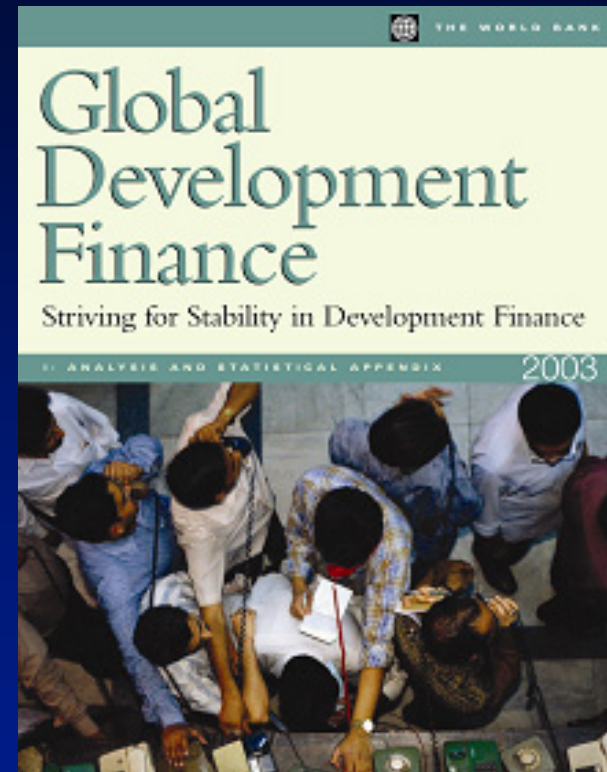


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# Global Development Finance 2003

Striving for Stability in  
Development Finance

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DEVELOPMENT PROSPECTS

# Outline

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# The war has added more bumps to an uneven global expansion

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## War effects

- Higher oil prices, now some declines

Q1: \$32pb	Q2: \$29pb	Q3: \$23pb	Q4: \$22pb
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- Falling business and, especially, consumer confidence
- Increased volatility in financial markets
- More fiscal stimulus

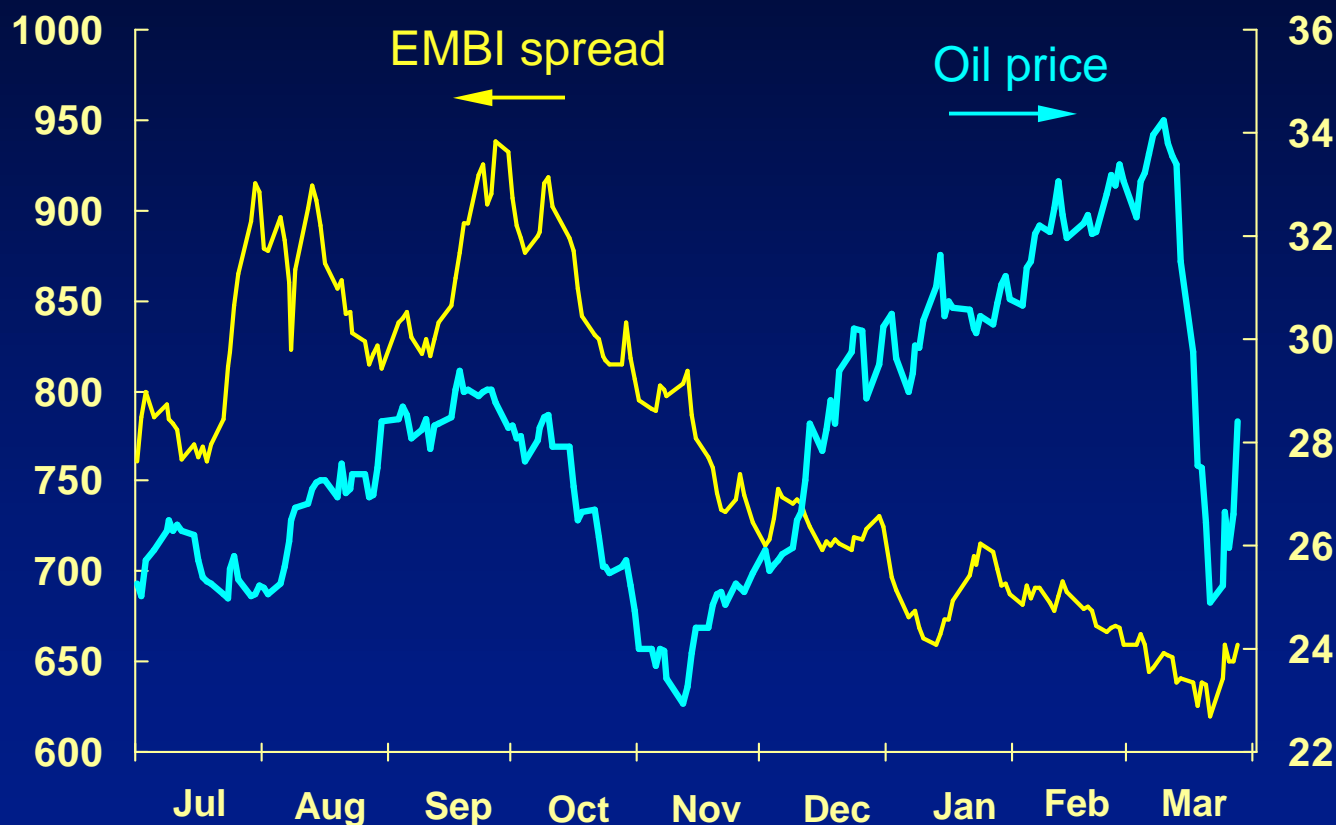


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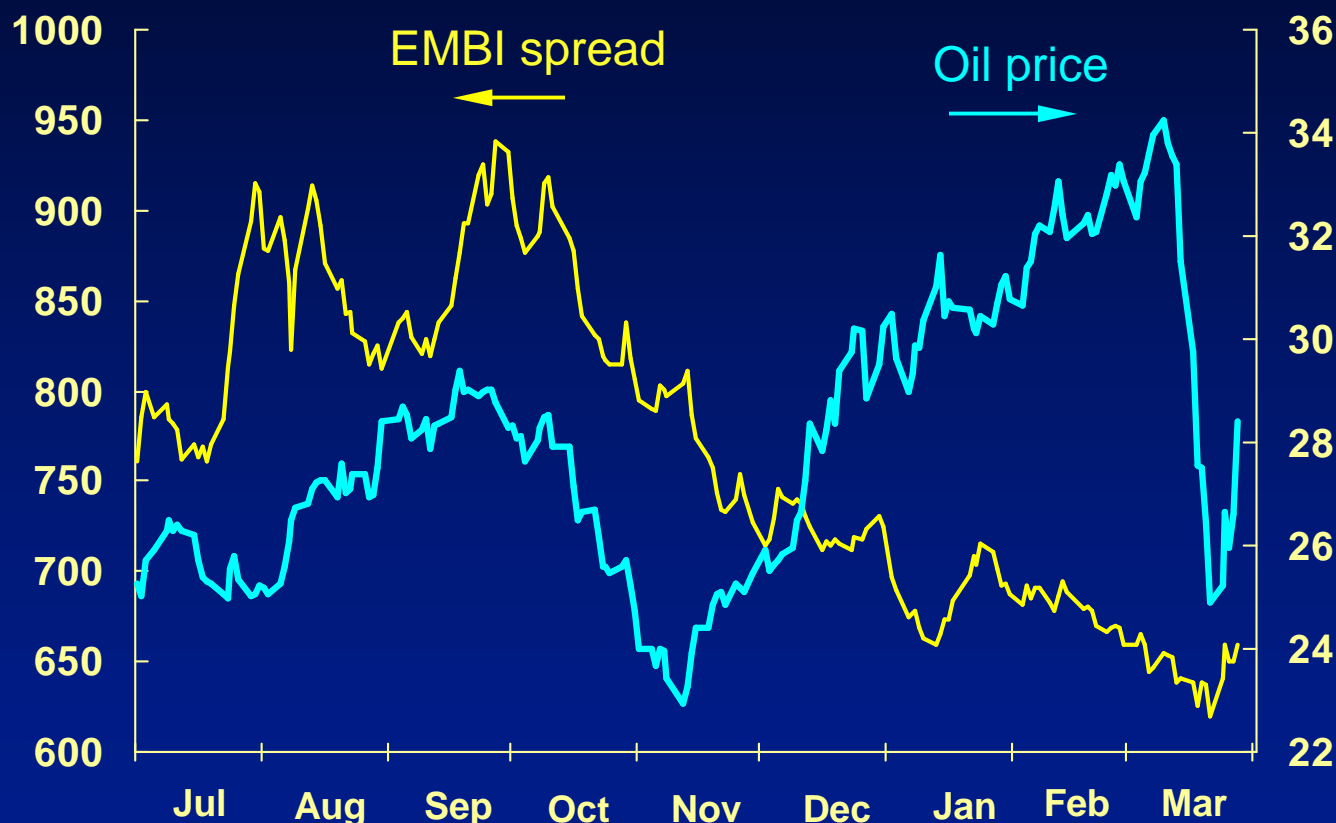


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Net impact from build up to war and its  
assumed evolution: a hit of 0.5% to global  
GDP in 2003H1 (similar to September 11<sup>th</sup>)



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# The forecast remains for a muted acceleration in growth over next 2 years

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# Global downside risks

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- A more protracted war than financial markets are currently assuming
- Unbalanced nature of global expansion
  - U.S. current account deficit in excess of 5% of GDP
- High debt burdens still a problem across many sectors and economies



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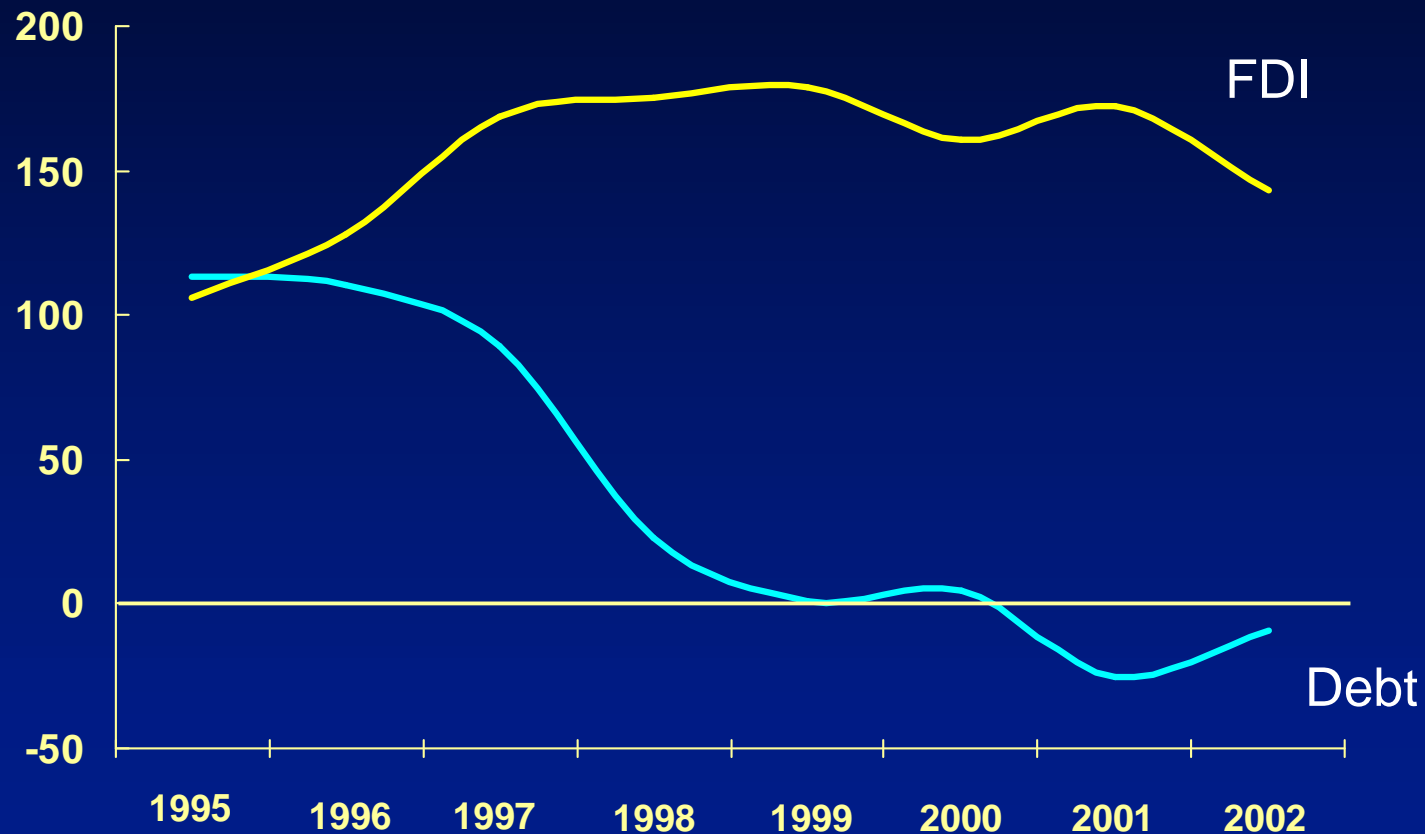
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# A fundamental rotation in capital flows from private creditors

## Net private debt and inward FDI flows

*\$ billion*



# Why is it happening?

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## Demand for debt is falling

Countries don't want to be dependent on volatile external debt flows

Especially true of East Asia after 1998

## Supply of debt is falling

Bond market investors more focused on credit risks than returns.

Increasing demand for investment grade bonds

Banks are retrenching after credit losses in early 2000s



# Will it continue?

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- Many countries, especially in Latin America, still have high debt loads
- FDI has shown remarkable resilience, although returns on FDI have been falling
- It is a positive development:
  - It makes for more stable financial flows to developing countries
  - Provides greater risk sharing



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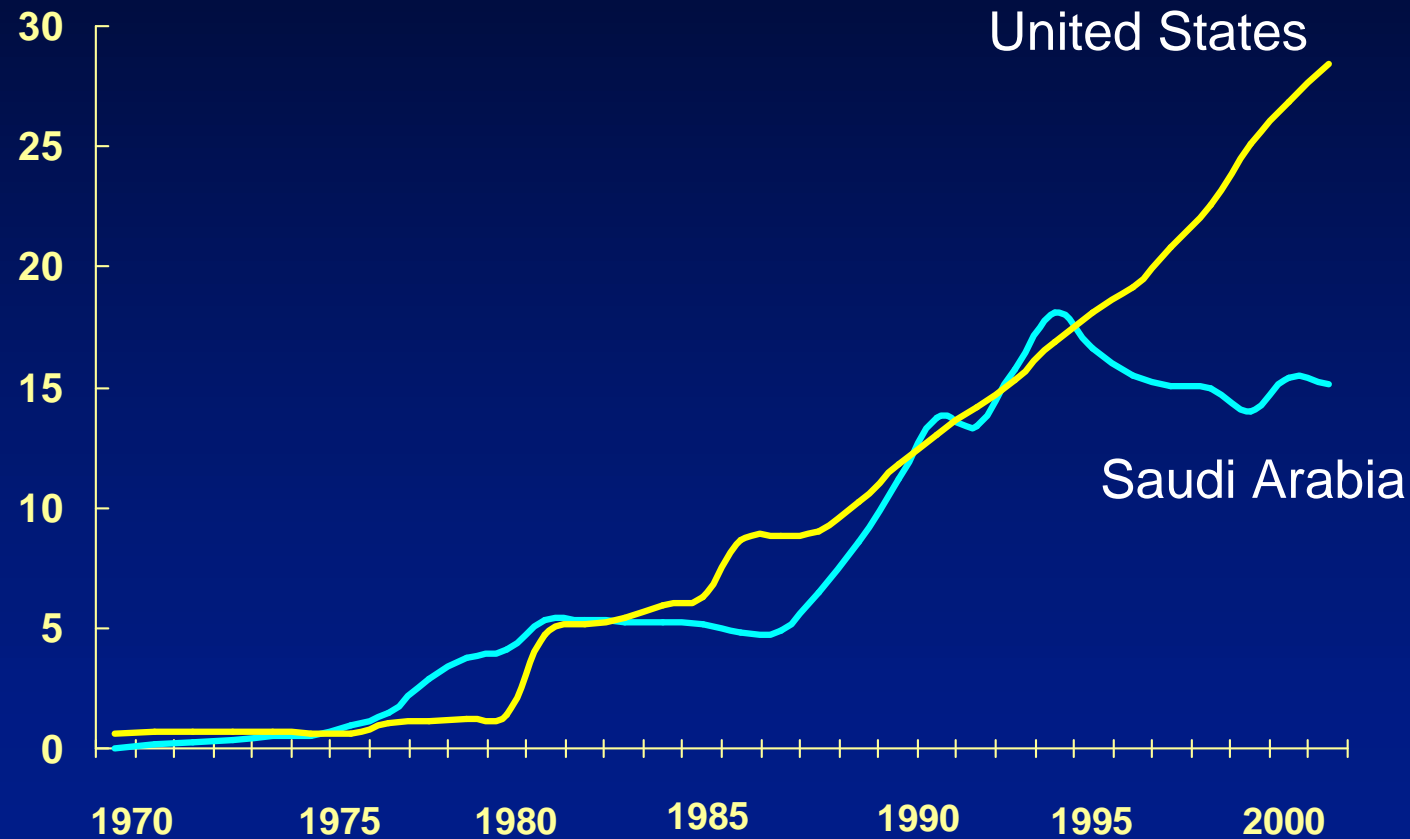
<i>\$ billion</i>	<u>1995</u>	<u>2002</u>
Net Debt Flows	151.8	7.2
Net FDI flows	105.6	143.0
Workers' remittances	48.1	80.0



# Main providers of remittances

## Outward workers' remittance payments

To all countries, \$ billion



# Main recipients of remittances

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<i>\$ billion</i>	<u>1995</u>	<u>2002</u>
East Asia and Pacific	8.3	11.0
E. Europe & C. Asia	5.5	10.0
Latin America & Carib.	12.8	25.0
Middle East & N. Africa	8.6	14.0
South Asia	10.0	16.0
Sub-Saharan Africa	2.7	4.0



# Vulnerabilities to remittance flows

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- Growing concern about migration in high-income countries, driven by weak labor markets
- Concern about security issues in high income countries
- Impact of war in Iraq



# Concluding messages

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- War has added a new negative (magnitude uncertain) to an already anemic and uneven global recovery
- External financial conditions facing most developing countries are gradually improving, although developing countries to remain net capital exporters
- There has been a fundamental shift in the pattern of private sector financing for developing countries, which is not over
- The growth in remittances has made them an increasingly important source of global development finance

