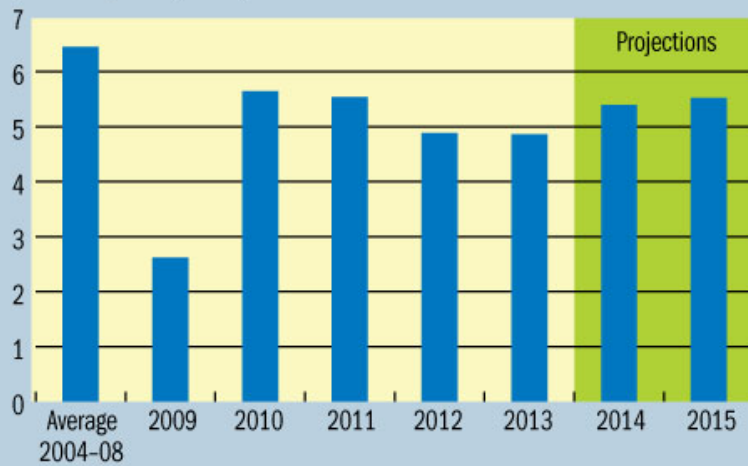


Chart 1

Strong health

Sub-Saharan Africa can sustain its recent growth momentum if countries extend the past decade's dexterous economic management.

(real GDP growth, percent)



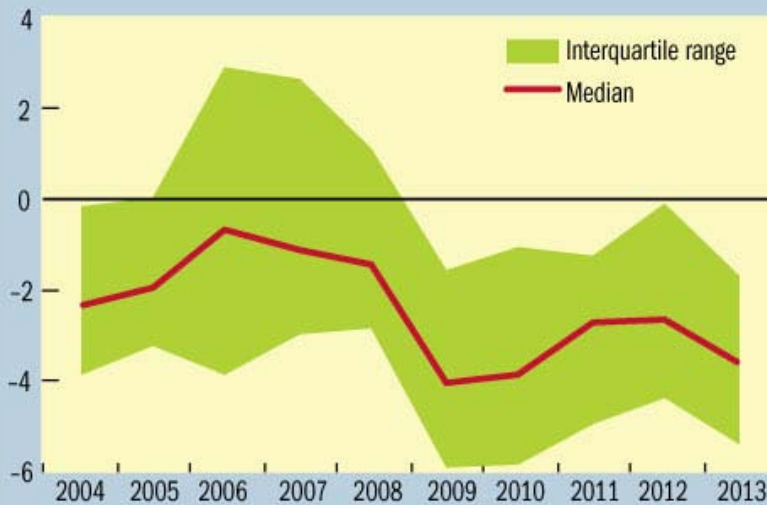
Sources: IMF, World Economic Outlook database; and IMF staff projections.

Chart 2

Percentage problem

Five years after the worst effects of the global financial crisis, and with growth doing well, many sub-Saharan African countries still have relatively high fiscal deficits.

(overall fiscal balance, percent of GDP)



Sources: IMF, World Economic Outlook database; and IMF staff projections.

Chart 3

Kept in check

Overall debt levels have been stable in sub-Saharan Africa over the past five years, restrained by relatively high GDP growth rates.

(public debt, percent of GDP)



Source: IMF, World Economic Outlook database.