The regional factors pick up well-known cyclical fluctuations, such as the 1997–98 crisis in east Asia, the debt crisis in the early 1980s in South America, and the recurrence of droughts and terms of trade shocks in the 1970s and early 1980s in CFA countries.

Sources: Penn World Tables Version 6.1; and IMF staff calculations.

1 See Appendix 2.2 for further details on the estimation of the regional factors. A other industrial countries factor is also estimated but is not shown here.