



RESEARCH @ WTO

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World Trade Reports

- Trade and public policies: A closer look at non-tariff measures in the 21st century (2012)
- Factors shaping the future of world trade (2013)
- The WTO and preferential trade agreements: From co-existence to coherence (2011)

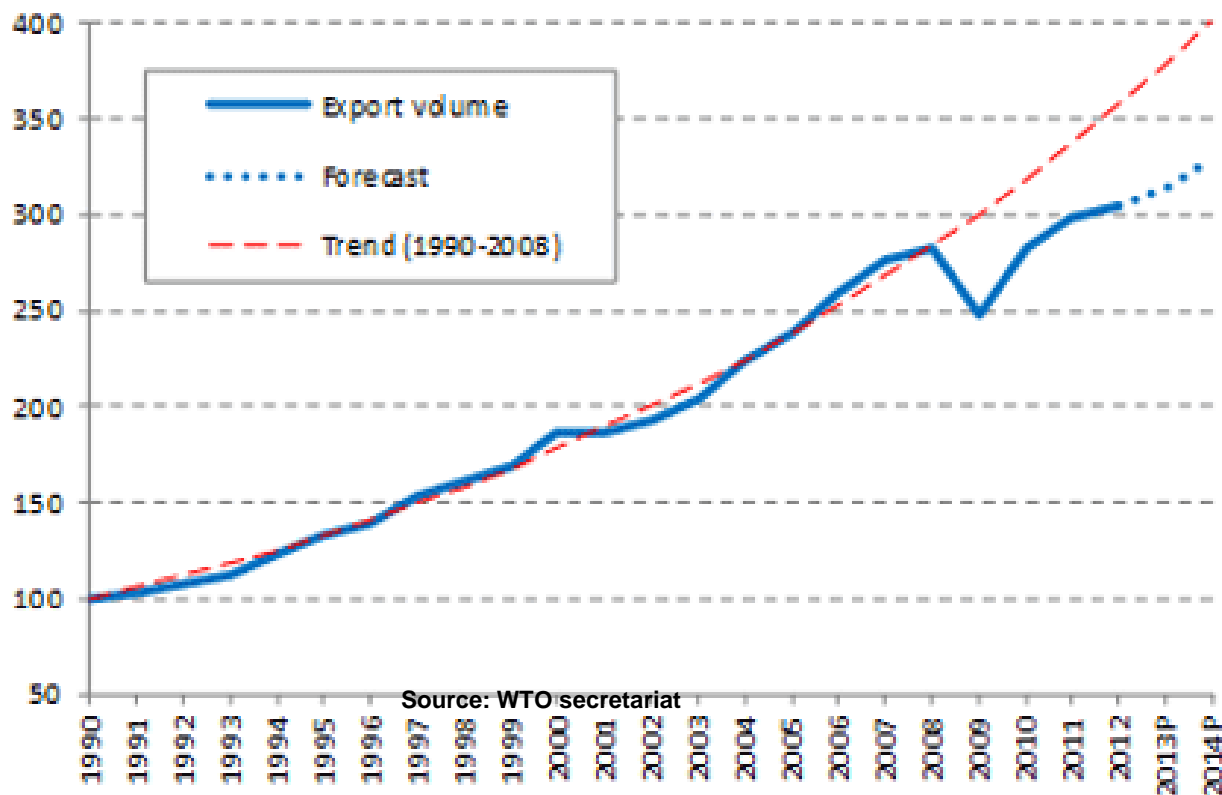




Forecasting

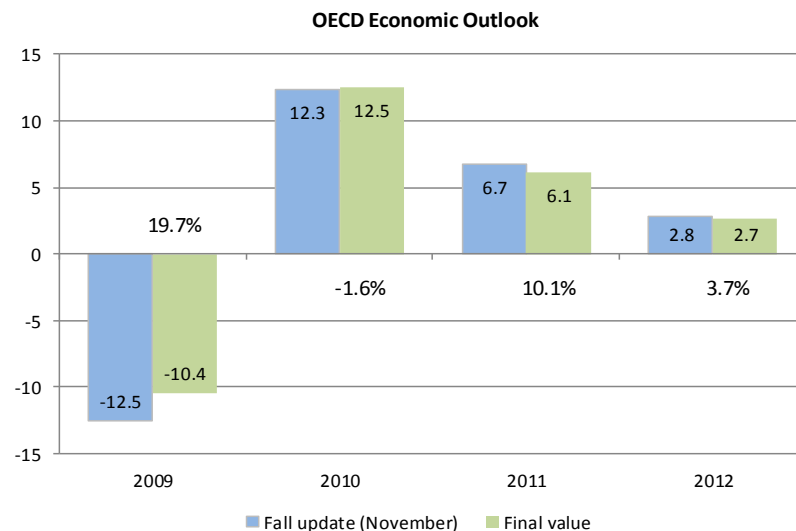
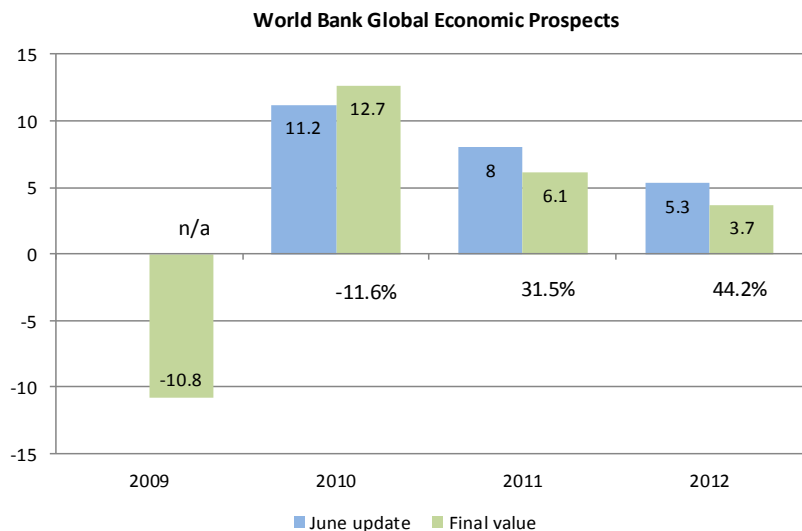
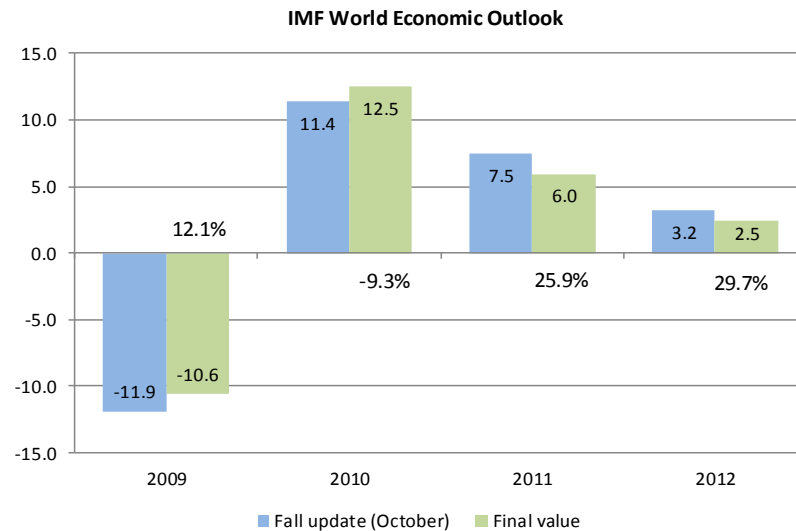
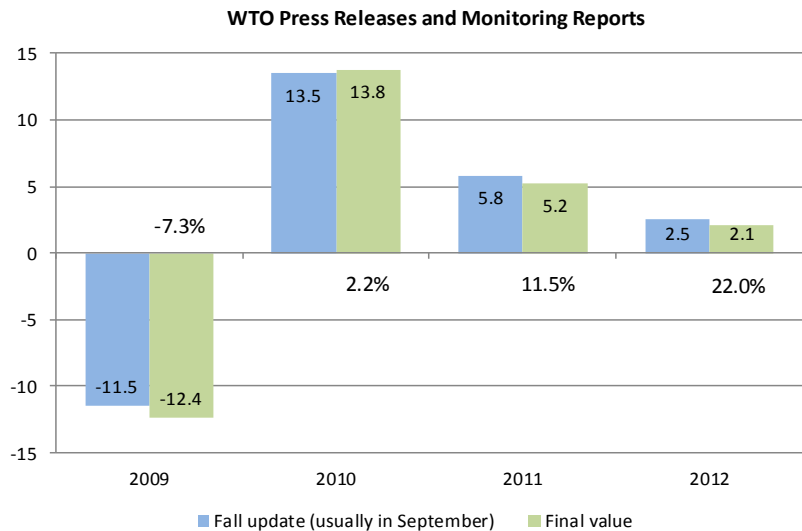
Estimate
trade

Volume of world merchandise exports, 1990-2014



Current year trade forecasts of international organizations, 2008-13

(Annual percentage change in volume)



Note: The WTO's forecast was updated in December in 2009 and in September in subsequent years.



Main research topics

- Preferential trade
 - Market access
 - Preferences utilization
 - Competition adjusted preference margins.
 - Going beyond
 - Relationship between deep integration and production networks
- Specific provisions
 - Impact of IP provisions on trade in knowledge-intensive goods, affiliate sales of firms, and royalty payments
 - Effects of harmonization and mutual recognition of standards on trade flows in TBT agreements
 - Impact of air services liberalization and the multilateralization of multiple designation provisions on passenger flows



Main research topics

- Non-Tariff Measures
 - Impact
 - Impact of SPS measures on trade margins at firm level
 - Policy substitution
 - Policy substitution between tariffs and NTMs
 - Public policy and protection
 - Dual purpose measures



Main research topics

- Supply Chains
 - Measuring trade in value-added
 - Case studies
 - Macro-level empirical analysis on the economics of global supply chains with a focus on its interface with trade policy
 - Specific regions
 - The role of regional integration
 - The quest for export diversification, moving up the value chain
 - Other areas
 - Food labelling and global supply chains
 - The role that production networks in affecting knowledge spill-overs



Main research topicsg

- Trade and shocks
 - Trade policy uncertainty
 - Impact of WTO commitments on trade policy uncertainty
 - complementarity or substitutability between WTO and PTAs in relation to trade policy uncertainty.
 - trade impact of policy uncertainty at firm level.
 - Income Volatility
 - How volatility at home depends on volatility in individual trading partners and on the correlation among trading partners' business cycles.
 - Trade Finance
 - the importance of trade finance for trade
 - The role of trade finance as a direct transmission channel of financial crises on trade flows



Main research topics

- The relationship between law and economics
 - Review of the use of economic analysis in WTO dispute settlement
 - Establish how economic analysis can be used to inform panel practices



Main research topics

- Other areas
 - Face-to-face communication and technology diffusion
 - Immigration and the structure of trade
 - Trade and structural change
 - The history of the WTO



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- Data
 - Content of Preferential Trade Agreements
 - Mapped the content of 100 agreements signed between 1958 and 2011 and covering all regions in the world.
 - Available at http://www.wto.org/english/res_e/publications_e/wtr11_dataset_e.htm
 - Specific Trade concerns (STCs)
 - Concerns raised by one or more members in relation to a TBT or an SPS measure maintained by one or more of their trading partners
 - Coded information for more than 600 STCs over the period 1995-2011 at the HS four digit level.
 - Available at http://www.wto.org/english/res_e/publications_e/wtr12_dataset_e.htm



Thank you!