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## The use and effectiveness of macroprudential policies: New evidence

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### ABSTRACT

Using a recent IMF survey and expanding on previous studies, we document the use of macroprudential policies for 119 countries over the 2000–2013 period, covering many instruments. Emerging economies use macroprudential policies most frequently; especially foreign exchange related ones while advanced countries use borrower-based policies more. Usage is generally associated with lower growth in credit, notably in household credit. Effects are less in financially more developed and open economies, however, and usage comes with greater cross-border borrowing, suggesting some avoidance. And while macroprudential policies can help manage financial cycles, they work less well in busts.

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### 1. Introduction

Macroprudential policies – such as caps on loan to value and debt to income ratios, limits on credit growth and other balance sheet restrictions, (countercyclical) capital and reserve requirements and surcharges, and Pigouvian levies – have become part of the policy paradigm in emerging markets and advanced countries alike. The fundamental rationales behind such policies, although not always clearly articulated, arise from key externalities and

market failures associated with activities of financial intermediaries and markets that can lead to excessive procyclicality and the buildup of systemic risk, resulting in financial crises and worse economic outcomes. While procyclicality and systemic risks can arise from many factors, including aggregate shocks to economic fundamentals (e.g., commodity price shocks) and deficiencies in microprudential and monetary policy, risks can remain that need to be addressed by macroprudential policies, even when the conduct of policies is adequate. Conversely, even though macroprudential policies can mitigate financial or business cycles or discipline large financial institutions, only externalities or market failures justify a macroprudential approach.

While the precise sources of externalities operating through the financial system, and the corresponding appropriate macroprudential policies remain to be determined, most analyses (e.g., Brunnermeier et al., 2009; De Nicolò et al., 2012), classify the known externalities as follows: First, those related to strategic complementarities, i.e., that arise from the strategic interactions of banks and other financial institutions and agents, and which cause the build-up of vulnerabilities during the expansionary phase of a financial cycle; second, those related to fire sales and credit crunches, i.e., that arise from a generalized sell-off of assets causing a decline in asset prices, a deterioration of balance sheets of intermediaries and investors, and a drying up of financing, especially

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during the contractionary phase of a financial (and business) cycle; and third, those related to interconnectedness, caused by the propagation of shocks from systemic institutions or through financial markets or networks (“contagion”).

Many macroprudential tools have been proposed, and some have been used even before the recent crisis, to address these various externalities. The toolkit available includes existing microprudential and other regulatory tools, taxes and levies, and new instruments. Most tools considered to date apply to the banking system, mainly given the presence of microprudential tools more easily adaptable to macroprudential objectives and the related more extensive theory and knowledge of these tools. While tools can be grouped in many ways, one typical form is a five-way split: (a) quantitative restrictions on borrowers, instruments or activities; (b) capital and provisioning requirements; (c) other quantitative restrictions on financial institutions’ balance sheets; (d) taxation/levies on activities or balance sheet composition; and (e) other, more institutional-oriented measures, such as accounting changes, changes to compensation, etc. The first four measures are meant to capture variation across time, institutions, or states, while the fifth group contains more structural measures.<sup>2</sup> Except for the first group, which aims to capture demand for financing, all can be seen as affecting the supply side of financing. Correspondingly, a commonly used two-way classification of measures is borrower- or lender-oriented tools.

While macroprudential policies are being increasingly used, notably so since the global crisis (which also led to many other reforms of financial policies and institutions),<sup>3</sup> information on what policies are actually used across a large set of countries and over a longer period of time is still quite limited. And related, relatively few analyses exist on what policies are most effective in reducing procyclicality in financial markets and associated systemic risks.<sup>4</sup> This paper aims to fill these two gaps.

We first describe the usage of a large number of macroprudential policies, 12 to be precise, for a large, diverse sample of 119 countries over the 2000–2013 period. And second, we study the relationships between the use of these policies and developments in credit and housing markets, with a view to analyzing the effectiveness of these policies in managing credit and financial cycles. This database and related research are made possible by a recent survey of country authorities conducted by the International Monetary Fund. The survey includes detailed information on the timing and use of different macroprudential policies and to the best of our knowledge, is the most comprehensive database on macroprudential policies to date. This is the first paper to process and document the results of this new survey, as well as systematically analyze them.

We document that macroprudential policies are used more frequently in emerging economies, with foreign exchange related policies especially used more intensively in these economies. Borrower-based policies (such as caps on loan to value (LTV) and debt to income (DTI) ratios) are used relatively more in advanced countries, especially recently. And almost all countries use some policies to reduce systemic risks arising from intra-financial system vulnerabilities, including from dominant banks and interconnections among banks. Using panel regression, we find that some of these macroprudential policies are associated with reductions

in the growth rates in (real) credit and house prices. Specifically, borrower-based policies, such as limits on LTVs and DTIs, and financial institutions-based policies, such as limits on leverage and dynamic provisioning, appear to be especially effective. And policies seem more effective when growth rates of credit are very high, but they provide less supportive impact in busts.

We find evidence of weaker associations between macroprudential policies and credit developments in financially more open economies and those economies that have deeper and presumably more sophisticated financial systems, suggesting some evasion. We also show that the usage of macroprudential policies is associated with relatively greater cross-border borrowing, again suggesting countries face issues of avoidance, which they may be able to limit through adapting their financial sector regulations and adopting capital flow management tools.

Our work builds on the growing literature on the links between macroprudential policies and financial stability. This literature falls into two groups.<sup>5</sup> The first group includes cross-country studies that consider the link between macroprudential policies and credit growth and other financial indicators, albeit generally in smaller samples than we do. One of the first such studies was [Lim et al. \(2011\)](#). They analyze the links between macroprudential policies and developments in credit and leverage. They find evidence suggesting that the presence of policies such as LTV and DTI limits, ceilings on credit growth, reserve requirements (RR), and dynamic provisioning rules are associated with reductions in the procyclicality of credit and leverage. [IMF \(2013b\)](#) investigates, also in a cross-country context, how (changes in) policies affect financial vulnerabilities (credit growth, house prices, and portfolio capital inflows) and the real economy (output growth and sectoral allocation), considering also whether effects are symmetric between tightening and loosening. It finds that both (time-varying) capital requirements and RRs are significantly negatively associated with credit growth and LTV limits and capital requirements are strongly associated with lower house price appreciation rates, and reserve requirements are associated with a reduction in portfolio inflows in emerging markets with floating exchange rates. It finds that LTVs appear to impact overall output growth, but no other policies do so.

Other cross-country studies focus on the relationships between macroprudential policies and risks of a financial crisis and developments in banks and international financing. [Dell’Ariccia et al. \(2012\)](#) find that macroprudential policies can reduce the incidence of general credit booms and decrease the probability that booms end up badly. Macroprudential policies reduce the risk of a bust, while simultaneously reducing how the rest of the economy is affected by troubles in the financial system. [Claessens et al. \(2013\)](#) investigate how changes in balance sheets of individual banks in 48 countries over 2000–2010 respond to specific policies. They find that measures aimed at borrower’s LTV and DTI caps, and credit growth and foreign currency lending limits are effective in reducing the growth in bank’s leverage, asset and noncore to core liabilities growth. While countercyclical buffers also help mitigate increases in bank leverage and assets, few policies help stop declines in adverse times.

[Zhang and Zoli \(2014\)](#) review the use of key macroprudential instruments and capital flow measures in 13 Asian economies and 33 other economies since 2000 and study their effects. Their analysis suggests that measures helped curb housing price growth, equity flows, credit growth, and bank leverage, with loan-to-value ratio caps, housing tax measures, and foreign currency-related measures having the most effect. [Bruno et al. \(2015\)](#) investigate, also for 12 Asia-Pacific countries, how macroprudential policies

<sup>2</sup> Other dimensions of relevance include whether tools are meant to be broad based vs. more targeted and rules-based vs. more discretionary.

<sup>3</sup> [Claessens and Kodres \(2015\)](#) review financial reforms in general; see [FSB \(2014\)](#) for policy makers’ assessment.

<sup>4</sup> Related, the analytical foundations of macroprudential policies are still to be defined more precisely (see [Hanson et al., 2011](#); [De Nicolò et al., 2012](#); [Freixas et al., 2015](#), for further analyses and discussions).

<sup>5</sup> For other reviews, see [Bank of England \(2009\)](#), [CGFS \(2012\)](#), [England Central Bank \(2012\)](#), [IMF \(2013a,b\)](#), [ESRB \(2014\)](#), [Galati and Moessner \(2011\)](#), [Galati and Moessner \(2014\)](#) and [Claessens \(2015\)](#).

and capital flow management policies relate to financial outcomes. They find that banking sector and bond market capital flow management policies are effective in slowing down bank and bond inflows respectively. They also find some evidences suggesting that macroprudential policies are more successful when they complement monetary policy by reinforcing monetary tightening than when they act in opposite directions.

Also using the data from the IMF survey as one of their main sources, [Akinci and Olmstead-Rumsey \(2015\)](#) analyze macroprudential policies in 57 advanced and emerging economies covering the period from 2000 Q1 to 2013 Q4, with tightening and easing recorded separately for 7 macroprudential tools. They find tightening is associated with lower bank credit growth, housing credit growth, and house price inflation, as well as more targeted policies to be more effective, and complementary roles for capital inflow restrictions targeting the banking sector in emerging economies. Using the macroprudential dataset constructed in our paper and some other data, [Aysan et al. \(2015\)](#) focus on 18 emerging markets and 6 macroprudential tools. They find borrower-based measures to be effective in reducing credit growth, and financial institutions-based measures to help reduce the impact of capital flows on domestic credit, with special roles for foreign exchange related measures. They also find lags of 2–3 quarters in effectiveness of policies, a greater impact on more pronounced financial cycles, and some evidence of complementarities among tools. Using the annual data for 12 macroprudential tools from our paper and a sample of up to 74 countries, [Cizel et al. \(2015\)](#) find that policies induce some substitution from bank to non-bank credit, especially, in advanced countries. And they find that quantity-based measures have stronger effects than price-based measures do, but also lead to more substitution to non-bank credit in advanced economies.<sup>6</sup>

Some cross-country studies focus specifically on developments in real estate markets. [Crowe et al. \(2011\)](#) and [Cerutti et al. \(2015b\)](#) find that policies such as maximum LTV have the best chance to curb a real estate boom. Similarly, [International Monetary Fund \(2011\)](#) finds LTV tools to be effective in reducing price shocks and containing feedback between asset prices and credit. [Kuttner and Shim \(2013\)](#), using data from 57 countries spanning more than three decades, investigate whether nine non-interest rate policy tools, including macroprudential instruments, help in stabilizing house prices and housing credit. Using panel regressions, they find that housing credit growth is significantly affected by changes in the maximum debt-service-to-income (DSTI) ratio, maximum LTVs, limits on exposure to the housing sector, and housing-related taxes. But the DSTI ratio limit only significantly affects housing credit growth when they use mean group and panel event study methods. And, of the policies considered, only a change in housing-related taxes impacts house price appreciation (see also [Vandenbussche et al., 2015](#)).

These and other cross-country studies are complemented by a second group of papers using micro-level evidence, mostly based on the use of only one or a few macroprudential policies. [Jiménez et al. \(2012\)](#), using micro-level data, find for Spain that dynamic provisioning can be useful in taming credit supply cycles, even though it did not suffice to stop the boom (see also [Saurina, 2009](#)). More importantly, during bad times, dynamic provisioning helps smooth the downturn, upholding firm credit availability and performance during recessions. Using sectoral data, [Igan and Kang \(2011\)](#) find LTV and DTI limits to moderate mortgage credit growth

in Korea. And macroprudential policies targeted at real estate borrowing appear to reduce real estate cycles in Hong Kong ([Wong et al., 2011](#)). [Camors and Peydro \(2014\)](#) investigate the effects of a large and unexpected increase in RR in Uruguay in 2008 using detailed, bank-firm matched data. Their evidence suggests some ambiguous results. On the one hand, credit growth declines on aggregate, but on the other hand more risky firms get more credit. They also document that larger and possibly more systemic banks are less affected.<sup>7</sup> [Aiyar et al. \(2014a\)](#), using bank-level information in the UK over the period 1998–2007, show that bank-specific higher capital requirements dampened lending by banks in the UK, with strong aggregate effects. A case study analyzing house prices for Israel ([IMF, 2014a](#)) suggests that macroprudential measures have effects, but only over the six-month period following adoption, with LTVs more effective than DP and CTC. And while policies reduce somewhat transactions, evidence is limited that they contribute to curb house price inflation. For another case study, Sweden, see [IMF \(2014b\)](#).

Taken together, the empirical evidence on the effectiveness of macroprudential policies in managing credit flows and asset prices is still preliminary. This may be partly driven by differences in sample coverage and underlying policies studies. We contribute to this existing literature by studying the impact of a broad set of macroprudential policies in a large set of 119 countries –also classifying policies between borrowers and lender based policies – and by distinguishing the effects on different segments of credit markets (household versus corporate credit) as well as house prices. The fact that our paper covers a much larger set of countries and policies, which we see as a clear benefit of our study, could explain some of the differences in our results and those obtained in some of this earlier work.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. Section 2 describes the way the data were collected. It documents the (relative) use of the various macroprudential policies over time, also differentiating by groups of countries, both by income levels and degree of de-facto capital account openness. Section 3 includes our empirical analysis, including a description of the methodology and data sources used for our dependent and control variables, and a review of the various robustness tests conducted. Section 4 concludes.

## 2. Data

This section describes the data we use and reviews the use of macroprudential policies over time and across countries.

### 2.1. Database on macroprudential policies

Information on the actual use of macroprudential policies has been limited, in part because (the use of) tools are not always clearly identified (some countries have adopted more explicit macroprudential frameworks, but most have not yet). Some data have been collected earlier for a smaller set of 42 countries by the IMF (see [Lim et al., 2011](#)). The macroprudential data used in this paper come from a more recent and more comprehensive IMF survey, called Global Macroprudential Policy Instruments (GMPI) – carried out by the IMF's Monetary and Capital Department during 2013–2014 (see Annex 1 and online Appendix for further details on the data and corresponding questionnaire). The survey was conducted by IMF staff and responses were received directly from country authorities. Using this database, we cross-check responses with the earlier 2011 survey, for which responses were cross-checked for quality

<sup>6</sup> Another recent user of the IMF survey is [Cerutti et al. \(2015a\)](#) which put together a quarterly dataset, covering the period 2000Q1 to 2014Q4 for 62 countries, and measuring the intensity in the use of prudential instruments (including general capital requirements through the implementation of the successive Basel accords in each country).

<sup>7</sup> Note that reserve requirements can also fulfill monetary policy functions (see further [Cordella et al. \(2014\)](#) on the role of reserve requirements for macroprudential objectives).

with IMF country economists and, if needed, were clarified further with country authorities. In addition, we cross-checked responses in this database with other surveys (e.g., Kuttner and Shim, 2013 and Crowe et al., 2011) and material published by country authorities to further ensure a high quality dataset.

The GMPI survey is very detailed and covers 18 different instruments, of which we focus on 12 specific instruments: General Countercyclical Capital Buffer/Requirement (CTC); Leverage Ratio for banks (LEV); Time-Varying/Dynamic Loan-Loss Provisioning (DP); Loan-to-Value Ratio (LTV); Debt-to-Income Ratio (DTI); Limits on Domestic Currency Loans (CG); Limits on Foreign Currency Loans (FC); Reserve Requirement Ratios (RR); and Levy/Tax on Financial Institutions (TAX); Capital Surcharges on SIFIs (SIFI); Limits on Interbank Exposures (INTER); and Concentration Limits (CONC).<sup>8</sup> In addition to using these, we define LTV\_CAP as the subset of LTV measures used as a strict cap on new loans, as opposed to a loose guideline or merely an announcement of risk weights; and RR\_REV as the subset of RR measures that impose a specific wedge on foreign currency deposits or are adjusted countercyclically.

We aggregate these measures along the following two categories (for somewhat similar classifications, see Bank of England, 2011; Schoenmaker and Wierts, 2011; CGFS, 2010; International Monetary Fund, 2011; European Systemic Risk Board, 2014): those aimed at borrowers' leverage and financial positions (LTV\_CAP and DTI ratios) and those aimed at financial institutions' assets or liabilities (DP, CTC, LEV, SIFI, INTER, CONC, FC, RR\_REV, CG, and TAX). To consider the possible complementarity of, or substitution between, using the two borrower-oriented measures we also create a borrower union index, which is 1 if LTV\_CAP or DTI is used and 0 otherwise, and a borrower intersection index which is 1 if LTV\_CAP and DTI is used and 0 otherwise. We create an overall macroprudential index (MPI) which is just the simple sum of the scores on all 12 policies.

Instruments are each coded for the period they were actually in place, i.e., from the date that they were introduced until the day that they were discontinued (if this occurred during our sample period). Given our objective of analyzing as broad a set of countries and instruments as possible in this paper, we do not attempt to capture the intensity of the measures and any changes in intensity over time. Moreover, attaching a value to the degree of intensity of a particular measure unavoidably involves a certain degree of subjectivity that we want to avoid at this point. The survey data also does not allow for constructing objective measures across various countries and over time denoting whether and when instruments are actually binding. While the level/thresholds of each instrument may change over time, these may not capture the degree to which the instruments are actually binding, again especially hard to measure consistently across a large set of countries. Similarly, without knowing whether instruments bind, it is difficult to code the variations in the use of instruments objectively as a tightening or a loosening. We therefore construct simple binary measures of whether the instruments were in place.

Because of differences in access to information, analytical capacity and independence from political and financial services industry pressures, variations in access to necessary information, and levels of institutional capacity to undertake analyses, some (supervisory) agencies may be better or worse than others. Being more independent and often having a greater remit in terms of monitoring the whole financial system, central banks for example are most often

<sup>8</sup> Due to lack of data and cross-sectional, we do not cover instruments related to questions on Sector Specific Capital Buffer/Requirement, Liquidity Requirements/Buffers, Loan-to-Deposit ratio, Margins/Haircuts on Collateralized Financial Market Transactions, Limits on Open FX Positions or Currency Mismatches, and Other policies (the category Rest).

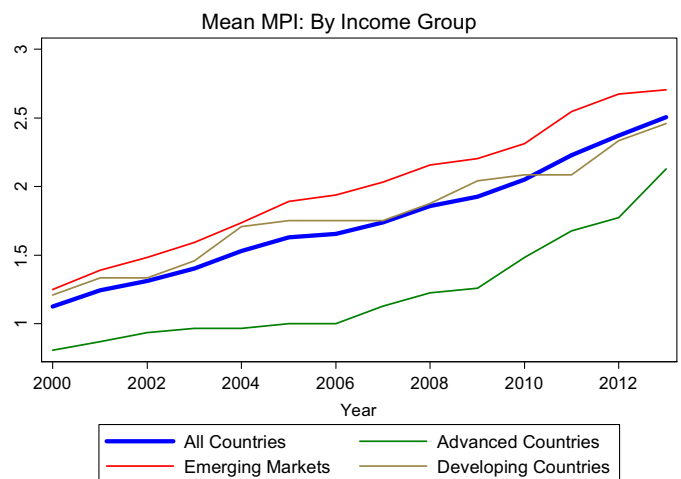


Fig. 1. The Macroprudential policy index by income level.

considered better than other supervisory agencies or some other authority in conducting macroprudential policies.<sup>9</sup> We do know which agency decided on the use of the specific macroprudential tool, but only for the last year of our sample, 2013. We use this information to create an index which is the fraction of macroprudential instruments used that were decided by the central bank in 2013. This can allow one to consider if policies are more effective when determined by the central bank. We create this index also separately for borrower- and bank-based instruments. Table 1a provides a detailed definition of each macroprudential variable and the groupings we use.

## 2.2. Descriptive statistics

Our analysis, consistent with most of the existing literature, is focused on developments in aggregate and sectoral credit growth and house prices growth. These data are obtained from standard sources (see further Table 1b). We use credit to the non-financial sector which is available for almost all the countries for which we have data on their use of macroprudential policies. In terms of sectoral breakdown, we distinguish credit to households and to the corporate sector (non-financial corporation). These data as well as the house price data are available for a smaller set of countries. We deflate credit and house prices using the country's CPI deflator. We also study the degree of reliance on cross-border financing, defined as the share of cross-border claims to total claims to the non-financial sector, which is available for almost all countries.

In the sample, 119 countries – of which 31 are advanced, 64 emerging, and 24 developing – are analyzed over the period 2000–2013.<sup>10</sup> As depicted in Fig. 1, countries generally increased their usage of macroprudential measures over time, starting with an average overall index (MPI) of just above 1 in 2000 and ending at almost 2½ in 2013. Most countries use concentration limits (CONC): in about 75% of the country-year combinations across the 119 countries and 14 years under study is there use of CONC, with

<sup>9</sup> These other authorities include financial stability councils and other such committees, which may include central bank representation. See further Nier et al. (2011) for review of institutional designs.

<sup>10</sup> The GMPI survey covers 131 countries, but only 119 countries provided enough comprehensive submissions for our purposes. In addition, due to lack of some control variables we included only 106 countries in the regression analysis. Countries not included in the regressions belong to different country samples: Argentina, Bosnia, Brunei, Curacao, Kosovo, Timor-Leste, Tonga, United Arab Emirates (all emerging countries), and Bhutan, Cambodia, Dem. Rep. Congo, Haiti, and Sudan (all low-income developing countries).

**Table 1**  
Variable definitions, sources, and country classifications.

Table 1a: 2013 Global macroprudential policy instruments survey		
Instrument/Group	Abbreviation	Definition
<i>Survey instruments (0–1)</i>		
Loan-to-value ratio	LTV	Constrains highly levered mortgage down payments by enforcing or encouraging a limit or by determining regulatory risk weights.
Debt-to-income ratio	DTI	Constrains household indebtedness by enforcing or encouraging a limit.
Time-varying/dynamic loan-loss provisioning	DP	Requires banks to hold more loan-loss provisions during upturns.
General countercyclical capital buffer/requirement	CTC	Requires banks to hold more capital during upturns.
Leverage ratio	LEV	Limits banks from exceeding a fixed minimum leverage ratio.
Capital surcharges on SIFIs	SIFI	Requires Systemically Important Financial Institutions to hold a higher capital level than other financial institutions.
Limits on interbank exposures	INTER	Limits the fraction of liabilities held by the banking sector or by individual banks.
Concentration limits	CONC	Limits the fraction of assets held by a limited number of borrowers.
Limits on foreign currency loans	FC	Reduces vulnerability to foreign-currency risks.
Reserve requirement ratios	RR	Limits credit growth; can also be targeted to limit foreign-currency credit growth.
Limits on domestic currency loans	CG	Limits credit growth directly.
Levy/tax on financial institutions	TAX	Taxes revenues of financial institutions.
<i>Derived instruments (0–1)</i>		
Loan-to-value ratio caps	LTV_CAP	Restricts to LTV used as a strictly enforced cap on new loans, as opposed to a supervisory guideline or merely a determinant of risk weights.
FX and/or Countercyclical Reserve Requirements	RR.REV	Restricts to RR which i) imposes a wedge of on foreign currency deposits (as determined by the answer to question 9.1.4.2 “Please specify the level of reserve requirements applied to specific bases identified in the question above on the last day of the year preceding the submission of this survey”), or ii) is adjusted countercyclically (as determined by the answer to the question 9.1.8 “Please specify whether this tool is intended to be adjusted countercyclically.”)
<i>Groups</i>		
Macroprudential Index (0–12)	MPI	LTV_CAP + DTI + DP + CTC + LEV + SIFI + INTER + CONC + FC + RR.REV + CG + TAX
Borrower-targeted instruments (0–2)	BORROWER	LTV_CAP + DTI
Borrower-union (0–1)	BORROWER.U	=1 if LTV_CAP or DTI used, otherwise 0
Borrower-intersection (0–1)	BORROWER.I	=1 if LTV_CAP and DTI used, otherwise 0
Financial institution-targeted instruments (0–10)	FINANCIAL	DP + CTC + LEV + SIFI + INTER + CONC + FC + RR.REV + CG + TAX
<i>Central bank oversight</i>		
Central bank oversight of macroprudential policies	CB.MPI	The fraction of macroprudential instruments that are controlled by the central bank as of 2013, which is determined by whether a country includes the central bank in the answer to the question: “Please indicate which institutions decide on the use of this tool.” Set to missing if no instruments used.
Central Bank Oversight of Borrower Instruments	CB.BORROWER	The fraction of borrower-targeted macroprudential instruments that are supervised by the central bank as of 2013. Set to missing if no instruments used.
Central bank oversight of financial instruments	CB.FINANCIAL	The fraction of financial institution-targeted macroprudential instruments that are supervised by the central bank as of 2013. Set to missing if no instruments used.

Table 1b: Regression variables

Variable	Definition	Source
<i>Dependent variables</i>		
Credit growth	Year on year real credit growth (%)	Adjusted BIS Domestic Bank Credit to Private non-financial sector where available, otherwise IMF IFS: Depository Corporations Domestic Claims on Private Sector; deflated by yearly CPI growth from World Bank WDI
HH credit growth	Year on Year Real Credit Growth to Households (%)	Adjusted BIS Credit to Households and NPISHs; deflated by yearly CPI growth from World Bank WDI
Corp credit growth	Year on Year Real Credit Growth to Corporations (%)	Adjusted BIS Credit to Non-financial corporation; deflated by yearly CPI growth from World Bank WDI
House price growth	Year on Year Real House Price Growth (%)	IMF global housing watch
Cross-border ratio	Cross-Border Ratio (%)	Calculated using BIS External Positions of Reporting Banks vis-à-vis the Non-bank sector and IFS domestic nonfinancial claims

Table 1 (Continued)

Table 1b: Regression variables		
Variable	Definition	Source
<i>Independent variables</i>		
GDP growth	Year on year real GDP growth (%)	World Bank WDI
Exchange rate regime	Exchange rate regime fine classification (1–15)	Updated database associated with Ilzetzki et al. (2004). Higher values correspond to greater exchange rate flexibility
Crisis	Financial crisis indicator (0–1)	Indicates Systemic Banking Crisis per Laeven and Valencia (2013).
Policy rate	Monetary policy rate (%)	IFS Central Bank Policy Rate when available, otherwise Discount Rate or Repurchase Agreement Rate. ECB deposit facility rate for Eurozone countries.
GDP/capita	GDP per capita (constant 2005 USD)	World Bank WDI
Credit/GDP	Domestic credit to GDP (%)	World Bank WDI
ICRG	ICRG institutional quality rating (0–22)	International Country Risk Guide (ICRG) maintained by The PRS Group; the index (0–22) is a sum of subindices: Political stability (0–12) + contract viability (0–4) + corruption (0–6). Higher values indicate more stability and less corruption.
De Jure openness index	De Jure openness index (0–200)	The sum of the financial current account and capital account openness measures in the updated version of the dataset constructed by Quinn et al. (2011). Higher values correspond to greater openness.

Table 1c: Country Subgroup Classification  
Income group classification: IMF WEO (April 2014)

<i>Advanced</i>	<i>Emerging</i>		<i>Low-income developing</i>
Australia	Albania	Morocco	Bangladesh
Austria	Algeria	Pakistan	Bhutan
Belgium	Angola	Paraguay	Burundi
Canada	Argentina	Peru	Cambodia
Cyprus	Armenia	Philippines	Dem. Rep. Congo
Czech Republic	Azerbaijan	Poland	Ethiopia
Estonia	Bahamas	Romania	Ghana
Finland	Bahrain	Russian Federation	Haiti
France	Belarus	Saudi Arabia	Honduras
Germany	Belize	Serbia	Kenya
Hong Kong	Bosnia and Herzegovina	South Africa	Kyrgyz Republic
Iceland	Botswana	Sri Lanka	Lao PDR
Ireland	Brazil	St. Kitts and Nevis	Lesotho
Israel	Brunei	Thailand	Malawi
Italy	Bulgaria	Timor-Leste	Moldova
Japan	Cape Verde	Tonga	Mongolia
Latvia	Chile	Trinidad and Tobago	Mozambique
Malta	China	Tunisia	Nepal
Netherlands	Colombia	Turkey	Solomon Islands
New Zealand	Costa Rica	Ukraine	Sudan
Norway	Croatia	United Arab Emirates	Tajikistan
Portugal	Curacao	64 countries	The Gambia
Singapore	Dominican Republic		Uganda
Slovakia	Ecuador		Zambia
Slovenia	El Salvador		24 countries
South Korea	Fiji		
Spain	Georgia		
Sweden	Guyana		
Switzerland	Hungary		
United Kingdom	India		
United States	Indonesia		
31 countries	Jamaica		
	Jordan		
	Kazakhstan		
	Kosovo		
	Kuwait		
	Lebanon		
	Lithuania		
	Macedonia		
	Malaysia		
	Mauritius		
	Mexico		
	Montenegro		

Table 1 (Continued)

Table 1c (cont.): Country Subgroup Classification De Facto Financial Openness Classification			
Financial openness is calculated using the updated version of the dataset constructed by Lane and Milesi-Ferretti (2007). A country is categorized as financially open if its median openness score over 2000–2011 is greater than the median of the median score for all countries in the sample, otherwise it is categorized as financially closed. Low-income developing countries were classified as closed economies due to the importance of official financing in the above calculations.			
<i>Open economies</i>		<i>Closed economies</i>	
Australia	Norway	Albania	Kyrgyz Republic
Austria	Paraguay	Algeria	Lao PDR
Bahrain	Portugal	Angola	Lesotho
Belgium	Saudi Arabia	Argentina	Lithuania
Belize	Singapore	Armenia	Macedonia
Brunei	Slovakia	Azerbaijan	Malawi
Bulgaria	Slovenia	Bangladesh	Mexico
Canada	Spain	Belarus	Moldova
Cape Verde	St. Kitts and Nevis	Bhutan	Mongolia
Chile	Sweden	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Morocco
Cyprus	Switzerland	Botswana	Mozambique
Estonia	Trinidad and Tobago	Brazil	Nepal
Finland	United Arab Emirates	Burundi	Pakistan
France	United Kingdom	Cambodia	Peru
Germany	United States	China	Philippines
Guyana	49 countries	Colombia	Poland
Hong Kong		Costa Rica	Romania
Hungary		Croatia	Russian Federation
Iceland		Czech Republic	Serbia
Ireland		Dem. Rep. Congo	Solomon Islands
Israel		Dominican Republic	South Africa
Italy		Ecuador	South Korea
Jamaica		El Salvador	Sri Lanka
Japan		Ethiopia	Sudan
Jordan		Fiji	Tajikistan
Kuwait		Georgia	Thailand
Latvia		Ghana	The Gambia
Lebanon		Haiti	Timor-Leste
Malaysia		Honduras	Tonga
Malta		India	Tunisia
Mauritius		Indonesia	Turkey
Montenegro		Kazakhstan	Uganda
Netherlands		Kenya	Ukraine
New Zealand		Kosovo	Zambia
			68 countries

an even distribution across country groups (see Table 2). This is followed by INTER (29%), RR.REV (21%), LTV\_CAP (21%), DTI (15%), LEV (15%), TAX (14%), FC (14%), CG (12%), DP (9%), CTC (2%), and SIFI (1%). These averages do hide some differences across countries.

Table 1c provides the groupings of countries we use, by income and degree of de facto capital account openness. Usage of macroprudential policy has been most frequent among emerging markets (see Fig. 1), consistent with their higher exposure to external shocks, including from volatile capital flows, and having more “imperfect” and generally less liberalized financial systems with

more “market failures.” Developing countries come in second in terms of usage, with advanced countries last, despite their recent increase in usage of macroprudential instruments. Among instruments and over the whole time period, CONC, INTER, and LEV, however, have been consistently used by advanced, emerging and developing countries alike (Fig. 2). With LTV being relatively more used by advanced countries (maybe due to their concerns about housing sector related vulnerabilities, which are typically larger as mortgage markets are more developed), RR.REV and FC by emerging countries (maybe due to their concerns with large and volatile

Table 2  
Macroprudential policy variables.

Variables	Total countries (%) (1)	Advanced (%) (2)	Emerging markets (%) (3)	Developing (%) (4)	Open (%) (5)	Closed (%) (6)
LTV_CAP	21	40	20	6	29	14
DTI	15	13	21	0	19	12
DP	9	5	6	19	5	11
CTC	2	1	3	1	0	3
LEV	15	13	17	12	28	8
SIFI	1	1	1	1	1	1
INTER	29	33	32	17	34	26
CONC	75	69	76	77	72	78
FC	14	9	16	13	10	16
RR.REV	21	0	24	33	4	32
CG	12	0	11	26	9	14
TAX	14	14	14	11	17	12

For each subgroup of countries, the frequency of use is the ratio of country-years using a given instrument to the total number of country-years using a macroprudential policy over the sample period 2000–2013.

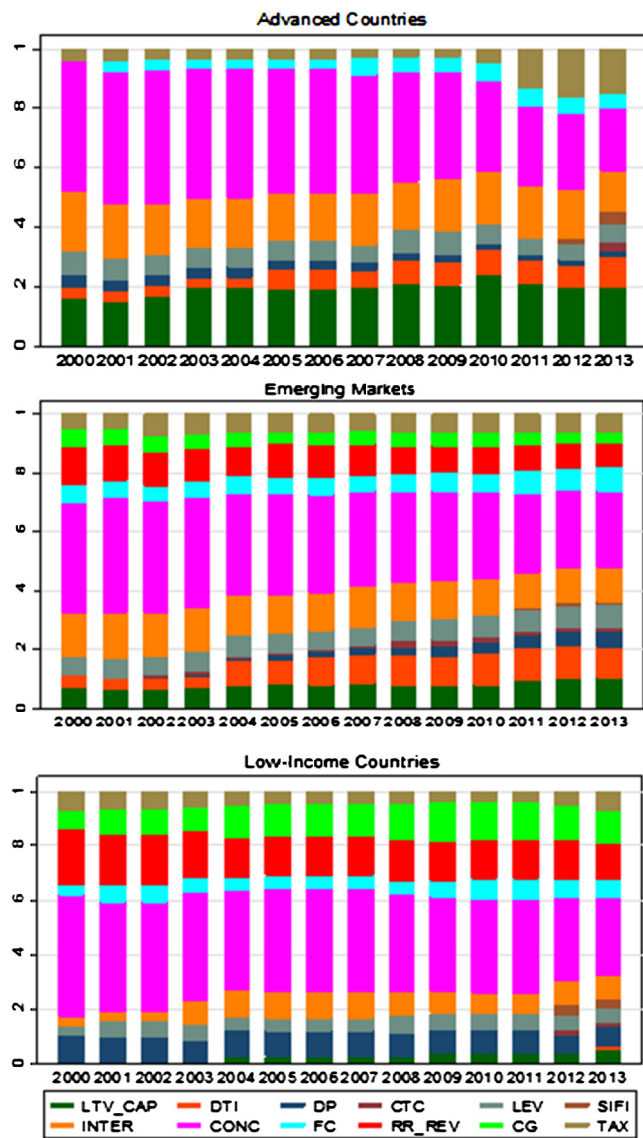


Fig. 2. The relative use of macroprudential policies over time by income group.

capital flows and related systemic risks), and DP and CG by developing countries (which also rely relatively more on RR\_REV and FC).

### 3. Empirical analysis

We now analyze how the documented usage of the various macroprudential instruments relates to developments in credit markets and house prices. Specifically, we estimate how the MPI and its various sub-indexes relate to the growth in countries' credit and house prices using the following, base regression model:

$$Y_{i,t} = Y_{i,t-1}\alpha + Macrop'_{i,t-1}\beta + GDP'_{i,t-1}\gamma + Bank\ Crisis'_{i,t-1}\delta + Policy'_{i,t-1}\theta + \mu_i + \varepsilon_{i,t} \quad (1)$$

where,  $Y_{i,t}$  captures our dependent variable, (aggregate or sectoral) real credit growth or real house prices growth in country  $i$  at time  $t$ . Our independent variables, all one period lagged and additional to the lagged dependent variable, are:  $Macrop'_{i,t-1}$ , a vector with the aggregate index,  $MPI$ , or the presence of groups or individual macroprudential instruments;  $GDP'_{i,t-1}$ , a vector with real  $GDP$

growth in the previous year;  $Bank\ Crisis'_{i,t-1}$ , a vector capturing the presence of a banking crisis during the previous years as defined by Laeven and Valencia (2013);  $Policy'_{i,t-1}$ , a vector with the central bank policy rate in the previous period;  $\mu_i$ , a country fixed effect to capture any non-time varying country specific conditions, including much of its level of economic and financial development, the relative mix of bank vs. market based financial intermediation, the concentration of its financial system, and various other (institutional) characteristics; and  $\varepsilon_{i,t}$ , the error term. We lag the MPI and other macroprudential instruments by one year as we cannot expect immediate impact from the adoption of these policies. Lagging the country variables,  $GDP$ ,  $Bank\ Crisis$ , and  $Policy$ , avoids some problems of simultaneity, as when the use of macroprudential policies affect real economic activity.<sup>11</sup>

Throughout we report White–Huber robust standard errors clustered by country. Regression results are reported both for the full sample as well as for subgroups of countries, classified by income level and financial openness. In extensions, we also include other country control and interactions between these variables and MPI to analyze how the effects vary by countries' circumstances. And we also consider how the effects of macroprudential policies vary by the intensity and phases of the financial cycle.<sup>12</sup>

We could estimate Eq. (1) using OLS with country fixed effects. However, this specification would lead to biased results due to the presence of a lagged dependent variable and country fixed effects. We therefore use the Arellano and Bond (1991) GMM estimator. We do report OLS results for the base regression, but in the remainder of the paper only report GMM estimates. Using lagged values for the macroprudential policy variables and GMM regression techniques, which are appropriate given our small  $T$  and relatively large  $N$  sample, also mitigates important endogeneity concerns between credit expansion, house prices changes, and the adoption of macroprudential policies. For instance, countries may adopt macroprudential policies precisely at the time when the credit cycle is already peaking and any negative relationship found between the contemporaneous level of the macroprudential policy and credit growth may then reflect reverse causality. Another possibility particularly relevant in recent years is that many countries adopted macroprudential policies in the wake of financial stability concerns and at the same time credit growth slowed as a result of weak demand and supply constraints at banks (note that we do include a crisis dummy to control for its direct effects). Lacking valid instruments for macroprudential policy, we cannot claim to have fully resolved these and other endogeneity issues, but using GMM mitigates some of them since this methodology is suitable for independent variables that are not strictly exogenous.

Table 3 presents the descriptive statistics for the main regression variables. A large variation is found for our various outcome variables. For instance, overall real credit growth ranges from  $-7.9$  to  $42.6\%$  points, with a standard deviation of  $13.1$  and a mean of  $10\%$  points. There are differences by country group here though, with the variability greater in emerging markets than in advanced countries. The Table also shows ample variation in the macroprudential policy index, which ranges from  $0$  to  $7$  with a mean of  $1.8$  and a standard deviation of  $1.5$ . In the great majority of cases,  $71\%$ , it was the central bank that decided on the use of the

<sup>11</sup> We also use two-year lags and found regression results to be largely similar in terms of statistical significance and size of coefficients. Results were only less significant for developing countries where the smaller sample size could be explaining the differences. In this context, and given that results and literature do not suggest more than a year lag, we use one lag throughout the paper in order to maximize sample size.

<sup>12</sup> We also investigate the effects of changes in macroprudential policies, i.e., adoption or removal of a macroprudential policy, but we do not find consistent results (not reported).



**Table 3**  
Descriptive statistics of main regression variables.

	Mean (1)	Median (2)	Min (3)	Max (4)	Standard deviation (5)	Observations (6)	Number of countries (7)
<i>Dependent variables</i>							
Credit growth (%)	10.40	7.32	−7.87	42.63	13.12	1248	114
HH credit growth (%)	6.74	4.95	−4.34	26.64	7.82	351	31
Corp credit growth (%)	4.47	2.99	−5.81	19.32	6.86	351	31
House price growth (%)	2.18	1.43	−10.87	17.24	7.28	499	49
Cross-border ratio (%)	17.91	12.46	0.46	76.94	18.86	1415	118
<i>Independent variables</i>							
LTV_CAP	0.18	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.38	1428	119
DTI	0.13	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.34	1428	119
DP	0.07	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.26	1428	119
CTC	0.02	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.13	1428	119
LEV	0.12	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.33	1428	119
SIFI	0.01	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.10	1428	119
INTER	0.23	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.42	1428	119
CONC	0.60	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.49	1428	119
FC	0.11	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.32	1428	119
RR.REV	0.17	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.37	1428	119
CG	0.10	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.30	1428	119
TAX	0.11	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.32	1428	119
MPI (index 0–12)	1.85	2.00	0.00	8.00	1.57	1428	119
BORROWER (0–2)	0.31	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.61	1428	119
BORROWER_U (0–1)	0.23	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.42	1428	119
BORROWER_L (0–1)	0.08	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.27	1428	119
FINANCIAL (0–10)	1.54	1.00	0.00	6.00	1.32	1428	119
CB_MPI	0.71	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.39	1284	107
CB_BORROWER	0.66	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.47	492	492
CB_FINANCIAL	0.70	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.41	1236	1236
GDP growth (%)	4.12	4.04	−2.32	10.26	3.31	1401	118
Exchange rate regime (index 1–15)	6.79	7.00	1.00	13.00	3.95	1371	116
Crisis (dummy 0–1)	0.09	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.29	1428	119
Policy Rate (%)	6.33	5.00	0.25	20.00	5.26	1202	108
GDP/capita (2005 USD, in logs)	8.40	8.33	5.80	10.64	1.51	1388	118
Credit/GDP (%)	60.79	44.37	8.06	175.42	48.00	1376	118
ICRG index (index 0–22)	14.06	14.00	8.00	20.00	2.43	1160	97
De Jure openness (index 0–200)	162.6	187.5	37.5	200	43.9903	816	94

The table presents summary statistics for all observations in 2002–2013. All variables except the categorical ones are winsorized at the 5% level.

macroprudential tools in 2013. In terms of other policy and control variables, the variation is also large. For example, the policy interest rate varies between 0.25% and 20%. And there is much variation also in terms of control variables; for example credit/GDP, our proxy for financial development, varies from 8% to 175%.

### 3.1. Main regression results

Table 4 provides the base regression results. Column 1 has the GMM regression results and column 2 has the OLS results for all the countries in our sample for which we have all the variables, 106, altogether. The remaining columns provide the GMM regression results for various sample splits, specifically by income level and degree of capital account openness.

The baseline regression results shows that the (lagged) overall index of the usage of macroprudential policies, MPI, is negatively, and statistically significant so, associated with the growth in (real) credit. This suggests that macroprudential policies have significant mitigating effects on credit developments. A one standard deviation change in the MPI index, a change of 1.5 which is very large relative to the mean of 1.8, reduces credit growth by some 11% points, on average across the sample. The OLS results, which are likely biased, are qualitatively still similar to the GMM results, although the magnitude of the estimated effect is smaller than when estimated using GMM.

In terms of control variables, lagged credit growth is positive, 0.245, indicating some persistence in credit developments at the country level. Economic growth has a positive coefficient, as expected, and a relatively high elasticity. The effect of a country experiencing a banking crisis on credit growth is negative and

amounts to a reduction in credit of some 14% points. There are some dampening effects of higher interest rates as the coefficient on the (lagged) policy rate is negative. In economic terms, however, this effect is relatively smaller (1% point increase in the interest rates reduces credit by 1% point across the entire sample), also compared to that of MPI. This suggests that macroprudential policies, as implemented on average, have been relatively more powerful compared to monetary policy. However, three important caveats to the interpretation of this result are in order. First, endogeneity concerns may not have been fully addressed. Second, the policy rate can be an imperfect proxy for the monetary policy stance.<sup>13</sup> Third, importantly, monetary policy serves other objectives than just managing credit flows (such as exchange rate or inflation stabilization), making monetary policy less relevant by design in this dimension.

Differentiating by level of income, in columns 3–5, we find that the statistically significant negative relation of MPI with credit growth is strongest for developing and emerging markets, and much less so for advanced economies.<sup>14</sup> This may reflect a number

<sup>13</sup> The policy rate is not the only or necessarily best measure of the monetary policy stance in a country. Furthermore, especially recently in a number of advanced countries, unconventional policy measures have provided important monetary stimulus. Our ability, however, to capture monetary policy measures in a comparable way across a large set of countries and long time period is limited by data availability. Note that time-invariant monetary policy characteristics, such as whether the country pursues inflation targeting, are already controlled for using country fixed effects.

<sup>14</sup> The analysis of some subsamples in the rest of the paper, such as the 19 countries included in the developing economies sample, does not satisfy the large N property

**Table 4**  
Macroprudential policies and credit growth: main regression results.

Variables	All		Advanced	Emerging	Developing	Open	Closed
	(1) GMM	(2) OLS	(3) GMM	(4) GMM	(5) GMM	(6) GMM	(7) GMM
MPI	−7.637 <sup>c</sup> [1.876]	−2.112 <sup>c</sup> [0.651]	−1.376 <sup>a</sup> [0.781]	−5.327 <sup>c</sup> [1.619]	−6.743 <sup>b</sup> [3.076]	−2.910 <sup>b</sup> [1.251]	−6.605 <sup>c</sup> [2.073]
Credit Growth	0.245 <sup>c</sup> [0.0715]	0.324 <sup>c</sup> [0.0512]	0.485 <sup>c</sup> [0.134]	0.264 <sup>c</sup> [0.0897]	0.157 <sup>a</sup> [0.0872]	0.351 <sup>c</sup> [0.0869]	0.231 <sup>c</sup> [0.0798]
GDP Growth	0.399 [0.243]	0.649 <sup>c</sup> [0.144]	0.123 [0.215]	0.427 [0.288]	0.902 <sup>a</sup> [0.517]	0.343 [0.226]	0.586 <sup>b</sup> [0.291]
Crisis	−14.24 <sup>b</sup> [6.669]	−5.967 <sup>c</sup> [1.706]	−5.781 <sup>c</sup> [1.984]	−17.07 [11.17]	4.385 [2.702]	−3.147 [2.904]	−16.47 [11.55]
Policy Rate	−1.071 <sup>c</sup> [0.340]	−0.697 <sup>c</sup> [0.196]	−0.952 <sup>b</sup> [0.417]	−0.645 [0.394]	−1.389 <sup>c</sup> [0.284]	−0.544 [0.346]	−0.958 <sup>c</sup> [0.358]
Countries	106	106	31	56	19	47	58
Observations	972	972	318	525	129	452	509
AB AR(1) Test	0.00	–	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
AB AR(2) Test	0.11	–	0.18	0.13	0.38	0.11	0.26
Sargan Test	1.00	–	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

Notes: The estimates are determined using Arellano–Bond GMM treating the instrument and the control variables of credit growth, GDP growth, the crisis dummy, and the policy rate as endogenous. Column 2 is estimated through OLS. The dependent variable is real credit growth. All variables except the categorical ones are winsorized at the 5% level. Country fixed effects control for individual trends. The regressions are performed over the period 2001–2013. The Sargan tests' null hypothesis of over-identifying restrictions is not rejected. Arellano–Bond (AB) test for AR(1) in first differences are rejected, but not for the AR(2) test. Robust standard errors clustered by country are in brackets.

<sup>a</sup> indicates significance at the 10% levels.

<sup>b</sup> indicates significance at the 5% levels.

<sup>c</sup> indicates significance at the 1% levels.

of factors. First, emerging markets have relied more on macroprudential policies than advanced economies have done. Second, advanced economies tend to have more developed financial systems which offer various alternative sources of finance and scope for avoidance, making it possibly harder for macroprudential policies to be effective. Combined this means that emerging markets and developing countries have been able to use macroprudential policies more effectively.

The economic effect of macroprudential policies in the regional regressions is substantial. Based on the estimates in column 3 for advanced economies, a one standard deviation change in the MPI index, reduces credit growth by some 2% points. This is a large effect, equivalent to about 1/4th the standard deviation in credit growth (9.04) for advanced economies. The economic effect is even larger for emerging markets. Based on the estimates in column 4 and 5, a one standard deviation change in the MPI index reduces credit growth by some 9 and 8% points in emerging and developing countries, respectively. This is a large effect, equivalent to about 2/3rd the standard deviation in credit growth in emerging markets, and one-half in the case of developing economies.

Differentiating next by the level of capital account openness, in columns 6–7, we find that macroprudential policies are more effective for relatively closed economies and less effective for relatively open economies, although the result remains significant in open economies, and the coefficient is more than twice as large in closed economies. This may reflect several factors. For one, relatively open economies may see more circumvention of macroprudential policies, including by borrowers substituting to nonbank sources of finance and obtaining funds through cross-border banking activities. This interpretation does indicate the need to consider macroprudential policies together with capital flow management policies. It may also be that more closed economies have less liberalized financial systems and may therefore find it easier to apply

macroprudential policies more effectively. This suggests again the need to consider country-specific circumstances when designing and applying policies (see further Acharya, 2013 and Shin, 2013 on the adaptation of macroprudential, and microprudential, policies).

In terms of control variables, all are of the same sign as in the base regression and many are at similar levels of statistically significance. Some interesting differences are that the coefficients for lagged credit growth are the highest for advanced countries, followed by emerging markets and developing countries. This suggests more stability in credit developments in higher income countries, consistent with the greater volatility in general in emerging markets, in part driven by their greater exposure to external factors and associated large shifts in capital flows. Some of this is confirmed in the higher coefficient for lagged credit growth in more open economies, which tend to be the more advanced countries. At the same time, the coefficient on GDP growth is smallest in size and not statistically significant for the sample of advanced countries. This suggests that credit developments in these countries are less related to economic developments, maybe as other parts of the financial system in these countries are more developed and more important to support economic activity. Conversely, as the coefficient is (just) statistically significant, credit may be more crucially related to economic activity for developing countries.

In terms of the interest rate variable, monetary policy appears less important in affecting credit growth for advanced countries and emerging markets, but more so in developing countries. The economic effect in developing countries is considerable: The 1% point increase in the interest rates reduces credit by 1.4% points. Also, the policy rate seems to have less impact on credit growth in open economies, perhaps due to their more sophisticated and advanced financial systems that offer more alternative sources of finance to bank credit.<sup>15</sup> Finally, banking crises' coefficients are larger in emerging markets and financially closed countries, but

for using Arellano–Bond. In those cases, we have run similar regressions using OLS (similar to what we did in column 2) as another benchmark. The OLS regressions do not change the thrust of analysis (but would suggest some smaller economic impacts)

<sup>15</sup> Since there can be interactions between macroprudential policies and monetary policy we also included in the regression the product of MPI and the interest rate. Results (not reported), however, did not suggest any significant complementarity or substitution effects. Interacted coefficients were not significant, while the remaining variables were similar in both magnitude and statistically significant.

only statistically significant so in the case of advanced countries. This large coefficient could denote that emerging and developing economies offer fewer alternatives to bank finance as well face greater difficulties in overcoming crises using fiscal or monetary policies, making crises have a greater impact.

We next perform a number of regressions where we investigate various groups of individual macroprudential policies for overall credit growth. As we have 12 macroprudential policies, many groupings are possible. We focus on the two main ones, as also used in the descriptive section: borrower-based and financial institutions-based measures. Regressions in Table 5 shows that borrower-based measures are generally negatively related to credit growth, with coefficients the highest in emerging markets (columns 1–6). Financial institutions-based macroprudential policies are also associated with lower credit growth, especially in emerging and closed economies (columns 7–11). These results are consistent with the general finding reported earlier that macroprudential policies are more effective in emerging markets and relatively closed capital account countries than in advanced and relatively open countries.

We next analyze the relationships between groups of, and individual, macroprudential policies and growth in overall credit, as well as in credit to particular type of beneficiaries, namely households and corporations, and developments in (real) house prices, also differentiating by income group. We also consider here the possible complementarity of or substitution between using the two borrower-oriented measures, for which we use the borrower union index and the borrower intersection index, which indicate respectively whether LTV\_CAP or DTI or both LTV\_CAP and DTI are used. Table 6 reports these regression results in summary form - it just reports the coefficients for the respective (group of) macroprudential variable, omitting the coefficients for the other right hand side variables as well as the *R*-squared. Note that the number of countries covered and observations included for the sectoral types of credit and house prices is much smaller than in the base regression results given the more limited coverage of sectoral credit breakdowns and house prices.

The results for overall credit are in columns 1–4, with those in the top rows for overall MPI and the general borrower-based and financial institutions-based measures already reported in Tables 4 and 5. The additional results for overall credit growth are regarding the borrower union, i.e., if both LTV\_CAP and DTI are used, and intersection, i.e., if either LTV\_CAP or DTI is used, indexes. These results suggest no clear complementarities between the two borrower-based measures in that the coefficients for the intersection are not statistically significant for any country groupings, whereas the coefficients for the union are similar to those for the general borrower-based index (note that, since the general borrower-index is the sum of LTV\_CAP and DTI and runs from 0 to 2, not 0 or 1, it has a generally smaller coefficient) and again significant for all country groupings (except now not for advanced countries).

Columns 5 and 6 report the results for household credit growth. We find that in general borrower-based measures are associated with lower growth in credit to households, especially in emerging market economies, but also significantly so for advanced countries. There is again little indication of complementarities between the two borrower-based measures as the coefficients for the union index are similar. The coefficients of the various borrower-based measures on house prices have negative signs, but are not statistically significant (columns 7 and 8). This is consistent with other findings that growth in house prices is more difficult to moderate using macroprudential policies. While not necessarily sufficient to reduce the adverse effects of housing booms and subsequent busts - Crowe et al. (2011) show that house price booms associated with increased leverage are the most destructive—these findings do

nevertheless suggest that borrower-based macroprudential policies can play a useful role in dampening household indebtedness, especially in advanced countries.<sup>16</sup>

In terms of corporate sector credit growth, we find negative relationships with general macroprudential policies as well, but weaker than for household credit growth (columns 9 and 10). The smaller and statistically non-significant coefficients are not surprising as macroprudential policies, including the borrower-based measures, are typically not directly targeted at corporations, but rather at financial institutions or households. Moreover, corporations especially in advanced countries tend to have better access to sources of finance alternative to banks, such as capital markets, which are typically not subject to macroprudential policies. Of course, borrower-based measures could still affect businesses to the extent that firm owners use personal loans to finance their business, which may explain why the borrower-based union index is significantly negative in case of advanced countries.

Turning to the individual macroprudential policies, we find that caps on loan-to-value ratios (LTV\_CAP), a borrower-based measure, are strongly associated in developing countries with lower overall credit growth, but also with less household credit in all countries. Debt to income (DTI) limits are important as well, especially for curtailing growth in household credit in both advanced and emerging markets, and corporate credit in emerging markets. Overall and confirming earlier results, these findings indicate that direct limits on borrowers can be very effective, especially through their effect on household credit given the large share of mortgages in aggregate credit (see Cerutti et al. (2015b) for cross-country evidence).

A second set of macroprudential policies that enters strongly are foreign currency limits (FC) which are negatively related to credit growth in all countries, but especially in emerging markets and developing countries, to corporate credit growth, again especially in emerging market, and to household credit in advanced countries. And usage of reserve requirements enters strongly in the subsample of emerging markets for any type of credit, but especially for corporate credit growth (its association with house price growth is positive, which is a finding we cannot easily explain, except for residual endogeneity, e.g., countries adopting macroprudential policies in face of rising house prices). This is consistent with other evidence including Aysan et al. (2015), who find that financial institutions-based measures, especially foreign exchange related, help reduce the impact of capital flows movements on domestic credit. Since reserve requirements in our sample are exclusively used in emerging economies, we cannot analyze their effectiveness in advanced economies.

In terms of the other macroprudential policies, dynamic provisioning, used almost exclusively in emerging markets, has a negative relation with overall credit growth. Leverage and countercyclical requirements have negative effects in developing countries. SIFI-related measures have a perverse, positive relation with overall credit growth in developing countries (but this is largely capturing the high credit growth in Mongolia at the end of the sample), but are otherwise not statistically significant for other income groups. Interconnection and concentration limits are negatively related to credit growth in all markets, with the effects for interconnection driven by emerging markets and developing countries. Interconnection limits also appear to reduce house price growth in emerging markets. Tax measures appear to have a dampening effect on

<sup>16</sup> IMF (2014b) and accompanying paper argue that borrower-based measures are more effective in advanced countries since, among others, bank funding costs are more likely low and credit supply particularly elastic. Also Akinci and Olmstead-Rumsey (2015) find borrower-based measures to be more effective in reducing credit growth in advanced economies.

**Table 5**  
Effects of instrument by subgroups.

Variables	BORROWER					FINANCIAL				
	All (1)	Advanced (2)	Emerging (4)	Open (5)	Closed (6)	All (7)	Advanced (8)	Emerging (9)	Open (10)	Closed (11)
BORROWER	-11.06 <sup>b</sup> [4.496]	-2.16 [2.288]	-8.389 <sup>b</sup> [3.637]	-5.288 <sup>a</sup> [3.128]	-7.712 <sup>a</sup> [4.517]					
FINANCIAL						-8.838 <sup>c</sup> [2.523]	-0.983 [0.935]	-6.625 <sup>c</sup> [2.213]	-4.591 <sup>c</sup> [1.650]	-8.282 <sup>c</sup> [2.851]
Credit Growth	0.277 <sup>c</sup> [0.0707]	0.487 <sup>c</sup> [0.125]	0.291 <sup>c</sup> [0.0868]	0.343 <sup>c</sup> [0.0807]	0.261 <sup>c</sup> [0.0835]	0.284 <sup>c</sup> [0.0693]	0.487 <sup>c</sup> [0.143]	0.292 <sup>c</sup> [0.0868]	0.380 <sup>c</sup> [0.0947]	0.249 <sup>c</sup> [0.0751]
GDP Growth	0.428 <sup>a</sup> [0.241]	0.136 [0.210]	0.600 <sup>b</sup> [0.302]	0.318 [0.232]	0.635 <sup>b</sup> [0.306]	0.26 [0.232]	0.0521 [0.234]	0.351 [0.287]	0.192 [0.225]	0.473 <sup>a</sup> [0.279]
Crisis	-21.15 <sup>b</sup> [9.170]	-5.991 <sup>c</sup> [2.094]	-19.68 [13.21]	-5.127 <sup>a</sup> [2.960]	-21.6 [14.83]	-13.87 <sup>b</sup> [6.146]	-7.390 <sup>c</sup> [2.198]	-15.8 [9.912]	-4.506 <sup>a</sup> [2.622]	-15.34 [10.36]
Policy Rate	-0.833 <sup>b</sup> [0.391]	-0.937 <sup>b</sup> [0.428]	-0.498 [0.396]	-0.558 [0.380]	-0.796 <sup>b</sup> [0.367]	-0.873 <sup>c</sup> [0.311]	-0.998 <sup>b</sup> [0.435]	-0.555 [0.342]	-0.602 <sup>a</sup> [0.341]	-0.870 <sup>c</sup> [0.323]
Countries	106	31	56	47	58	106	31	56	47	58
Observations	972	318	525	452	509	972	318	525	452	509
AB AR(1) Test	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AB AR(2) Test	0.10	0.19	0.12	0.13	0.22	0.10	0.19	0.13	0.12	0.24
Sargan Test	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

Notes: The estimates are determined using Arellano–Bond GMM treating the instrument and the control variables of credit growth, GDP growth, the crisis dummy, and the policy rate as endogenous. The dependent variable is real credit growth. All variables except the categorical ones are winsorized at the 5% level. Country fixed effects control for individual trends. The regressions are performed over the period 2001–2013. Robust standard errors clustered by country are in brackets.

- <sup>a</sup> indicates significance at the 10% levels.
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- <sup>c</sup> indicates significance at the 1% levels.

growth in overall credit in developing countries and house prices in emerging markets. Otherwise, most other individual macroprudential policies used are statistically not significant negatively related to our credit and house prices growth variables.

Taken together, these results suggest that borrower-based measures have some impact for most type of countries, while foreign currency related measures are more effective for emerging

markets. On the whole, this suggests that there appears to be scope for targeted macroprudential policies such as LTV and DTI ratios in advanced economies and foreign currency related policies in emerging markets. These are important findings especially given the at times adverse effects for overall financial and economic stability of real estate developments in advanced countries and of international capital flows for emerging markets.

**Table 6**  
Effects of individual instruments on several variables.

Variables	Credit growth				HH credit growth		House price growth		Corp credit growth	
	All (1)	Advanced (2)	Emerging (3)	Developing (4)	Advanced (5)	Emerging (6)	Advanced (7)	Emerging (8)	Advanced (9)	Emerging (10)
MPI	-7.637 <sup>c</sup>	1.376 <sup>a</sup>	-5.327 <sup>c</sup>	-6.743 <sup>b</sup>	-0.763 <sup>c</sup>	-1.942	-0.0449	-0.907	0.678	-1.022
BORROWER	-11.06 <sup>b</sup>	-2.16	-8.389 <sup>b</sup>	-14.45 <sup>c</sup>	-1.047 <sup>a</sup>	-7.636 <sup>b</sup>	-1.039	-1.156	-0.982	-3.068
BORROWER_U	-20.56 <sup>c</sup>	-5.298	-15.42 <sup>c</sup>	-14.45 <sup>c</sup>	-1.447	-11.98 <sup>c</sup>	-1.145	-2.198	-3.287 <sup>c</sup>	-2.592
BORROWER_I	-7.1	-0.499	-4.21		-1.780 <sup>a</sup>	-6.819	-0.477	-0.854	0.584	-9.057 <sup>a</sup>
FINANCIAL	-8.838 <sup>c</sup>	-0.983	-6.625 <sup>c</sup>	-7.007	-0.487	-0.0857	0.174	-1.159	1.552	-0.584
LTV_CAP	-12.35 <sup>a</sup>	-5.298	-6.861	-14.45 <sup>c</sup>	-1.447	-7.956 <sup>b</sup>	-1.145	0.362	-3.287 <sup>c</sup>	-5.307
DTI	-24.16 <sup>b</sup>	-0.499	-15.56 <sup>b</sup>		-1.780 <sup>a</sup>	-11.72 <sup>c</sup>	-0.477	-3.322	0.584	-3.561 <sup>a</sup>
DP	-16.39 <sup>c</sup>		-12.73 <sup>c</sup>			1.233		-3.297		6.182 <sup>c</sup>
CTC	-8.629		-12.75	-5.731 <sup>c</sup>						
LEV	-2.716		1.426	-3.963 <sup>b</sup>	5.714 <sup>a</sup>	1.332	1.538	1.796	13.12 <sup>a</sup>	4.073 <sup>c</sup>
SIFI	9.853		-1.242	29.63 <sup>c</sup>		1.332	0.885	1.796		4.073 <sup>c</sup>
INTER	-35.46 <sup>b</sup>	-0.462	-39.37 <sup>b</sup>	-10.53 <sup>c</sup>	-1.228		0.72	-16.91 <sup>c</sup>	3.899	
CONC	-29.84 <sup>a</sup>	-2.028	-9.287		2.861	-4.044	6.218	3.503 <sup>a</sup>	7.481	4.333 <sup>b</sup>
FC	-9.489 <sup>a</sup>	-3.132	-12.23 <sup>c</sup>	-17.46 <sup>c</sup>	-2.644 <sup>c</sup>	-1.146	-3.627	1.565 <sup>c</sup>	0.0281	-8.596 <sup>c</sup>
RR_REV	-42.84 <sup>a</sup>		-22.74 <sup>a</sup>			-8.661 <sup>c</sup>		9.732 <sup>c</sup>		-14.68 <sup>c</sup>
CG	-46.16		-14.35	-12.99						
TAX	-5.196	-1.356	-5.533	-1.701 <sup>c</sup>	-0.637	6.413	0.426	-2.616 <sup>b</sup>	0.0129	1.187
Countries	106	31	56	19	22	9	31	18	22	9
Observations	972	318	525	129	241	79	307	142	241	79

Notes: The estimates are determined using Arellano–Bond GMM treating the instrument and the control variables of credit growth, GDP growth, the crisis dummy, and the policy rate as endogenous. Each instrument is added separately to the baseline regression, but their coefficients are represented in the same column for compactness. All variables except the categorical ones are winsorized at the 5% level. Country fixed effects control for individual trends. The regressions are performed over the period 2001–2013. Robust standard errors are in brackets.

- <sup>a</sup> indicates significance at the 10% levels.
- <sup>b</sup> indicates significance at the 5% levels.
- <sup>c</sup> indicates significance at the 1% levels.

**Table 7**  
Effects on cross-border credit ratio.

Variables	All (1)	Open (2)	Closed (3)
MPI	1.277 [0.983]	4.181 <sup>a</sup> [2.301]	-0.175 [0.773]
Cross-border ratio	0.418 <sup>c</sup> [0.109] [0.123] [5.303]	0.486 <sup>c</sup> [0.105] [0.102] [2.156]	0.393 <sup>c</sup> [0.125] [0.158] [3.108]
Policy rate	-0.0579 [0.234]	0.0772 [0.230]	-0.0432 [0.293]
Countries	108	47	60
Observations	1094	508	575
AB AR(1) test	0.02	0.04	0.12
AB AR(2) test	0.47	0.36	0.81
Sargan test	1.00	1.00	1.00

Notes: The estimates are determined using Arellano–Bond GMM treating the instrument and the control variables of cross-border ratio, GDP growth, the crisis dummy, and the policy rate as endogenous. The dependent variable is the ratio of cross-border claims to total nonfinancial claims. All variables except the categorical ones are winsorized at the 5% level. Country fixed effects control for individual trends. The regressions are performed over the period 2001–2013. Arellano–Bond robust standard errors clustered by countries are in brackets.

<sup>a</sup> indicates significance at the 10% levels.

<sup>b</sup> indicates significance at the 5% levels.

<sup>c</sup> indicates significance at the 1% levels.

### 3.2. Extensions and robustness

We next conduct a number of extensions and robustness tests to our main analyses. The results so far have not explicitly considered the possibility of circumvention of policies. In advanced and open countries in particular, there are legitimate concerns that macroprudential policies are being circumvented through cross-border banking and other forms of external financing (see [Aiyar et al. \(2014b\)](#)). We therefore study how the relative reliance on cross-border credit (the share of cross-border claims to total claims to the non-financial sector) relates to the overall use of macroprudential policies. We do this by replacing the dependent variable by this cross-border credit ratio, and including its lag on the right hand side. Regression specifications are otherwise unaltered compared to [Table 4](#) and results are reported in [Table 7](#).

We find that the greater use of macroprudential policies is indeed associated with more reliance on cross-border claims, statistically significant so for open economies. The economic importance is considerable. Based on the estimates for the open economy's sample in column 2, a one standard deviation increase in the MPI index increases the cross-border ratio by 6% points, which is about 1/3rd the standard deviation of the cross-border ratio. These findings, while perhaps not surprising, do again point to the need to consider macroprudential and capital flow management policies simultaneously and in an integrated manner (see also [Ostry et al., 2012](#)).

Since the regression results so far suggest that the effects of macroprudential policies can vary by type of country—advanced, emerging or developing, we next include a number of additional country characteristics directly, which we also interact with MPI. Specifically, we include the country's (lagged) GDP per capita (in logs), ICRG index of institutional quality, level of credit relative to GDP, exchange rate regime, and de jure financial openness, with all these variables included directly as well interacted with the MPI.<sup>17</sup> [Table 8](#) reports in summary form the one-by-one regression results.

<sup>17</sup> Obviously, we cannot correct for all time-varying factors at the individual country level (the fixed effects already control for time-invariant differences). For example, developments in credit growth in the US after the global financial crisis have varied from those in many EU-countries in part due to differences in

Specifically, there are columns for all countries included altogether, followed by the various splits by income level and degree of capital account openness, and rows for the specific country characteristics. In each cell, the coefficient for the respective interaction of the country variable with MPI is then reported.

The interaction with the level of economic development (as proxies by the log of per capita income) does not enter significantly for any group. The same largely holds when interacting MPI with a measure of the quality of institutions (i.e., the ICRG index of institutional development), since it is in all countries, except for closed economies, not significant. In other words, there is limited support for the view that (institutionally) more developed countries have greater ability to enforce macroprudential policies and make them more effective. This could reflect the (negligible) net effect of two contrasting forces: on the one hand, a higher level of development comes with greater institutional capacity and on the other hand, it means a more sophisticated financial system, making enforcement more complex. There is some evidence indeed that countries with simpler financial systems have less difficulty enforcing policies in that for the sample of developing and closed countries the coefficients for the interaction of the credit to GDP variable with MPI are positive.

The interaction of MPI with the exchange rate regime enters positive for open economies, suggesting that when having more flexible exchange rates these countries have greater difficulty to control overall credit. This could be because exchange rate appreciations (depreciations) related to capital inflows (outflows) further exacerbate domestic boom and bust financial cycles. There is limited support for this view though from the regressions using the interactions with de jure financial openness in that the coefficient for openness is only statistically significant positive for developing countries.

It can be expected that the effects of macroprudential policies vary by the intensity and phase of the financial cycle. For one, macroprudential policies may be more effective when the financial cycle is more intense, i.e., if credit (or house prices) increases (or decreases) are greater. And, importantly, macroprudential policies are meant to be mostly ex-ante tools, that is, they should help reduce the boom part of the financial cycle. To the extent that they are operative in the downward part of the financial cycle, they are meant to limit declines in credit and asset prices. If correct, this would mean that their presence should be associated with positive coefficients in this phase, not negative ones.

To investigate these issues, we first interact MPI with the growth rate in credit. We next analyze whether the effects of macroprudential policies depend on the phase of the credit cycle, considering whether there may be additional effects of macroprudential policies in case of exceptionally high or low credit growth. We therefore create two dummies, for if the growth rate falls into either the top 10% or bottom 10% of the country specific observations.<sup>18</sup> We then run this regression two ways, including the two dummies one at a time and both simultaneously, including every time MPI as well. Regression specifications are otherwise unaltered and results are reported in [Table 9](#), again in summary form, i.e., without providing the coefficients for the other right hand side variables and the R<sup>2</sup>.

We find some support that macroprudential policies are more effective if the financial cycle is intense in that the coefficients for

restructuring approaches. There are no obvious reasons, however, to expect regression results to be biased because of these and other country-specific factors.

<sup>18</sup> Another approach would be to investigate the relationships between macroprudential policies and measures of financial stress and systemic risks, with such measures possibly derived from market prices. Such measures are, however, at this time only available for a small subset of countries, mostly advanced, and even for these they have relative short time series.

**Table 8**  
Interactions with country control variables.

Variables	All (1)	Advanced (2)	Emerging (3)	Developing (4)	Open (5)	Closed (6)
GDP/Capita (log) × MPI	0.394	4.569	−1.611	11.29	2.193	1.699
ICRG index × MPI	−0.0586	0.0888	−0.132	0.13	0.198	−0.512 <sup>b</sup>
Credit/GDP × MPI	0.0116	0.0288	0.0281	0.414 <sup>b</sup>	0.024	0.0548 <sup>b</sup>
Exchange Rate Regime × MPI	−0.165	0.0681	0.0893	0.237	0.426 <sup>b</sup>	−0.363
De Jure Openness Index × MPI	−0.0267	−0.0908	−0.0118	0.140 <sup>b</sup>	−0.0956	−0.0392

Notes: The estimates are determined using Arellano–Bond GMM treating the instrument and the control variables as endogenous. The dependent variable is real credit growth. MPI, credit growth, GDP growth, crisis, and the policy rate are included in each regression (omitted in the table). The other regressors are added separately to the baseline regression (except the interaction terms, which always enter with the associated independent variable), but their coefficients are represented in the same column for compactness. All variables except the categorical ones are winsorized at the 5% level. Country fixed effects control for individual trends. The regressions are performed over the period 2001–2013. Arellano–Bond robust standard errors are in brackets.

<sup>a</sup> indicates significance at the 10% levels.

<sup>b</sup> indicates significance at the 5% levels.

<sup>c</sup> indicates significance at the 1% levels.

**Table 9**  
Interactions with the financial cycle.

Variables	All (1)	Advanced (2)	Emerging (3)	Developing (4)	Open (5)	Closed (6)
Separate Regressions:						
MPI × Credit Growth	−0.0707	−0.157 <sup>b</sup>	−0.0537	−0.0628	−0.100 <sup>b</sup>	−0.07
Top 10% Credit Growth (dummy) × MPI	−1.934 <sup>a</sup>	−2.147 <sup>c</sup>	−2.086 <sup>b</sup>	−0.0786	−2.014 <sup>c</sup>	−1.862 <sup>a</sup>
Bottom 10% Credit Growth (dummy) × MPI	0.762	1.777 <sup>a</sup>	0.137	−1.265	1.182 <sup>a</sup>	−0.0594
Single regression						
MPI	−5.915 <sup>c</sup>	−1.115	−3.473 <sup>c</sup>	−5.935 <sup>a</sup>	−1.518 <sup>a</sup>	−5.214 <sup>c</sup>
Top 10% Credit Growth (dummy) × MPI	−1.423 <sup>a</sup>	−1.562	−2.125 <sup>c</sup>	−0.479	−1.565 <sup>c</sup>	−1.669 <sup>a</sup>
Bottom 10% Credit Growth (dummy) × MPI	0.462	1.396	−0.188	−2.556	0.663	0.0579
Subsample: MPI > 0 in 2013						
Lag MPI	−6.995 <sup>c</sup>	−1.593 <sup>a</sup>	−5.223 <sup>c</sup>	−5.788 <sup>a</sup>	−2.687 <sup>b</sup>	−6.525 <sup>c</sup>

Notes: The estimates are determined using Arellano–Bond GMM treating the instrument and the control variables as endogenous. The dependent variable is real credit growth. MPI, credit growth, GDP growth, crisis, and the policy rate are included in each regression (omitted in the table). In the first section of the table, the other regressors are added separately to the baseline regression (except the interaction terms, which always enter with the associated independent variable), but their coefficients are represented in the same column for compactness. In the second section of the table, all of the coefficients are determined in a single regression. In the third section of the table, countries whose MPI is equal to 0 in 2013 are omitted from the regression. All variables except the categorical ones are winsorized at the 5% level. Country fixed effects control for individual trends. The regressions are performed over the period 2001–2013. Arellano–Bond robust standard errors are in brackets.

<sup>a</sup> indicates significance at the 10% levels.

<sup>b</sup> indicates significance at the 5% levels.

<sup>c</sup> indicates significance at the 1% levels.

the interaction term between the MPI and credit growth variables are negative for all groups of countries and statistically significant so in case of advanced countries and open economies. This suggests that macroprudential policies have additional effects when credit growth is higher, especially in more developed and financially open economies. The next results, rows 2 and 3, provide support for asymmetry in the effects of macroprudential policies during boom vs. bust phases. Specifically, the two dummies have the predicted opposite signs, negative if the growth rate falls into the top 10% for the country specific observations and positive if the growth rate falls into the bottom 10%. These patterns exist for all groups of countries (the exception is for developing countries where the coefficient for the dummy for bottom 10% growth rates is negative, but not statistically significant) with coefficients statistically significant in the majority of cases.

The next results, rows 4–6, should be read together as they refer to regression results when the two dummies (and the MPI) are included at the same time. It confirms the finding that macroprudential policies work differently for large positive vs. for large negative credit growth. The additional dampening effect of macroprudential policies when credit growth displays an exceptionally high positive growth rate is there again for all groups of countries, with only the coefficients for the advanced and developing countries not statistically significant. The interaction of MPI with the dummy if growth is very low is mostly positive, but never statistically

significant. The difference, however, is statistically significant in all cases but for the developing countries. Altogether, these findings suggest that the effects of macroprudential policies depend both on the intensity and phase of the financial cycle.

Lastly, we also consider whether there was some obvious sample selection in that some countries may, for a variety of reasons, have chosen not to use any macroprudential policy.<sup>19</sup> We therefore exclude from the sample all those countries that did not use any macroprudential policy in 2013. This reduces the sample by 11 countries and the number of observations by 100. The regression results, reported in Table 9, row 7, show that this does not alter any of the main regression results, with MPI again statistically significant negative and of similar size for all groups of countries as in the base regression (Table 4).

We also did some further robustness checks. We added time fixed effects in addition to the systemic crisis dummies. Regression results (not reported) changed for crisis dummies, but the results remain the same regarding the impact of the use of

<sup>19</sup> Another bias could arise because macroprudential tools are introduced simultaneously in different countries, which affects the cross-country variation. In practice, however, there are few macroprudential policies that were introduced at the same time in many countries. And although Basel III includes some macroprudential policies, it was not a factor as it came into effect only very late in the sample and the macroprudential policies part of it are just being implemented.

macroprudential policies. Since there are many institutional design questions, i.e., which (supervisory) agency is best put in charge of macroprudential policies, we also considered whether the effects of macroprudential policies varied depending on which agency was in charge. We added the index of the fraction of macroprudential instruments in place that were decided by the central bank in 2013 as an additional explanatory variable, also interacting this index with the MPI and (groups) of individual macroprudential policies. Regression results (not reported) did not reveal any clear evidence that the impacts of macroprudential policies vary by which agency is in charge. This is, however, an important policy issue worth further analysis.

#### 4. Conclusions

We have documented the use of various macroprudential policies in a large sample of 119 countries over the 2000–2013 period using a novel dataset and studied the relationships between the use of these policies and developments in credit and housing markets to analyze the effectiveness of macroprudential policies in dampening financial cycles. We find that macroprudential policies are used more frequently in emerging economies, with especially foreign exchange related policies used more intensively. Borrower-based policies are used more in advanced countries. We find that policies are generally associated with reductions in the growth rate in credit, with a weaker association in more developed and more financially open economies, and can have some impact on growth in house prices. We also show that using policies can be associated with relatively greater cross-border borrowing, suggesting countries face issues of avoidance. We do find evidence of some asymmetric impacts in that policies work better in the boom than in the bust phase of a financial cycle.

Taken together, the results suggest that macroprudential policies can have a significant effect on credit developments. We also find that the effectiveness of policies is both instrument and country specific, and that circumvention of policies is a real challenge. As such, our research suggests some scope for macroprudential policies but also caveats and areas for future research. One set of questions relate to the objectives. We have studied the impact of policies on the (distribution of) credit and house prices developments, but one can also study the impact of other measures. For example, what are the effects of macroprudential policies on the likelihood of financial crisis or on other measures of systemic risks (such as those proposed by Acharya et al. (2010) and Tobias and Brunnermeier (2008))? Or what are their impacts on the credit gap, a measure commonly used for monitoring financial vulnerabilities and a trigger indicator for the Basel III countercyclical capital buffer? Another complementary way is to investigate how market-based measures, such as asset prices (including credit spreads) respond to various macroprudential policies. Other interesting question is the following—to what extent can countries limit circumvention by adapting their forms of bank regulations and adopting certain capital flow management tool? We leave these questions, but our database can likely be a useful input into this fruitful area of research.

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#### Appendix A. Annex 1: Macroprudential dataset

The main source of the aggregated dataset put together for our analysis of the use and effectiveness of macroprudential policies is the IMF survey on Global Macroprudential Policy Instruments (GMPI), which was carried out by Luis Jacome, Yitae Kim, and Claudia Jadrijevic (all IMF staff) during 2013–2014.<sup>20</sup> The central banks/national authorities of 125 member countries and the Central Bank of West African States (BCEAO) provided responses to more than 100 detailed questions on about 17 key macroprudential policy tools. In addition to these responses, we also used several of the more than 350 attachment files that countries included in the survey to complement the responses. We also cross-checked GMPI-responses with those in other surveys (e.g., Kuttner and Shim, 2013; Crowe et al., 2011) as well as our own web-based and other searches, all to further ensure a high quality dataset.

We focus on 12 macroprudential instruments included in the GMPI Survey and compute time series dummy indicators on the usage of each instrument for each of the 120 countries included in our sample during the period 2000–2013. The instruments covered and the main questions used from the GMPI Survey are detailed below (following the survey’s original numbering of sections and questions)<sup>21</sup>:

##### 1. General countercyclical capital buffer/requirement

1.1.9 Please specify the date when this instrument was introduced.

1.1.9.1 Please specify whether any changes have been made to the countercyclical capital buffer/requirement since 2000. *Yes or no*

1.1.9.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) made to the countercyclical capital requirement, together with the dates of such changes, since 2000.

##### 2. Leverage ratio

2.1.10 Please specify when this instrument was introduced.

2.1.10.1 Please specify whether any changes have been made to the leverage ratio since 2000. *Yes or no*

2.1.10.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) made to the leverage ratio, together with the dates of such changes, since 2000.

##### 3. Time-varying/dynamic loan-loss provisioning

3.1.9 Please specify the date when this instrument was introduced.

3.1.9.1 Please specify whether any changes have been made to the time-varying provisioning scheme since 2000. *Yes or No*

3.1.9.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) made to the provisioning, together with the dates of such changes, since 2000.

<sup>20</sup> The full details of the survey are currently not open to the public, but country officials that have participated in the survey have access to the entire database.

<sup>21</sup> The IMF GMPI survey covers 18 sections/instruments, due to lack of enough data and cross-sectional coverage, we have not included in the analysis Sector Specific Capital Buffer/Requirement (section 4 of the survey), Liquidity Requirements/Buffers (section 14), Loan-to-Deposit ratio (section 15), Margins/Haircuts on Collateralized Financial Market Transactions (section 16), Limits on Open FX Positions or Currency Mismatches (section 17), and Other policies (section 18, the rest category).

**5. Loan-to-value (LTV) ratio**

5.1.8 Please specify the date when this instrument was introduced.

5.1.8.1 Please specify whether changes have been made to the ratios or other elements of this instrument since 2000. *Yes or no*

5.1.8.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) made in the LTV ratio, together with the dates of such changes, since 2000.

**6. Debt-to-income (DTI) ratio**

6.1.7 Please specify the date when this instrument was introduced.

6.1.7.1 Please specify whether any changes have been made to this instrument since 2000. *Yes or No*

6.1.7.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) the DTI ratio, together with the dates of such changes since 2000.

**7. Limits on domestic currency loans**

7.1.8 Please specify the date when this instrument was introduced.

7.1.8.1 Please specify whether any changes have been made to the limit on domestic currency loans since 2000. *Yes or no*

7.1.8.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) made to the limits together with the dates of such change since 2000.

**8. Limits on foreign currency loans**

8.1.9 Please specify when this instrument was introduced.

8.1.9.1 Please specify whether any changes have been made to the limits since 2000. *Yes or No*

8.1.9.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) made to the limits, together with the dates of such changes, since 2000.

**9. Reserve requirement ratios**

9.1.9 Please specify the date when this instrument was introduced.

9.1.9.1 Please specify if any changes have been made to the reserve requirements since 2000. *Yes or no*

9.1.9.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) made to the reserve requirements, together with the dates of such changes, since 2000.

**10. Levy/tax on financial institutions**

10.1.8 Please specify when this instrument was introduced.

10.1.8.1 Please specify whether any changes have been made to the levy/tax ratios or other elements of this instrument since 2000. *Yes or No*

10.1.8.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) the levy/tax on banks, together with the dates of such changes since 2000.

**11. Capital surcharges on SIFIs**

11.1.7.2 Please specify when this instrument was introduced.

11.1.8 Please specify whether any changes have been made to the surcharges on SIFIs since 2000. *Yes or no*

11.1.8.1.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) made to the capital surcharges on SIFIs, together with the dates of such changes, since 2000.

**12. Limits on interbank exposures**

12.1.4 Please specify when this instrument was introduced.

12.1.5 Please specify whether any changes have been made to this instrument since 2000. *Yes or No*

12.1.5.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) the limits on interbank exposures, together with the dates of such changes since 2000.

**13. Concentration limits**

13.1.5 Please specify when this instrument was introduced.

13.1.6 Please specify whether any changes have been made to this instrument since 2000. *Yes or No*

13.1.6.1 Please describe the changes (level and design of the instrument) concentration limits, together with the dates of such changes since 2000.

Instruments are each coded for the period they were actually in place, i.e., from the date that they were introduced until the day that they were discontinued (if this occurred during our sample period). Given our objective of analyzing as broad a set of countries and instruments as possible in this paper, we do not attempt to capture the intensity of the measures and any changes in intensity over time. Moreover, attaching a number to the degree of intensity of a particular measure unavoidably involves a certain degree of subjectivity that we want to avoid at this point. The survey data also does not allow for constructing objective measures across various countries and over time denoting when instruments are binding. While the level/thresholds of each instrument may change over time, these may not capture the degree to which the instruments are actually binding, again especially hard to measure consistently across a large set of countries. Similarly, it is difficult to code the variations in the use of instruments objectively as tightening and loosening. We therefore construct simple binary measures of whether or not the instruments were part of the policy choices.

The tables included in this Annex show the overall aggregated index (Macroprudential Index (MPI)), the two main sub-aggregates (Borrower-targeted instruments and financial institution-targeted instruments), as well as variables capturing the Central Banks' Oversight of Macroprudential Policies (Tables A1–A3). These tables as well as the individual tables for each of the 12 instruments covered are available in Excel on the IMF website at: (<http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/wp/2015/Data/wp1561.zip>).

**Table A1**  
Macroprudential Index (MPI).

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	MPI.CB.fraction
Albania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Algeria	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Angola	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	1
Argentina	3	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	1
Armenia	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Australia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Austria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	2	0
Azerbaijan	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	1
Bahamas	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Bahrain	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Bangladesh	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	0.8
Belarus	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Belgium	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0.5



Table A1 (Continued)

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	MPI_CB.fraction
Belize	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bhutan	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Botswana	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Brazil	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Brunei	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	1
Bulgaria	1	1	1	1	1	3	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	0.5
Burundi	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Cambodia	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Canada	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	0.4
Cape Verde	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Chile	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	0.3
China	1	1	1	2	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	7	7	8	0.3
Colombia	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	0.1
Costa Rica	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0
Croatia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1
Curacao	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Cyprus	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Czech Republic	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dem. Rep. Congo	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Dominican Republic	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1
Ecuador	2	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	0
El Salvador	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Estonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Fiji	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
France	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	0
Georgia	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	0.5
Ghana	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0.7
Guyana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Haiti	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Honduras	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	0.5
Hong Kong	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Hungary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	4	4	0.5
Iceland	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
India	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Indonesia	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	0.5
Ireland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Israel	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	4	5	1
Italy	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Jamaica	0	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0.5
Japan	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Jordan	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1

Table A1: Macroprudential Index (MPI) (cont.)

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Kazakhstan	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
Kenya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Kosovo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1
Kuwait	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Kyrgyz Republic	0	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Lao PDR	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Latvia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	0
Lebanon	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	1
Lesotho	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Lithuania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	1
Macedonia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Malawi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Malaysia	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Mauritius	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mexico	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Moldova	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Mongolia	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	7	7	0.9
Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Morocco	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Mozambique	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Nepal	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	1
Netherlands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
New Zealand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Norway	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	4	0	0
Pakistan	4	4	5	5	5	6	6	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	0.9
Paraguay	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	1
Peru	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	5	5	0.3
Philippines	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0.5

Table A1 (Continued)

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	MPI_CB_fraction
Poland	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	0
Portugal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	0.5
Romania	0	0	0	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	1
Russian Federation	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Saudi Arabia	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Serbia	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	3	4	4	4	5	5	4	1
Singapore	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	5	0.8
Slovakia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	0
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Solomon Islands	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	1
South Africa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
South Korea	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	0.5
Spain	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0.3
Sri Lanka	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
St. Kitts and Nevis	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Sudan	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Sweden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	3	3	3	5	0.4
Tajikistan	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	1
Thailand	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1
The Gambia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Timor-Leste	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Trinidad and Tobago	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	0.8
Tunisia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Turkey	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	4	5	5	5	0.2
Uganda	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1
Ukraine	1	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	6	6	6	0.8
United Arab Emirates	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	1
United Kingdom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
United States	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0.3
Zambia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Source: Authors' estimations based on IMF GMPI Survey and other sources.

Table A2

Borrower targeted macroprudential instruments.

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	BORROWER_CB_fraction
Albania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Algeria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Angola	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Argentina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Armenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Australia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Austria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Azerbaijan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Bahamas	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Bahrain	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bangladesh	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Belarus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Belgium	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Belize	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Bhutan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Botswana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Brazil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Brunei	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1
Bulgaria	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Burundi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Cambodia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Canada	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Cape Verde	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Chile	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
China	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Colombia	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Croatia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Curacao	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cyprus	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Czech Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Dem. Rep. Congo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Dominican Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Ecuador	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
El Salvador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–

Table A2 (Continued)

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	BORROWER_CB.fraction
Estonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Fiji	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
France	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Ghana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Guyana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Haiti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Honduras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Hong Kong	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Hungary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	1
Iceland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
India	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Indonesia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Ireland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Israel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	1
Italy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Jamaica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Japan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Jordan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–

Table A2: Borrower targeted macroprudential instruments (cont.)

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Kazakhstan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Kenya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Kosovo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Kuwait	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kyrgyz Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Lao PDR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Latvia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Lebanon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lesotho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Lithuania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	1
Macedonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Malawi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Malaysia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Mauritius	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Mexico	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Moldova	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Mongolia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Morocco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Nepal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Netherlands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
New Zealand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Norway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	0
Pakistan	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Paraguay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Peru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Philippines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Poland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Portugal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Romania	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1
Russian Federation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Saudi Arabia	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Serbia	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1
Singapore	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
Slovakia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
South Africa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
South Korea	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Spain	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
St. Kitts and Nevis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Sudan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Sweden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Tajikistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Thailand	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
The Gambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Timor-Leste	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–

Table A2 (Continued)

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	BORROWER_CB_fraction
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Tunisia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Turkey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	0
Uganda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Ukraine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
United Kingdom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
United States	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Zambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–

Source: Authors' estimations based on IMF GMPI Survey and other sources.

Table A3

Financial institution-targeted macroprudential instruments.

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	FINANCIAL_CB_fraction
Albania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Algeria	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Angola	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	1
Argentina	3	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	1
Armenia	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Australia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Austria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	2	0
Azerbaijan	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	1
Bahamas	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bahrain	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Bangladesh	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0.7
Belarus	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Belgium	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0.5
Belize	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bhutan	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Botswana	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Brazil	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Brunei	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bulgaria	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	0.7
Burundi	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Cambodia	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Canada	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0
Cape Verde	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Chile	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	0
China	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	5	5	6	0.3
Colombia	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0.2
Costa Rica	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Croatia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1
Curacao	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Czech Republic	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dem. Rep. Congo	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Dominican Republic	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1
Ecuador	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	0
El Salvador	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Estonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Fiji	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
France	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	0
Georgia	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	0.5
Ghana	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0.7
Guyana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Haiti	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Honduras	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	0.5
Hong Kong	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hungary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	2	0
Iceland	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
India	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Indonesia	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Ireland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Israel	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	1
Italy	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Jamaica	0	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0.5
Japan	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Jordan	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1

Table A3 (Continued)

Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	FINANCIAL_CB_fraction
Table A3: Financial institution-targeted macroprudential instruments (cont.)															
Country	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Kazakhstan	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
Kenya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Kosovo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1
Kuwait	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Kyrgyz Republic	0	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Lao PDR	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Latvia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Lebanon	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	1
Lesotho	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
Lithuania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Macedonia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Malawi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Malaysia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Mauritius	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mexico	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Moldova	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Mongolia	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	5	0.8
Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Morocco	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Mozambique	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Nepal	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	1
Netherlands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
New Zealand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Norway	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	0
Pakistan	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	0.8
Paraguay	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	1
Peru	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	5	5	0.3
Philippines	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0.5
Poland	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Portugal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	0.5
Romania	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Russian Federation	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Saudi Arabia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Serbia	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	1
Singapore	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	0.7
Slovakia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Solomon Islands	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	1
South Africa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
South Korea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1
Spain	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0.5
Sri Lanka	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
St. Kitts and Nevis	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Sudan	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Sweden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	3	3	3	5	0.4
Tajikistan	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	1
Thailand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
The Gambia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Timor-Leste	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Trinidad and Tobago	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	0.8
Tunisia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
Turkey	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	3	0.3
Uganda	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1
Ukraine	1	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	6	6	6	0.8
United Arab Emirates	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
United Kingdom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	–
United States	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0.3
Zambia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Source: Authors' estimations based on IMF GMPI Survey and other sources.

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