

Rand weakness: The drivers and potential outcomes

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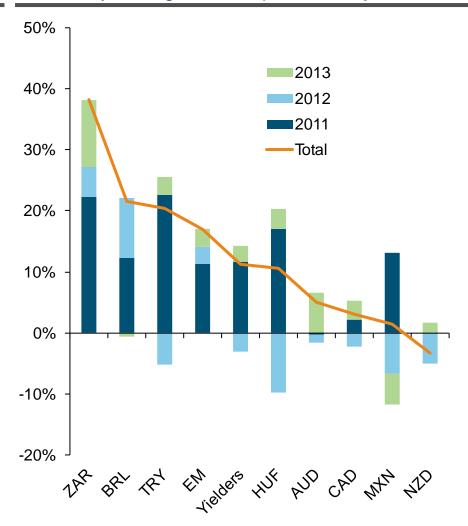
Rand underperformance



USD/ZAR and other high-yielding currencies

Index (Jan-08 = 100)140 weakness -ZAR High-yielding currencies 130 120 strength 100 90 2011 2012 2010 2013

Currency changes in the past three years

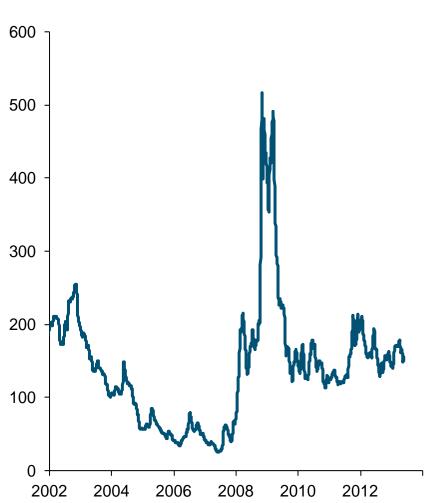


It's only the rand that is struggling

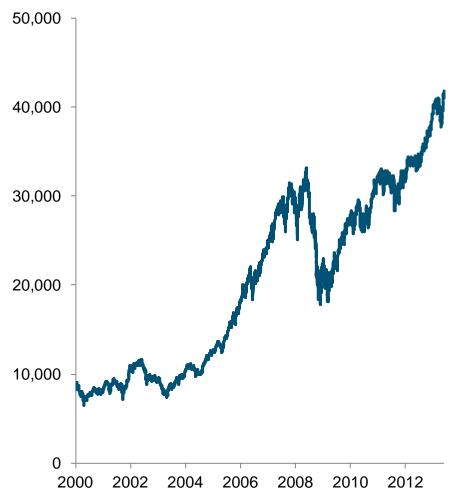








JSE All Share index

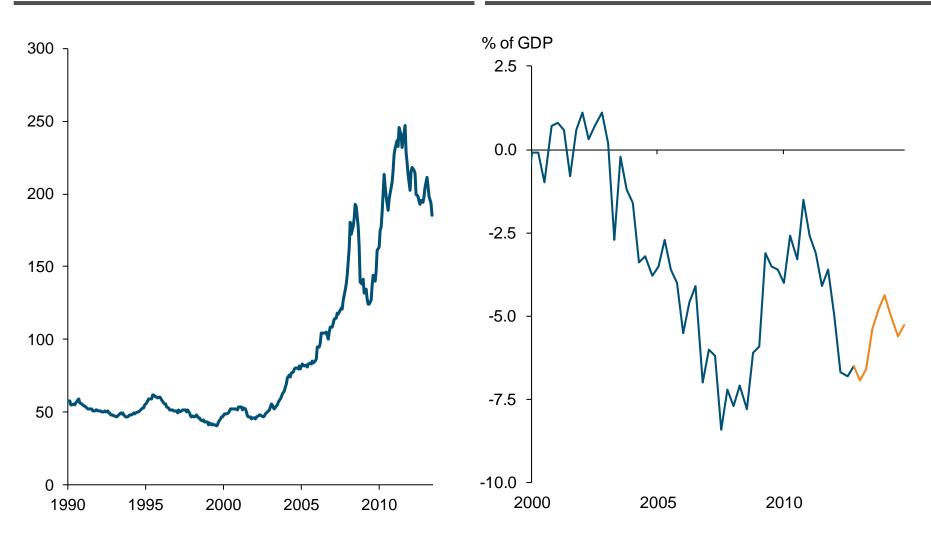


Two structural negatives



Commodity export price index

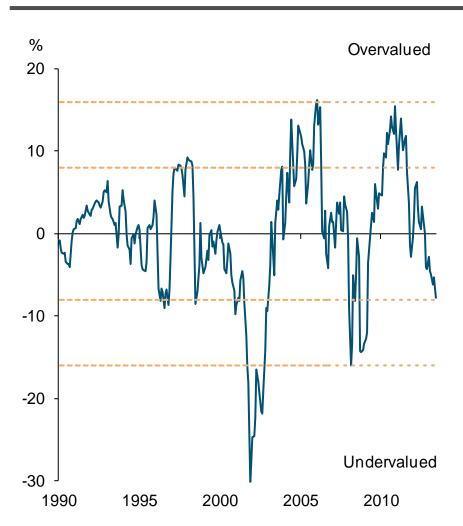
The current account deficit



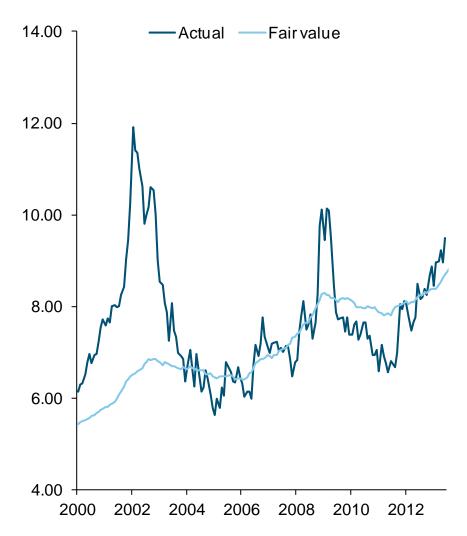
How weak is the rand really?



NEER: Deviations from fair value



USD/ZAR and fair value

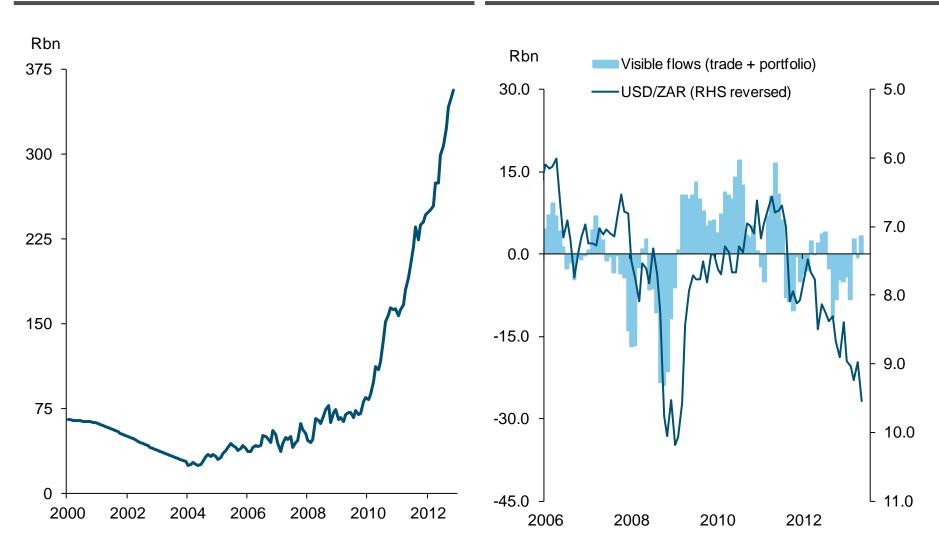


How the flows stack up



Foreign holdings of local bonds

Net visible flows

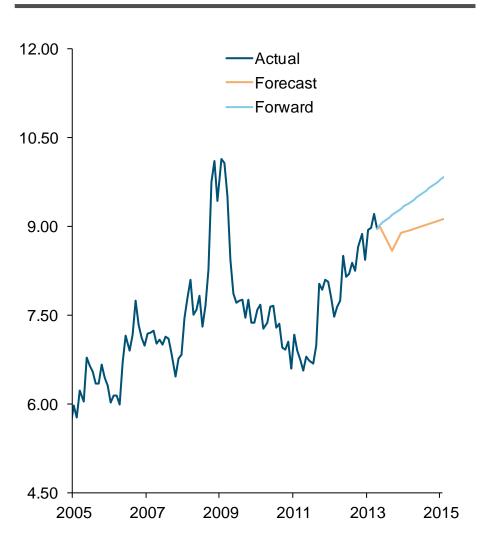


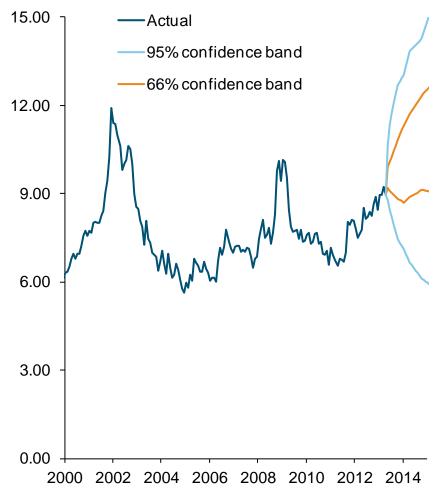
Rand scenarios



Our official forecast

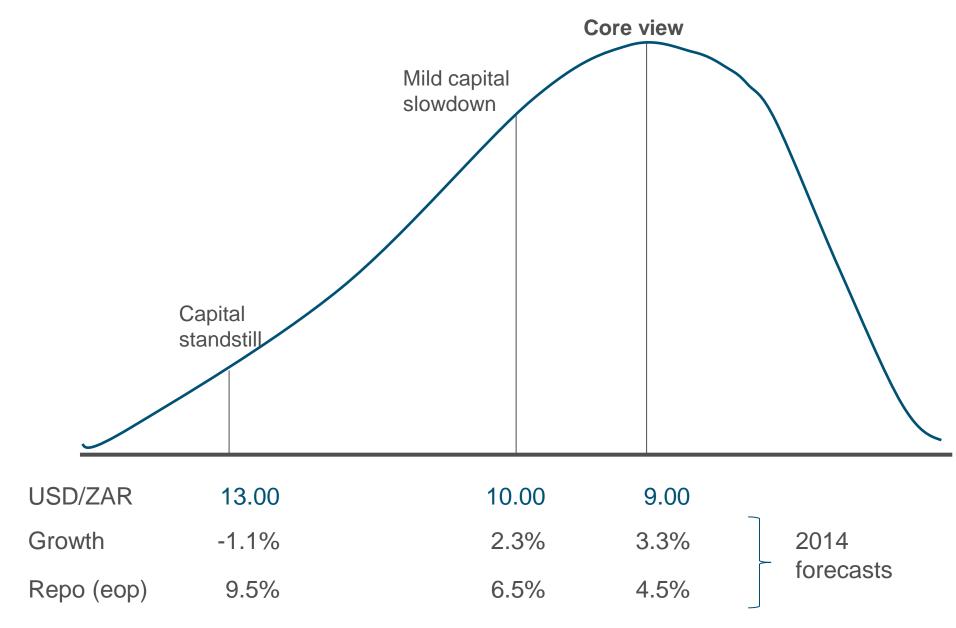
USD/ZAR and probability bands





The probability distribution and implications





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