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**Figure 5.5. Did G7 Economies Respond to Erroneously Perceived Downturns?**

(Percentage point deviation; quarters on x-axis; shock occurs in period zero)

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**Source:** IMF staff calculations.