

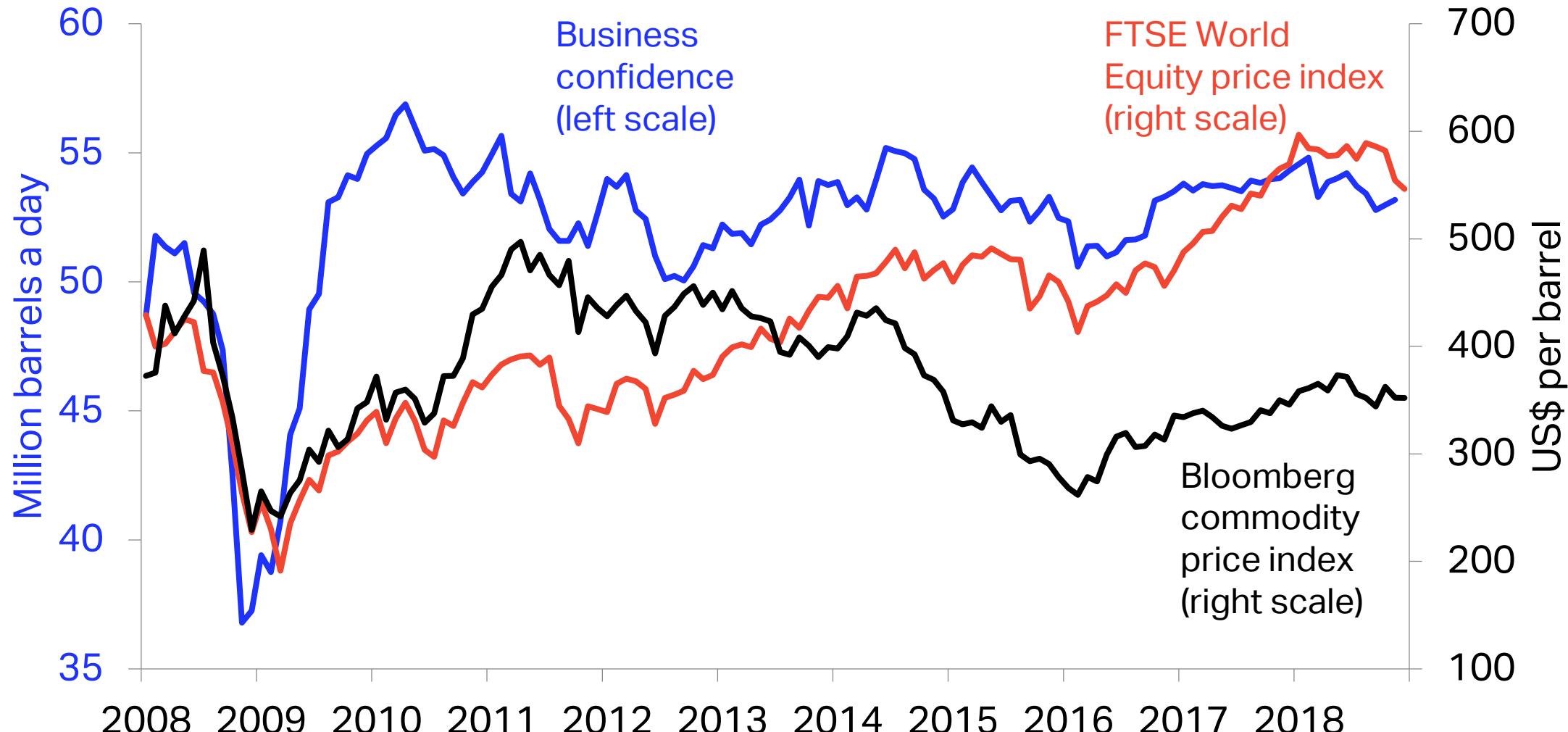
# Airline industry outlook 2019

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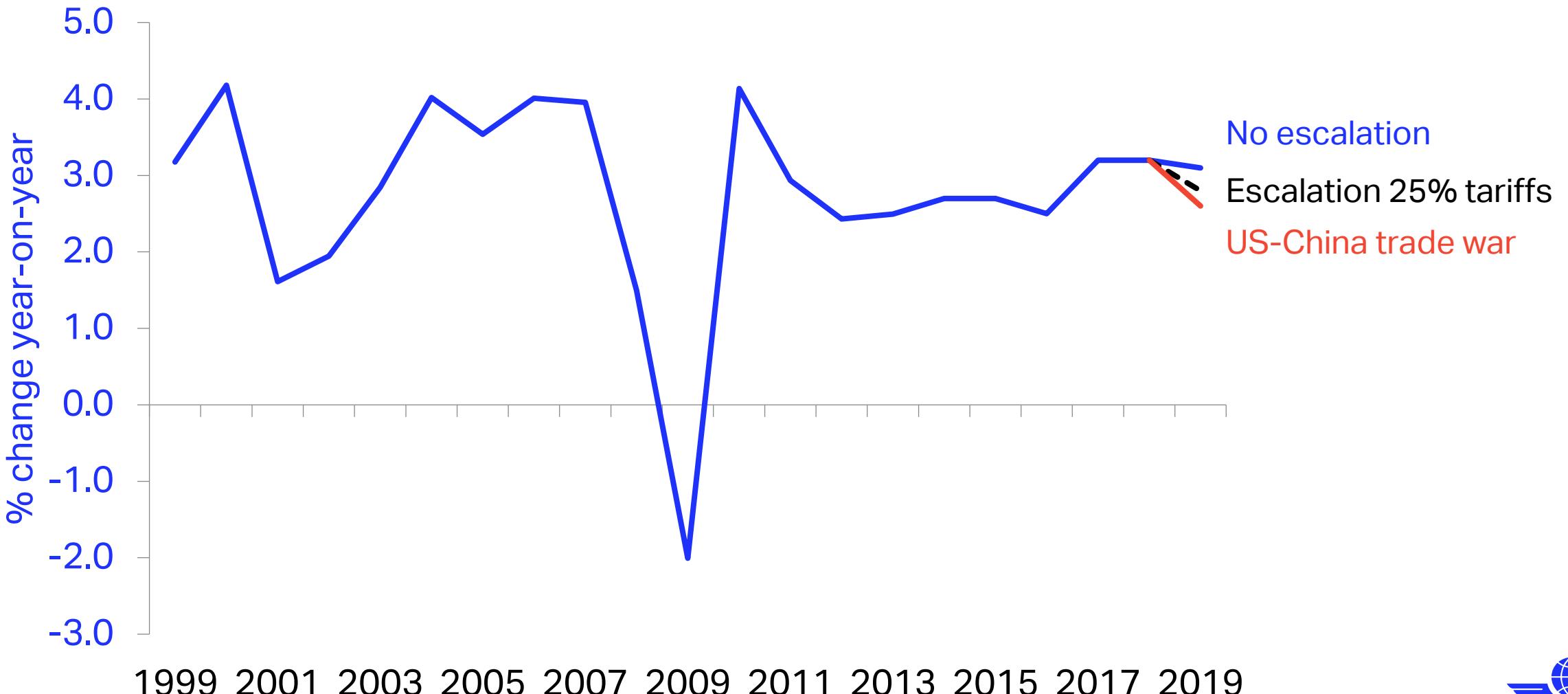
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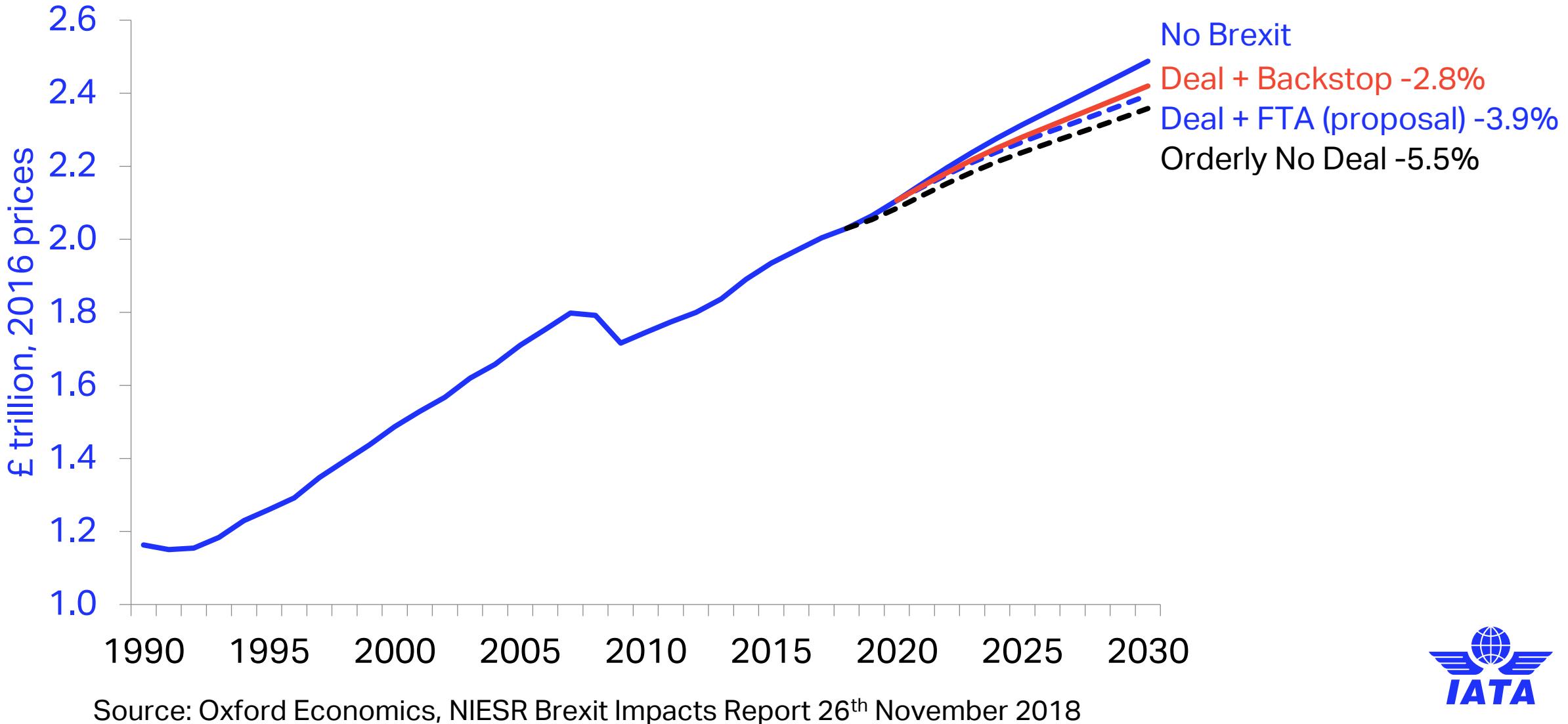
# Are the markets signalling recession ahead?



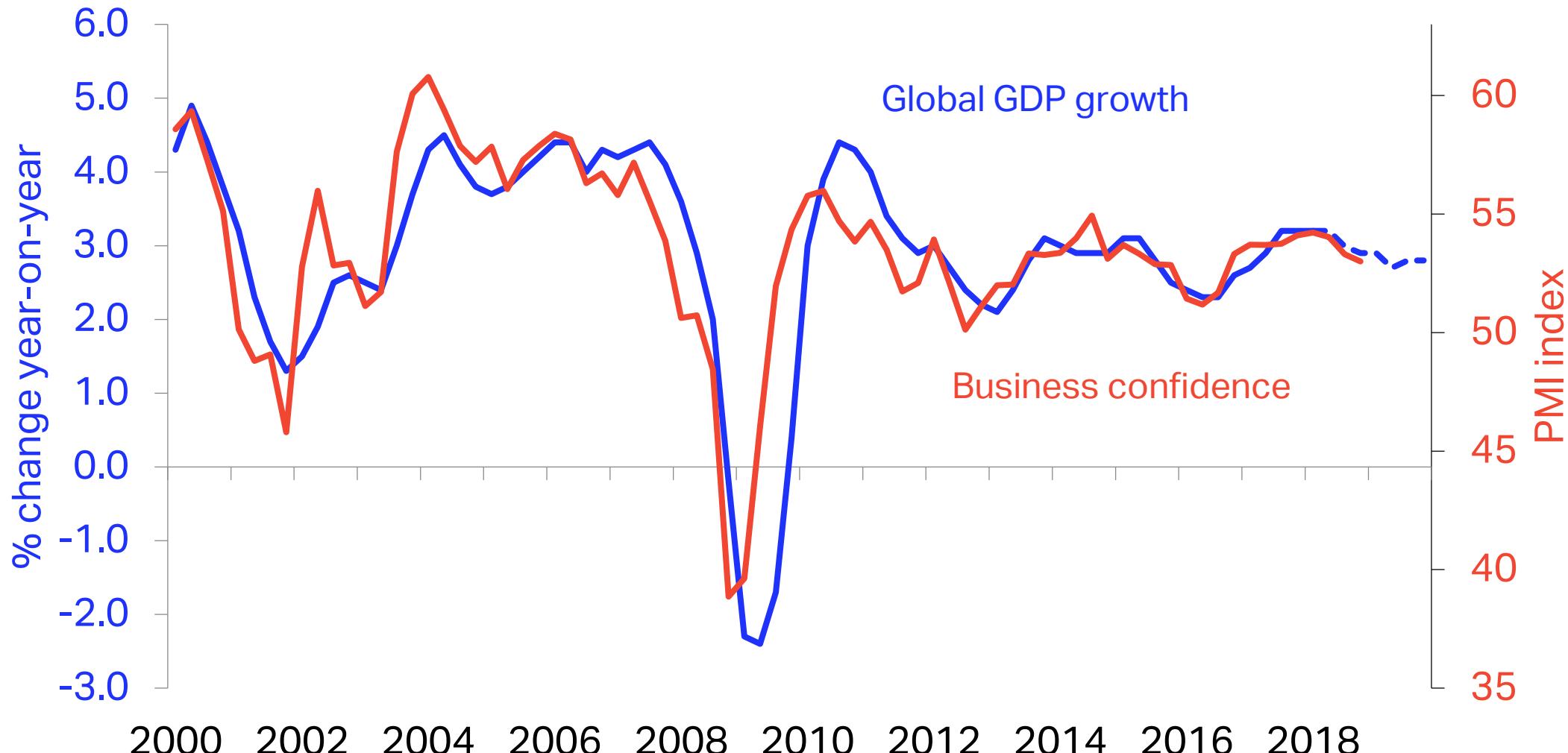
# Trade wars damaging but not expansion stoppers



# Brexit chaotic but slows rather than stops long-term

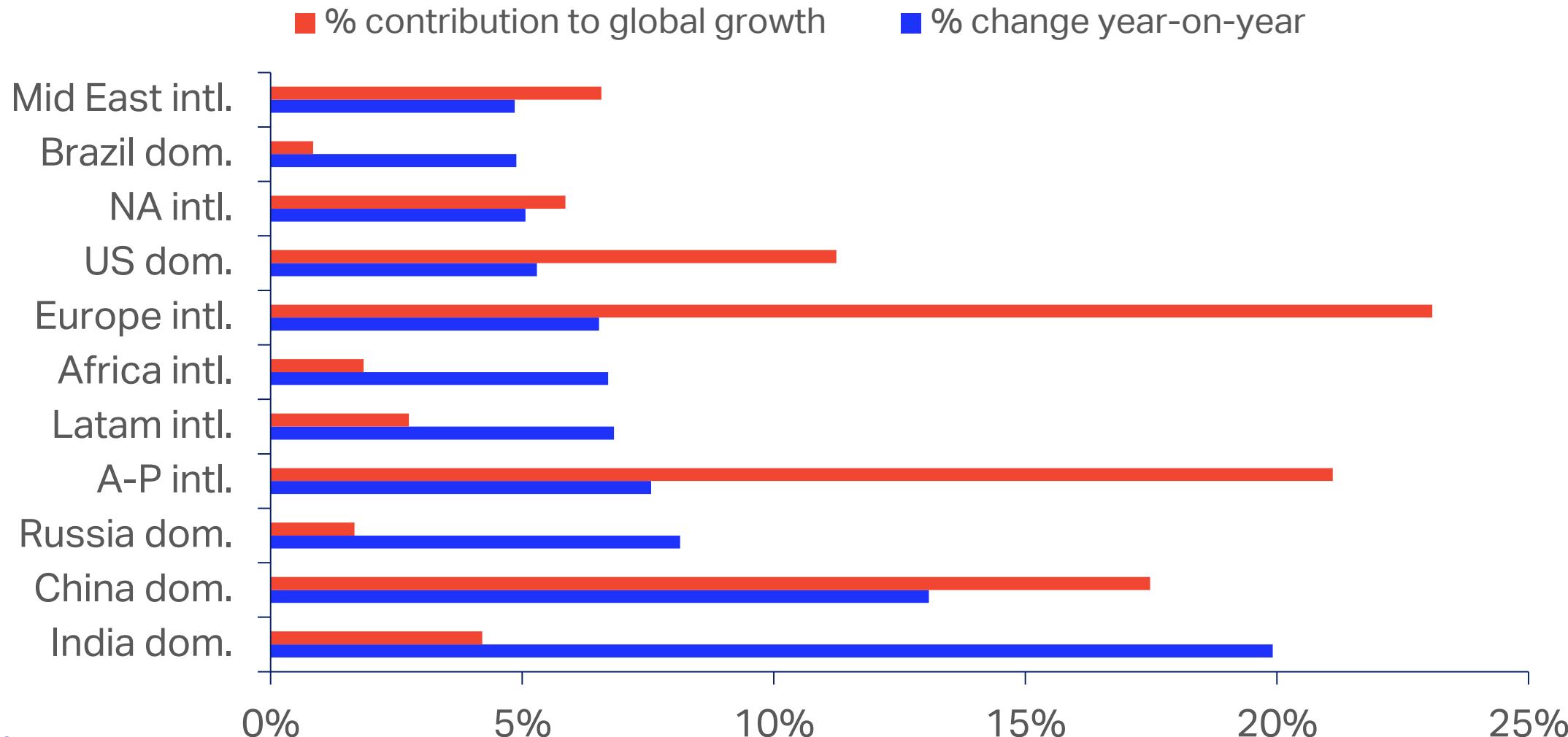


# Forecasters still expect economic growth in 2019

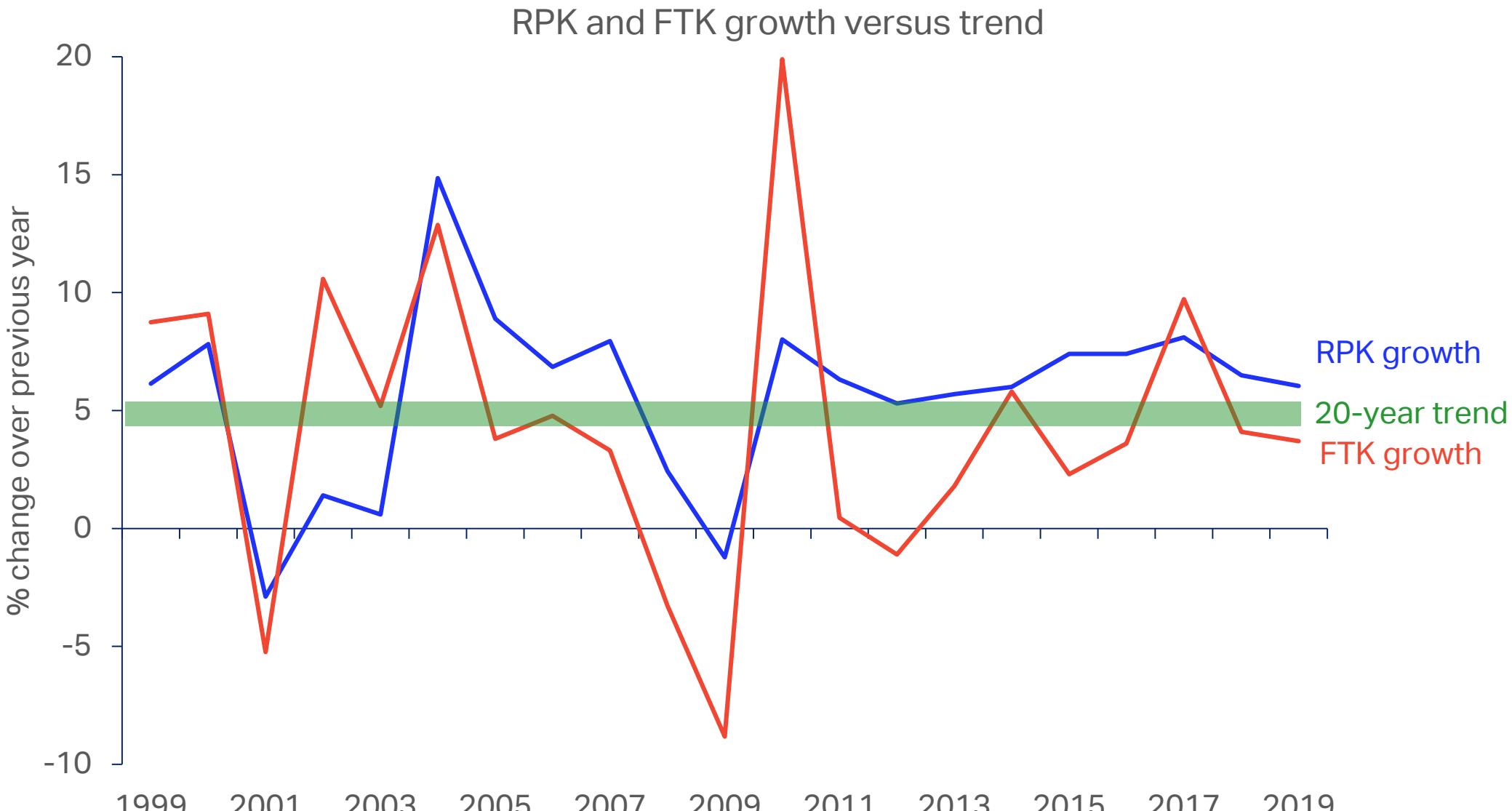


# Air travel has certainly got a lot of momentum

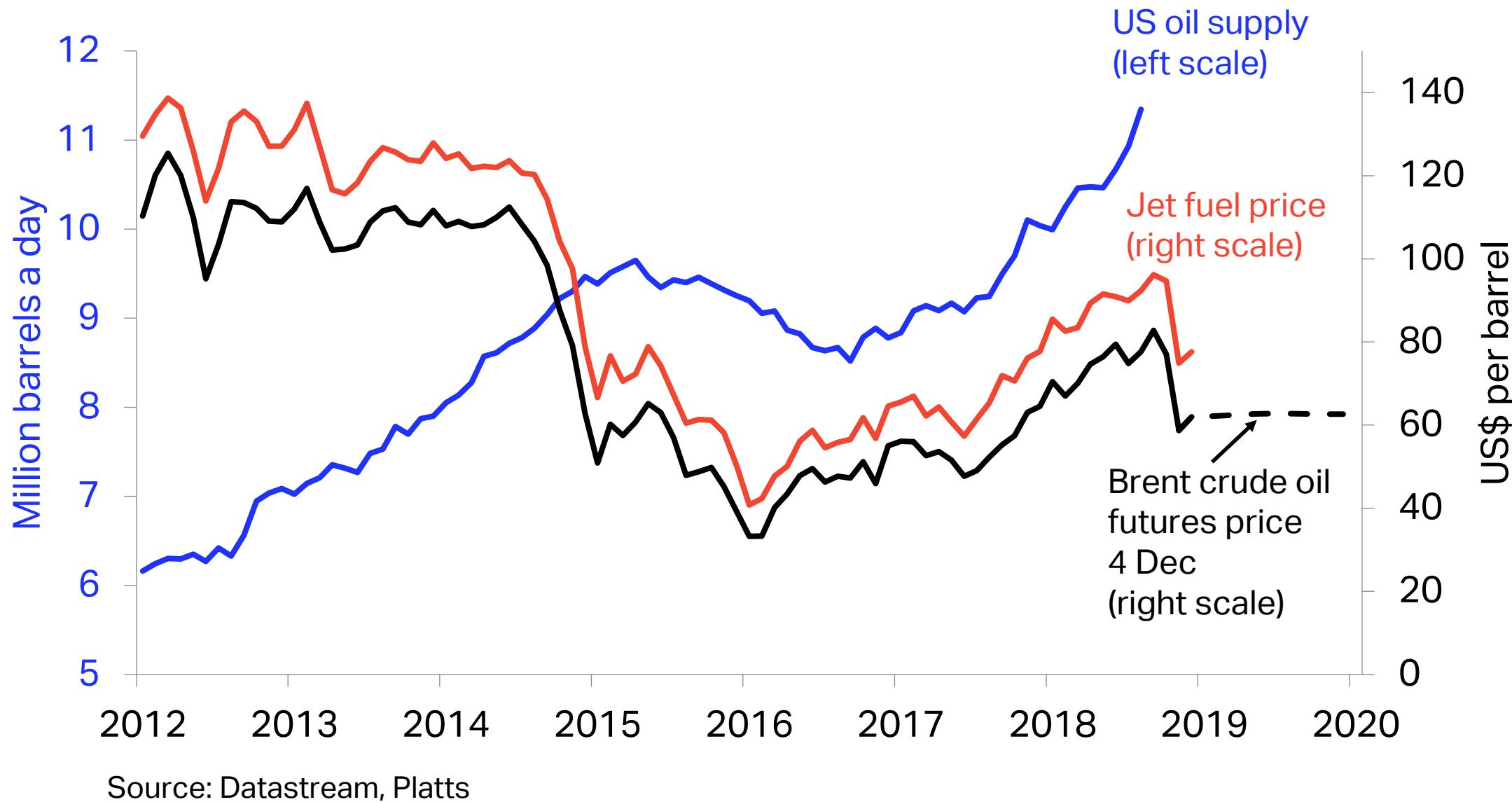
RPK growth, Jan-Oct 2018



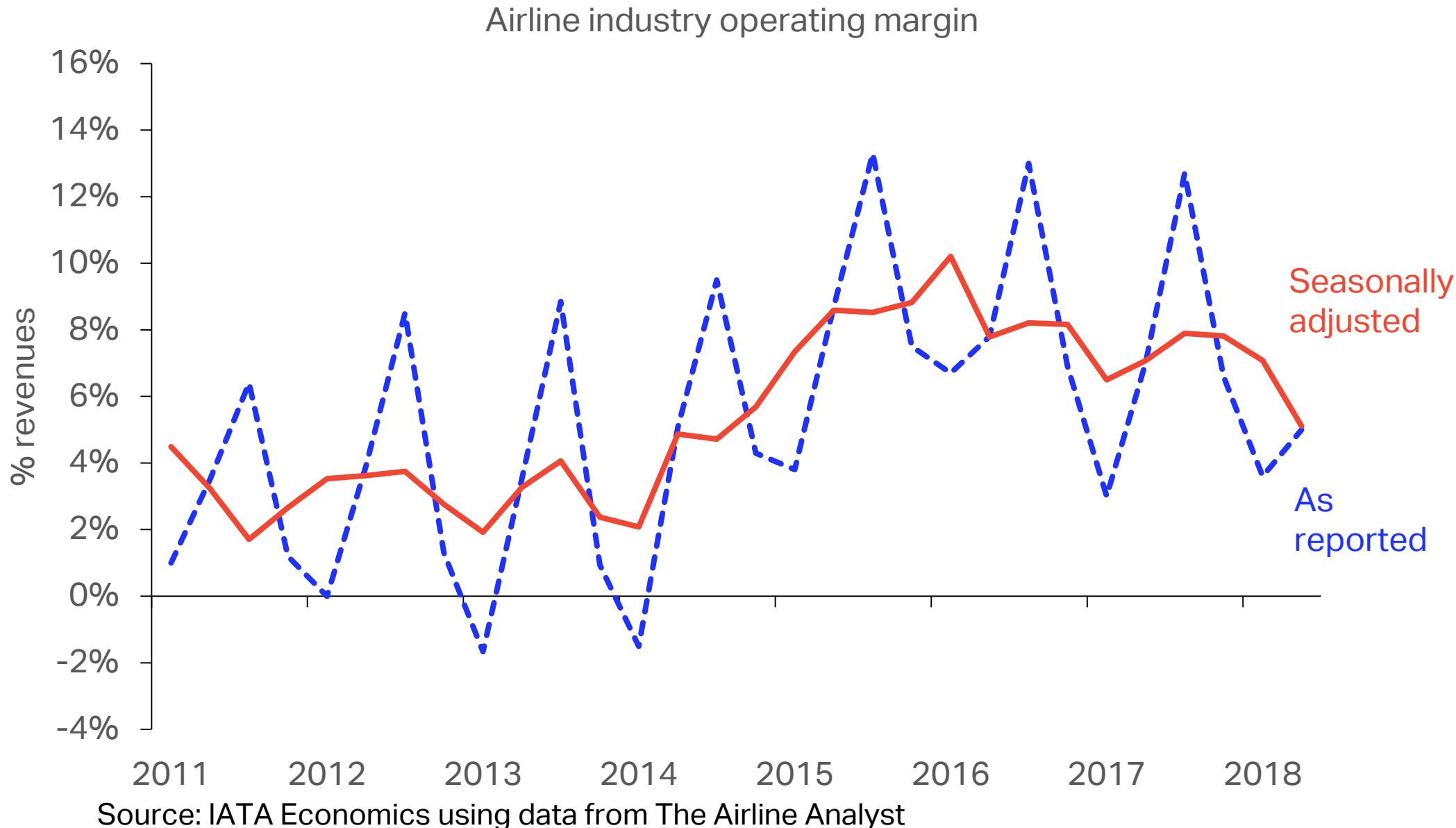
# Expect slower travel growth, but still above trend



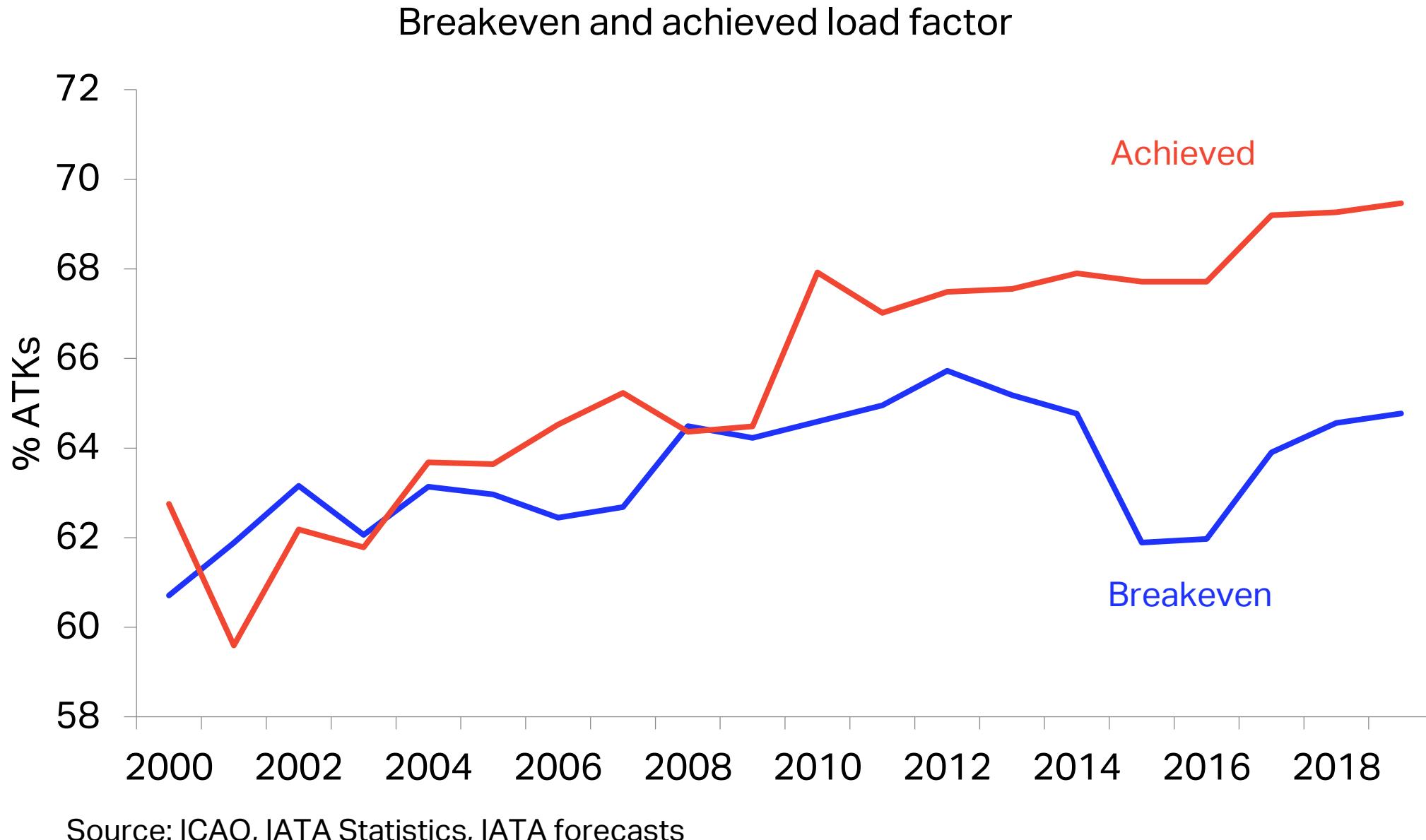
# Jet fuel price lower as market over-supplied



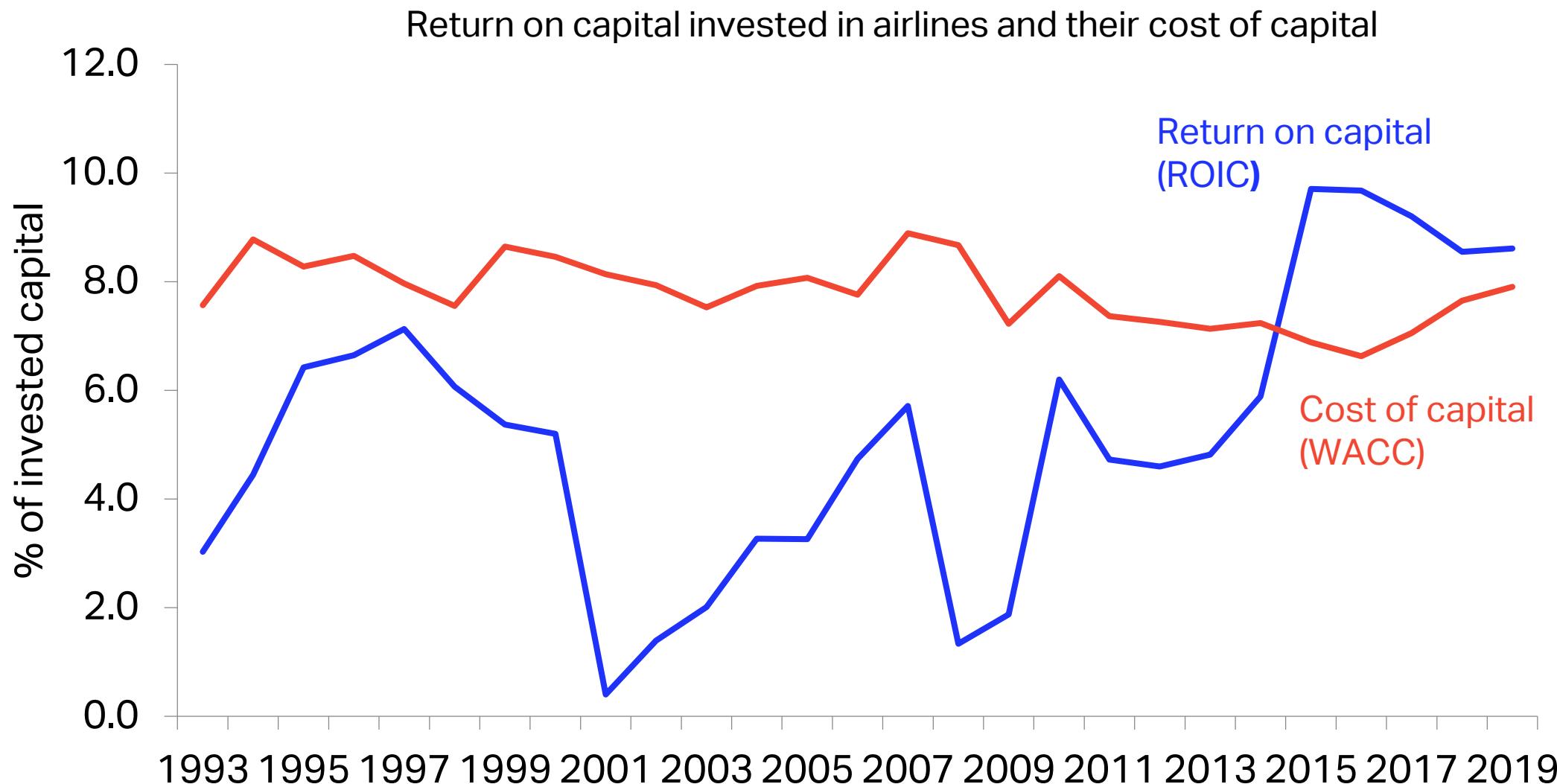
# Relieving the downward pressure on margins



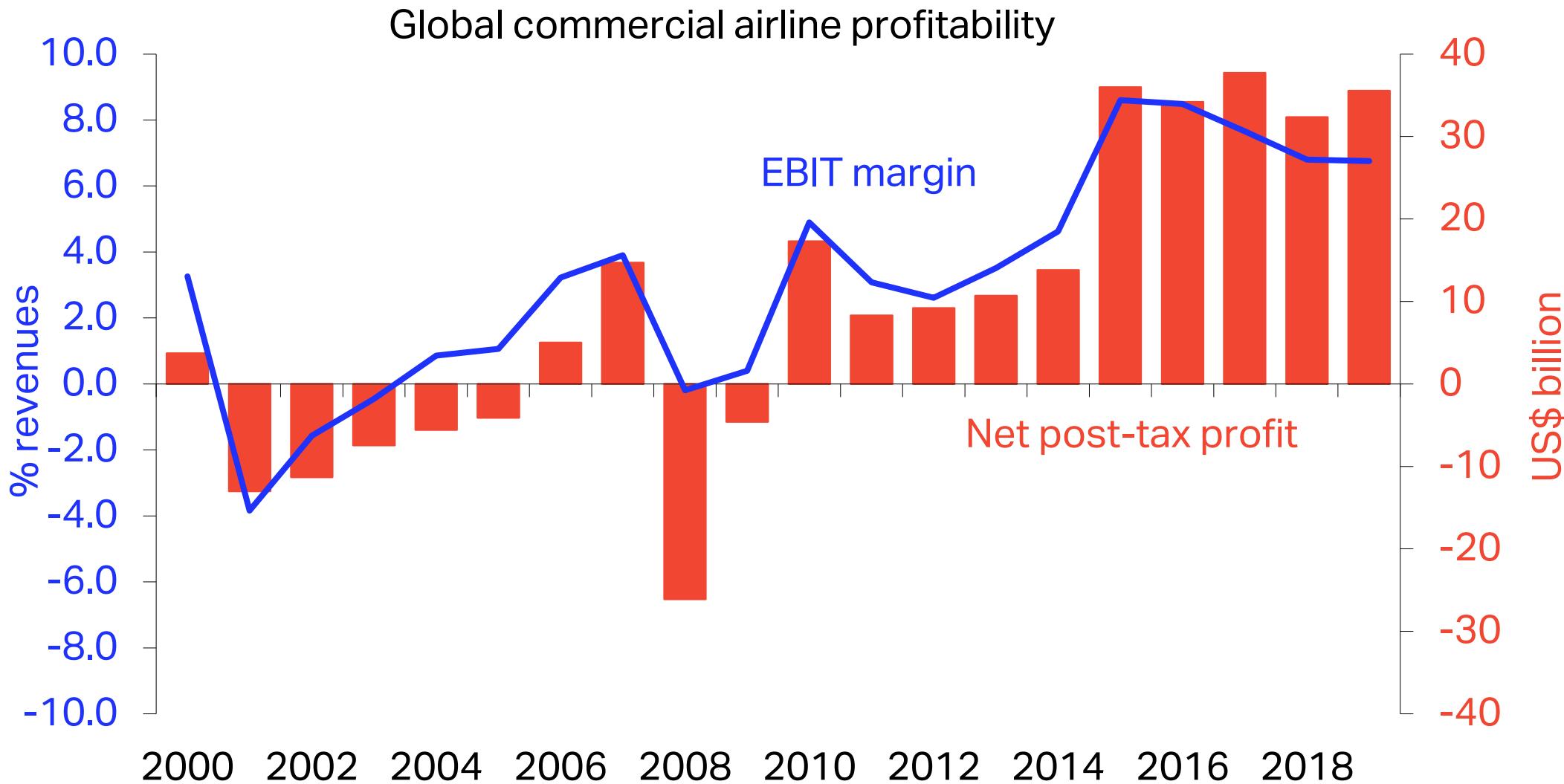
# Breakeven stabilizing and asset utilization rising



# Airlines' return on capital should stabilize in 2019

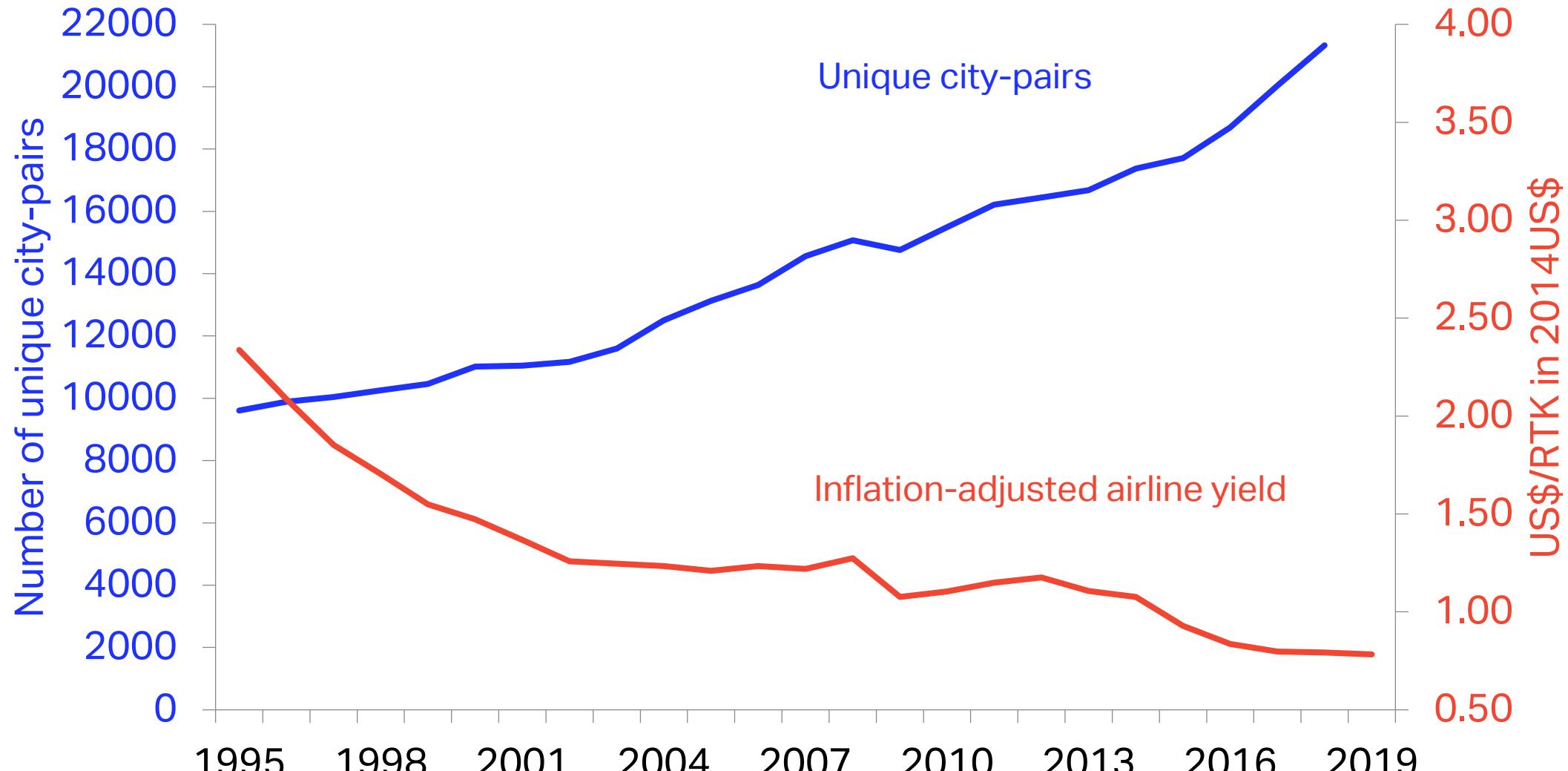


# Stable margins and 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year of profit

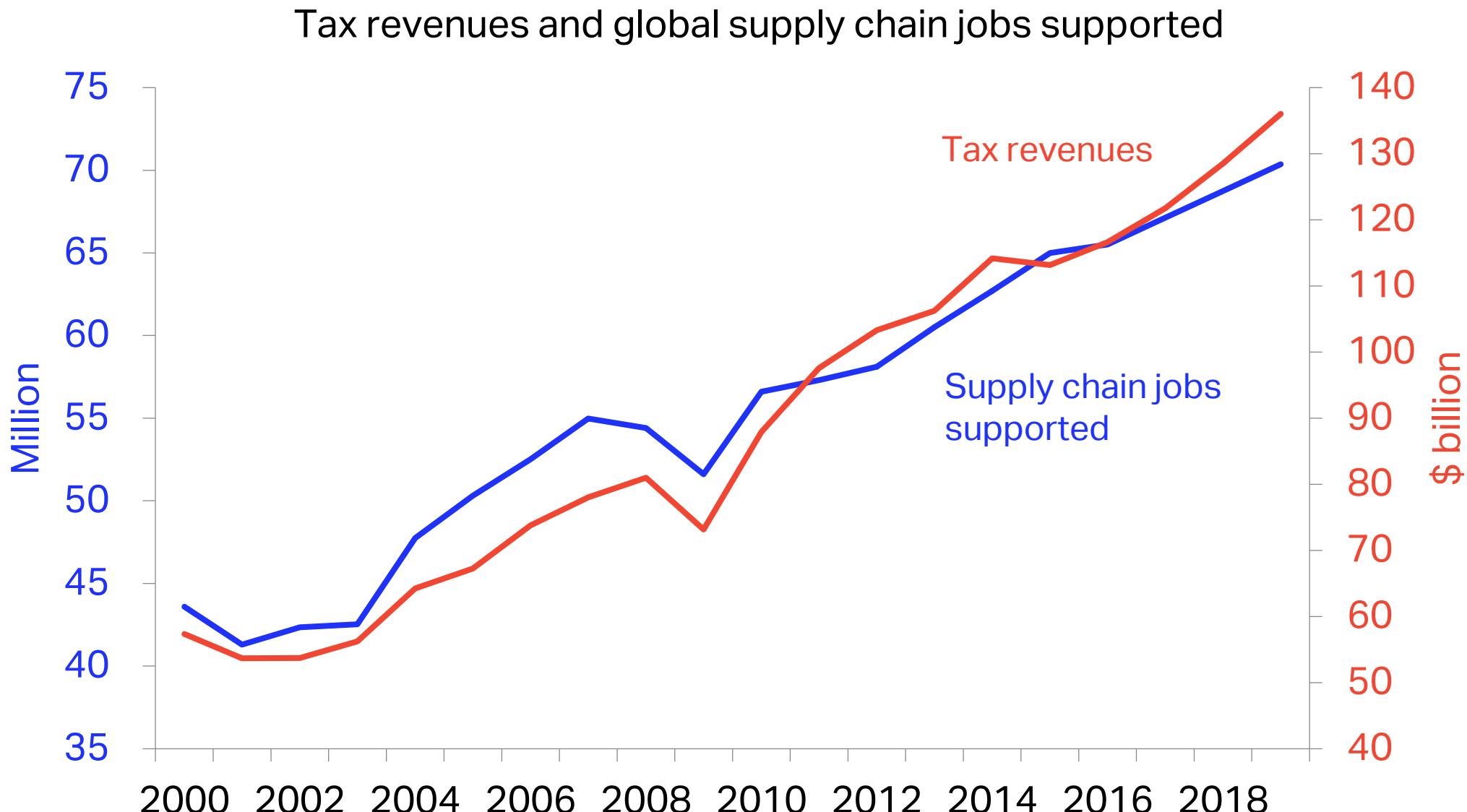


# Increasing value for consumers and businesses

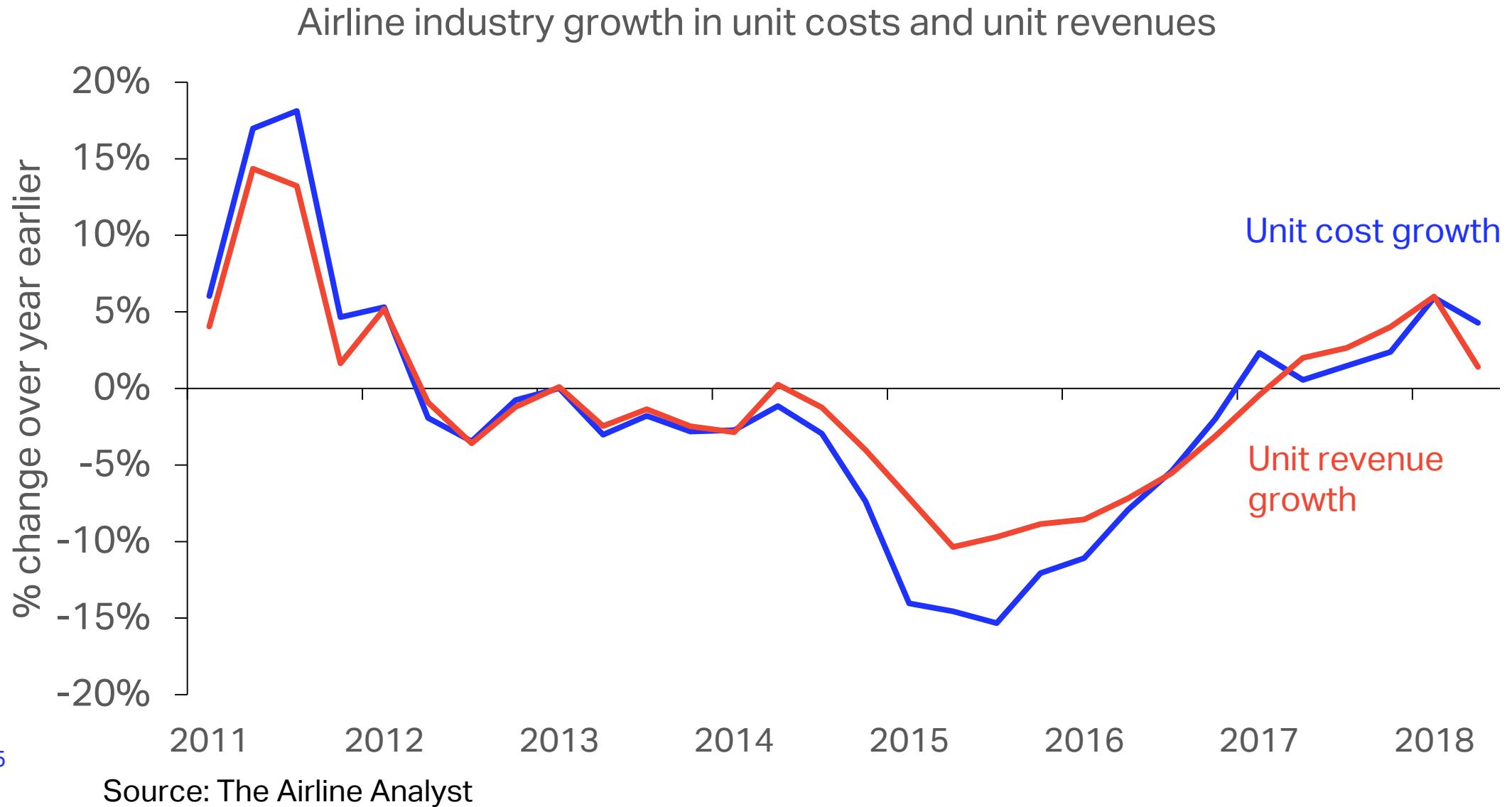
Unique city-pairs and real transport costs



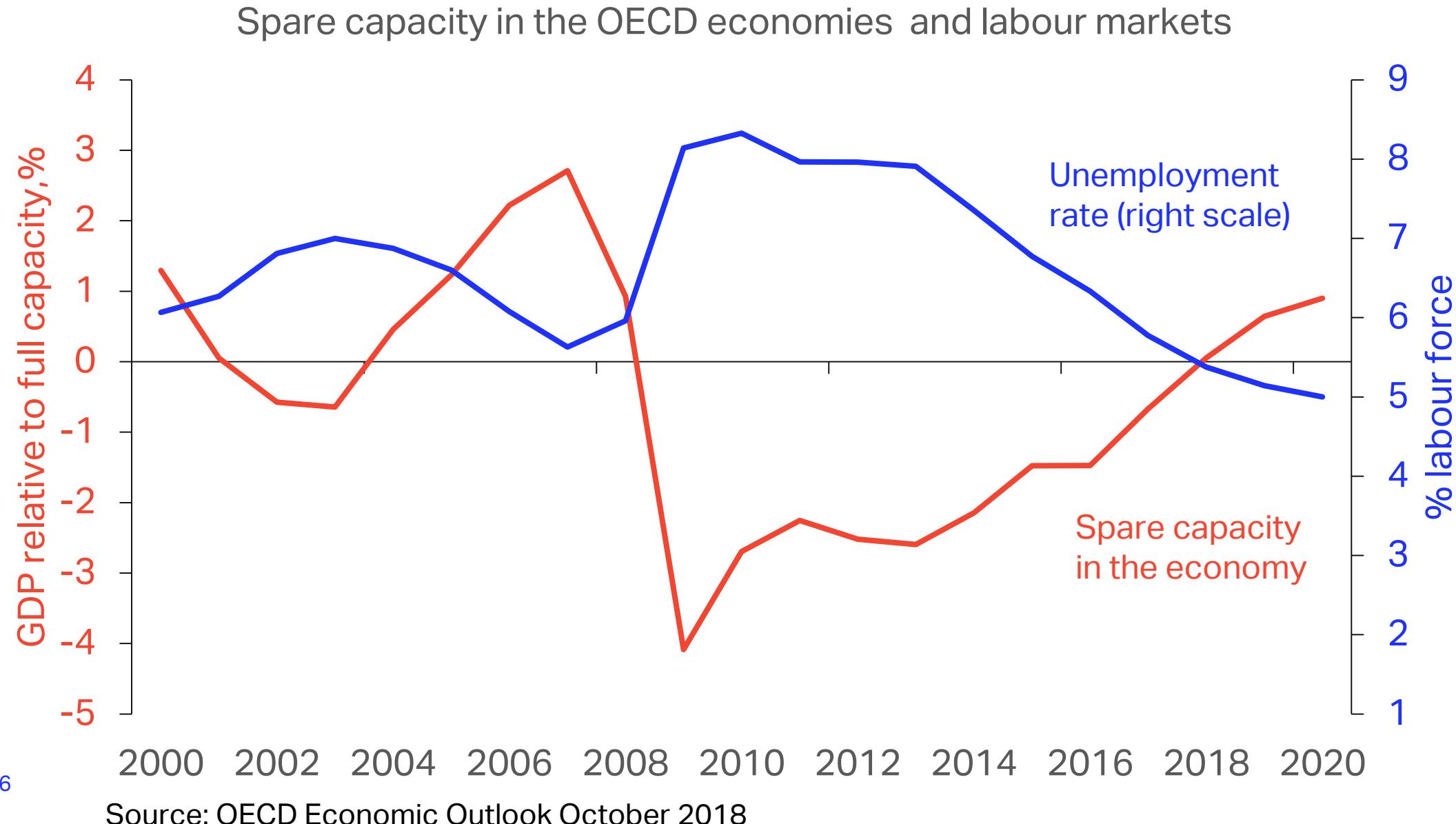
# More revenues for governments and more jobs



# However, rising non-fuel costs are a challenge

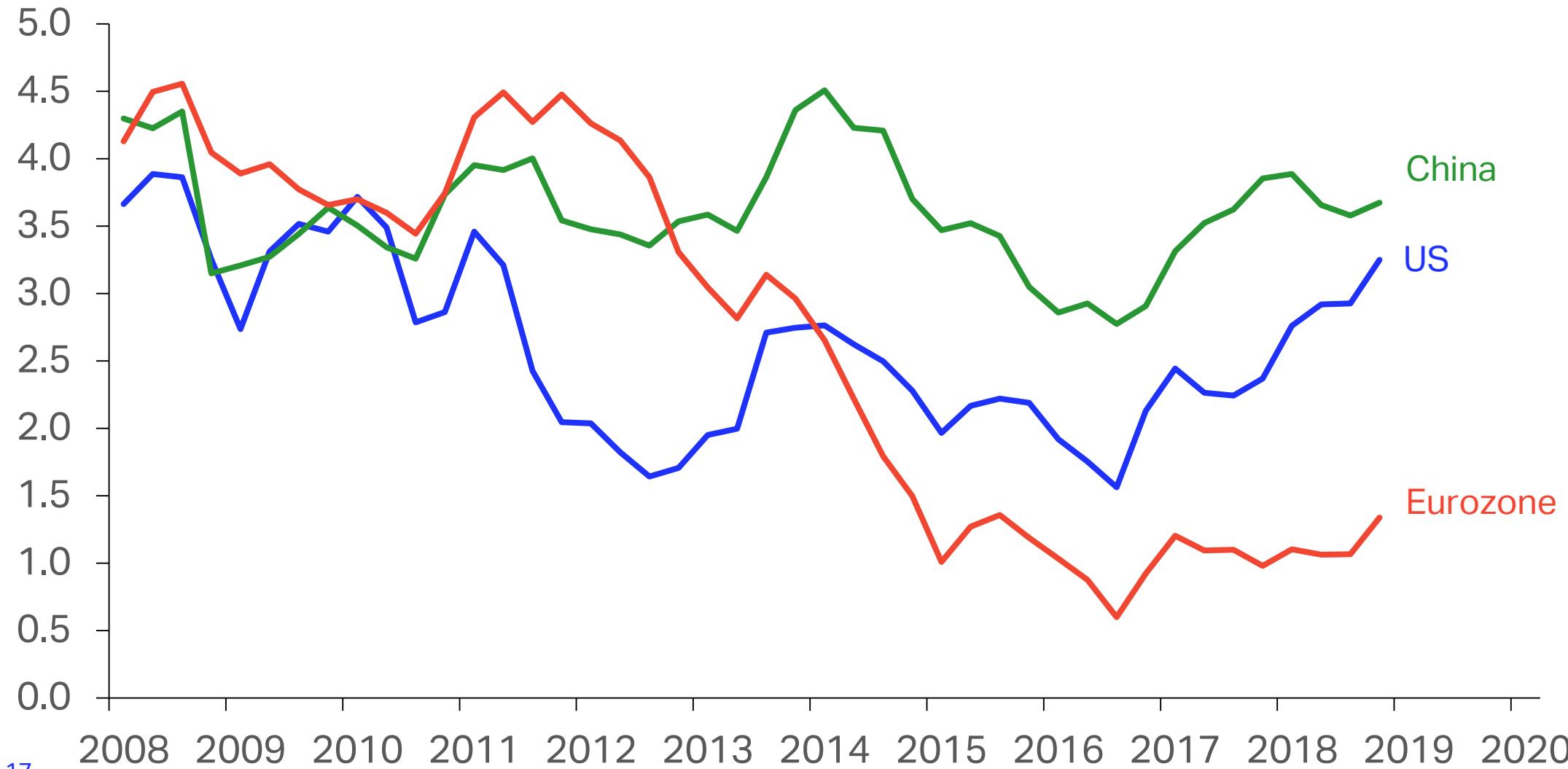


# It will take a recession to stop cost pressures rising

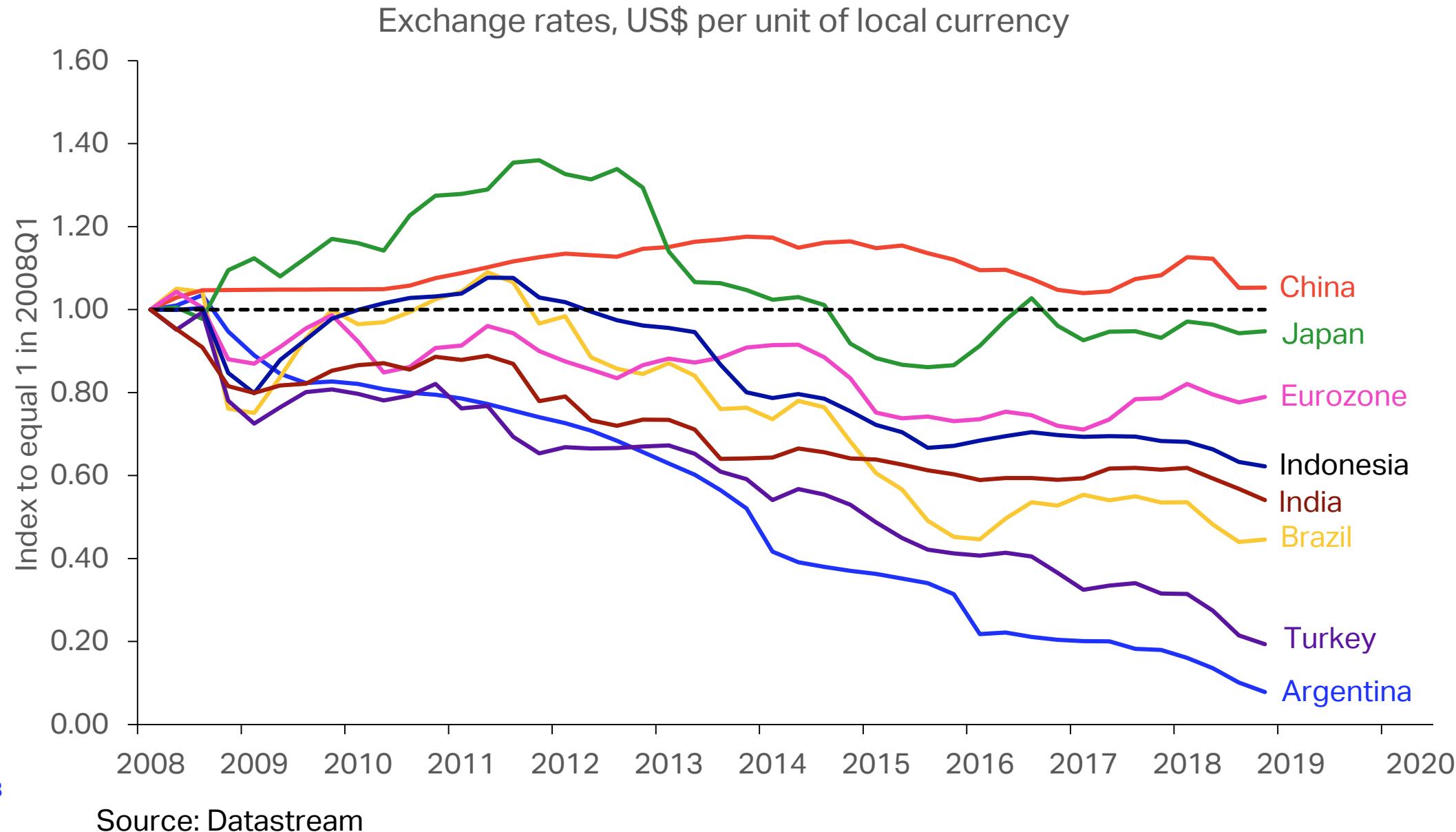


# Interest rates will be pushed higher

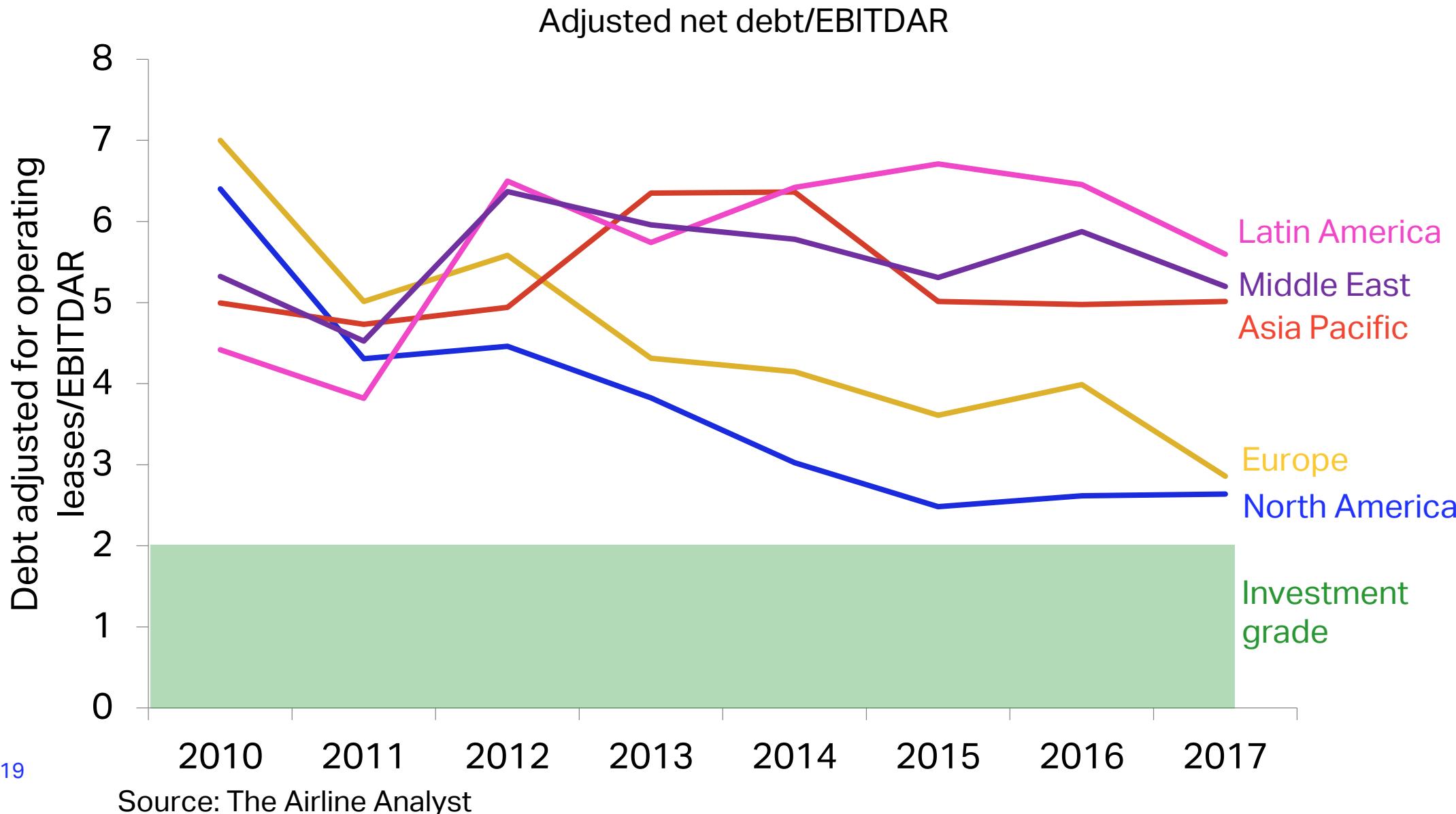
10 year government bond yields, %



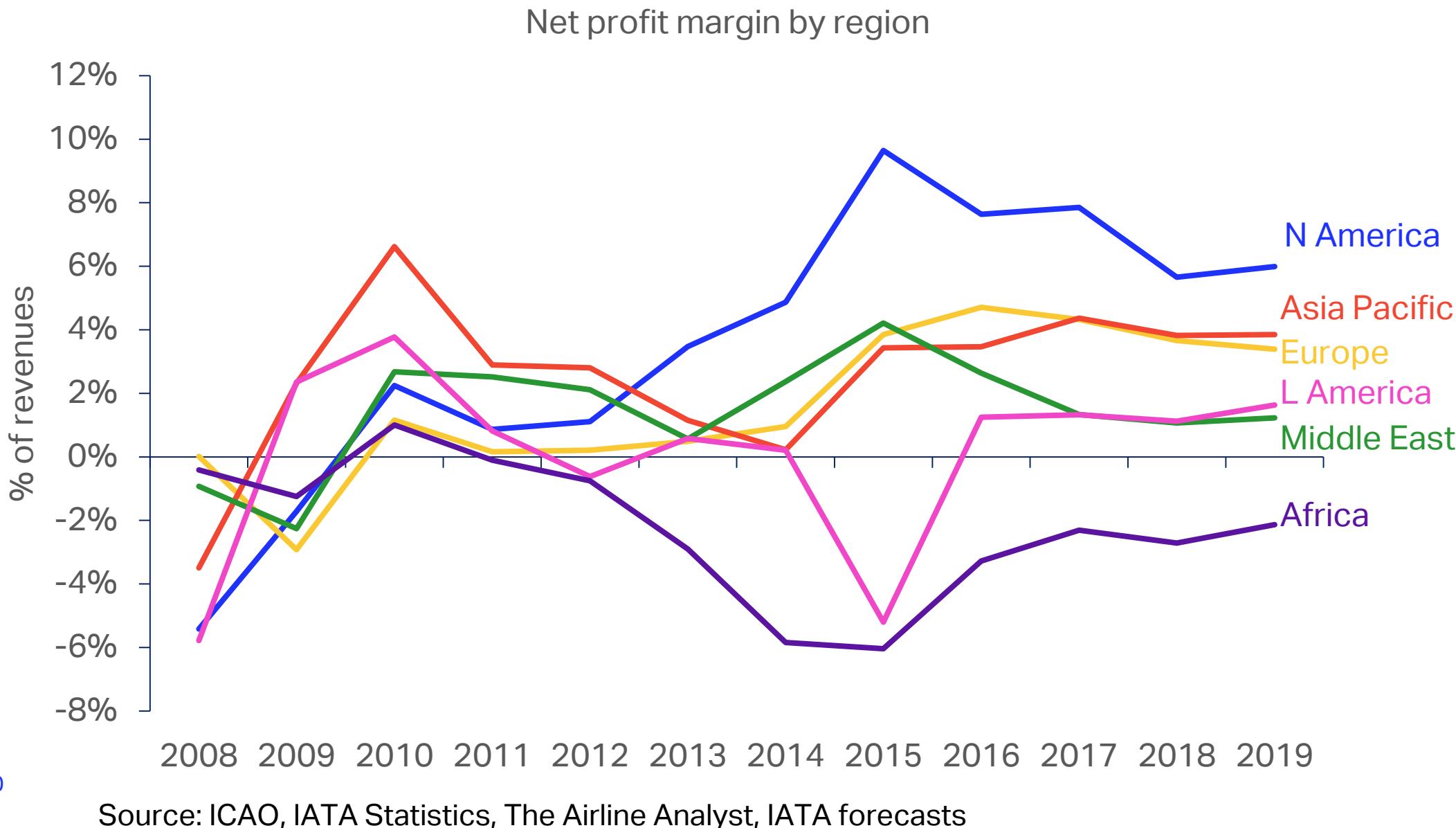
# Problems from a strong US\$ likely to continue



# Debt remains an issue for airlines in some regions



# Performance will continue to diverge by region



# Thank you

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