

Federal Republic of Germany Key Forecast Figures

	2009	2010	2011 (1)	2012 (1)
Percentage change over previous year ^{a)}				
Private consumption	-0,2	0,5	1,6	1,3
Government consumption	2,9	1,9	2,1	1,2
Gross fixed capital formation	-10,1	6,0	7,8	5,0
Machinery and equipment,	-22,6	10,9	14,9	8,8
Buildings	-1,5	2,8	3,1	2,1
Other investment	5,6	6,4	6,7	6,5
Domestic demand	-1,9	2,4	2,1	2,2
Exports of goods and services	-14,3	14,7	9,1	6,6
Imports of goods and services	-9,4	13,0	6,9	6,9
Gross domestic product (GDP)	-4,7	3,6	3,3	2,3
Employment ^{b)} (1.000 persons)	40271	40490	40980	41295
Unemployment (1.000 persons)	3415	3238	2944	2683
Unemployment rate ^{c)} (in %)	8,1	7,7	7,0	6,4
Consumer prices ^{d)} (% change on the previous year)	0,4	1,1	2,4	2,1
General government financial balance ^{e)}				
- EUR billion	-72,7	-82,0	-37,8	-5,0
- in % of GDP	-3,0	-3,3	-1,5	-0,2
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Real GDP in the EMU (% change on the previous year)	-4,2	1,7	2,0	1,8
Consumer prices in the EMU ^{f)} (% change on the previous year)	0,3	1,6	2,7	1,7
1) Forecast of the Ifo Institute. c) Federal Employment Agency concept.- d) Consumer price index (2005=100).- e) On national accounts definition (ESA 1995).-f) Harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP, 2005=100).				

Source: Eurostat, Federal Statistical Office, Federal Employment Agency, Forecast of the Ifo Institute.