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# DATA ON SPANISH ECONOMY

**Table 1.- QNA: MAIN AGGREGATES OF DEMAND AND OUTPUT**

Percentage change on previous year, chain-linked volume, except when indicated. Seasonal and calendar effects adjusted series.

	2007	2008	2009	2008		2009			
				III	IV	I	II	III	IV
Final consumption expenditure.....	4.1	0.9	-2.7	0.4	-1.0	-2.6	-3.2	-2.5	-2.3
- Households .....	3.6	-0.6	-5.0	-1.3	-3.3	-5.5	-6.0	-5.0	-3.5
- NPISH (1) .....	4.5	0.8	3.1	-0.3	1.1	1.8	3.5	4.0	3.1
- General Government .....	5.5	5.5	3.8	5.8	6.3	6.0	4.7	4.1	0.8
Gross fixed capital formation.....	4.6	-4.4	-15.3	-6.0	-10.9	-14.9	-17.0	-16.0	-12.9
- Equipment.....	9.0	-1.8	-23.1	-3.0	-11.6	-24.0	-28.3	-23.8	-15.3
- Other products.....	3.6	-4.3	-17.2	-6.1	-11.8	-13.2	-17.6	-19.9	-18.5
- Construction.....	3.2	-5.5	-11.2	-7.2	-10.2	-11.3	-11.6	-11.4	-10.2
Stockbuilding inventories (2).....	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Domestic demand (2) .....	4.4	-0.5	-6.4	-1.4	-3.9	-6.3	-7.4	-6.6	-5.3
Exports of goods and services.....	6.6	-1.0	-11.5	-2.9	-7.1	-16.6	-14.7	-10.8	-2.9
Imports of goods and services.....	8.0	-4.9	-17.9	-7.6	-13.5	-22.3	-21.7	-17.0	-9.6
External demand (2).....	-0.8	1.4	2.8	1.8	2.7	3.0	3.2	2.6	2.2
<b>GDP AT MARKET PRICES .....</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>-3.3</b>	<b>-4.2</b>	<b>-4.0</b>	<b>-3.1</b>
- GVA Agriculture, forestry and fishing...	1.8	-0.8	-2.4	-0.1	-3.0	-3.0	-2.5	-2.2	-1.9
- GVA Industry .....	0.9	-2.1	-14.7	-3.0	-6.9	-15.3	-16.7	-15.5	-10.9
- GVA Energy .....	0.9	1.9	-8.2	2.4	-2.4	-7.6	-9.3	-7.6	-8.3
- GVA Construction.....	2.3	-1.3	-6.3	-1.5	-4.3	-5.8	-6.7	-6.8	-5.8
- GVA Services .....	5.0	2.2	-1.0	1.8	0.7	-0.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.1

(1) Non-profit institutions serving households. (2) Contribution to GDP growth in percentage points.

Source: INE. *Quarterly National Accounts*.

**Table 2.- ACTIVITY AND DOMESTIC DEMAND INDICATORS**

Percentage change on previous year or balance

	2008	2009	2009				2010	Latest Data
			I	II	III	IV	I (1)	
<b>Activity</b>								
Social Security contributors.....	-0.8	-5.7	-5.8	-6.7	-6.2	-4.3	-3.1	Feb
General IPI (filtered) (2).....	-7.3	-15.8	-22.6	-18.6	-14.6	-5.6	-2.5	Jan
Industrial capacity utilisation (%).....	79.2	70.0	73.5	69.8	67.9	68.8	68.9	I
Industrial sentiment indicator (balances in %).....	-17.9	-31.2	-36.6	-35.0	-29.3	-24.0	-21.3	Feb
Electricity power consumption (3).....	0.6	-4.3	-7.0	-6.6	-2.1	-1.4	1.9	Feb
Cement consumption.....	-23.8	-32.9	-46.1	-36.0	-26.4	-16.7	-15.6	Jan
Surface to be built (projects) .....	-52.1	-51.4	-57.3	-54.5	-47.9	-40.7	-	Dec
Official bidding .....	3.0	-7.9	-5.3	-8.3	-1.3	-16.0	-	Dec
Construction confidence indicator (balances in %).....	-22.4	-30.5	-36.7	-34.8	-26.2	-24.4	-30.7	Feb
Railway traffic (goods) (4) .....	-7.7	-28.4	-34.1	-34.9	-32.4	-7.7	8.4	Jan
Air-traffic (passengers) .....	-3.0	-8.1	-18.2	-8.7	-5.2	-0.8	2.3	Feb
Foreign tourist.....	-2.5	-8.8	-16.9	-8.2	-7.8	-3.5	1.1	Jan
<b>Demand</b>								
IPI, consumer goods (filtered) (2).....	-4.7	8.2	-12.6	-9.4	-8.6	-1.7	-2.2	Jan
Consumer goods imports (volume).....	-7.7	-6.1	-9.4	-14.9	-3.4	3.7	-	Dec
Consumer goods availabilities (adjusted) .....	-11.9	-10.9	-15.0	-14.6	-8.9	-4.0	-	Dec
New car registrations.....	-27.5	-18.1	-43.5	-33.8	-0.7	29.8	32.6	Feb
Consumer Confidence Indicator (balances in %).....	-33.7	-28.2	-44.4	-28.0	-20.6	-19.9	-16.4	Feb
IPI, capital goods (filtered) (2).....	-8.8	-22.1	-30.5	-24.7	-20.2	-10.3	-3.5	Jan
Capital goods imports (volume) .....	-19.6	-27.0	-31.3	-35.1	-23.4	-16.9	-	Dec
Capital goods availabilities (adjusted) .....	-20.8	-26.9	-37.1	-32.9	-25.4	-5.8	-	Dec
Households and business financing (5).....	5.9	2.7	4.6	4.1	2.5	-0.3	-1.9	Jan

(1) Available data period. (2) Adjusted for calendar effect. (3) Adjusted for calendar and temperature effects. (4) Mt-Km. (5) Deflated by CPI. (-) Not available.

Sources: MTIN, INE, REE, OFICEMEN, MFOM, RENFE, AENA, IET, DA, DGT, CE, BE and MEH.

Table 3.- FOREIGN SECTOR (1)

			2008				2009				2009	
	2008 (p)	2009 (p)	IV	I	II	III	IV	Nov.	Dec.			
Imports cif (Million €) (2) .....	23,521	17,370	21,208	17,077	16,706	17,201	18,494	18,923	17,733			
Exports fob (Million €) (2) .....	15,682	13,188	14,701	12,402	13,327	12,806	14,216	14,068	13,661			
Trade balance (Million €) (2) .....	-7,839	-4,182	-6,508	-4,674	-3,379	-4,395	-4,279	-4,855	-4,071			
Imports (% Δ on p.y.): Volume .....	-2.9	-17.4	-17.2	-25.5	-25.7	-13.8	-1.7	6.8	-4.8			
Price .....	3.7	-10.6	2.1	-7.4	-9.8	-14.0	-11.3	-12.5	-7.2			
Exports (% Δ on p.y.): Volume .....	1.9	-9.8	-8.4	-17.9	-14.7	-9.6	4.3	7.7	11.4			
Price .....	1.8	-6.7	1.5	-4.5	-6.3	-8.8	-7.3	-8.6	-6.7			
Current and capital account balance: Million € ..	-8,242	-4,107	-7,406	-6,747	-3,466	-3,030	-3,431	-4,281	-1,853			
% GDP .....	-9.1	-4.7	-7.9	-7.8	-3.9	-3.4	-3.7	..	..			
Net external reserves (Million €) (3) .....	14,546	19,578	14,546	15,663	15,142	18,301	19,578	18,946	19,578			

(1) Monthly average. (2) Customs basis. (3) End of period data. (..) Not applicable. (p) Provisional.  
Sources: DA, BE and MEH

Table 4.- EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

Annual percentage change and level in the latest quarter

			2007				2008				2009				Thousands
	2008	2009	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV				
Labour force .....	3.0	0.8	2.7	3.0	3.1	2.9	2.9	2.3	1.2	0.2	-0.4	22.97			
Employment .....	-0.5	-6.8	2.4	1.7	0.3	-0.8	-3.0	-6.4	-7.2	-7.3	-6.1	18.65			
Agriculture .....	-5.0	-4.0	-1.7	-6.8	-4.4	-4.1	-4.7	-3.0	-4.2	-6.4	-2.6	0.78			
- Non agriculture .....	-0.3	-6.9	2.6	2.1	0.5	-0.7	-3.0	-6.6	-7.4	-7.3	-6.2	17.86			
Industry .....	-1.1	-13.3	-1.2	2.2	0.9	-1.0	-6.7	-12.5	-13.7	-14.9	-11.9	26.81			
Construction .....	-10.9	-23.0	2.7	-1.7	-7.9	-13.0	-20.7	-25.9	-24.6	-23.3	-17.3	1.80			
Services .....	2.1	-2.5	3.5	2.8	2.1	1.9	1.5	-1.3	-2.7	-2.8	-3.3	13.38			
Wage earners .....	-0.5	-6.0	2.5	1.8	0.4	-0.7	-3.4	-5.8	-6.6	-6.5	-5.0	15.49			
- Public sector .....	1.6	3.5	0.2	-2.0	2.3	2.0	4.0	5.4	3.7	3.7	1.2	3.07			
- Private sector .....	-0.9	-8.0	3.0	2.7	0.0	-1.3	-4.9	-8.1	-8.8	-8.8	-6.4	12.43			
Unemployed .....	41.3	60.2	6.5	17.1	35.3	45.0	66.4	84.5	73.7	58.7	34.9	4.33			
Unemployment rate (% labour force) .....	11.3	18.0	8.6	9.6	10.4	11.3	13.9	17.4	17.9	17.9	18.8	-			
<b>Employment offices (*)</b>															
Registered unemployment .....	24.6	43.5	3.9	10.6	18.8	26.0	42.5	51.4	52.9	43.5	29.8	4.13			

(\*) Latest available Nov.  
Sources: INE (Labour Force Survey) and SPEE

Table 5.- PRICES AND WAGES

Annual percentage change

			2009												2010	
	2008	2009	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
<b>Consumer price index</b>																
Total .....	4.1	-0.3	0.8	0.7	-0.1	-0.2	-0.9	-1.0	-1.4	-0.8	-1.0	-0.7	0.3	0.8	1.0	0.8
Food .....	5.7	0.2	2.1	1.9	1.0	0.5	-0.2	-0.6	-0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9
Non food .....	3.6	-0.4	0.5	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-1.1	-1.2	-1.7	-1.0	-1.2	-0.7	0.5	1.1	1.5	1.3
Underlying (1) .....	3.2	0.8	2.0	1.6	1.3	1.3	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1
Industry excluded energy .....	0.3	-1.3	-0.3	-0.7	-0.6	-0.7	-0.8	-1.1	-1.5	-1.8	-2.1	-2.1	-1.7	-1.7	-1.7	-1.5
Services .....	3.9	2.4	3.6	3.3	2.7	3.1	2.6	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.1
Energy .....	11.9	-9.0	-9.3	-8.1	-11.6	-12.4	-15.3	-14.2	-15.9	-10.2	-10.2	-6.6	1.9	7.5	11.4	9.9
<b>Wages</b>																
Collective bargaining (2) .....	3.6	2.5	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	1.6	1.5
Total wage cost per worker (3) ..	5.1	-	..	..	2.9	..	..	4.1	..	..	3.1	..	..	-	..	..

(1) Consumer price index not including energy and unprocessed food. (2) Monthly data refer to the collective agreements registered until the respective month. Annual data include the application of wage revisions clauses. (3) Monthly data refer to the quarter ending in the respective month. (..) Not applicable.  
Sources: INE and MTIN.

Table 6.- PUBLIC SECTOR: STATE OPERATIONS

	Million €				Annual percentage change			
	2008	2009	2009	2010	2008	2009	2009	2010
			Jan.	Jan.			Jan.	Jan.
<b>1. Receipts</b> .....	129335	102038	10377	10725	-19.1	-21,1	-19.1	3.4
Direct taxes .....	74096	54096	8809	9039	-23.6	-27,0	-24.0	2.6
Indirect taxes .....	39229	28664	443	504	-19.0	-26,9	2.7	13.8
Other revenues .....	16011	19277	1124	1182	11.1	20,4	38.1	5.1
<b>2. Expenditure</b> .....	148082	189319	12735	14315	6.0	27,8	-29.7	12.4
Wages, goods and services .....	29819	31430	2187	2466	6.0	5,4	-11.1	12.7
Interests .....	15929	17650	110	111	9.6	10,8	-98.1	0.7
Current transfers .....	82755	112412	6290	7413	6.5	35,8	-8.8	17.9
Capital outlays .....	19579	27828	4147	4325	1.2	42,1	36.4	4.3
<b>3.- Cash deficit (2-1)</b> .....	<b>18747</b>	<b>87281</b>	<b>2358</b>	<b>3590</b>	-	<b>365,6</b>	<b>-55.4</b>	<b>52.2</b>
<b>4.- Changes in financial assets</b> .....	<b>29034</b>	<b>29007</b>	<b>12705</b>	<b>6834</b>	<b>139.0</b>	<b>-0,1</b>		<b>-46.2</b>
<b>5.- Borrowing requirement (3+4)</b> .....	<b>47781</b>	<b>116288</b>	<b>15063</b>	<b>10424</b>	-	<b>143,4</b>	-	<b>-30.8</b>

Source: MEH.

Table 7.- MONETARY AND FINANCIAL SECTOR

	2008	2009	2010	2009				2010		
				Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
<b>Financing resident in Spain (1)</b>										
Total financing (loans and securities) .....	7.3	4.1	-	5.1	5.1	4.8	4.1	-	-	-
Non financial corporations and household	6.1	-1.0	-1.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-1.0	-1.2	-	-
General government .....	13.5	29.9	-	31.9	35.2	32.7	29.9	-	-	-
<b>Interest rates (period averages)</b>										
Intervention rate (2) .....	2.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
3 mon. euribor rate .....	4.63	1.23	0.66	0.77	0.74	0.72	0.71	0.68	0.66	0.65
1 yr. euribor rate .....	4.81	1.62	1.23	1.26	1.24	1.23	1.24	1.23	1.23	1.22
10 yr. gov. bond yield .....	4.36	3.97	3.93	3.80	3.77	3.79	3.80	3.99	3.98	3.83
Loans. Synthetic rate .....	6.19	3.84	3.32	3.55	3.44	3.39	3.32	3.32	-	-
Deposits. Synthetic rate .....	3.02	1.53	1.24	1.25	1.27	1.31	1.28	1.24	-	-
<b>Exchange rates(period averages)</b>										
Dollar/Eur .....	1.471	1.393	1.385	1.456	1.482	1.491	1.461	1.427	1.369	1.362
Yen/Eur .....	152.33	130.23	125.06	133.14	133.91	132.97	131.21	130.34	123.46	122.20
Effective (Index: 1999 Q1= 100) .....	113.04	113.75	108.85	115.24	116.62	116.34	114.03	110.81	108.04	107.80
<b>Stock exchange (3)</b>										
Madrid (Index Dec 1985=100) .....	1263.1	1053.6	1121.4	1229.4	1194.2	1215.1	1241.7	1140.6	1074.2	1148.0

(1) Year-on-year percentage change. For annual data, December on December.(2) Last rate of each period. (3) Last day of the month. For annual data, period averages.

Source: BE and ECB.







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