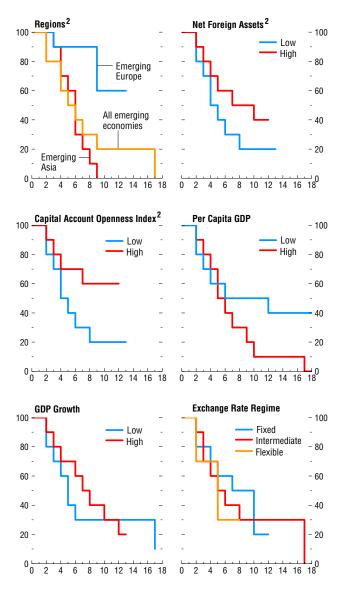
Figure 6.15. Survival Functions of Deficit Episodes<sup>1</sup>

(Number of years on x-axis, percent on y-axis)

The main factors associated with prolonged foreign borrowing (that is, high survival rates) are high initial net foreign asset positions, capital account openness, and favorable growth opportunities.



Source: IMF staff estimates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Kaplan-Meier survival function estimates. High and low levels are defined relative to the median level.

<sup>2</sup> Difference in survival functions is statistically significant at the 10 percent level or less (log-rank test).