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AAPA - Shifting International Trade Routes

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC OUTLOOK & IMPLICATIONS FOR TADE







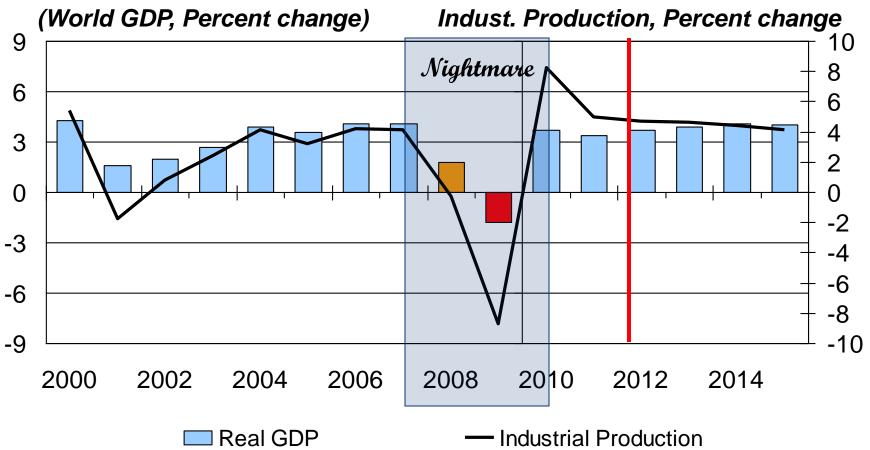


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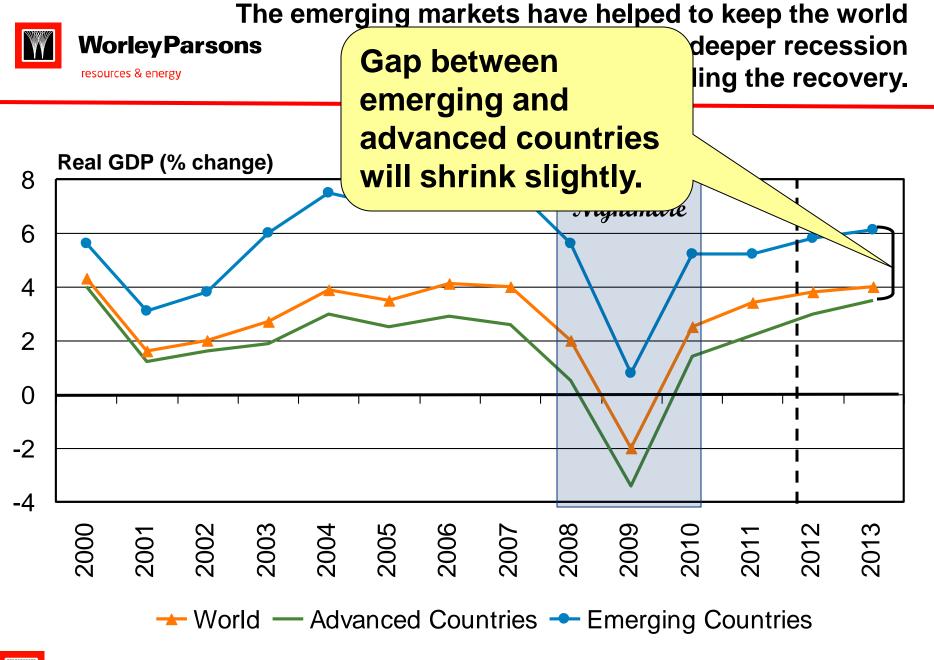
The World Economy is still recovering from the nightmare of 2008-09

Cargo trade demand reflects more volatile industrial production

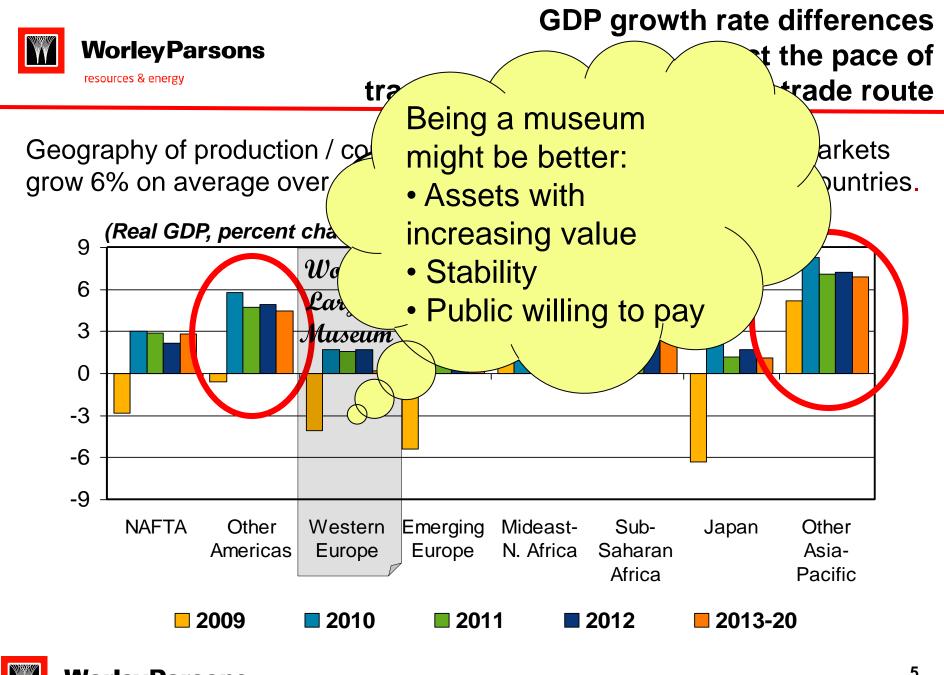




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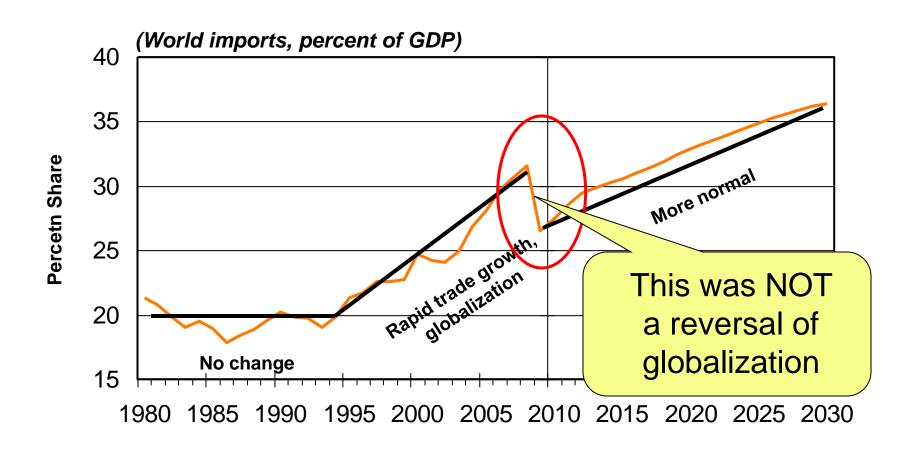






World trade's share of the economy grows again after a temporary decline

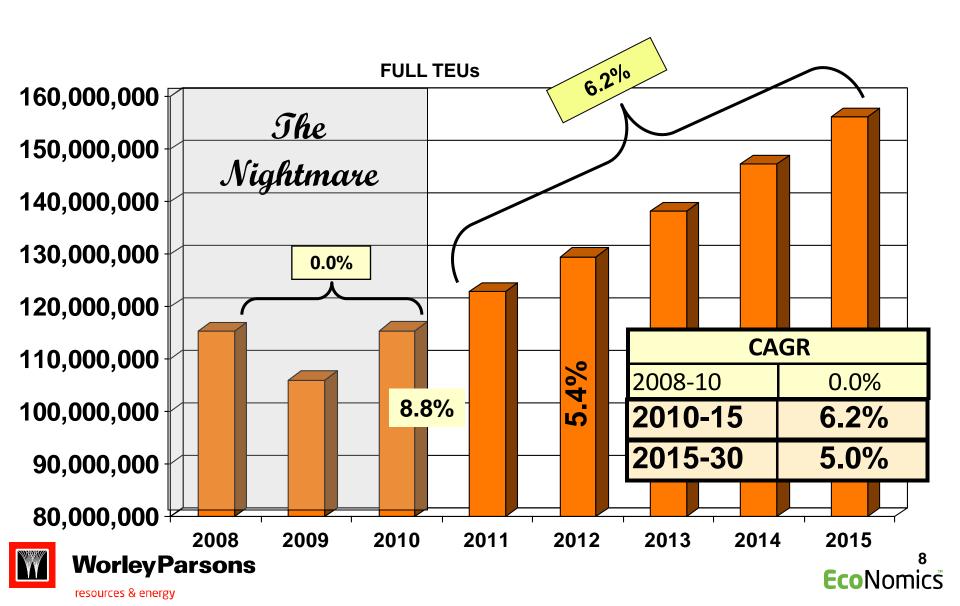
Globalization trend is long-term and has not reversed or stopped







World TEUs now exceed the 2008 numbers. However, the years of double digit growth ('03, '04, '06) are not to be seen again.







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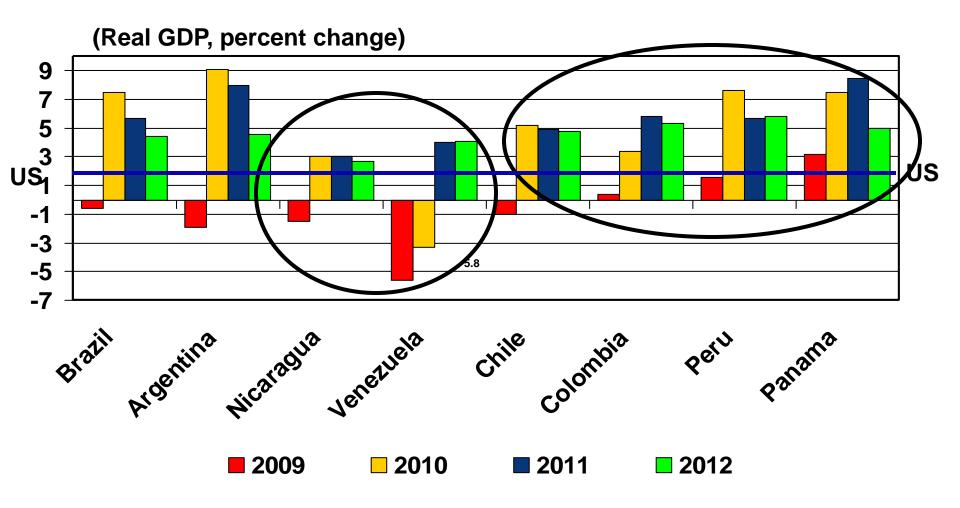


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In Latin America, most countries are expected to have solid economic growth in 2012.



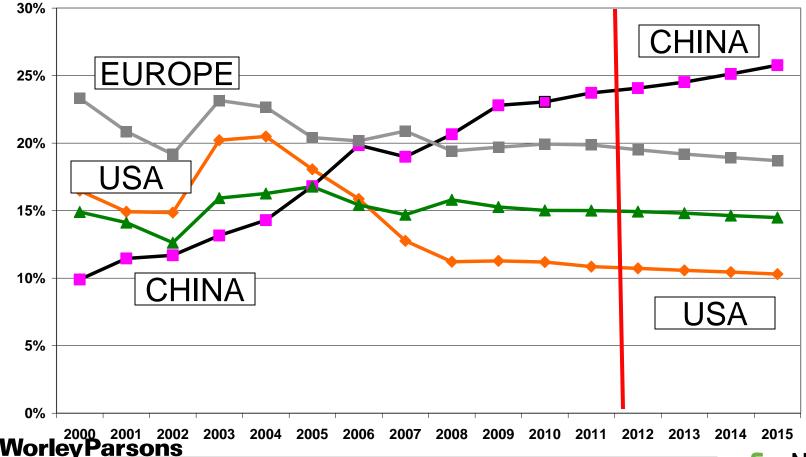




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Some Latin American countries' trade is dominated by China. MEXICO Mexico Trade Partner Shares

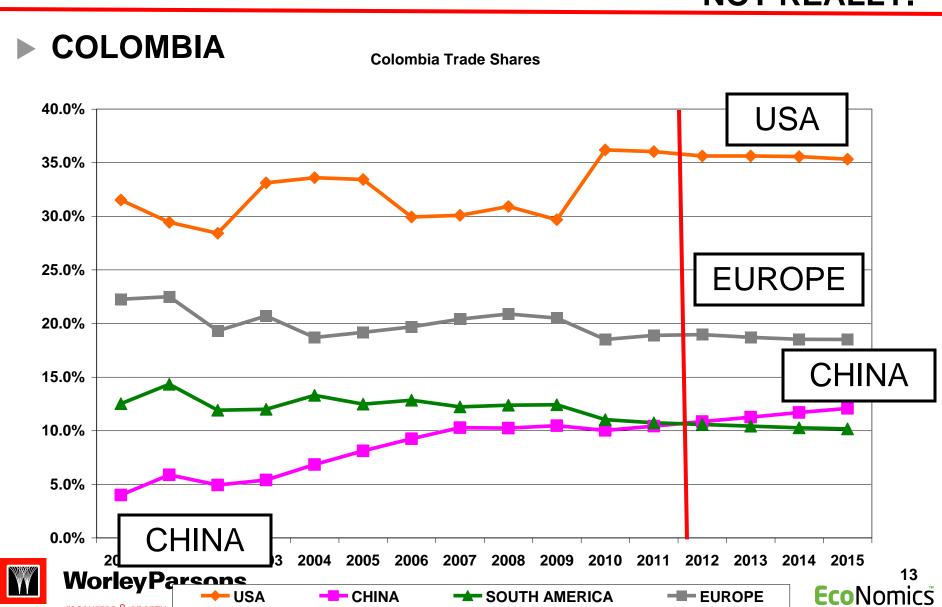






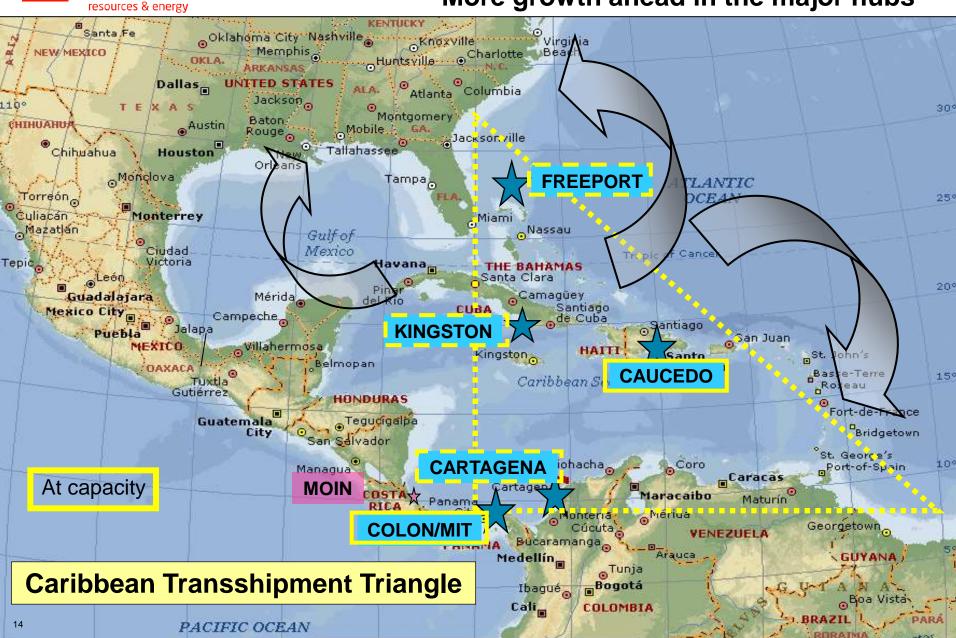
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Is China taking over? NOT REALLY.





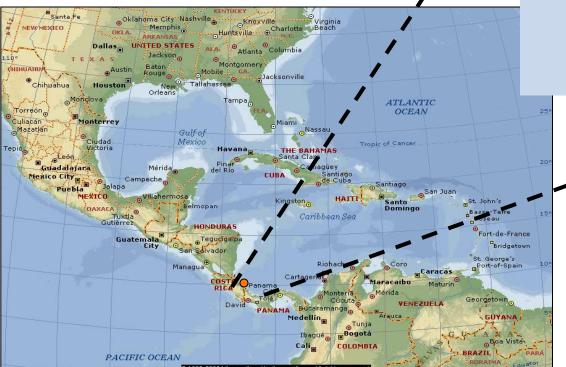
Transshipment in the Caribbean More growth ahead in the major hubs





Moín – Limón, Costa Rica

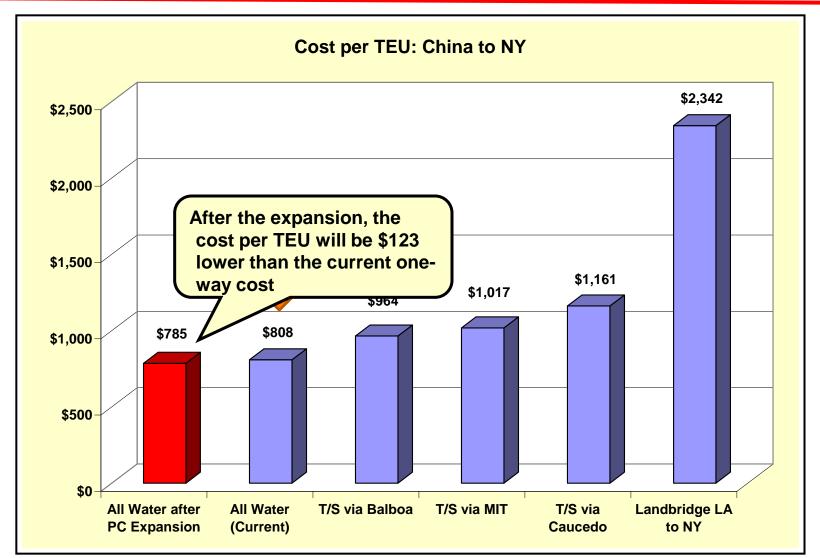
- \$992 million by APM Terminals
- Designed for 100% domestic cargo only – but transshipment is possible
- ► Concession signed in August, 2011⁄2
- 1.2M TEU in Year 1
- It's all about productivity







For Asia-USEC, the All-Water route is still the cheapest. Even with transshipment the All-Water cost is still comparatively cheap.





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For a typical Asia-USEC voyage, shifting to an 8000 TEU vessel expands the market reach of the USEC ports.

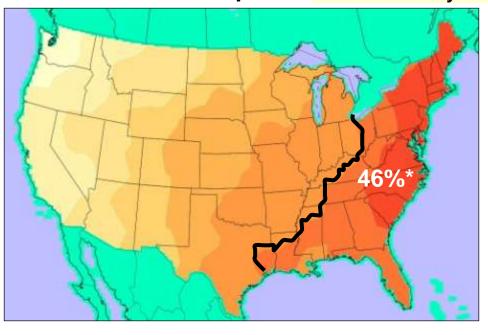
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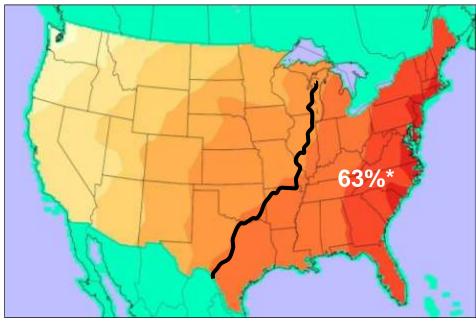
4000 TEU ship

Assumptions
\$400/MT bunker
Canal tolls based on new 2011 rates
Ship charter rates, Dec 2010
Inland move by rail

2015

8000 TEU ship







Canal Advantage























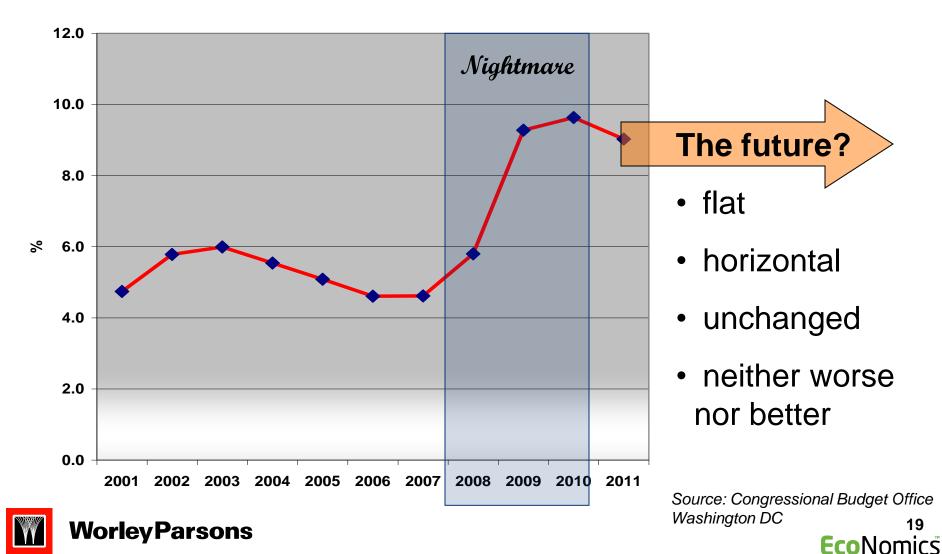
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Economic outlook for U.S.

US Unemployment Rate





Unemployment is not THE problem.

- ▶ Unemployment is a <u>symptom</u>
 - Consumer fear
 - Investment fear
 - U.S. Government gridlock
 - Main street, Wall Street, and K Street: uncertainty
 - Weak savings
 - Improving exports, but not enough







CONCLUSIONS

- North American import growth will be sluggish in 2012
- Stronger trade growth is with the emerging markets
- After 2012, things should be more "normal", heading into the Canal expansion opening (December 2014)
- Transshipment will grow, as a necessity getting ready!

