Figure 1.SF.3. Prevalence of Jumps and Liquidity Strain in Advanced and Emerging Markets

The frequency of liquidity strained days has been higher in emerging markets than in advanced economies during September 2018–March 2019. Sovereign bond markets seem to be more prone to liquidity strains than equity markets, especially in emerging market economies.



The frequency of liquidity strain in sovereign bond markets seems to have increased over the past six months.



The frequency of liquidity strain is correlated with standard liquidity metrics and a proxy for risk-off periods.



Sources: Bloomberg Finance L.P.; and IMF staff calculations.

Note: "Jumps" refer collectively to finite activity (large) and infinite activity (small) price jumps. Uncovering significant evidence of infinite activity jumps in intraday data is interpreted as suggestive of liquidity strain. Panel 1 represents average across emerging markets (EM) and advanced economies (AE). Panel 3 considers frequency of liquidity strained days per month. In panel 6, "risk-off proxy" is the second principal component of US Treasury 10-year yields and US dollar index, both in levels. Sov. bonds = sovereign bonds.