

1.9 General government financial balances

	2000	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	As a percentage of GDP						
United States	0.8	-4.8	-4.2	-5.0	-5.0	-4.9	-5.1
Japan	-7.3	-5.4	-3.5	-4.1	-4.3	-3.8	-3.1
Canada	2.6	± 0.0	-1.1	-1.9	-1.6	-1.4	-1.1
Australia	1.5	-2.1	-1.5	-2.1	-1.7	-1.3	-0.9
New Zealand	1.7	0.3	± 0.0	± 0.0	0.5	0.1	-0.2
EU 28	.	-3.0	-2.4	-1.7	-1.2	-1.1	-0.9
Germany	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1
France	-1.3	-3.9	-3.6	-3.4	-2.9	-2.9	-3.0
Italy	-1.3	-3.0	-2.6	-2.5	-2.1	-1.8	-2.0
Spain	-1.1	-6.0	-5.3	-4.5	-3.1	-2.4	-1.7
Netherlands	1.9	-2.3	-2.1	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.9
Belgium	-0.1	-3.1	-2.5	-2.5	-1.5	-1.4	-1.5
Austria	-2.4	-2.7	-1.0	-1.6	-0.7	.	.
Finland	6.9	-3.2	-2.7	-1.7	-1.4	-1.2	-0.8
Portugal	-3.2	-7.2	-4.4	-2.0	-1.4	-1.4	-1.2
Greece	-4.1	-3.6	-5.7	0.5	-1.2	0.9	0.8
Ireland	4.9	-3.6	-1.9	-0.7	-0.4	-0.2	-0.2
Luxembourg	5.9	1.3	1.4	1.6	0.5	0.3	0.4
Slovenia	-3.6	-5.3	-2.9	-1.9	-0.8	± 0.0	0.4
Malta	-5.5	-1.8	-1.1	1.1	0.9	0.5	0.5
Cyprus	-2.2	-8.8	-1.2	0.5	1.1	1.4	1.9
Slovakia	-12.0	-2.7	-2.7	-2.2	-1.6	-1.0	-0.2
Estonia	-0.1	0.7	0.1	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5
Latvia	-2.7	-1.2	-1.2	± 0.0	-0.9	-1.0	-1.1
Lithuania	-3.2	-0.6	-0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2
United Kingdom	1.4	-5.5	-4.3	-2.9	-2.1	-1.9	-1.5
Sweden	3.2	-1.6	0.2	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.6
Denmark	1.9	1.1	-1.8	-0.6	-1.0	-1.0	-0.9
Hungary	-3.0	-2.7	-2.0	-1.9	-2.1	-2.6	-2.3
Poland	-3.0	-3.6	-2.6	-2.5	-1.7	-1.7	-1.9
Czech Republic	-3.6	-1.9	-0.6	0.7	1.2	0.8	0.6
Romania	-4.6	-1.4	-0.8	-3.0	-3.0	-3.9	-4.1
Bulgaria	-0.5	-5.5	-1.6	± 0.0	± 0.0	± 0.0	0.2
Croatia	.	-5.1	-3.3	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.7
Switzerland	-0.4	-0.3	1.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1
Norway	15.1	8.7	6.1	4.0	4.3	4.6	4.8
Iceland	1.2	-0.1	-0.8	12.8	1.5	1.1	0.9
Turkey	.	0.1	1.3	1.2	-2.4	-1.8	-2.6

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