

Quarterly non-financial accounts for General Government, Households income and savings and corporate profits

IV quarter 2016

Data presented in this press release are derived from Quarterly non-financial accounts by institutional sector (QSA), that include Quarterly non-financial General government account. QSA are estimated at current prices and expressed in millions of euro. Data for Consumer households and Non-financial corporations are presented in seasonally adjusted form. Data for the General government are not seasonally adjusted.

General government account

In the fourth quarter of 2016 total expenditures and total revenues of General government both decreased by 0.9% compared with the same quarter of the previous year. The decrease of total expenditures resulted from an increase by 2.4% in current expenditures and a fall by 30.7% in total capital expenditures. The total revenues decline was driven by lower current revenues (-0.7%) and lower total capital revenues (-16.7%). The General government deficit (net borrowing) to GDP ratio in the fourth quarter of 2016 was unchanged compared with the second quarter of 2015 (2.3%). The tax burden ratio decreased at 49.6% of GDP, 0.6 percentage points lower compared with the fourth quarter of the previous year.

TABLE 1. MAIN INDICATORS FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT. Non-seasonally adjusted data

	IV 2016	IV 2015	IV 2016 minus IV 2015	I-IV 2016 minus I-IV 2015
	Percentage values		Changes in percentage points	
Total revenue/GDP	53.7	54.8	-1.1	-0.7
Total expenditure/GDP	56.0	57.2	-1.2	-0.9
Total expenditure net interests/GDP	52.0	53.1	-1.1	-0.7
Net lending (+) or Net borrowing (-)/GDP	-2.3	-2.3	0.0	0.3
Current balance/GDP	0.9	2.5	-1.6	-0.5
Primary balance/GDP	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.0
Tax burden (a)	49.6	50.2	-0.6	-0.4

⁽a) Ratio on GDP of the sum of current taxes on income, wealth, etc., taxes on production and imports, social contributions receivable and capital taxes.

TABLE 2. QUARTERLY NON-FINANCIAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT. Millions of euros at current prices and percentage changes. Non seasonally adjusted data

	IV 2016	IV 2015	IV 2016 on IV 2015	I-IV 2016 on I-IV 2015			
EXPENDITURES							
Compensation of employees	50,703	50,245	0.9	1.3			
Intermediate consumption	26,185	25,552	2.5	1.1			
Social benefits other than social transfers in kind	100,573	99,933	0.6	1.4			
Other current expenditures	33,340	29,821	11.8	3.8			
Current expenditures net interests	210,801	205,551	2.6	1.7			
Interests	17,464	17,459	0.0	-2.6			
Total current expenditures	228,265	223,010	2.4	1.3			
Gross fixed capital formation	10,101	10,707	-5.7	-4.5			
Other capital expenditures	6,706	13,532	-50.4	-29.4			
Total capital expenditures	16,807	24,239	-30.7	-16.0			
Total expenditure	245,072	247,249	-0.9	-0.1			
	REVENUES						
Current taxes on income, wealth, etc.	86,353	84,771	1.9	2.3			
Taxes on production and imports	61,171	64,784	-5.6	-3.1			
Social contributions receivable	67,238	66,942	0.4	1.1			
Other current revenues	17,419	17,320	0.6	1.7			
Total current revenues	232,180	233,817	-0.7	0.2			
Capital taxes	2,348	528	344.9	327.3			
Other capital revenues	392	2,761	-85.8	-65.9			
Total capital revenues	2,740	3,288	-16.7	21.9			
Total revenue	234,920	237,105	-0.9	0.3			
BALANCING ITEMS							
Current balance	3,915	10,807					
Net lending (+) or Net borrowing (-)	-10,152	-10,144					
Primary balance	7,312	7,315					

Consumer households

In the fourth quarter of 2016 gross disposable income of Consumer households decreased by 0.6% with respect to the previous quarter while final consumption expenditure increased by 0.5%. Compared with the fourth quarter of 2015 gross disposable income of Consumer households increased by 1.0% and final consumption expenditure by 1.2%. Gross disposable income of Consumer households in real terms decreased by 0.9% compared with the previous quarter, and increased by 0.9% compared with the fourth quarter of 2015.

TABLE 3. MAIN INDICATORS FOR CONSUMER HOUSEHOLDS. Seasonally adjusted data

		IV 2016	IV 2016	I-IV 2016
	IV 2016	on	on	on
		III 2016	IV 2015	I-IV 2015
	Millions of euro	Percentage changes		
Gross disposable income	273,583	-0.6	1.0	1.6
Real gross disposable income (a)	254,652	-0.9	0.9	1.6
Final consumption expenditure	252,657	0.5	1.2	1.3
Gross fixed capital formation	16,860	0.8	3.0	3.7
	Percentage values	Changes in percentage points		nts
Gross saving rate (b)	8.0	-1.0	-0.1	
Gross investment rate (c)	6.1	0.0	0.1	

⁽a) Gross disposable income in real terms, obtained by applying the deflator of final consumption expenditure of households (chained values, reference year 2010); (b) Gross saving divided by gross disposable income adjusted for the change in the net equity of households in pension funds reserves; (c) Gross fixed capital formation divided by gross disposable income adjusted for the change in the net equity of households in pension funds reserves.

The gross saving rate of Consumer households (defined as gross saving divided by gross disposable income, the latter being adjusted for the change in the net equity of households in pension funds reserves) was 8.0%, compared with 9.0% in the previous guarter and 8.1% in the fourth guarter of 2015.

The gross investment rate of Consumer households (defined as gross fixed capital formation divided by gross disposable income) was 6.1% in the fourth quarter of 2016, unchanged with respect to the previous quarter (6.1%) and 0.1 percentage points higher compared to the same quarter of 2015 (6.0%).

Non-financial corporations

The gross profit share of Non-financial corporations (defined as gross operating surplus divided by gross value added) was 42.4% in the fourth quarter of 2016, compared to 42.1% in the previous quarter and 41.3% in the fourth quarter of 2015.

Gross investment rate of Non-financial corporations (defined as gross fixed capital formation divided by gross value added) was 20.5 in the fourth quarter of 2016, compared with 19.9% in the previous quarter and with 19.3% in the fourth quarter of 2015.

TABLE 4. MAIN INDICATORS FOR NON-FINANCIAL CORPORATIONS. Seasonally adjusted data

	IV 2016	IV 2016 on III 2016	IV 2016 on IV 2015	I-IV 2016 on I-IV 2015
	Millions of euro		Percentage changes	
Gross value added at basic prices	190,522	0.6	2.2	2.9
Gross operating surplus	80,799	1.3	4.9	5.2
Gross fixed capital formation	38,998	3.6	8.3	4.1
	Percentage values	Changes in percentage points		
Gross profit share (a)	42.4	0.3	1.1	
Gross investment rate (b)	20.5	0.6	1.2	

⁽a) Gross operating surplus divided by gross value added.

For more details please refer to the Italian version and to the data warehouse I.stat (http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en)

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⁽b) Gross fixed capital formation divided by gross value added.