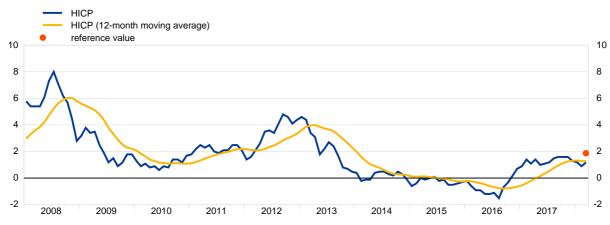
# Croatia - Price developments

Chart 5.3.1 HICP inflation and reference value 1)

(annual percentage changes)



Sources: European Commission (Eurostat) and ECB calculations.

Table 5.3.1 Measures of inflation and related indicators

(annual percentage changes, unless otherwise indicated)

	2008-2017 1)	2008-2012 1)	2013-2017 1)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 2)	2019 2)
Measures of inflation		•					<u>'</u>			
HICP	1.7	2.9	0.6	2.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.6	1.3	1.4	1.5
HICP excluding unprocessed food and energy	1.7	2.3	1.0	2.1	0.6	0.8	0.2	1.3	1.3	1.5
HICP at constant tax rates 3)	1.3	2.5	0.2	1.9	-0.6	-0.6	-0.8	1.2	-	-
CPI	1.7	3.0	0.3	2.2	-0.2	-0.5	-1.1	1.1	-	-
Private consumption deflator	1.6	3.2	0.1	1.9	-0.5	-0.5	-1.2	1.0	1.4	1.5
GDP deflator	1.4	2.5	0.4	0.8	0.1	0.0	-0.1	1.2	2.1	1.9
Producer prices 4)	1.7	5.1	-1.6	0.4	-2.7	-3.8	-3.9	2.1	-	-
Related indicators										
Real GDP growth	-0.2	-1.9	1.5	-0.6	-0.1	2.3	3.2	2.8	2.8	2.7
GDP per capita in PPS 5) (euro area = 100)	56.1	56.3	55.7	55.8	55.2	55.6	56.3		-	-
Comparative price levels (euro area = 100)	67.9	70.2	65.0	66.4	64.8	64.0	64.8		-	-
Output gap 6)	-1.4	-0.8	-2.1	-3.9	-4.2	-2.4	-0.7	0.9	2.3	3.1
Unemployment rate (%) 7)	13.4	11.8	15.1	17.4	17.2	16.1	13.4	11.2	9.6	8.5
Unit labour costs, whole economy	-0.1	2.0	-2.2	-2.9	-2.6	-0.7	-3.0	-1.7	0.0	0.3
Compensation per employee, whole economy	0.3	2.1	-1.4	-0.9	-5.2	0.4	-0.2	-1.1	1.1	1.4
Labour productivity, whole economy	0.4	0.1	0.8	2.0	-2.7	1.1	2.9	0.6	1.1	1.1
Imports of goods and services deflator	1.1	2.6	-0.3	0.2	-0.6	-0.9	-2.2	2.2	1.3	1.6
Nominal effective exchange rate 8)	-0.2	-1.1	0.6	0.9	0.3	-2.1	2.6	1.6	-	-
Money supply (M3) 9	3.0	1.6	3.6	2.8	0.1	4.2	5.3	5.6	-	-
Lending from banks 10)	-0.6	-2.3	0.1	-0.1	-1.7	-2.4	0.5	4.5	-	-
Stock prices (CROBEX) 11)	-64.8	-66.8	5.9	3.1	-2.7	-3.2	18.1	-7.6	-	-
Residential property prices 12)	-1.9	-3.2	-0.8	-4.0	-1.6	-2.9	0.9	3.8	-	-

Sources: European Commission (Eurostat, Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs), national data for CPI, money supply, lending from banks and residential property prices, and ECB calculations based on Thomson Reuters data for stock prices.

<sup>1)</sup> The basis of the calculation of the reference value for the period from April 2017 to March 2018 is the unweighted arithmetic average of the annual percentage changes in the HICP for Cyprus, Ireland and Finland plus 1.5 percentage points. The reference value is 1.9%.

<sup>1)</sup> Multi-annual averages calculated using the geometric mean, except for GDP per capita in PPS, comparative price levels, output gap and unemployment rate, for which the

<sup>2)</sup> Data from the European Commission's Spring 2018 Economic Forecast.

<sup>3)</sup> The difference between the HICP and the HICP at constant tax rates shows the theoretical impact of changes in indirect taxes (e.g. VAT and excise duties) on the overall rate of inflation. This impact assumes a full and instantaneous pass-through of tax rate changes to the price paid by the consumer.

<sup>4)</sup> Domestic sales, total industry excluding construction.5) PPS stands for purchasing power standards.

<sup>6)</sup> Percentage difference from potential GDP: a positive (negative) sign indicates that actual GDP is above (below) potential GDP.

<sup>7)</sup> Definition conforms to International Labour Organization guidelines

<sup>8)</sup> EER-38 group of trading partners. A positive (negative) sign indicates an appreciation (depreciation).

<sup>9)</sup> The series includes repurchase agreements with central counterparties.

<sup>10)</sup> Not adjusted for the derecognition of loans from the MFI statistical balance sheet due to their sale or securitisation.

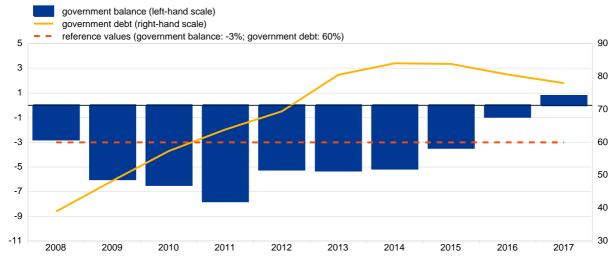
<sup>11)</sup> Multi-annual and annual figures represent the percentage change between the end of the given period and the end of the previous period.

<sup>12)</sup> Data available since 2009.

# Croatia - Fiscal developments

Chart 5.3.2 General government balance and debt

(as a percentage of GDP)



Sources: European System of Central Banks and European Commission (Eurostat).

Table 5.3.2 Government budgetary developments and projections (as a percentage of GDP, unless otherwise indicated)

		T										
		2008-2012 1)	2013-20171)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 2)	2019 2)	2020	2021
Government balance	-4.2	-5.6	-2.8	-5.3	-5.1	-3.4	-0.9	0.8	0.7	0.8	-	-
Total revenue	43.1	41.6	44.5	42.4	43.0	44.9	46.3	46.0	45.8	45.4	-	-
Current revenue	42.7	41.4	44.0	42.2	42.7	44.4	45.5	45.1	44.9	44.3	-	-
Direct taxes	6.5	6.7	6.4	6.5	6.3	6.1	6.6	6.3	6.4	6.3	-	-
Indirect taxes	18.3	17.6	19.1	18.6	18.5	19.1	19.4	19.7	19.7	19.6	-	-
Net social contributions	11.7	11.7	11.8	11.2	11.8	12.0	11.9	11.9	12.0	11.9	-	-
Other current revenue 3)	6.0	5.3	6.8	5.8	6.1	7.2	7.5	7.1	6.8	6.5	-	-
Capital revenue	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.5	8.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	-	-
Total expenditure	47.3	47.3	47.3	47.7	48.1	48.4	47.2	45.3	45.1	44.6	-	-
Current expenditure	41.7	40.9	42.5	42.9	43.0	43.4	42.2	41.2	41.0	40.3	-	-
Compensation of employees	11.7	12.0	11.4	11.6	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.3	-	-
Social benefits	16.1	15.7	16.5	16.6	16.9	17.0	16.0	15.7	15.7	15.5	-	-
Interest payable	2.9	2.5	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.1	2.7	2.5	2.4	-	-
Other current expenditure 4)	11.1	10.8	11.4	11.5	11.2	11.5	11.7	11.4	11.3	11.2	-	-
Capital expenditure	5.6	6.4	4.8	4.8	5.2	4.9	5.0	4.0	4.1	4.2	-	-
of which: Investment	3.9	4.4	3.3	3.7	3.6	3.2	3.2	2.7	2.7	2.8	-	-
Cyclically adjusted balance	-3.6	-5.3	-1.8	-3.5	-3.2	-2.3	-0.6	0.3	-0.3	-0.6		
One-off and temporary measures			0.0	-0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0		
Structural balance 5)			-1.9	-3.2	-3.4	-2.4	-0.7	0.4	-0.3	-0.6		
Government debt	68.5	55.6	81.4	80.5	84.0	83.8	80.6	78.0	73.7	69.7	-	-
Average residual maturity (in years)	5.3	5.5	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.1	4.8	5.4				
In foreign currencies (% of total)	77.0	76.3	77.7	78.0	78.8	78.6	76.5	76.5				
of which: Euro	72.0	70.3	73.6	74.1	74.7	74.4	72.5	72.4				
Domestic ownership (% of total)	57.2	55.2	59.1	57.1	57.5	58.4	61.5	61.0				
Medium and long-term maturity (% of	of total) 6) 91.6	89.5	93.6	91.2	92.2	94.3	95.1	95.2				
of which: Variable interest rate (%	of total) 0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				
Deficit-debt adjustment	0.7	0.9	0.4	5.8	-1.6	-1.7	-1.6	1.2				
Net acquisitions of main financial as	sets 0.5	0.7	0.3	3.7	-0.5	-1.4	-0.9	0.5				
Currency and deposits	0.3	0.6	-0.1	3.2	-0.7	-1.6	-1.4	0.3				
Debt securities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0				
Loans	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3				
Equity and investment fund shares	or units 0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0				
Revaluation effects on debt	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.6	0.2	0.2	-0.6	-0.3				
of which: Foreign exchange holding	ıg											
gains/losses	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.5	0.1	-0.6	-0.4				
Other 7)	0.0	-0.2	0.1	1.6	-1.3	-0.6	-0.1	1.0				
Convergence programme: governmen	nt balance -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.5	-0.5	0.0	0.5
Convergence programme: structural b	oalance -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.8	-0.9	-0.8	-0.4
Convergence programme: governmen	nt debt -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75.1	72.1	69.1	65.9

Sources: European System of Central Banks and European Commission (Eurostat, Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs).

<sup>1)</sup> Multi-annual averages calculated using the arithmetic mean.

<sup>2)</sup> Data from the European Commission's Spring 2018 Economic Forecast, except for convergence programme data.

<sup>3)</sup> Sales and other current revenue.

Intermediate consumption, subsidies payable and other current expenditure.

<sup>5)</sup> Cyclically-adjusted balance excluding one-off and other temporary measures.

<sup>6)</sup> Original maturity of more than one year.
7) Time of recording differences and other factors (sector reclassifications and statistical discrepancies).

## Croatia - Exchange rate and external developments

# Chart 5.3.3 Bilateral exchange rate and short-term interest rate differential

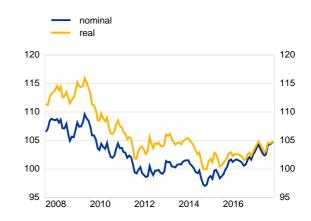
(HRK/EUR exchange rate: monthly averages; difference between three-month interbank interest rates and three-month EURIBOR: basis points, monthly values)

#### HRK/EUR exchange rate (left-hand scale) interest rate differential (right-hand scale) 5.93 10.00 6.53 8.00 7.12 6.00 7.71 4.00 8.31 2.00 8.90 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016

Sources: National data and ECB calculations.

## Chart 5.3.4 Effective exchange rates 1)

(EER-38 group of trading partners; monthly averages; base index: Q1 1999 = 100)



Source: ECB.

Table 5.3.3 External developments

(as a percentage of GDP, unless otherwise indicated)

	2008-2017 1)	2008-2012 1)	2013-2017 1)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	20182)	2019 2)
Balance of payments										
Current account and capital account balance 3)	0.1	-3.1	3.3	1.1	2.3	5.1	3.7	4.3		
Current account balance	-0.3	-3.2	2.7	0.9	1.9	4.4	2.4	3.8		
Goods	-15.9	-16.1	-15.7	-15.1	-15.0	-15.6	-15.8	-16.8		
Services	15.6	13.7	17.6	15.4	16.9	17.8	18.6	19.0		
Primary income	-2.7	-3.3	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-0.7	-3.3	-2.2		
Secondary income	2.6	2.4	2.8	2.6	2.1	2.9	2.9	3.8		
Capital account balance	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.7	1.3	0.5		
Combined direct and portfolio investment balance 3)	-3.2	-4.3	-2.1	-6.3	0.1	-0.8	-1.2	-2.1		
Direct investment	-2.6	-3.1	-2.1	-1.9	-1.6	-0.5	-4.0	-2.7		
Portfolio investment	-0.6	-1.2	0.1	-4.5	1.7	-0.3	2.8	0.6		
Other investment balance	0.3	-1.7	2.4	1.0	2.0	3.3	4.8	0.8		
Reserve assets	1.5	-	1.5	4.2	-1.2	1.7	-0.6	3.3		
Exports of goods and services	42.9	38.6	47.3	42.8	45.3	48.0	49.0	51.5		
Imports of goods and services	43.2	40.9	45.4	42.5	43.4	45.8	46.2	49.3		
Net international investment position 4)	-81.5	-86.6	-76.4	-87.9	-85.1	-76.2	-69.7	-63.0		
Gross external debt 4)	98.2	99.1	97.4	105.2	107.0	101.9	89.8	83.1		
Internal trade with the euro area 5)										
Exports of goods and services	55.3	52.2	56.5	56.1	56.4	57.9	57.4	54.8		
Imports of goods and services	55.4	46.7	58.8	55.2	59.5	60.2	59.9	59.3		
Investment position with the euro area 5)										
Direct investment assets 4)		-	47.5	-	48.3	49.5	45.2	47.2		
Direct investment liabilities 4)		-	69.8	-	69.0	70.1	72.3	67.9		
Portfolio investment assets 4)		-	26.5	-	25.8	18.1	41.5	20.7		
Portfolio investment liabilities 4)	50.3	51.2	49.5	45.1	48.3	47.6	50.9	55.6		

Sources: European System of Central Banks and European Commission (Eurostat, Directorate - General for Economic and Financial Affairs). Note: Backdata are available from 2008.

The real EER-38 is CPI-deflated. An increase (decrease) in the EER indicates an appreciation (depreciation).

<sup>1)</sup> Multi-annual averages calculated using the arithmetic mean. For direct investment assets and liabilities and portfolio investment assets

with the euro area, the average for the period 2013-2017 refers to 2014-2017. 2) Data from the European Commission's Spring 2018 Economic Forecast.

<sup>3)</sup> Differences between totals and sum of their components are due to rounding

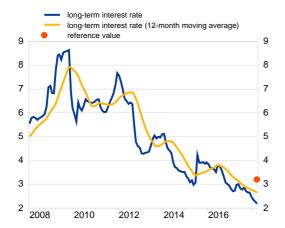
<sup>4)</sup> End-of-period outstanding amounts.

<sup>5)</sup> As a percentage of the total

## Croatia - Long-term interest rate developments

## Chart 5.3.5 Long-term interest rate 1)

(monthly averages in percentages)

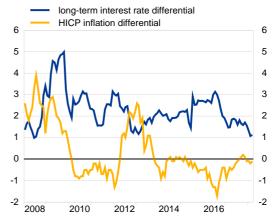


Sources: European System of Central Banks and ECB calculations.

1) The basis of the calculation of the reference value for the period from April 2017 to March 2018 is the unweighted arithmetic average of the interest rate levels in Cyprus, Ireland and Finland plus 2 percentage points. The reference value is 3.2%

## Chart 5.3.6 Long-term interest rate and HICP inflation differentials vis-à-vis the euro area

(monthly averages in percentage points)



Sources: European System of Central Banks, ECB calculations and European Commission (Eurostat).

Table 5.3.4 Long-term interest rates and indicators of financial development and integration (as a percentage of GDP, unless otherwise indicated)

	2008-2017 1)	2008-2012 1)	2013-2017 1)	2014	2015	2016	2017	Apr. 2017 to Mar. 2018	Memo item: euro area 2017
Long-term interest rates									
Croatia 2)	5.1	6.6	3.7	4.1	3.6	3.5	2.8	2.6	-
Euro area 2), 3)	2.8	4.0	1.6	2.0	1.2	0.9	1.1	1.1	-
Euro area AAA par curve, ten-year residual maturity 2), 3	2.1	3.2	0.9	1.4	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.5	-
Indicators of financial development and integration									
Debt securities issued by financial corporations 4)	0.4	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	-	66.0
Debt securities issued by non-financial corporations 5)	5.0	-	5.0	4.8	5.2	5.3	4.1	-	11.3
Stock market capitalisation 6)	39.0	-	39.0	38.6	38.1	42.5	39.3	-	67.4
MFI credit to non-government residents 7)	68.2	73.3	65.2	69.5	65.9	61.4	58.5	-	108.1
Claims of euro area MFIs on resident MFIs 8)	12.7	19.1	8.8	12.5	8.2	4.7	3.4	-	26.3

Sources: European System of Central Banks and ECB calculations.

- 1) Multi-annual averages calculated using the arithmetic mean.
- 2) Average interest rate.
- 3) Included for information only.
- 4) Outstanding amount of debt securities issued by resident MFIs and other financial corporations. Data available since 2013.
- 5) Outstanding amount of debt securities issued by resident non-financial corporations. Data available since 2013.6) Outstanding amount of listed shares issued by residents at the end of the period at market values. Data available since 2013.
- 7) MFI (excluding national central bank) credit to domestic non-MFI residents other than general government. Credit includes outstanding amounts of loans and debt securities.
- 8) Outstanding amount of deposits and debt securities issued by domestic MFIs (excluding the national central bank) held by euro area MFIs as a percentage of total liabilities of domestic MFIs (excluding the national central bank). Total liabilities exclude capital and reserves and remaining liabilities. Data available since 2010.