Figure 3. Recent Financial Market Developments

Government Bond Spreads
(two-year yield spreads over German bunds, basis points)

Government Bond Yields
(Jan. 1, 2010 = 100)

Equity Indices
(Jan. 1, 2010 = 100)

Implied Volatility
(percentage)

Exchange Rate Indices
(Jan. 1, 2010 = 100)

Sources: Bloomberg Financial Markets; Datastream; and IMF staff calculations.

1Ten-year government bonds.
2TOPIX = Tokyo stock price index; MSCI = emerging markets stock price index.
3VIX = Chicago Board Options Exchange Market Volatility Index, a measure of the implied volatility of options on the S&P 500 index; VXY = JPMorgan emerging markets implied volatility index, a measure of the aggregate volatility in currency markets.
4Bilateral exchange rates against the U.S. dollar (increase denotes depreciation).