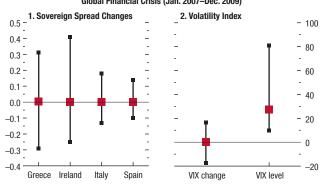
Figure 2.SF.1. Financing Conditions for Euro Area Periphery **Economies and the United States, 2007–12**

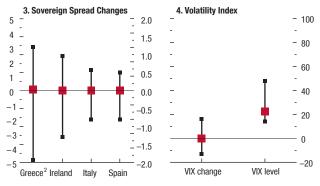
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Financing conditions faced by the euro area periphery economies sharply deteriorated during the euro area crisis. In contrast, U.S. financial market stress is somewhat lower now than during the global financial crisis.

Global Financial Crisis (Jan. 2007-Dec. 2009)



Euro Area Crisis (Jan. 2010-June 2012)



Sources: Bloomberg Financial Markets; and IMF staff calculations. VIX: Chicago Board Options Exchange Market Volatility Index. ²Greek sovereign spread changes are on the left scale.