

Nonprice components of market share gains – Evidence for EU countries

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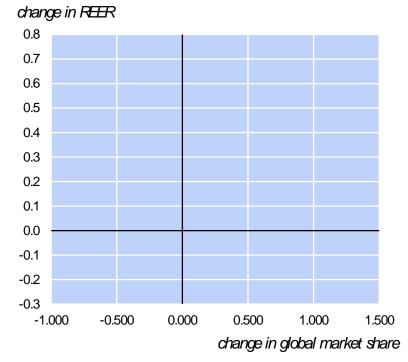
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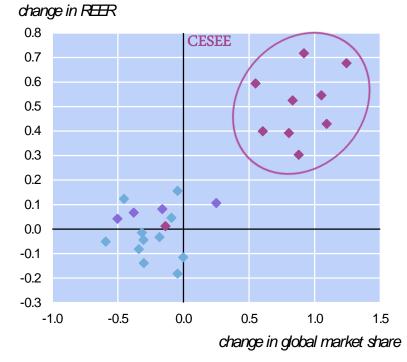
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Market share gains despite real appreciation?



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Competitiveness

- Competitiveness is a multifaceted and relative concept.
- Measurement is not enough, determinants matter.
- We propose a comprehensive measure, theoretically derived from maximizing consumer utility; empirical application based on highly disaggregated trade data and global input-output data.
- We use changes in market shares (outcome based) and decompose them into various input factors:
 - prices and costs
 - nonprice factors (product quality, labeling)
 - diversification, new competitors, shifts in world demand
 - integration into "global value chains"

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Decomposition of market shares

Changes in market share of country *k* in the world market

New markets (extensive margin)

Growth in existing markets (intensive margin)

Changes within bilateral trade relationship

Shift in world import structure

Changes in relative prices

Changes in other nonprice factors (taste or quality)

Changes in competition (set of competitors)

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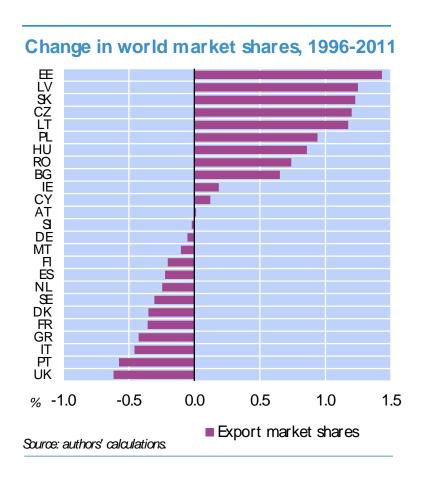
Description of the database

- UN Comtrade
 - highly disaggregated trade flows (HS 6-digit level, ~5,000 products)
 - we calculate unit values
 - 188 importers worldwide
- World Input-Output Database (WIOD)
 - additional source to assess domestic value added in exports
 - 59 products (CPA classification)
 - 40 exporting countries
- Results for 25 EU Member States (excl. BE, LU, HR)
- Annual data 1996 to 2011
- Focus on final products

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Winners and losers in global market shares

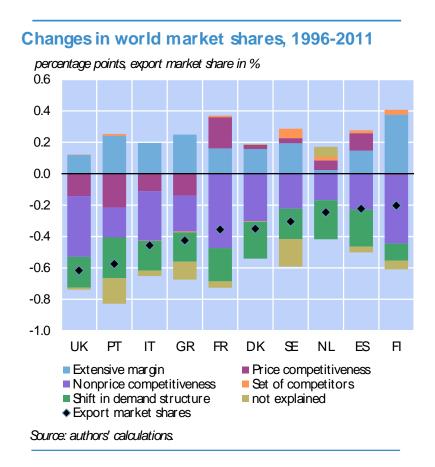


- **CESEE EU Member States** gained market shares
- **Austria and Germany could** maintain their global market shares
- **Remaining EU Member States** lost global market shares ...
- ... in particular the Southern **European EU Member States** and UK

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Decomposition of market share changes – losers

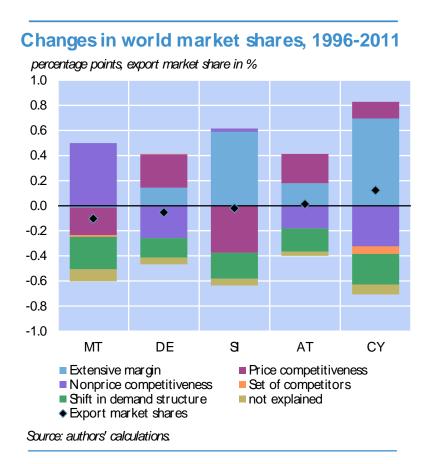


- Overall deteriorating nonprice competitiveness
- Changes in global demand structures unfavorable for Western EU countries
- Positive impact of diversification into new markets
- Mixed results for price competitiveness

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Decomposition of market share changes – "maintainers"

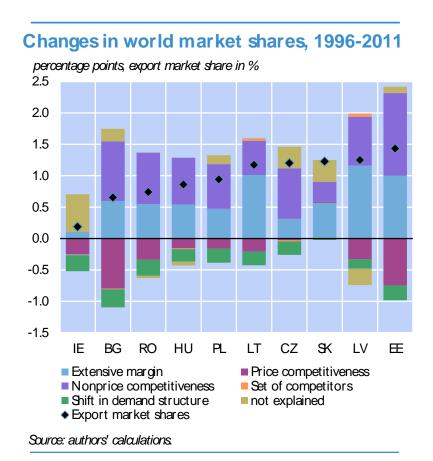


- Improved price competitiveness of Austria, Cyprus and Germany
- **Extensive margin strongly** relevant for small/catching-up economies
- Again negative impact from changes in global demand structures

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Decomposition of market share changes – winners



- Diversification into new markets plays an important role
- Strong gains in nonprice competitiveness (quality, taste)
- Deteriorating price competitiveness (related to catching-up)
- Again, changes in global demand patterns were not addressed

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Decomposition of domestic value added in market shares

Changes in market share of country *k* in the world market

Focus only on *domestic* value added in exports

New markets (extensive margin)

Growth in existing markets (intensive margin)

Changes within bilateral trade relationship

Shift in world import structure

Changes in relative prices

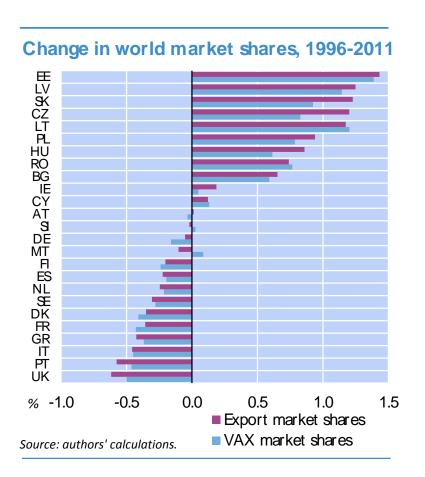
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Changes in competition (set of competitors)

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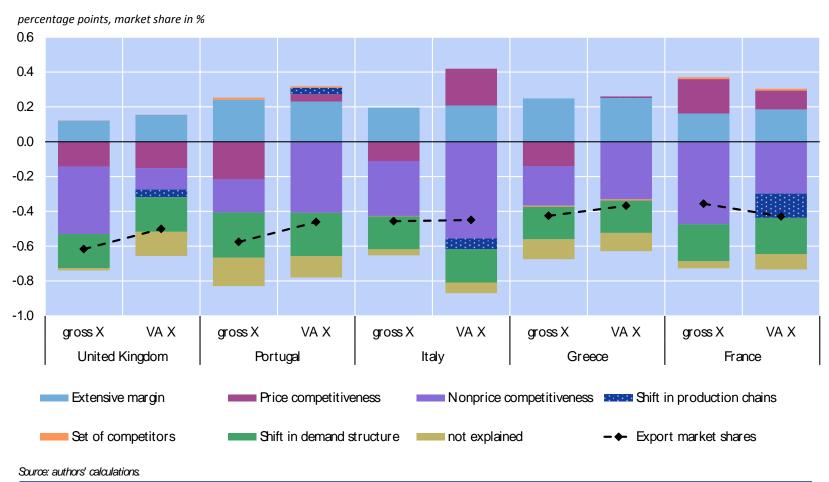
- Similar outcome: same countries gain or lose market shares
- But smaller gains for some strongly integrated CESEE countries
- Smaller losses for Greece, Portugal and UK
- Yet, the story differs ...

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Market share losers under the value added view

Cumulative changes in gross and value added export market shares, 1996-2011 - losers

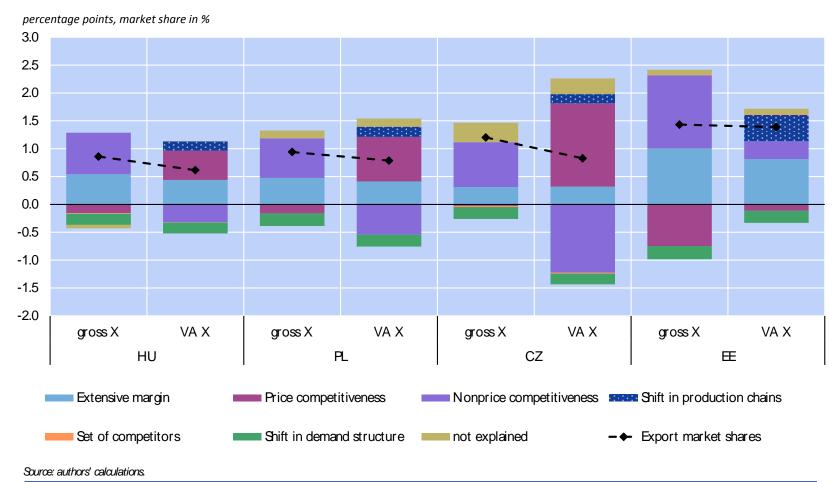


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Market share winners under the value added view

Cumulative changes in gross and value added export market shares, 1996-2011 - winners



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Conclusions

- Price competitiveness is not the culprit, almost all EU economies show improvements in the value added view
- GVC integration beneficial for catching-up and detrimental for advanced economies
- Apparent gains in nonprice competitiveness by CESEE arise largely from relocating production stages (processing higher quality inputs)
- Exploring new markets more important for catching-up economies when will this window of opportunity close?
- > EU Member States did not adapt to changing global demand patterns

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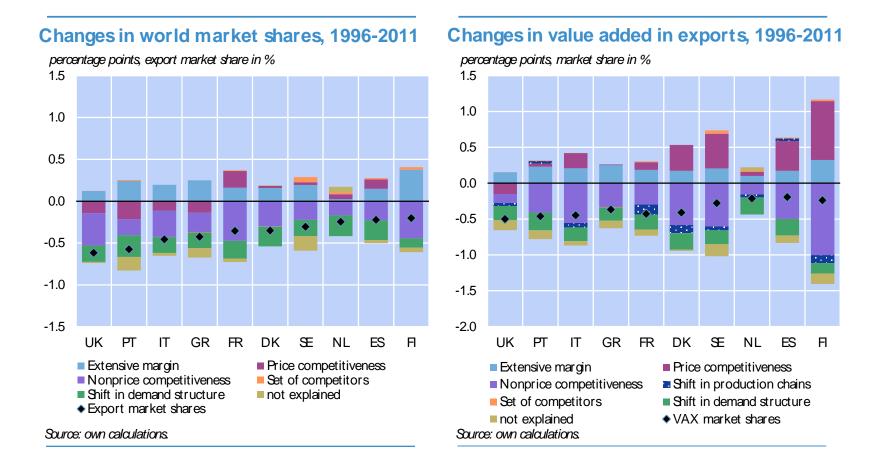


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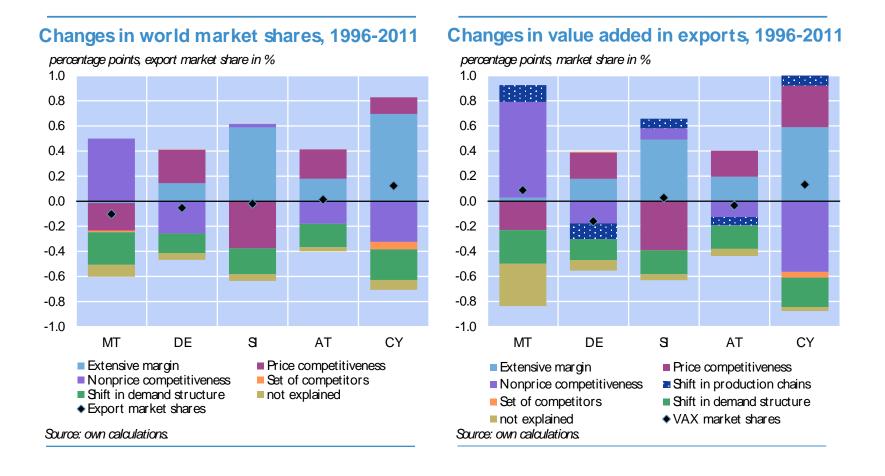
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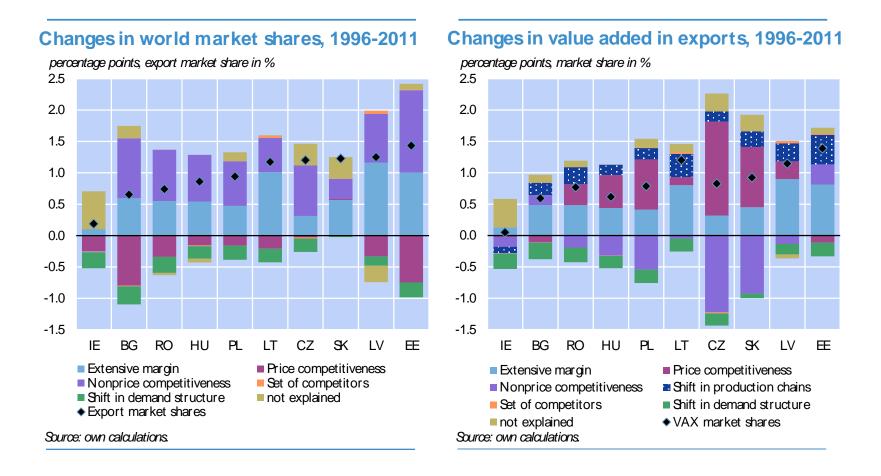
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