



Third Annual Foreign Investor Survey

September 2018

Highlights

Obstacles:

- “Widespread corruption” is the #1 obstacle to foreign investment for the third consecutive year, followed by “lack of trust in judiciary”. “Unstable financial system and currency” moved up to #3 from #5 last year.
- The top-3 obstacles are the same across portfolio and direct investors.
- “Military conflict with Russia” moved down to #5 in 2018 from #3 in 2016.

Timing:

- 28% think now is the optimal time to invest, 64% prefer to wait until after elections.

Positive factors:

- Fight against corruption and reset of judiciary would positively affect perceptions by both direct and portfolio investors.
- Direct investors also cited tangible progress in separating politics from business. Portfolio investors would appreciate a quick conclusion of a new IMF program after the elections.

Negative factors:

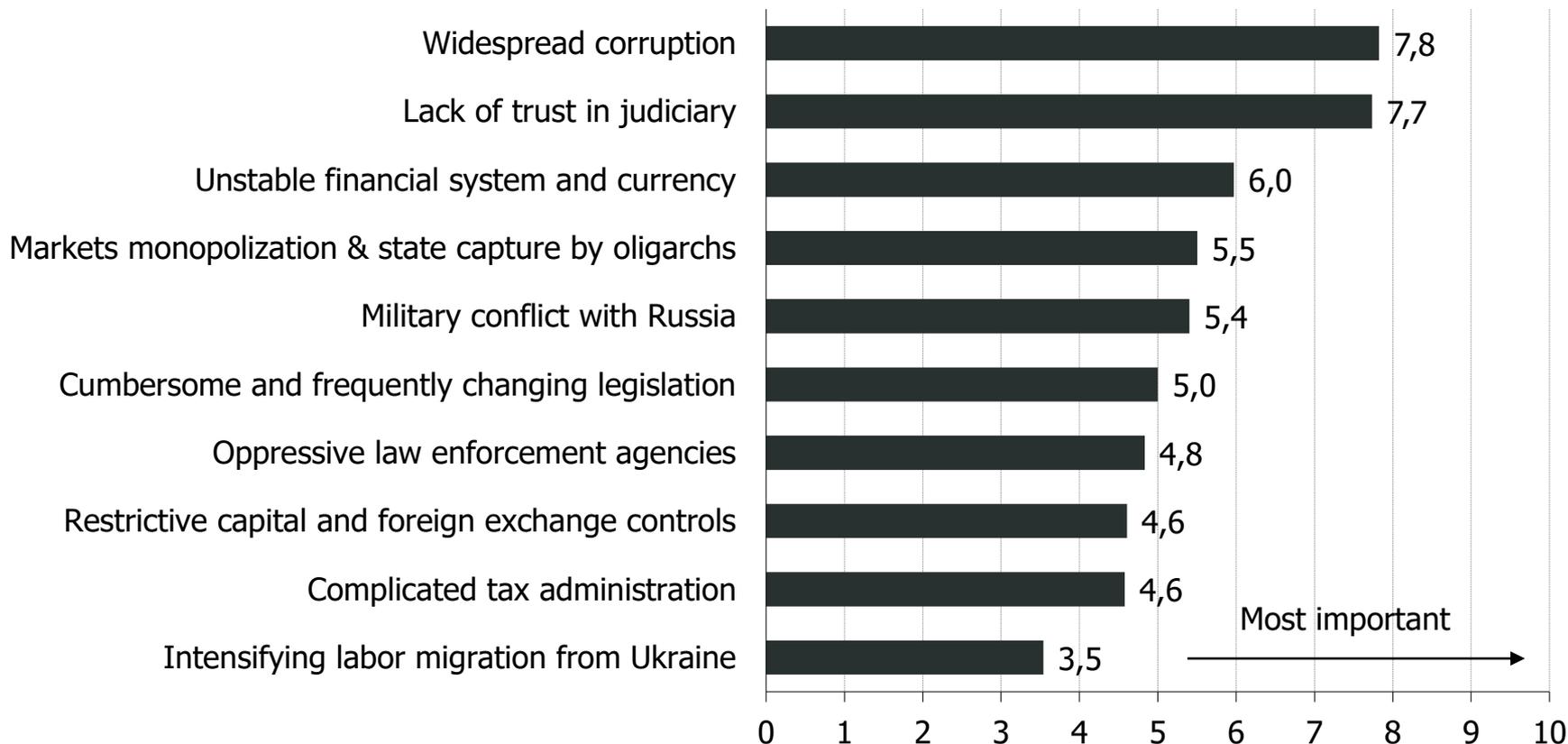
- Debt default, crackdown on independent institutions and rejection of democratic values would be the main detrimental factors.
- Direct investors view departure from democratic values and debt default as key negative factors. Portfolio investors would negatively react to a debt default and political influence on independent anti-corruption institutions or the NBU.

2018 Survey: Key Facts

- **Online questionnaire powered by GfK Ukraine**
- **September 3 - September 10, 2018**
- **109 responses**
- **64% are direct investors**
- **68% are currently invested**

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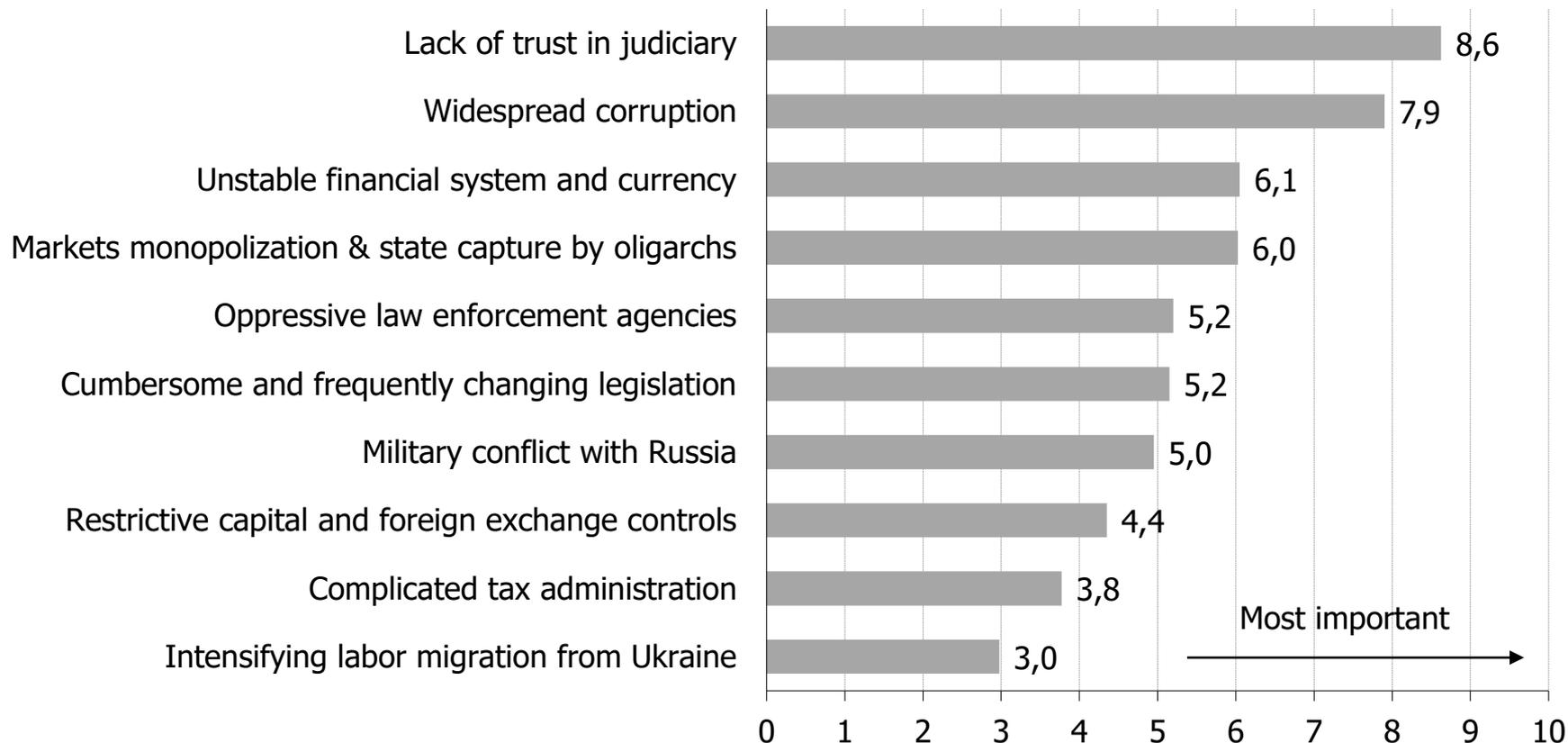
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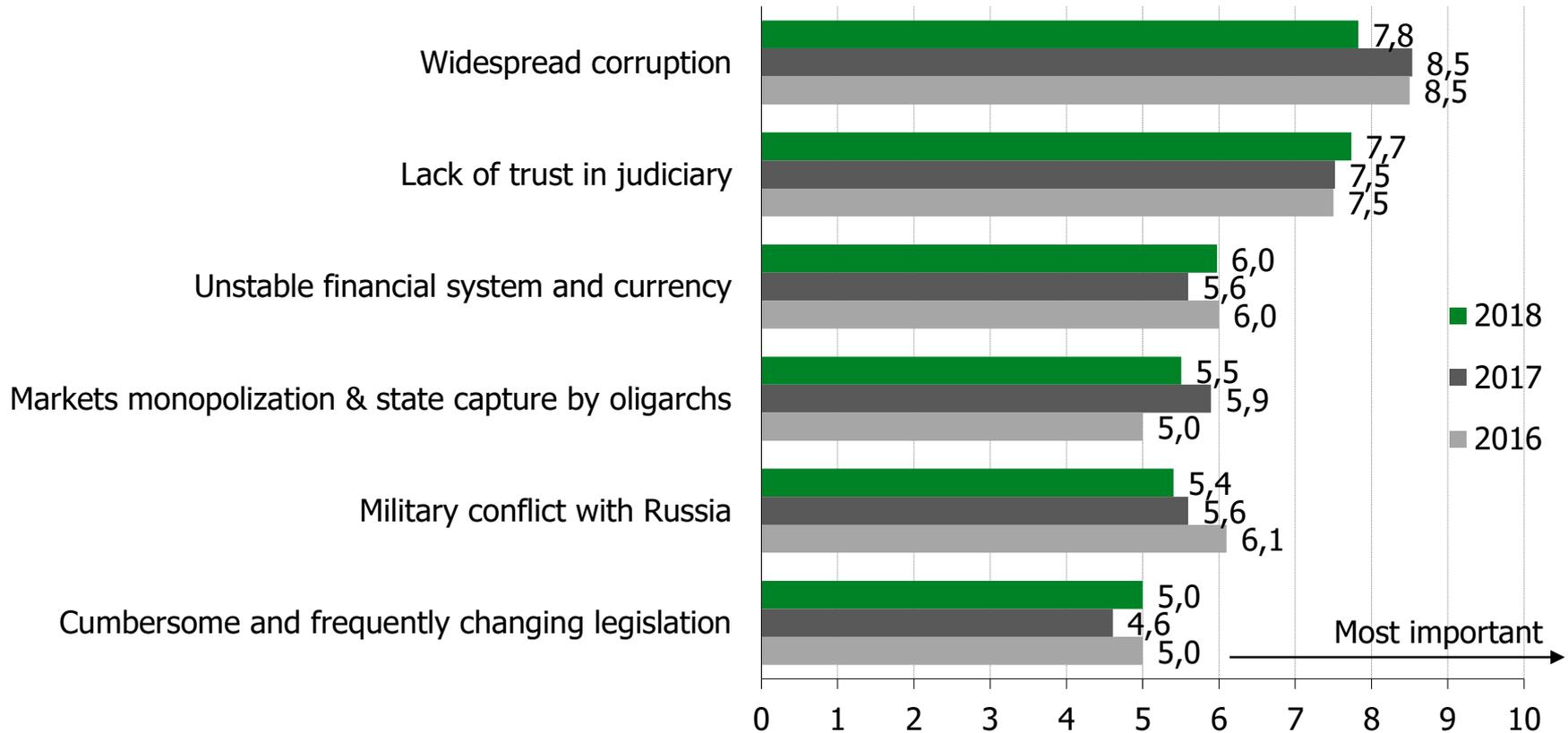
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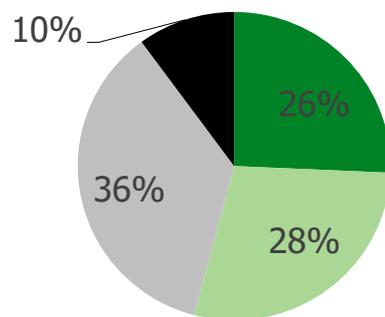
TOP-5 major obstacles to foreign investment in Ukraine



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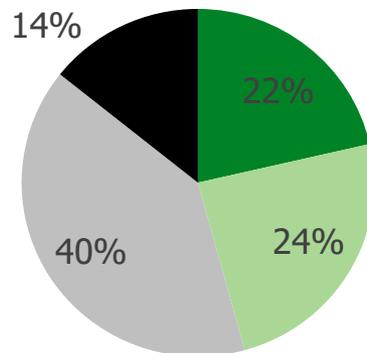
Q2. When do you think would be a better time to invest in Ukrainian assets?

All respondents

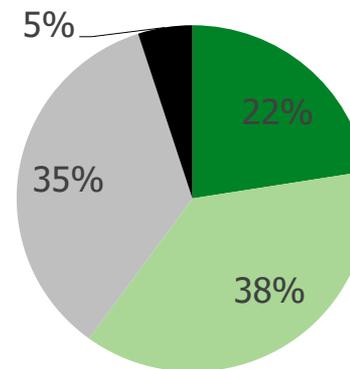


- Now
- After presidential elections in March 2019
- After parliamentary elections in October 2019 and formation of new government
- No compelling investment opportunities in Ukraine in the nearest future

Direct investors



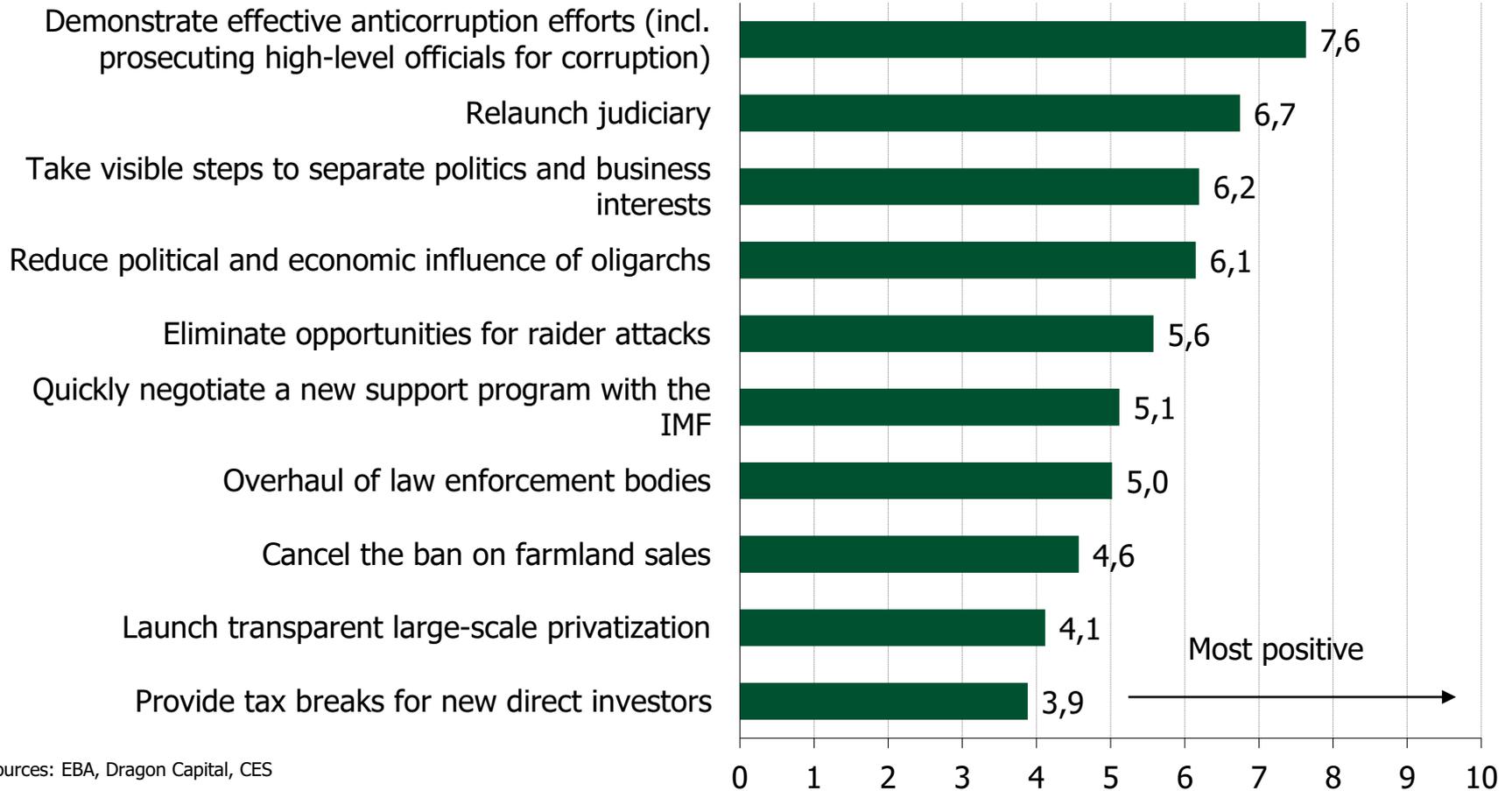
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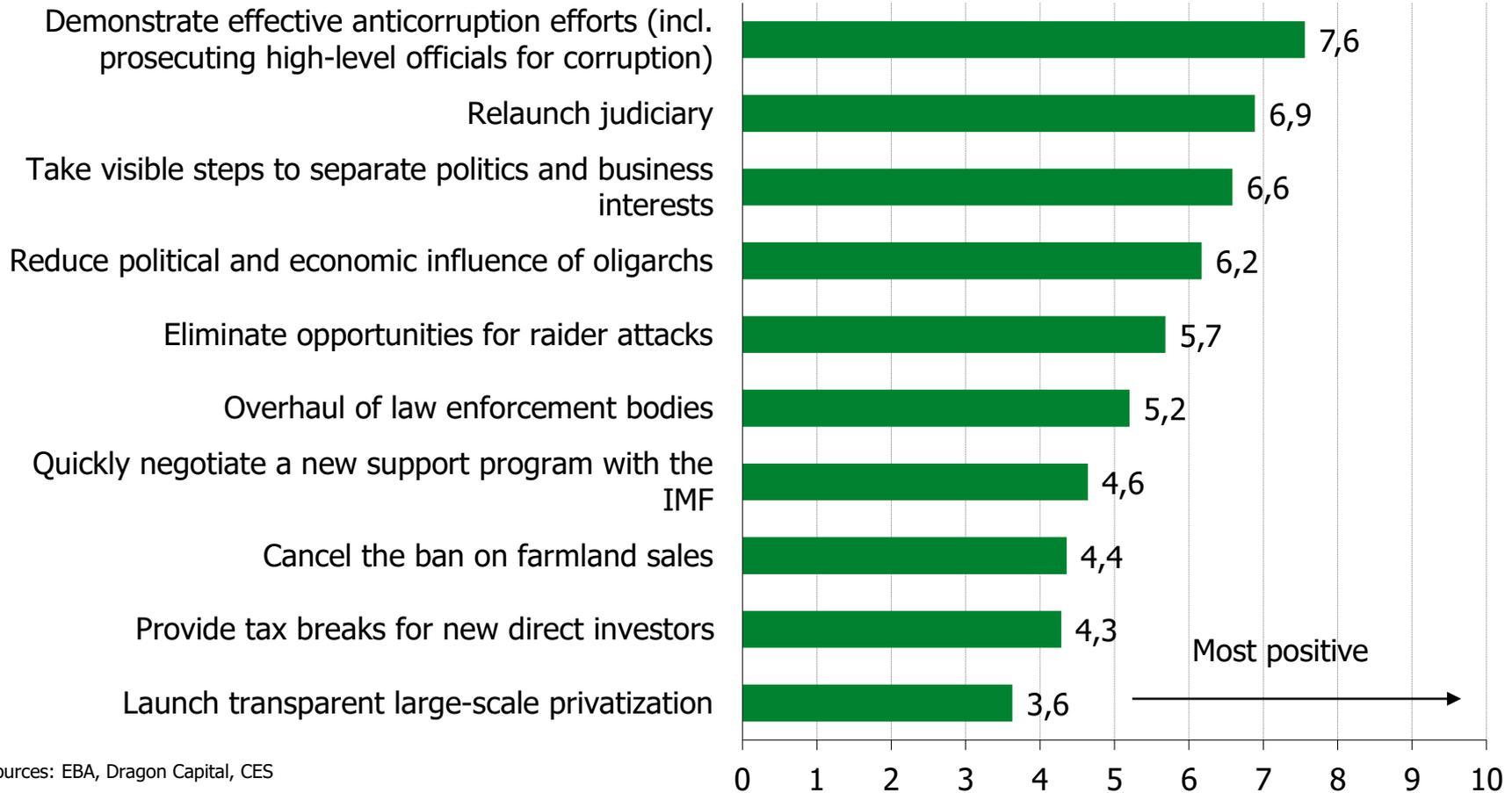
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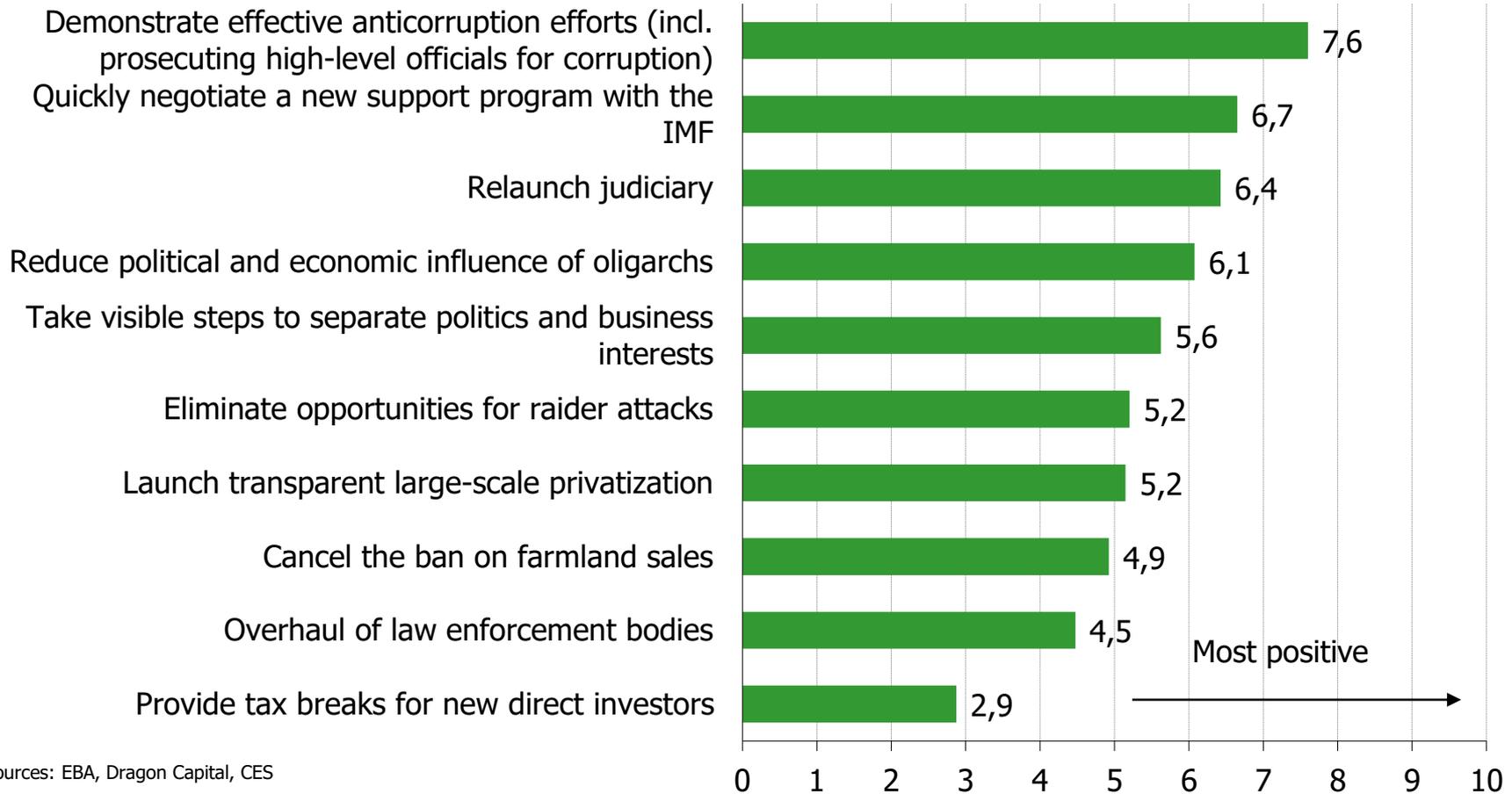
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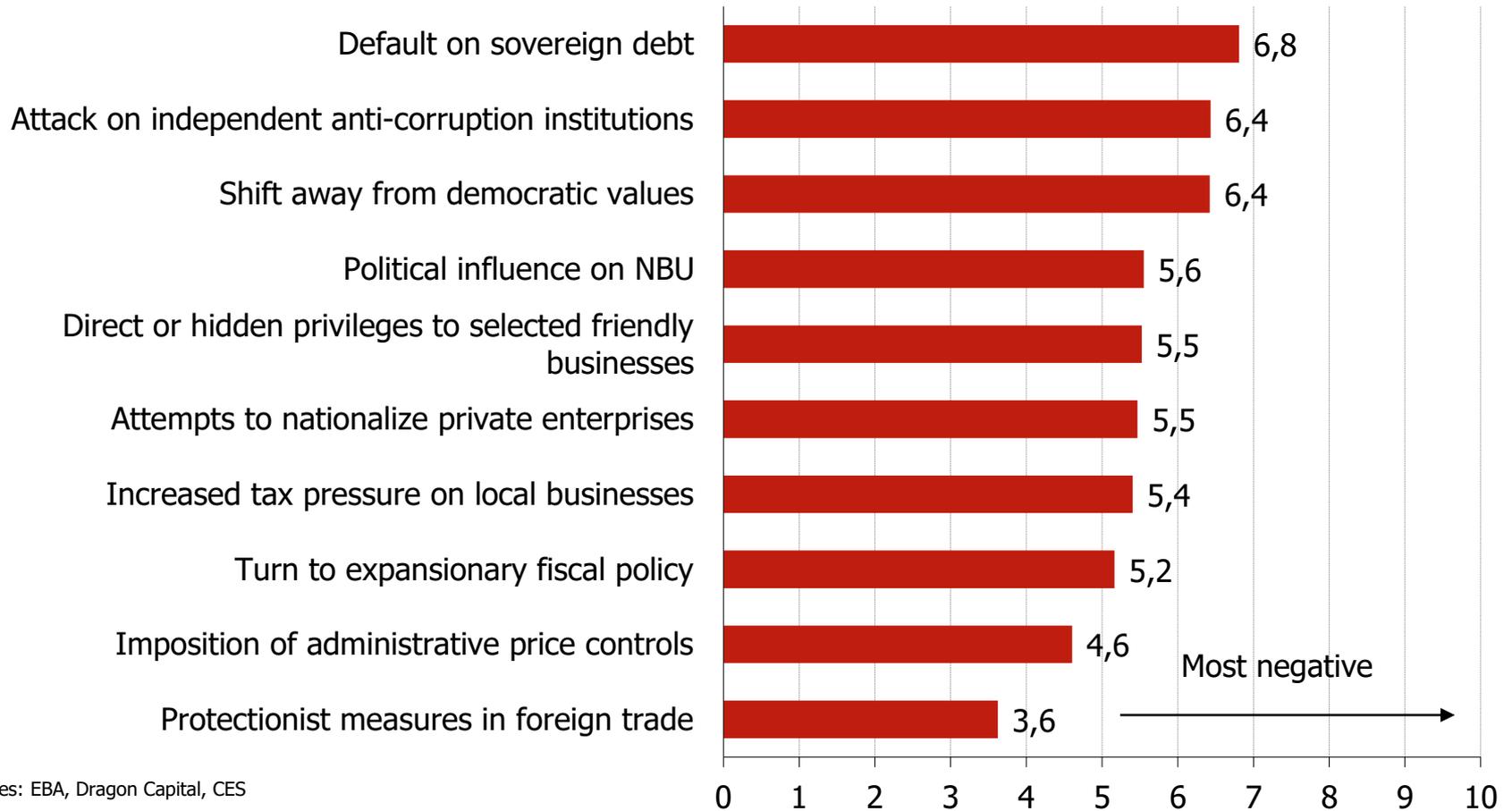
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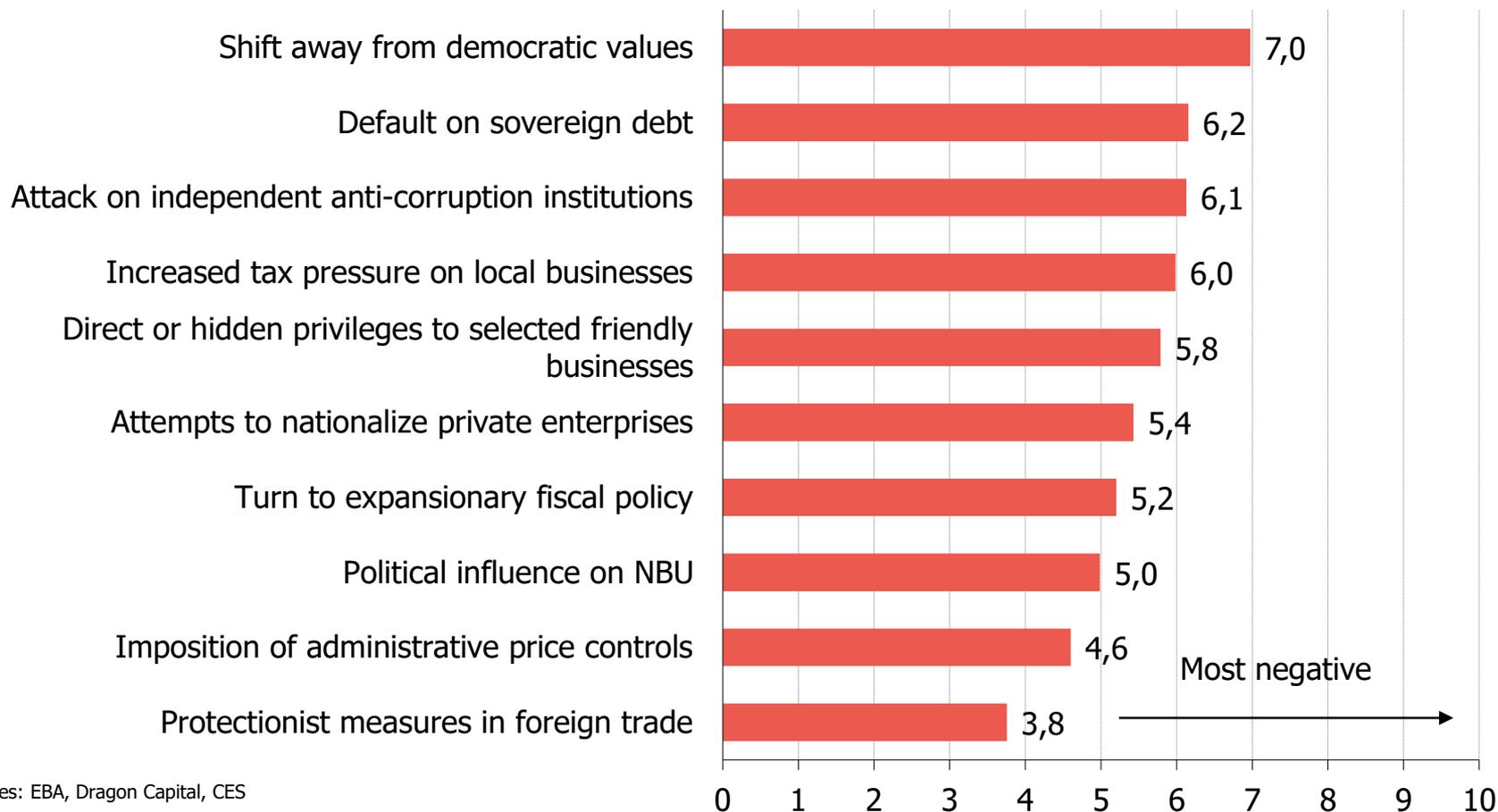
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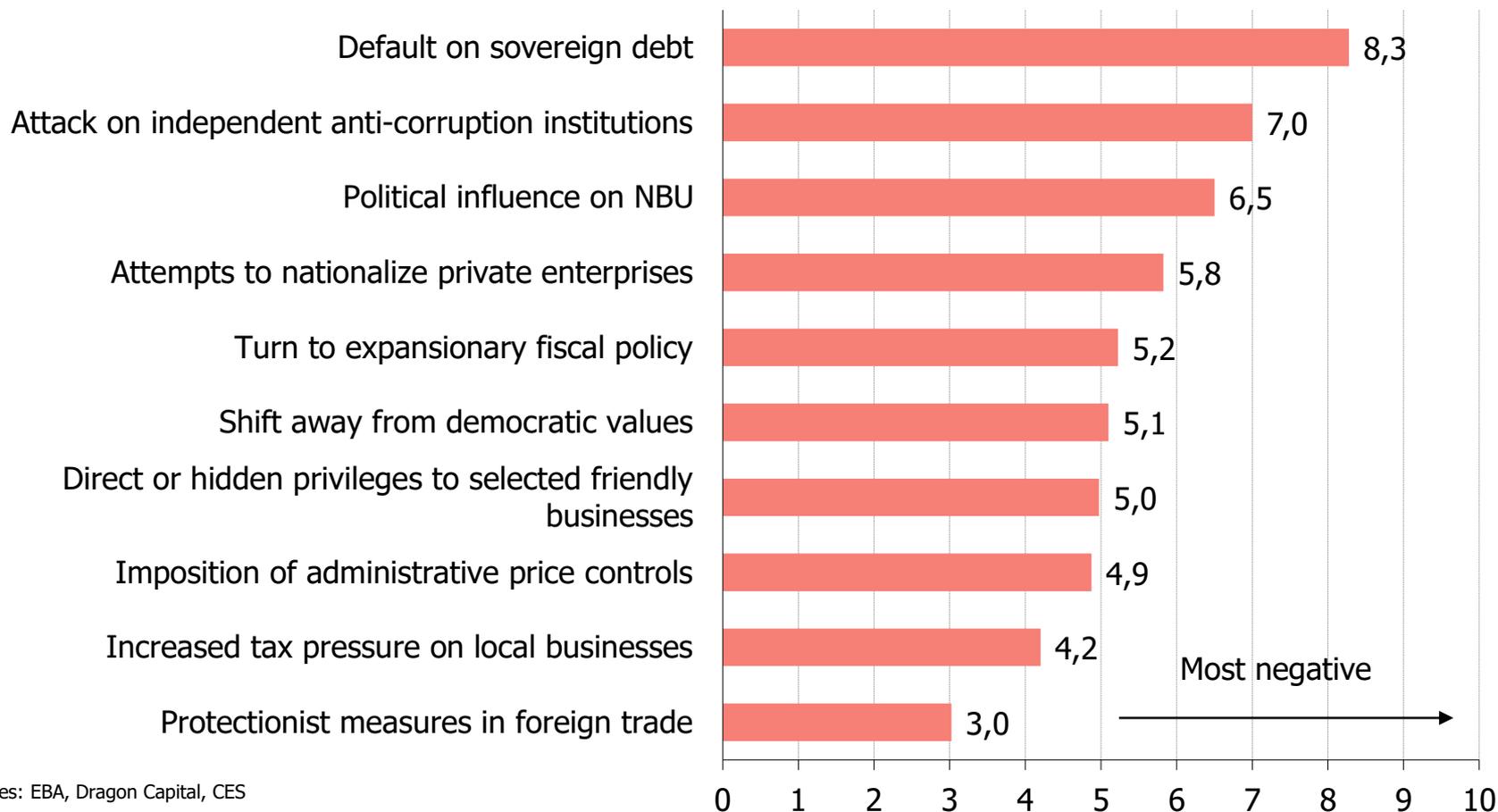
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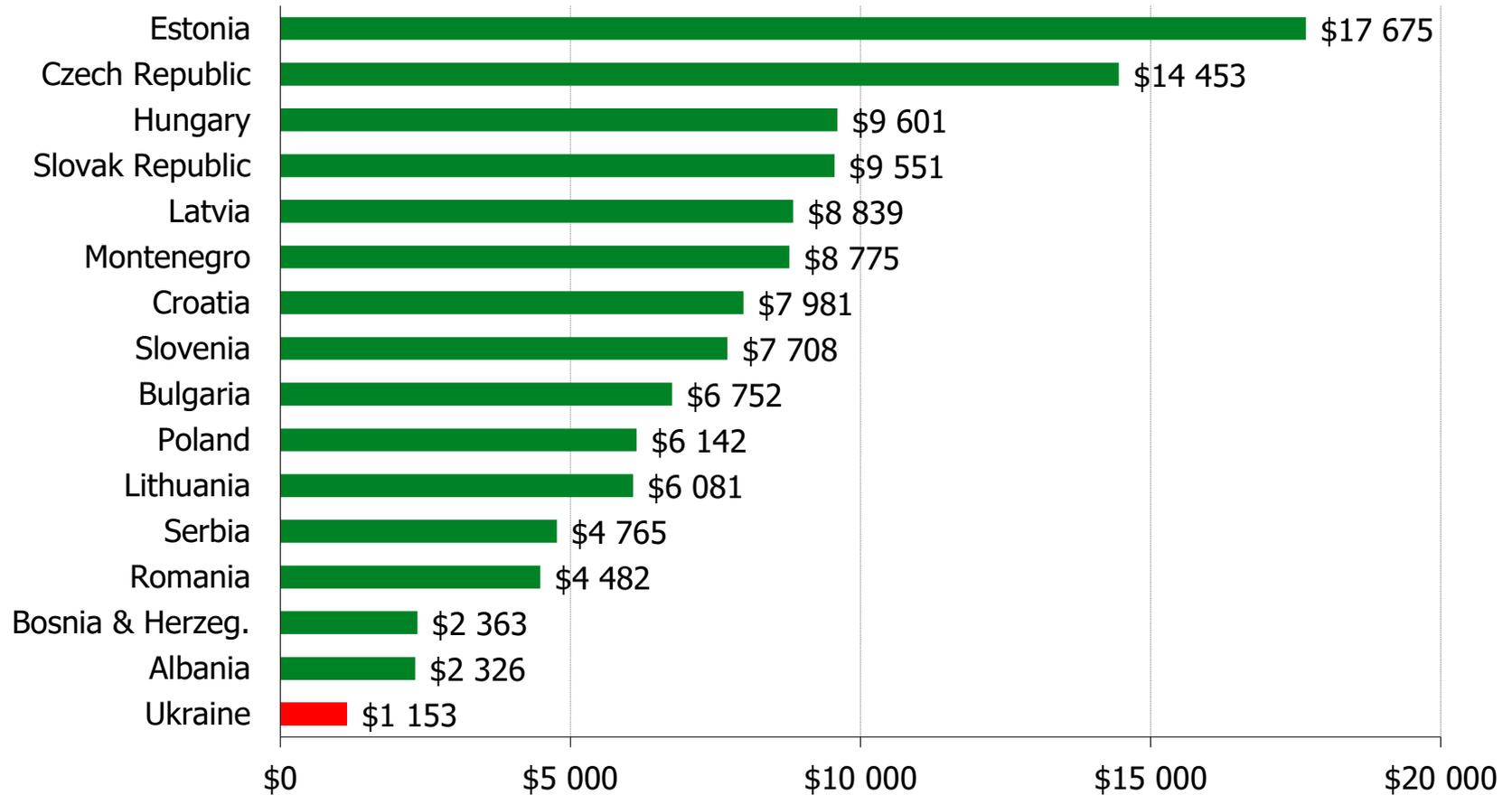
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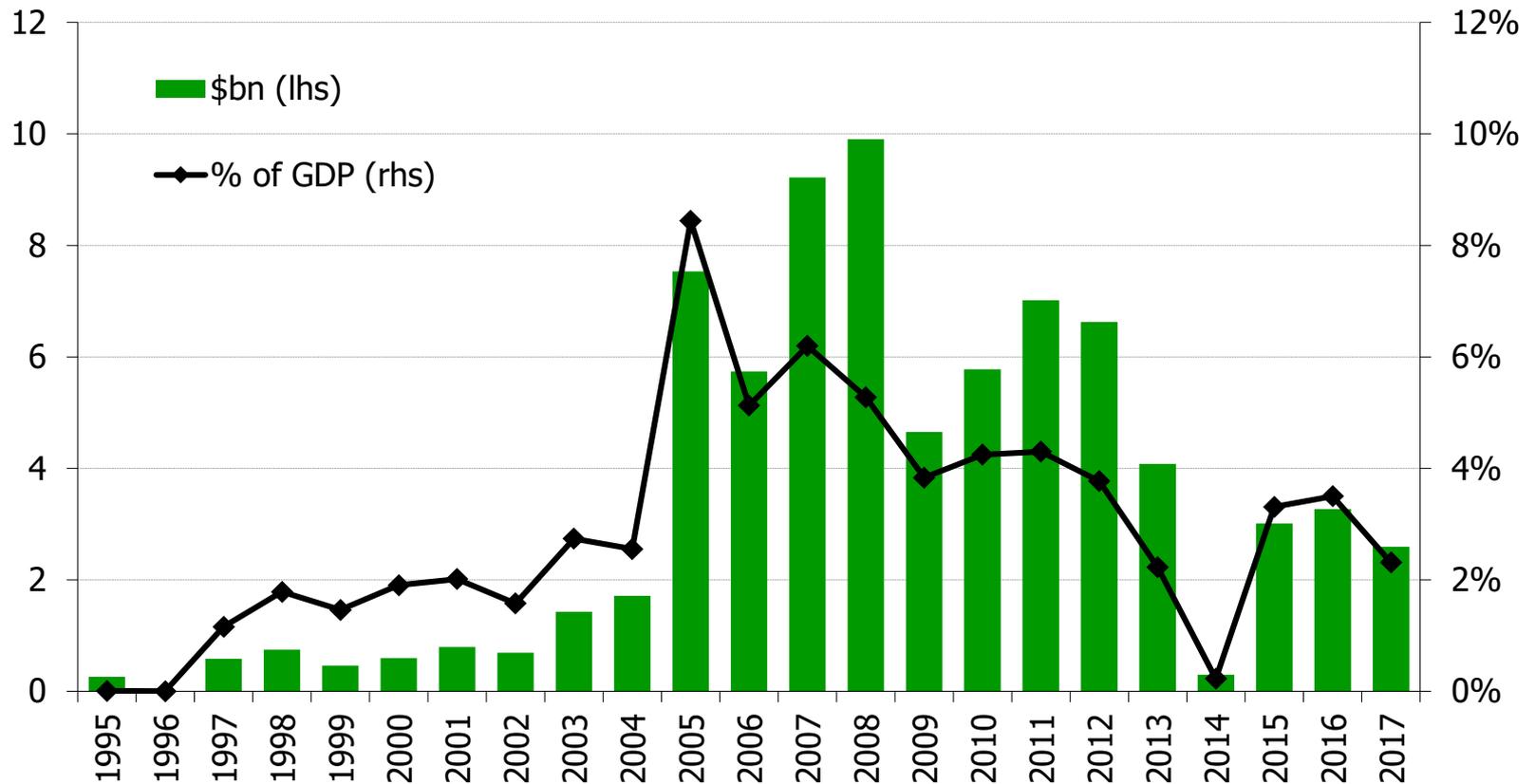
Investment in Ukraine: Key Facts

FDI stock per capita (end-2017)



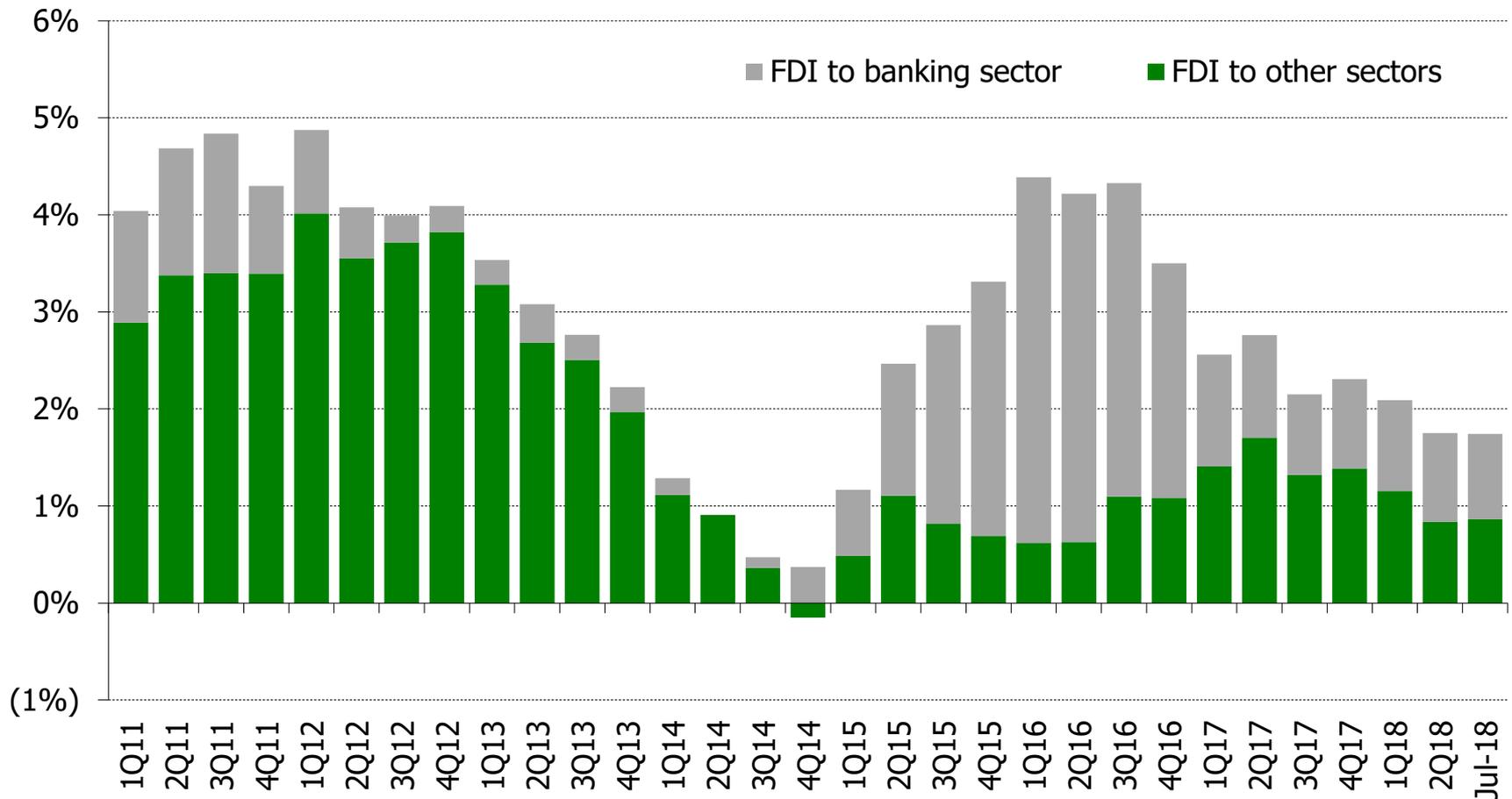
Source: UNCTAD

Net FDI inflow to Ukraine



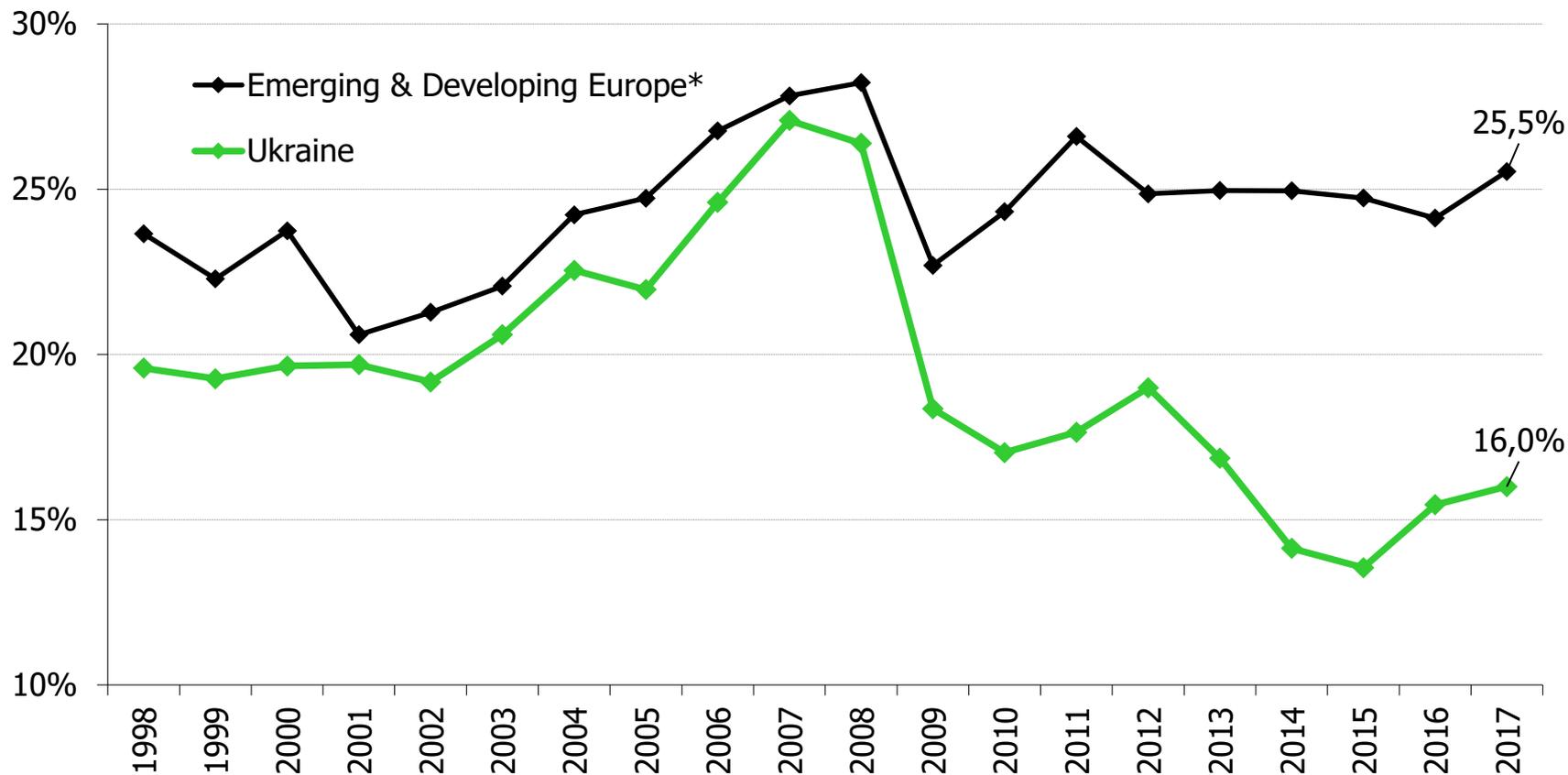
Source: NBU

Net FDI inflow by sector (12 month trailing, % of GDP)



Source: NBU

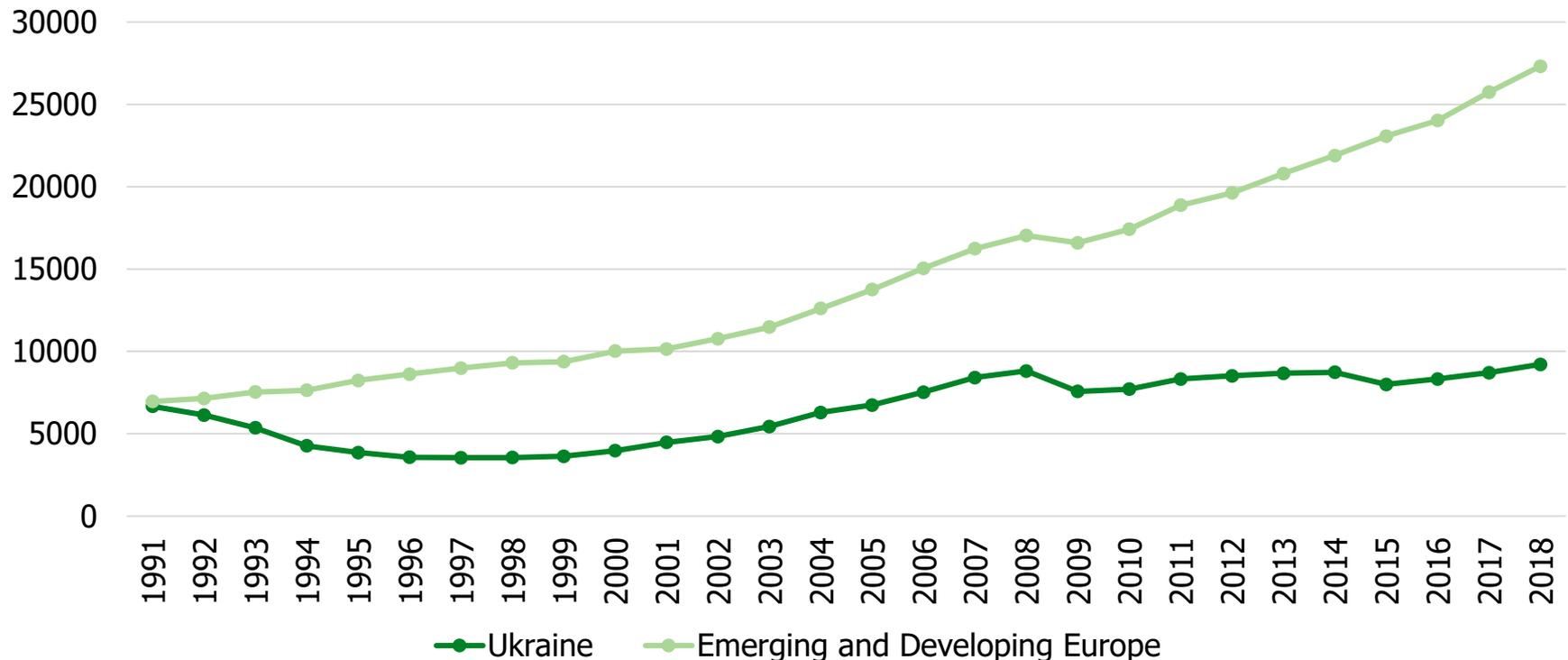
Gross fixed capital formation (% of GDP)



Notes: *Emerging & Developing Europe includes Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Kosovo, FYR Macedonia, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia and Turkey. Source: IMF

GDP per capita based on purchasing power parity (PPP)

GDP per capita, current prices
(Purchasing power parity; international dollars per capita)



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