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Risks For Frontier Economies

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Debt Burdens of Rated HIPC-Recipient Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) Sovereigns

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## Comparison of SSA Debt Burdens at HIPC Decision Point vs. 2017

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<th>Issuer</th>
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<td>Nearest year-end</td>
<td>Net GG debt / GDP (%)</td>
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<td>Burkina Faso</td>
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*Note: *![Deterioration since December 2014 †Congo, D.R. decision point was in July 2003, but rounded down to earlier year-end (to better reflect higher pre-relief net GG debt/GDP)](https://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g10/) [†Greater than or approximately equal to HIPC Decision Point (rounded to nearest year-end).]
Debt Structure of Rated HIPC-Recipient SSA Sovereigns

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Rating History of HIPC-Recipient SSA Sovereigns

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Sovereign Ratings: Latin America and the Caribbean

Chile A+/AA-
Curacao A-/A-
Aruba BBB+/BBB+
Mexico BBB+/A-
Peru BBB+/A-
Trinidad & Tobago BBB+/BBB+
Turks and Caicos BBB+/BBB+
Panama BBB/BBB
Uruguay BBB/BBB
Colombia BBB-/BBB
Montserrat BBB-/BBB-
Bahamas BB+/BB+
Bolivia BB-/BB-
Paraguay BB/BB
Brazil BB-/BB-
Costa Rica BB-/BB-
Dominican Republic BB-/BB-
Guatemala BB-/BB
Honduras BB-/BB-
Argentina B+/B+ [CWN]
Jamaica B/B
Nicaragua B/B
Suriname B/B
Belize B-/B-
Ecuador B-/B-
El Salvador CCC+/CCC+
Venezuela SD/CCC-
Barbados SD/SD

Outlook/CreditWatch: Stable, Positive, Negative

Source: Ratings as of October 23, 2018 as published on S&P Global’s Global Credit Portal.
Debt Burdens of Rated HIPC-Recipient Latin American Sovereigns *

*Honduras, Nicaragua
Debt Burdens of Three Non-HIPC Latin American ‘B’-rated Sovereigns*

*Argentina, Belize, Ecuador
Average Rating For HIPC and these B-rated LATAM Sovereigns*

*Argentina, Belize, Ecuador, Honduras, Nicaragua
Global Sovereign Ratings Trends

Sovereign Foreign Currency Rating Upgrades And Downgrades

Number of sovereigns

Global Sovereign Ratings Outlook Balance

Number of sovereigns

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Outlook Balance Across Regions

Sovereign Outlook Balance Across Regions

Total positive outlooks and CreditWatch placements minus total negative outlooks and CreditWatch placements

Europe Asia-Pacific Latin America Middle East, CIS, and Africa

Dec-13 Dec-14 Dec-15 Dec-16 Dec-17 Sep-18

European Union (EU)

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2018 Outlooks and Upgrades/Downgrades

Advanced vs. Emerging Market Rating Actions (Jan. - Sept. 2018)*

Rating Actions by Region (Jan. - Sept. 2018)

* Country classification is based on UN groupings of “developed,” “developing,” and “transition” economies
Thank you!

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