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DG ECFIN - Directorate A - Policy strategy and co-ordination

		LTA ⁽¹⁾	2012	2013	13Q3	13Q4	14Q1	14Q2	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-1
1. Output	1.17.1	100.0	00.9	02.0	05.2	00.1	101.7	102.0	101.0	102.5	102.0	100.4	102.0	
Economic Sentiment	indicator	100.0	90.8	93.8	95.3	99.1	101.6	102.2	101.2	102.5	102.0	102.6	102.0	-
Industrial confidence	balance	-7.0	-11.7	-9.3	-8.3	-4.1	-3.5	-3.6	-3.5	-3.3	-3.5	-3.1	-4.3	-
Services confidence	balance	9.2	-6.8	- 6.1	-5.3	-1.3	3.4	3.8	3.3	4.5	3.5	3.8	4.2	-
Industrial production	% cb. on prev. period				0.0	0.5	0.2		0.1	-0.4	0.8			
(excluding construction)	% ch. on prev. year	0.8	-2.5	-0.7	-1.1	1.6	1.2		1.8	0.2	1.4			-
Gross domestic product	% ch. on prev. period				0.1	0.3	0.2							
Gloss domestic product	% ch. on prev. year	1.6	-0.7	-0.4	-0.3	0.5	0.9							
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Labour productivity	% ch. on prev. year	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.9	0.8							
2. Private consumption	1 5													
Consumer confidence	balan ce	-13.3	-22.1	-18.6	-15.9	-14.4	-11.2	-7.7	-12.7	-9.3	-8.6	-7.1	-7.5	
Retail confidence	balance	-9.2	-15.1	-12.5	-10.4	-6.8	-3.0	-2.3	-3.0	-2.5	-2.5	-2.4	-2.1	
Retail confidence		-9.2	-15.1	-12.5	0.1		0.2		-0.0	-2.3	-2.3	-2.4	-2.1	
Private consumption	% ch. on prev. period					0.1								
-	% ch. on prev. year	1.4	-1.4	-0.7	-0.5	0.1	0.5							
Retail sales	% cb. on prev. period				0.5	-0.4	0.7		0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.0		
	% ch. on prev. year	0.3	-1.7	-0.9	-0.5	0.1	1.0		1.0	1.2	1.8	0.7		
3. Investment														
Capacity utilisation	level (%)	81.3	78.9	78.0	78.3	78.4	80.1	79.5			79.5			
Production expectations (manuf.)	balan ce	5.6	-4.0	2.8	4.4	9.1	8.8	8.1	8.3	9.8	8.2	8.9	7.1	
	% ch. on prev. period				0.5	0.9	0.2							
Gross fixed capital formation	% ch. on prev. year	1.2	-4.0	-2.9	-2.4	0.0	1.7							
	% ch. on prev. year		-+.v	<u> </u>	0.0	2.4	-0.4							
- equipment investment				2 4										
	% ch. on prev. year		-4.5	-2.1	-1.6	1.9	2.9							
- construction investment	% ch. on prev. period				0.8	0.1	0.5							
	% ch. on prev. year		-4.2	-3.9	-3.2	-1.5	1.1							
Change in stocks	contrib. to GDP (pp.)	0.0	-0.4	-0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.3							
4. Labour market														
Employment expectations (manuf.)	balan ce	-10.8	-8.6	-9.6	-9.4	-6.1	-4.6	-5.3	-4.8	-4.6	-5.7	-5.2	-4.9	
Employment expectations (services)	balan ce	5.4	-2.3	-4.1	-4.1	-1.9	1.1	1.7	1.1	1.8	2.3	0.9	1.8	
	% ch. on prev. period				0.0	0.1	0.1							
Employment	% ch. on prev. year	0.8	-0.7	-0.8	-0.8	-0.4	0.2							
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Employment (000)	abs ch. on prev. period		-962	-1,211	-1									
Compensation of employees per head	% ch. on prev. period				0.4	0.1	0.4							
(nominal)	% ch. on prev. year	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.3							
Unemployment expectations	balan ce	27.7	38.1	34.4	29.6	29.8	23.8	16.6	26.3	20.4	18.4	15.1	16.2	
Unemployment rate	% of lab. force		11.3	12.0	12.0	11.9	11.7	11.6	11.7	11.7	11.6	11.6		
Unemployment (000)	abs. ch. on prev. period		2,034	1,072	-33	-153	-111	-206	-89	-85	-106	-28		
5. International transactions														
	% ch. on prev. period				1.2	1.5	-0.7		-0.8	-0.2	1.3			
World trade	% ch. on prev. year		1.9	2.7	3.1	4.1	2.6		3.0	2.1	2.5			
Export order books	balance	-18.7	-21.2	-22.1	-21.4	-15.6	-13.8	-14.8	-13.4	-14.1	-15.0	-14.4	-15.1	
		-10.7	-		-				-					
Trade balance (merchandise)	billion EUR		86.5	158.8	35.7	43.7	44.1	15.8	15.1	15.4	15.8			
Exports of goods and services	% ch. on prev. period				0.1	1.4	0.2							
1 8	% ch. on prev. year	5.0	2.5	1.4	1.0	3.0	4.0							
Imports of goods and services	% cb. on prev. period				1.1	0.6	0.8							
imports of goods and services	% ch. on prev. year	4.7	-0.9	0.4	0.9	2.5	4.1							
Current-account balance	bilhon EUR		138.5	230.2	49.9	66.3	66.8	21.5	21.8	19.6	21.5			
Direct investment	bilhon EUR		-71.6	-24.9	-12.7	-9.1	-0.9	-18.6	30.8	-22.7	-18.6			
Portfolio investment	billion EUR		95.4	105.8	4.9	54.6	45.3	-88.4	26.6	-0.5	-88.4			
6. Prices														
	h - le	20.8	25.0	16.8	15.0	15.4	13.2	9.6	13.6	10.0	7.5	96	8.6	
Consumer inflation expectations	balance	20.0	25.0	16.8	15.9	15.4		8.6	13.6	10.8				
Headline inflation (HICP)	% ch. on prev. year		2.5	1.4	1.3	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.5	
Core HICP	% ch. on prev. year		1.8	1.3	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8		
Domestic producer prices	% ch. on prev. year		2.8	-0.2	-0.6	-1.1	-1.6	-1.1	-1.7	-1.7	-1.2	-1.0		
Import prices	% ch. on prev. year		1.7	-1.4	-1.9	-2.0	-2.1	-1.6	-2.0	-2.5	-1.8			
	level	-	111.7	108.7	109.5	109.3	108.0	109.7	108.7	107.9	108.0	109.3	111.9	112
Oil (Brent) in USD	% cb. on prev. period				5.9	-0.2	-1.2	1.6	1.0	-0.7	0.1	1.2	2.4	0
	% ch. on prev. year		0.7	-2.7	0.3	-0.8	-4.2	6.0	-6.7	-1.6	4.0	5.8	8.3	5
	level		79.6	86.9	87.3	85.0	85.4	79.3	79.7	79.6	78.3	81.8	82.6	79
Oil (Brent) in EUR	% ch. on prev. period			00.7	2.5	-2.7	0.4	-7.1	-5.8	-0.1	-1.7	4.5	0.9	-4
			21.4	0.1		5.0	-5.3	-6.9		-8.5	-1.7	-1.6	-8.9	-4
	% ch. on prev. year		31.4	9.1	9.8	-2.3	-5.5	-0.9	-13.0	-8.5	2.5	-1.0		-10
Non-energy commodity prices (EUR)	% ch. on prev. period												-1.1	
	% ch. on prev. year		-5.5	- 8.3	-12.2	-10.4	-11.1	-4.9	-11.0	-11.3	-5.8	-5.4	-3.5	
7. Monetary and financial indicators														
Nominal interest rates (3 month)	level		0.57	0.22	0.22	0.24	0.30	0.30	0.29	0.31	0.33	0.33	0.24	0.2
Nominal interest rates (10 year)	level		1.56	1.59	1.70	1.79	1.66	1.41	1.59	1.59	1.53	1.39	1.30	1.1
ECB repo rate	level		0.88	0.55	0.50	0.37	0.25	0.23	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.18	0.
	% ch. on prev. period				3.2	8.5	2.4	4.0	-0.2	0.3	2.5	0.8	2.3	-(
Stock market (Eurostoxx)	% ch. on prev. year		-7.6	15.8	15.9	18.6	15.5	19.2	17.3	15.4	20.3	14.8	23.2	21
Money demand (M3)	% ch. on prev. year		3.0	2.3	2.1	1.3	1.1	0.9	1.3	1.0	0.7	14.0		<u>ل</u> ك
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Loans to households	% ch. on prev. year		0.5	-0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.7		
	% ch. on prev. year		-2.3	-2.9	-3.6	-2.9	-3.1	-2.6	-3.0	-3.1	-2.8	-2.6		
Loans to non-financial corporations			1 00	1.33	1.32	1.36	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.38	1.38	1.37	1.36	1.
Loans to non-financial corporations	level		1.28	1.00										
Loans to non-financial corporations Bilateral exchange rate EUR/USD			1.28	1.00	1.52	2.8	0.6	0.1	0.4	1.2	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0	0
	level		-7.7					0.1 5.0		1.2 6.6	-0.1 6.0	-0.6 5.8	-1.0 3.1	
	level % cb. on prev. period			3.4	1.4	2.8	0.6		0.4					0 4 0

(1) LTA=Long-Term Average

(2) Data available until the date of update







In the first quarter of 2014, real GDP in the euro area continued growing for a fourth consecutive quarter. According to Eurostat's third estimate released on 2 July, it increased by 0.2% quarter-on-quarter (q-o-q) as both gross fixed capital formation and private consumption expanded by 0.2% and government consumption rebounded by 0.7% from the decline observed in the preceding quarter. Exports and imports rose by 0.2% and 0.8% respectively. As compared to 2013-Q1, real GDP was 0.9% higher. In the year 2013, real GDP fell 0.4% (y-o-y).

According to the Commission's spring 2014 forecast, released on 5 May, euro-area GDP is expected to increase by 1.2% and 1.7% in 2014 and 2015 respectively, on the back of strengthening domestic demand, benefitting from higher confidence and real disposable income growth, as well as a more favourable external environment. Real GDP growth differences across Member States are set to remain pronounced.

In June, the Commission's Economic Sentiment Indicator decreased by 0.6 points (to 102.0 points), following its almost tantamount increase in May. The decrease in June resulted from lower confidence in industry and construction, but also, to a lesser extent, lower consumer confidence. While retail trade confidence remained broadly unchanged, services confidence improved. Industry confidence decreased (1.2 points), driven by managers' more careful views on expected production, the current level of overall order books and, less so, the stocks of finished products. Services confidence slightly improved (0.4 points), resulted from managers' significantly brighter demand expectations, being partially offset by a more negative stance on the past business situation and past demand. The PMI Composite Output Index eased in June, but, at 52.8 (53.5 in May) it continued signalling expansion of economic activity. The twelfth consecutive reading above the no-change threshold reflected expansion in manufacturing production and services.

In April 2014, industrial production increased by 0.8% month-on-month (m-o-m), which more than offset the decline registered in March and lifted output to the second highest level since August 2012. In April, production of energy, non-durable consumer goods, intermediate goods and durable consumer goods increased respectively by 2.5%, 2.1%, 0.6% and 0.1%, whereas production of capital goods decreased by 0.1%.

2. Private consumption

In 2014-Q1, private consumption slightly increased by 0.2% q-o-q (0.1% in 2013-Q4). With respect to the same period of the previous year, private consumption was up by 0.5% (0.1% in 2013-Q4).

In June, consumer confidence decreased by 0.4 points, as a result of more cautious assessments of future unemployment and future savings, which were only partly offset by a moderate improvement in consumers' expected financial situation. The assessment of the future general economic situation remained broadly unchanged.

In May 2014, the volume of retail trade was stable after having fallen by 0.2% (m-o-m) in April. As compared to May 2013, retail trade volumes were 0.7% higher. In June, confidence in the retail sector remained broadly unchanged (0.3 points increase), as a result of a perceived greater adequacy of the volume of stocks and managers' higher satisfaction with the present business situation, which contrasted with more pessimistic views on the expected business situation.

3. Investment

In 2014-Q1, gross fixed capital formation increased by 0.2% q-o-q (0.9% in 2013-Q4). Compared to the same quarter of the previous year, investment increased by 1.7% q-o-q.

The rate of capacity utilisation declined in the second quarter of 2014 (data collected in April) to 79.5%, moving further away from its long-term average of 81.3% and as such does not indicate much price pressure.

4. Labour market

In May, the seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate was 11.6% (unchanged from April), and 0.4 pp. lower than in May 2013. Significant differences persist across Member States, with the lowest rates recorded in Austria (4.7%) and Germany (5.1%), and the highest in Greece (26.8% in March) and Spain (25.1%). In May, youth unemployment was 23.3% of the labour force of the same age (people aged 15-24), down from 23.4% in April 2014.

In 2014-Q1, seasonally-adjusted employment increased by 0.1% (unchanged from 2013-Q4). According to the Commission's survey results, in June employment expectations moved up in all sectors except construction, but, apart from the services sector, increases were only marginal in industry and the retail sector.

5. International transactions

In April 2014, the world trade volume (goods) increased 1.3% m-o-m, following a decrease of 0.2% in the previous month. World trade shrank by 0.7% q-o-q in 2014-Q1 (1.5% in 2013-Q4). In June 2014, export order books in manufacturing stood at -15.1 pp. (-14.4 pp. in May), remaining above the long-term average.

In April 2014, the seasonally adjusted trade balance was in surplus, for the thirtieth consecutive month, at \in 15.8 bn. In March 2014, the seasonally adjusted current-account balance also recorded a surplus, for the





thirty-second month in a row ($\in 18.8$ bn.). Surpluses were recorded for goods, services and income ($\in 13.8$ bn, $\in 8.5$ bn and $\in 5.8$ bn respectively), whereas a deficit was registered for current transfers ($\in 9.3$ bn). The financial account recorded net outflows of $\in 30$ bn by way of net outflows for both direct investment and portfolio investment (respectively $\in 22$ bn and $\in 8$ bn).

6. Prices

In June 2014, annual HICP inflation is expected to be 0.5% (stable compared with May), according to Eurostat's flash estimate. Services is expected to have the highest annual rate in June (1.3%, from 1.1% in May), followed by energy (0.1%, from 0.0% in May), non-energy industrial goods (0.0%, unchanged from May) and food, alcohol & tobacco (-0.2%, from 0.1% in May). In May, core inflation (all items excl. energy and unprocessed food) had decreased to 0.8% (down from 1.1% in April).

The Commission's spring 2014 forecast projects HICP inflation of 0.8% in 2014, and 1.2% in 2015. In June 2014, consumer price expectations decreased (1.0 points), remaining below their long-term average. In May 2014, industrial producer prices fell by 0.1% (m-o-m). Compared with May 2013, industrial producer prices decreased by 1.0%.

Crude oil prices remained elevated through the winter months, sustained by the resurgence of demand growth in developed countries. While in recent weeks, the upward impact of the Russia-Ukraine crisis was partially offset by the downward impact of concerns about the demand from China, concerns about developments in Iraq pushed oil prices to nine-month highs in late-June. On 2 July, Brent crude traded at USD 112.30 USD/bbl. (corresponding to 82.23 EUR/bbl.).

7. Monetary and financial indicators

Money market interest rates decreased in June with the 3-month EURIBOR standing at 0.24%. At its meeting on 3 July, the ECB Governing Council decided to keep the key ECB interest rates unchanged. At its meeting on 5 June it had reduced policy interest rates on the main refinancing operations, on the marginal lending facility and the deposit facility by 10 bps, 35 bps and by 10 bps respectively (at 0.15%, 0.40% and -0.10% respectively) and decided on a combination of further measures to provide additional monetary policy accommodation and to support lending to the real economy.

Benchmark sovereign bond yields moved down in recent months, in particular in the second half of May before rebounding partially. The overall decline was associated with changes in the outlook for growth and inflation, as well as tensions in a number of emerging market economies. While yields in higher-rated euro-area countries decreased slightly, a more pronounced decline in most other Member States resulted in narrower intraeuro area sovereign bond yield spreads. On 2 July, the benchmark yield of ten-year sovereign bonds stood at 1.24%.

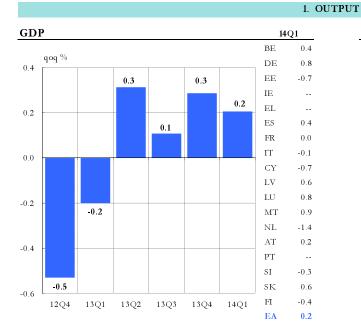
The April 2014 Bank Lending Survey confirmed the stabilisation of credit conditions for firms and households, in the current context of persistently weak loan demand. Net tightening of credit standards to non-financial corporations remained broadly unchanged, whereas the net tightening of credit standards applied to housing loans and consumer credit decreased further.

As to bank lending, the annual rate of change of M3 increased slightly to 1.0% in May (0.7% in April). Loans to the private sector contracted further with the pace of the fall declining (-1.4% in May, up from -1.6% in April, adjusted for loan sales and securitisation). Loans to non-financial corporations shrank marginally less May (-2.5%, up from -2.8% in April). The annual growth in loans to households stood at 0.5% in May (0.4% in April).

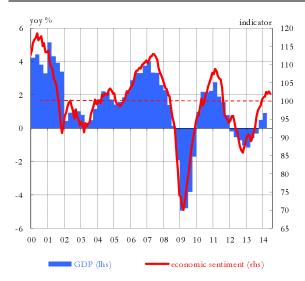
At its meeting on 17-18 June, the FOMC reaffirmed its view that a highly accommodative stance of monetary policy remains appropriate and maintained the federal funds rate target range between 0 and ¼%. The Committee also announced a further reduction in the pace of asset purchases to \$35 bn per month beginning in July. Treasury purchases will drop to \$25 bn a month from \$30 bn. On 2 July, the US 3-month Libor rate stood at 0.23%.

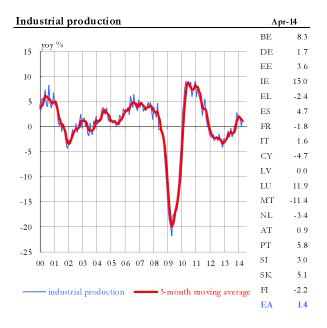
As compared to the beginning of 2013 the euro has slightly depreciated in nominal terms. Between 8 May and 2 July, the EUR/USD exchange rate has almost steadily lost ground as is fell from 1.3953 to 1.3656 on 2 July. Relative monetary policy has become a key factor, with the US tapering on course and recent decisions by the ECB Governing Council affecting markets. Among other factors at play are the changes in the economic outlook and elevated geopolitical risks in several regions. Following an almost steady depreciation of the Yen up to the end of 2013, the first months of 2014 have seen a stabilisation at around 140 JPY/EUR. On 2 July, the euro foreign exchange reference rate stood at 138.65 JPY.

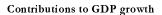
Since January, stock markets have not continued the substantial upward movements that had characterised last year. This reflected signs of a further consolidation of the recovery, partly countered by increasing geopolitical tensions. Between the beginning of March and 2 July, stock market indices rose in the euro area (as measured by the Euro-Stoxx 50 index), in the US (as measured by the Dow Jones) and in Japan (as measured by the Nikkei 225 index) by 6.5%, 5.0% and 4.9% respectively.

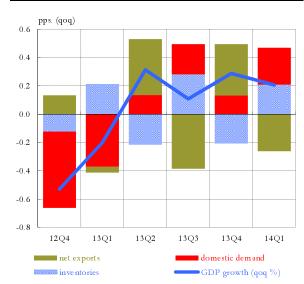




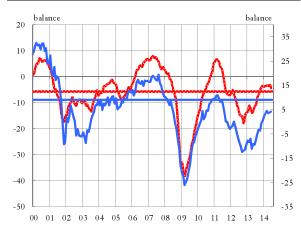




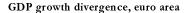


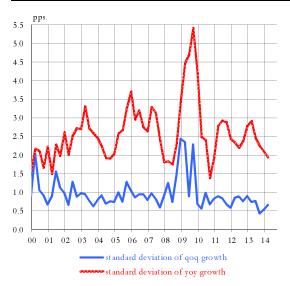


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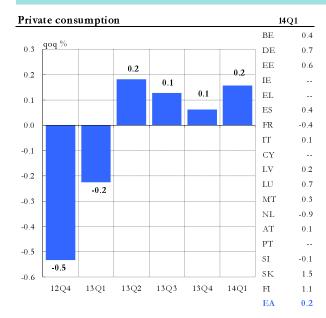
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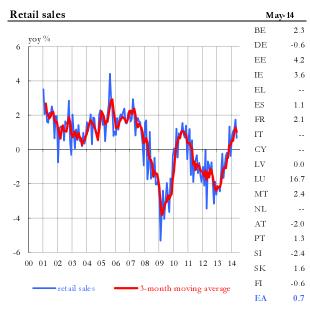




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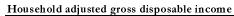
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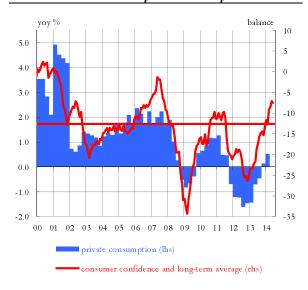


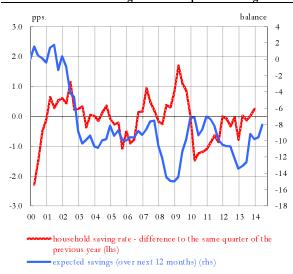


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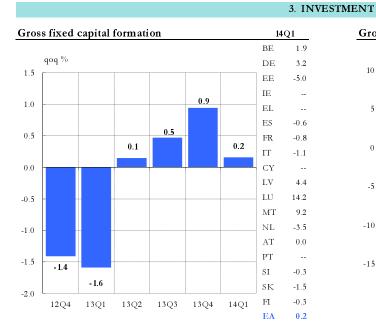




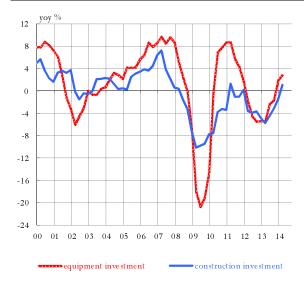
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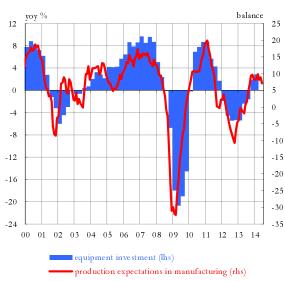


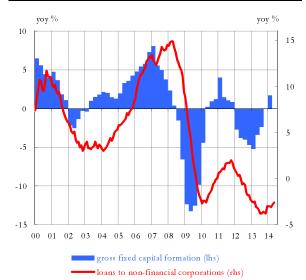


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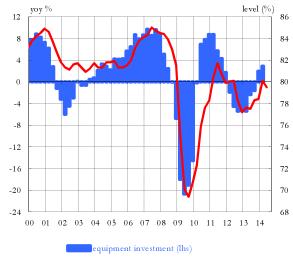


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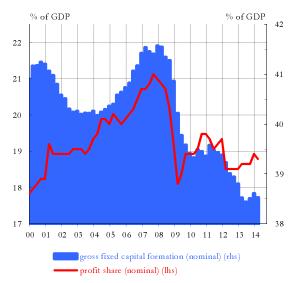




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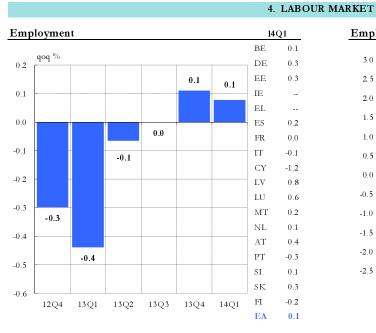
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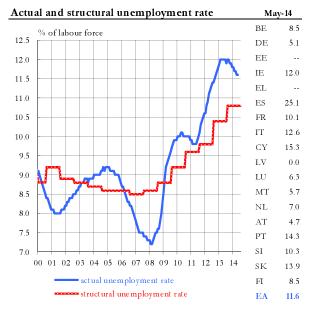


Gross fixed capital formation and profit share

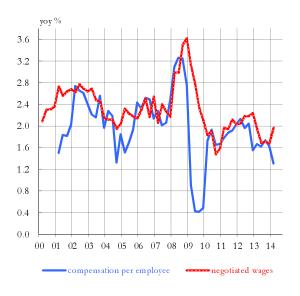
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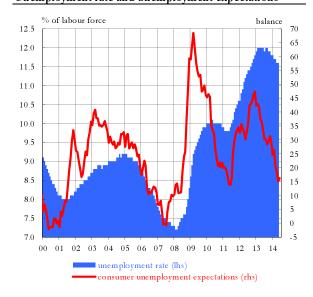
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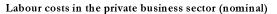


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Unemployment rate and unemployment expectations

employment expectations (whole economy) (rhs)



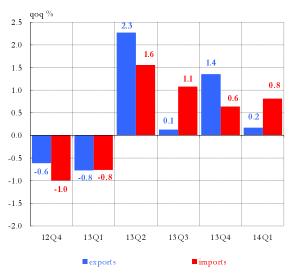




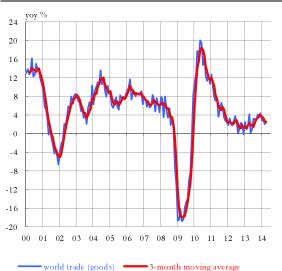


5. INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS

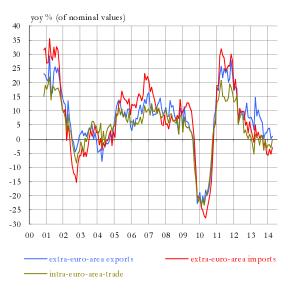
Exports and imports of goods and services



World trade

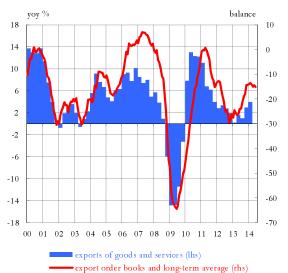


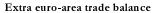
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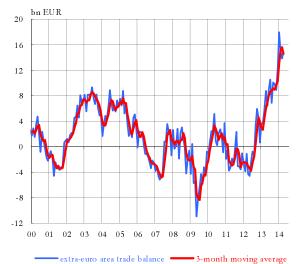


Extra- and intra-euro-area trade

Exports and export order books



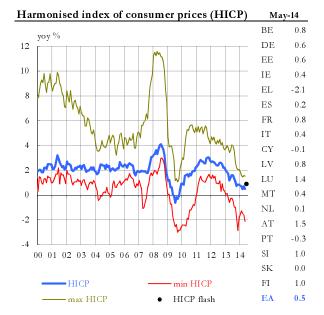




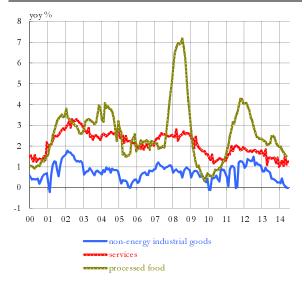


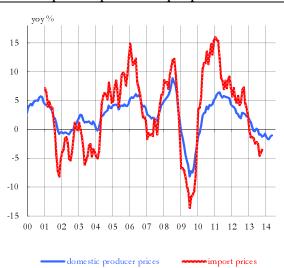
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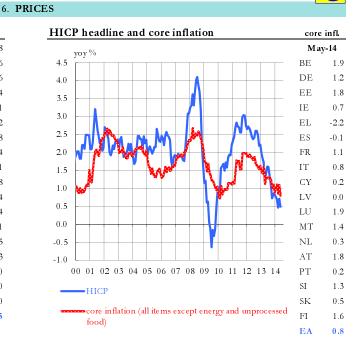


Breakdown of core inflation









Energy and unprocessed food



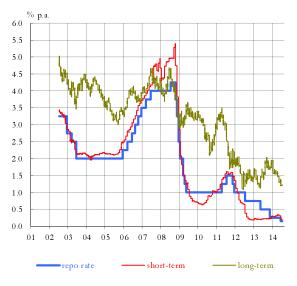




7. MONETARY AND FINANCIAL INDICATORS

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Nominal interest rates



Real interest rates

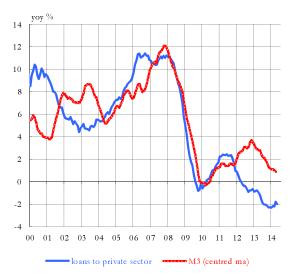


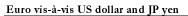
long term (10-year yield government bonds)

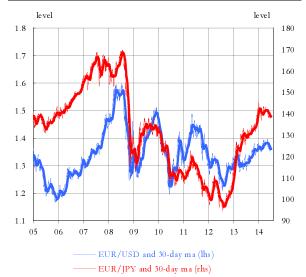


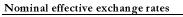
Stock market indices

Loans to private sector and money supply







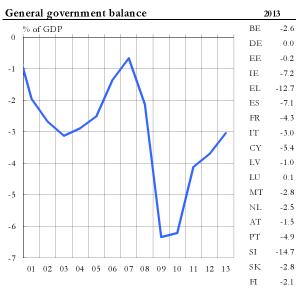


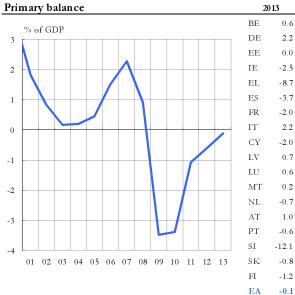


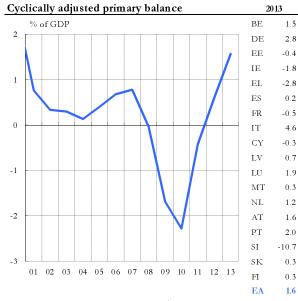
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8. PUBLIC FINANCES

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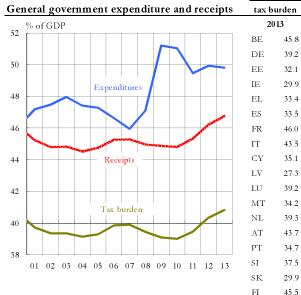


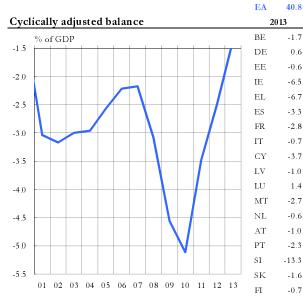


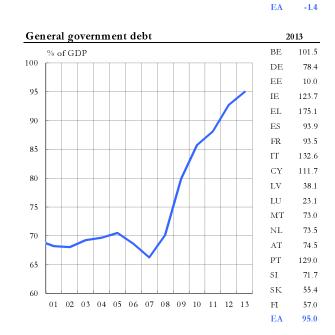


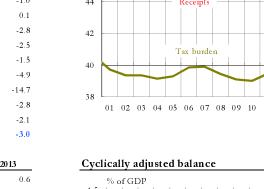
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Euro area Euro area Indicators as from 2011 refer to Belgium (BE), Germany (DE), Estonia (EE), Irela (IE), Greece (GR), Spain (ES), France (FR), Italy (IT), Cyprus (CY), Latvia (L Luxembourg (LU), Malta (MT), the Netherlands (NL), Austria (AT), Portugal (P' Slovenia (SI), Slovakia (SK) and Finland (FI).					
Indicator	Note	Source			
	1. Output				
Economic Sentiment Indicator	The economic sentiment indicator is the weighted average (of the industrial confidence indicator (40%), the services confidence indicator (30%), the consumer confidence indicator (20%), the construction confidence indicator (5%) and the retail trade confidence indicator (5%)). Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN			
Industrial confidence indicator	The industrial confidence indicator is the anthmetic average of the balances (%) referring to the questions on production expectations, order books and stocks (the latter with inverted sign) from the survey of manufacturing industry. The long-term average refers to the period as from publishing of the indicator up to now. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN			
Services confidence indicator	The services confidence indicator is the arithmetic average of the balances (%) referring to the questions on business situation and recent and expected evolution of demand from the survey of services. The long-term average refers to the period as from publishing of the indicator up to now. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN			
Industrial production	Monthly Industry Production Index (2010=100), NACE Rev.2, Total industry (excluding construction). Mom % ch. and qoq% ch. are seasonally adjusted, yoy% ch. are working-day adjusted.	Eurostat			
Gross domestic product	Gross domestic product at constant market prices (chain-linked volumes, reference year 2005), EUR. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurostat			
Labour productivity	Labour productivity defined as the difference between GDP growth and employment growth.	Eurostat			
GDP divergence	Standard deviation of GDP growth of the following countries: BE, DE, ES, FR, IT, CY, LU, NL, AT, PT, SI, FI.	Eurostat			
	2. Private consumption				
Consumer confidence indicator	The consumer confidence indicator is the arithmetic average of the balances (%) referring to the questions on the financial situation of households, general economic situation, unemployment expectations (with inverted sign) and savings; all over next 12 months. The long-term average refers to the period as from publishing of the indicator up to now. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN			
Retail confidence indicator	The retail confidence indicator is the arithmetic average of the balances (%) referring to the questions on the present and the future business situation and the volume of stocks (with inverted sign). The long-term average refers to the period from publishing of the indicator up to now. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN			
Private consumption	Household & NPISH final consumption expenditure at constant market prices (chain-linked volumes, reference year 2005), EUR. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurostat			
Retail sales	Retail trade (NACE Rev.2 G47) excluding motor vehicles, motorcycles; Deflated turnover, mom % ch. and qoq% ch. are seasonally adjusted, yoy% ch. are working-day adjusted.	Eurostat			
	3. Investment				
Capacity utilisation	In percent of full capacity in the manufacturing sector. Data are seasonally adjusted (collected in January, April, July and October).	DG ECFIN			
Production expectations	Production expectations in manufacturing sector. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN			
Gross fixed capital formation	Gross fixed capital formation at constant market prices (chain-linked volumes, reference year 2005), EUR. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurosta			
Equipment investment	Gross fixed capital formation at constant market prices (chain-linked volumes, reference year 2005), EUR, metal products, machinery and transport equipment. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurosta			
Construction investment	Gross fixed capital formation at constant market prices (chain-linked volumes, reference year 2005), EUR, construction work and housing. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurostat			
Change in stocks	Changes in inventories and acquisitions less disposals of valuables (at prices of previous year).	Eurosta			
Profit share	Ratio of nominal gross operating surplus and gross mixed income to nominal GDP	Eurosta			



	4. Labour market	
Employment expectations (manufacturing)	Managers' employment expectations over the next three months in the manufacturing sector. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN
Employment expectations (services)	Managers' employment expectations over the next three months in the services sector. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN
Employment expectations (whole economy)	Weighted average of managers' employment expectations over the next three months in the manufacturing (19%), services (65%), construction (6%) and retail sectors (10%). Weights in brackets according to value-added share on GDP of the respective sector. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN
Employment	Total domestic employment (number of persons). Data are seasonally adjusted for Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Ireland, France, Italy, Cyprus, Malta, Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, and United Kingdom, and seasonally and working day adjusted data for the remaining Member States.	Eurostat
Compensation of employees per head	Nominal compensation of employees divided by the number of employees. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	DG ECFIN
Unemployment expectations	Consumers' unemployment expectations over the next twelve months. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN
Unemployment rate	Harmonised unemployment rate (in percent of labour force), ILO definition. Data are seasonally adjusted.	Eurosta
Structural unemployment rate	Non-accelerating inflation rate of unemployment. Data are seasonally adjusted.	OECD
Total labour costs	Nominal wage- and non-wage costs less subsidies in the private business sector. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurosta
Wage costs	Nominal wage and salary costs include direct remunerations, bonuses, and allowances, payments to employees saving schemes, payments for days not worked and remunerations in kind. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurosta
Non-wage costs	Nominal non-wage costs include the employers' social contributions plus employment taxes less subsidies. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurosta
Labour productivity	Ratio between GDP and employment. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	DG ECFIN
	5. International transactions	
World trade	Volume, 2005=100, seasonally adjusted	CPB
Export order books	Managers' export order expectations in the manufacturing sector. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN
Extra-euro area exports	Nominal extra-euro area exports of goods, fob. Data are seasonally adjusted.	Eurosta
Extra-euro area imports	Nominal extra-euro area imports of goods, cif. Data are seasonally adjusted.	Eurosta
Extra-euro area trade balance	Difference between extra-euro area exports and extra-euro area imports. Data are seasonally adjusted.	Eurosta
Intra-euro area trade	Nominal intra-euro area trade in goods, fob. Data are seasonally adjusted.	Eurosta
Current-account balance	Transactions in goods and services plus income and current transfers between residents and non- residents of the euro area. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	ECB
Exports of goods and services	Exports of goods and services at constant market prices (chain-linked volumes, reference year 2005), EUR. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurosta
Imports of goods and services	Imports of goods and services at constant market prices (chain-linked volumes, reference year 2005), EUR. Data are seasonally and working-day adjusted.	Eurosta
Direct investment	Nominal transactions/positions in assets abroad by euro-area residents less nominal transactions/positions in euro-area assets by non-residents. To be regarded as a direct investment, ownership in an enterprise must be equivalent to more than 10% of the ordinary shares or voting power.	ECB
Portfolio investment	Nominal transactions/positions in securities (including equities) abroad by euro- area residents less nominal transactions/positions in euro-area securities (including equities) by non-residents. To be regarded as a portfolio investment, ownership in an enterprise must be equivalent to less than 10% of the ordinary shares or voting power.	ECB



	6. Prices					
HICP	Harmonised index of consumer prices (index 2005=100)	Eurostz				
Core HICP	HICP excluding energy and unprocessed food (index 2005=100)					
Producer prices	Domestic producer price index, total industry excluding construction (index 2010=100)	Eurosta				
Selling price expectation	Managers' selling-price expectations in the manufacturing sector. Data are seasonally adjusted.	DG ECFIN				
Import prices	Import price index, manufacturing (index 2010=100)	Eurosta				
Oil prices	Price of north sea Brent in USD/barrel and EUR/barrel	ICE				
Non-energy commodity prices	Market price for non-fuel commodities in EUR terms (index 2010=100)	HWW				
	7. Monetary and financial indicators					
Nominal interest rate (3-month)	3-month EURIBOR interbank rate (360 days)	ECB/ Globa Insigh				
Nominal interest rate (10-year)	10-year interest rate on government bonds for euro area (based upon the 10-year German government bond)	ECB/ Globa Insigh				
ECB repo rate	Minimum bid rate of main refinancing operations, end of period.	ECB/ Globa Insigh				
Money demand (M3)	Monetary aggregate including currency in circulating (banknotes and coins), operational deposits in central bank, money in current accounts, saving accounts, money market deposits, certificates of deposit, all other deposits and repurchase agreements. Data are seasonally adjusted.	ECB				
Loans to private sector	Loans by MFI (monetary and financial institutions) to euro area residents (excl government). Data are seasonally adjusted.	ECB				
Real long-term interest rates	Nominal interest rate (10-year) deflated by HICP index	DG ECFIN				
Real short-term interest rates	Nominal interest rate (3-month) deflated by HICP index	DG ECFII				
Stock markets	Eurostoxx50, Dow Jones and Nikkei indices (1.1.1999=100)	Globa Insigh				
Exchange rates	EUR/USD and EUR/JPY reference rates	ECB				
Nominal effective exchange rate	Graph – Monthly Nominal Effective Exch. Rates vs. rest of IC36 (index 2005 = 100)	DG ECFIN				
	Table - ECB Nominal effective exch. rate, euro area-17 countries vis-à-vis the EER-20 group of trading partners against Euro	ECB				
	8. Public finance					
General government balance	Net lending (+) or net borrowing (-) of general government	DG ECFIN				
Primary government balance	Net lending (+) or net borrowing (-) of general government minus interest payment	DG ECFIN				
Cyclically adjusted balance	Net lending (+) or net borrowing (-) of general government corrected for the influence of the business cycle	DG ECFIN				
Cyclically adjusted primary balance	Primary government balance corrected for the influence of the business cycle	DG ECFII				
General government expenditures and receipts	Nominal expenditures and receipts; tax burden includes taxes on production and imports (incl. taxed paid to EU), current taxes on income and wealth (direct taxes) and actual social contributions	DG ECFII				
General government debt	Cumulative sum of net lending (+) or net borrowing (-) positions of general government	DG ECFIN				