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Fourth Quarter 2000

Expenditure and Output approach

First Eurostat estimates

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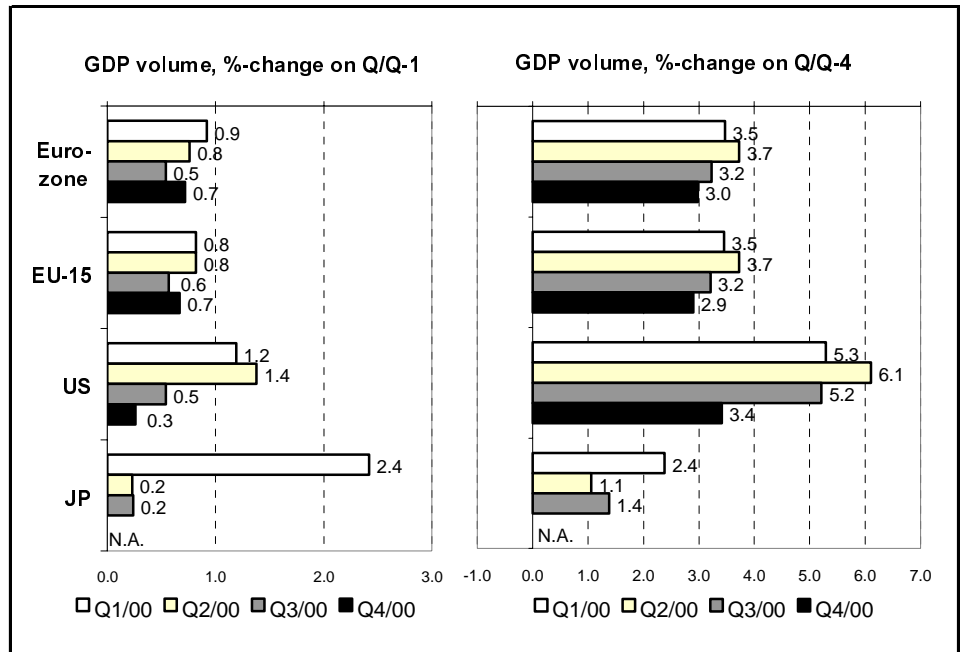
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Euro-zone⁽¹⁾ and **EU15** GDP both grew by 0.7% during the fourth quarter of 2000, compared to the previous quarter, according to first estimates⁽²⁾ from Eurostat. These figures follow a rise of 0.5% and 0.6% respectively for the euro-zone and the EU15, in the third quarter of 2000.

Compared to the fourth quarter of 1999, GDP rose by 3.0% in the euro-zone and by 2.9% in the EU15 (+3.2% in both areas in the third quarter).

During 2000, the economy of the euro-zone and of the EU15 increased by 3.4% and 3.3% respectively, compared to an annual GDP growth rate of 2.5% for the year 1999.

The US economy grew by 0.3% in the fourth quarter of 2000 (+0.5% in the previous quarter). Compared to the fourth quarter of 1999, GDP grew by 3.4% whilst during 2000, the US economy recorded a 5.0% growth compared to 1999.

⁽¹⁾ Methodological note: data for euro-zone and EU15 are calculated within a coherent and consistent statistical framework using as indicators the available data from the Member States. Given that certain Member States have not published their quarterly accounts yet, and that certain data are provisional, euro-zone and EU15 data must also be considered as provisional. Revisions are likely in the coming weeks.

⁽²⁾ The euro-zone consists of the following countries: Belgium, Germany, Spain, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal and Finland. Greece will be included in the calculation of the euro-zone starting from the publication covering the first quarter 2001.



DEVELOPMENT OF THE GDP AND ITS COMPONENTS

Expenditure components of the GDP Euro-zone, EU15 and USA

As far as the expenditure side of the GDP is concerned, *exports* recorded acceleration in the **euro-zone** and the **EU15**, growing by 3.3% and 3.1%, respectively, as did *imports*, with rates of 3.2% and 2.8%, respectively. *investment* slowed markedly (+0.4% and +0.5%, respectively). Growth in *final consumption expenditure of households*, on the other hand, was slightly up to 0.3% in the **euro-zone** and 0.4% in the **EU15**.

The largest contributions to GDP growth were those of *exports* (+1.3 and +1.2 of GDP variation for the **euro-zone** and the **EU15**, respectively) and *imports* (-1.1 and -1.0 of GDP variation, respectively), resulting in a +0.2 contribution of the *external balance* in both zones. A contribution of about the same magnitude was made by the *final consumption expenditure of households*.

In the **United States**, *household consumption* grew by 0.7%. *Investments* however slowed down to 0.2%.

Exports markedly dropped by -1.6%, as did, to a lesser extent, *imports* (-0.2%).

Output components of the GDP Euro-zone and EU15

During the fourth quarter of 2000, **total gross value added** rose by 0.7 % both in the **euro-zone** and in the **EU15**. Compared to the fourth quarter of 1999 the **total gross value added** grew by 3.2% and 3.1%, respectively.

Concerning the production branches, *trade, transport and communication* recorded the highest quarterly output growth (1.3% in both areas), followed by *financial services and business activities* (+0.9% growth in both areas). *Agriculture, hunting and fishing* showed the lowest growth during the fourth quarter of 2000, dropping at -0.1% and -0.4%, respectively.

These figures resulted into *trade, transport and communication* being the branch with the highest contribution to GDP growth (0.3 of the GDP variation for both zones), with *financial services and business activities* just behind (0.2 of GDP variation).

GDP and main components - Fourth quarter 2000

GDP	4th Quarter 2000	growth compared to 3rd quarter 2000	growth compared to 4th quarter 1999
Euro-zone	1 514 234.3	0.7	3.0
EU-15	1 883 675.3	0.7	2.9
US	1 761 037.2	0.3	3.4
JP	:	:	:
Domestic Demand	4th Quarter 2000	growth compared to 3rd quarter 2000	growth compared to 4th quarter 1999
Euro-zone	1 478 997.8	0.6	2.5
EU-15	1 857 397.5	0.5	2.6
US	1 848 409.0	0.4	4.3
JP	:	:	:
External Balance	4th Quarter 2000	Percentage of GDP (seasonally adjusted)	
Euro-zone	35 236.5	2.3	
EU-15	26 277.7	1.4	
US	- 87 371.7	-5.0	
JP	:	:	
Gross Value Added	4th Quarter 2000	growth compared to 3rd quarter 2000	growth compared to 4th quarter 1999
Euro-zone	1 418 198.5	0.7	3.3
EU-15	1 759 867.8	0.7	3.1
US	:	:	:
JP	:	:	:

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T1 GROWTH RATE OF GDP AND EXPENDITURE COMPONENTS

t/t-1 PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS QUARTER - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - IN VOLUME

	GDP				Household final consumption expenditure				Government final consumption expenditure				Gross Fixed Capital Formation				Change in Inventories ⁽¹⁾				Domestic Demand				Exports				Imports				External Balance ⁽¹⁾			
	2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
EURO-ZONE	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.6	1.8	0.6	1.1	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.6	3.0	2.0	2.8	3.3	2.2	2.3	2.6	3.2	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.3
EU-15	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.5	1.6	0.7	1.1	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.9	0.5	0.5	2.6	2.1	2.5	3.1	2.0	2.5	2.4	2.8	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.4
US	1.2	1.4	0.5	0.3	1.8	0.8	1.1	0.7	-0.9	1.9	-0.5	0.1	3.6	2.1	0.6	0.2	0.7	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.4	1.6	0.8	0.4	1.5	3.4	3.3	-1.6	2.9	4.3	4.0	-0.2	-4.3	-4.6	-4.8	-5.0
JP	2.4	0.2	0.2	:	2.0	0.1	0.0	:	1.0	1.2	0.5	:	2.2	-0.7	1.3	:	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	:	2.0	0.1	0.3	:	4.4	4.0	0.0	:	0.4	3.9	1.1	:	2.5	2.6	2.6	:

⁽¹⁾ Percentage of GDP
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T2 GROWTH RATE OF GDP AND EXPENDITURE COMPONENTS

t/t-4 PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER THE SAME QUARTER OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - IN VOLUME

	GDP				Household final consumption expenditure				Government final consumption expenditure				Gross Fixed Capital Formation				Domestic Demand				Exports				Imports						
	2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000						
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
EURO-ZONE	3.5	3.7	3.2	3.0	2.6	3.1	2.4	2.1	1.7	1.8	1.4	1.6	5.7	4.9	4.0	3.9	2.6	3.2	2.8	2.5	12.8	11.4	11.2	11.6	10.5	10.1	10.2	10.7			
EU-15	3.5	3.7	3.2	2.9	2.8	3.2	2.7	2.2	1.6	1.8	1.4	1.6	5.4	4.8	4.3	4.0	2.7	3.4	3.0	2.6	12.0	10.9	10.1	10.8	9.8	10.2	9.7	10.1			
US	5.3	6.1	5.2	3.4	6.0	5.4	5.3	4.5	1.7	3.7	2.0	0.6	9.9	10.0	8.7	6.6	6.2	6.9	6.0	4.3	8.1	10.2	11.2	6.8	13.9	14.5	14.5	11.5			
JP	2.4	1.1	1.4	:	1.8	0.0	-1.3	:	3.8	3.8	3.1	:	0.8	-0.9	4.3	:	1.9	0.4	1.0	:	12.2	14.6	11.7	:	8.5	10.4	9.4	:			

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T3 GDP AND EXPENDITURE COMPONENTS

levels FOURTH QUARTER 2000, MILLIONS OF EURO, AT CONSTANT PRICES 1995

	GDP	Household final consumption expenditure				Government final consumption expenditure				Gross Fixed Capital Formation				Change in Inventories				Domestic Demand				Exports				Imports				External Balance			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
EURO-ZONE	1 514 234.3	844 912.0				294 369.4				330 134.6				9 581.9				1 478 997.8				590 377.1				555 140.6				35 236.5			
EU-15	1 883 675.3	1 077 874.9				366 694.3				403 091.2				9 737.2				1 857 397.5				725 189.7				698 911.9				26 277.7			
US	1 761 037.2	1 192 284.7				234 973.0				403 224.3				17 927.0				1 848 409.0				220 738.3				308 110.0				- 87 371.7			
JP	:	:				:				:				:				:				:				:				:			

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T4 GROWTH RATE OF GDP AND GROSS VALUE ADDED BY INDUSTRY**t/t-1** PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS QUARTER - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - IN VOLUME

	GDP				Agriculture, hunting and fishing				Industry, incl. Energy				Construction				Trade, transport and communication services				Financial services and business activities				Other services				Total Gross Value Added (A6)			
	2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000							
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
EURO-ZONE	0.1	-0.9	1.7	-0.1	1.6	0.8	0.9	0.3	1.1	-1.0	-0.1	0.4	1.5	1.1	0.5	1.3	1.4	0.8	1.3	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	1.2	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.7
EU-15	0.1	-0.7	1.2	-0.4	1.2	0.9	0.8	0.1	1.4	-1.2	-0.4	0.4	1.4	1.1	0.6	1.3	1.2	1.0	1.4	0.9	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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T5 GROWTH RATE OF GDP AND GROSS VALUE ADDED BY INDUSTRY**t/t-4** PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER THE SAME QUARTER OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - IN VOLUME

	GDP				Agriculture, hunting and fishing				Industry, incl. Energy				Construction				Trade, transport and communication services				Financial services and business activities				Other services				Total Gross Value Added (A6)			
	2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000							
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
EURO-ZONE	3.2	1.3	0.4	0.4	3.9	4.6	4.1	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.6	4.5	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.1	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.3	0.0	3.7	3.2	2.9	2.3	1.0	1.3	0.3	1.2	0.9	0.8	0.1
EU-15	3.8	1.8	0.3	0.2	4.0	4.7	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.7	4.6	0.9	1.2	1.1	1.2	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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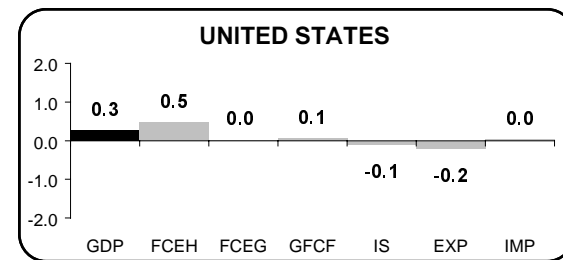
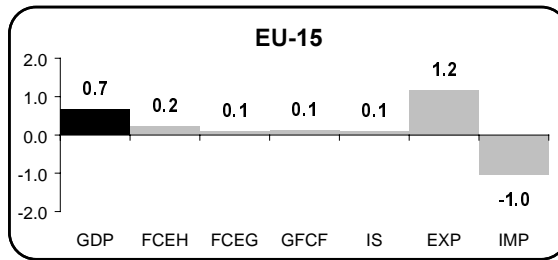
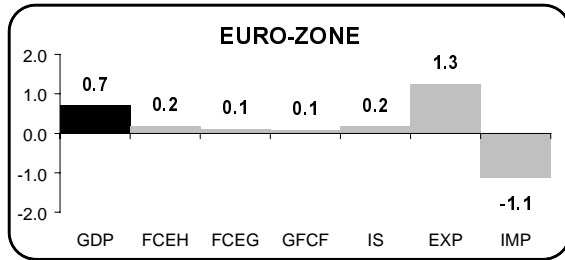
T6 GDP AND GROSS VALUE ADDED BY INDUSTRY**levels** FOURTH QUARTER 2000, MILLIONS OF EURO, AT CONSTANT PRICES 1995

	GDP							Total Gross Value Added (A6)	Taxes less subsidies on products	FISIM
		Agriculture, hunting and fishing	Industry, incl. Energy	Construction	Trade, transport and communication services	Financial services and business activities	Other services			
EURO-ZONE	1 514 234.3	37 334.9	331 276.7	75 194.6	303 687.7	381 796.0	288 908.6	1 418 198.5	154 177.9	58 142.1
EU-15	1 883 675.3	45 182.3	408 162.2	91 075.6	384 487.9	470 317.1	360 642.7	1 759 867.8	195 518.3	71 710.8

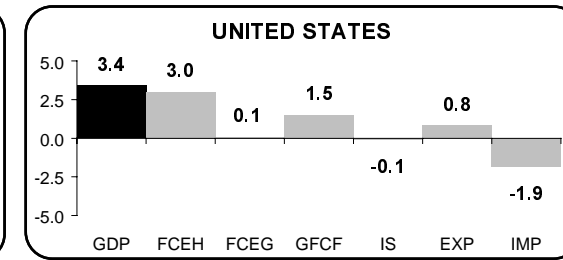
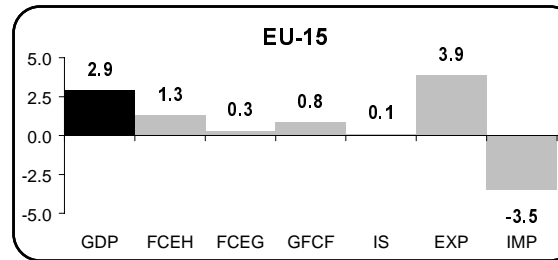
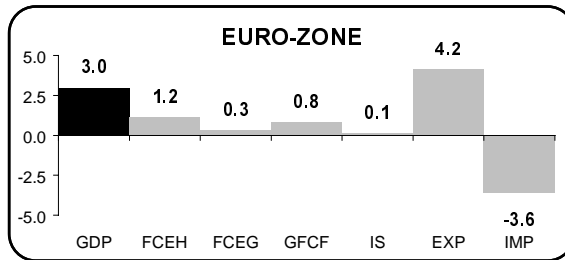
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FISIM: Financial Intermediation Services Indirectly Measured

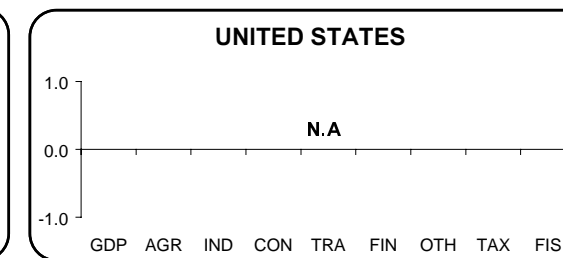
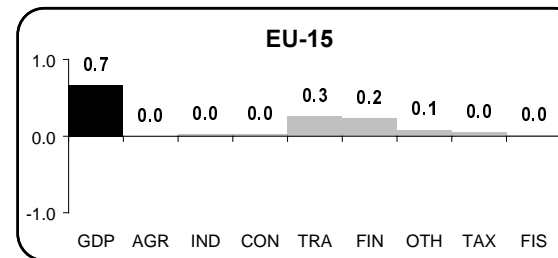
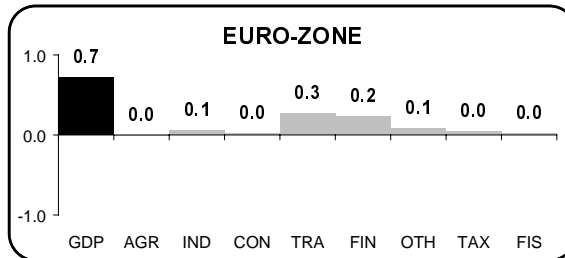
**Contribution ⁽³⁾ of expenditure components to variation in GDP
Q/Q-1 - Fourth Quarter 2000**



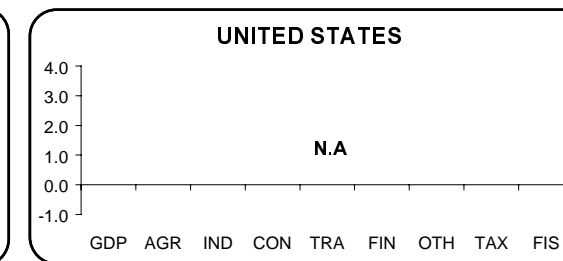
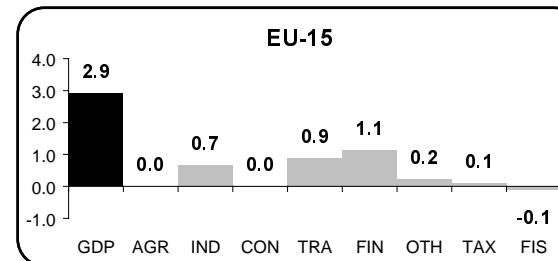
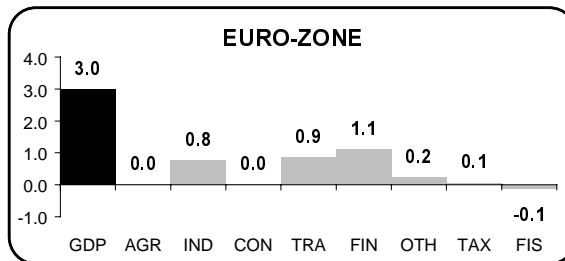
Q/Q-4 - Fourth Quarter 2000



**Contribution ⁽³⁾ of output components to GDP change
Q/Q-1 - Fourth Quarter 2000**



Q/Q-4 - Fourth Quarter 2000



⁽³⁾ Contributions to change in GDP are calculated by expressing absolute changes in components as a percentage of the GDP in the period referenced (q-1 or q-4, respectively). See the legend on page 7 for an explanation of the abbreviations used in the graphs.

T7 CONTRIBUTION OF EXPENDITURE COMPONENTS TO VARIATION IN GDP**t/t-1 GDP VARIATION OVER PREVIOUS QUARTER - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - IN VOLUME**

	GDP				Household final consumption expenditure				Government final consumption expenditure				Gross Fixed Capital Formation				Change in Inventories				Exports				Imports						
	2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000						
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
EURO-ZONE	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.1	-0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	1.1	0.7	1.0	1.3	-0.8	-0.8	-0.9	-1.1			
EU-15	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	-0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.8	0.9	1.2	-0.7	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0			
US	1.2	1.4	0.5	0.3	1.2	0.5	0.7	0.5	-0.1	0.3	-0.1	0.0	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.4	0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.7	-0.7	0.0			
JP	2.4	0.2	0.2	:	1.1	0.1	0.0	:	0.2	0.2	0.1	:	0.6	-0.2	0.4	:	0.2	0.1	-0.1	:	0.5	0.4	0.0	:	0.0	-0.3	-0.1	:			

t/t-4 GDP VARIATION OVER THE SAME QUARTER OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - IN VOLUME

EURO-ZONE	1.6	1.9	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.8	1.4	1.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.8	-0.5	0.0	0.2	0.1	4.3	4.0	3.9	4.2	-3.4	-3.3	-3.4	-3.6
EU-15	3.5	3.7	3.2	2.9	1.6	1.9	1.5	1.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	-0.4	0.2	0.3	0.1	4.0	3.8	3.6	3.9	-3.2	-3.4	-3.3	-3.5
US	5.3	6.1	5.2	3.4	4.0	3.6	3.5	3.0	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.1	2.2	2.2	1.9	1.5	0.0	0.8	0.5	-0.1	1.0	1.2	1.4	0.8	-2.1	-2.3	-2.3	-1.9
JP	2.4	1.1	1.4	:	1.0	0.0	-0.7	:	0.6	0.6	0.5	:	0.2	-0.2	1.1	:	0.0	0.1	0.0	:	1.2	1.5	1.2	:	-0.7	-0.8	-0.8	:

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T8 CONTRIBUTION OF GROSS VALUE ADDED BY INDUSTRY TO VARIATION IN GDP**t/t-1 GDP VARIATION OVER PREVIOUS QUARTER - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - IN VOLUME**

	GDP				Agriculture, hunting and fishing				Industry, incl. Energy				Construction				Trade, transport and communication services				Financial services and business activities				Other services				Taxes less subsidies on products				FISIM			
	2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000				2000							
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
EURO-ZONE	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0
EU-15	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0

t/t-4 GDP variation over the same quarter of the previous year - in volume

EURO-ZONE	3.5	3.7	3.2	3.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1
EU-15	3.5	3.7	3.2	2.9	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1

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FISIM: Financial Intermediation Services Indirectly Measured

➤ ESSENTIAL INFORMATION – METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Data are compiled in accordance with ESA 1995 (European System of Accounts) which is described in Council Regulation No 2223/96 of 25. June 1995.

Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at market prices is the final result of the production activity of resident producer units. It may be compiled from different sources relating to different approaches:

Using the **expenditure approach**, GDP is obtained from the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GDP} = & \text{Household final consumption expenditure} \\ & + \text{Government final consumption expenditure} \\ & + \text{Gross fixed capital formation} \\ & + \text{Change in inventories} \\ & + \text{Exports} \\ & - \text{Imports.} \end{aligned}$$

The first four components constitute **domestic demand**, the balance of the latter two, i.e. exports minus imports, is the **external balance**.

Final consumption expenditure (ESA 1995 3.75) is defined as expenditure on goods and services that are used for the direct satisfaction of individual or collective needs. The consumption expenditure may take place on the economic territory or abroad. **Household final consumption expenditure** entails the expenditure of non-profit institutions serving households (NPISH). **Government final consumption expenditure** includes the value of goods and services produced by general government itself other than own-account capital formation, and purchases by general government of goods and services produced by market producers that are supplied to households — without any transformation — as social transfers in kind.

Gross fixed capital formation (ESA 1995, 3.102) consists of acquisitions, less disposals, of fixed tangible or intangible assets.

Changes in inventories (ESA 1995, 3.117) are measured by value of the entries into inventories less the value of withdrawals and recurrent losses. Inventories include materials and supplies as well as work-in-progress and growing crops.

Exports and imports (ESA 1995, 3.128 f.) of goods and services are transactions between residents and non-residents. They consist of sales, barter, gifts and grants. Imports and Exports of goods are valued free on board at the border of the exporting country (f.o.b.).

Using the **output approach**, GDP is obtained from the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GDP} = & \text{Total Gross value added (A6)} \\ & + \text{Taxes less subsidies on products} \\ & - \text{FISIM.} \end{aligned}$$

Gross value added (GVA) (ESA 1995, 8.11) is defined as the value of all newly generated goods and services less the value of all goods and services consumed as intermediate consumption. The depreciation of fixed assets is not taken into account. Gross value added is compiled by industry that creates it. Here, the A6 breakdown of the NACE Rev. 1 is used. This is the European classification of economic activities governed by Council Regulation 3037/90 of 9 October 1990. It should be noted that total gross value added, i.e. the sum of industries' GVA, still contains some intermediate consumption (FISIM, see below). GVA of a whole economy is therefore to be calculated as Total GVA minus FISIM.

When calculating value added, output is valued at basic prices and intermediate consumption at purchaser's prices, and thus the difference between taxes and subsidies on products has to be added to value added.

Taxes less subsidies on products (ESA 1995, 9.47) are, in fact, a part of value added measured in the government accounts because of the different prices used. The GDP resulting from the above equation will then be valued at market prices.

FISIM (Financial Intermediation Services Indirectly Measured, ESA 1995, 8.14) is a kind of intermediate consumption paid to financial service providers via the interest margin, which cannot be allocated directly to individual customers as intermediate consumption, so value added is overestimated for the branches. FISIM is therefore normally considered to be intermediate consumption at the national economy level.

Legend:

GDP:	Gross Domestic Product
FCEH:	Household final consumption expenditure
FCEG:	Government final consumption expenditure
GFCF:	Gross fixed capital formation
IS :	Changes in inventories
IMP :	Imports
EXP:	Exports
EB:	External balance

GVA:	Gross Value Added
AGR:	Agriculture, hunting and fishing
IND:	Industry, including energy
CON:	Construction
TRA:	Trade, transport and communication services
FIN:	business activities and financial services
OTH:	Other services
TAX:	Taxes less subsidies on products
FIS:	FISIM

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