Headline inflation has declined further in advanced economies, mostly reflecting the decline in the price of oil. In emerging market economies, lower commodity prices have also contributed to lowering headline inflation, but sizable currency depreciation has led to offsets on the upside in some economies.

Sources: Consensus Economics; IMF, Primary Commodity Price System; and IMF staff estimates.

Note: Other Adv. = other advanced economies; Other Adv. Eur. = other advanced Europe; USA = United States.

1 Excludes Venezuela.

2 In Japan, the increase in inflation in 2014 reflects, to a large extent, the increase in the consumption tax.