



Southeast Asia Outlook Webinar: Caution Ahead

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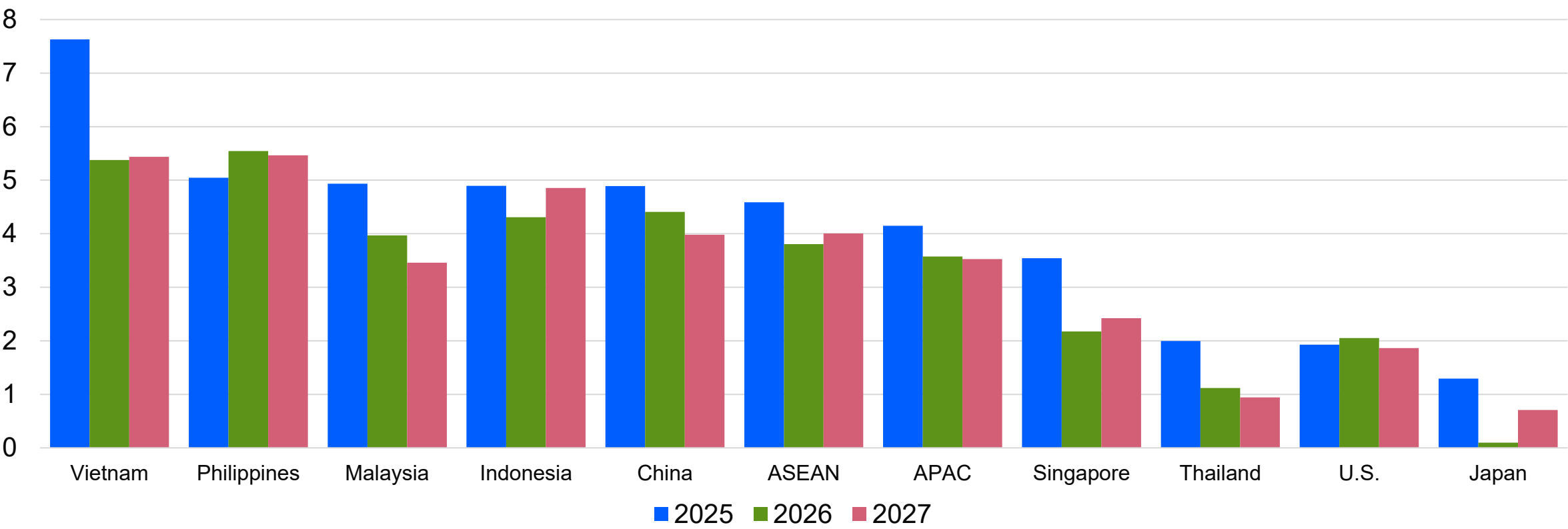
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Current Conditions:
How Did We Get Here?

Growth Prospects Are Slowing

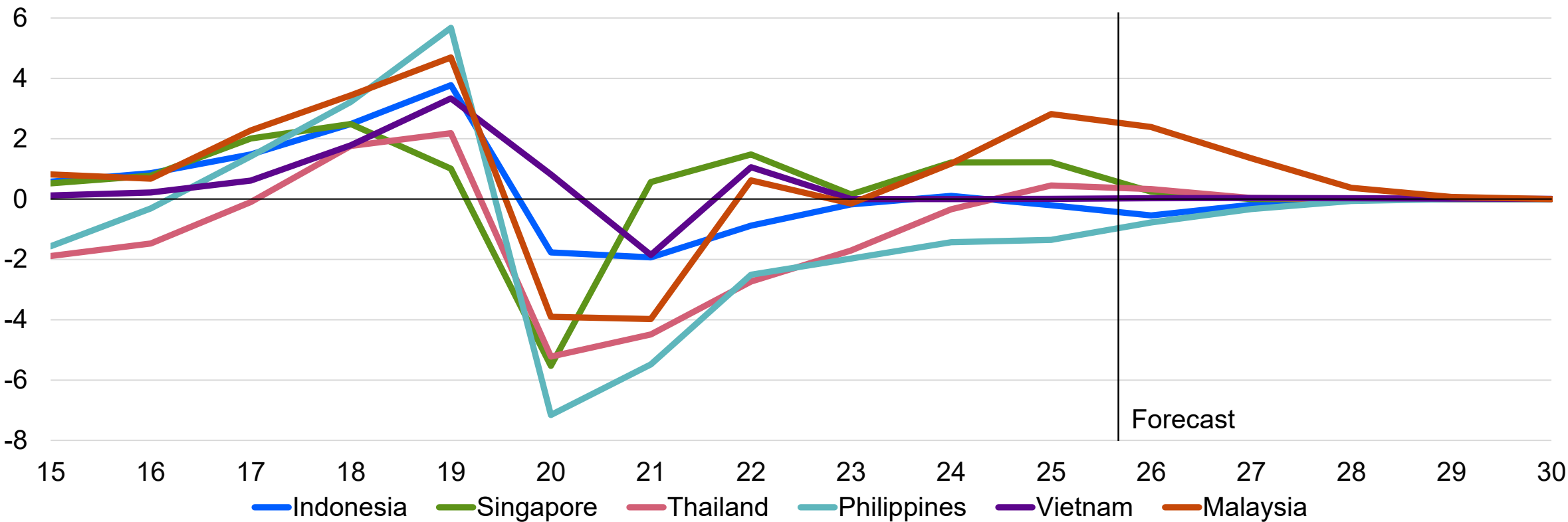
Real GDP, % change, Nov 2025 baseline



Source: Moody's Analytics

Not All Economies Are Running at the Same Pace

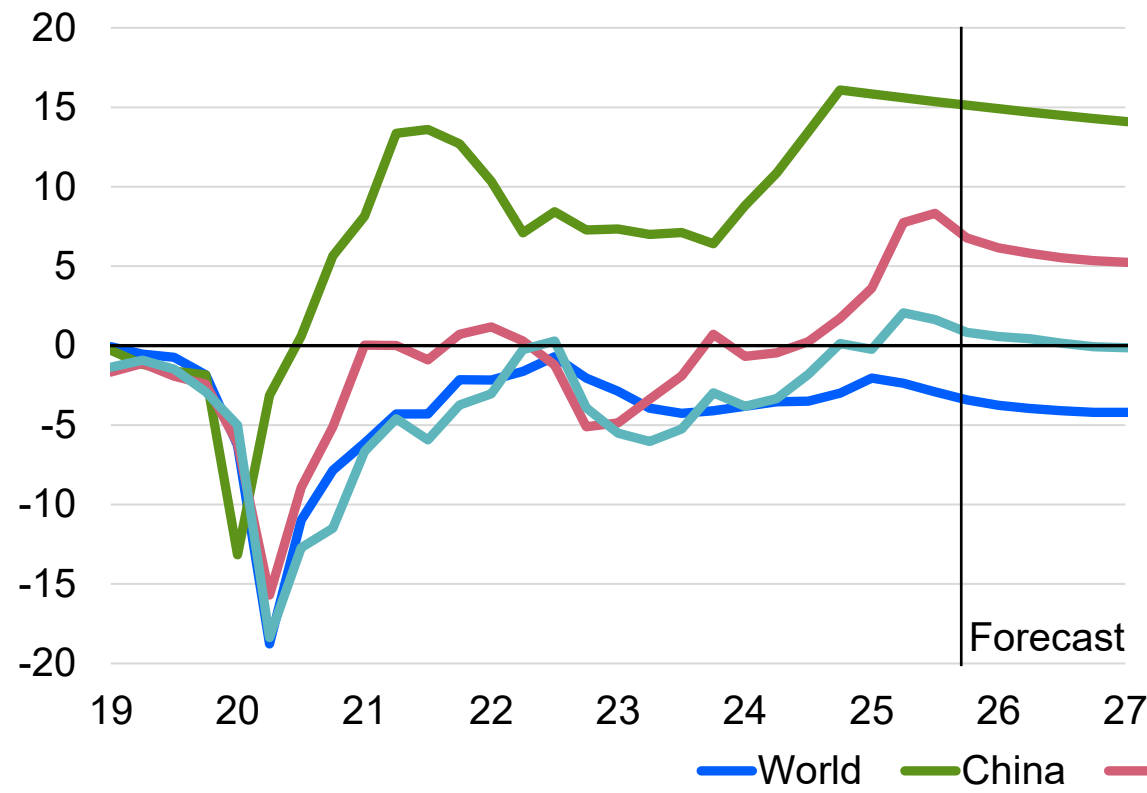
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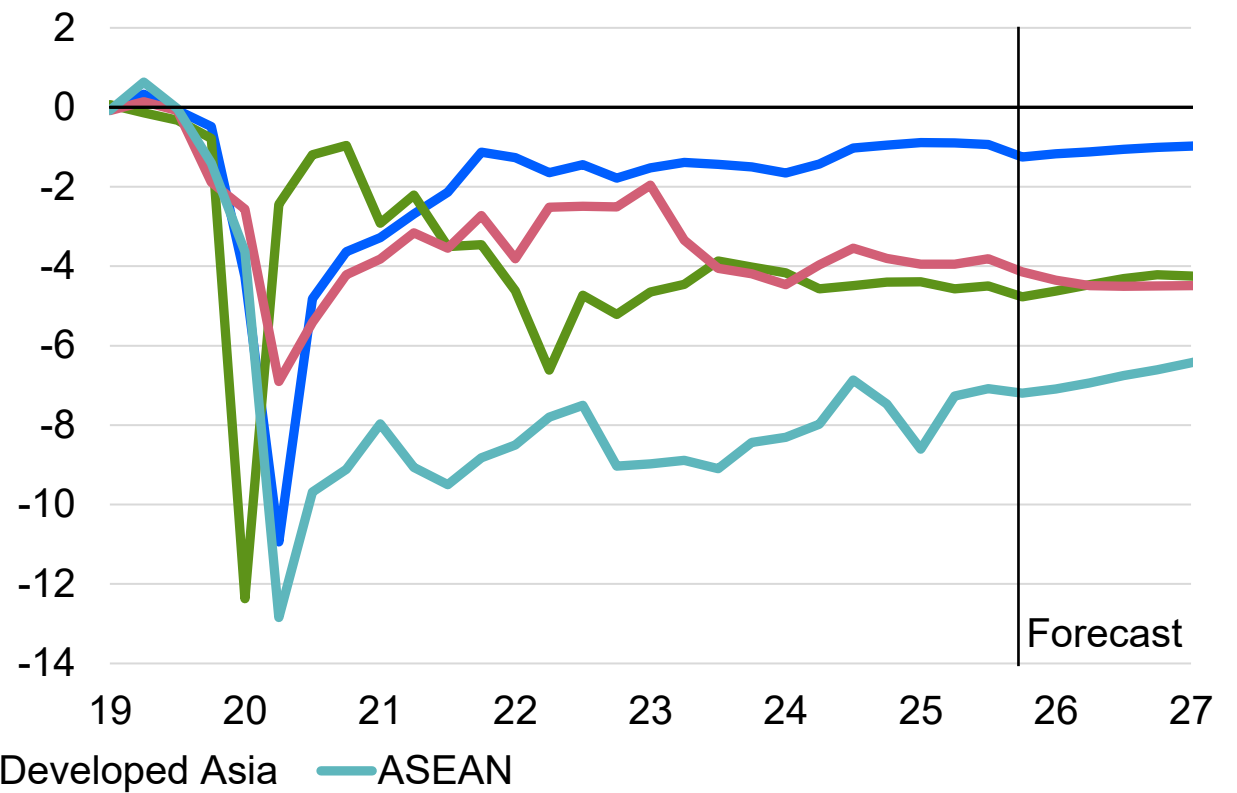
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Weakness at Home and Elsewhere

Exports, % deviation from pre-pandemic trend



Domestic demand, % deviation from pre-pandemic trend

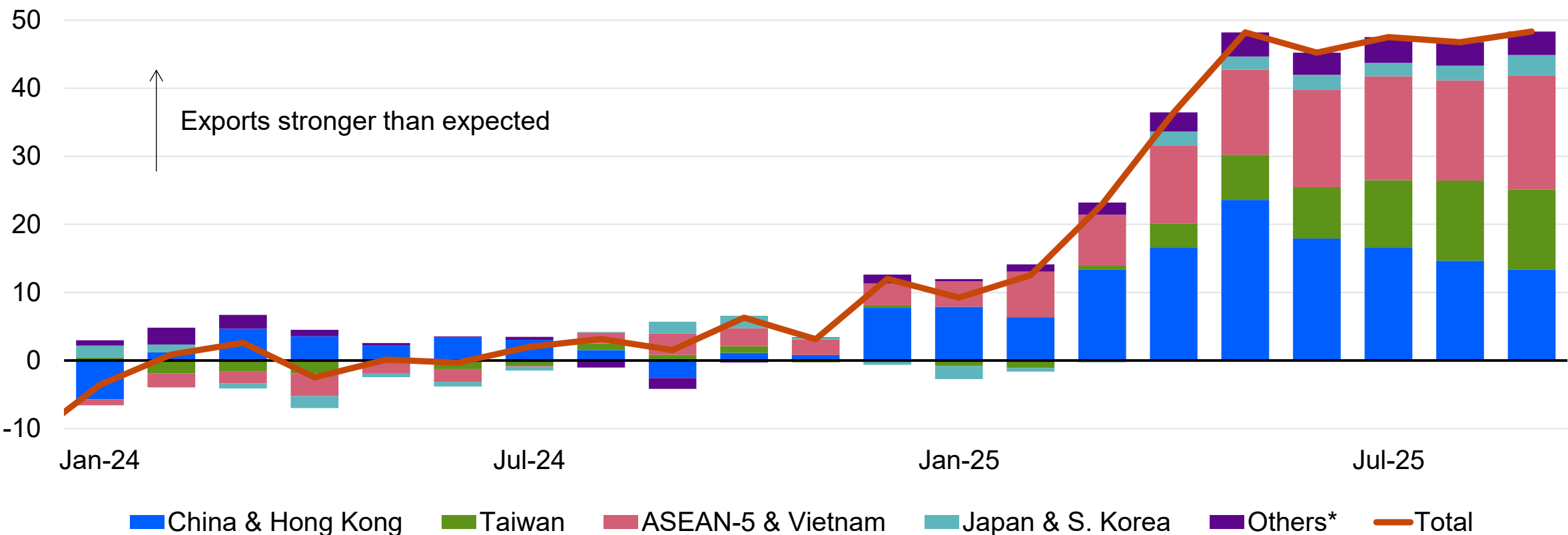


Note: Pre-pandemic trend is based on 2015-2019 data. Forecast is based on the Moody's Analytics Oct 2025 baseline.

Sources: National statistical offices, Moody's Analytics

Front-Loading Drove Up Growth in Early 2025

Nominal goods exports, deviation from Jan 2023–Dec 2024 trend, \$ bil

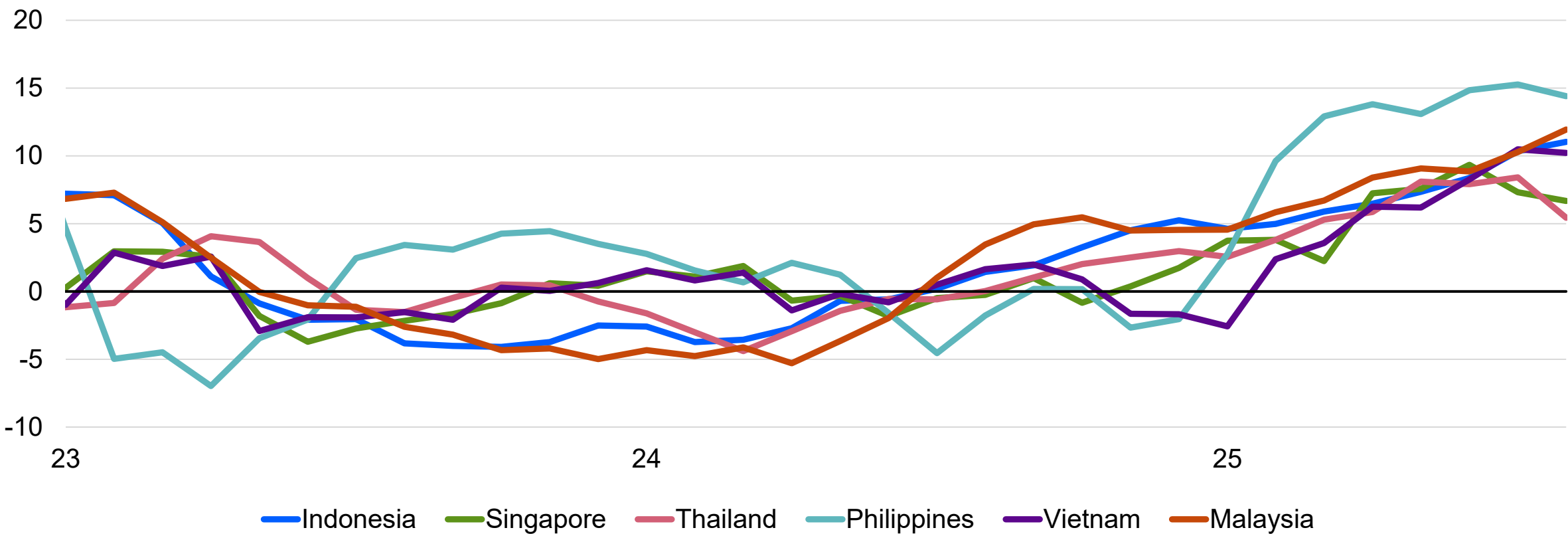


*Comprises Australia, New Zealand and India.

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Export Front-Loading

Nominal goods exports, % deviation from pre-pandemic trend



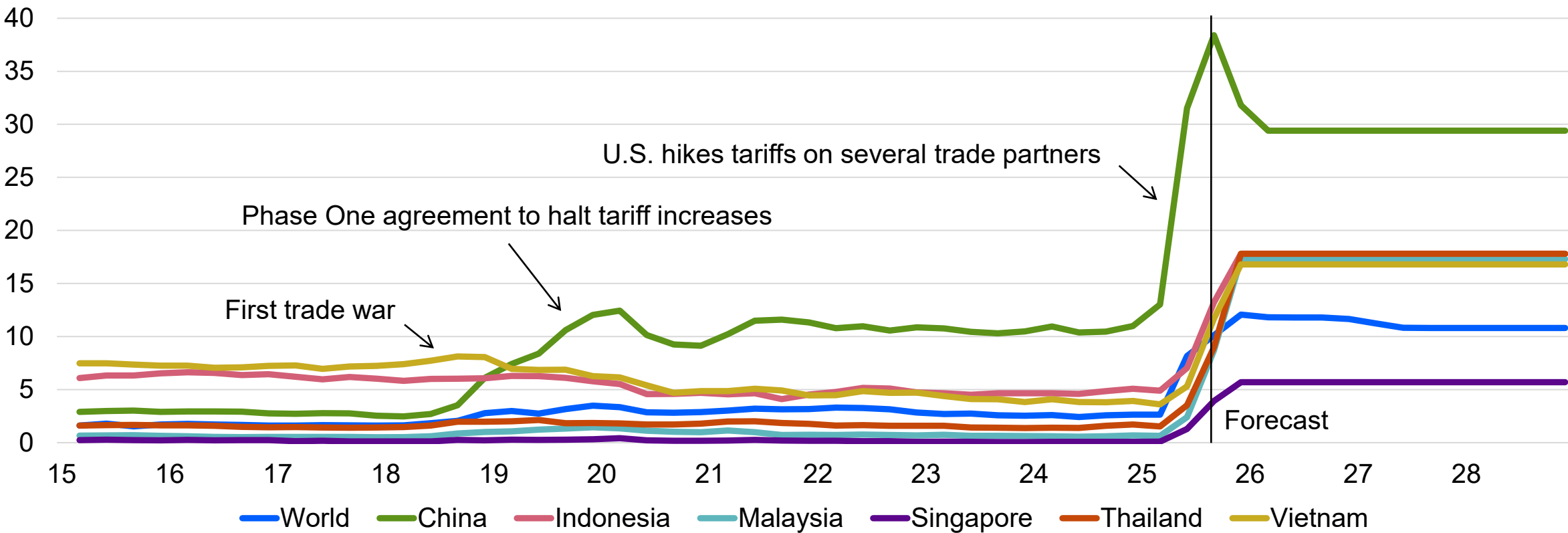
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Outlook for the Region: Tariffs, Prices and Currency

Tariffs Will Stick

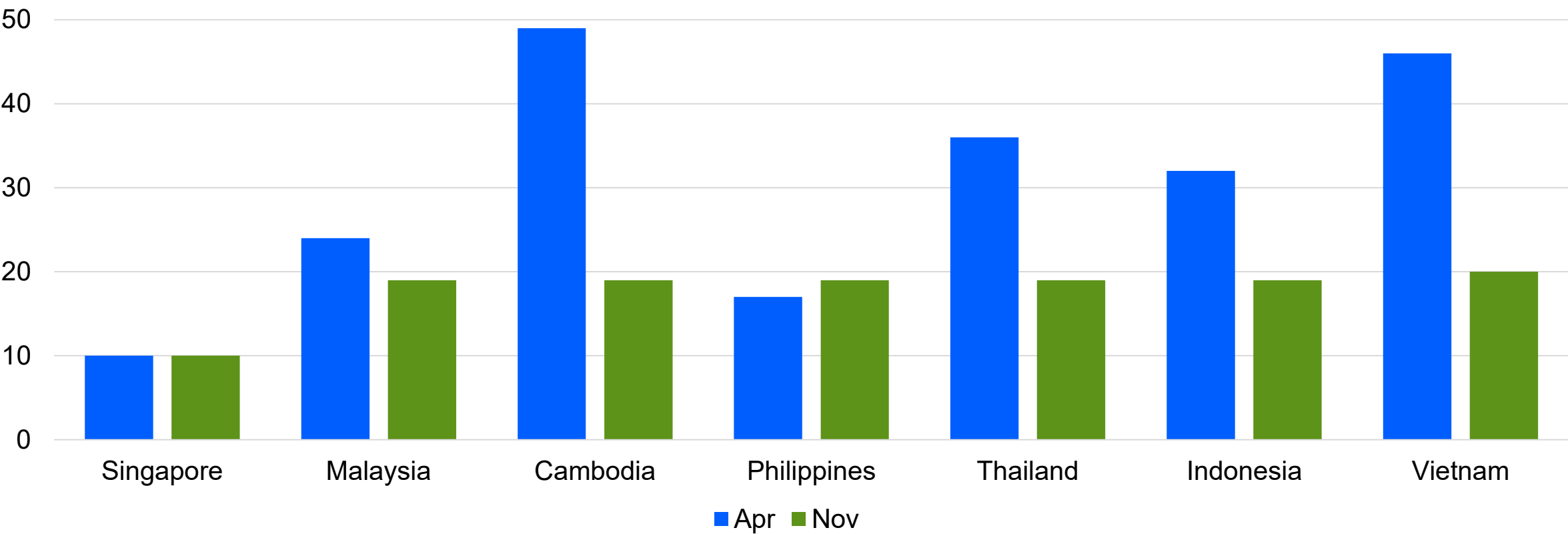
U.S. import duties as % of total U.S. imports, Nov baseline



Sources: Census Bureau, Moody's Analytics

Tariffs and Deals

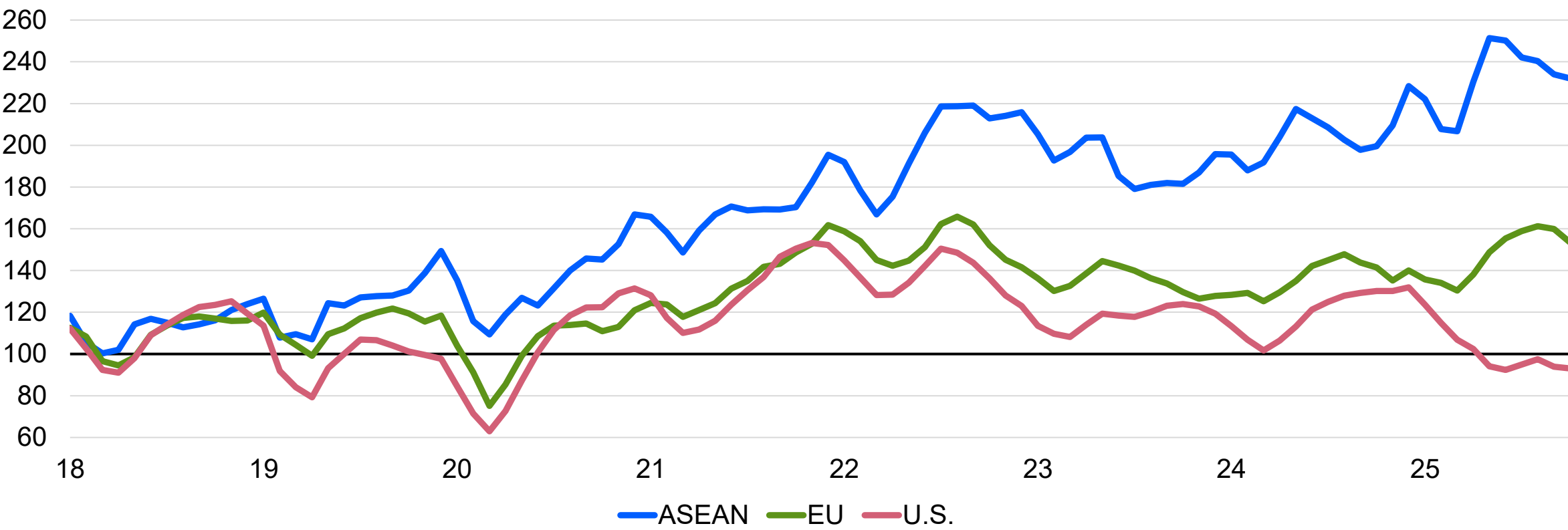
Reciprocal tariff rate imposed by the U.S., %



Sources: General Administration of Customs, National Bureau of Statistics, CEIC, Moody’s Analytics

China's Exports Are Finding a New Home

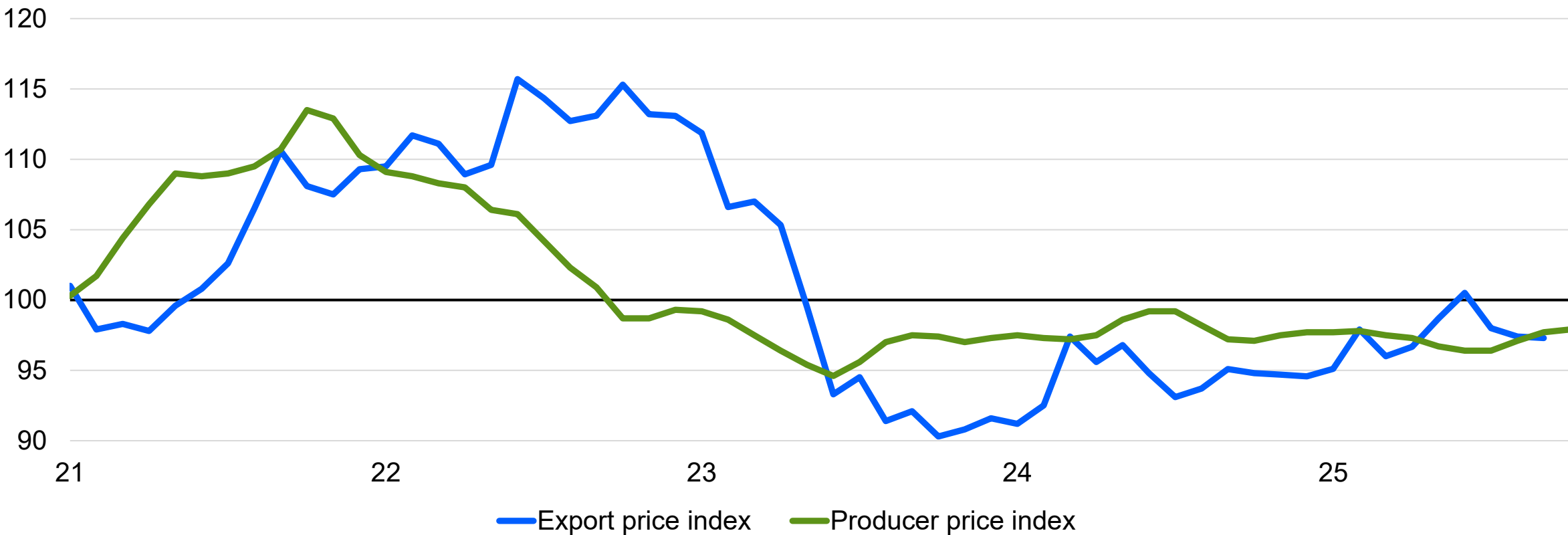
Chinese exports by destination, 3-mo MA, 2017=100



Sources: General Administration of Customs, Moody's Analytics

Prices Fall in China and Abroad

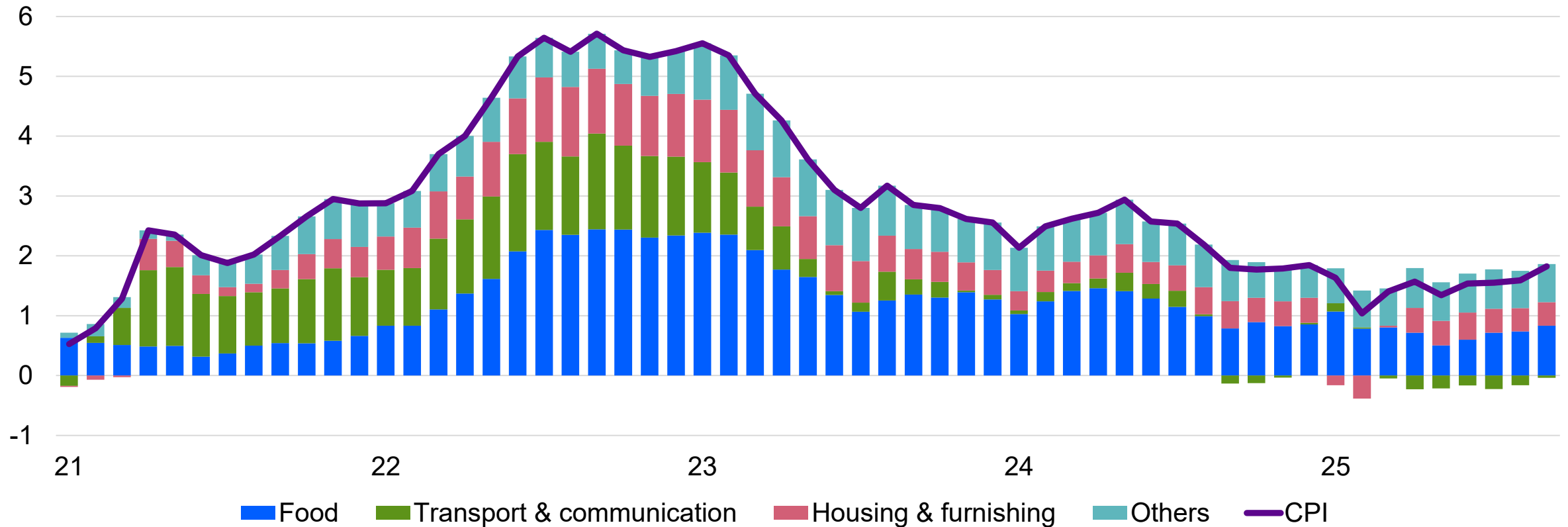
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Low Energy Prices Keep Inflation Tame

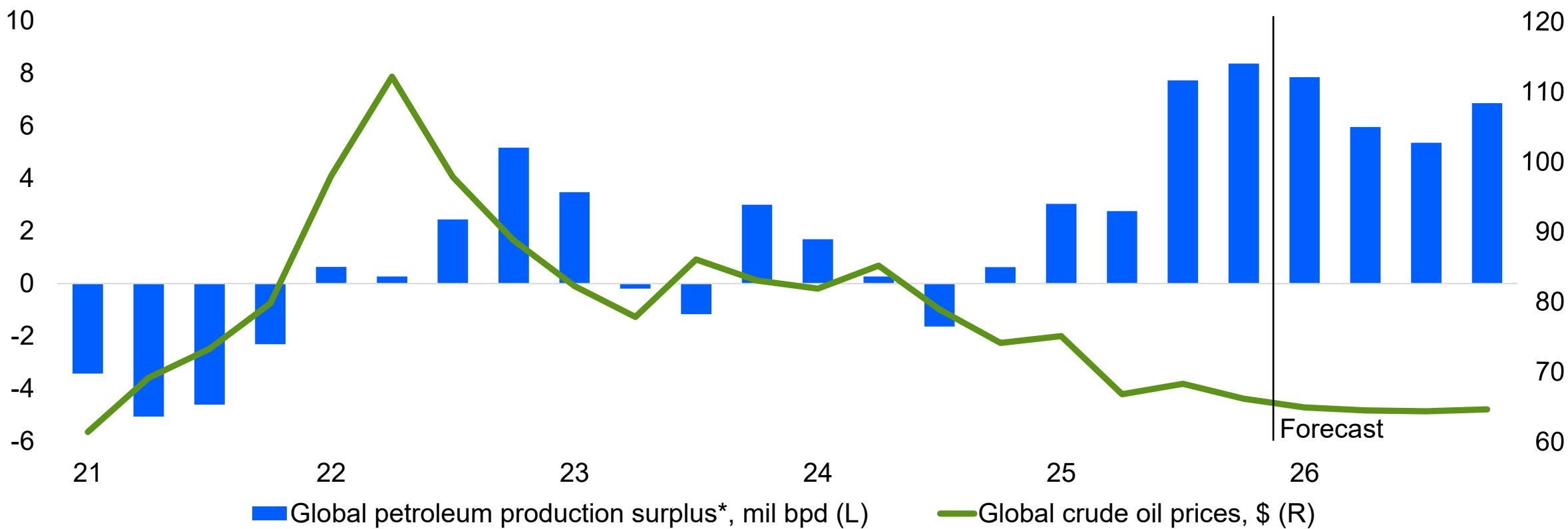
ASEAN* CPI, % change yr ago, ppt contribution by component



*ASEAN includes Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

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Oil Glut to Weigh on Prices

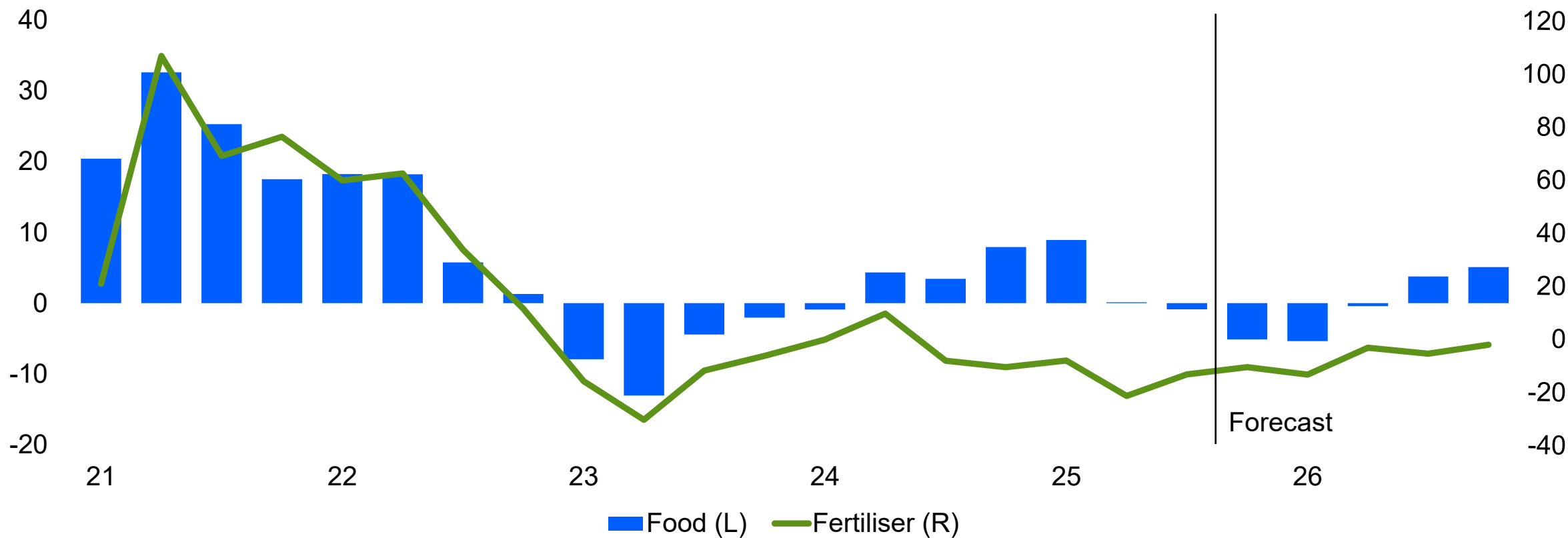


*Production surplus = production - consumption

Sources: U.S. EIA, Six Financial Information, Moody's Analytics

Low Input Prices to Anchor Food Inflation

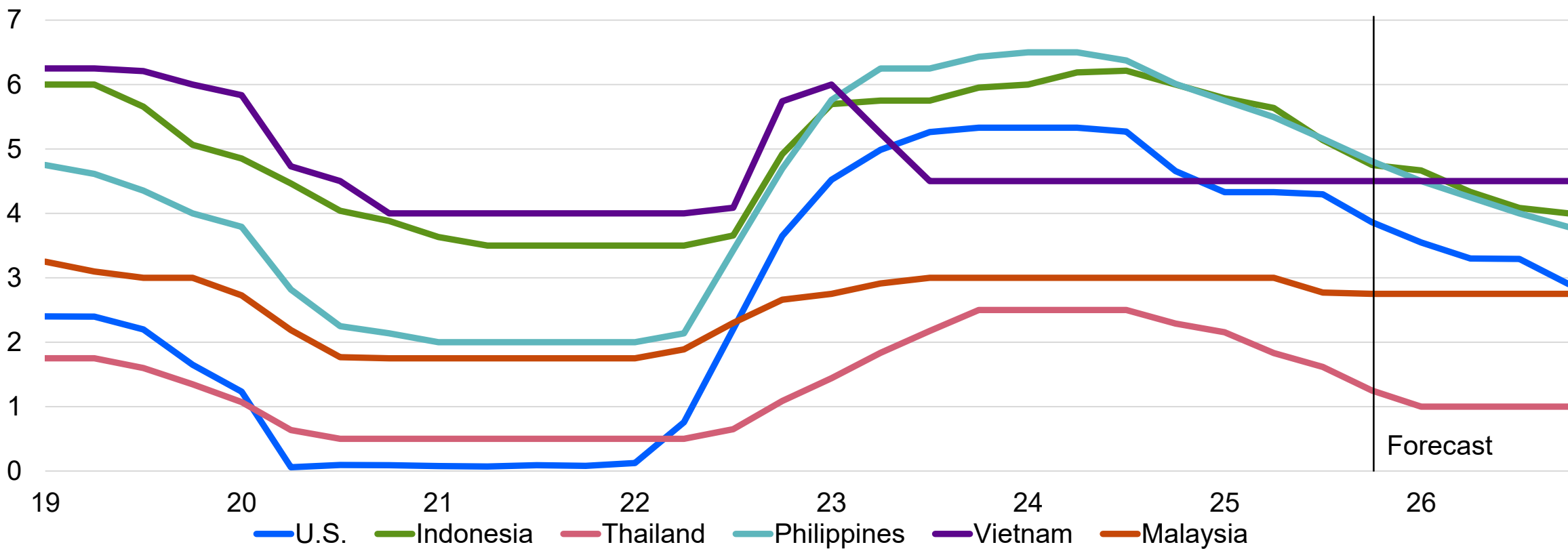
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Monetary Easing Will Support Growth

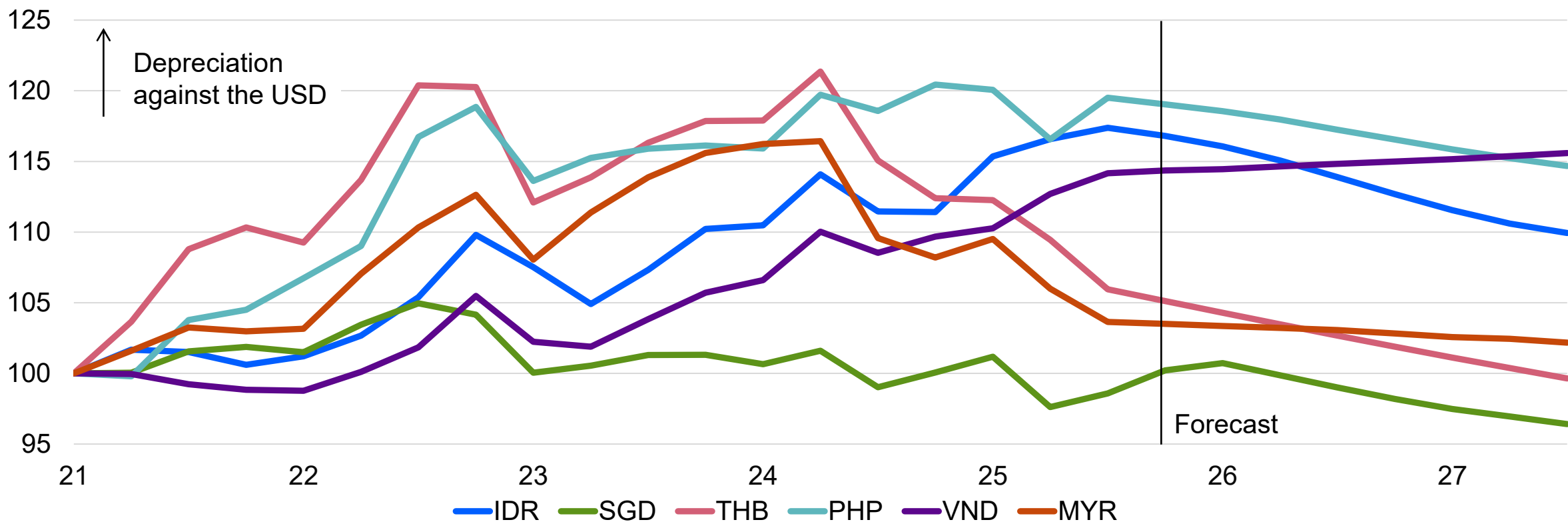
Central bank policy rates, %



Sources: Federal Reserve, Moody's Analytics

Most ASEAN Currencies Expected to Strengthen

Exchange rate vs. USD, 2021Q1=100



Source: Moody's Analytics

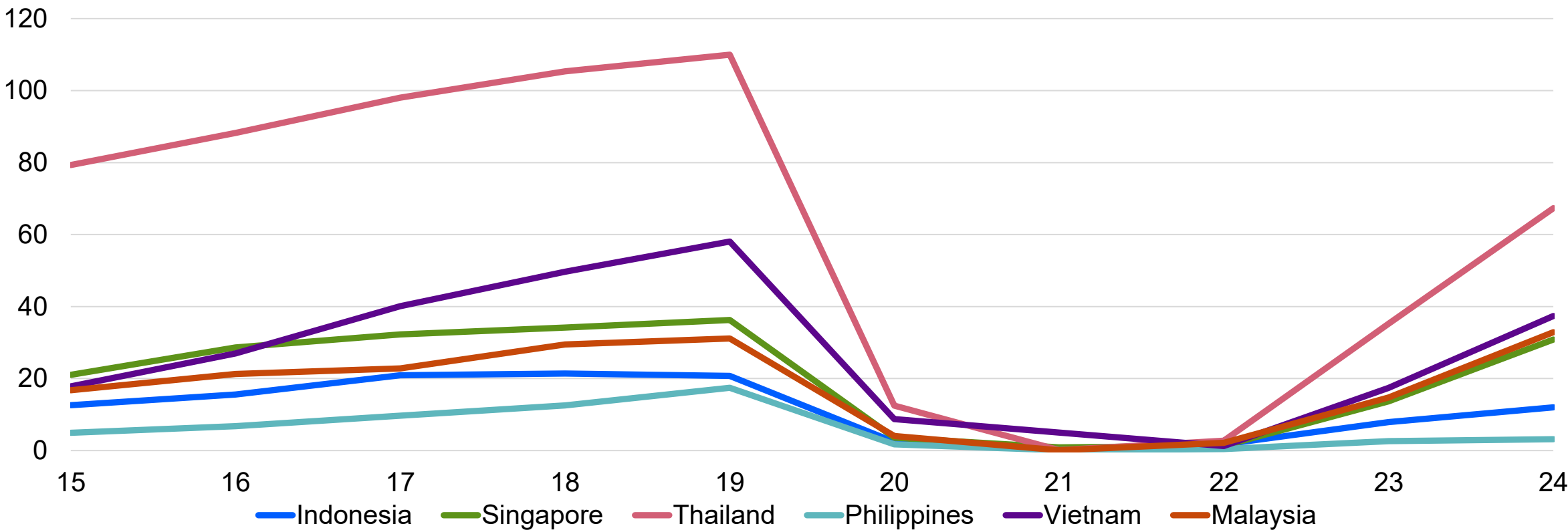
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Risks Ahead:

What Else Is on the Horizon?

Chinese Tourists Are Hesitant to Return

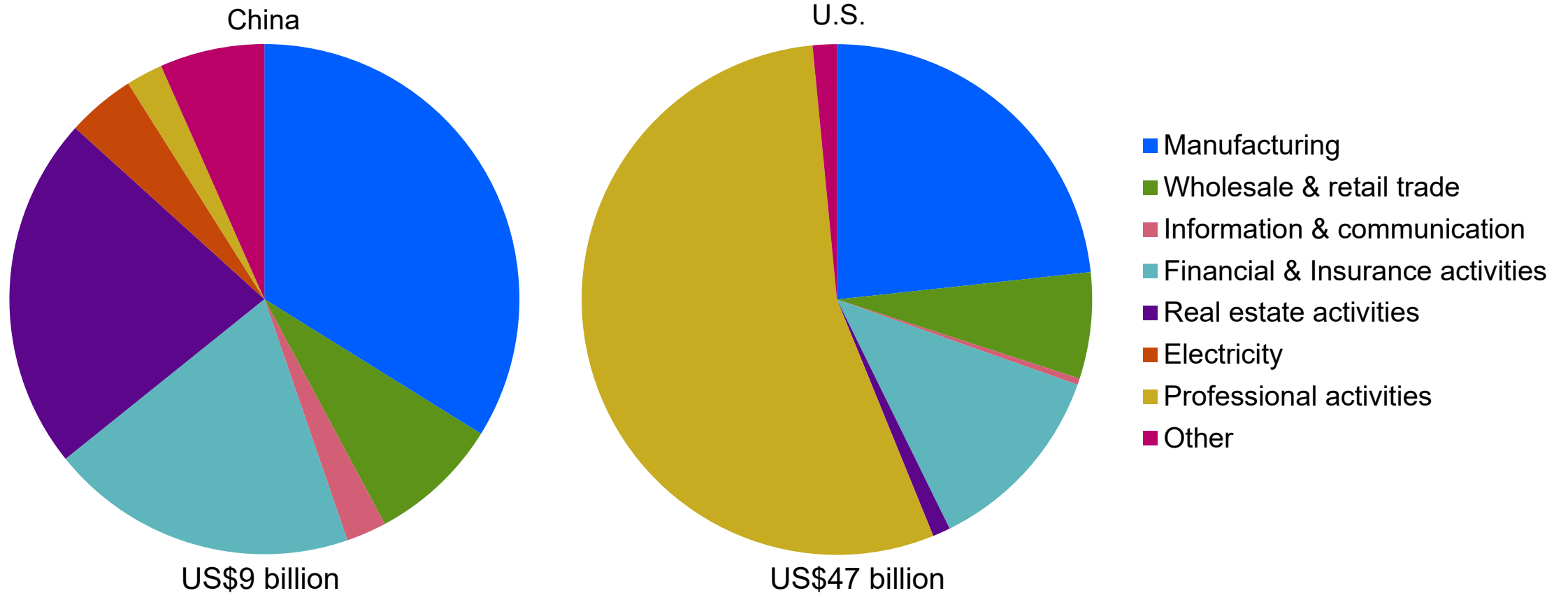
Visitor arrivals from China, mil



Sources: ASEANstats, Moody's Analytics

The U.S. Is a Sizeable Investor in ASEAN

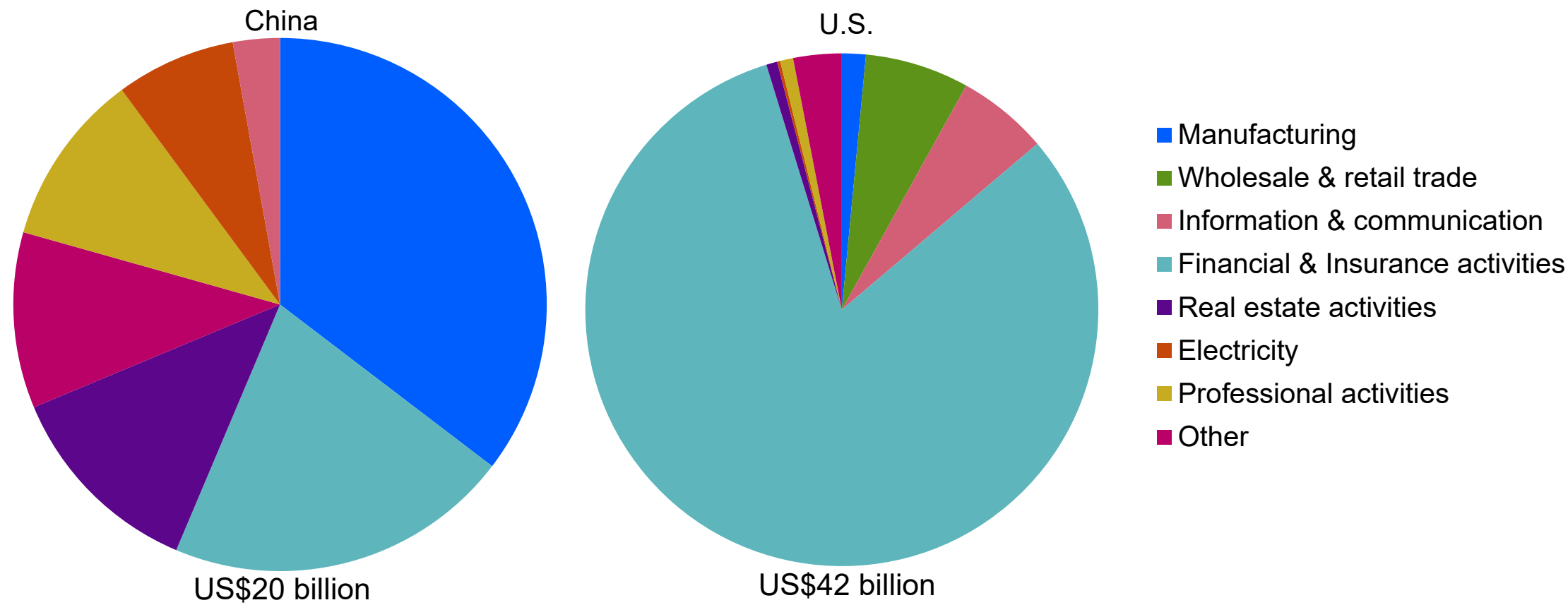
Flows of inward foreign direct investment to ASEAN, 2019



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Shifting Investment Priorities

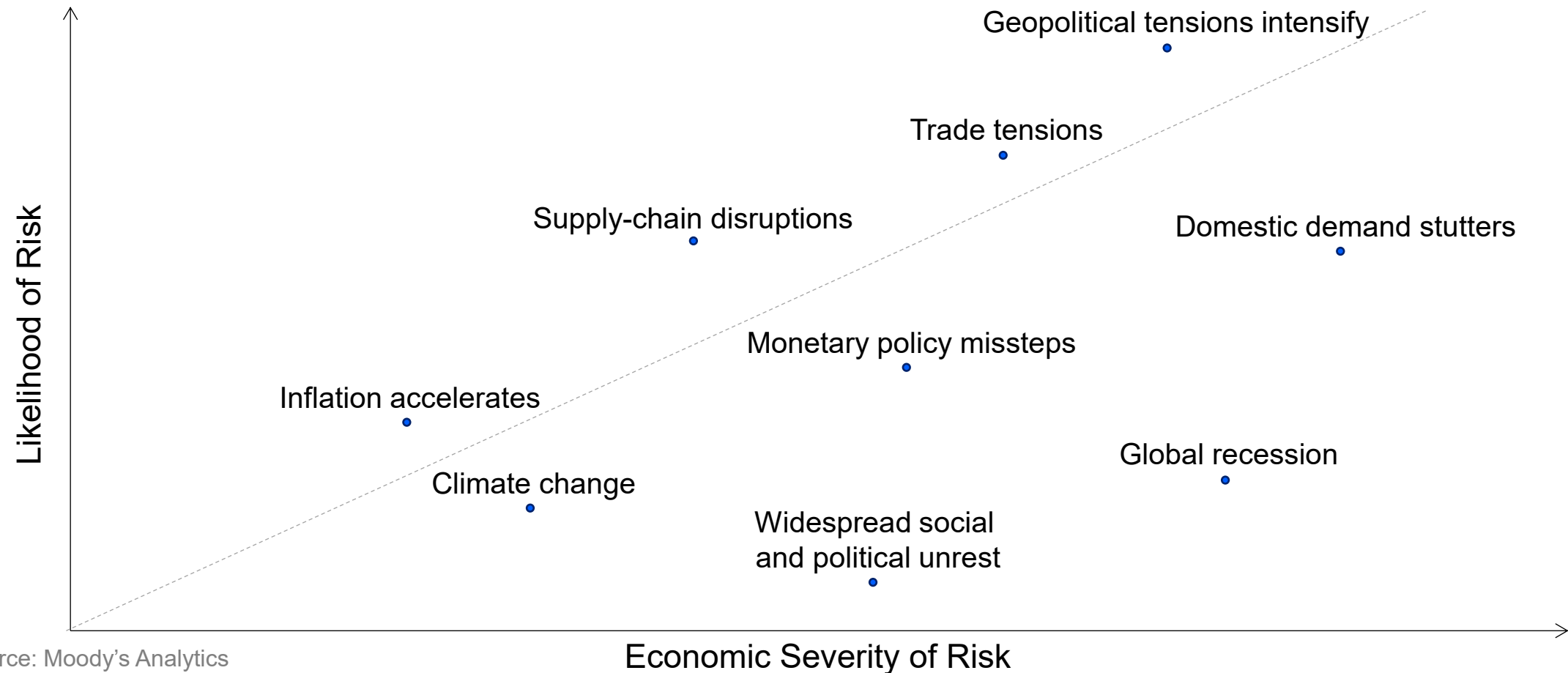
Flows of inward foreign direct investment to ASEAN, 2024



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What Other Risks Are We Looking Out For?

Southeast Asia risk matrix



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