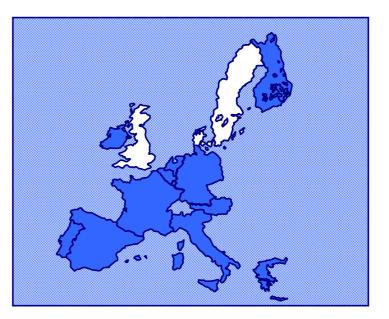


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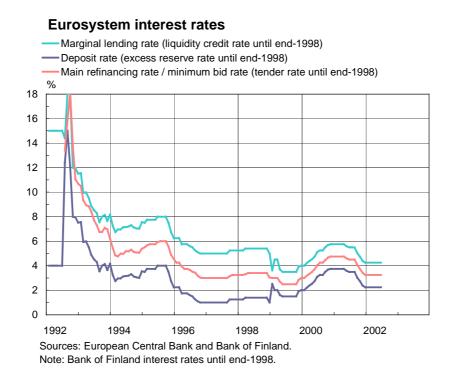


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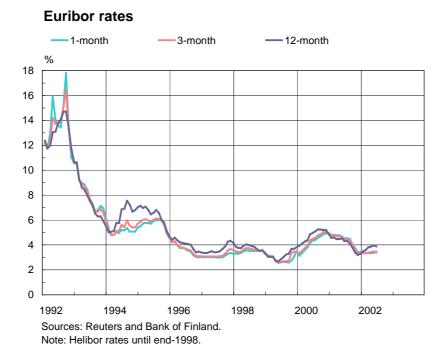


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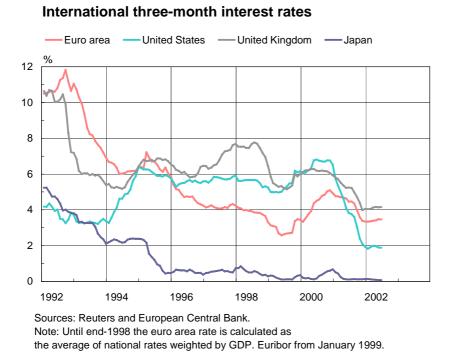
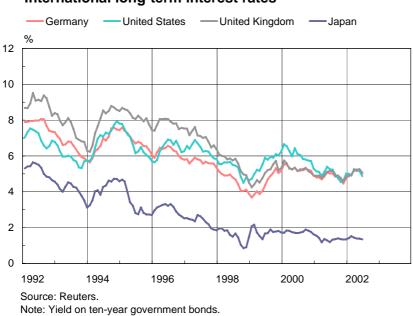


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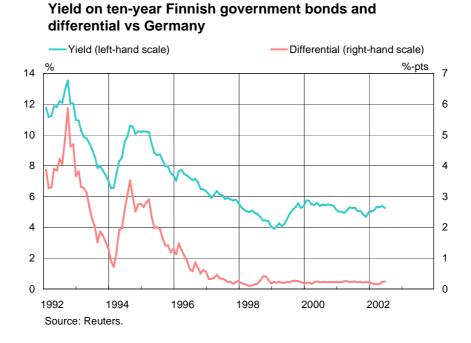
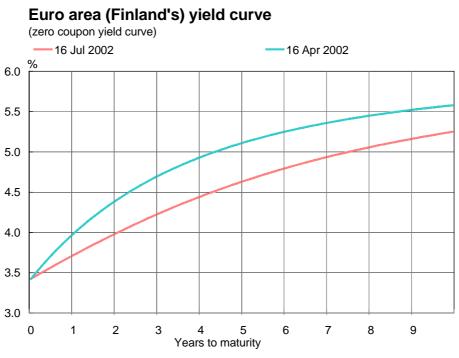


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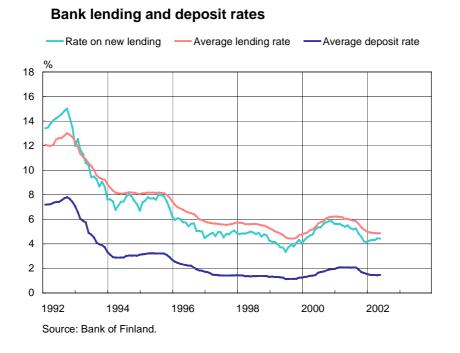
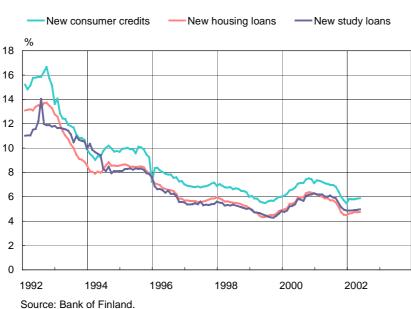


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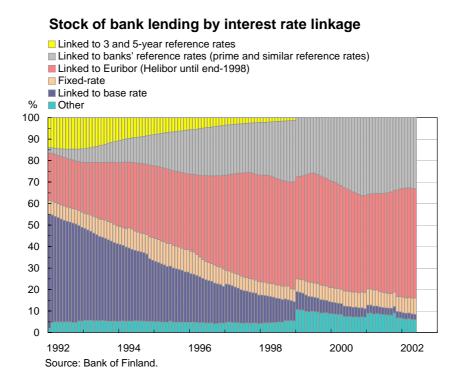


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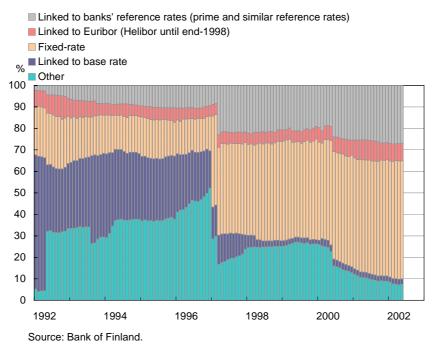


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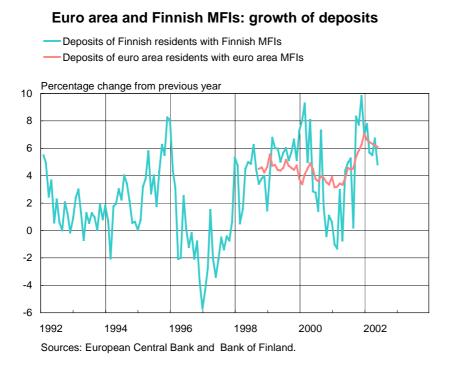
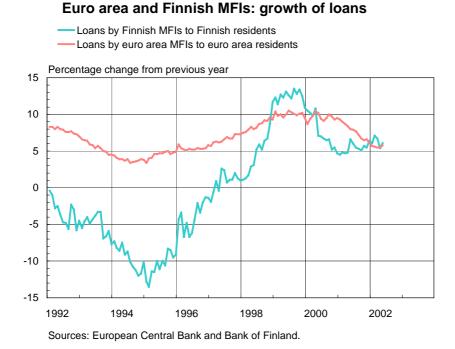


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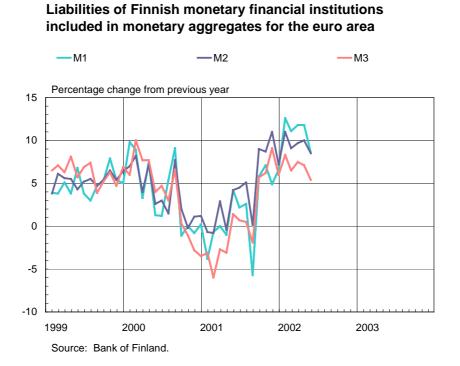
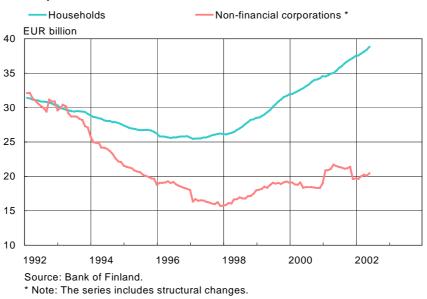


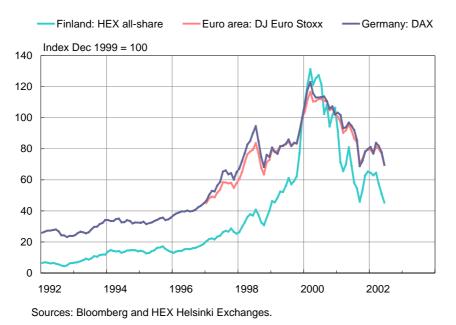
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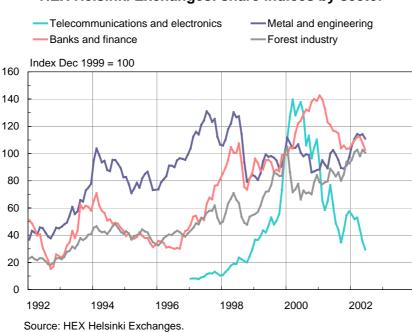
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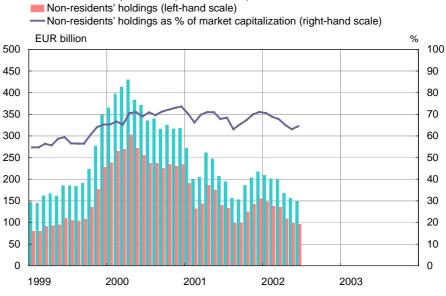
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12-month moving totals

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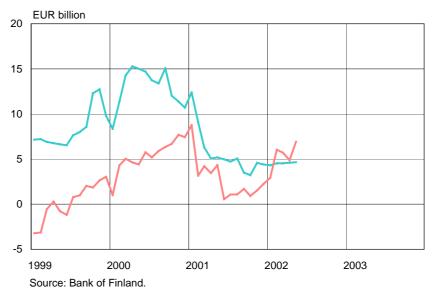


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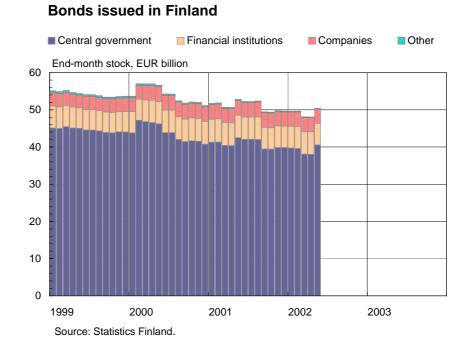
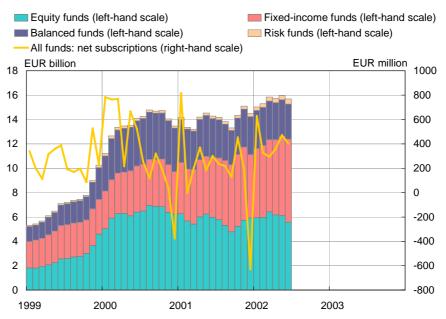


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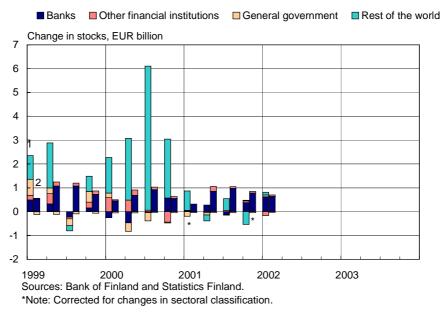
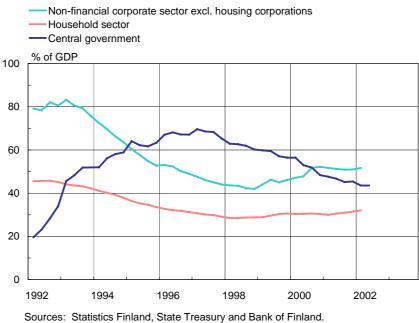


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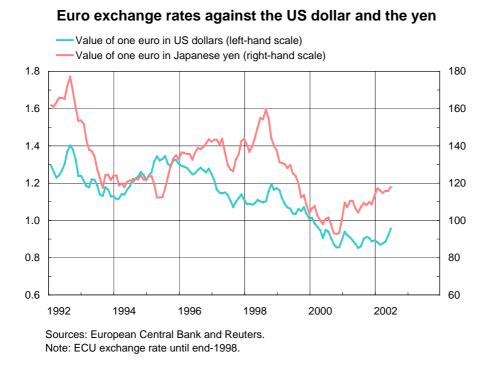
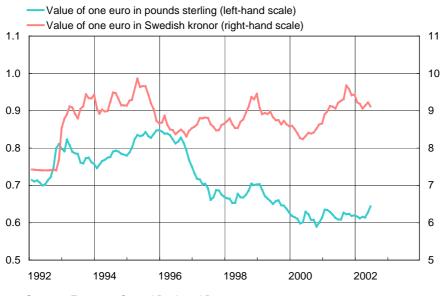


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Sources: European Central Bank and Reuters. Note: ECU exchange rate until end-1998.

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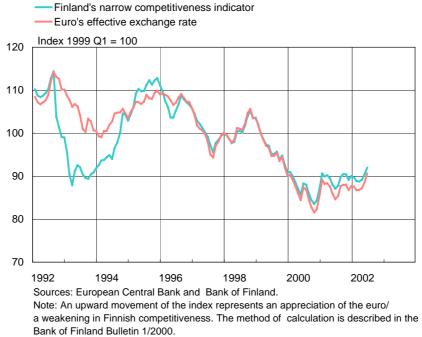
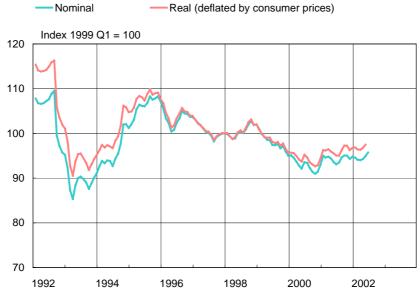


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Competitiveness indicators for Finland

Source: Bank of Finland.

Note: Narrow plus euro area competitiveness indicator. See also note in Chart 25.

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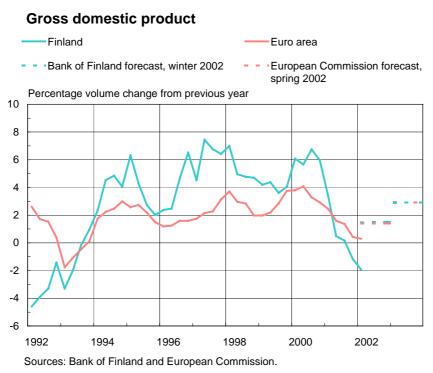
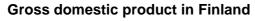
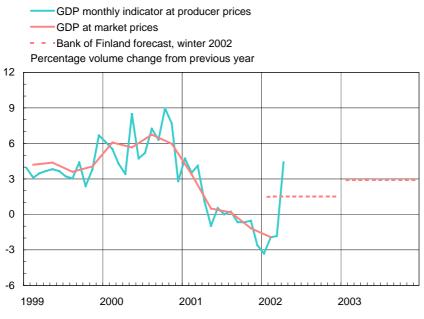


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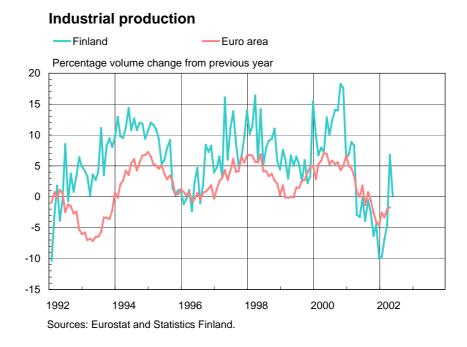
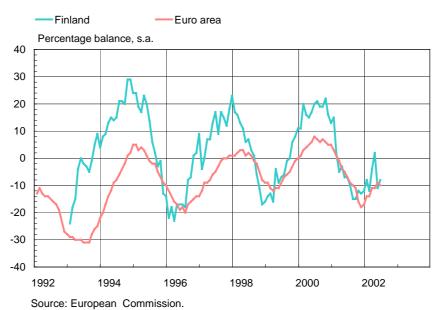
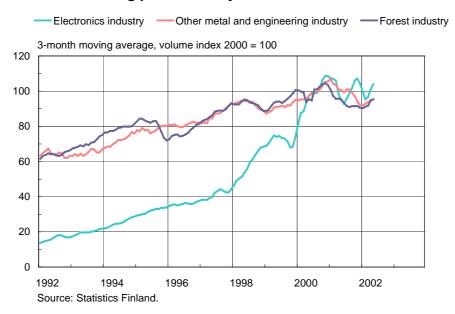


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Industrial confidence indicator

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Manufacturing production by sector in Finland

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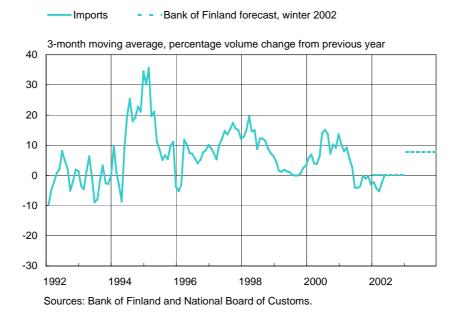


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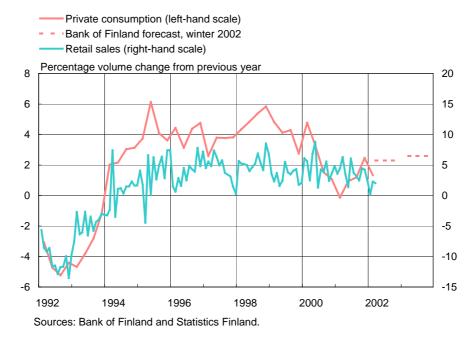
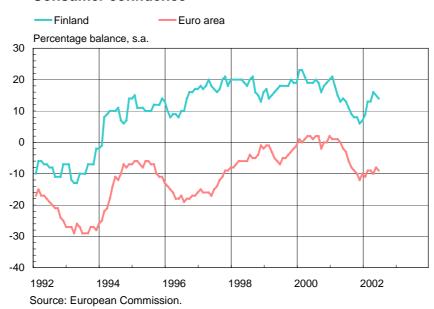


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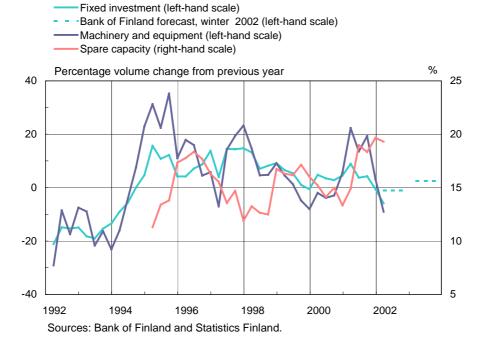
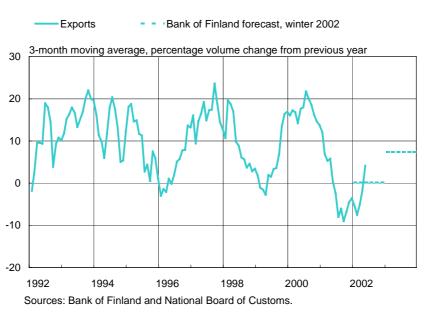


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Construction indicators - All building starts (four-quarter moving total) --Residential buildings starts, (four-quarter moving total) ----- Industrial investment prospects, (right-hand scale) Percentage change from previous year Percentage balance 60 60 40 40 20 20 0 0 -20 -20 -40 -40 1992 1994 1996 1998 2000 2002

Sources: Federation of the Finnish Industries and Statistics Finland.

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Finland's exports of goods

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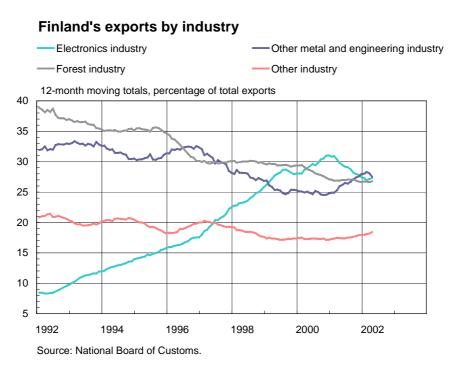


Table 1.

Supply, demand and labour market indicators

	2000	2001	2002 Actual	2002*	2003*
Supply and demand percentage volume change from previous year					
Gross domestic product at market prices	6.1	0.7	-2.0 Q1 -2.0 Q1-Q1	1.5	2.9
GDP monthly indicator at producer prices	5.9	0.7	4.4 M4 -0.7 M1-M4		
Manufacturing production	12.7	-1.7	0.4 M5 -2.9 M1-M5		
Consumption expenditure	1.8	1.4	1.5 Q1 1.5 Q1-Q1	2.5	2.4
- private	2.6	1.1	1.2 Q1 1.2 Q1-Q1	2.3	2.6
- general government	-0.2	2.1	2.1 Q1 2.1 Q1-Q1	3.1	2.1
Gross fixed capital formation	3.9	4.0	-5.7 Q1 -5.7 Q1-Q1	-1.1	2.5
- private	5.5	4.6	-6.4 Q1 -6.4 Q1-Q1	-2.0	2.5
- general government	-5.4	0.8	-0.4 Q1 -0.4 Q1-Q1	4.2	2.3
Domestic demand	2.9	2.0	-2.5 Q1 -2.5 Q1-Q1	1.5	2.4
Exports of goods and services	20.1	-2.2	-4.2 Q1 -4.2 Q1-Q1	0.3	6.8
Imports of goods and services	16.0	0.1	-6.1 Q1 -6.1 Q1-Q1	0.1	6.9
Labour market indicators					
Employed persons percentage change from previous year	1.7	1.4	0.1 M5 0.6 M1-M5	0.2	0.7
Unemployment rate, s.a. **	9.8	9.1	9.4 M5 9.2 M1-M5	9.5	9.3

Source: Statistics Finland.

* Bank of Finland forecast, winter 2002.

** Seasonally adjusted by the Bank of Finland.

Prices and costs

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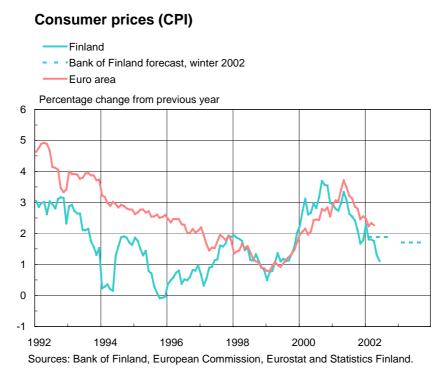


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Harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP)

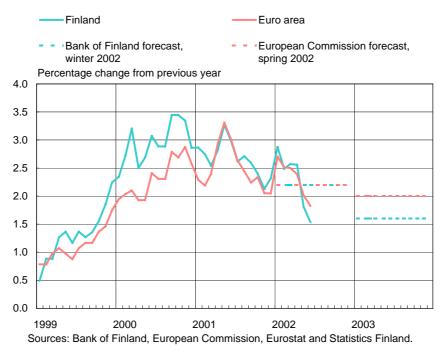


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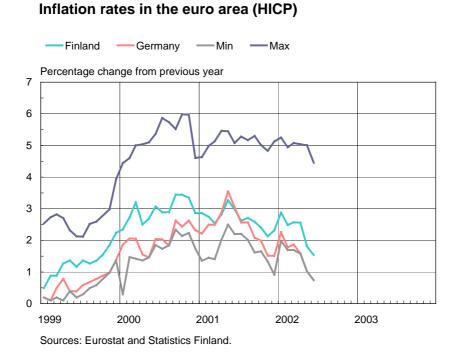
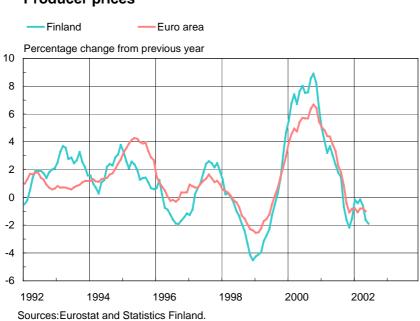
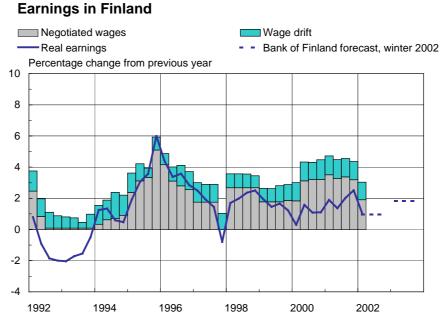


Chart 42.



Producer prices

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Sources: Bank of Finland and Statistics Finland.



Earnings in industry

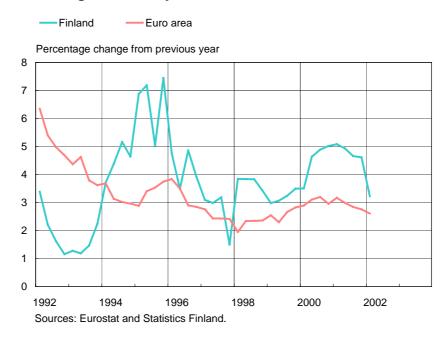


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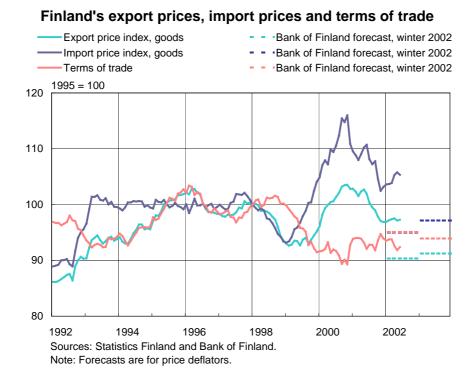


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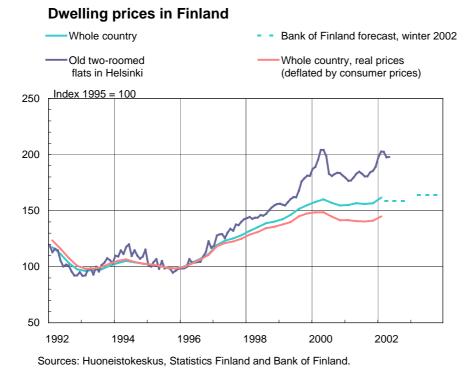


Table 2.

Cost and price indicators

Percentage change from previous year

Percentage change from previous year	2000	2001	2002 Actual		2002*	2003*
Labour costs				Actual		
Index of wages and salaries		4.5	3.0	01	2.8	3.7
	4.0	1.0		Q1-Q1	2.0	0.7
Unit labour costs			0.0	QIQI		
- whole economy	-0.6	5.2	4.8	01	1.7	1.8
- whole economy	-0.0	0.2		Q1-Q1	1.7	1.0
- manufacturing	-6.2	6.2	7.6			
manalaotaning	0.2	0.2		Q1-Q1		
Price indices			7.0	di di		
Export prices (goods)						
- export price index	7.9	-0.6	-4.6	M6		
		0.0	-4.9	M1-M6		
- export price deflator	2.7	-1.6	-5.0		-1.4	1.0
				Q1-Q1		
Import prices (goods)						
- import price index	13.1	-2.8	-4.9	M6		
			-4.4	M1-M6		
- import price deflator	6.4	-3.1	-2.3	Q1	-1.4	2.3
			-2.3	Q1-Q1		
Producer prices	7.4	1.5	-1.9	M6		
			-0.8	M1-M6		
Wholesale prices	8.1	0.3	-2.3	M6		
			-1.4	M1-M6		
Consumer prices						
- consumer price index	3.4	2.6	1.1	M6	1.9	1.7
			1.7	M1-M6		
- harmonized index of consumer prices	3.0	2.7	1.5	M6	2.2	1.6
			2.3	M1-M6		
Asset prices						
Stumpage prices	6.0	-1.9	6.1	M6		
			-1.3	M1-M6		
Dwelling prices, whole country	5.7	-0.8	4.2	Q1	1.6	3.5
			4.2	Q1-Q1		
Share prices	91.1	-42.5	-34.5	M6		
			-23.0	M1-M6		

Sources: Finnish Forest Research Institute, HEX Helsinki Exchanges, National Board of Customs and Statistics Finland.

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Labour market

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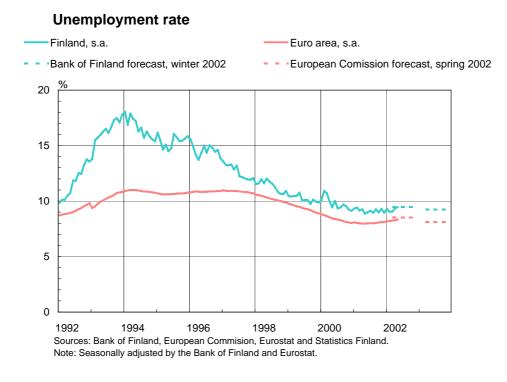
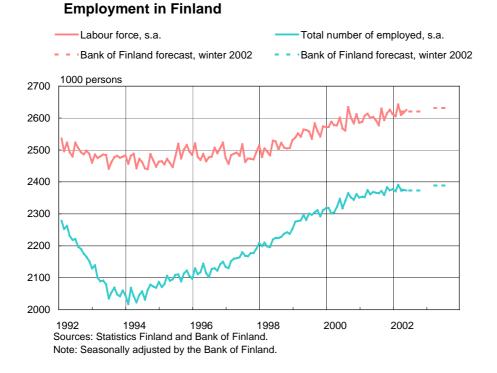


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Public finances

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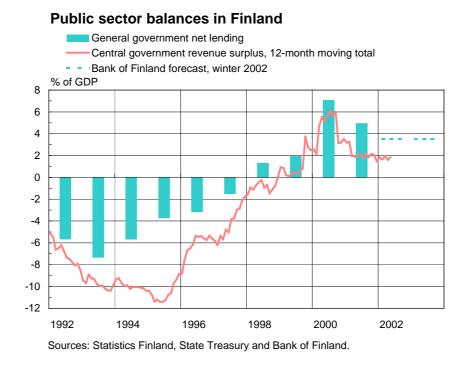
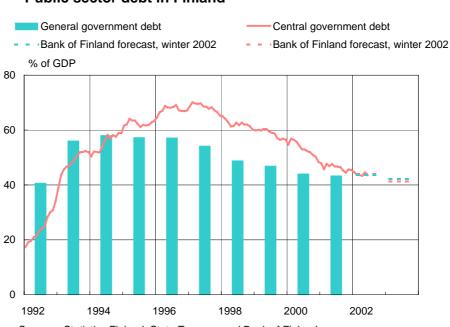


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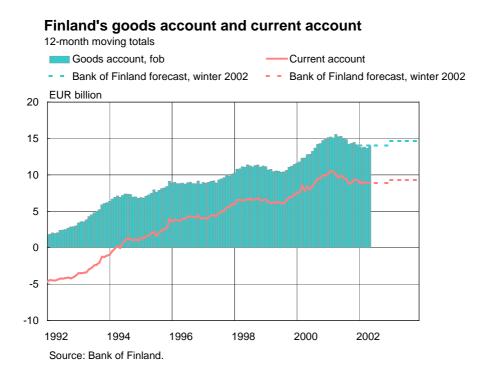


Public sector debt in Finland

Sources: Statistics Finland, State Treasury and Bank of Finland.

External balance

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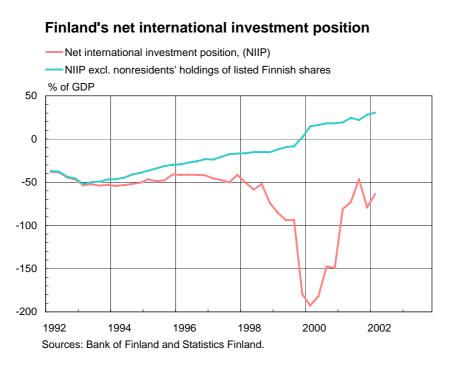


Table 3.

External balance and sectoral balances indicators

	2000	2001	2002 Actual	2002*	2003*
Goods account					
EUR billion	14.9	14.1	1.4 M05 5.7 M01-M05	14.1	14.7
per cent of GDP Current account	11.4	10.4		10.2	10.1
EUR billion	9.9	9.3	1.1 M05 2.4 M01-M05	8.9	9.3
per cent of GDP	7.6	6.8	2.1 1001 1000	6.4	6.4
Financial account					
EUR billion	-9.5	-8.8	-1.1 M05 -2.4 M01-M05		
General government	-11.0	-10.0	1.7 M05 -1.9 M01-M05		
Direct investment					
in Finland	9.6	3.8	1.0 M05		
abroad	26.1	9.3	2.7 M01-M05 0.0 M05 1.4 M01-M05		
Shares	3.2	-1.4	-1.1 M05 -1.9 M01-M05		
Other capital (incl. errors and omissions)	14.8	8.0	-2.7 M05 0.0 M01-M05		
Foreign exchange reserves (increase -)	-0.4	-0.5	0.0 M05 -0.1 M01-M05		
Net lending, saving minus investment Private sector					
EUR billion	0.7	2.6		4.0	4.2
per cent of GDP	0.7	1.9		2.9	4.2 2.9
General government	0.5	1.9		2.9	2.9
EUR billion	9.2	6.7		4.9	5.1
per cent of GDP	7.0	4.9		3.5	3.5
Central government	1.0	5		0.0	0.0
EUR billion	4.5	2.7		1.1	1.2
per cent of GDP	3.5	2.0		0.8	0.8
Local government	0.0	2.0		0.0	0.0
EUR billion	0.3	-0.5		-0.3	-0.4
per cent of GDP	0.2	-0.4		-0.2	-0.3
Social security funds	0.2	0.1		0.2	0.0
EUR billion	4.4	4.5		4.1	4.2
per cent of GDP	3.3	3.3		3.0	2.9
Net foreign debt				5.0	
per cent of GDP	149.2	79.1			
per cent of exports of goods and services	347.1	197.4			
Sectoral debt ratios, gross debt, per cent of GDP					
Non-financial corporate sector **	52.2	51.0			
Household sector	30.3	31.5			
General government (Maastricht definition)	44.0	43.6		43.6	42.1

Sources: Bank of Finland and Statistics Finland. * Bank of Finland forecast, winter 2002.

** Excl. housing corporations.