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Bank less

State of the Economy

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US

1890

1892

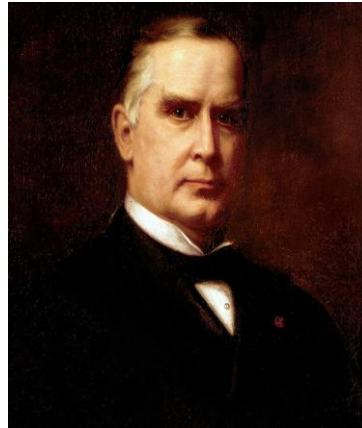
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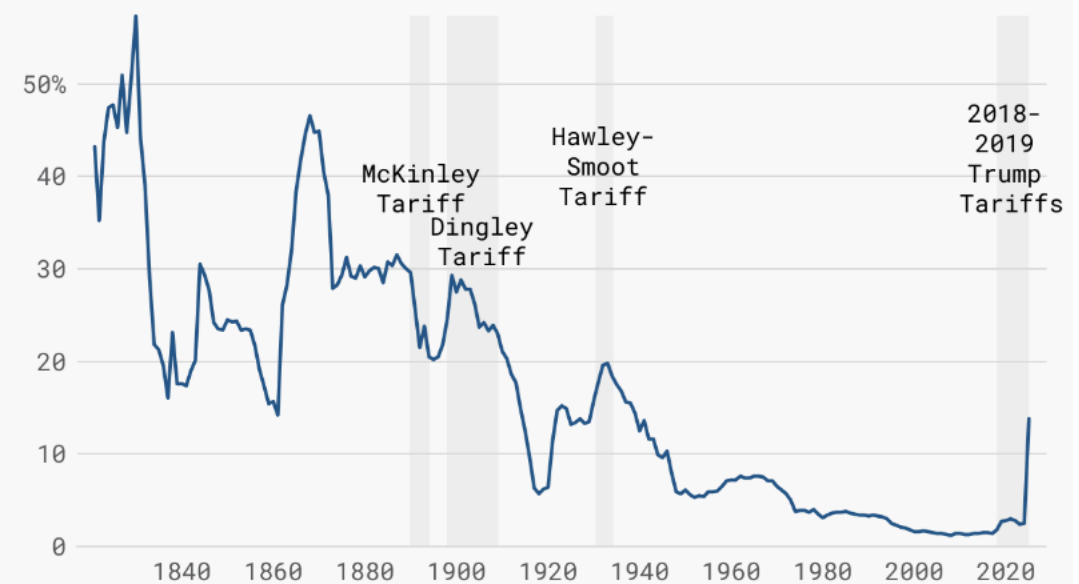
From Mckinley to Trump

Resonance from history



Average Tariff Rate on All Imports, Historical Rates from 1821-2023, Projected Rate for 2024, Estimated Rate for 2025 Under Trump's Proposals

— Average Rate on All Imports



Note: Tariff revenue estimate uses an elasticity of -0.997, tax-inclusive rates, and a noncompliance rate of 8 percent.

Source: US Census Bureau, *Historical Statistics of the United States: Colonial Times to 1970*, Part II; US International Trade Commission, "U.S. imports for consumption, duties collected, and ratio of duties to values, 1891-2023, (Table 1)"; Tax Foundation calculations.

US

Forcing other countries to appreciate their currencies or stop using the USD will open a massive can of economic and financial worms

Four inconsistencies of Trump's model

Brewing macro risks

Can't have the following simultaneously:

- Immigration tightening and a lower cost of living
- Tax cuts and lower fiscal deficit
- Tariffs and competitiveness
- Weaker USD and lower interest rates

Europe

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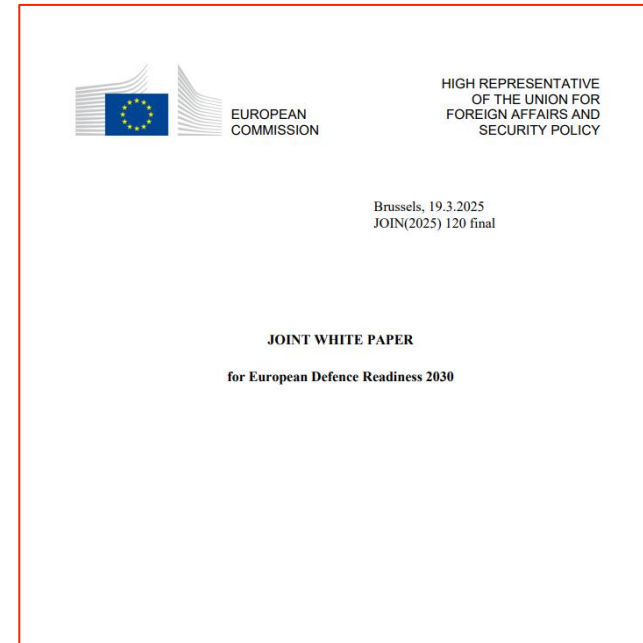
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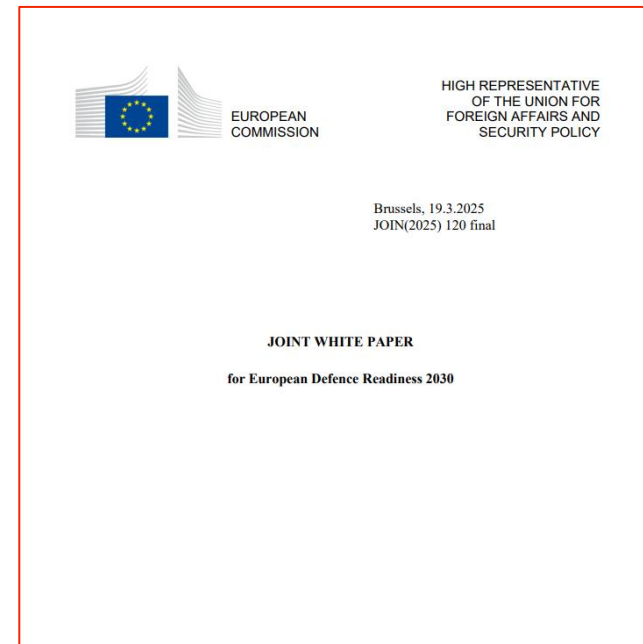
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German spending bill:
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Germany's upper house clears historic defence spending bill



China

Animal spirits

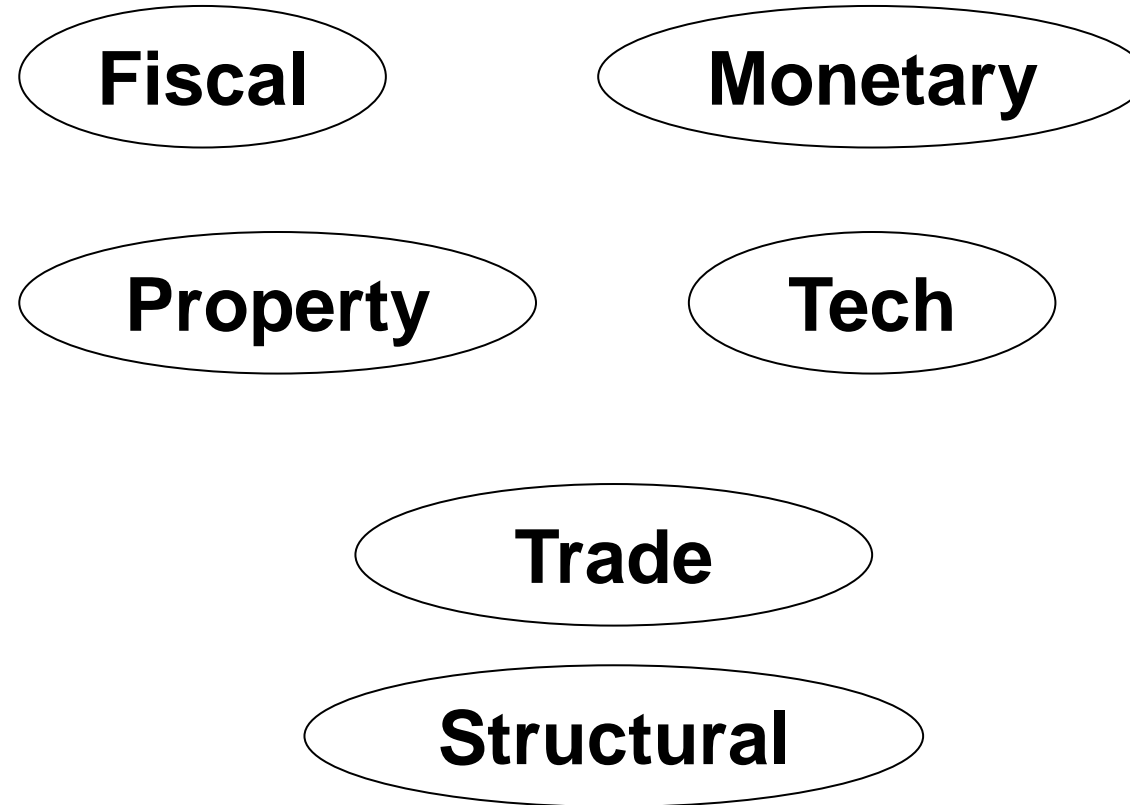
Great power rivalry

Aging

Role in the Global South

A trough?

Clear signs of a shift toward pro-growth, pro-market model



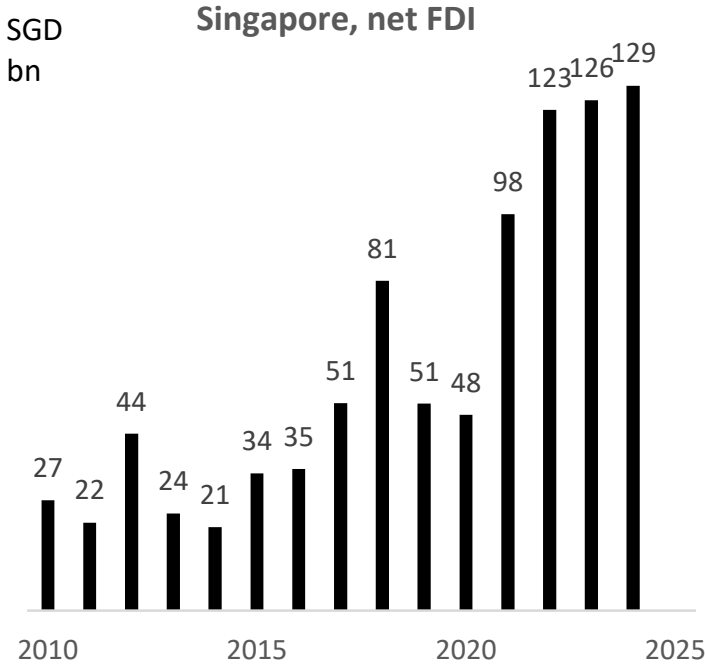
Singapore

A golden age of investment

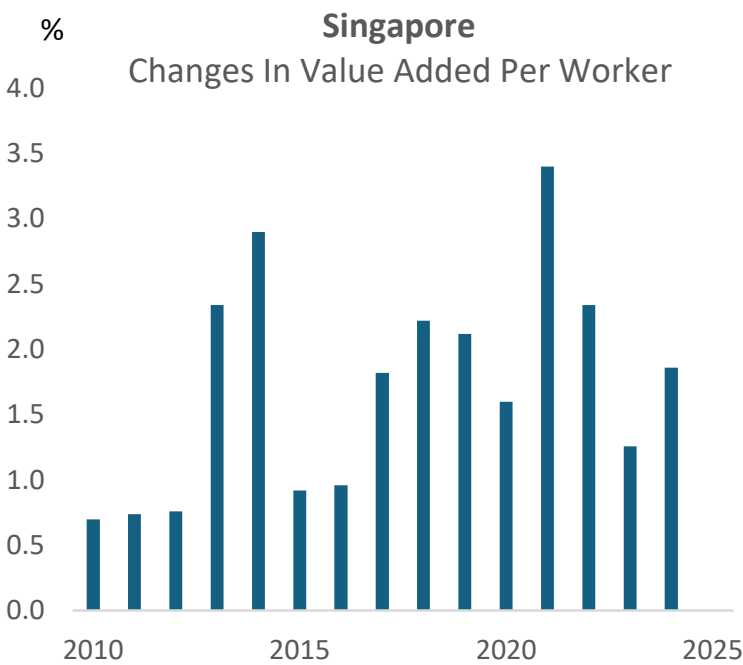
Threats to the financial hub status

Protecting prosperity

Can the great run continue?



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