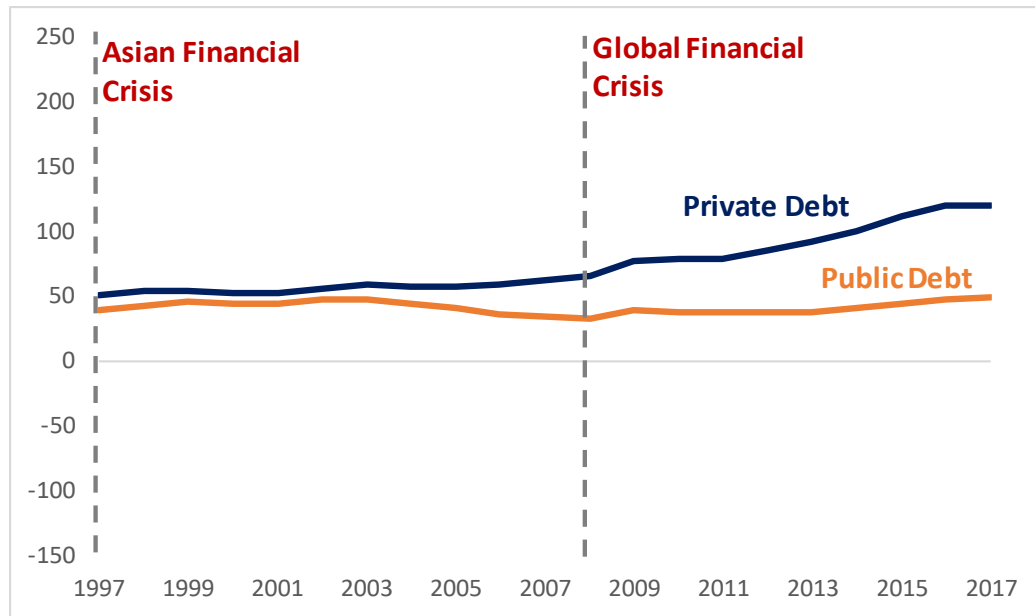
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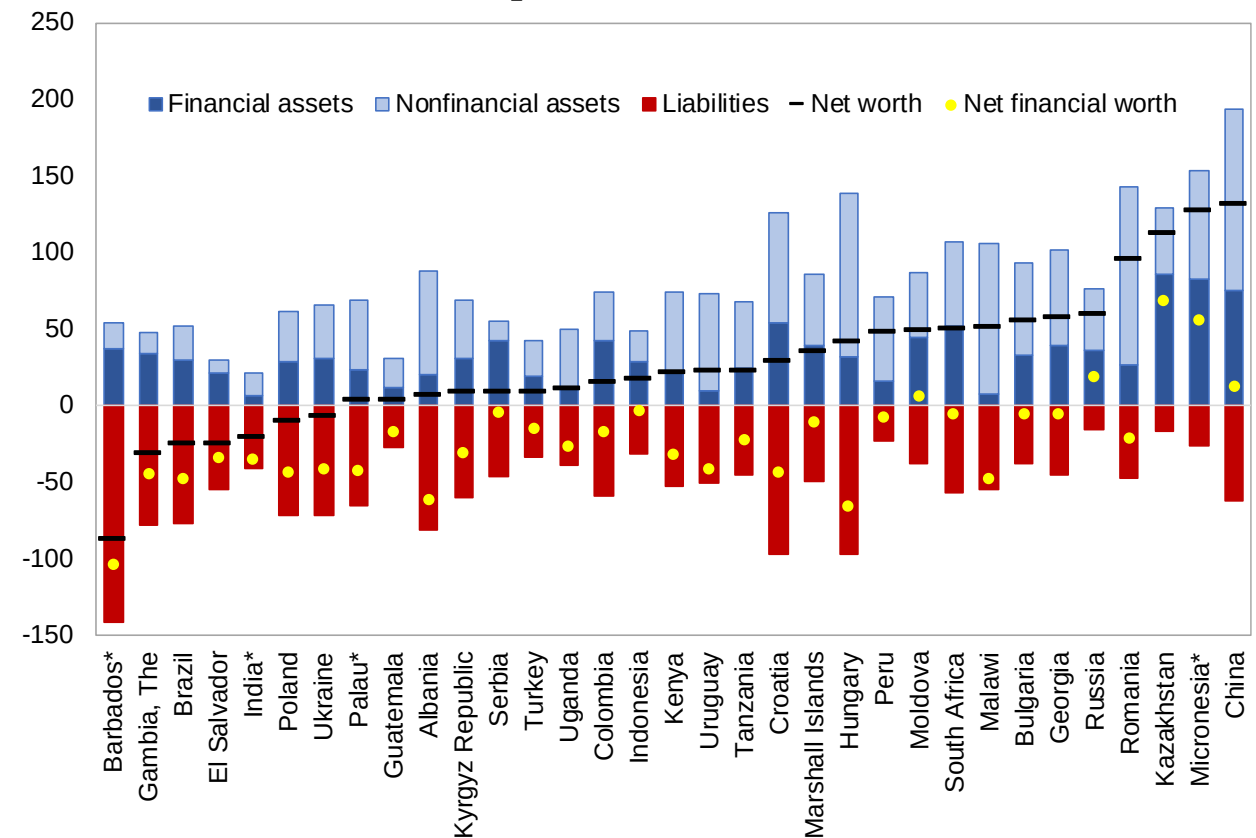


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EM: Levels of Public and Private Debt
(percent of GDP)



EM: General Government Balance Sheets
(percent of GDP)



Sources: IMF Global Debt Database and October 2018 Fiscal Monitor

Country Examples: Japan and the US

Consolidation and Assets

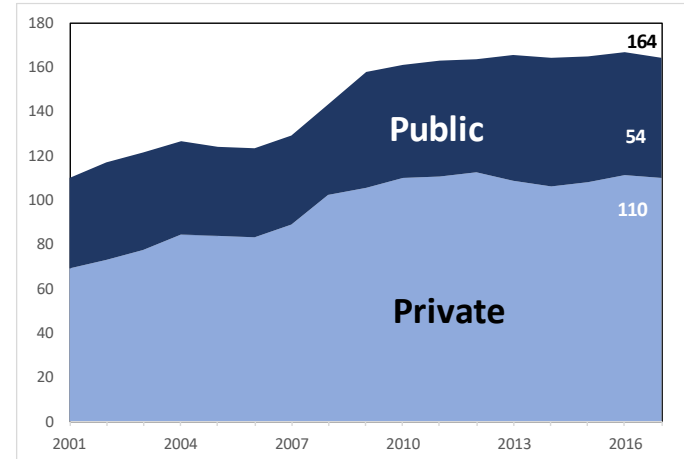
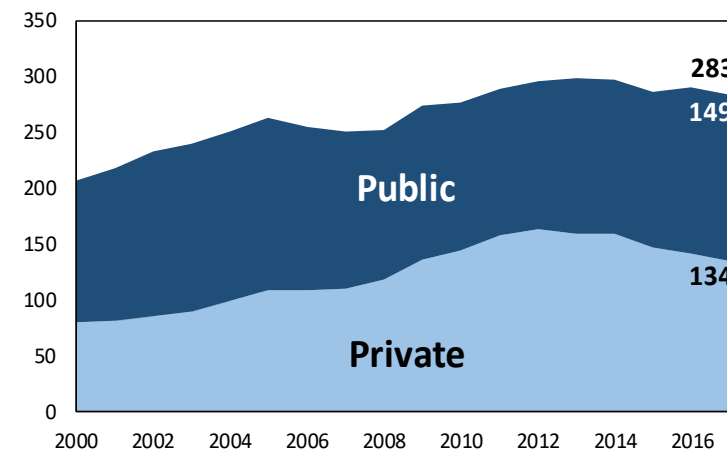


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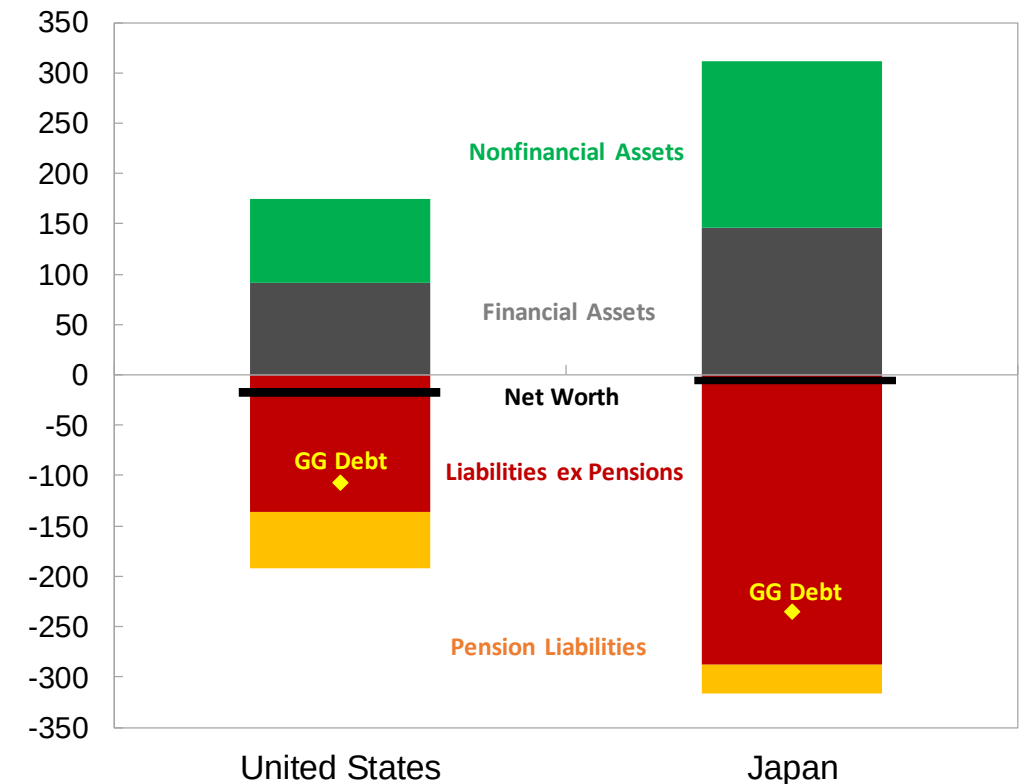
Public Debt Holdings
(percent of GDP)

Japan

United States



PSBS – US and Japan
(2016, percent of GDP)



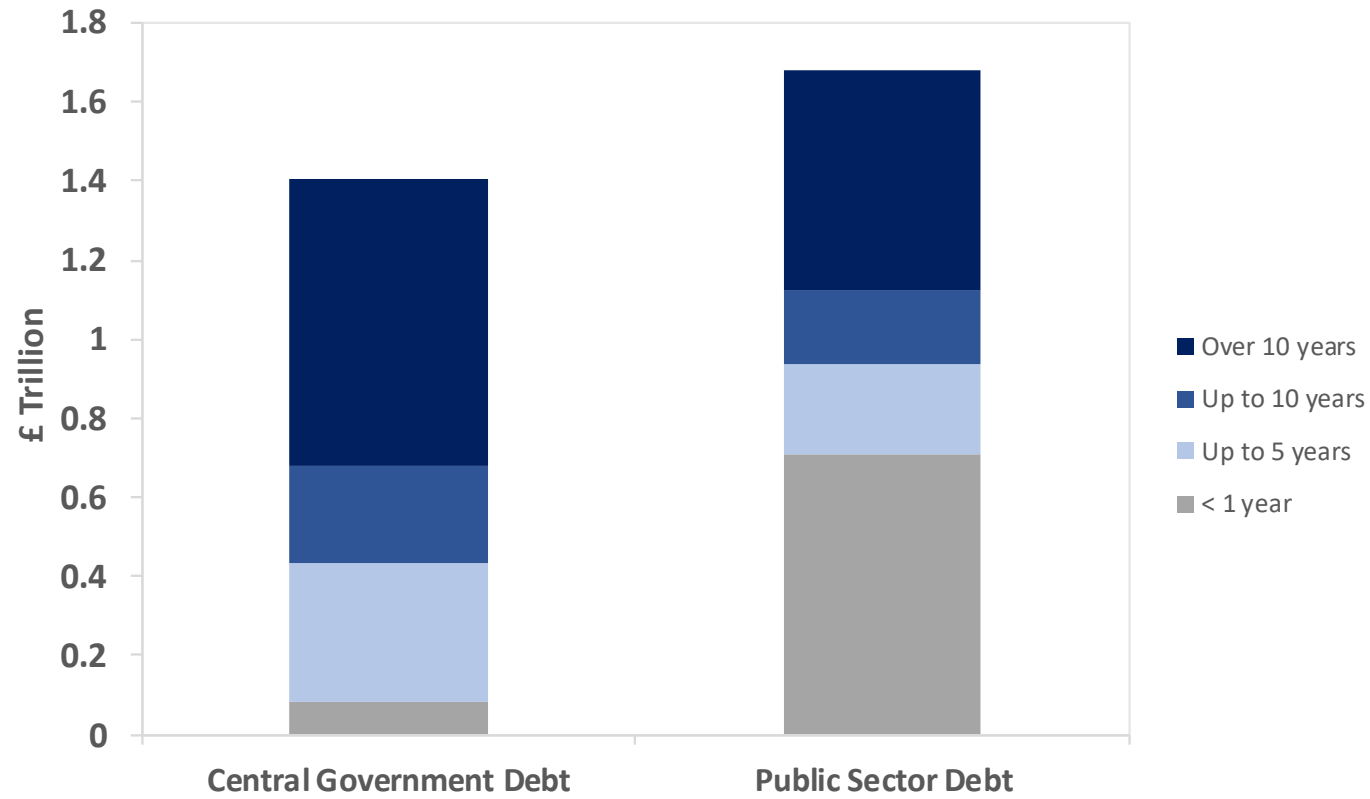
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Interest Rate Risk and Quantitative Easing



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United Kingdom: Maturity Structure of Outstanding Debt, 2016



Sources: Office for Budget Responsibility, Bank of England, UK Debt Management Office

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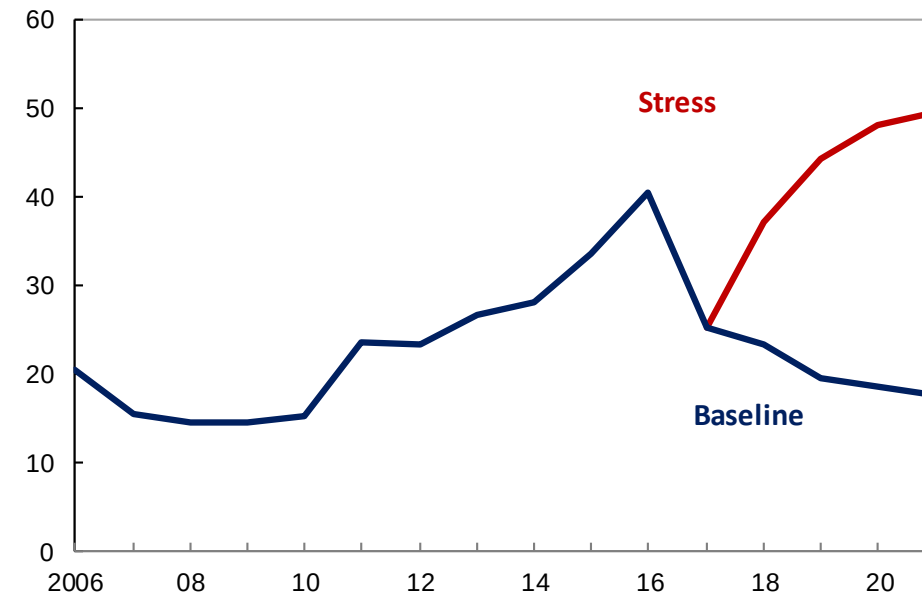
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The Gambia: Public Sector Balance Sheet (percent of GDP)

2016	Central Government	Public Corporations	Public Sector
Total assets	47.3	61.9	61.0
<i>of which:</i> Nonfinancial assets	13.4	22.4	35.8
Financial assets	33.9	39.4	25.2
Total liabilities	93.5	61.9	107.2
<i>of which:</i> Debt securities	78.4	2.0	61.4
Net financial worth	-59.5	-22.4	-82.0
Net worth	-46.2	0.0	-46.2

Source: IMF staff estimates

Gross Financing Needs under Stress (percent of GDP)



Source: IMF staff estimates.

Country Examples: Kazakhstan

Fiscal Risks



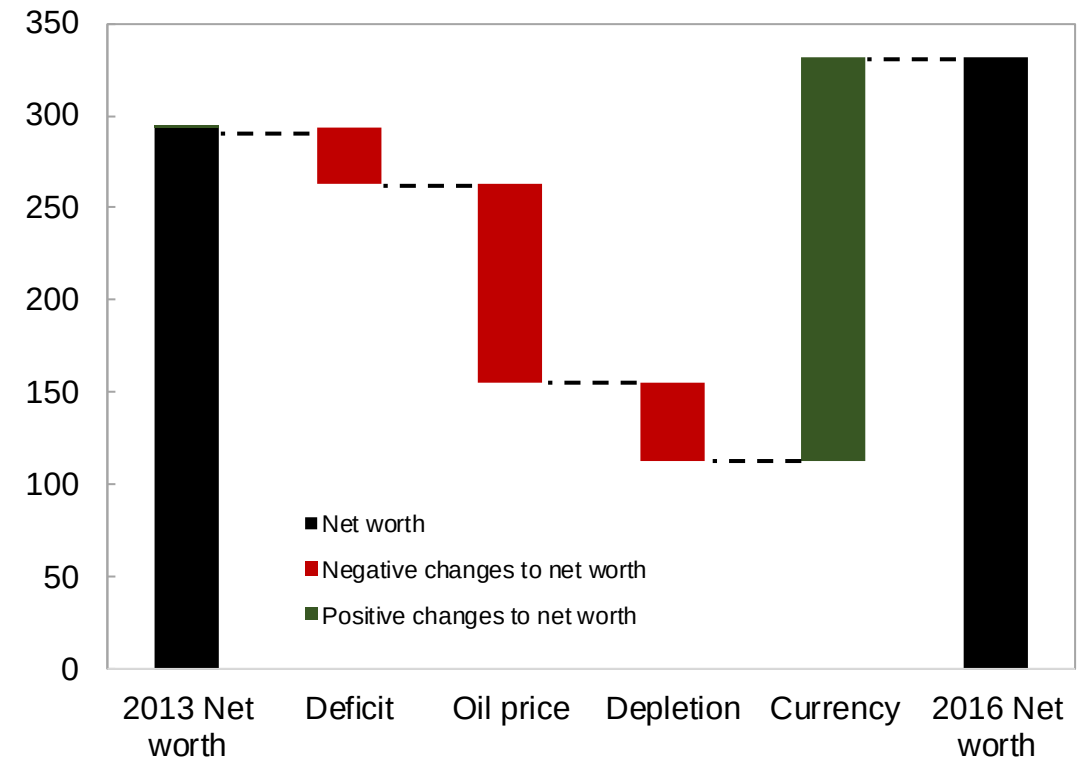
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Kazakhstan: Public Sector Balance Sheet (percent of GDP)

	General Government	Public Corporations	Public Sector
Total assets	348.6	99.9	399.0
<i>of which:</i> Nonfinancial assets	263.4	27.3	290.7
Financial assets	85.2	72.6	108.3
Total liabilities	16.9	99.9	67.2
<i>of which:</i> Debt securities	11.5	8.9	10.5
Net financial worth	68.3	-27.3	41.0
Net worth	331.7	0.0	331.7

Source: IMF staff estimates

Kazakhstan: Evolution of Net Worth (percent of 2016 GDP)



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Country Examples: New Zealand

Asset Management



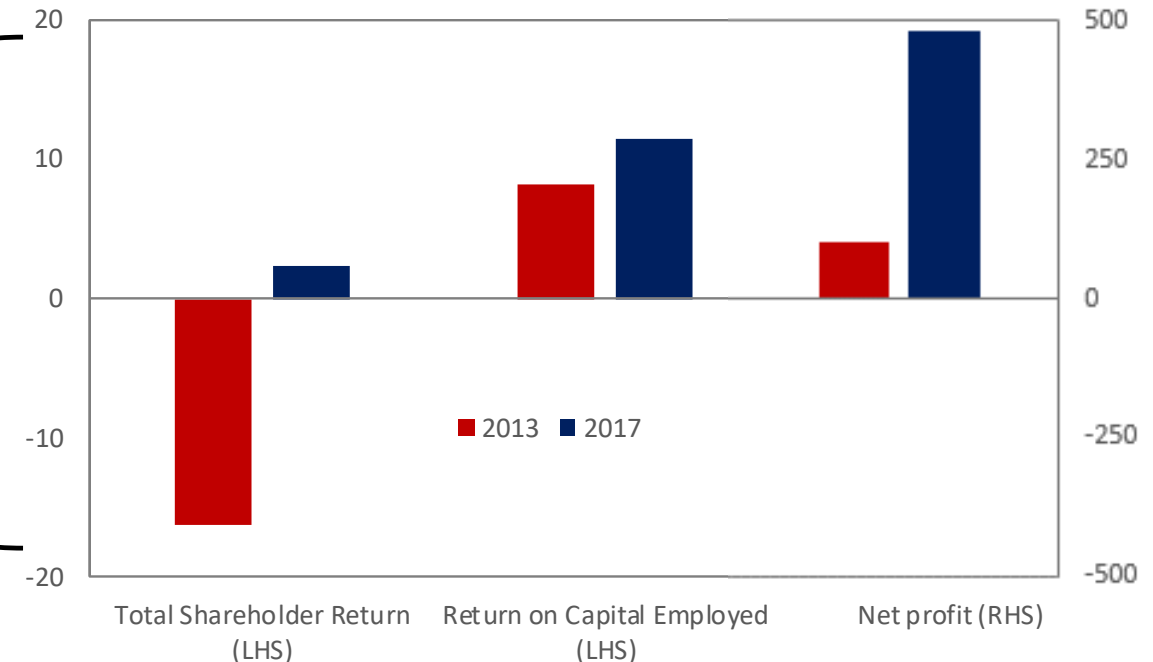
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**New Zealand: Public Sector Balance Sheet
(percent of GDP)**

	Assets	Liabilities	Net Worth
Social	57.5	7.1	50.5
Financial	33.2	50.5	-17.3
Commercial	20.1	12.0	8.1
Static balance sheet	110.8	69.5	41.3
Fiscal	1,381.9	1,480.0	-98.1
Intertemporal balance sheet	1,492.7	1,549.5	-56.8

Source: New Zealand 2017 Investment Statement.

**New Zealand: Financial Highlights –
Commercial Priority Companies**



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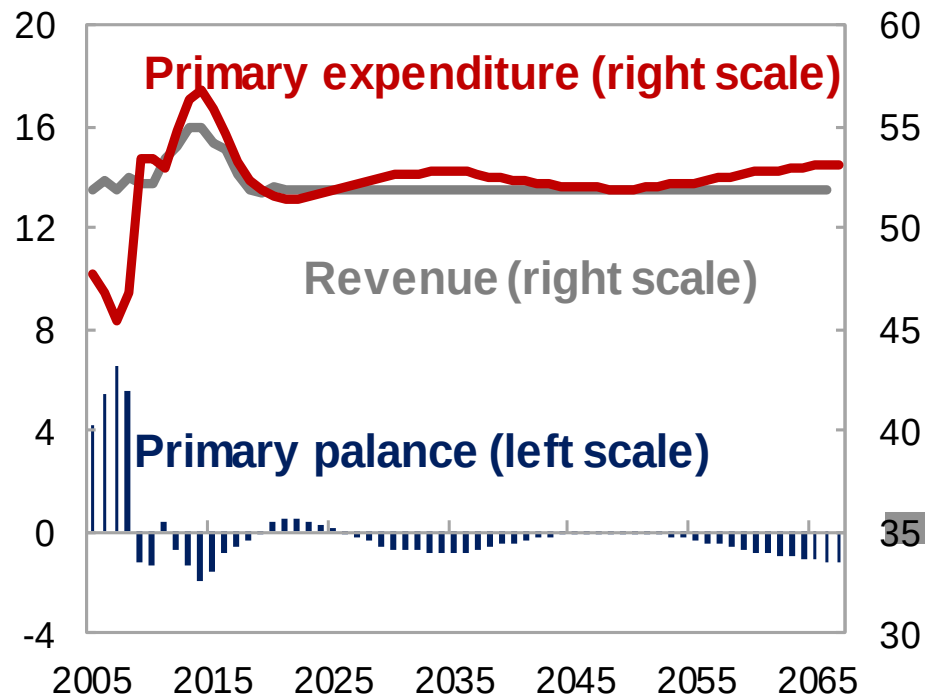
Country Examples – Demographics

Finland – Current Policies Add to Future Public Wealth



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**Finland Long-term Fiscal Projections
(percent of GDP)**



**Finland Intertemporal Balance Sheet, 2016
(percent of GDP)**

	General Government	Public Corporations	Public Sector
Total assets	208.9	75.2	254.1
of which: Nonfinancial assets	80.2	10.4	90.6
Financial assets	128.7	64.8	163.5
Total liabilities	178.6	75.2	223.8
of which: Debt securities	54.1	13.7	57.2
Net Financial Worth	-49.9	-10.4	-60.3
Net Worth	30.3	0.0	30.3
Net present value of primary balances			83.3
Intertemporal net worth			113.6

Source: IMF staff estimates.

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