



# Outlook by DZ BANK Research: 2021 characterised by post-corona boom?

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# Politics, the economy and capital markets 2021

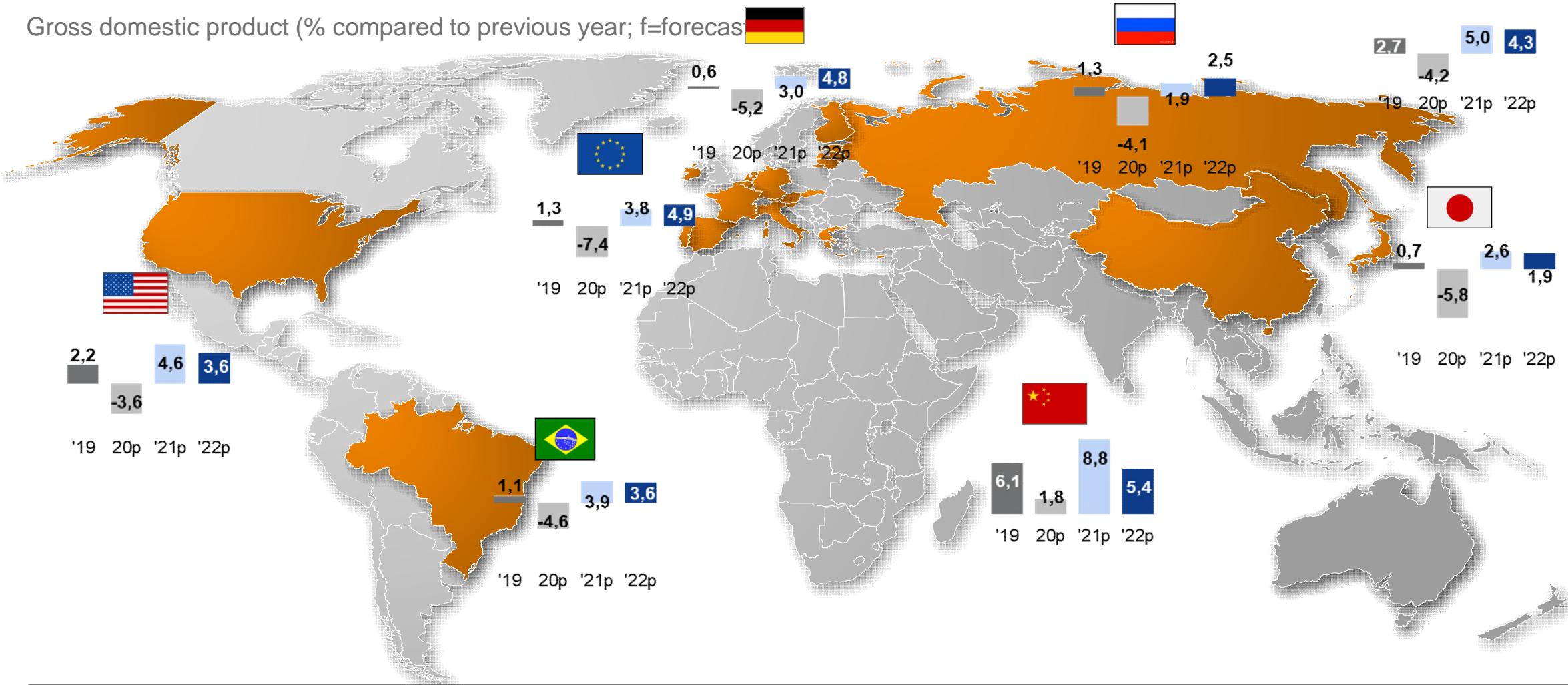
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# 1. Economic outlook: 2021 will be marked by the post-corona boom



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Gross domestic product (% compared to previous year; f=forecast)



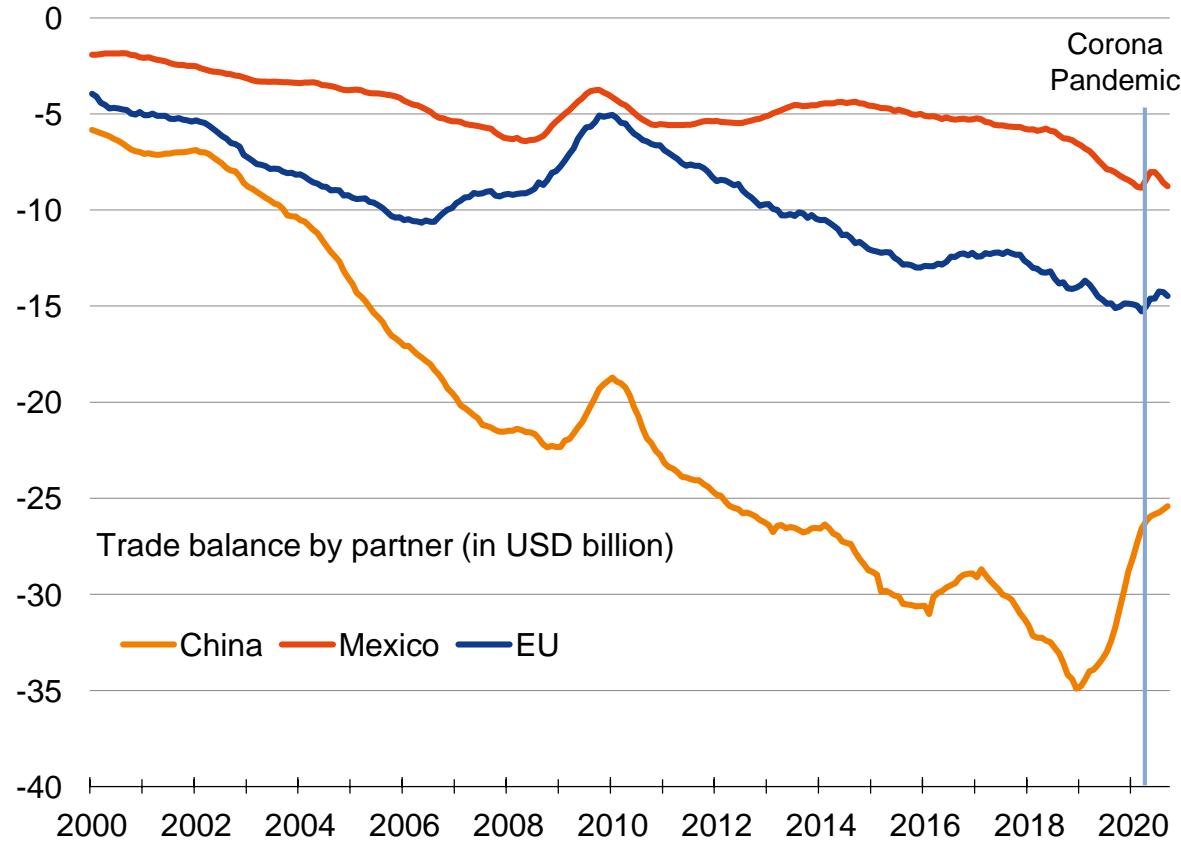
Source: Refinitiv, DZ BANK

## 2. US trade policy: Punitive tariffs also possible under Biden



Large trade deficit with China meets with public rejection

Punitive tariffs are clearly having an effect



Source: US Census Bureau, DZ BANK; 12-month averages

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Foreign trade loses importance for the US economy again



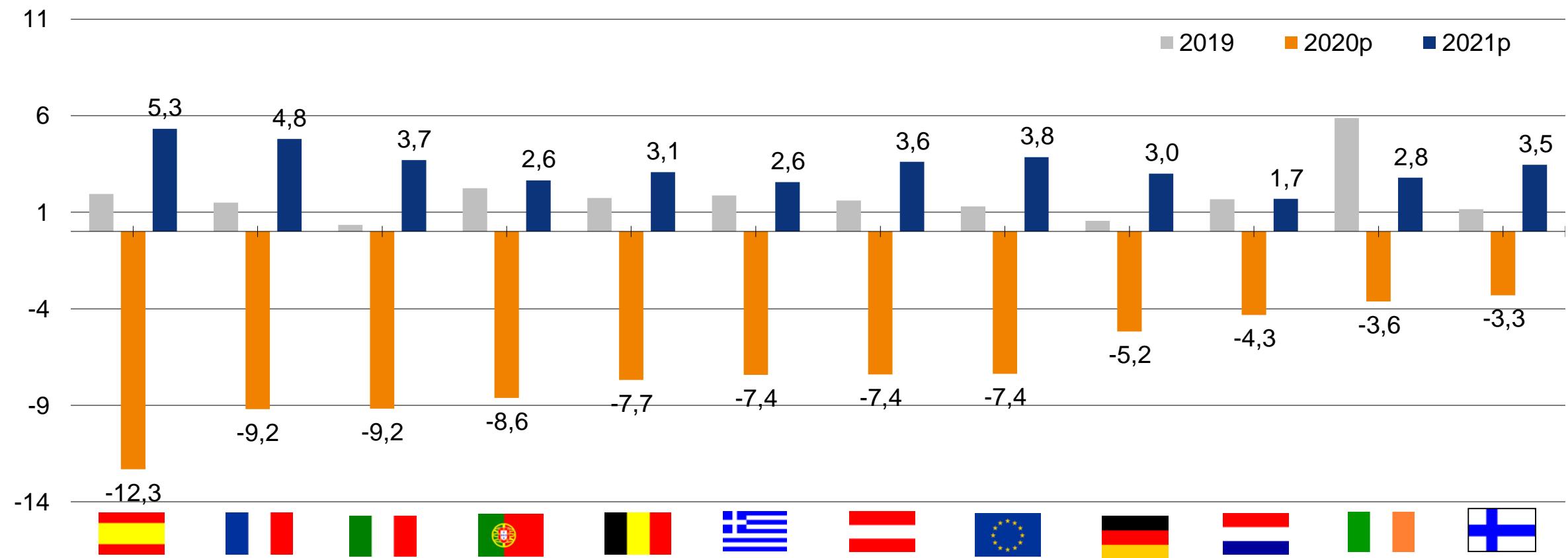
Source: BEA, DZ BANK; \*2020 only Q1 to Q3.



### 3. Europe: Economic recovery in 2021

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Economic growth forecasts (real GDP, % vs. previous year)\*



\*sorted by the declines in 2020

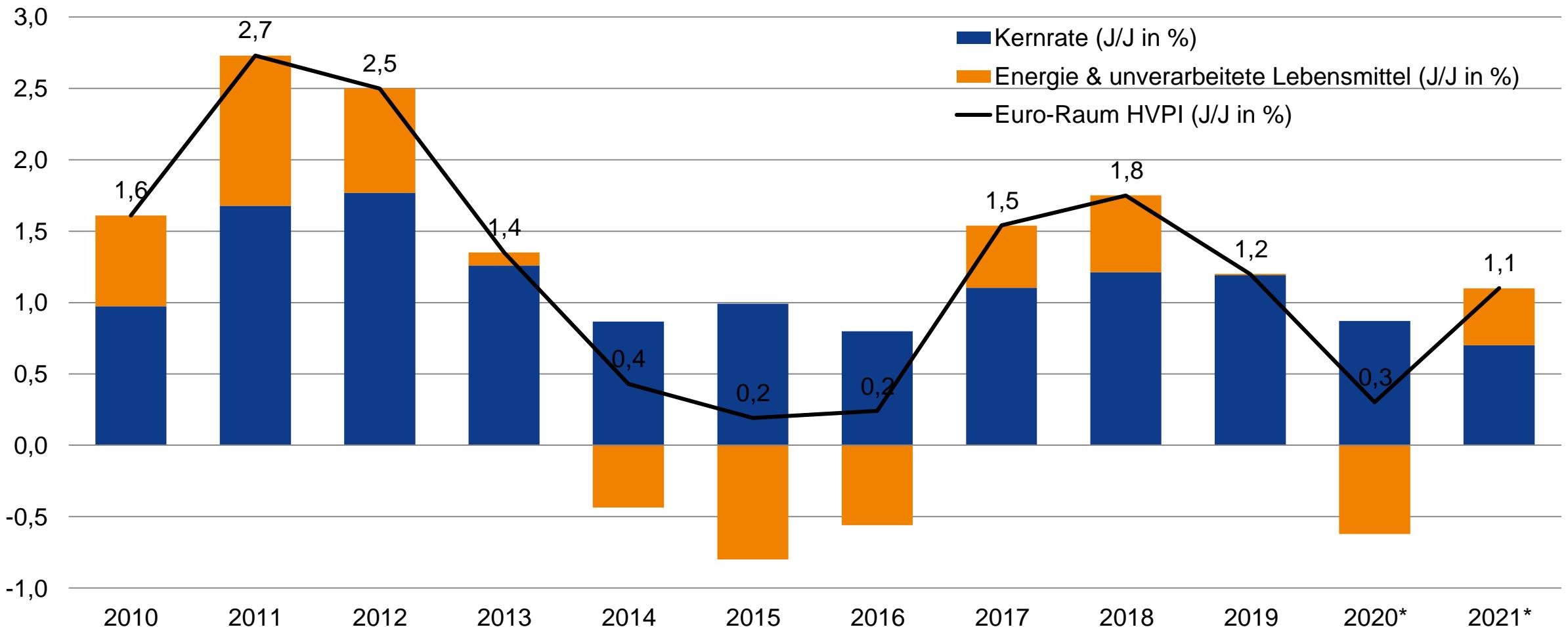
Source: DZ BANK, Refinitiv, Eurostat,

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## 4. Inflation: Core inflation low but stable



Pandemic puts pressure on service prices, especially in Southern Europe

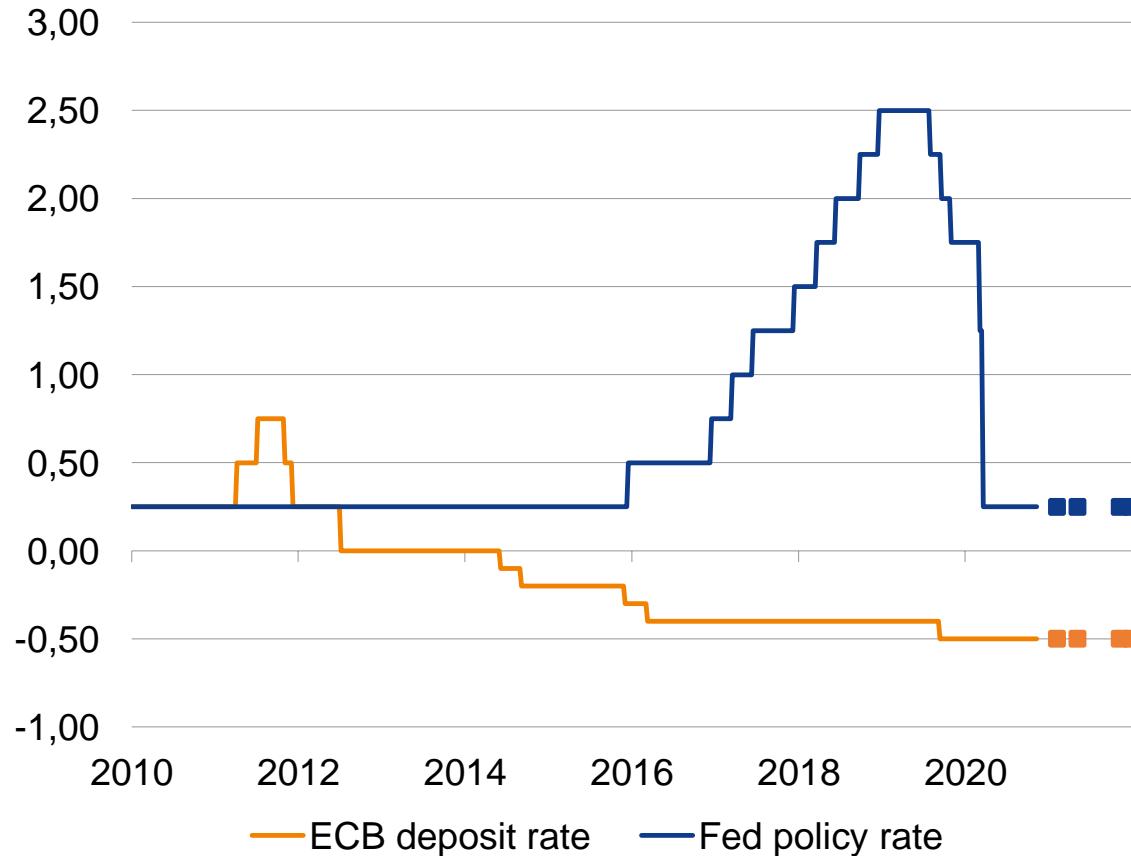




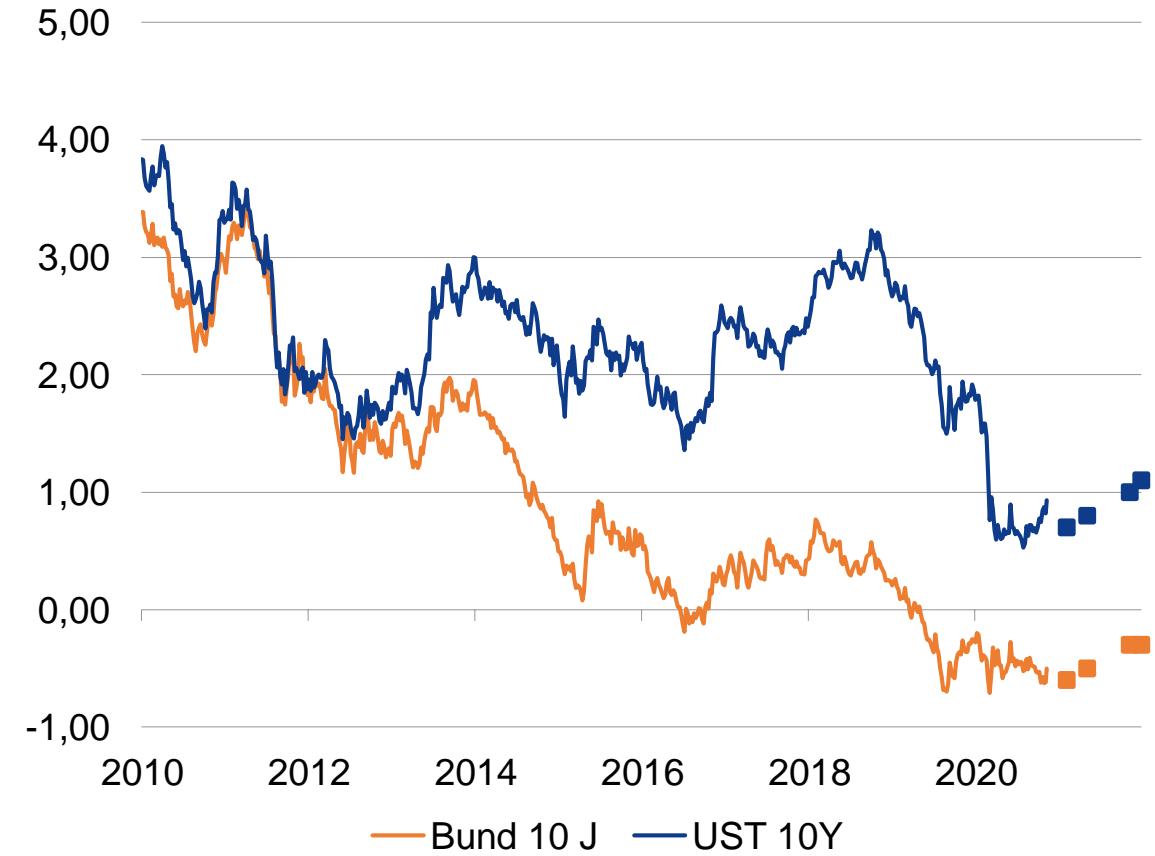
## 5. Interest: Central banks ultra-expansive - ECB must act credibly

Capital market yields are low in the long term under the influence of the central bank put

in percent



in percent



Source: DZ BANK, Bloomberg

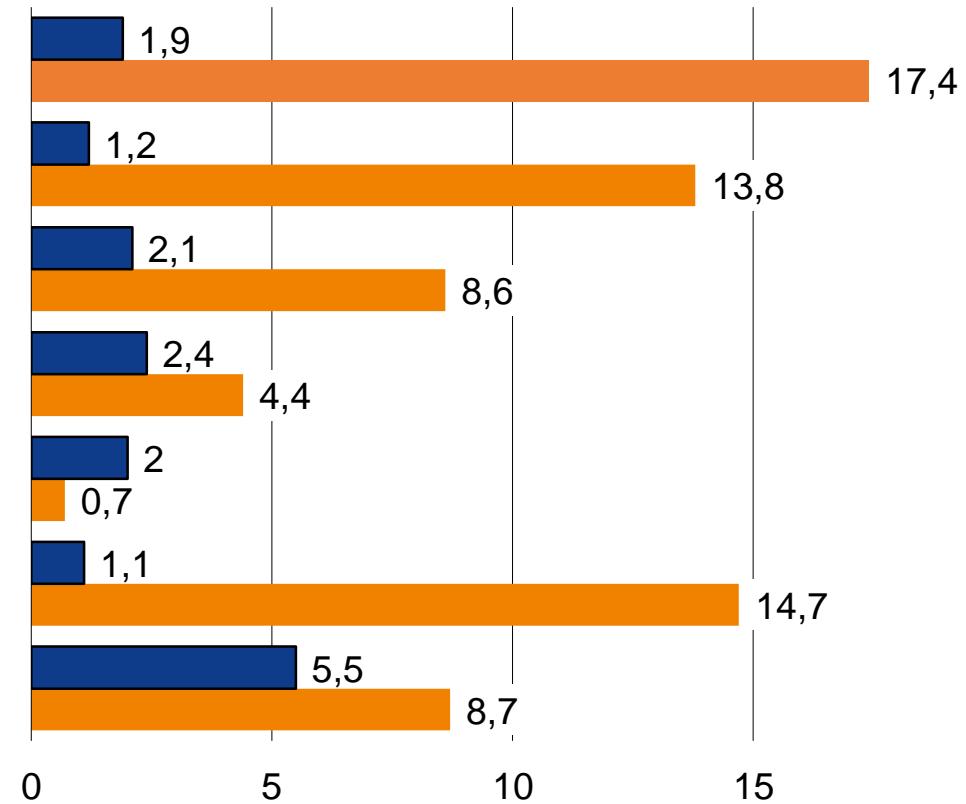
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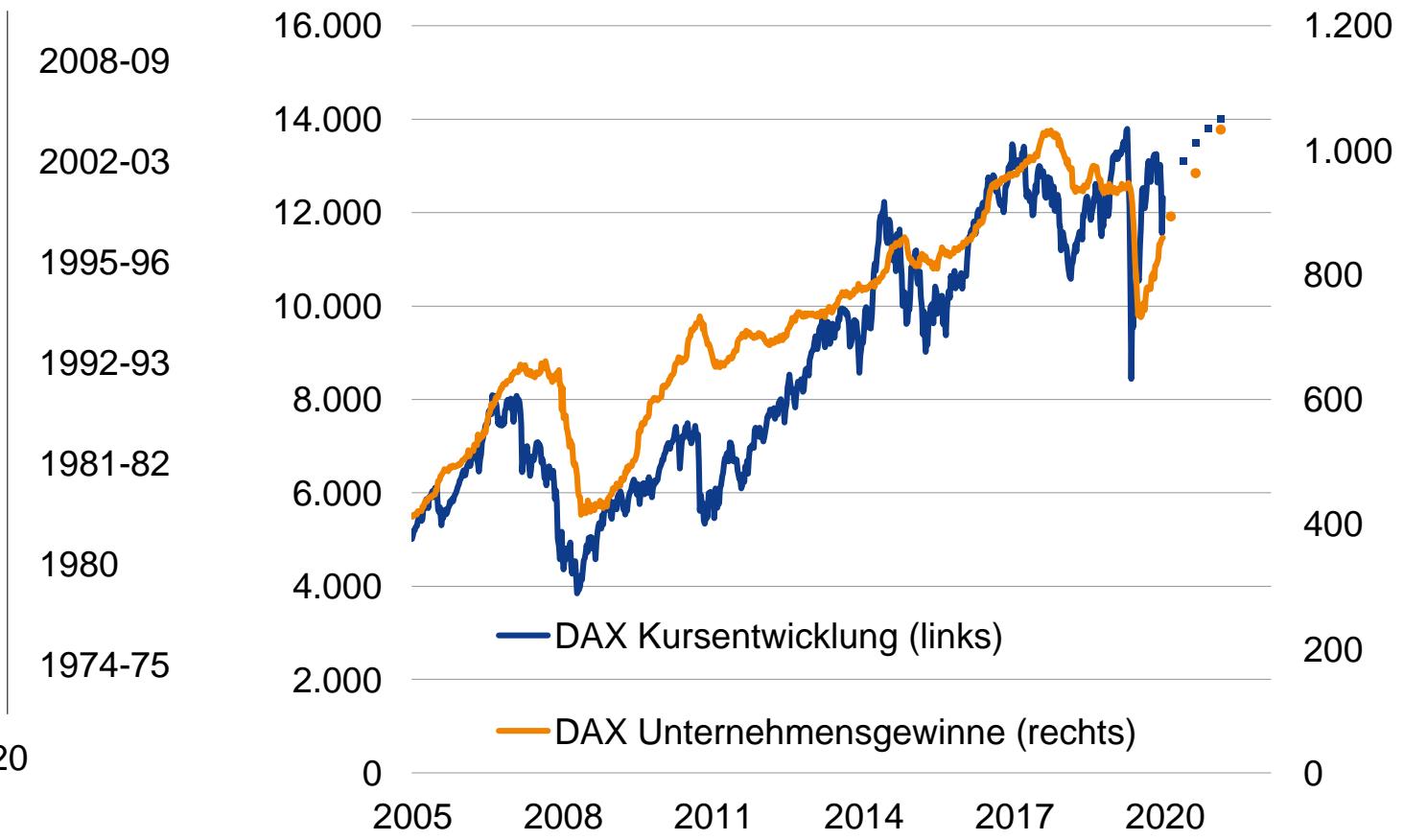


New stock cycle will extend to latecomers / DAX 2021 with opportunities

German GDP and exports in the first year after recessions (in %)



DAX: Record profits\* will be earned in 2022/23



\*Unternehmensgewinne auf Basis „Gewinne je Aktie“

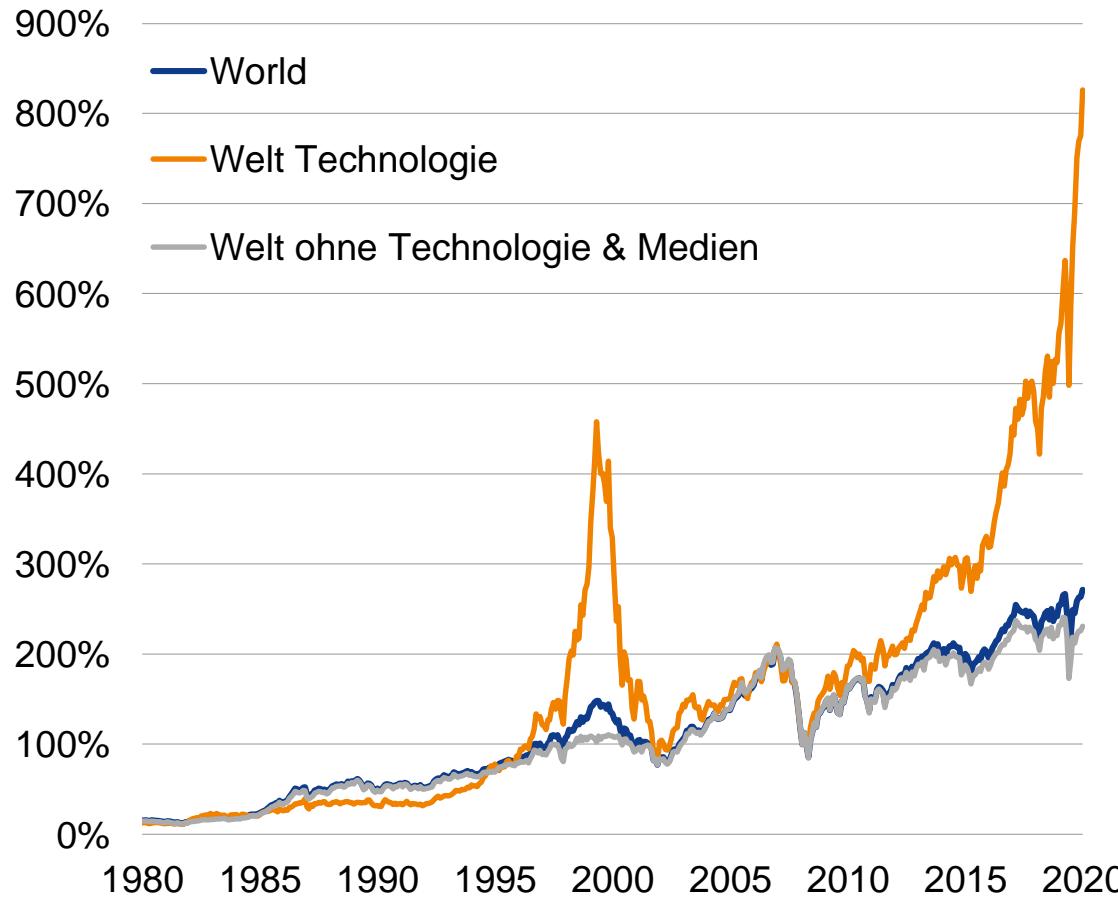
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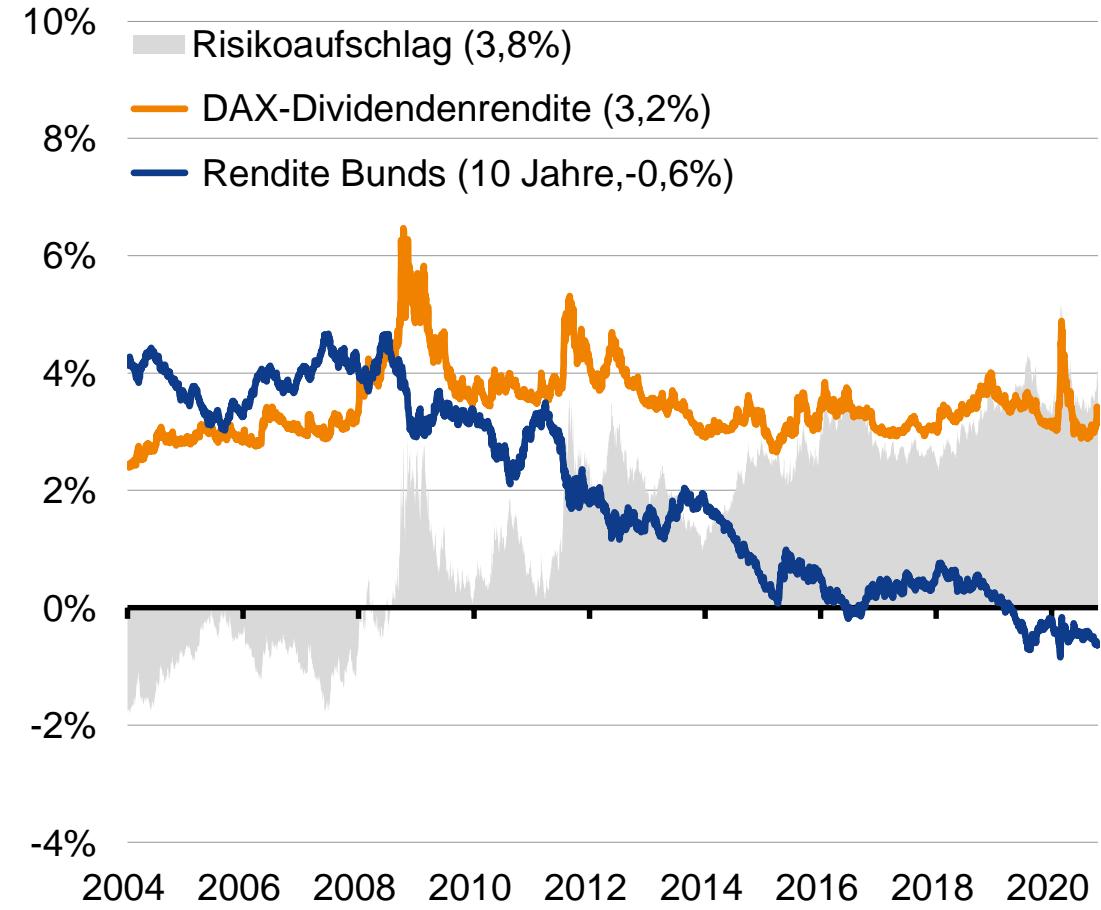
Tech stocks are driving the upswing



Source: DZ BANK, Bloomberg, Refinitiv

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Dividend DAX: Risk premium close to record levels

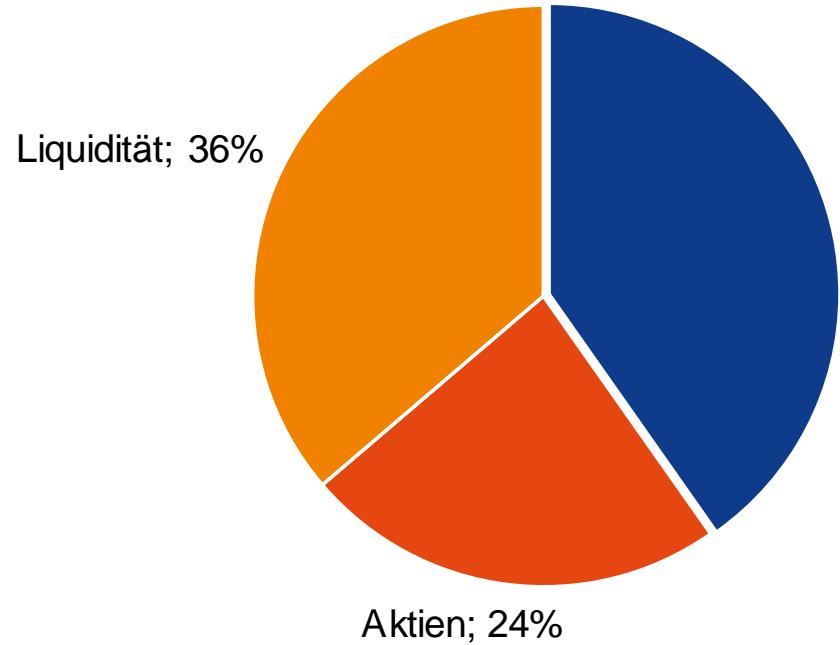


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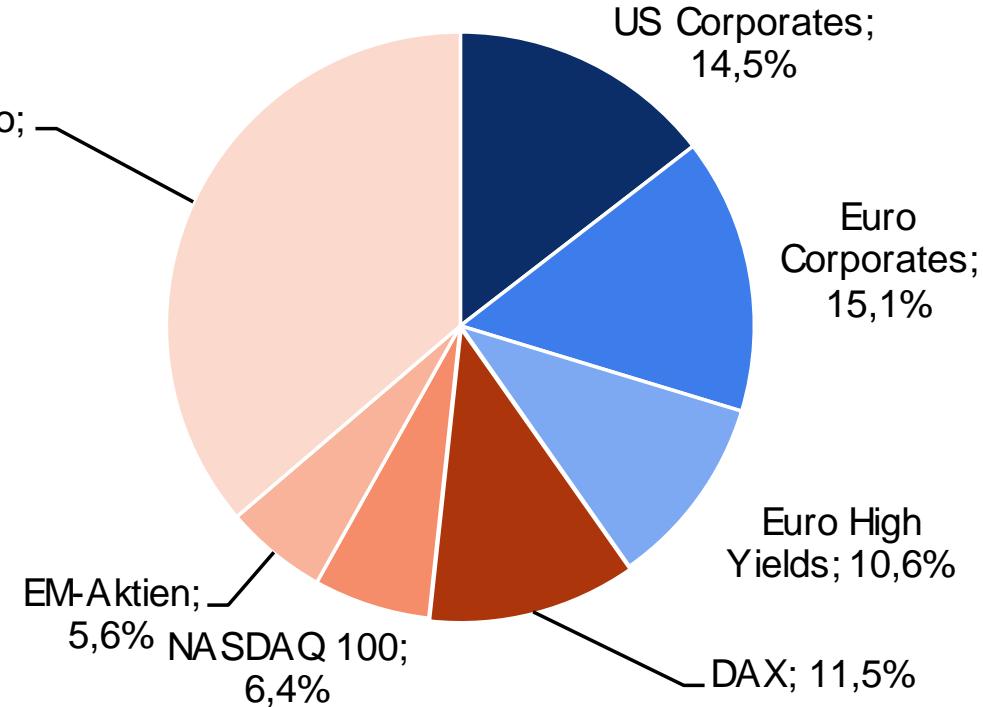


Exploit opportunities on the stock market and diversify broadly

Aktuelle Allokation



Aktuelles Portfolio



\*2020: +4.7%, +7.5% p.a. since launch in June 2012

Source: Bloomberg, DZ BANK

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