

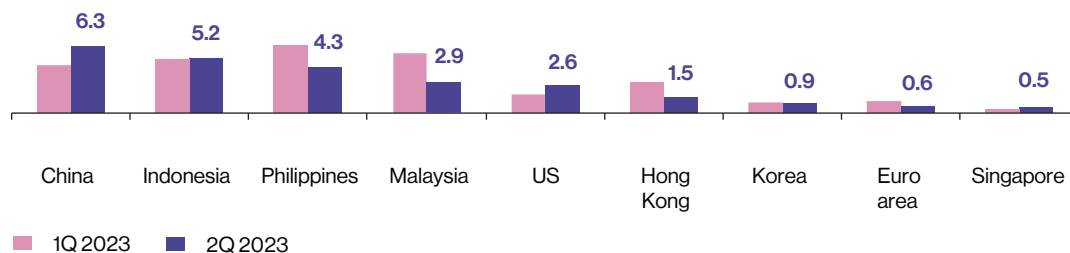
International Economic Environment

Global Economic Performance

Modest global growth in 2Q 2023



GDP of Selected Economies
Annual change, %

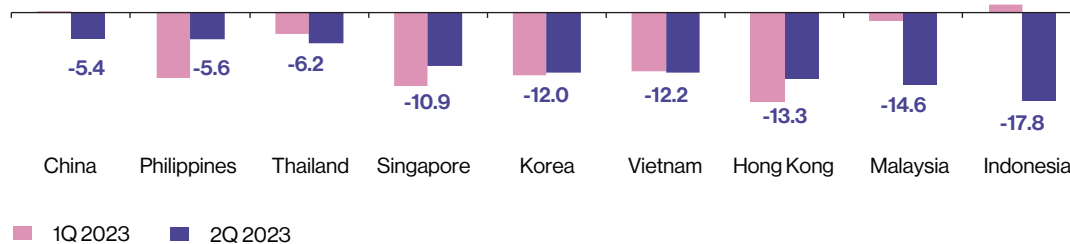


Source: National authorities

Continued decline in most regional exports



Exports of Selected Economies in USD terms
Annual change, %



Source: National authorities

Highlights

- **The global economy grew modestly.** While labour market remained resilient, growth continued to be weighed by higher interest rates and elevated inflation.
- **China's growth came in below expectation,** despite benefiting from low base from the lockdown back in 2Q 2022.
- **Decline in regional exports** reflecting weaker external demand, ongoing shift in consumption from goods to services and downcycle in E&E sector.
- **Headline inflation continued to moderate** amid lower commodity prices, while core inflation remained elevated partly due to resilient domestic demand.
- **Brent crude oil prices trended lower** at USD78 per barrel in 2Q 2023 (1Q 2023: USD82 per barrel) given weaker demand from OECD countries and higher global oil supply.