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PREFACE

The Statistical pocketbook "Key Data on Germany" – now published in its 7th edition by the Federal Statistical Office – provides in a concise and well-structured form up-to-date basic information on all aspects of life in Germany. The demographic, economic and social data compiled on this country, and also the comparisons made with the Member States of the European Union and other selected countries provide a comprehensive picture of Germany.

Key Data on Germany comprises a total of 29 chapters which deal with the four major subject areas *The Country and the People, Living Conditions, Economy, and Germany in a Global Context*. The individual chapters are supplemented by charts or introductory notes which serve to illustrate specific features and trends.

The chapter "Equipment of households" has been included for the first time. The chapter "European Monetary Union" has been enlarged by further interesting items.

Some issues are discussed from different aspects in various chapters. For this reason, the reader is recommended to consult the index to make sure that he will obtain a complete picture of the issue of his interest.

Of course, Key Data on Germany can present only a small part of the supply of official statistics available in Germany. If you would like to obtain more information on a specific subject, please do not hesitate to contact us. At the end of the pocketbook, you will find the names of our statistical experts to contact for inquiries on the individual subject areas. Those staff members as well as our information service will be pleased to deal with any further questions you may have. In addition, you may also access our Internet information supply (<http://www.statistik-bund.de>).

A pocketbook such as Key data on Germany depends on the response of its readers. Any comments that you may have will therefore be appreciated.

Last but not least, special thanks are given to all those who have provided information in the context of official statistical surveys and have thus facilitated the production of this publication.

The President of the Federal Statistical Office

Johann Hahlen

GENERAL INTRODUCTORY NOTES

Territory

Germany: Data for the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany since 3 October 1990.

Former territory of the Federal Republic: Data for the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany before 3 October 1990, incl. Berlin-West.

New Länder and Berlin-East: Data for the Länder Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, Thuringia, and for Berlin-East.

Abbreviations

Units of measurement

mn = million

bn = billion

% = per cent

mm = millimetre

m = metre

m² = square metre

m³ = cubic metre

km = kilometre

km² = square kilometre

ha = hectare

kg = kilogram

t = tonne

tkm = tonne-kilometre

kWh = kilowatt hour
(= 10³ watt hours)

GWh = gigawatt hour
(= 10⁹ watt hours)

PJ = peta joule
(= 10¹⁵ joules)

h = hour

Explanation of symbols

. = numerical value unknown or not to be disclosed

- = no figures or magnitude zero

... = data will be available later

0 = less than half of 1 in the last digit occupied, but more than zero

/ = no data because the numerical value is not sufficiently reliable

() = limited informative value because numerical value is of limited statistical reliability

| = fundamental change within a series affecting comparisons over time

x = cell blocked for logical reasons

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The Country and the People



Schloßbrücke with Cathedral, Berlin

GEOGRAPHICAL AND METEOROLOGICAL DATA

Climate:

Temperate oceanic/continental climatic zone with frequent weather changes and prevailing westerly winds.

Annual precipitations

North German Lowlands.....	under 500 to 700 mm
Low mountain range.....	ca. 700 to over 1 500 mm
Alps.....	up to over 2 000 mm

Land use, 1997

Total area.....	357 028 km ²	(100 %)
Agricultural land (incl. bogs and heathland)	193 136 km ²	(54.1 %)
Forests.....	104 915 km ²	(29.4 %)
Built-up land and adjacent non-built-up land	21 937 km ²	(6.1 %)
Land used for traffic purposes.....	16 785 km ²	(4.7 %)
Waters.....	7 940 km ²	(2.2 %)
Non-built-up land used for industrial, supply or disposal purposes	2 515 km ²	(0.7 %)
Recreational land	2 374 km ²	(0.7 %)
Land of other use	7 426 km ²	(2.1 %)

Neighbouring states and length of borders

Total length of borders.....	3 758 km
Denmark.....	67 km
Netherlands.....	567 km
Belgium.....	156 km
Luxembourg.....	135 km
France.....	448 km
Switzerland (incl. enclave of Büsingen, excl. Upper Lake of the Lake of Constance)	316 km
Austria (excl. Lake of Constance).....	816 km
Czech Republic	811 km
Poland.....	442 km

Elevation of settlements (in metres above/below sea level)

Balderschwang (highest)	1 044 m
Neuendorf near Wilster (lowest).....	- 3.5 m

Mountains (over 2 600 m altitude above sea level)

Zugspitze (Wetterstein Mountains)	2 962 m
Hochwanner (Wetterstein Mountains)	2 746 m
Höllentalspitze (Wetterstein Mountains).....	2 745 m
Watzmann (Berchtesgaden Alps).....	2 713 m
Plattspitze (Wetterstein Mountains).....	2 679 m
Hochfrottspitze (Allgäu High Alps).....	2 649 m

GEOGRAPHICAL AND METEOROLOGICAL DATA

Federal Republic of Germany

Territory on 1 January 1999



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Mädelegabel (Allgäu High Alps).....	2 645 m
Dreiterspitze (Wetterstein Mountains).....	2 633 m
Alpspitze (Wetterstein Mountains).....	2 628 m
Hochkalter (Berchtesgaden Alps).....	2 607 m

Rivers (of over 160 km of navigable length) ¹⁾	Length	of which navigable
Danube.....	647 km	387 km
Rhine.....	865 km	778 km
Neckar.....	367 km	201 km
Main.....	524 km	384 km
Moselle.....	242 km	242 km
Ems.....	371 km	238 km
Weser.....	440 km	440 km
Elbe.....	700 km	700 km
Havel.....	343 km	243 km
Elde.....	208 km	180 km
Oder.....	162 km	162 km

Navigable canals (of over 80 km of length, maximum load of at least 650 tonnes)

Midland Canal.....	321.3 km
Dortmund-Ems Canal.....	269.0 km
Main-Danube Canal.....	171.0 km
Elbeseitenkanal (North-South Canal).....	115.2 km
Kiel Canal.....	98.7 km
Oder-Spree Canal.....	83.7 km
Oder-Havel Canal.....	82.8 km

Lakes (with over 20 km² of surface)

Lake of Constance.....	571.5 km ²
Müritz.....	110.3 km ²
Chiemsee.....	79.9 km ²
Schweriner See.....	60.6 km ²
Starnberger See.....	56.4 km ²
Ammersee.....	46.6 km ²
Plauer See.....	38.0 km ²
Kummerower See.....	32.2 km ²
Steinhuder Meer.....	29.1 km ²
Großer Plöner See.....	29.0 km ²
Schaalsee.....	23.3 km ²
Selenter See.....	22.4 km ²

1) Within the borders of Germany.

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Barrages (with a retaining capacity of over 100 mn m³)

Bleiloch (Saale)	215.0 mn m ³
Schwammenauel (Rur).....	202.6 mn m ³
Edersee (Eder).....	202.0 mn m ³
Hohenwarte (Saale).....	182.0 mn m ³
Bigge (Bigge)	171.8 mn m ³
Forggensee (Lech).....	165.0 mn m ³
Großer Brombachsee (Brombach)	145.0 mn m ³
Möhne (Möhne)	134.5 mn m ³
Rappbode (Rappbode)	109.1 mn m ³
Schluchsee (Schwarza)	108.0 mn m ³
Sylvensteinsee (Isar)	104.0 mn m ³

Islands (of over 20 km² of area)

East Frisian Islands

Borkum.....	30.7 km ²
Norderney	26.3 km ²

North Frisian Islands

Sylt	99.2 km ²
Föhr	82.9 km ²
Nordstrand.....	50.4 km ²
Pellworm.....	37.4 km ²
Amrum.....	20.4 km ²

Schleswig-Holstein Islands

Fehmarn.....	185.4 km ²
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Mecklenburg Islands

Poel	34.3 km ²
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West Pomeranian Islands

Rügen.....	930.0 km ²
Usedom ¹⁾	373.0 km ²

1) Part belonging to the Federal Republic of Germany; total area: 445.0 km².

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

The Federal Republic of Germany is a democratic and social federal state. Its Constitution is the Basic Law of 23 May 1949, last amended by the law of 16 July 1998. Since the unification of Germany on 3 October 1990, its constituent states have been the Länder of Baden-Württemberg, Bavaria, Berlin, Brandenburg, Bremen, Hamburg, Hesse, Lower Saxony, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, North Rhine-Westphalia, Rhineland-Palatinate, Saarland, Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, Schleswig-Holstein and Thuringia.

According to Article 1, Para. 1 of the Basic Law, the dignity of man is inviolable, and to respect and protect it is the duty of all state authority. The dignity of man is the supreme value and the core of the Constitution. Therefore, a major function of the state is the protection of human and civil rights. The Federal Republic of Germany is a constitutional state. This means that the legislature is bound by the constitutional order, while the executive and the judiciary are bound by law; anyone may have recourse to law against the governmental power. In the Federation and the Länder, all Germans can elect their representations in general, direct, free, equal, and secret elections, thus determining who is to govern - for a limited period of time. "All state authority emanates from the people"; this is declared in the Basic Law (Art. 20, Para. 2).

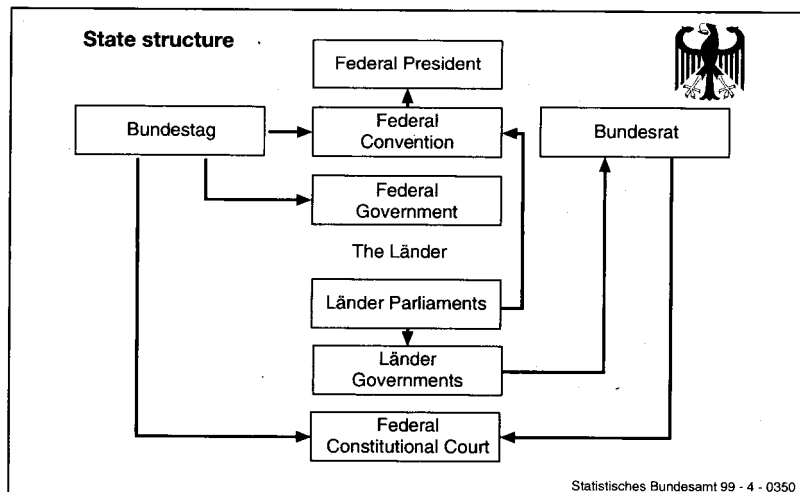
Head of State of the Federal Republic of Germany is the Federal President who is elected for a five-year term by the Federal Convention. He may be re-elected once. The Federal Convention consists of all members of the Bundestag and an equal number of members elected by the Länder Parliaments according to the rules of proportional representation. Federal Presidents of the Federal Republic of Germany were Theodor Heuss from 1949 to 1959, Heinrich Lübke from 1959 to 1969, Gustav Heinemann from 1969 to 1974, Walter Scheel from 1974 to 1979, Karl Carstens from 1979 to 1984, Richard von Weizsäcker from 1984 to 1994, and Roman Herzog from 1994 to 1999. In 1999, Johannes Rau was elected to become Herzog's successor.

The members of the Bundestag are elected every four years. For the election of these 656 Members of Parliament, the electoral law of the Federal Republic of Germany provides for a system of proportional representation (328 Members of Parliament elected with relative majority in the constituencies, the others according to Land party lists). The persons entitled to vote may cast their first vote for the election in the constituency

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and their second vote for the election of a Land party list. Those parties which receive five or more percent of the second votes in the electoral territory or directly obtain a seat in at least three constituencies will participate in the allocation of seats.

The two chambers, Bundestag and Bundesrat, are the legislative bodies of the Federal Republic of Germany. The main functions of the Bundestag, apart from legislation, are the election of the Federal Chancellor and the scrutiny of the Federal Government. The activities of the Bundestag are performed not only in the plenum but also, and especially, in the committees. Through the Bundesrat, the Länder participate in the legislation and the administration of the Federation, and in European Union matters. The members of the Bundesrat are appointed and recalled by the Länder Governments. They can vote only collectively per Land and are bound by the instructions given by their respective Länder Governments. The total of 69 voices is divided among the 16 Länder according to the number of their inhabitants. Each of the Länder has at least three and not more than six votes.



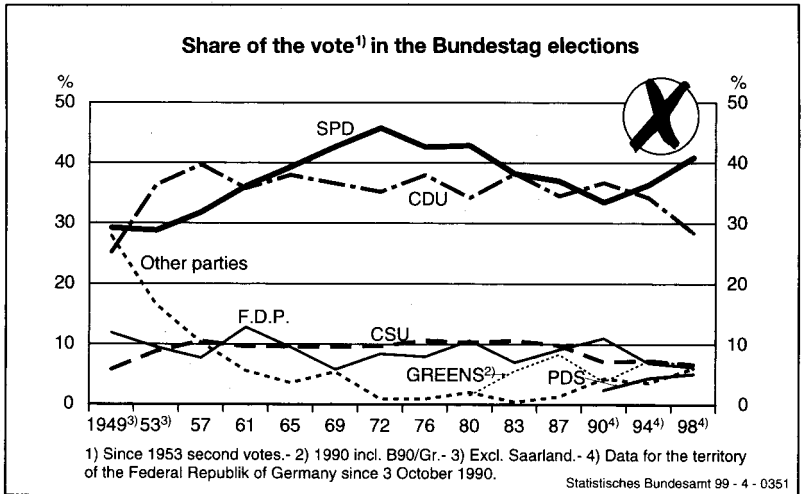
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Results of parliamentary elections in percent

Election	Elec- tion year	Parties' shares in valid votes					
		SPD	CDU, in Bavaria CSU	F.D.P.	GREENS	PDS	Others
Elections to the Länder Parliaments							
Baden-Württemberg.....	1996	25.1	41.3	9.6	12.1	–	11.9 ¹⁾
Bavaria	1998	28.7	52.9	1.7	5.7	–	11.0
Berlin ²⁾	1995	23.6	37.4	2.5	13.2	14.6	8.6
Brandenburg ²⁾	1994	54.1	18.7	2.2	2.9	18.7	3.3
Bremen	1999	42.6	37.1	2.5	8.9	2.9	6.0
Hamburg	1997	36.2	30.7	3.5	13.9 ³⁾	0.7 ⁴⁾	15.0 ⁵⁾
Hesse ²⁾	1999	39.4	43.4	5.1	7.2	–	4.9
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania ²⁾	1998	34.3	30.2	1.6	2.7	22.4	6.8
Lower Saxony ²⁾	1998	47.9	35.9	4.9	7.0	–	4.3
North Rhine-Westphalia	1995	46.0	37.7	4.0	10.0	–	2.3
Rhineland-Palatinate ²⁾	1996	39.8	38.7	8.9	6.9	–	5.7
Saarland	1994	49.4	38.6	2.1	5.5	–	4.4
Saxony ²⁾	1994	16.6	58.1	1.7	4.1	16.5	2.9
Saxony-Anhalt ²⁾	1998	35.9	22.0	4.2	3.2	19.6	15.0 ⁶⁾
Schleswig-Holstein	1996	39.8	37.2	5.7	8.1	–	9.1 ⁷⁾
Thuringia ²⁾	1994	29.6	42.6	3.2	4.5	16.6	3.6
Election to the Bundestag²⁾							
Germany	1998	40.9	35.1 ⁸⁾	6.2	6.7	5.1	5.9
European Election							
Germany	1999	30.7	48.7 ⁹⁾	3.0	6.4	5.8	5.4

1) REP: 9.1 %. – 2) Second votes. – 3) GREENS/GAL. – 4) PDS/Linke Liste. – 5) Of which: DVU 4.98 %, STATT Party 5.6 %. – 6) DVU: 12.9 %. – 7) DVU: 4.3 %. – 8) CDU: 28.4 %, CSU: 6.7 %. – 9) CDU: 39.3 %, CSU: 9.4 %.

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The Federal Government participates in the legislative process mainly by introducing bills and issuing ordinances on the basis of special legal authorization. It consists of the Federal Chancellor who is elected by the Bundestag on the proposal of the Federal President, and the Federal Ministers who are appointed and dismissed by the Federal President on the proposal of the Federal Chancellor.

Executive power is generally vested in the Länder, unless otherwise provided for or permitted in the Basic Law.

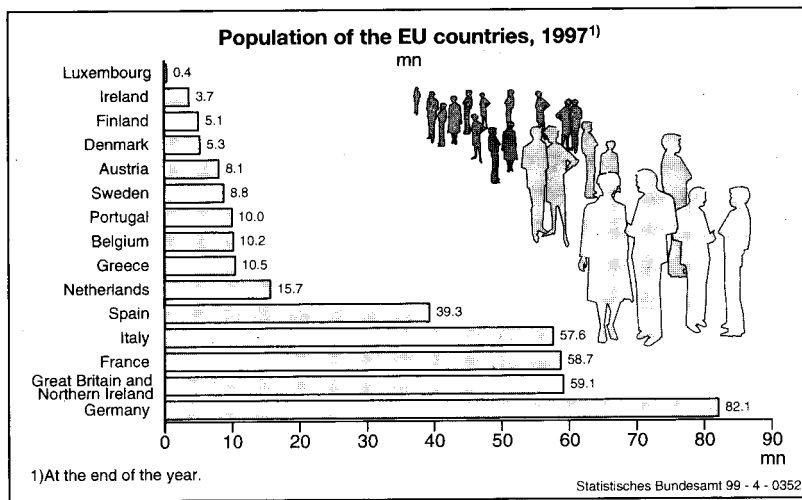
Under the Basic Law, judicial authority is vested in the judges. It is exercised by the Federal Constitutional Court, the federal courts provided for in the Basic Law and the courts of the Länder, with the Federal Constitutional Court in its capacity as the "Guardian of the Constitution" occupying a special position. It decides in particular on the interpretation of the Basic Law in the event of constitutional disputes between government organs, on the compatibility of federal and Länder law with the Basic Law (judicial review) as well as on complaints lodged by individual citizens in constitutionality matters.

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The jurisdiction of the Federation – not regarding the Federal Constitutional Court – is limited to the supreme courts of the individual court branches: Federal Court of Justice, Federal Administrative Court, Federal Finance Court, Federal Labour Court, Federal Social Court as well as Federal Patent Court and Federal Disciplinary Court. The courts of intermediate and lower instance are courts of the Länder.

After the end of World War II, Germany played an active part in the process of European unification. As early as in May 1948, at the First Congress of the Hague, delegates from 19 European countries demanded that a European assembly be convened. This was the first initiative in forming the Council of Europe in Strasbourg.

In April 1951 Belgium, the Federal Republic of Germany, France, Italy, Luxembourg and the Netherlands signed the Treaty on the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC). In 1957, these 6 countries founded the European Economic Community (EEC) and the European Atomic Energy Community (EURATOM). In 1967, these institutions merged to form the European Communities (EC). Denmark, Great Britain and Northern



Ireland, and Ireland acceded to the Community in 1973, Greece in 1981, Portugal and Spain in 1986. The EC's objective has been the political and economic integration of the European countries. Initial steps in that direction consisted in gradually eliminating the customs barriers between the countries concerned and introducing common external tariffs. The introduction of the European single market in 1993, among other things, led to a liberalisation of the movement of persons, services and capital. In the Maastricht Treaty on European Union of 7 February 1992 (which entered into force on 1 November 1993), the heads of state or government of the European Communities agreed on a stage-by-stage plan regarding the creation of Economic and Monetary Union by the year 1999 whose third stage includes the introduction of a single European currency (euro). At the same time, they agreed on steps aimed at a common foreign and security policy and on cooperation in the area of internal and legal policies. As regards elections to the European Parliament and local elections, citizens of the European Union living in a Member State whose citizenship they do not possess may exercise their right to vote and to stand for election in the place of their residence. This right could be exercised for the first time during the 1994 elections to the European Parliament.

Since 1 January 1995, Finland, Austria and Sweden have been full members of the European Union.

The Amsterdam Treaty of 2 October 1997, referring to the EU eastern enlargement, was another step in the integration process. In March 1998, negotiations were taken up about the EU accession of Estonia, Poland, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Hungary and Cyprus.

At the beginning of May 1998, the heads of state or government of the European Union decided about the participants in Economic and Monetary Union (third stage of the Maastricht Treaty) at a summit in Brussels. The Federal Republic of Germany, Belgium, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal and Spain introduced the single European currency (euro) on 1 January 1999. These eleven countries have since been forming the so-called "euro zone".

During a transitional period, the euro can be used in cashless money transfer only. From 1 January 2002, the euro will be the legal tender.

GERMANY BY LÄNDER

Land	Area	Population	Inhabitants per km ²	Population growth (+) or decline (-) 1997 compared with 1990	
	31 December 1997				
	km ²	1 000	Number	1 000	%
Baden-Württemberg	35 752	10 397	291	+ 575	+ 5.9
Bavaria	70 548 ¹⁾	12 066	171	+ 617	+ 5.4
Berlin	891	3 426	3 846	- 8	- 0.2
Brandenburg	29 476	2 573	87	- 5	- 0.2
Bremen	404	674	1 667	- 8	- 1.2
Hamburg	755	1 705	2 257	+ 53	+ 3.2
Hesse	21 115	6 032	286	+ 269	+ 4.7
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	23 170	1 808	78	- 116	- 6.0
Lower Saxony	47 613	7 845	165	+ 458	+ 6.2
North Rhine-Westphalia ..	34 079 ¹⁾	17 974	527	+ 625	+ 3.6
Rhineland-Palatinate	19 847	4 018	202	+ 254	+ 6.7
Saarland	2 570	1 081	421	+ 9	+ 0.8
Saxony	18 412	4 522	246	- 242	- 5.1
Saxony-Anhalt	20 447	2 702	132	- 172	- 6.0
Schleswig-Holstein	15 770	2 756	175	+ 130	+ 5.0
Thuringia	16 172	2 478	153	- 133	- 5.1
Germany	357 021	82 057	230	+ 2 304	+ 2.9

1) 31.12.1997.

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Land	Persons engaged	Unemployed	Unemployment rate ¹⁾	Job vacancies	Short-time-workers
	1998 ²⁾	1998			
	1 000		%	1 000	
Baden-Württemberg	4 795	351.3	8.0	62.7	13.7
Bavaria	5 743	415.3	8.1	67.4	12.7
Berlin	1 477	273.0	17.9	9.3	4.3
Brandenburg	1 124	220.4	18.8	10.9	6.2
Bremen	275	46.4	16.6	3.5	1.8
Hamburg	787	90.5	12.7	6.4	2.0
Hesse	2 664	254.1	10.0	26.0	6.5
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	758	171.1	20.5	9.1	4.2
Lower Saxony	3 369	399.4	12.3	43.6	9.4
North Rhine-Westphalia ..	7 405	855.8	11.7	82.8	22.4
Rhineland-Palatinate	1 749	156.7	9.7	27.3	4.3
Saarland	428	52.9	12.6	5.0	1.5
Saxony	1 887	382.8	18.8	24.2	9.2
Saxony-Anhalt	1 098	272.1	21.7	16.3	6.1
Schleswig-Holstein	1 231	128.4	11.2	11.7	4.5
Thuringia	1 072	209.2	18.3	15.5	6.4
Germany	35 860	4 279.3	12.3	421.6	115.2

1) Share of unemployed persons in the dependent civilian labour force. - 2) Microcensus result. - April.

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Land	Business failures	Foreign trade		Gross-domestic product at current prices	
		Imports	Exports		
	1998	1998 ¹⁾		1998	
	Number	DM mn		DM bn	DM 1 000 per person engaged
Baden-Württemberg	2 388	107 754	162 792	520.4	113.8
Bavaria	3 453	121 667	147 649	615.0	114.0
Berlin	1 916	9 751	13 813	154.8	106.8
Brandenburg	1 459	6 982	6 261	75.7	75.0
Bremen	182	20 522	17 470	40.3	117.8
Hamburg	547	58 338	29 750	141.2	157.5
Hesse	1 967	79 326	52 858	340.9	132.6
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	802	2 522	1 939	47.9	66.3
Lower Saxony	1 965	61 354	72 505	315.7	103.3
North Rhine-Westphalia ..	5 182	192 748	187 778	799.5	112.4
Rhineland-Palatinate	1 117	30 135	41 691	156.0	106.4
Saarland	309	12 538	13 049	43.9	102.1
Saxony	2 765	10 691	15 015	124.1	66.7
Saxony-Anhalt	1 608	4 312	5 313	69.7	66.9
Schleswig-Holstein	860	17 051	17 080	113.8	107.0
Thuringia	1 308	5 890	6 305	64.9	66.5
Germany	27 828	821 040²⁾	949 618²⁾	3 624.0	106.7

1) Preliminary result. – 2) Incl. transactions that cannot be allocated to an individual Land.

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Land	Building permits	Construction work completed	Stock of dwellings	Physicians	Hospital beds ¹⁾
	(dwellings)				
	1998 ²⁾		1997	1998	1997
	1 000			per 100 000 inhabitants	
Baden-Württemberg	58.1	64.4	4 542	351	640
Bavaria	78.4	77.0	5 361	376	702
Berlin	13.2	17.7	1 825	509	768
Brandenburg	26.4	30.2	1 165	274	655
Bremen	2.1	2.1	341	464	973
Hamburg	5.6	8.5	839	512	822
Hesse	28.9	32.7	2 645	361	678
Mecklenburg- Western Pomerania	15.8	16.9	814	331	657
Lower Saxony	46.4	45.6	3 419	304	636
North Rhine-Westphalia ..	91.5	87.9	7 902	341	787
Rhineland-Palatinate	23.6	24.1	1 749	323	710
Saarland	4.8	5.1	481	371	763
Saxony	32.9	35.4	2 273	304	672
Saxony-Anhalt	16.0	17.7	1 291	296	698
Schleswig-Holstein	20.0	20.5	1 269	349	597
Thuringia	14.0	14.8	1 135	306	757
Germany	477.7	500.7	37 050	350	707

1) Excl. prevention/rehabilitation facilities. – 2) Preliminary result.

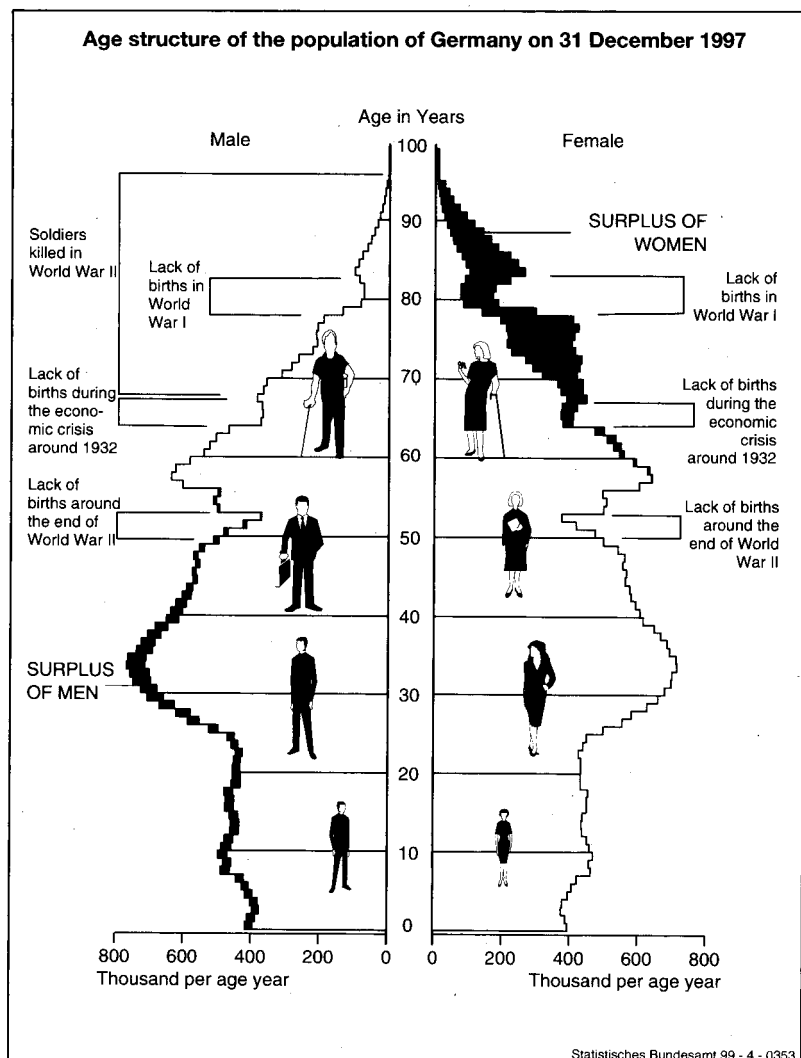
POPULATION

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Germany				
Inhabitants on 31 December	1 000	81 817.5	82 012.2	82 057.4
Male	1 000	39 824.8	39 954.8	39 992.3
Female.....	1 000	41 992.7	42 057.3	42 065.1
By citizenship				
Germans	1 000	74 474.7	74 520.5	74 638.4
Foreigners	1 000	7 342.8	7 491.7	7 419.0
Incl.: Turkey	1 000	2 014.3	2 049.1	2 107.4
Yugoslavia ¹⁾	1 000	1 350.2	1 353.3	1 269.6
Italy	1 000	586.1	599.4	607.9
Greece	1 000	359.6	362.5	363.2
Poland.....	1 000	276.8	283.4	283.3
Austria.....	1 000	184.5	184.9	185.1
United States	1 000	108.4	109.6	110.1
By age groups from ... to under ... years				
under 6.....	1 000	4 985.2	4 854.8	4 807.0
6 – 15.....	1 000	8 253.3	8 332.5	8 291.4
15 – 25	1 000	9 156.8	9 047.9	9 025.5
25 – 45	1 000	26 138.0	26 191.7	26 031.7
45 – 65	1 000	20 551.8	20 728.5	20 935.4
65 and over	1 000	12 732.5	12 856.8	12 966.4
By marital status				
Single.....	1 000	32 086.6	33 428.5	33 686.6
Married.....	1 000	39 173.1	38 103.3	37 813.4
Widowed or divorced.....	1 000	10 557.8	10 480.5	10 557.3
By religious affiliation				
Incl.: Protestant.....	1 000	27 869	27 659	27 398
Catholic	1 000	27 347	27 229	27 383
Jewish	1 000	54	61	67

1) Incl. Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia, and Slovenia.

POPULATION

Age structure of the population of Germany on 31 December 1997



POPULATION

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Germany				
Households (in April)	1 000	36 938	37 281	37 457
1-person households	1 000	12 891	13 191	13 259
2-person households	1 000	11 858	12 039	12 221
3-person households	1 000	5 847	5 770	5 725
4-person households	1 000	4 596	4 556	4 537
Households with 5 or more persons	1 000	1 746	1 725	1 715
Marriages, births, deaths				
Marriages.....	Number	430 534	427 297	422 776
Live births	Number	765 221	796 013	812 173
Viz.: Illegitimate	Number	122 876	135 700	145 833
Foreigners	Number	99 714	106 229	107 182
Foetal deaths ¹⁾	Number	3 405	3 573	3 510
Deaths	Number	884 568	882 843	860 389
Excess of births (+) or of deaths (-)	Number	- 119 367	- 86 830	- 48 216
Divorces.....	Number	169 425	175 550	187 802
Migrations between Germany and foreign countries²⁾				
Arrivals, total.....	1 000	1 096.0	960.0	840.6
Incl.: Foreigners	1 000	792.7	708.0	615.3
Departures, total	1 000	698.1	677.5	747.0
Incl.: Foreigners	1 000	567.4	559.1	637.1
Naturalized persons	Number	313 606	302 830	278 662
Male	Number	153 432	147 978	136 250
Female.....	Number	160 174	154 852	142 412

1) Lowered weight limit (birth weight 500 grams min.) since 1 April 1994. - 2) Incl. area of origin/destination "unsettled" and "not indicated".

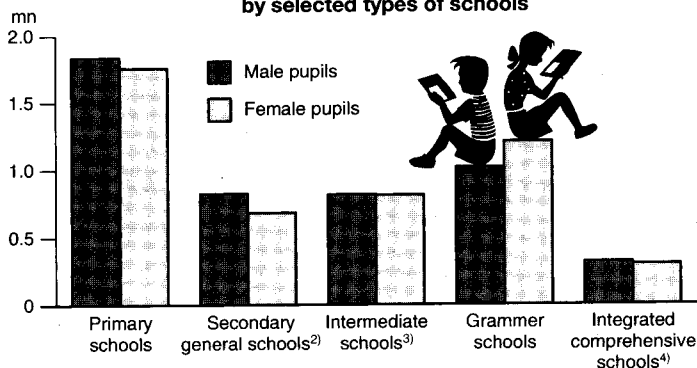
POPULATION

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Former territory of the Federal Republic				
Inhabitants on 31 December	1 000	67 643.1 ¹⁾	67 880.1 ¹⁾	67 974.0 ¹⁾
Marriages, births, deaths				
	per 1 000			
Marriages.....	inhabitants	5.7	5.6	5.5
	per 1 000			
Live births.....	inhabitants	10.3	10.5	10.7
	per 1 000			
Viz.: Illegitimate	live births	128.9	136.8	142.7
	per 1 000			
Deaths	inhabitants	10.7	10.6	10.4
Excess of births (+)	per 1 000			
or of deaths (-)	inhabitants	- 0.4	- 0.1	0.3
	per 1 000			
Divorces.....	inhabitants	2.2 ¹⁾	2.3 ¹⁾	2.4 ¹⁾
Life expectancy				
Men	Years	73.53 ²⁾	73.79 ³⁾	74.07 ⁴⁾
Women	Years	79.81 ²⁾	80.00 ³⁾	80.21 ⁴⁾
New Länder and Berlin-East				
Inhabitants on 31 December	1 000	14 174.4 ⁵⁾	14 132.1 ⁵⁾	14 083.3 ⁵⁾
Marriages, births, deaths				
	per 1 000			
Marriages.....	inhabitants	3.5	3.5	3.5
	per 1 000			
Live births.....	inhabitants	5.4	6.0	6.5
	per 1 000			
Viz.: Illegitimate	live births	417.7	423.9	441.0
	per 1 000			
Deaths	inhabitants	11.5	11.3	10.9
Excess of births (+)	per 1 000			
or of deaths (-)	inhabitants	- 6.1	- 5.2	- 4.4
	per 1 000			
Divorces.....	inhabitants	1.5 ⁵⁾	1.6 ⁵⁾	1.9 ⁵⁾
Life expectancy				
Men	Years	70.72 ²⁾	71.20 ³⁾	71.77 ⁴⁾
Women	Years	78.16 ²⁾	78.55 ³⁾	79.02 ⁴⁾

1) Former territory of the Federal Republic incl. Berlin-East. - 2) 1993/95. - 3) 1994/96. - 4) 1995/97. - 5) New Länder excl. Berlin-East.

EDUCATION

**Pupils at schools of general education, 1998¹⁾
by selected types of schools**



1) Preliminary result.- 2) Incl. orientation stage independent of school type.-

3) Incl. schools with different courses of education.- 4) Incl. Free Waldorf schools.

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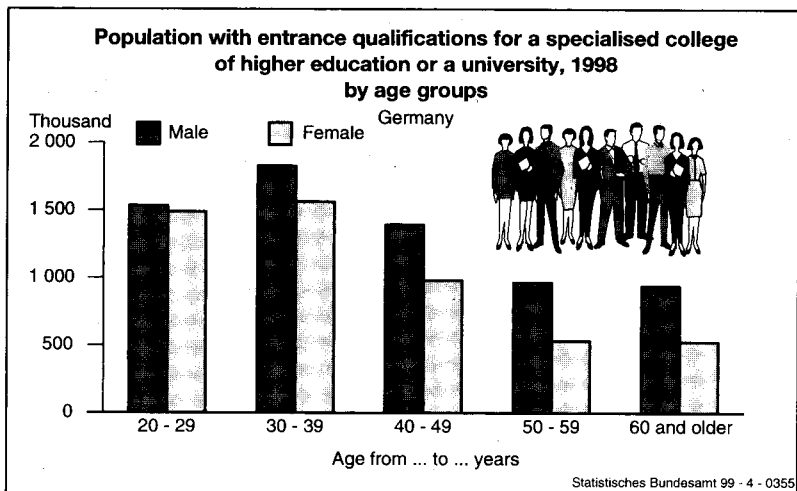
Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Pupils	1 000	12 685.0	12 696.8	12 706.6
Schools of general education	1 000	10 070.8	10 146.9	10 112.4
School-kindergartens and pre-school classes	1 000	82.4	75.7	69.2
Primary schools	1 000	3 691.3	3 697.8	3 604.0
Secondary general schools ²⁾	1 000	1 500.5	1 505.5	1 508.7
Schools with different courses of education	1 000	377.0	384.0	386.0
Special schools	1 000	398.6	406.1	410.9
Intermediate schools	1 000	1 203.0	1 225.1	1 247.8
Grammar schools	1 000	2 181.6	2 200.1	2 224.1
Comprehensive schools (integr.) ³⁾	1 000	591.4	607.2	615.5
Evening schools, adult education colleges	1 000	45.1	45.5	46.2
Vocational schools	1 000	2 479.6	2 549.9	2 594.2
Vocational schools (dual system)	1 000	1 625.4	1 652.4	1 677.5
Pre-vocational training year	1 000	65.2	66.4	67.0
Basic vocational training year	1 000	40.0	40.2	41.8
Vocational extension schools	1 000	2.9	2.6	2.2
Full-time vocational schools	1 000	330.0	366.6	382.4
"Fachoberschulen"	1 000	81.7	82.3	83.3

1) Preliminary result. - 2) Incl. orientation stage independent of school type. - 3) Incl. Free Waldorf Schools.

EDUCATION

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Specialised grammar schools ²⁾	1 000	171.6	175.9	181.3
"Berufs-/Technische Oberschulen" ...	1 000	3.7	7.7	8.2
Trade and technical schools ³⁾	1 000	159.1	155.8	150.0
Schools for nurses, midwives etc.	1 000	134.7	122.4	120.6
School-leavers				
After compulsory full-time schooling ...	1 000	320.7	326.4	...
without secondary general school certificate	1 000	78.7	80.5	...
with secondary general school certificate	1 000	241.9	245.9	...
With intermediate school-leaving certificate or equivalent ⁴⁾	1 000	405.5	420.2	...
With qualification for general university entrance/university entrance restricted to a specified field of study or entrance to a specialised college of higher education ⁴⁾	1 000	315.3	323.4	...
Full-time teachers				
Schools of general education	1 000	671.7	667.8	...
Vocational schools	1 000	108.1	115.2	...
Schools for nurses, midwives etc.	1 000	7.3	7.0	...

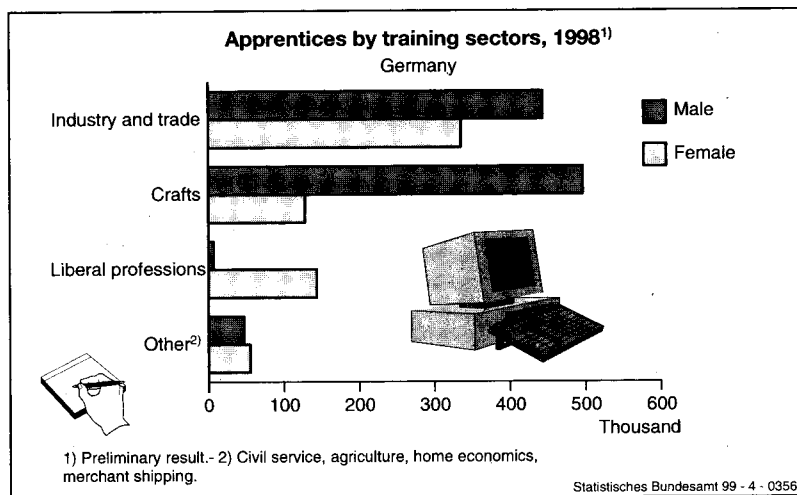
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EDUCATION

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Apprentices	1 000	1 592.2	1 622.2	1 657.2
Industry and trade	1 000	707.3	735.7	778.9
Crafts	1 000	627.8	630.8	625.1
Agriculture	1 000	33.9	37.4	40.1
Civil service	1 000	49.4	47.7	48.0
Liberal professions	1 000	160.9	156.8	150.6
Home economics, merchant shipping	1 000	13.2	13.9	14.5
Examinations passed in vocational training	1 000	488.2	482.7	...
Industry and trade	1 000	244.1	238.6	...
Crafts	1 000	153.0	157.7	...
Agriculture	1 000	11.3	11.3	...
Civil service	1 000	24.8	20.3	...
Liberal professions	1 000	47.9	48.2	...
Home economics, merchant shipping	1 000	7.1	6.6	...

1) Preliminary result.

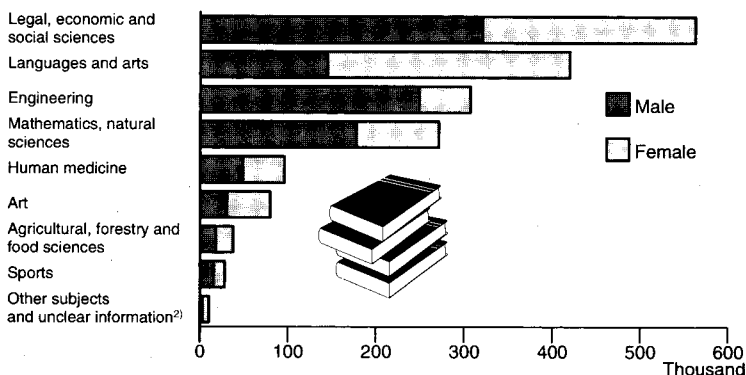


EDUCATION

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Students	1 000	1 838.1	1 824.1	1 813.3
Universities ²⁾	1 000	1 223.3	1 211.8	1 202.1
Comprehensive universities	1 000	145.6	145.0	143.7
Colleges of art and music	1 000	29.4	29.8	30.3
Fachhochschulen (specialised colleges of higher education)	1 000	397.2	399.3	403.7
Colleges of public administration	1 000	42.6	38.2	33.6
New entrants	1 000	223.8	226.0	229.9
Universities ²⁾	1 000	137.6	141.1	141.6
Comprehensive universities	1 000	16.4	14.4	15.5
Colleges of art and music	1 000	3.2	3.3	3.1
Fachhochschulen (specialised colleges of higher education)	1 000	57.3	59.0	61.6
Colleges of public administration	1 000	9.4	8.2	8.1
Exam. passed at inst. of higher educ. ..	1 000	236.8	237.1	...
University diploma and equivalent examinations	1 000	110.5	109.4	...
Qualifications for a doctor's degree	1 000	22.8	24.2	...
State examinations for the teaching profession	1 000	28.1	27.9	...
Fachhochschule diploma examinations ..	1 000	75.3	75.6	...

1) Preliminary result. - 2) Incl. Colleges of education and Colleges of theology.

Students by subject groups, winter term 1998/99¹⁾
Germany



1) Preliminary result. - 2) 9 377 male students, 7 211 female students.

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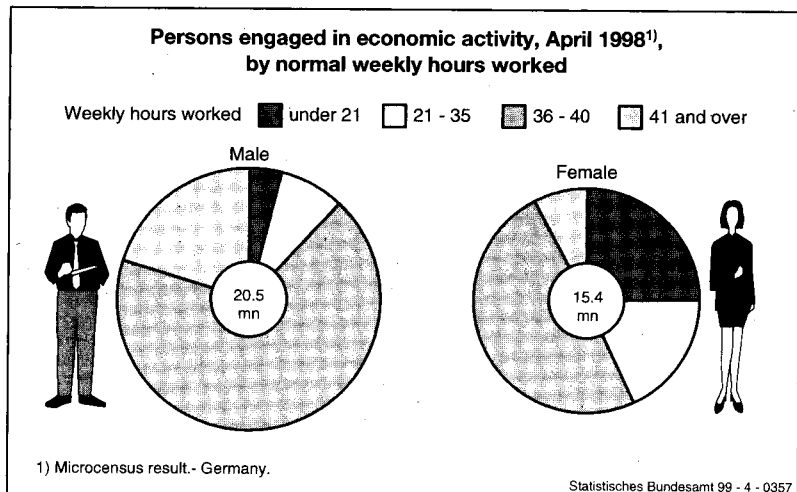
Specification	Unit	1996 ¹⁾	1997 ¹⁾	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Active population	1 000	39 985	40 280	40 262
Persons engaged in economic activity ...	1 000	35 982	35 805	35 860
Incl.: Female	1 000	15 276	15 256	15 351
Unemployed.....	1 000	4 003	4 475	4 402
Incl.: Female	1 000	1 877	2 095	2 048
Inactive population	1 000	41 847	41 749	41 752
Male	1 000	17 011	17 041	17 111
Female.....	1 000	24 835	24 708	24 641
Labour force participation rate of persons aged 15 to under 65 years				
Male	%	80,3	80,3	80,2
Female.....	%	62,3	62,8	63,0
Persons engaged in economic activity				
By sectors of the economy				
Agriculture, forestry and fisheries	1 000	1 076	1 049	1 024
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	414	391	379
Production industries	1 000	12 582	12 287	12 132
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	2 930	2 860	2 887
Distributive trade, hotel and restaurant industry, transport	1 000	8 183	8 185	8 205
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	3 931	3 930	3 906
Other services	1 000	14 141	14 284	14 500
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	8 001	8 075	8 180
By status in occupation				
Self-employed	1 000	3 409	3 528	3 594
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	916	962	986
Unpaid family workers	1 000	385	360	388
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	306	278	298
Officials.....	1 000	2 460	2 455	2 406
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	692	722	727
Salaried employees ²⁾	1 000	16 753	16 986	17 172
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	9 660	9 606	9 706
Wage earners ³⁾	1 000	12 976	12 476	12 300
Incl.: Female.....	1 000	3 702	3 688	3 633

1) Microcensus result, April. - 2) Incl. apprentices in recognized vocational training occupations of the commercial and technical sector. - 3) Incl. apprentices in recognized vocational training occupations of the industrial sector.

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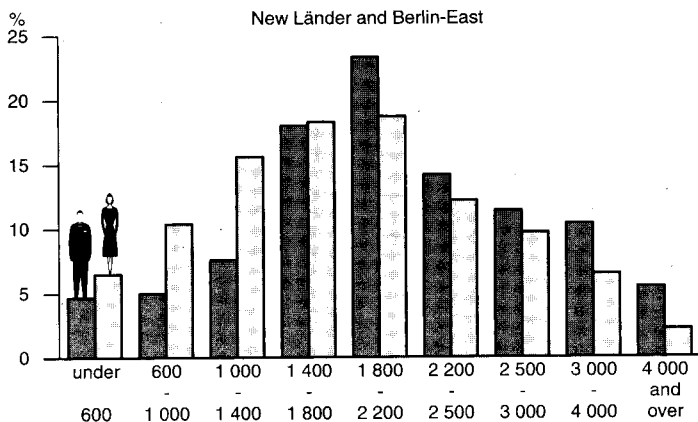
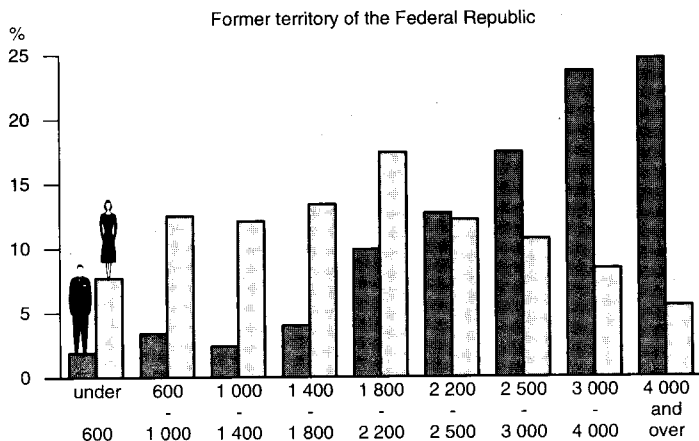
Specification	Unit	1996 ¹⁾	1997 ¹⁾	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Persons engaged in economic activity				
By normal weekly hours worked				
under 15 hours	1 000	1 745	1 927	2 138
Incl.: Female	1 000	1 400	1 533	1 674
15 – 20 hours	1 000	2 334	2 440	2 464
Incl.: Female	1 000	2 051	2 117	2 131
21 – 35 hours	1 000	4 200	4 365	4 428
Incl.: Female	1 000	2 644	2 723	2 788
36 – 40 hours	1 000	22 496	21 751	21 484
Incl.: Female	1 000	8 010	7 705	7 570
41 hours and over	1 000	5 207	5 321	5 346
Incl.: Female	1 000	1 171	1 178	1 188
Foreigners engaged in economic activity	1 000	2 934	2 868	2 837
Incl.: Female	1 000	1 029	1 003	1 017

1) Microcensus result, April.



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Persons engaged in economic activity, April 1998, by net income and sex¹⁾



1) Microcensus result.

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Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Former territory of the Federal Republic				
Active population¹⁾	1 000	31 878	32 112	32 081
Persons engaged in economic activity ...	1 000	29 277	29 200	29 317
Incl.: Female	1 000	12 275	12 299	12 416
Unemployed	1 000	2 601	2 913	2 764
Incl.: Female	1 000	1 056	1 215	1 161
Inactive population¹⁾	1 000	34 499	34 500	34 588
Incl.: Female	1 000	20 717	20 641	20 603
Persons engaged in economic activity¹⁾				
By sectors of the economy				
Agriculture, forestry and fisheries	%	2.8	2.7	2.7
Production industries	%	35.2	34.5	34.2
Distributive trade, hotel and restaurant industry, transport	%	22.8	23.0	23.0
Other services	%	39.2	39.8	40.1
Foreigners engaged in economic activity ..	%	9.8	9.6	9.5
Structural data on the labour market²⁾				
Short-time workers	1 000 ³⁾	206.4	133.4	81.2
Unemployed	1 000 ³⁾	2 796.2	3 020.9	2 904.3
Viz.: Male	1 000 ³⁾	1 616.5	1 740.7	1 640.8
Female	1 000 ³⁾	1 179.7	1 280.2	1 263.5
Juveniles under 25 years of age	1 000 ³⁾	354.9	362.4	327.8
55 years and over	1 000 ³⁾	629.1	669.0	667.9
Severely handicapped persons	1 000 ³⁾	156.9	163.9	161.1
Persons seeking part-time work	1 000 ³⁾	264.0	292.6	302.3
Foreigners	1 000 ³⁾	481.7	521.6	505.2
Unemployment rate ⁴⁾	%	10.1	11.0	10.5
Vacancies unfilled	1 000 ³⁾	270.4	281.5	342.2
Placements	1 000 ⁵⁾	2 553.5	2 501.0	2 599.0
Employees in job-creation measures ⁶⁾	1 000 ³⁾	75.8	67.8	70.7
Cases of starting vocational further training	1 000 ⁵⁾	369.9	266.2	372.0
Transitional benefits for early retirement ...	1 000 ³⁾	1.5	1.4	0.1

1) Microcensus result, April. - 2) Because of restructured Berlin labour offices, the 1997 data are comparable with the data of previous years to a limited extent only. As regards cases of starting vocational further training, the data are comparable back to 1995. - 3) Annual average. - 4) Share of unemployed persons in the active population (dependent civilian employment). - 5) Annual total. - 6) Incl. employees with productive wage subsidies, as of 1998 including structural adjustment measures.

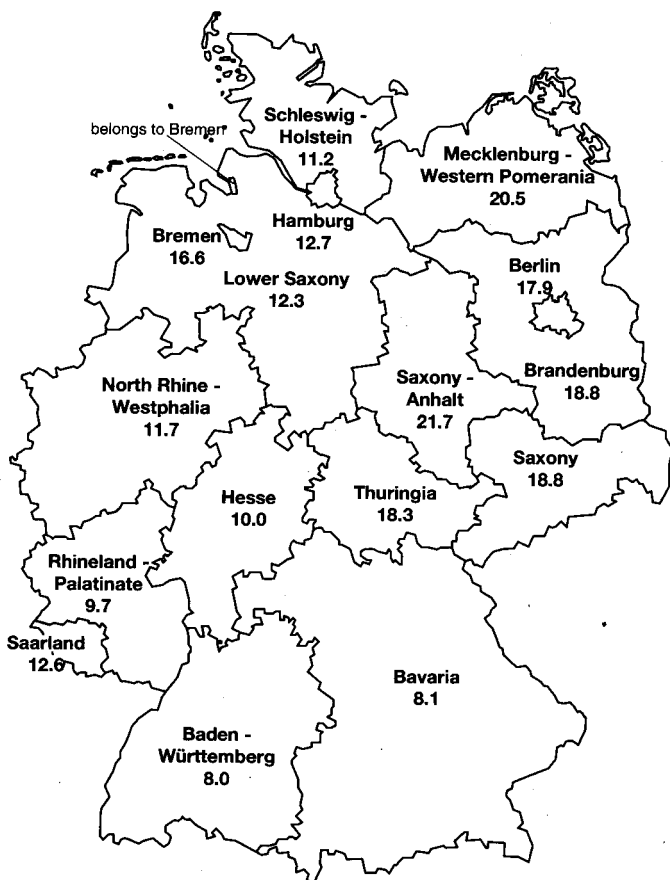
EMPLOYMENT

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
New Länder and Berlin-East				
Active population¹⁾	1 000	8 108	8 168	8 182
Persons engaged in economic activity ...	1 000	6 706	6 605	6 544
Incl.: Female	1 000	3 002	2 957	2 935
Unemployed.....	1 000	1 402	1 562	1 638
Incl.: Female	1 000	821	880	887
Inactive population¹⁾	1 000	7 348	7 250	7164
Incl.: Female	1 000	4 119	4 067	4 038
Persons engaged in economic activity ¹⁾				
By sectors of the economy				
Agriculture, forestry and fisheries.....	%	3.9	3.8	3.6
Production industries.....	%	34.1	33.4	32.4
Distributive trade, hotel and restaurant industry, transport	%	22.4	22.3	22.2
Other services	%	39.5	40.5	41.8
Structural data on the labour market²⁾				
Short-time workers	1 000 ³⁾	70.9	49.5	34.0
Unemployed.....	1 000 ³⁾	1 168.8	1 363.6	1 374.9
Viz.: Male.....	1 000 ³⁾	495.0	601.7	631.9
Female	1 000 ³⁾	673.8	761.9	743.1
Juveniles under 25 years of age	1 000 ³⁾	120.7	139.0	143.9
55 years and over.....	1 000 ³⁾	219.7	267.4	282.1
Severely handicapped persons.....	1 000 ³⁾	23.9	31.3	33.3
Persons seeking part-time work	1 000 ³⁾	39.3	40.6	39.1
Foreigners.....	1 000 ³⁾	14.2	26.2	29.5
Unemployment rate ⁴⁾	%	16.7	19.5	19.5
Vacancies unfilled.....	1 000 ³⁾	56.8	55.6	79.4
Placements.....	1 000 ⁵⁾	810.6	801.7	1 075.2
Employees in job-creation measures ⁶⁾	1 000 ³⁾	277.7	234.5	314.4
Cases of starting vocational further training.....	1 000 ⁵⁾	251.2	155.4	236.0
Transitional benefits for early retirement...	1 000 ³⁾	185.6	58.4	1.8

1) Microcensus result, April. - 2) Because of restructured Berlin labour offices, the 1997 data are comparable with the data of previous years to a limited extent only. As regards cases of starting vocational further training, the data are comparable back to 1995. - 3) Annual average. - 4) Share of unemployed persons in the active population (dependent civilian employment). - 5) Annual total. - 6) Incl. employees with productive wage subsidies, as of 1998 including structural adjustment measures.

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Unemployment rate¹⁾, 1998 by Länder



1) Share of unemployed persons in the active population (dependent civilian employment), average figures.

Living Conditions



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WAGES AND SALARIES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Former territory of the Federal Republic				
Production Industries¹⁾				
Weekly hours paid.....	hrs	37.7	37.7	37.8
Wage earners, male.....	hrs	37.9	37.8	37.9
Wage earners, female.....	hrs	36.7	36.7	36.8
Gross hourly earnings.....	DM	26.39	26.74	27.30
Wage earners, male.....	DM	27.40	27.74	28.30
Wage earners, female.....	DM	20.46	20.80	21.28
Gross weekly earnings.....	DM	996	1 010	1 033
Wage earners, male.....	DM	1 040	1 052	1 076
Wage earners, female.....	DM	750	762	783
Gross monthly earnings.....	DM	6 357	6 455	6 596
Salaried employees, male.....	DM	6 920	7 003	7 142
Salaried employees, female.....	DM	4 784	4 899	5 028
Crafts²⁾				
Gross weekly earnings.....	DM	898	913	929
Painters and lacquerers.....	DM	952	937	957
Metal fitters.....	DM	896	918	938
Motorcar mechanics.....	DM	860	887	904
Tinners, gas and water fitters.....	DM	931	941	960
Central heating and ventilation fitters ..	DM	941	934	938
Electrical fitters.....	DM	869	895	918
Joiners.....	DM	909	934	942
Bakers.....	DM	854	856	869
Butchers.....	DM	840	861	877
Agriculture³⁾				
Gross hourly earnings.....	DM	19.03	19.50	20.05
Skilled workers.....	DM	20.48	20.73	20.92
Farm workers.....	DM	18.73	18.81	19.98
Unskilled workers.....	DM	16.54	17.86	17.88
Wholesale trade¹⁾				
Gross monthly earnings.....	DM	4 773	4 854	4 975
Salaried employees, male.....	DM	5 258	5 327	5 437
Salaried employees, female.....	DM	3 954	4 048	4 171
Retail trade¹⁾				
Gross monthly earnings.....	DM	3 805	3 900	3 970
Salaried employees, male.....	DM	4 437	4 485	4 550
Salaried employees, female.....	DM	3 414	3 514	3 574

1) From 1996 data according to the Classification of Economic Activities 1993 (WZ 93). - 2) From 1997 new group of respondents. - Male workers. - May.- 3) Male workers, excl. Berlin-West, Bremen, Hamburg and Saarland. - September.

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Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
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Former territory of the Federal Republic

Credit institutions¹⁾

Gross monthly earnings	DM	5 260	5 356	5 476
Salaried employees, male	DM	5 900	5 987	6 114
Salaried employees, female	DM	4 566	4 649	4 750

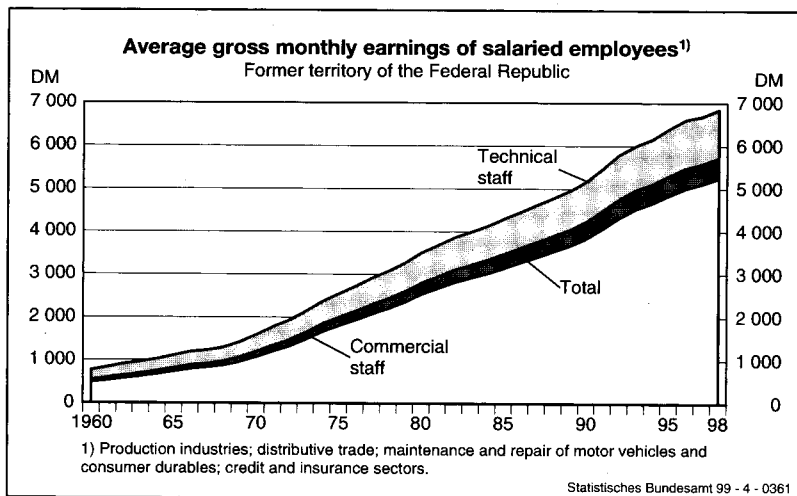
Insurance industry¹⁾

Gross monthly earnings	DM	5 612	5 707	5 833
Salaried employees, male	DM	6 194	6 293	6 421
Salaried employees, female	DM	4 928	5 007	5 126

Distributive trade, credit and insurance industry¹⁾

Gross monthly earnings	DM	4 666	4 775	4 892
Salaried employees, male	DM	5 307	5 391	5 506
Salaried employees, female	DM	3 973	4 082	4 184

1) From 1996 data according to the Classification of Economic Activities 1993 (WZ 93).



WAGES AND SALARIES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
New Länder and Berlin-East				
Production industries¹⁾				
Weekly hours paid.....	hrs	39.5	39.5	39.7
Wage earners, male.....	hrs	39.6	39.6	39.7
Wage earners, female.....	hrs	39.1	39.2	39.6
Gross hourly earnings.....	DM	18.92	19.32	19.65
Wage earners, male.....	DM	19.45	19.88	20.23
Wage earners, female.....	DM	15.27	15.64	16.07
Gross weekly earnings.....	DM	752	767	782
Wage earners, male.....	DM	774	790	806
Wage earners, female.....	DM	597	614	636
Gross monthly earnings.....	DM	4 625	4 770	4 911
Salaried employees, male.....	DM	5 187	5 340	5 488
Salaried employees, female.....	DM	3 875	3 991	4 117
Crafts²⁾				
Gross weekly earnings.....	DM	644	652	658
Painters and lacquerers.....	DM	681	687	685
Metal fitters.....	DM	640	654	672
Motorcar mechanics.....	DM	642	654	662
Tinners, gas and water fitters.....	DM	668	683	680
Central heating and ventilation fitters ..	DM	668	672	673
Electrical fitters.....	DM	613	620	631
Joiners.....	DM	637	650	653
Bakers.....	DM	551	556	564
Butchers.....	DM	575	570	582
Agriculture³⁾				
Gross hourly earnings.....	DM	13.25	13.42	13.76
Skilled workers.....	DM	13.38	13.46	13.80
Farm workers.....	DM	13.06	13.57	13.94
Unskilled workers.....	DM	11.33	11.07	11.75
Wholesale trade¹⁾				
Gross monthly earnings.....	DM	3 403	3 491	3 559
Salaried employees, male.....	DM	3 780	3 875	3 928
Salaried employees, female.....	DM	2 934	2 998	3 066
Retail trade¹⁾				
Gross monthly earnings.....	DM	2 985	3 089	3 189
Salaried employees, male.....	DM	3 372	3 517	3 578
Salaried employees, female.....	DM	2 853	2 939	3 044

1) From 1996 data according to the Classification of Economic Activities 1993 (WZ 93). - 2) From 1997 new group of respondents. - Male workers. - May. - 3) Male workers, excl. Berlin-East. - September.

WAGES AND SALARIES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
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New Länder and Berlin-East

Credit institutions¹⁾

Gross monthly earnings	DM	3 979	4 168	4 268
Salaried employees, male	DM	4 515	4 662	4 728
Salaried employees, female	DM	3 834	4 019	4 120

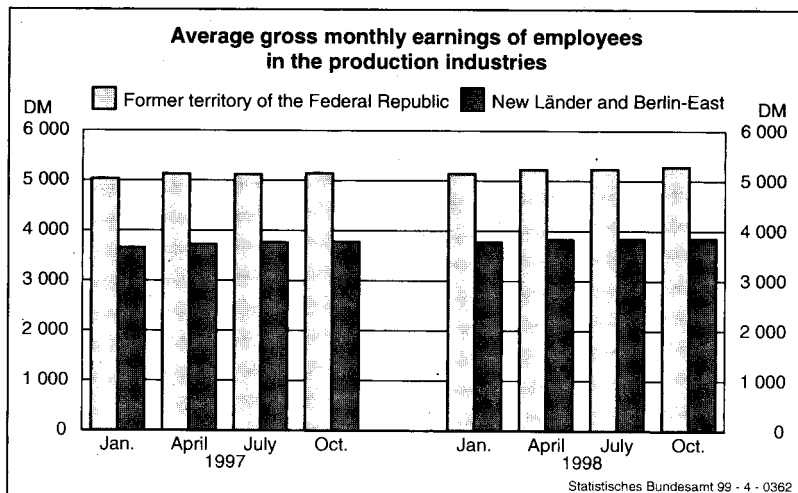
Insurance industry¹⁾

Gross monthly earnings	DM	4 450	4 594	5 031
Salaried employees, male	DM	4 695	4 838	5 406
Salaried employees, female	DM	4 372	4 514	4 882

Distributive trade, credit and insurance industry¹⁾

Gross monthly earnings	DM	3 433	3 581	3 699
Salaried employees, male	DM	3 799	3 942	4 038
Salaried employees, female	DM	3 236	3 377	3 497

¹⁾ From 1996 data according to the Classification of Economic Activities 1993 (WZ 93).



WAGES AND SALARIES

Average gross monthly earnings of both wage earners and salaried employees, by sectors of economic activity, October 1998

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Production industries

Mining and quarrying

Manufacturing

Energy and water supply

Civil engineering

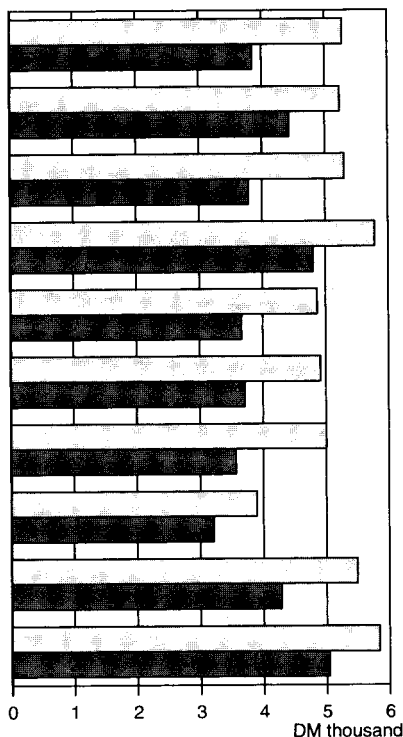
Distributive trade, credit
and insurance industry

Wholesale trade

Retail trade

Credit institutions

Insurance industry

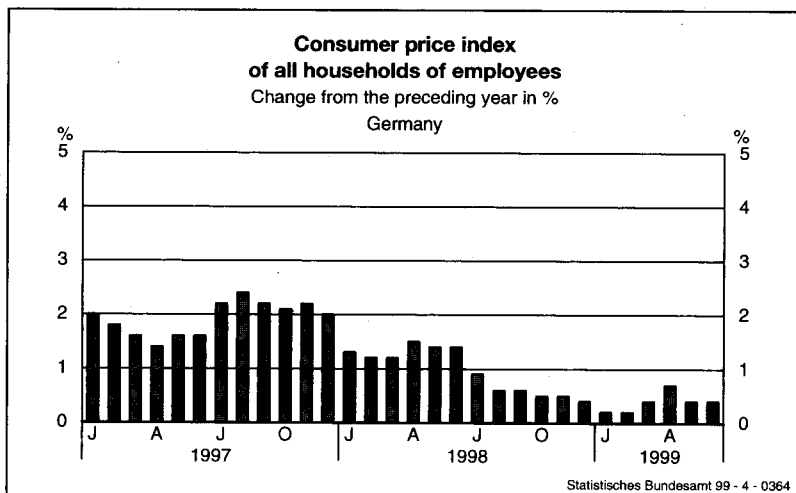


1) Salaried employees only.

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CONSUMER PRICES

Specification	1996	1997	1998
Germany 1995 = 100			
Consumer price index for all households	101.4	103.3	104.3
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	100.6	102.0	103.0
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	100.8	102.7	104.7
Clothing and footwear	100.7	101.1	101.5
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	102.4	105.1	106.0
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the household	100.7	101.1	101.8
Health	101.5	108.7	114.4
Transport	102.4	104.3	104.7
Communication	100.9	97.9	97.3
Recreation and culture	100.4	102.5	103.1
Education	103.7	107.8	112.9
Restaurants and hotels	101.1	102.1	103.6
Miscellaneous goods and services	100.5	102.3	102.8



CONSUMER PRICES

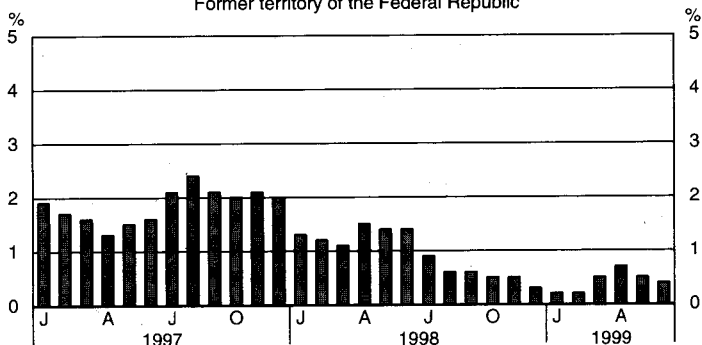
Specification	1996	1997	1998
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Former territory of the Federal Republic

1995 = 100

Consumer price index for all households	101.3	103.2	104.1
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	100.6	102.0	103.0
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	100.9	102.8	104.8
Clothing and footwear	100.8	101.3	101.7
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	102.1	104.6	105.5
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the household	100.8	101.2	102.0
Health	101.7	108.0	113.2
Transport	102.3	104.2	104.6
Communication	100.9	97.8	97.2
Recreation and culture	100.3	102.3	102.9
Education	103.2	106.0	111.6
Restaurants and hotels	101.1	102.1	103.5
Miscellaneous goods and services	100.4	102.2	102.6

**Consumer price index
of all households of employees**
Change from the preceding year in %
Former territory of the Federal Republic



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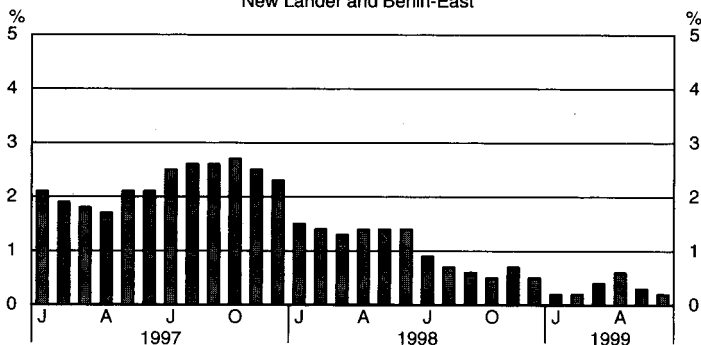
CONSUMER PRICES

Specification	1996	1997	1998
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New Länder and Berlin-East 1995 = 100

Consumer price index for all households	101.9	104.2	105.3
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	100.3	101.9	103.2
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	100.6	102.4	104.1
Clothing and footwear	100.3	100.4	100.7
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	104.6	108.1	109.1
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the household	100.4	100.6	100.9
Health	100.1	115.3	125.7
Transport	102.6	104.8	105.3
Communication	100.8	97.8	97.3
Recreation and culture	100.7	103.6	104.6
Education	105.6	114.6	117.8
Restaurants and hotels	101.5	102.7	104.1
Miscellaneous goods and services	101.3	103.3	104.0

**Consumer price index
of all households of employees**
Change from the preceding year in %
New Länder and Berlin-East



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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE OF HOUSEHOLDS

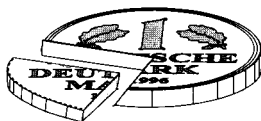
Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Former territory of the Federal Republic				
2-person households of recipients of pensions with low income	Households covered (number)	161	165	163
Household gross income.....	DM	2 812	2 878	2 911
Household net income	DM	2 652	2 709	2 739
Spendable income and receipts	DM	2 713	2 776	2 802
Private consumption expenditure	DM	2 252	2 313	2 317
Food, beverages, tobacco products	DM	543	545	557
Clothing, footwear	DM	105	104	109
Rents, energy (excl. motor fuels).....	DM	858	891	897
Furniture, household appliances, and other commodities for household operation....	DM	142	123	123
Commodities and services for health and personal care	DM	119	132	138
Commodities and services for transport and communications.....	DM	257	292	268
Commodities and services for education, entertainment, leisure time	DM	145	151	148
Commodities and services for personal effects and other articles; travels	DM	82	73	77
4-person households of salaried employees and wage earners with medium income	Households covered (number)	377	379	383
Household gross income.....	DM	6 874	7 052	7 240
Household net income	DM	5 203	5 299	5 460
Spendable income and receipts	DM	5 626	5 725	5 862
Private consumption expenditure	DM	4 265	4 293	4 393
Food, beverages, tobacco products	DM	905	903	895
Clothing, footwear	DM	274	267	274
Rents, energy (excl. motor fuels).....	DM	1 228	1 263	1 318
Furniture, household appliances, and other commodities for household operation....	DM	306	304	301
Commodities and services for health and personal care	DM	148	152	185
Commodities and services for transport and communications	DM	767	736	756
Commodities and services for education, entertainment, leisure time	DM	487	513	505
Commodities and services for personal effects and other articles; travels	DM	151	155	160

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE OF HOUSEHOLDS

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
New Länder and Berlin-East				
2-person households of recipients of pensions	Households covered (number)	193	207	197
Household gross income	DM	2 914	3 062	3 144
Household net income	DM	2 720	2 852	2 925
Spendable income and receipts	DM	2 810	2 992	3 091
Private consumption expenditure	DM	2 366	2 491	2 510
Food, beverages, tobacco products	DM	538	550	555
Clothing, footwear	DM	135	126	126
Rents, energy (excl. motor fuels).....	DM	656	687	711
Furniture, household appliances, and other commodities for household operation	DM	261	252	242
Commodities and services for health and personal care	DM	137	154	177
Commodities and services for transport and communications	DM	308	384	366
Commodities and services for education, entertainment, leisure time	DM	187	190	190
Commodities and services for personal effects and other articles; travels	DM	145	148	144
4-person households of salaried employees and wage earners with medium income	Households covered (number)	353	369	345
Household gross income	DM	5 669	5 796	5 969
Household net income	DM	4 344	4 422	4 540
Spendable income and receipts	DM	4 673	4 819	4 954
Private consumption expenditure	DM	3 541	3 556	3 632
Food, beverages, tobacco products	DM	843	833	828
Clothing, footwear	DM	228	215	218
Rents, energy (excl. motor fuels).....	DM	820	881	896
Furniture, household appliances, and other commodities for household operation	DM	318	301	330
Commodities and services for health and personal care	DM	107	105	120
Commodities and services for transport and communications	DM	690	681	693
Commodities and services for education, entertainment, leisure time	DM	395	400	408
Commodities and services for personal effects and other articles; travels	DM	139	140	140

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE OF HOUSEHOLDS

Shares of individual groups of expenditure in the consumption expenditure of households, 1998

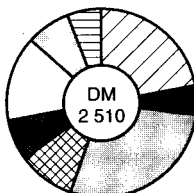
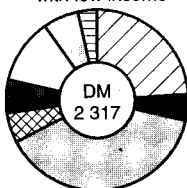


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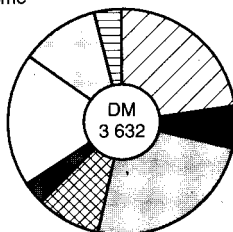
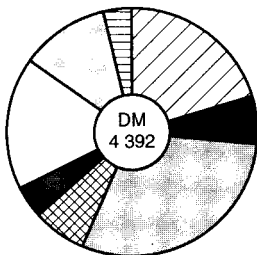
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2-person households of
recipients of pensions
with low income

2-person households of
recipients of pensions



4-person households of salaried
employees and wage earners with
medium income



- Food, beverages, tobacco products
- Rents, energy (excl. motor fuels)
- Health and personal care
- Education, entertainment, leisure

- Clothing, footwear
- Furniture, household appliances, household operation
- Transport and communications
- Personal effects and other articles, travels

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EQUIPMENT OF HOUSEHOLDS

Specification	Percentage of households equipped		Number of households equipped	
	1993	1998	1993	1998

Former territory of the Federal Republic per 100 households

Vehicles

Motor car	73.9	76.2	92	98
Motor cycle	7.7	11.5	9	13
Bicycle	76.6	81.6	175	189

Equipment for the reception, recording, and reproduction of sound and pictures

TV set	95.3	95.4	130	139
Video-cassette recorder	48.5	62.7	55	75
Video camera/Cam-corder	11.1	16.5	11	17
Still camera	80.6	86.8	120	137
Radio recorder	45.7	80.2	57	130
Stereo receiver	74.6		88	
Stereo systems	-	69.9	-	89
Satellite equipment	-	28.6	-	29
Cable television	-	50.7	-	51

Personal computers and communications

PC with CD-ROM drive	22.4	30.1	25	34
PC without CD-ROM drive		12.7		14
Modem for data communication	-	10.3	-	11
Internet or online services	-	8.8	-	9
ISDN connection	-	6.1	-	6
Telephone, fixed (incl. cordless)	97.4	97.3	103	112
Telephone, mobile (incl. car telephone) ..		11.4		12
Telephone answering machine	-	37.9	-	39
Fax machine, PC fax board	-	16.3	-	17

Electric household appliances

Refrigerator	95.4	99.0	109	112
Freezer	75.1	76.9	86	85
Dishwasher	38.0	49.1	38	49
Micro-wave oven	40.8	53.0	41	54
Washing machine	88.2	91.2	89	92
Dryer	24.3	33.1	24	33

EQUIPMENT OF HOUSEHOLDS

Specification	Percentage of households equipped		Number of households equipped	
	1993	1998	1993	1998

New Länder and Berlin-East per 100 households

Vehicles

Motor car	66.2	70.6	77	92
Motor cycle	10.9	8.1	12	9
Bicycle	72.6	73.5	151	157

Equipment for the reception, recording, and reproduction of sound and pictures

TV set	96.2	97.8	121	143
Video-cassette recorder	35.9	61.3	37	70
Video camera/Cam-corder	6.3	17.1	6	17
Still camera	75.0	85.0	99	122
Radio recorder	39.1	81.7	47	121
Stereo receiver	62.3		68	
Stereo systems	-	55.9	-	67
Satellite equipment	-	29.8	-	31
Cable television	-	64.4	-	65

Personal computers and communications

PC with CD-ROM drive	16.3	24.9	17	27
PC without CD-ROM drive		10.7		11
Modem for data communication	-	6.1	-	6
Internet or online services	-	5.2	-	5
ISDN connection	-	3.1	-	3
Telephone, fixed (incl. cordless)	48.8	94.3	49	98
Telephone, mobile (incl. car telephone) ..		10.8		12
Telephone answering machine	-	32.7	-	33
Fax machine, PC fax board	-	9.1	-	9

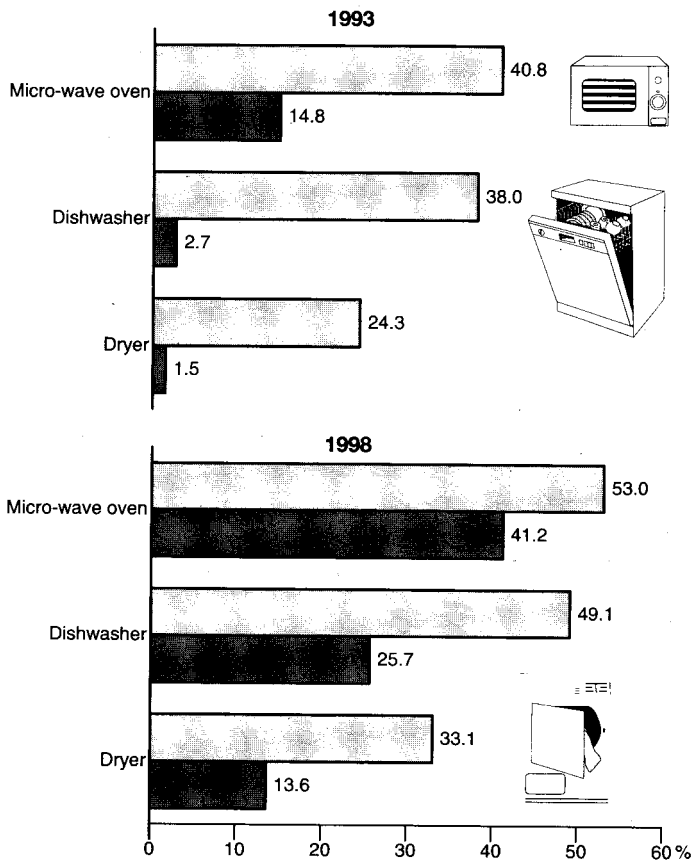
Electric household appliances

Refrigerator	95.5	99.3	104	108
Freezer	66.6	80.0	75	85
Dishwasher	2.7	25.7	3	26
Micro-wave oven	14.8	41.2	15	42
Washing machine	91.2	94.3	93	95
Dryer	1.5	13.6	1	14

EQUIPMENT OF HOUSEHOLDS

Percentage of households equipped with selected household appliances
Results of the sample survey of income and expenditure

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  New Länder and Berlin-East

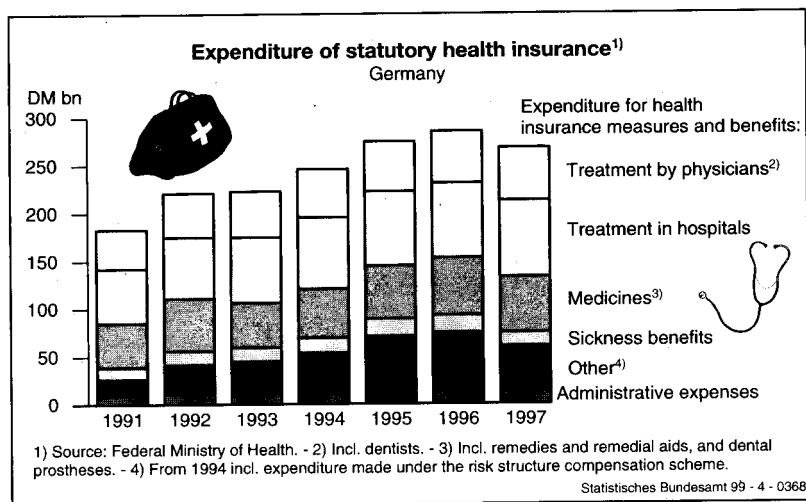


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SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Statutory health insurance¹⁾				
Funds.....	Number	637	556	483
Members (incl. pensioners) ²⁾	1 000	50 824	50 847	50 684
Receipts.....	DM mn	265 853	269 011	...
Expenditure	DM mn	272 630	267 930	...
Social nursing care insurance³⁾				
Members insured on 1 October.....	1 000	51 095	51 087	50 978
Recipients of benefits at the end of the year	1 000	1 547	1 661	1 716
Nursing care level I	1 000	620	728	794
Nursing care level II	1 000	670	676	673
Nursing care level III				
(incl. cases of hardship)	1 000	256	256	248
Expenditure on benefits	DM bn	20.05	28.03	29.47
Incl.: nursing care allowance.....	DM bn	8.68	8.48	8.38
Administrative and other expenditure	DM bn	1.20	1.57	1.59
Total expenditure	DM bn	21.24	29.60	31.05
Licensed domestic nursing care services ⁵⁾	Number	10 824	11 738	11 743
Licensed full in-patient nursing homes ⁵⁾	Number	8 048	7 963	7 991

1) Source: Federal Ministry of Health. - 2) Average of 12 monthly values. - 3) In April 1995, the first stage of the nursing care insurance scheme took effect, which grants benefits for domestic (out-patient) nursing care. Full in-patient nursing care has been included since the second stage took effect on 1 July 1996. - 4) Source: Federal Ministry of Health. - 5) Source: Association of Salaried Employees' Sickness Funds.



SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
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Germany

Statutory accident insurance¹⁾

Number of persons insured ²⁾	1 000	55 422	56 854	...
Number of pensions paid ²⁾³⁾	1 000	1 180	1 171	...
Receipts ⁴⁾	DM mn	26 532	26 828	...
Expenditure ⁴⁾	DM mn	25 734	26 239	...

Promotion of employment⁵⁾

Unemployment pay and relief

Recipients ⁶⁾	1 000	3 093	3 509	...
Expenditure	DM mn	79 880	87 227	83 265

Maintenance allowance

Recipients ⁶⁾	1 000	447	360	...
Expenditure	DM mn	10 138	8 119	7 770

Short-time allowance

Recipients ⁶⁾	1 000	277	183	...
Expenditure	DM mn	1 467	1 045	656

Federal Institute for Employment

Receipts	DM mn	91 825	93 149	91 088
Expenditure	DM mn	105 588	102 723	98 852

1) Source: Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. – 2) Excl. accident insurance for pupils. – 3) At the end of the year. – 4) Incl. accident insurance for pupils. – 5) Source: Federal Institute for Employment. – 6) Average of 12 monthly values.

Expenditure of the Federal Institute for Employment, 1998

Germany



Structural adjustment measures

Other

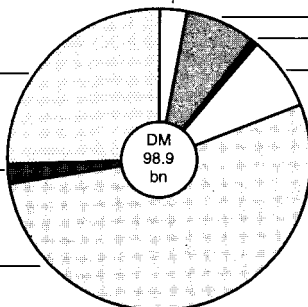
Insolvency allowance

Unemployment pay

Job creation

Short-time allowance

Maintenance allowance



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SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Germany				
Statutory pension insurance¹⁾				
Wage earners:				
Number of persons insured ²⁾	1 000	21 542	21 143	21 073
Number of pensions paid on 1 July	1 000	12 050	12 338	12 503
Receipts	DM mn	193 882	199 107	204 101
Expenditure	DM mn	190 991	198 298	202 870
Salaried employees:				
Number of persons insured ²⁾	1 000	21 583	22 098	22 039
Number of pensions paid on 1 July	1 000	7 765	7 960	8 126
Receipts	DM mn	167 751	178 997	189 818
Expenditure	DM mn	180 572	186 876	189 151
Miners:				
Number of persons insured on 1 July ²⁾	1 000	424	434	458
Number of pensions paid on 1 July.....	1 000	992	1 002	1 003
Receipts.....	DM mn	26 519	27 256	27 484
Expenditure	DM mn	26 519	27 256	27 484
Severely handicapped persons³⁾⁴⁾				
Total	1 000	6 496.5	x	6 621.2
under 25 years of age	1 000	249.3	x	254.5
25 to under 60 years of age	1 000	2 117.8	x	2 100.8
60 years of age and over	1 000	4 129.5	x	4 265.8
Rehabilitation measures⁵⁾⁶⁾	Number	2 029 003	x	x
Of which: Medical measures	Number	1 450 359	x	x
Occupational measures	Number	486 914	x	x
Measures for social integration ..	Number	91 730	x	x
Rent subsidies				
Recipients ³⁾	1 000	2 595	2 719	2 861
Expenditure ⁷⁾	DM mn	5 746	6 115	6 704
Assistance for war victims				
Expenditure	DM mn	2 648	2 338	1 496

1) Source: Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. – 2) Microcensus result, April each time. – 3) At the end of the year. – 4) The statistics are compiled only every two years (reference day: 31 December). – 5) Measures completed during the year. – 6) Relating statistics were collected for the last time in 1995 (3rd Law on the Adjustment of Statistics, Art. 9). – 7) Source: Up to 1996: Federal Ministry for Regional Planning, Building and Urban Development. Afterwards cash entries by appropriating agencies.

SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Germany				
Public assistance				
Recipients of continuous subsistence				
payments outside institutions ¹⁾	1 000	2 516	2 689	2 893
Men	1 000	1 088	1 176	1 272
Women	1 000	1 428	1 513	1 621
Germans	1 000	1 995	2 052	2 228
Non-Germans	1 000	520	636	665
Expenditure on public assistance, total	DM mn	52 161	49 791	44 546
outside institutions	DM mn	20 134	20 785	21 950
in institutions	DM mn	32 026	29 006	22 597
Subsistence payments	DM mn	18 785	19 413	20 180
Incl.: Outside institutions	DM mn	17 306	18 089	19 160
Assistance in special situations	DM mn	33 375	30 378	24 366
Assistance during sickness, other assistance ²⁾	DM mn	2 055	2 103	2 201
Integration assistance for handicapped persons	DM mn	13 192	13 810	14 742
Assistance for nursing care	DM mn	17 473	13 887	6 844
Benefits for asylum-seekers				
Recipients of normal benefits ¹⁾	1 000	489	490	487
Expenditure pursuant to the Act on benefits for Asylum-seekers	DM mn	5 477	5 631	5 188
Children's allowance³⁾⁴⁾				
Entitled persons ⁵⁾	1 000	7 960	8 454	8 564
Children, total ⁵⁾	1 000	13 066	14 114	14 331
Of whom: 1st child	1 000	7 790	8 278	8 396
2nd child	1 000	3 888	4 250	4 320
3rd child	1 000	1 034	1 167	1 191
4th and further children	1 000	353	419	424
Amounts paid ⁶⁾⁷⁾	DM mn	16 986	37 285	40 466

1) At the end of the year. - 2) Other assistance: Until and including 1995 assistance regarding pregnancy, sterilisation and family planning, from 1996 assistance regarding sterilisation and family planning. - 3) Source: Federal Institute for Employment. - 4) Excl. staff of the Federation, the Länder and communities/local authority associations. - 5) 1995: November/December, from 1996 on: December. - 6) Amounts paid during the year incl. supplementary educational grants for low-income families. - 7) At the beginning of 1996, the annual tax act entered into force pursuant to which families may now choose between either receiving children's allowance or a tax deduction.

SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Germany				
Educational grants¹⁾				
Recipients (approved first applications)	Number	723 477	725 468	751 245
by labour force participation				
Persons in dependent employment ²⁾	Number	412 035	421 243	430 391
Incl.: On parental leave	Number	394 545	398 374	411 504
Self-employed persons and family workers	Number	10 081	10 843	11 887
Inactive persons	Number	301 361	293 382	308 967
by family situation				
Married persons not permanently separated	Number	606 103	599 628	613 586
Single parents	Number	68 113	68 825	73 154
Persons living in consensual union	Number	49 261	57 015	64 505
Expenditure	DM mn	7 243	6 962	7 012
Public youth welfare				
Young persons				
receiving educational assistance outside their home ³⁾	Number	130 277	141 404	147 860
having completed an institutional advice programme ⁴⁾	Number	229 867	239 546	248 095
receiving educational assistance to overcome developmental problems ³⁾	Number	9 086	8 948	9 643
receiving educational assistance ordered by the court ³⁾	Number	3 691	3 599	3 668
participating in social group work ³⁾	Number	3 454	3 651	4 791
Families receiving socio-educational family assistance ³⁾	Number	11 246	12 484	13 876
Children and juveniles adopted ⁴⁾	Number	7 969	7 420	7 173
Children and juveniles				
subject to curatorship by the youth welfare office ordered by the guardianship court ³⁾	Number	31 268	31 909	32 300
subject to guardianship by the youth welfare office ordered by the guardianship court ³⁾	Number	35 414	36 012	35 838
Revocations of child custody ⁴⁾ (incl. partial)	Number	8 477	8 163	7 984
Assistance for single parents ³⁾	Number	130 558	132 154	130 285
Expenditure	DM mn	33 289	34 261	34 252
Incl.: For day care centres	DM mn	18 331	18 759	18 192

1) Sources: Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, and for the expenditure: Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. - 2) Before receipt of educational grants. - 3) At the end of the year. - 4) Measures completed during the year.

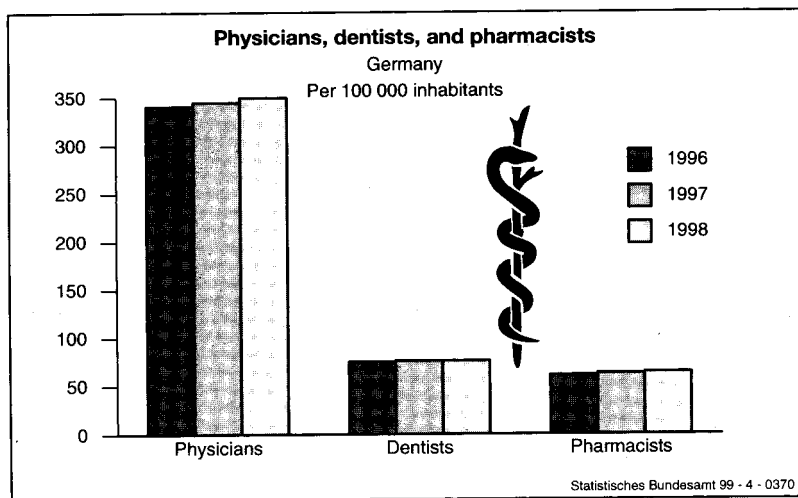
SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Former territory of the Federal Republic				
Pension insurance funds¹⁾				
Average monthly pensions ²⁾ paid to persons insured				
Wage earners	DM	1 068	1 090	1 104
Salaried employees	DM	1 463	1 491	1 505
Miners	DM	2 385	2 418	2 418
Promotion of employment³⁾				
Unemployment pay and relief				
Recipients ⁴⁾	1 000	2 054	2 231	...
Expenditure	DM mn	56 586	58 876	55 042
Maintenance allowance				
Recipients ⁴⁾	1 000	238	201	...
Expenditure	DM mn	5 274	4 272	4 289
Short-time allowance				
Recipients ⁴⁾	1 000	206	133	...
Expenditure	DM mn	1 032	774	483
New Länder and Berlin-East				
Pension insurance funds¹⁾				
Average monthly pensions ²⁾ paid to persons insured				
Wage earners	DM	1 271	1 317	1 331
Salaried employees	DM	1 387	1 457	1 503
Miners	DM	1 623	1 738	1 749
Promotion of employment³⁾				
Unemployment pay and relief				
Recipients ⁴⁾	1 000	1 038	1 277	...
Expenditure	DM mn	23 294	28 351	28 222
Maintenance allowance				
Recipients ⁴⁾	1 000	209	160	...
Expenditure	DM mn	4 864	3 847	3 481
Short-time allowance				
Recipients ⁴⁾	1 000	71	49	...
Expenditure	DM mn	435	271	173

1) Source: Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs. - 2) After deduction of the contributions to pensioners' health insurance and to nursing care insurance. - 3) Source: Federal Institute for Employment. - 4) Average of 12 monthly values.

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Hospital staff¹⁾	Number	1 269 221	1 240 116	...
Physicians	Number	115 143	115 734	...
Nursing staff	Number	449 546	441 647	...
Working physicians	Number	279 335	282 737	287 032
Viz.: Working in private practice	Number	112 660	114 955	116 472
Male	Number	179 107	180 722	182 542
Female	Number	100 228	102 015	104 490
Dentists	Number	61 404	62 024	62 277
Incl.: Female	Number	21 292	21 778	22 084
Pharmacists	Number	50 372	52 076	52 221
Incl.: Female	Number	30 312	31 535	31 741
Pharmacies	Number	21 912	22 058	22 141

1) Excl. hospitals of the armed forces, incl. prevention/rehabilitation facilities.



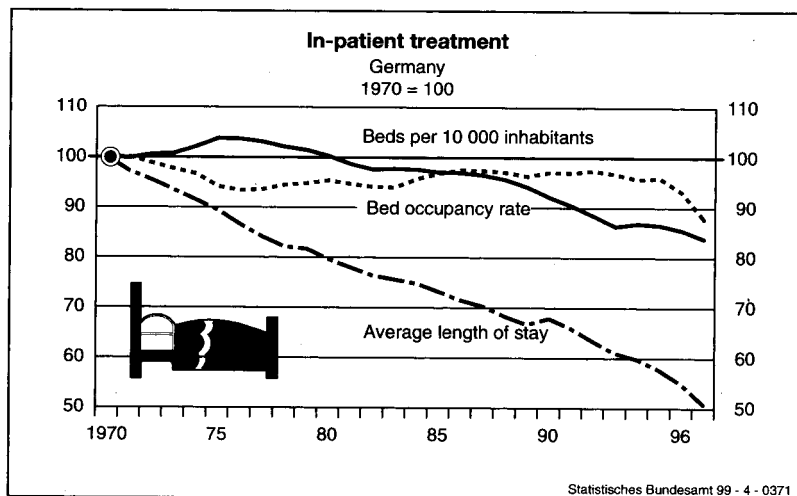
HEALTH

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
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Germany

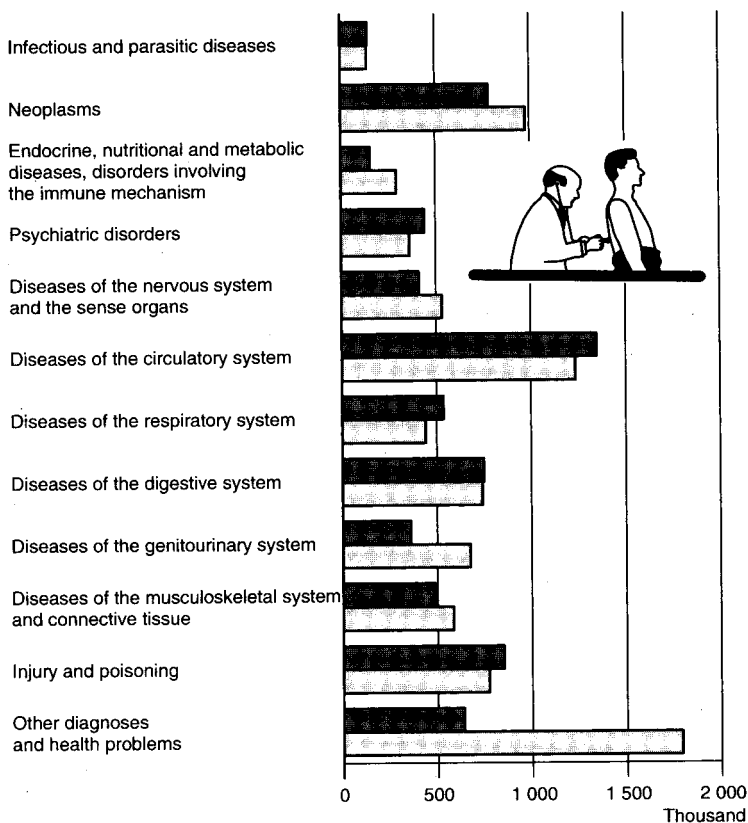
Hospitals	Number	2 325	2 269	2 258
Beds	Number	609 123	593 743	580 425
In-patients	1 000	15 002	15 232	15 511
Length of stay	Days	12.1	11.4	11.0
Bed occupancy rate	%	81.7	80.2	80.7
Total cost of all hospitals	DM 1 000	101 678	97 172	97 690
Per in-patient ¹⁾	DM	6 238	6 210	6 139
Per day of care ¹⁾	DM	515	543	557
Prevention/rehabilitation facilities	Number	1 373	1 404	1 387
Beds	Number	181 633	189 888	188 869
Persons treated	1 000	1 896	1 917	1 575
Length of stay	Days	31.0	30.2	27.3

1) Adjusted cost.



Hospital patients in 1997 by sex and main diagnoses Germany

■ Male □ Female



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HEALTH

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Germany				
Most frequent causes of death				
Diseases of the circulatory system	Number	429 407	425 884	415 892
Incl.: Cerebrovascular diseases	Number	101 034	99 266	93 647
Myocardial infarction	Number	87 739	85 206	82 893
Malignant neoplasms	Number	212 913	212 888	210 090
Incl.: Tracheal, bronchial, pulmonary ...	Number	37 147	36 784	37 248
Diseases of the respiratory system	Number	53 898	53 843	50 434
Diseases of the digestive system	Number	41 821	41 940	40 814
Incl.: Chronic liver diseases and hepatocirrhosis	Number	19 445	19 202	18 620
Accidents	Number	23 818	23 549	22 482
Incl.: By fall	Number	10 052	10 237	9 384
Suicide	Number	12 888	12 225	12 265
Infant deaths	Number	4 053	3 962	3 951
Incl.: Cot death syndrome	Number	751	692	671
Abortions	Number	97 937	130 899	130 890
Notifiable diseases				
Salmonellosis	Number	115 649	109 794	106 277
Tuberculosis (all forms)	Number	12 198	11 814	11 163
Venereal diseases	Number	5 251	4 643	4 091
Encephalitis and meningitis	Number	2 867	3 039	4 515
Infectious hepatitis	Number	17 022	16 174	16 977
Additions of pensions due to incapacity for work or occupational disability¹⁾				
.....	Number	297 164	283 693	266 263
Male	Number	186 368	177 637	166 865
Female	Number	110 796	106 056	99 398

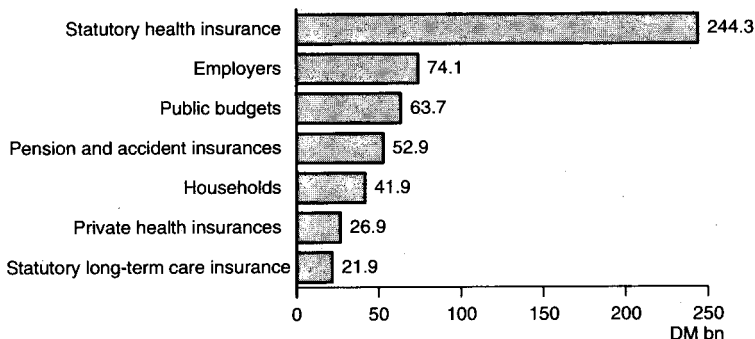
1) Statutory pension insurance.

HEALTH

Specification	Unit	1994	1995	1996
Germany				
Health expenditure	DM mn	469 187	506 629	525 646
Prevention and care	DM mn	34 797	42 080	44 309
Treatment	DM mn	275 761	291 188	310 346
Out-patient treatment	DM mn	83 564	86 565	90 934
In-patient treatment	DM mn	105 909	111 536	120 233
In-patient cures	DM mn	10 977	11 300	11 426
Pharmaceuticals, applications and appliances	DM mn	59 970	64 475	69 098
Dentures	DM mn	15 341	17 312	18 655
Follow-up measures and benefits	DM mn	129 149	139 501	137 287
Incl.: Occupational and social rehabili- tation	DM mn	19 129	20 294	21 772
Continued pay	DM mn	49 428	55 267	52 331
Other income payments in the case of sickness	DM mn	22 269	22 798	22 268
Pensions for occupational disability or incapacity for work	DM mn	35 596	37 796	37 054
Education/training and research	DM mn	8 185	8 555	8 760
Not itemizable expenditure	DM mn	21 295	25 305	24 944

Health expenditure, 1996, by contributors

Germany



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CULTURE

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
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Germany

German Sports Association

Clubs	Number	85 938	85 427	86 236
Members	1 000	22 632	22 833	23 095
Sports badges first awarded	1 000	386	415	397

Museums	Number	4 113	4 274	...
Number of visits	mn	91	93	...

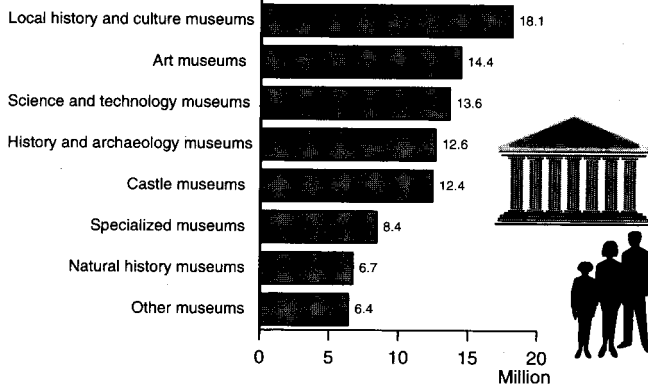
Public libraries	Number	12 727	12 442	...
Stock of media	1 000	132 821	130 010	...
Borrowings	1 000	316 609	316 118	...

Book publishing

First editions	Number	53 793	57 680	...
Viz.: Paperbacks	Number	5 471	5 330	...
Translations into German	Number	6 371	6 737	...

Visits to museums, 1997

Germany

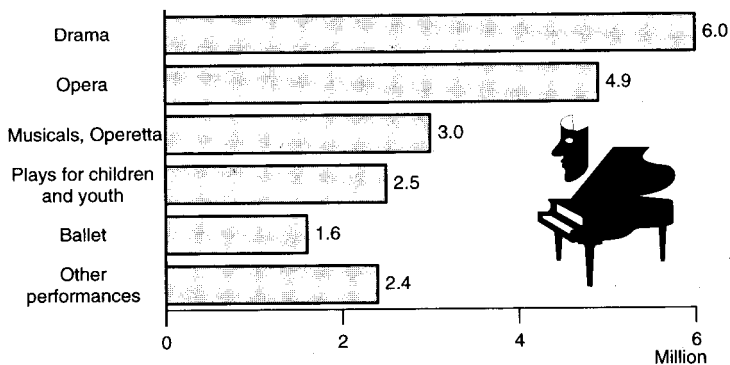


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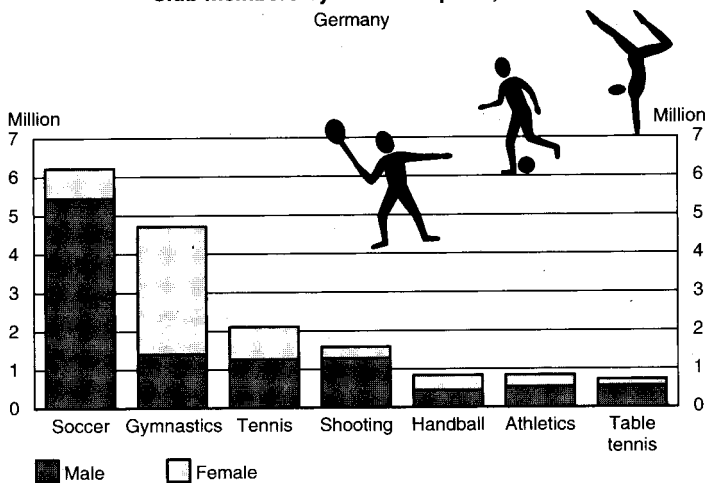
Visits to public theatres¹⁾, 1996/97 season

Germany



Club members by selected sports, 1998

Germany



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CULTURE

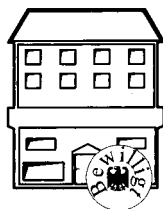
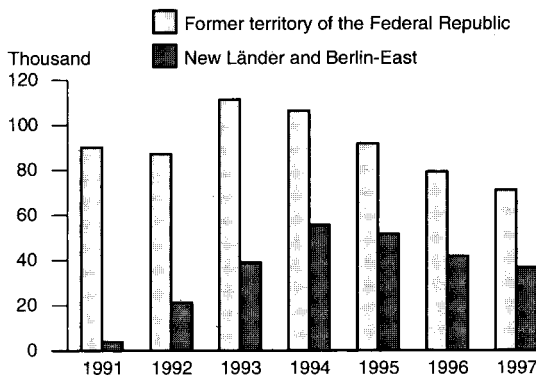
Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Music schools	Number	977	976	979
Students	1 000	854	866	862
Teachers	1 000	35	35	35
German Choral Association				
Member societies	Number	17 641	17 502	17 474
Members	1 000	1 828	1 817	1 813
Public theatres				
Theatre enterprises	Number	154	152	...
Performance sites	Number	655	666	...
Attendance	1 000	20 550	20 651	...
Performances	Number	61 914	64 637	...
Cinemas	Number	4 035	4 128	...
Seats	1 000	760	773	...
Attendance	mn	133	143	...
Radio and television				
Radio subscriptions	1 000	37 022	37 523	38 228
Television subscriptions	1 000	33 064	33 520	34 048
Hours of broadcasting				
ARD 1st channel/joint programme	Number	6 333	6 342	...
Incl.: Departments of				
Family, education and counselling	%	22.2	20.4	...
Feature films and detective series	%	18.4	20.3	...
Politics and society	%	14.0	14.6	...
ZDF main programme	Number	8 579	8 948	8 778
Incl.: Programme departments of				
Television plays and films	%	39.2	37.0	37.9
Topical issues	%	39.1	41.4	39.7
Children, youth and family	%	7.6	7.7	8.0
Youth hostels	Number	613	613	604
Beds	1 000	77	78	78
Overnights	1 000	10 328	10 245	10 056
Adult education schools	Number	1 002	994	...
Study groups, courses	1 000	590	594	...
Participants	1 000	9 099	8 930	...

CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Germany				
Dwelling stock				
Dwellings (residential and non-residential buildings)	1 000	35 954.3	36 492.3	37 050.3
Of which with ... rooms				
1	1 000	782.2	798.5	813.4
2	1 000	2 221.2	2 265.1	2 309.5
3	1 000	7 949.7	8 078.4	8 208.0
4	1 000	10 966.0	11 108.7	11 247.6
5	1 000	6 888.2	6 985.5	7 089.2
6	1 000	3 629.5	3 686.7	3 752.8
7 and over	1 000	3 517.6	3 569.5	3 629.8
Rooms, total	1 000	156 520.7	158 818.4	161 256.0
Living floor space, total	mn m ²	3 005.5	3 054.3	3 106.3
Appropriations in publicly assisted housing				
Promotions	Number	56 354	52 481	47 256
Dwellings promoted	Number	143 363	120 968	107 490
Funds	DM mn	45 587	37 474	33 281

Appropriations in publicly assisted housing

Dwellings



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CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
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Former territory of the Federal Republic

Dwelling stock

Dwellings (residential and non-residential buildings)	1 000	28 898.4	29 299.7	29 686.9
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Structural data on the dwelling stock

Dwellings per 1 000 inhabitants	Number	436	440	445
Living floor space per dwelling	m ²	87.0	87.1	87.2
Living floor space per inhabitant	m ²	37.9	38.3	38.8
Rooms per dwelling	Number	4.4	4.4	4.4

New Länder and Berlin-East¹⁾

Dwelling stock

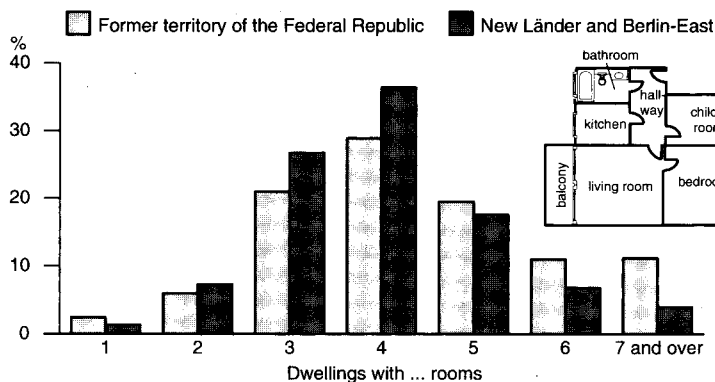
Dwellings (residential and non-residential buildings)	1 000	7 055.9	7 192.6	7 363.4
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Structural data on the dwelling stock

Dwellings per 1 000 inhabitants	Number	456	466	479
Living floor space per dwelling	m ²	69.7	70.0	70.3
Living floor space per inhabitant	m ²	31.8	32.6	33.7
Rooms per dwelling	Number	4.0	4.0	4.0

1) Figures on the dwelling stock based on the results of the census of buildings and housing of 30 September 1995.

Structure of the dwelling stock, 1997



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CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
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Germany

Construction work completed

Buildings/construction works	Number	327 341	358 389	360 019
Dwellings, total	Number	559 488	578 179	500 718
Living floor space	1 000 m ²	50 264	53 266	49 103
Estimated costs of the buildings and other constructions	DM mn	192 856	205 283	189 052
Incl.: Construction of new buildings				
Dwellings	Number	498 844	515 566	443 809
Living floor space	1 000 m ²	43 937	46 532	42 793

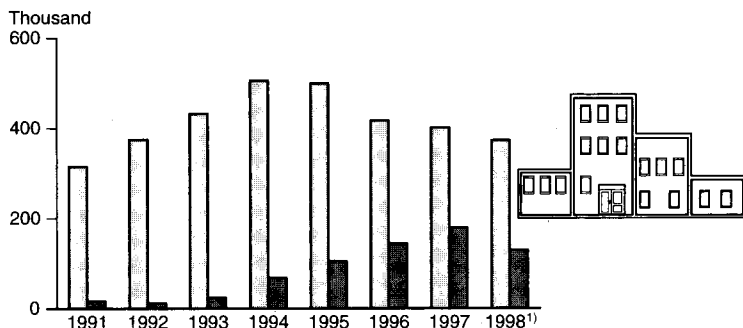
Permits for building construction

Buildings/construction works	Number	359 054	372 685	389 218
Dwellings, total	Number	576 238	528 096	477 706
Living floor space	1 000 m ²	53 290	51 472	49 778
Estimated costs of the buildings and other constructions	DM mn	205 665	194 017	188 825
Incl.: Construction of new buildings				
Dwellings	Number	511 246	464 863	419 121
Living floor space	1 000 m ²	46 435	44 586	43 046

1) Preliminary result.

Dwellings completed

Former territory of the Federal Republic
 New Länder and Berlin-East



1) Preliminary result.

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TRANSPORT

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Transport infrastructure				
Roads (other than local)	km	228 860	231 076	231 074
Autobahn system (motorways)	km	11 190	11 246	11 309
Federal roads	km	41 700	41 487	41 419
Länder roads	km	86 717	86 789	86 819
District roads	km	89 253	91 554	91 527
Railway lines (own trackage)	km	44 459	42 168	...
Waterways	km	7 467	7 467	7 467
Crude oil pipelines	km	2 460	2 413	2 172
New registrations of passenger cars .	Number	3 496 320	3 528 179	3 735 987
Means of transport				
Road motor vehicles	Number	48 341 724	49 019 056	49 586 488
Incl.: Passenger cars	Number	40 987 547	41 371 992	41 673 787
Lorries	Number	2 273 493	2 315 483	2 370 599
Rail vehicles	Number	270 487	248 444	...
Incl.: Tractive stock ¹⁾	Number	13 138	13 357	...
Passenger carriage	Number	14 228	14 137	...
Wagons (railway property)	Number	167 299	150 649	...
Inland water craft	Number	5 767	5 446	5 226
Incl.: Goods-carrying vessels	Number	3 033	2 926	2 804
Passenger vessels	Number	876	877	877
Sea-going vessels				
Incl.: Passenger vessels	Number	136	132	129
Dry freighters	Number	552	588	668
Tankers	Number	62	49	47
Fishing vessels	Number	118	110	109
Aircraft ²⁾	Number	20 171	20 223	20 170
Incl.: with engine	Number	12 244	12 263	12 245

1) Locomotives and rail cars. – 2) Source: Federal Aviation Office, Braunschweig.

TRANSPORT

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Passengers carried				
Public road passenger transport	mn persons	7 835	7 848	7 807 ¹⁾
Rail transport	mn persons	1 734	1 735	1 802
Air transport	mn persons	93	99	104
Motorised private transport ²⁾	mn persons	49 756	50 523	...
Goods carried				
Quantities carried				
Rail transport ³⁾	1 000 t	307 838	316 031	305 706
Inland water transport	1 000 t	227 019	233 455	236 365
Sea transport	1 000 t	202 519	209 550	214 045
Air transport	1 000 t	1 859	2 004	1 927
Crude oil pipelines ⁴⁾	1 000 t	89 365	87 385	90 717
Freight transport by road ⁵⁾	1 000 t	3 014 946	2 980 981	2 968 023
Incl.: Inland transport				
Rail transport	1 000 t	223 879	225 743	211 404
Inland water transport	1 000 t	66 682	65 022	63 909
Air transport	1 000 t	97	94	80
Crude oil pipelines ⁴⁾	1 000 t	20 756	20 772	22 042
Freight transport by road ⁵⁾	1 000 t	2 941 570	2 899 931	2 880 689
Transport performance				
Rail transport	mn tkm	67 227	72 703	73 560
Inland water transport	mn tkm	61 292	62 153	64 267
Crude oil pipelines	mn tkm	14 500	13 151	14 849
Freight transport by road ⁵⁾	mn tkm	236 584	245 881	257 447

1) Preliminary result. – 2) Source: German Institute for Economic Research, Berlin. – Incl. taxi and hired-car transport. – 3) Full wagon transport. – 4) Source: Federal Office of Economics, Eschborn. – 5) Source: Federal Office for Goods Transport, Düsseldorf resp. Federal Office for Motor Traffic, Flensburg; domestic motor vehicles only.

TRANSPORT

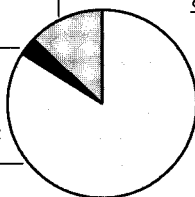
Passengers carried, 1997 Germany



Public road
passenger transport
13 %

Rail transport
3 %

Motorised
private transport
84 %



Goods carried, 1997 Germany

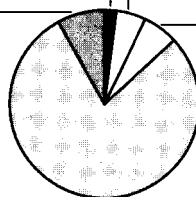
Crude oil pipelines
2 %

Rail transport
8 %

Sea transport
5 %

Inland water transport
6 %

Long-distance
road haulage¹⁾
78 %



1) Transport performance of German goods vehicles.

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Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
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Germany

Traffic accidents

Road traffic accidents

Accidents involving personal injury.....	Number	373 082	380 835	377 262
Persons killed ¹⁾	Number	8 758	8 549	7 776
Persons injured	Number	493 158	501 094	497 339

Railway accidents²⁾

Accidents involving personal injury.....	Number	1 220	1 013	...
Persons killed ¹⁾	Number	284	275	...
Persons injured	Number	1 250	1 085	...

Air transport accidents

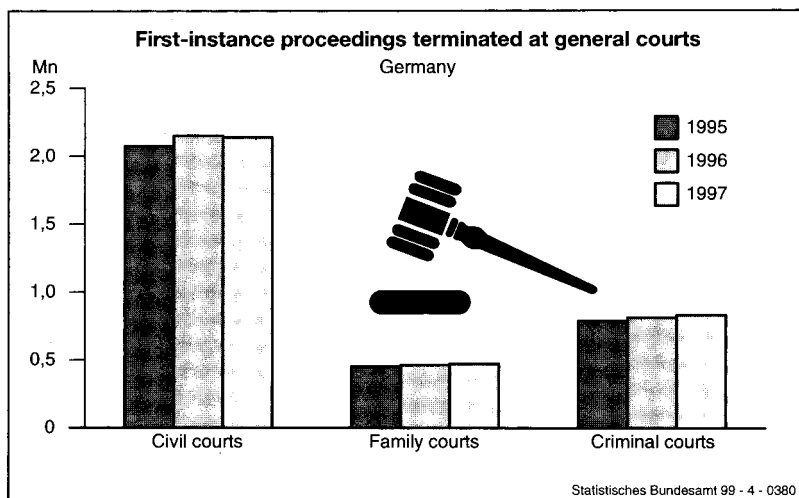
Accidents involving personal injury.....	Number	234	274	...
Persons killed ¹⁾	Number	94	81	...
Persons injured	Number	230	280	...

1) Incl. those died within 30 days of accident. — 2) Incl. shunting accidents.

ENVIRONMENT

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Germany				
Emission of selected atmospheric pollutants and greenhouse gases into the air¹⁾				
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂) ²⁾	mn t	904	919	894
Nitrogen oxide (calcul. as NO ₂)	1 000 t	1 946	1 887	1 803
Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂).....	1 000 t	2 102	1 543	1 468
Carbon monoxide (CO).....	1 000 t	6 885	6 717	6 374
Ammonia.....	1 000 t	646	649	648
Nitrous oxide (N ₂ O)	1 000 t	208	215	208
Dust.....	1 000 t	496	494	482
Volatile organic compounds ³⁾	1 000 t	1 981	1 877	1 807
CFCs and halogens, total	1 000 t	8	8	8
Methane (CH ₄)	1 000 t	3 902	3 573	3 564
Quantity of waste to be disposed of by selected economic sectors⁴⁾				
Production industries	mn t	216.1 ⁵⁾	.	.
Hospitals	mn t	0.8 ⁵⁾	.	.
Public sector				
(street cleaning, sewage treatment plants) ..	mn t	4.3 ⁵⁾	.	.
Households, small business, services	mn t	30.3 ⁵⁾	.	.
Total	mn t	251.6 ⁵⁾	.	.
Forest damage				
Northwestern Länder of Germany				
Damage level 0				
(no damage evidence)	%	48	. ⁶⁾	46
Damage level 1				
(slight damage)	%	36	. ⁶⁾	37
Damage level 2-4				
(considerable damage).....	%	16	. ⁶⁾	17
Southern Länder of Germany				
Damage level 0.....	%	35	37	38
Damage level 1.....	%	39	38	40
Damage level 2-4	%	26	25	22
Eastern Länder of Germany				
Damage level 0.....	%	41	48	45
Damage level 1.....	%	39	36	38
Damage level 2-4	%	20	16	17

1) Excl. emissions of natural sources. - Preliminary result. - 2) From energy consumption and industrial processes with relevance for the climate. - 3) Excl. methane. - 4) Balance sheet for waste statistics. - 5) 1993 - 6) The sample size being too small, there is no result for North Rhine-Westphalia and, consequently, for the Northwestern region of Germany.



Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
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Germany

Investigation¹⁾

Criminal offences that became known ...	Number	6 668 717	6 647 598	6 586 165
Criminal offences cleared up	Number	3 068 379	3 255 042	3 355 016
Suspects	Number	2 118 104	2 213 293	2 273 560
Men.....	Number	1 650 795	1 715 941	1 754 939
Women.....	Number	467 309	497 352	518 621
Children	Number	116 619	131 010	144 260
Juveniles	Number	254 329	277 479	292 518
Adolescents	Number	207 136	219 928	226 279
Adults.....	Number	1 540 020	1 584 876	1 610 503

1) Source: Federal Criminal Police Office.

JUSTICE

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
Former territory of the Federal Republic¹⁾				
Criminal prosecution				
Persons sentenced by a criminal court...	Number	937 385	944 324	960 334
who were convicted.....	Number	759 989	763 690	780 530
Incl.: to imprisonment/youth custody...	Number	129 647	136 472	143 174
who were acquitted	Number	25 875	26 022	25 581
for whom proceedings were dismissed	Number	150 606	153 644	153 053
with other judgment.....	Number	915	968	1 170
Persons convicted	Number	759 989	763 690	780 530
Men.....	Number	645 014	646 283	658 943
Women.....	Number	114 975	117 407	121 587
Juveniles	Number	37 668	41 006	45 640
Adolescents	Number	64 887	65 789	70 196
Adults.....	Number	657 434	656 895	664 694
Persons convicted (excl. road traffic offences)	Number	497 935	511 818	530 311
Incl.: Larceny	Number	121 707	126 690	131 243
Burglary	Number	24 910	24 046	23 954
Robbery, extortion	Number	8 079	9 359	10 388
Bodily injury, incl. serious injury ...	Number	37 647	39 880	43 347
Sexual offences	Number	5 469	5 571	6 105
Murder and manslaughter.....	Number	655	676	716
Persons convicted of road traffic offences	Number	262 054	251 872	250 219
Rates of German citizens convicted				
Total.....	Rate ²⁾	1 070	1 076	1 102
Men.....	Rate ²⁾	1 882	1 889	1 931
Women.....	Rate ²⁾	337	341	351
Juveniles	Rate ²⁾	1 167	1 240	1 355
Adolescents	Rate ²⁾	2 581	2 647	2 869
Adults.....	Rate ²⁾	1 010	1 011	1 024

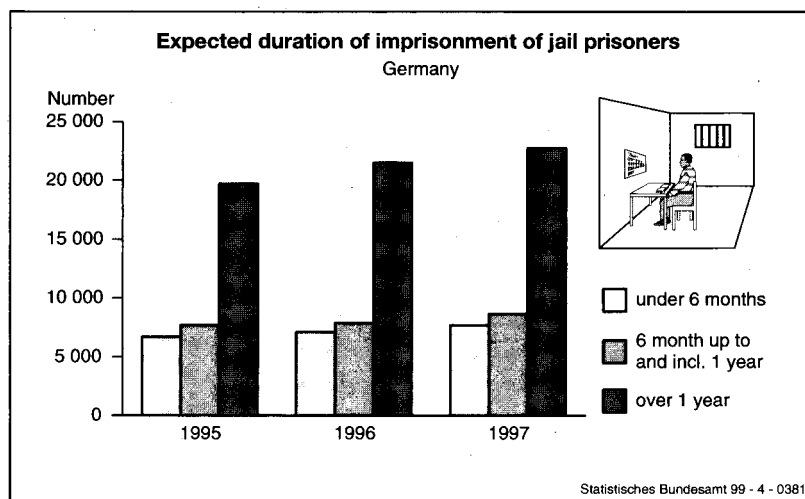
1) Incl. Berlin-East. – 2) Rate of persons convicted: German citizens convicted per 100 000 inhabitants of the same group of persons.

Specification	Unit	1995	1996	1997
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Germany

Jail prisoners, total¹⁾	Number	61 108	64 680	68 029
Men	Number	58 760	62 150	65 138
Women	Number	2 348	2 530	2 891
By type of imprisonment				
Execution of sentence	Number	38 614	41 421	44 728
Sentence of imprisonment	Number	34 101	36 474	39 128
Sentence of youth custody	Number	4 513	4 947	5 600
Preventive detention	Number	163	177	191
Detention awaiting trial	Number	19 787	20 440	19 935
Other imprisonment	Number	2 544	2 642	3 175
Incl.: Custody to secure deportation .	Number	1 688	1 852	2 283

1) At the end of the year.



Economy



Steel Works, Brandenburg

NATIONAL ECONOMY

Specification	Unit	1996 ¹⁾	1997 ¹⁾	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Gross value added by industries²⁾	DM bn	3 378.0	3 466.8	3 580.6
Agriculture, forestry, fishing	DM bn	44.5	44.7	45.5
Industry, incl. energy	DM bn	838.4	865.6	912.0
Construction	DM bn	211.7	202.9	190.0
Trade and transport	DM bn	584.0	597.5	610.6
Financial, renting and business activities	DM bn	961.3	1 008.8	1 060.9
Other service activities	DM bn	738.1	747.5	761.6
Gross domestic product²⁾	DM bn	3586.8	3 675.8	3 799.4
Final consumption expenditure of households	DM bn	1996.9	2 046.6	2 103.4
Final consumption expenditure of non-profit institutions serving households...	DM bn	56.7	59.4	61.2
Final consumption expenditure of general government	DM bn	716.4	715.6	718.5
Gross fixed capital formation	DM bn	778.7	783.4	792.7
Machinery and equipment	DM bn	258.5	270.0	297.0
Construction	DM bn	487.6	478.4	457.9
Other products	DM bn	32.6	34.9	37.8
Changes in inventories, acquisitions less disposals of valuables	DM bn	- 1.2	17.3	59.1
Final national uses	DM bn	3 547.5	3 622.3	3 734.8
Balance of exports and imports	DM bn	39.3	53.5	64.6
Exports	DM bn	910.9	1 023.4	1 089.5
Imports	DM bn	871.6	969.8	1 024.9
Gross national income (gross national product)²⁾	DM bn	3 570.9	3 658.6	3 768.6
Net national income (factor costs)²⁾	DM bn	2 705.3	2 766.0	2 848.3
Of which: Compensation of employees ..	DM bn	1 964.6	1 970.2	1 999.8
Gross wages and salaries	DM bn	1 586.0	1 580.3	1 605.9
Per employee	DM	49 100	49 500	50 200
Gross domestic product (GDP)³⁾	DM bn	3 550.4	3 612.6	3 694.0
Change of GDP at constant prices ³⁾	%	+ 0.8	+ 1.8	+ 2.3

1) Preliminary result. – 2) At current prices. – 3) At 1995 prices.

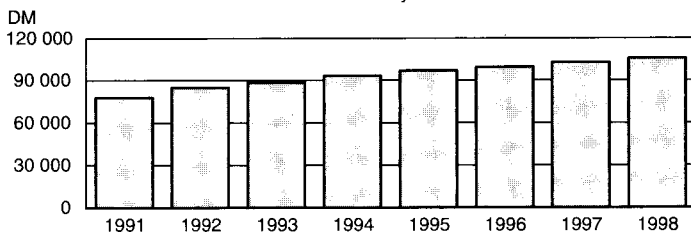
NATIONAL ECONOMY

Specification	Unit	1996 ¹⁾	1997 ¹⁾	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Employed persons	1 000	34 149	35 859	35 999
Agriculture, forestry, fishing	1 000	984	968	977
Industry incl. energy	1 000	8 623	8 433	8 409
Construction	1 000	3 075	2 937	2 836
Trade and transport	1 000	8 806	8 743	8 760
Financial, renting and business activities	1 000	4 286	4 393	4 550
Other service activities	1 000	10 375	10 385	10 467
Employees	1 000	32 311	31 945	32 001
Agriculture, forestry, fishing	1 000	457	461	465
Industry incl. energy	1 000	8 282	8 086	8 065
Construction	1 000	2 706	2 569	2 461
Trade and transport	1 000	7 529	7 454	7 454
Financial, renting and business activities	1 000	3 646	3 699	3 824
Other service activities	1 000	9 691	9 676	9 732
Compensation of employees (domestic concept)	DM bn	1 966.3	1 972.2	2 002.0
Agriculture, forestry, fishing	DM bn	17.9	18.3	18.5
Industry incl. energy	DM bn	608.4	607.8	618.5
Construction	DM bn	145.2	138.4	133.7
Trade and transport	DM bn	399.4	398.6	402.3
Financial, renting and business activities	DM bn	245.7	253.2	264.4
Other service activities	DM bn	549.8	555.9	564.7
Gross wages and salaries (domestic concept)	DM bn	1 586.0	1 580.3	1 605.9
Agriculture, forestry, fishing	DM bn	14.7	14.9	15.1
Industry incl. energy	DM bn	488.9	485.0	494.3
Construction	DM bn	117.9	111.8	108.0
Trade and transport	DM bn	322.7	319.9	323.3
Financial, renting and business activities	DM bn	201.1	206.1	215.5
Other service activities	DM bn	440.7	442.7	449.7

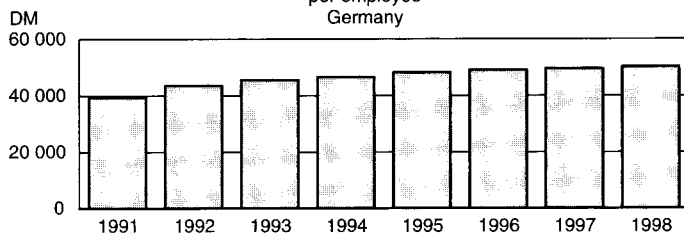
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NATIONAL ECONOMY

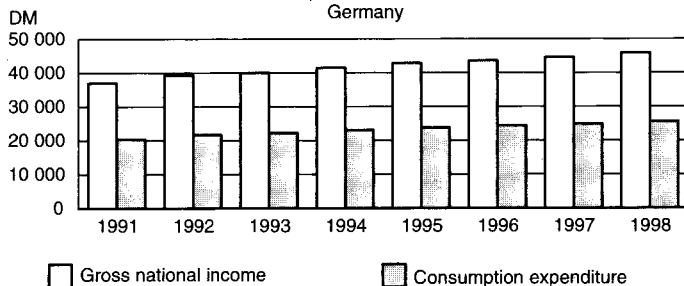
Gross domestic product
per person engaged in economic activity
Germany



Gross wages and salaries (domestic concept)
per employee
Germany



Gross national income and consumption expenditure of private households
per inhabitant
Germany



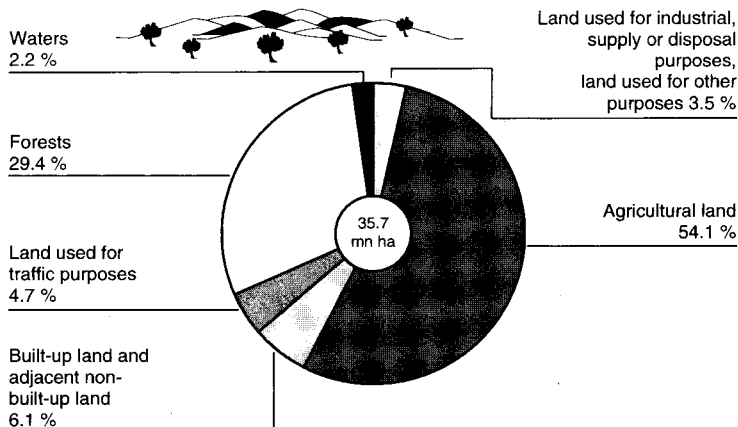
AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Agriculturally used area	1 000 ha	17 335	17 327	17 373
Incl.: Arable land	1 000 ha	11 832	11 832	11 879
Permanent grassland	1 000 ha	5 273	5 268	5 265
Vineland	1 000 ha	101	101	101
Fruit plantations	1 000 ha	70	70	72
Agricultural labour¹⁾	1 000	.	1 235	...
Incl.: Family labour	1 000	.	1 042	...
Harvested quantities				
Grain	1 000 t	42 136	45 486	44 575
Vegetables ²⁾	1 000 t	2 502	2 318	2 406
Fruit (production for the market)	1 000 t	1 109	948	1 218
Livestock³⁾				
Cattle	1 000	15 760	15 227	14 942
Sheep	1 000	2 954	2 884	2 870
Pigs	1 000	24 283	24 795	26 299
Laying hens	1 000	42 381	.	.
Agricultural holdings	1 000	540	525	516
with an agriculturally used area of ... to under ... ha				
1 - 2	1 000	68	67	65
2 - 5	1 000	90	88	87
5 - 10	1 000	84	80	78
10 - 20	1 000	96	92	89
20 - 30	1 000	61	58	57
30 - 50	1 000	67	65	64
50 - 100	1 000	52	53	54
100 and over	1 000	21	22	23
Landings of fish of deep-sea and inshore fisheries⁴⁾				
Incl.: Herring	1 000 t	114	106	94
Cod	1 000 t	20	21	12
Cod	1 000 t	16	13	11
Red Fish	1 000 t	2	1	1

1) Family labour and permanently employed non-family labour working in holdings. - 2) Selected vegetables cultivated in the open or under glass. - 3) Livestock censuses conducted in December; 1998: November; sheep: June (all years). - 4) Catches of German fishing vessels landed at the German coast (landing weight).

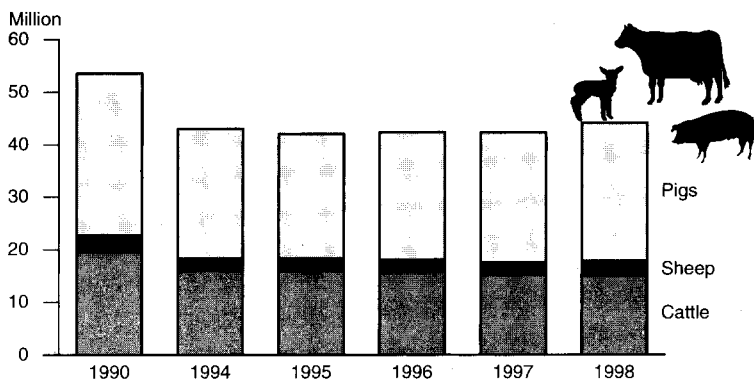
AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES

Total area, 1997, by types of use¹⁾
Germany



1) Area survey results.

Livestock
Germany



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AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Former territory of the Federal Republic				
Harvested quantities				
Grain.....	1 000 t	28 917	30 404	29 308
Vegetables ¹⁾	1 000 t	2 163	2 009	2 063
Fruit (production for the market).....	1 000 t	894	760	985
Livestock²⁾				
Cattle.....	1 000	12 879	12 437	12 229
Sheep.....	1 000	2 161	2 085	2 072
Pigs.....	1 000	21 061	21 470	22 717
Agricultural holdings				
with an agriculturally used area of ... to under ... ha		509	494	484
1 - 2.....	%	12.5	12.6	12.5
2 - 5.....	%	16.6	16.6	16.7
5 - 10.....	%	15.7	15.5	15.4
10 - 20.....	%	18.2	17.8	17.5
20 - 30.....	%	11.7	11.5	11.3
30 - 50.....	%	12.9	12.9	12.9
50 - 100.....	%	9.8	10.3	10.6
100 and over.....	%	2.6	2.8	3.1
New Länder und Berlin-East				
Harvested quantities				
Grain.....	1 000 t	13 219	15 082	15 267
Vegetables ¹⁾	1 000 t	339	309	343
Fruit (production for the market).....	1 000 t	215	187	233
Livestock²⁾				
Cattle.....	1 000	2 880	2 789	2 712
Sheep.....	1 000	793	800	797
Pigs.....	1 000	3 222	3 325	3 582
Agricultural holdings				
with an agriculturally used area of ... to under ... ha		31	31	32
1 - 2.....	%	14.2	14.5	13.5
2 - 5.....	%	18.6	18.8	18.4
5 - 10.....	%	11.4	10.8	11.2
10 - 20.....	%	11.4	11.2	11.5
20 - 30.....	%	5.3	5.2	5.3
30 - 50.....	%	5.7	5.6	5.9
50 - 100.....	%	7.4	7.4	7.7
100 and over.....	%	26.0	26.4	26.5

1) Selected vegetables cultivated in the open or under glass. - 2) Livestock censuses conducted in December; 1998: November; sheep: June (all years).

PRODUCTION INDUSTRIES

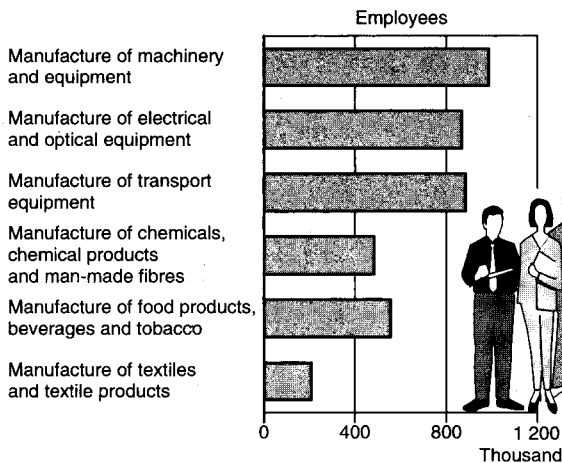
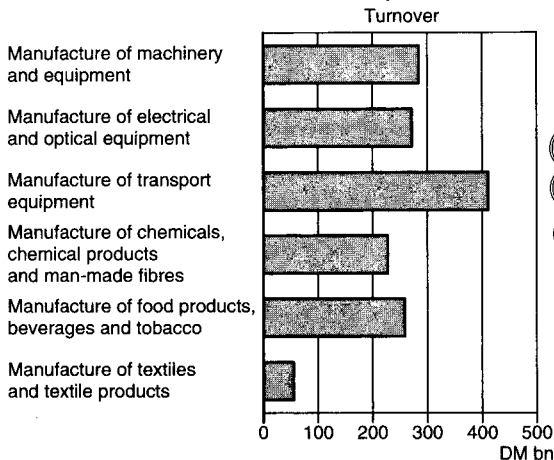
Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Production index in production industries				
Non-adjusted values				
Production industries	1995 = 100	99.8	102.4	106.4
Mining and quarrying	1995 = 100	94.3	91.1	85.2
Manufacturing	1995 = 100	100.4	104.4	110.0
Energy supply	1995 = 100	105.6	104.6	104.8
Site preparation, building construction and civil engineering	1995 = 100	93.4	89.7	87.3
Mining and manufacturing				
Local units ¹⁾	Number	47 322	46 033	48 357 ²⁾
Employees ¹⁾	1 000	6 520	6 311	6 405 ²⁾
Man-hours worked	mn hours	6 483	6 283	6 440 ²⁾
Total wages and salaries	DM bn	411	405	416 ²⁾
Turnover	DM bn	2 079	2 186	2 271 ²⁾
Incl.: Foreign turnover	DM bn	617	697	753 ²⁾
Index of orders received in manufacturing (volume)	1995 = 100	99.9	106.2	110.2
Site preparation, civil engineering³⁾				
Local units ⁴⁾	Number	75 365	77 055	81 301
Employees ¹⁾	1 000	1 311.7	1 221.3	1 155.9
Hours worked	mn hours	1 562	1 480	1 395
Index of orders received (volume)	1995 = 100	92.9	86.3	87.3
Energy and water supply				
Enterprises	Number	4 035	...	...
Employees	1 000	353	...	...
Turnover	mn DM	231 566	...	...
Electricity production	bn kWh	550	547	...
Gas production	bn kWh	372	374	377

1) Average of 12 monthly values. - 2) The range of reporting units was updated in 1998, i.e. it was extended considerably. - 3) Data according to the Classification of Economic Activities 1993 (WZ 93). - 4) All local units; exhaustive survey always at the end of June.

PRODUCTION INDUSTRIES

Turnover and employees of selected economic branches in mining and manufacturing, 1998

Germany



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PRODUCTION INDUSTRIES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
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Former territory of the Federal Republic

Production index in production industries

Non-adjusted values

Production industries	1995 = 100	99.6	102.1	106.2
Mining and quarrying	1995 = 100	95.0	92.3	87.0
Manufacturing	1995 = 100	100.1	103.8	109.0
Energy supply	1995 = 100	106.0	105.0	105.2
Site preparation, building construction and civil engineering	1995 = 100	92.5	89.0	87.8

Mining and manufacturing

Local units ¹⁾	Number	40 443	39 278	40 986 ²⁾
Employees ¹⁾	1 000	5 932	5 748	5 817 ²⁾
Man-hours worked	mn hours	5 812	5 636	5 750 ²⁾
Total wages and salaries	DM bn	385	379	389 ²⁾
Turnover	DM bn	1 948	2 044	2 114 ²⁾
Incl.: Foreign turnover	DM bn	601	676	725 ²⁾

Index of orders received in manufacturing (volume)

1995 = 100	100.1	106.1	109.3
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Site preparation, civil engineering³⁾

Local units ⁴⁾	Number	59 070	58 807	61 283
Employees ¹⁾	1 000	893.4	834.0	802.4
Hours worked	mn hours	1 038	988	951
Index of orders received (volume)	1995 = 100	91.8	88.0	90.0

1) Average of 12 monthly values. - 2) The range of reporting units was updated in 1998, i.e. it was extended considerably. - 3) Data according to the Classification of Economic Activities 1993 (WZ 93). - 4) All local units; exhaustive survey always at the end of June.

PRODUCTION INDUSTRIES

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
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New Länder and Berlin-East

Production index in production industries

Non-adjusted values

Production industries	1995 = 100	102.0	105.4	109.4
Mining and quarrying	1995 = 100	91.0	84.8	75.5
Manufacturing	1995 = 100	105.9	115.6	127.6
Energy supply	1995 = 100	102.9	100.9	101.0
Site preparation, building construction and civil engineering	1995 = 100	96.6	92.2	85.3

Mining and manufacturing

Local units ¹⁾	Number	6 878	6 755	7 371 ²⁾
Employees ¹⁾	1 000	588	563	588 ²⁾
Man-hours worked	mn hours	671	648	691 ²⁾
Total wages and salaries	DM bn	26	26	27 ²⁾
Turnover	DM bn	132	142	157 ²⁾
Incl.: Foreign turnover	DM bn	16	21	28 ²⁾

Index of orders received in manufacturing (volume)

1995 = 100	96.0	107.1	124.2
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Site preparation, civil engineering³⁾

Local units ⁴⁾	Number	16 295	18 248	20 018
Employees ¹⁾	1 000	418.2	387.4	353.5
Man-hours worked	mn hours	524	491	445
Index of orders received (volume)	1995 = 100	95.6	82.1	80.8

1) Average of 12 monthly values. – 2) The range of reporting units was updated in 1998, i.e. it was extended considerably. – 3) Data according to the Classification of Economic Activities 1993 (WZ 93). – 4) All local units; exhaustive survey always at the end of June.

DISTRIBUTIVE TRADE

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
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Germany

Retail trade²⁾

Employees	1995 = 100	98.9	97.6	97.0
Incl. part-time employees	1995 = 100	101.8	103.6	105.4
Turnover	1995 = 100	100.2	99.1	99.7

Wholesale trade³⁾

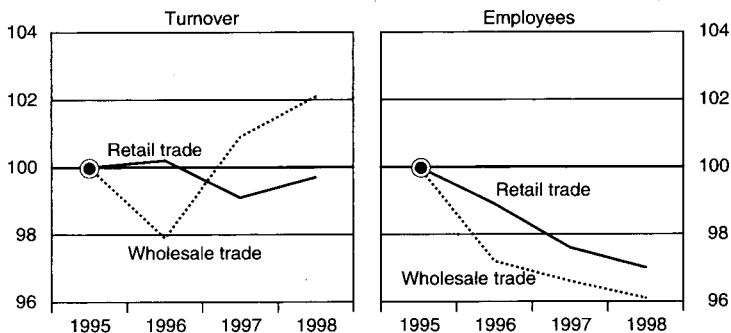
Employees	1995 = 100	97.2	96.6	96.1
Incl. part-time employees	1995 = 100	97.3	99.1	100.6
Turnover	1995 = 100	97.9	100.9	102.1

1) Preliminary result. – 2) Excl. retail trade of motor vehicles and filling stations. – 3) Excl. retail trade of motor vehicles.

Turnover (nominal) and employees in retail and wholesale trade

1995 = 100

Germany



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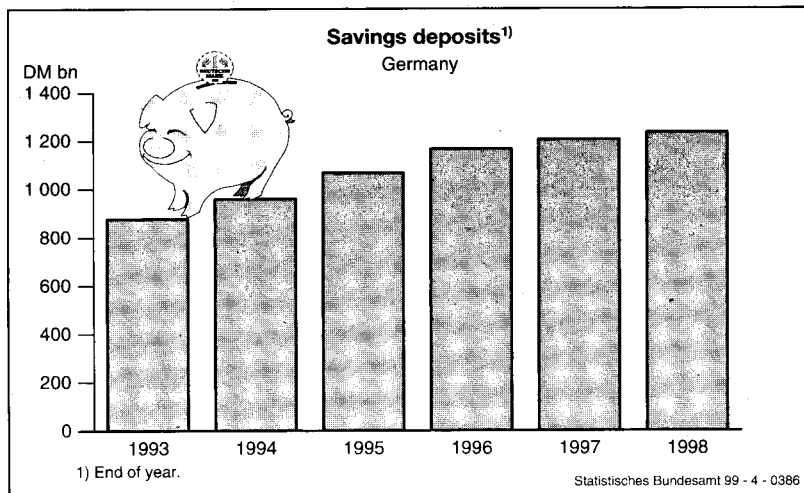
BANKS, BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS, INSURANCE

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Notes and coin in circulation	DM mn	275 744	276 242	270 981
Notes	DM mn	260 391	260 686	255 335
Coin	DM mn	15 353	15 556	15 646
per inhabitant	DM	3 192	3 280	3 263
Deutsche Bundesbank				
Monetary reserves	DM mn	120 986	116 786	135 084
Domestic deposits	DM mn	53 574	50 088	58 919
Credit institutions				
Assets				
Business volume, total	DM mn	8 292 385	9 109 858	10 087 647
Cash reserves	DM mn	90 044	91 025	93 568
Checks and papers for collection	DM mn	3 212	3 808	2 413
Lending to credit institutions	DM mn	2 722 917	3 087 059	3 513 137
Lending to non-banks	DM mn	5 125 017	5 533 175	5 990 085
Shares and other equity	DM mn	135 506	149 792	192 146
Other assets	DM mn	178 217	207 265	250 446
Liabilities				
Business volume, total	DM mn	8 292 385	9 109 858	10 087 647
Deposits and borrowings of credit institutions	DM mn	2 217 598	2 572 540	2 962 590
Deposits and borrowings of non-banks	DM mn	3 515 051	3 675 750	3 910 621
Incl.: Sight and time deposits	DM mn	2 026 685	2 135 241	2 342 178
Savings deposits	DM mn	1 165 755	1 204 999	1 234 171
Bearer bonds outstanding	DM mn	1 795 148	1 987 667	2 247 084
Capital (incl. disclosed reserves pursuant to Art. 10 of the German Banking Law)	DM mn	341 330	378 160	406 914
Other liabilities	DM mn	312 100	378 842	434 937
Building and loan associations				
Savings agreements	1 000	32 510	33 203	33 443
New agreements concluded	1 000	4 350	3 862	3 788
Allocations	1 000	1 908	2 038	2 198
Amounts allocated	DM mn	60 193	66 497	73 278
Savings deposits	DM mn	168 063	178 501	182 178
Mortgages and intermediate loans	DM mn	168 424	175 076	180 209

BANKS, BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS, INSURANCE

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Savings deposits	DM mn	1 165 755	1 204 999	1 234 171
Savings banks				
(incl. giro institutions)	DM mn	614 361	637 524	653 342
Credit cooperatives				
(incl. cooperative central banks)	DM mn	336 050	355 094	367 260
Commercial banks	DM mn	155 426	151 499	150 680
Other credit institutions ¹⁾	DM mn	59 918	60 882	62 889
Securities markets				
Gross sales				
Fixed-interest securities	DM mn	731 992	846 567	1 030 827
Shares	DM mn	14 437	11 981	26 000
Running yields (per annum)				
Mortgage bonds	%	5.6	5.1	4.5
Communal bonds	%	5.5	5.0	4.5
Public bonds	%	5.6	5.1	4.4

1) Incl. Postbank.



BANKS, BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS, INSURANCE

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
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Germany

Foreign exchange rates¹⁾

... currency unit(s) = DM

Belgium (Belgian Francs).....	100	4.8592	4.8464	4.8476
Denmark (Danish Kroner)	100	25.945	26.249	26.258
Finland (Markkaa).....	100	32.766	33.414	32.920
France (French Francs).....	100	29.406	29.705	29.829
Great Britain and Northern Ireland (Pound Sterling).....	1	2.3478	2.8410	2.9142
Ireland (Irish Pound).....	1	2.4070	2.6297	2.5049
Italy (Italian Lire).....	1 000	0.9751	1.0184	1.0132
Netherlands (Dutch Guilders).....	100	89.243	88.857	88.714
Norway (Norwegian Kroner).....	100	23.292	24.508	23.297
Austria (Schillings)	100	14.214	14.210	14.213
Portugal (Escudos)	100	0.9754	0.9894	0.9763
Sweden (Swedish Kronor)	100	22.434	22.718	22.128
Switzerland (Swiss Francs).....	100	121.891	119.508	121.414
Spain (Pesetas).....	100	1.1880	1.1843	1.1779
Japan (Yen).....	100	1.3838	1.4378	1.3484
Canada (Canadian Dollar).....	1	1.1027	1.2533	1.1884
United States (US Dollar)	1	1.5037	1.7348	1.7592

Insurance²⁾

Gross premiums.....	DM mn	234 470	240 449	...
Life assurance	DM mn	93 944	98 443	...
Pension and death benefits funds.....	DM mn	3 750	3 873	...
Health insurance	DM mn	34 284	36 316	...
Non-life and accident insurance	DM mn	102 492	101 817	...
Capital investments.....	DM mn	1 117 773	1 215 978	1 320 852
Life assurance.....	DM mn	768 003	833 944	907 233
Pension and death benefits funds.....	DM mn	107 038	115 237	122 873
Health insurance	DM mn	83 943	97 048	111 868
Non-life and accident insurance	DM mn	158 789	169 749	178 878

1) Annual average. - 2) Excl. reinsurance companies.

TOURISM

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Hotel and restaurant industry¹⁾				
Turnover trend (nominal)	1995 = 100	97.5	97.1	95.1
Accommodation industry	1995 = 100	98.1	97.5	97.0
Restaurants	1995 = 100	97.3	96.3	92.6
Canteens and catering	1995 = 100	97.1	102.6	106.6
Development of the number of employees	1995 = 100	97.0	96.7	94.8
Accommodation industry	1995 = 100	96.8	95.3	93.8
Restaurants	1995 = 100	97.2	96.7	94.3
Canteens and catering	1995 = 100	96.3	103.1	103.5
Accommodation capacities and degree of utilisation²⁾				
Open accommodation establishments ³⁾ ..	1 000	52.8	53.8	54.2
Bed places offered ³⁾	1 000	2 301	2 360	2 405
Average utilisation of the bed places offered	%	37.5	34.9	35.2
Nights spent in tourism²⁾				
by Länder				
Germany	mn	299.99	287.17	294.54
Baden-Württemberg	mn	37.81	34.96	36.37
Bavaria	mn	71.01	66.75	68.56
Berlin	mn	7.40	7.99	8.27
Brandenburg	mn	7.27	7.31	7.34
Bremen	mn	1.07	1.09	1.15
Hamburg	mn	4.23	4.35	4.51
Hesse	mn	25.16	22.82	22.87
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	mn	10.81	11.58	13.28
Lower Saxony	mn	32.92	31.96	32.30
North Rhine-Westphalia	mn	32.02	34.28	34.75
Rhineland-Palatinate	mn	17.28	16.40	16.93
Saarland	mn	2.13	1.95	2.06
Saxony	mn	12.26	12.56	12.80
Saxony-Anhalt	mn	5.29	5.06	5.12
Schleswig-Holstein	mn	21.60	20.78	20.48
Thuringia	mn	7.75	7.33	7.74
Memo item:				
Former territory of the Federal Republic	mn	254.82	241.15	245.77
New Länder and Berlin-East	mn	45.17	46.02	48.77

1) 1998: March 1999. – 2) In accommodation units with nine and more guest beds. – 3) July.

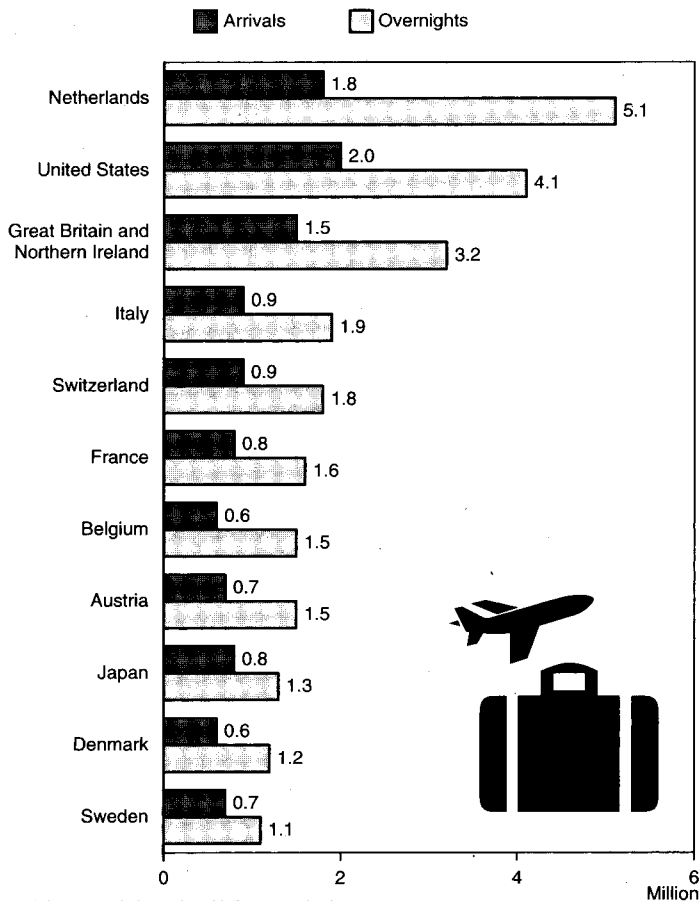
TOURISM

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998
Germany				
Nights spent in tourism¹⁾				
by types of accommodation				
Total hotel industry	mn	172.21	173.11	177.01
Hotels	mn	103.71	105.54	108.92
Inns	mn	19.94	19.53	19.41
Boarding-houses	mn	15.98	15.38	15.08
Hotels garni	mn	32.59	32.67	33.60
Group accommodation establishments	mn	26.88	26.49	26.41
Holiday centres, homes and dwellings	mn	35.18	35.32	36.24
Youth hostels, mountain refuges and similar establishments	mn	13.69	13.87	13.88
Total accommodation industry excl. sanatoria	mn	247.96	248.79	253.54
Sanatoria	mn	52.03	38.38	41.01
by groups of communities				
Spa-resorts	mn	73.42	60.37	64.95
Mineral and mud spas	mn	43.92	33.64	37.33
Healthy climate resorts	mn	17.28	16.88	17.50
Kneipp cure resorts (water therapy resorts)	mn	12.22	9.84	10.12
Sea-side resorts	mn	23.10	22.62	29.88
Climatic resorts	mn	24.22	22.80	23.62
Recreation resorts	mn	23.88	24.16	31.10
Other communities ²⁾	mn	155.38	157.23	144.99
Memo item:				
Communities with 100 000 and more inhabitants	mn	57.57	59.57	62.39
by countries of origin:				
Germany	mn	267.74	259.78	260.08
Other countries	mn	32.25	33.39	34.47
Incl.:				
Netherlands	mn	5.11	5.06	5.06
United States	mn	3.33	3.65	4.07
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	mn	2.95	2.99	3.23
Italy	mn	1.74	1.87	1.92
Switzerland	mn	1.67	1.70	1.80
France	mn	1.55	1.61	1.62
Belgium	mn	1.35	1.40	1.47
Austria	mn	1.31	1.36	1.45
Japan	mn	1.31	1.34	1.33
Denmark	mn	1.06	1.10	1.16
Sweden	mn	0.96	1.04	1.09

1) In accommodation units with nine and more guest beds. - 2) 1996, 1997: All communities in the new Länder and Berlin-East are included in "Other communities".

Arrivals and overnights in international tourism, 1998¹⁾ by selected countries of origin of guests

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Specification	Unit	1997 ¹⁾	1998 ¹⁾
Germany			
Adjusted expenditure data²⁾			
Federal Government.....	DM mn	1 812 260	1 834 408
Equalisation of Burdens Fund.....	DM mn	481 008	512 115
E.R.P. Special Fund ³⁾	DM mn	720	608
German Unity Fund.....	DM mn	13 541	16 844
Federal Railways Fund.....	DM mn	6 193	5 810
Redemption Fund for Inherited Liabilities.....	DM mn	26 169	24 977
Compensation Fund.....	DM mn	18 237	16 497
EU shares.....	DM mn	198	2 251
Social security.....	DM mn	41 560	42 211
Länder.....	DM mn	806 828	822 121
Communities/local authorities.....	DM mn	472 379	476 475
Special-purpose associations.....	DM mn	279 861	277 495
	DM mn	10 664	10 210
Adjusted revenue data²⁾			
Federal Government.....	DM mn	1 725 181	1 786 185
Equalisation of Burdens Fund.....	DM mn	417 518	455 512
E.R.P. Special Fund ³⁾	DM mn	709	618
German Unity Fund.....	DM mn	14 626	15 899
Federal Railways Fund.....	DM mn	9 504	6 466
Redemption Fund for Inherited Liabilities.....	DM mn	26 691	24 963
Compensation Fund.....	DM mn	26 268	40 724
EU shares.....	DM mn	324	2 149
Social security.....	DM mn	41 560	42 211
Länder.....	DM mn	815 677	830 206
Communities/local authorities.....	DM mn	433 468	448 350
Special-purpose associations.....	DM mn	273 914	282 249
	DM mn	10 018	10 047
Net lending/net borrowing	DM mn	- 86 797	- 47 472
Federal Government.....	DM mn	- 63 447	- 56 566
Equalisation of Burdens Fund.....	DM mn	- 11	+ 10
E.R.P. Special Fund ³⁾	DM mn	+ 1 085	- 945
German Unity Fund.....	DM mn	+ 3 311	+ 656
Federal Railways Fund.....	DM mn	+ 522	- 14
Redemption Fund for Inherited Liabilities.....	DM mn	+ 8 031	+ 24 227
Compensation Fund.....	DM mn	+ 127	- 102
Social security.....	DM mn	+ 9 067	+ 8 784
Länder.....	DM mn	- 38 889	- 28 120
Communities/local authorities.....	DM mn	- 5 947	+ 4 761
Special-purpose associations.....	DM mn	- 646	- 163

1) Partly estimates. - Excl. hospitals and university clinics with a commercial accounting system. - 2) Adjusted for payments between public budgets. - 3) Incl. "Hard Coal" Equalisation Fund.

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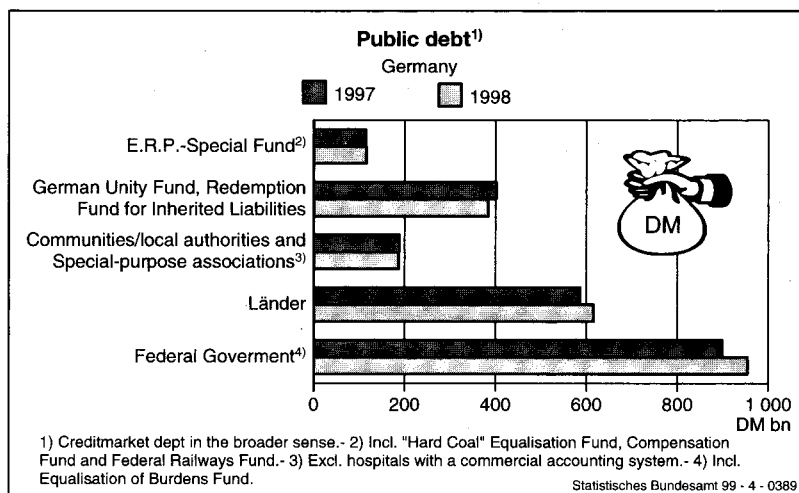
Specification	Unit	1996	1997 ¹⁾	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Adjusted expenditure data²⁾	DM mn	x	1 812 260	1 834 408
Incl.: Staff expenditure	DM mn	x	344 629	346 519
Continuous expenditure on material and equipment	DM mn	x	388 907	395 552
Interest expenditure	DM mn	x	132 873	134 704
Pensions and benefits	DM mn	x	639 708	644 105
Construction work	DM mn	x	63 679	62 066
Capital transfers	DM mn	x	101 774	106 898
Adjusted revenue data²⁾	DM mn	x	1 725 181	1 786 185
Taxes and similar charges	DM mn	x	1 494 368	1 533 469
Fees, other remunerations	DM mn	x	55 067	52 823
Revenue from economic activity	DM mn	x	35 381	51 030
Revenue according to capital accounts ..	DM mn	x	73 381	83 947
Net borrowing	DM mn	x	94 971	57 730
Cash tax revenue³⁾	DM mn	848 705	853 055	893 343
Joint taxes	DM mn	603 694	610 597	650 775
Wage tax ³⁾	DM mn	294 579	298 436	308 254
Assessed income tax ⁴⁾	DM mn	12 315	6 542	12 273
Not assessed taxes on yields ⁴⁾	DM mn	16 058	17 727	28 177
Interest withholding tax	DM mn	12 111	11 398	11 891
Corporation tax ⁴⁾	DM mn	31 423	35 594	39 966
Value-added tax	DM mn	200 382	199 934	203 684
Turnover tax on imports	DM mn	36 827	40 966	46 530
Federal taxes	DM mn	137 865	135 264	130 513
Incl.: Insurance taxes	DM mn	14 348	14 127	13 951
Tobacco tax	DM mn	20 698	21 155	21 652
Coffee tax	DM mn	2 236	2 244	2 103
Spirits tax	DM mn	5 085	4 662	4 426
Tax on sparkling wine	DM mn	1 064	1 095	1 028
Mineral-oil tax	DM mn	68 251	66 008	66 677
Solidarity surcharge (to build up the new Länder)	DM mn	26 091	25 891	20 558
Länder taxes	DM mn	38 540	34 682	37 300
Incl.: Property tax	DM mn	9 035	1 757	1 062
Inheritance tax	DM mn	4 053	4 061	4 810
Tax on acquisition of real estate	DM mn	6 390	9 127	10 762
Motor vehicle tax	DM mn	13 743	14 418	15 171
Tax on bettings and lotteries	DM mn	2 844	2 912	3 183
Beer tax	DM mn	1 719	1 699	1 662
Local taxes	DM mn	62 014	65 613	68 269
Incl.: Trade tax	DM mn	45 859	48 601	50 508

1) Partly estimates. – Adjusted expenditure and adjusted revenue excl. hospitals and university clinics with a commercial accounting system. – 2) Adjusted for payments between public budgets. – 3) Before deduction of children's allowance (children's allowance paid by the government to inactive persons and tax deductible children's allowance paid by employers to their employees). – 4) Before deduction of reimbursements from the Federal Ministry of Finance.

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Specification	Unit	1997	1998
Germany			
Credit market debt¹⁾	DM mn	2 188 724	2 256 614
Federal Government ²⁾	DM mn	899 067	954 428
E.R.P. Special Fund ³⁾	DM mn	36 844	38 474
German Unity Fund	DM mn	79 663	79 270
Federal Railways Fund	DM mn	77 252	77 246
Redemption Fund for Inherited Liabilities	DM mn	322 032	304 978
Länder	DM mn	586 248	615 625
Communities/local authorities ⁴⁾	DM mn	167 415	166 343
Special-purpose associations ⁴⁾	DM mn	20 203	20 250
Personnel	1 000	5 164	5 068

1) Credit market debt in the broader sense at the end of each year. - 2) Incl. Equalisation of Burdens Fund. - 3) Incl. "Hard Coal" Equalisation Fund and Compensation Fund. - 4) Excl. hospitals with a commercial accounting system.



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Specification	1997 ¹⁾	1998 ¹⁾
Revenue by Länder²⁾		
DM per inhabitant³⁾		
Baden-Württemberg	7 084	7 632
Bavaria	7 318	7 757
Berlin	10 960	10 469
Brandenburg	8 295	8 329
Bremen	11 781	11 858
Hamburg	9 811	10 029
Hesse	7 857	8 230
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	8 663	8 804
Lower Saxony	6 665	6 939
North Rhine-Westphalia	7 130	7 517
Rhineland-Palatinate	6 537	6 663
Saarland	7 999	8 015
Saxony	8 203	8 453
Saxony-Anhalt	8 152	8 363
Schleswig-Holstein	7 056	7 231
Thuringia	8 000	8 356
Germany	7 429	7 726

Expenditure by Länder²⁾

DM per inhabitant³⁾

Baden-Württemberg	7 321	7 518
Bavaria	7 692	7 686
Berlin	12 157	12 106
Brandenburg	9 058	9 161
Bremen	11 641	11 822
Hamburg	10 756	10 909
Hesse	8 333	8 337
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	9 618	9 634
Lower Saxony	7 098	7 139
North Rhine-Westphalia	7 737	7 791
Rhineland-Palatinate	7 195	7 232
Saarland	7 606	7 691
Saxony	8 724	8 548
Saxony-Anhalt	9 475	9 392
Schleswig-Holstein	7 555	7 519
Thuringia	8 994	9 084
Germany	7 983	8 013

- 1) Results partly estimates. - Excl. hospitals and university clinics with a commercial accounting system. -
 2) Adjusted revenue or expenditure of the Länder, communities/local authorities, and special-purpose
 associations. - 3) Number of inhabitants as at 30 June of each year.

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Specification	Unit	1996	1997 ¹⁾	1998 ¹⁾
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Länder Government revenue-sharing scheme²⁾

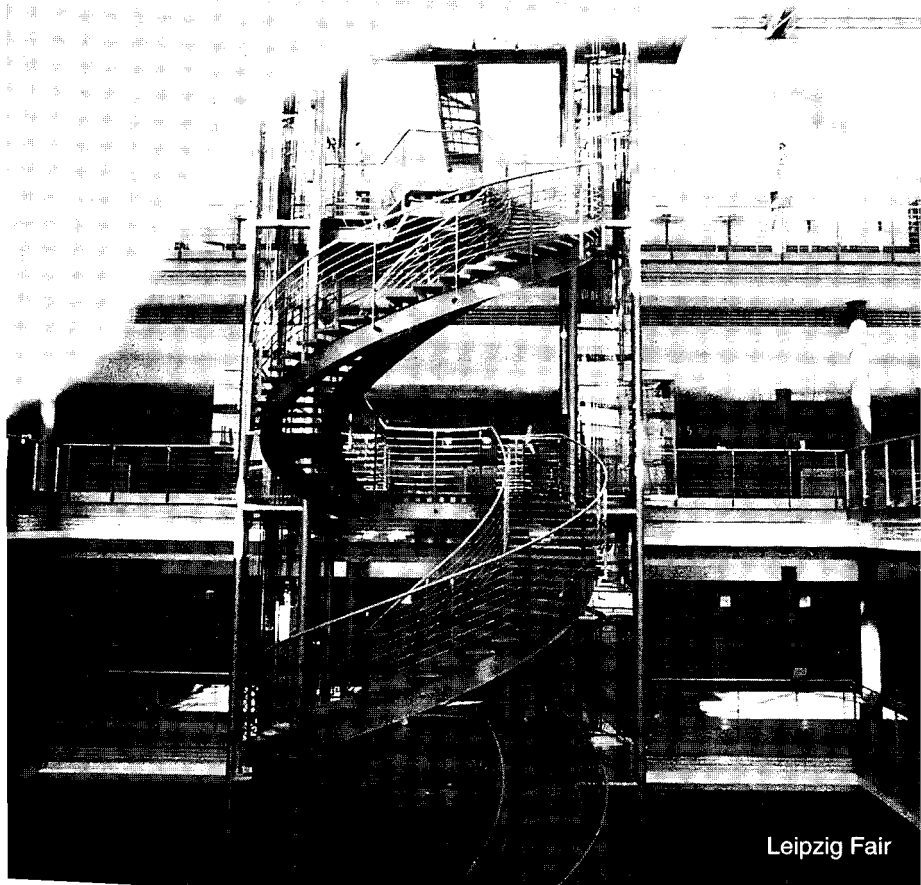
Baden-Württemberg	DM mn	- 2 521	- 2 423	- 3 473
Bavaria	DM mn	- 2 862	- 3 079	- 2 901
Berlin	DM mn	+ 4 336	+ 4 425	+ 4 888
Brandenburg	DM mn	+ 1 035	+ 976	+ 1 041
Bremen	DM mn	+ 635	+ 351	+ 912
Hamburg	DM mn	- 482	- 264	- 613
Hesse	DM mn	- 3 240	- 3 130	- 3 435
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	DM mn	+ 856	+ 835	+ 876
Lower Saxony	DM mn	+ 553	+ 672	+ 787
North Rhine-Westphalia	DM mn	- 3 125	- 3 033	- 3 095
Rhineland-Palatinate	DM mn	+ 231	+ 305	+ 431
Saarland	DM mn	+ 234	+ 203	+ 228
Saxony	DM mn	+ 1 965	+ 1 896	+ 1 990
Saxony-Anhalt	DM mn	+ 1 241	+ 1 162	+ 1 205
Schleswig-Holstein	DM mn	+ 16	- 5	- 0
Thuringia	DM mn	+ 1 127	+ 1 110	+ 1 160
Volume of equalisation	DM mn	12 229	11 934	13 518

Supplementary Federal grants³⁾

Baden-Württemberg	DM mn	-	-	-
Bavaria	DM mn	-	-	-
Berlin	DM mn	3 739	3 725	3 763
Brandenburg	DM mn	2 620	2 618	2 647
Bremen	DM mn	2 118	2 120	2 125
Hamburg	DM mn	-	-	-
Hesse	DM mn	-	-	-
Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania	DM mn	1 980	1 976	1 991
Lower Saxony	DM mn	1 286	1 414	1 536
North Rhine-Westphalia	DM mn	-	-	-
Rhineland-Palatinate	DM mn	972	1 037	1 182
Saarland	DM mn	2 026	2 016	2 018
Saxony	DM mn	4 504	4 492	4 531
Saxony-Anhalt	DM mn	2 878	2 870	2 892
Schleswig-Holstein	DM mn	392	346	323
Thuringia	DM mn	2 634	2 627	2 649
Volume of equalisation	DM mn	25 151	25 240	25 656

1) Preliminary result. - 2) + = Receipt of equalisation payments, - = Payment of equalisation. - 3) Revenue from Supplementary Federal grants.

Germany in a Global Context

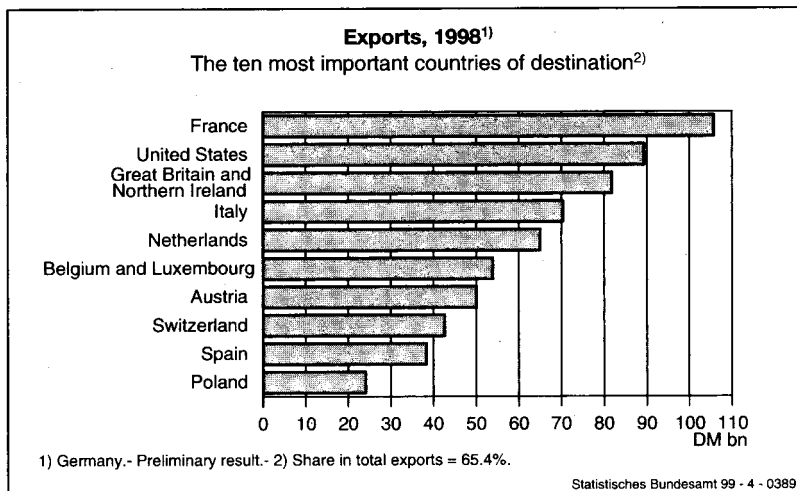


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GERMANY AS A TRADING PARTNER

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Exports	DM mn	788 937	888 616	949 618
Major countries of destination				
France	DM mn	87 911	94 420	105 775
United States	DM mn	60 114	76 617	89 303
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	DM mn	63 667	74 962	81 850
Italy	DM mn	59 271	65 053	70 355
Netherland	DM mn	60 277	63 054	65 062
Belgium and Luxembourg	DM mn	49 832	51 666	53 896
Austria	DM mn	45 506	46 680	50 101
Switzerland	DM mn	37 791	39 847	42 636
Spain	DM mn	28 959	33 071	38 414
Poland	DM mn	16 366	20 666	24 112

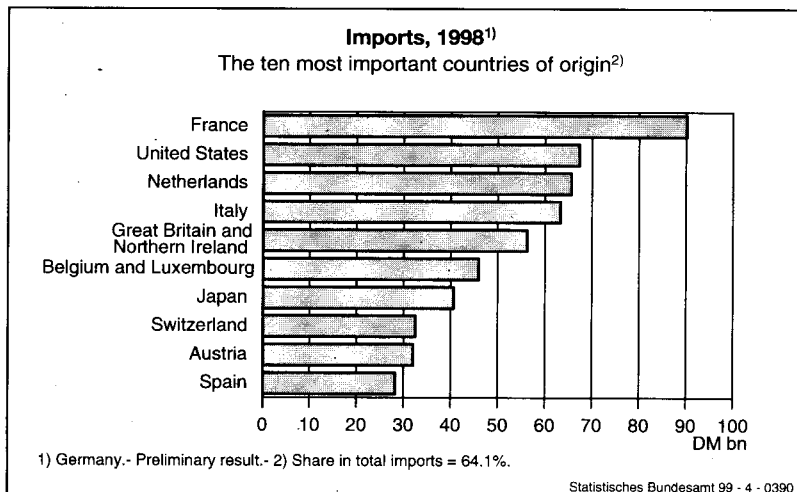
1) Preliminary result.



GERMANY AS A TRADING PARTNER

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Imports	DM mn	690 399	772 149	821 040
Major countries of origin				
France.....	DM mn	73 681	81 090	90 145
United States	DM mn	49 488	59 039	67 311
Netherlands.....	DM mn	61 097	67 537	65 561
Italy.....	DM mn	58 343	61 074	63 307
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	DM mn	47 486	54 342	56 226
Belgium and Luxembourg	DM mn	43 906	47 421	45 915
Japan	DM mn	34 440	37 478	40 651
Switzerland	DM mn	27 397	29 858	32 487
Austria.....	DM mn	27 275	29 082	32 055
Spain.....	DM mn	22 856	25 941	28 290

1) Preliminary result.

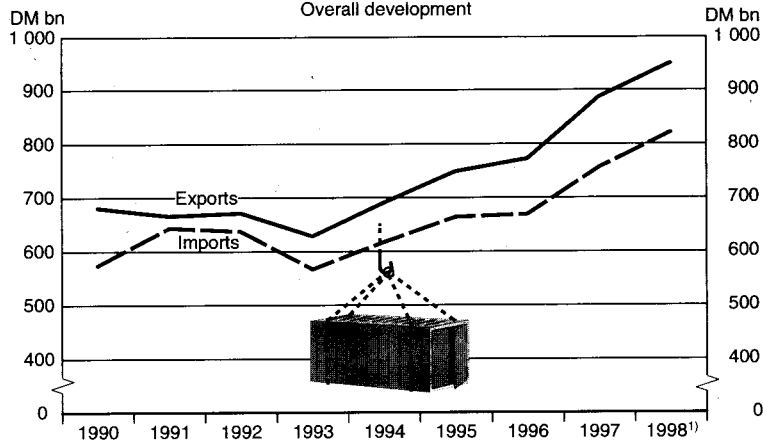


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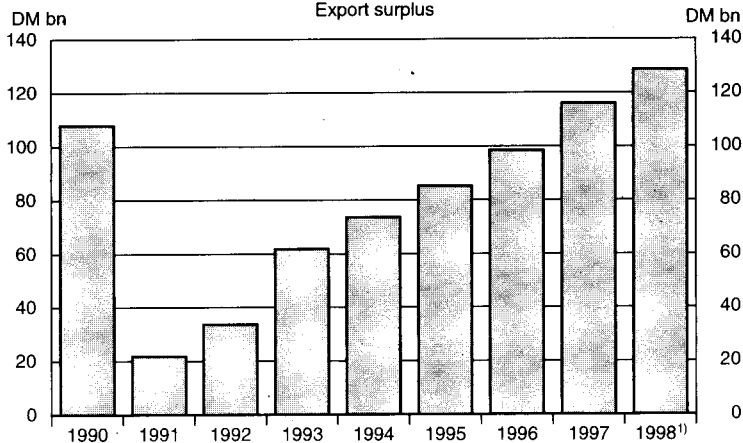
Development of foreign trade

Germany

Overall development



Export surplus



1) Preliminary result.

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GERMANY AS A TRADING PARTNER

Specification	Unit	1996	1997	1998 ¹⁾
Germany				
Exports	DM mn	788 937	888 616	949 618
by groups and sub-groups of commodities				
Food industry	DM mn	41 841	43 960	43 846
Live animals	DM mn	947	1 090	1 091
Food of animal origin	DM mn	12 985	13 721	13 393
Food of plant origin	DM mn	20 882	21 810	21 833
Semi-luxury food and tobacco	DM mn	7 027	7 338	7 530
Trade and industry	DM mn	720 712	821 023	869 207
Raw materials	DM mn	7 018	7 200	6 682
Semi-finished products	DM mn	38 822	44 032	41 714
Finished products	DM mn	674 872	769 791	820 811
Intermediate goods	DM mn	114 407	131 291	131 528
Final goods	DM mn	560 465	638 500	689 283
Goods returned and replacements	DM mn	26 384	23 633	37 074
Imports	DM mn	690 399	772 149	821 040
by groups and sub-groups of commodities				
Food industry	DM mn	71 405	74 872	72 756
Live animals	DM mn	1 084	648	593
Food of animal origin	DM mn	19 673	20 263	19 358
Food of plant origin	DM mn	40 734	41 825	40 798
Semi-luxury food and tobacco	DM mn	9 913	12 137	12 007
Trade and industry	DM mn	584 269	647 257	673 222
Raw materials	DM mn	36 045	38 339	31 790
Semi-finished products	DM mn	62 845	73 293	66 504
Finished products	DM mn	485 378	535 626	574 928
Intermediate goods	DM mn	81 398	88 746	92 577
Final goods	DM mn	403 980	446 879	482 351
Goods returned and replacements	DM mn	34 725	50 019	68 050
Export surplus	DM mn	+ 98 538	+ 116 467	+ 128 578

1) Preliminary result.

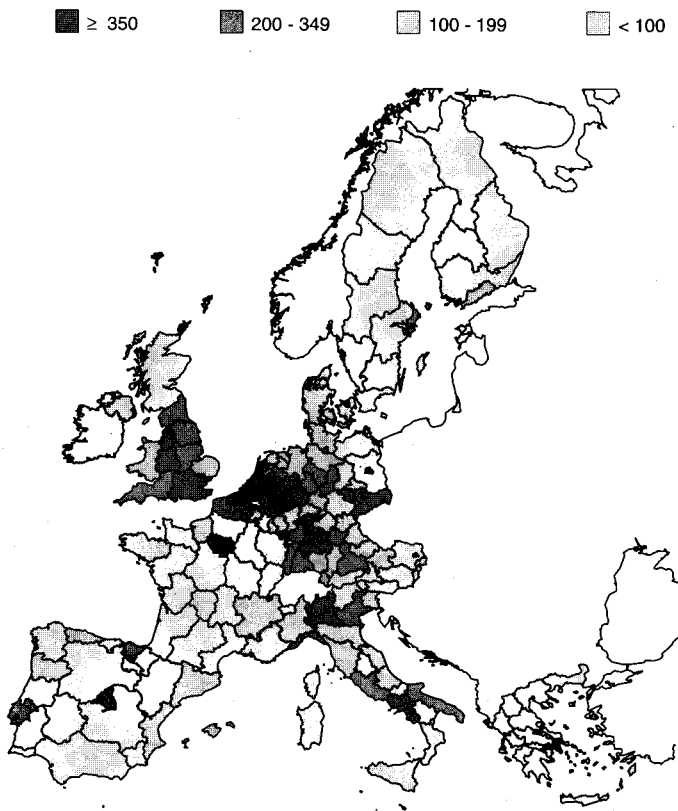
GERMANY IN EUROPE*)

Country	Area	Population ¹⁾	Inhabitants ¹⁾	Excess of births (+) or deaths (-)
	1 000 km ²	1 000	per km ²	per 1 000 inhab.
Austria	84	8 075	96	+ 0.6
Belgium	31	10 192	334	+ 1.1
Denmark	43	5 295	123	+ 1.5
Finland	338	5 147	15	+ 2.0
France	544	58 723	108	+ 3.3
Germany	357	82 057	230	- 0.6
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	242	59 084	244	+ 1.6
Greece	132	10 508	80	+ 0.1
Ireland	70	3 693	53	+ 5.6
Italy	301	57 563	191	- 0.4
Luxembourg	3	424	164	+ 3.7
Netherlands	42	15 650	377	+ 3.5
Portugal	92	9 957	108	+ 0.8
Spain	506	39 348	78	+ 0.0
Sweden	450	8 848	20	- 0.3
European Union (EU)	3 234	374 564	116	+ 0.9
Euro zone	2 367	290 829	123	+ 0.8
Memo item:				
EU candidate countries				
Cyprus	9	746	81	+ 6.3
Czech Republic	79	10 299	131	- 2.1
Estonia	45	1 454	32	- 4.1
Hungary	93	10 135	109	- 3.8
Poland	323	38 660	120	+ 0.8
Slovenia	20	1 985	98	- 0.3

*) 1997. - 1) At the end of the year.

GERMANY IN EUROPE

Inhabitants per km² by regions¹⁾



1) Based on NUTS2, for Great Britain and Northern Ireland on NUTS1 (NUTS=Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics). - 1998 or latest year available.

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GERMANY IN EUROPE*)

Country	Activity rate ¹⁾	Unemploy- ment rate	Persons engaged in economic activity ²⁾ in		
			agriculture, forestry, fisheries	production industries	the service sector ³⁾
	%	% of the persons engaged in economic activity			
Austria	58.4	4.4	6.9	29.6	63.5
Belgium	50.5	9.2	2.7	27.5	69.8
Denmark	65.4	5.5	3.7	26.2	70.0
Finland.....	60.1	13.1	7.8	27.4	64.8
France	55.4	12.4	4.6	26.6	68.8
Germany	57.7	10.0	2.9	34.7	62.4
Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	61.8	7.0	1.9	26.9	71.2
Greece.....	48.9	9.6	19.8	22.5	57.7
Ireland	55.4	10.1	10.9	28.6	60.5
Italy	47.7	12.1	6.5	31.7	61.8
Luxembourg.....	51.2	2.6	2.3	23.3	74.3
Netherlands	60.9	5.2	3.7	22.9	73.4
Portugal.....	57.7	6.8	13.3	31.0	55.7
Spain	49.1	20.8	8.3	29.9	61.8
Sweden.....	60.8	9.9	3.2	25.6	71.2
European Union (EU)	55.4	10.7	5.0	29.5	65.6
Euro zone	54.0	11.6	5.3	30.4	64.3
Memo item:					
EU candidate countries					
Cyprus ⁴⁾	62.6	3.1	10.5	24.4	65.0
Czech Republic	61.1	4.7	5.8	41.6	52.6
Estonia.....	64.2	10.5	9.9	32.1	58.0
Hungary	55.0	8.1	8.1	33.9	58.1
Poland.....	57.7	11.2	20.4	31.9	47.6
Slovenia	59.1	7.1	12.0	40.5	47.5

*) 1997. - 1) Share of the persons engaged in economic activity in the population of 15 years or more. - 2) In some countries excl. soldiers. - 3) Incl. persons in not sufficiently specified branches of economic activity. - 4) 1996.

GERMANY IN EUROPE*)

Country	Consumer price index ¹⁾	Telephone main stations	Passenger cars ²⁾	Energy consumption ³⁾ (coal equivalent)	Inhabitants per physician
	1995 = 100	per 1 000 inhabitants		toe ⁴⁾ per inhabitant	number
Austria	104	490	462	2.89	280
Belgium	104	474	433	5.74 ⁵⁾	263
Denmark	105	632	332	4.04	359
Finland	104	555	378	4.51	338
France	104	582	442	4.17	343
Germany	103	563	504 ⁶⁾	4.14	290
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	106	543	376	3.86	637
Greece	119	519	223	2.61	255
Ireland	106	410	278	3.29	431
Italy	108	452	535	2.76	519 ⁷⁾
Luxembourg	104	601	565	. ⁸⁾	423
Netherlands	105	551	370	5.41	413
Portugal	107	406	292	1.82	328
Spain	107	396	385	2.72	240
Sweden	104	689	418	4.92	378
European Union (EU)	105	521	.	3.72	.
Euro zone	105	509	.	3.69	.
Memo item:					
EU candidate countries					
Cyprus	109	499	305	.	469
Czech Republic	131	313	347	3.74	320
Estonia	151	329	295	.	330
Hungary	167	311	231	2.44	259
Poland	156	189	221	2.55	425
Slovenia	121	375	398	.	460

*) 1997 or latest year available. - 1) 1998. - 2) Excl. station wagons. - 3) Commercial energy calculated from production plus imports minus exports plus/minus change in stocks. - 4) 1 tonne of oil equivalent (toe) = 41 860 kJ n.c.v./kg (net calorific value/kg). - 5) incl. data for Luxembourg. - 6) Incl. station wagons. - 7) Only employees in hospitals. - 8) The data for Luxembourg are included with Belgium.

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Country	Production of selected products			Agricultural products	
	electricity	raw steel	passenger cars	grain ¹⁾	meat
	1 000 GWh	1 000 t	1 000	1 000 t	
Austria	57	5 195	68 ²⁾	5 009	864
Belgium	79	10 738	412	2 350	1 747 ³⁾
Denmark	45	786	–	9 683	1 879 ⁴⁾
Finland	69	3 711	2	3 799	336
France	504	19 774	2 259	63 450	6 321
Germany	546	45 007	4 678	45 486	5 832
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	345	18 545	1 698	23 531	3 646
Greece	44	1 016	–	4 630	524
Ireland	20	336	–	1 943	984
Italy	252	25 798	1 563	19 700	4 018
Luxembourg	1	2 580	–	161	⁵⁾
Netherlands	86	6 641	197	1 536	2 556
Portugal	29	904	178	1 450	706
Spain	184	13 683	2 010	19 375	3 986
Sweden	149	5 105	376	5 986	572
European Union (EU)	2 408	159 798	13 442	208 089	33 971
Euro zone	1 826	134 359	11 368⁶⁾	164 259	27 350
Memo item:					
EU candidate countries					
Cyprus	3	–	–	141	95
Czech Republic	65	6 750	321	6 950	920
Estonia	9	4	–	594	54
Hungary	36	1 690	76	14 160	1 177
Poland	143	11 591	322	25 400	2 496
Slovenia	5	373	96	547	178

*) 1997 or latest year available. – 1) Incl. rice. – 2) Sales. – 3) Incl. data for Luxembourg. – 4) Excl. data for Faeroe Islands and Greenland. – 5) The data for Luxembourg are included with Belgium. – 6) Total of values shown.

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Country	Imports and arrivals		Exports and dispatches		Balance	
	total	per inhabitant	total	per inhabitant		
	ECU mn	ECU	ECU mn	ECU	ECU mn	
Austria	57 969	7 179	52 521	6 504	-	5 448
Belgium - Luxembourg.....	140 159	13 203	150 896	14 214	+	10 737
Denmark	39 814	7 519	43 757	8 264	+	3 943
Finland	27 497	5 342	36 375	7 067	+	8 878
France	251 149	4 277	266 171	4 533	+	15 022
Germany	384 762	4 689	451 352	5 500	+	66 590
Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	270 285	4 575	247 164	4 183	-	23 121
Greece	22 587	2 150	9 873	940	-	12 714
Ireland	32 588	8 824	46 442	12 576	+	13 854
Italy	183 675	3 191	210 234	3 652	+	26 559
Netherlands	163 686	10 459	178 970	11 436	+	15 284
Portugal	29 594	2 972	20 427	2 052	-	9 167
Spain	101 019	2 567	88 425	2 247	-	12 594
Sweden.....	57 685	6 520	72 839	8 232	+	15 154
European Union (EU)	1 762 469	4 705	1 875 446	5 007	+	112 977
Euro zone	1 372 098	4 718	1 501 813	5 164	+	129 715
Memo item:						
EU candidate countries						
Cyprus	3 259	4 369	1 098	1 472	-	2 161
Czech Republic	23 799	2 311	19 845	1 927	-	3 954
Estonia	3 785	2 603	2 421	1 665	-	1 364
Hungary	18 725	1 848	16 843	1 662	-	1 882
Poland.....	37 309	965	22 708	587	-	14 601
Slovenia	8 252	4 157	7 383	3 719	-	869

*) 1997.

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Country	Gross domestic product at market prices					
	at		shares			
	current	fixed	final consumption of households	final consumption of general government	gross capital formation	balance of exports and imports
	prices					
	1995 = 100		% of gross domestic product ¹⁾			
Austria	108	104	56.1	19.4	25.2	- 0.6
Belgium	108	104	63.3	14.4	17.8	+ 4.5
Denmark	111	107	50.7	25.3	20.6	+ 3.3
Finland	113	110	52.9	20.9	17.3	+ 8.8
France	106	104	59.9	19.3	16.8	+ 3.9
Germany	105	104	57.8	19.4	21.3	+ 1.5
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	113	106	64.7	18.4	17.1	- 0.1
Greece	122	106	73.4	14.8	20.1	- 8.3
Ireland	124	120	49.5	13.1	19.6	+ 17.8
Italy	110	102	61.8	16.3	17.5	+ 4.3
Luxembourg	111	107	53.1	13.3	22.7	+ 10.9
Netherlands	111	107	59.1	13.7	20.2	+ 7.0
Portugal	112	107	64.5	18.6	25.6	- 8.7
Spain	112	106	62.0	16.2	20.7	+ 1.2
Sweden	105	103	53.1	25.8	14.1	+ 7.0
European Union (EU)	111	105	60.4	18.2	19.0	+ 2.4
Euro zone	110	104	59.7	17.8	19.5	+ 3.0
Memo item:						
EU candidate countries						
Cyprus	109	105	60.6	18.6	24.1	- 5.8
Czech Republic	122	105	51.4	20.2	33.9	- 5.5
Estonia	160	116	58.4	22.9	29.8	- 11.4
Hungary	152	106	51.1	21.9	27.5	- 1.0
Poland	154	113	65.3	17.3	22.4	- 5.0
Slovenia	131	107	56.5	20.4	24.0	- 1.0

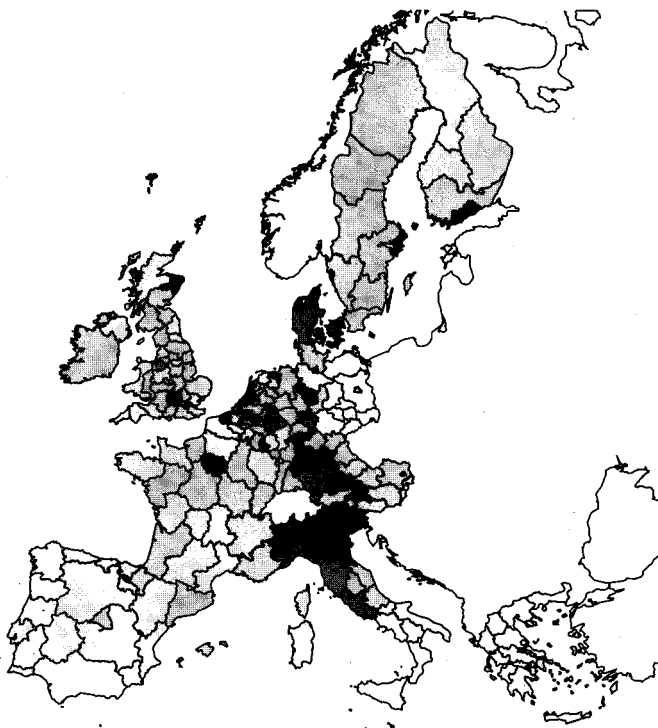
*) 1997. - 1) At current prices.

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**Gross domestic product (in purchasing power parities) per inhabitant,
1996, by regions¹⁾**

EU = 100

■ ≥ 120 ■ 110 - 119 ■ 90 - 109 ■ 70 - 89 □ < 70



1) Based on NUTS2, 1998. (NUTS=Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics).

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EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION*)

Country	1996	1997	1998
Consumer price index¹⁾			
Changes on the previous year in %			
Threshold value	+ 2.5	+ 2.7	+ 2.2
Austria	+ 1.8	+ 1.2	+ 0.8
Belgium	+ 1.8	+ 1.5	+ 0.9
Denmark	+ 2.1	+ 1.9	+ 1.3
Finland	+ 1.1	+ 1.2	+ 1.4
France	+ 2.1	+ 1.3	+ 0.7
Germany	+ 1.2	+ 1.5	+ 0.6
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	+ 2.5	+ 1.8	+ 1.5
Greece	+ 7.9	+ 5.4	+ 4.5
Ireland	+ 2.2	+ 1.2	+ 2.1
Italy	+ 4.0	+ 1.9	+ 2.0
Luxembourg	+ 1.2	+ 1.4	+ 1.0
Netherlands	+ 1.4	+ 1.9	+ 1.8
Portugal	+ 2.9	+ 1.9	+ 2.2
Spain	+ 3.6	+ 1.9	+ 1.8
Sweden	+ 0.8	+ 1.8	+ 1.0
European Union (EU)	+ 2.4	+ 1.7	+ 1.3
Euro zone²⁾	+ 2.2	+ 1.6	+ 1.1
Memo item:			
EU candidate countries			
Cyprus	+ 3.0	+ 3.6	+ 2.2
Czech Republic	+ 8.8	+ 8.5	+ 10.7
Estonia	+ 23.1	+ 11.2	+ 10.8
Hungary	+ 23.6	+ 18.3	+ 14.3
Poland	+ 19.9	+ 14.9	+ 11.8
Slovenia	+ 9.9	+ 8.4	+ 7.9

*) Source: Eurostat. The data shown here are current data or estimates of the EU Commission, reference date March 1999; they are based on the latest national statistics available. They are not always equivalent to other official statements on the current situation regarding the convergence criteria. -

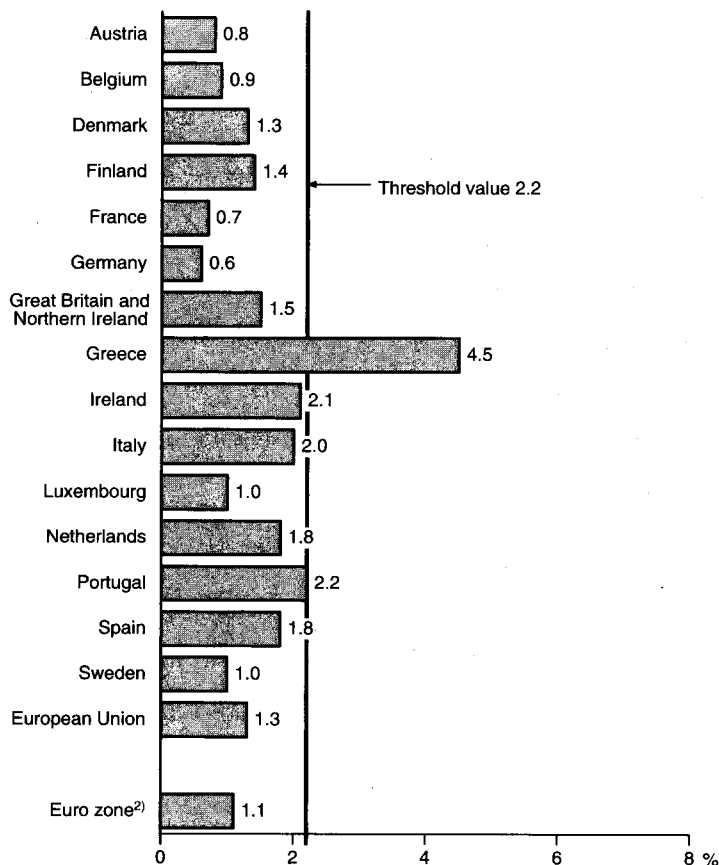
1) Harmonised consumer price index. - For the EU candidate countries: national consumer price index. -

2) As of 1 January 1999, the euro zone, initially consisting of 11 EU Member States (Belgium, Germany, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Spain) was founded to implement the third stage of the European economic and monetary union (EMU) as agreed on in the Maastricht Treaty. At the same time, the euro was introduced as the single European currency.

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Consumer price index¹⁾, 1998

Changes on the previous year in %



1) Source: Eurostat, March 1999.- Harmonized indices for international price comparisons.- 2) Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal and Spain.

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Country	1996	1997	1998
Long-term interest rate¹⁾			
	in %		
Threshold value	9.1	8.0	6.6
Austria	6.3	5.7	4.7
Belgium	6.5	5.8	4.8
Denmark	7.2	6.3	4.9
Finland	7.1	6.0	4.8
France	6.3	5.6	4.6
Germany	6.2	5.6	4.6
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	7.9	7.1	5.6
Greece	14.4	9.9	8.5
Ireland	7.3	6.3	4.8
Italy	9.4	6.9	4.9
Luxembourg	6.3	5.6	4.7
Netherlands	6.2	5.6	4.6
Portugal	8.6	6.4	4.9
Spain	8.7	6.4	4.8
Sweden	8.0	6.6	5.0
European Union (EU)	7.5	6.3	4.9
Euro zone²⁾	7.2	6.0	4.7
Memo item:			
EU candidate countries			
Cyprus	7.0	6.9	.
Czech Republic	6.8	7.7	8.1
Estonia	5.3	12.2	.
Hungary	20.1	17.6	15.4
Poland	18.5	19.5	15.4
Slovenia	15.1	13.2	8.8

*) Source: Eurostat. The data shown here are current data or estimates of the EU Commission, reference date March 1999; they are based on the latest national statistics available. They are not always equivalent to other official statements on the current situation regarding the convergence criteria. – 1) Yield of long-term government bonds of the secondary market (gross) with a residual maturity of about ten years; as for Greece, the harmonised series starts in mid-1997. – Central European countries: average deposit rates. – 2) As of 1 January 1999, the euro zone, initially consisting of 11 EU Member States (Belgium, Germany, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Spain) was founded to implement the third stage of the European economic and monetary union (EMU) as agreed on in the Maastricht Treaty. At the same time, the euro was introduced as the single European currency.

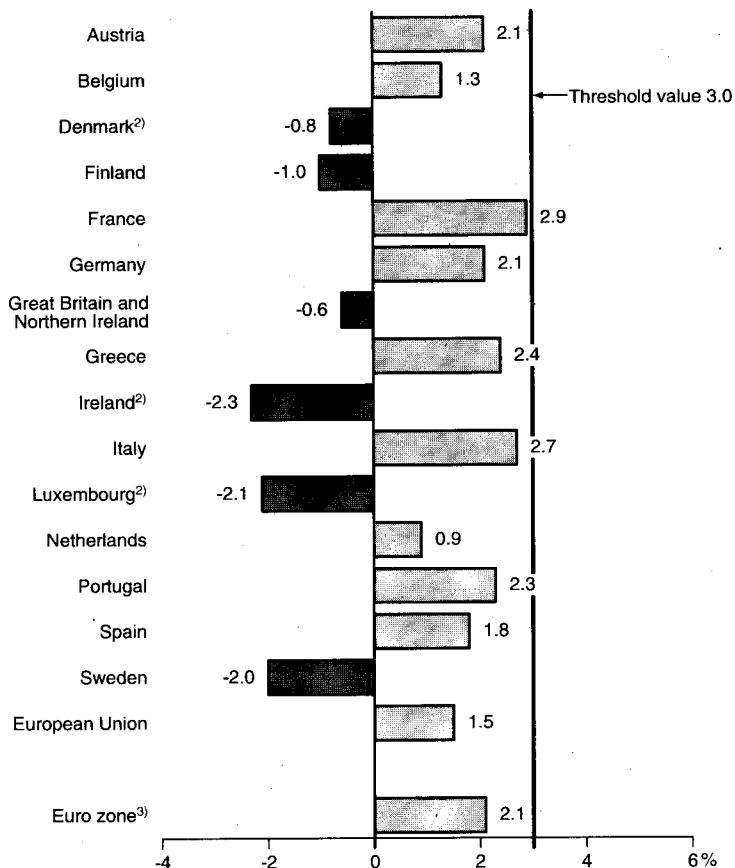
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Country	1996	1997	1998
Government budget deficit in % of the gross domestic product			
Threshold value	3.0	3.0	3.0
Austria	3.7	1.9	2.1
Belgium	3.1	1.9	1.3
Denmark	0.9	- 0.4 ¹⁾	- 0.8 ¹⁾
Finland	3.1	1.2	- 1.0 ¹⁾
France	4.1	3.0	2.9
Germany	3.4	2.7	2.1
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	4.4	1.9	- 0.6 ¹⁾
Greece	7.5	3.9	2.4
Ireland	0.3	- 1.1 ¹⁾	- 2.3 ¹⁾
Italy	6.6	2.7	2.7
Luxembourg	- 2.8 ¹⁾	- 2.9 ¹⁾	- 2.1 ¹⁾
Netherlands	2.0	0.9	0.9
Portugal	3.3	2.5	2.3
Spain	4.5	2.6	1.8
Sweden	3.5	0.7	- 2.0 ¹⁾
European Union (EU)	4.1	2.3	1.5
Euro zone²⁾	4.1	2.5	2.1
Memo item:			
EU candidate countries			
Cyprus	3.4	5.1	.
Czech Republic	1.8	2.2	.
Estonia	1.5	- 2.1 ¹⁾	.
Hungary	3.1	4.8	.
Poland	2.5	3.1	.
Slovenia	- 0.3 ¹⁾	1.1	.

*) Source: Eurostat. The data shown here are current data or estimates of the EU Commission, reference date March 1999; they are based on the latest national statistics available. They are not always equivalent to other official statements on the current situation regarding the convergence criteria. - 1) Budget surplus. - 2) As of 1 January 1999, the euro zone, initially consisting of 11 EU Member States (Belgium, Germany, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Spain) was founded to implement the third stage of the European economic and monetary union (EMU) as agreed on in the Maastricht Treaty. At the same time, the euro was introduced as the single European currency.

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Budget deficit¹⁾, 1998
in % of the gross domestic product



1) Source: Eurostat, March 1999. - 2) Budget surplus. - 3) Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal and Spain.

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Country	1996	1997	1998
Government debt in % of the gross domestic product			
Threshold value	60.0	60.0	60.0
Austria	69.8	64.3	63.1
Belgium	128.0	123.4	117.3
Denmark	67.4	63.6	58.1
Finland	57.8	54.9	49.6
France	55.7	58.1	58.5
Germany	60.8	61.5	61.0
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	53.6	52.1	49.4
Greece	112.2	109.4	106.5
Ireland	69.4	61.3	52.1
Italy	124.6	122.4	118.7
Luxembourg	6.3	6.4	6.7
Netherlands	77.0	71.2	67.7
Portugal	64.9	61.7	57.8
Spain	68.6	67.5	65.6
Sweden	76.7	76.7	75.1
European Union (EU)	73.2	71.7	69.5
Euro zone¹⁾	75.0	74.6	73.8
Memo item:			
EU candidate countries			
Cyprus	53.2	55.7	.
Czech Republic	10.2	9.9	.
Estonia	.	6.8	.
Hungary	72.1	63.7	.
Poland	48.6	46.0	.
Slovenia	31.2	31.7	.

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