Figure 1.11. Global Outlook
(Real GDP; percent change from a year earlier)

The global economy is projected to slow further in the second half of 2008 and early
2009, and then to start a gradual recovery. The advanced economies will be most
affected by the downturn and will be close to recession. Growth will also moderate in
the emerging economies, particularly those in Asia, emerging Europe, and Latin
America with close trade links.

Sources: Haver Analytics; and IMF staff estimates.
1Australia, Canada, Denmark, euro area, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden,
Switzerland, United Kingdom, and United States.
2Newly industrialized Asian economies (NiEs) comprise Hong Kong SAR, Korea,
Singapore, and Taiwan Province of China.
3Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, and Thailand.
4Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, and Poland.
5Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Peru, and Rep. Bolivariana de Venezuela.
6Commonwealth of Independent States.