

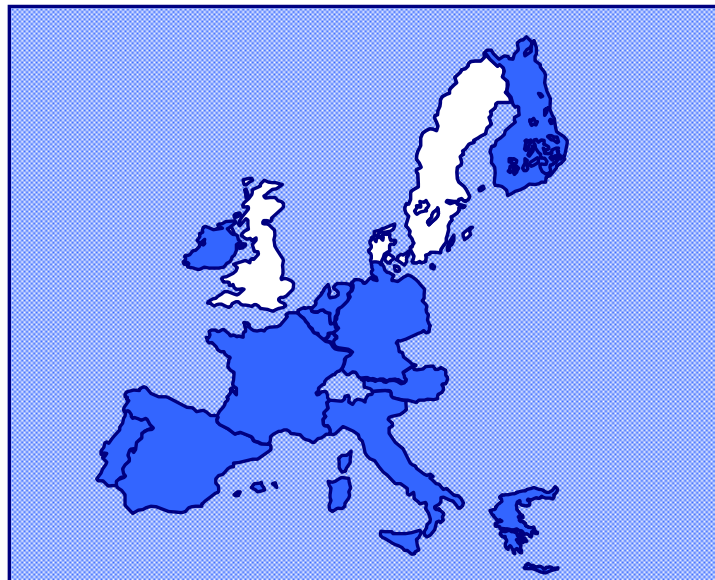


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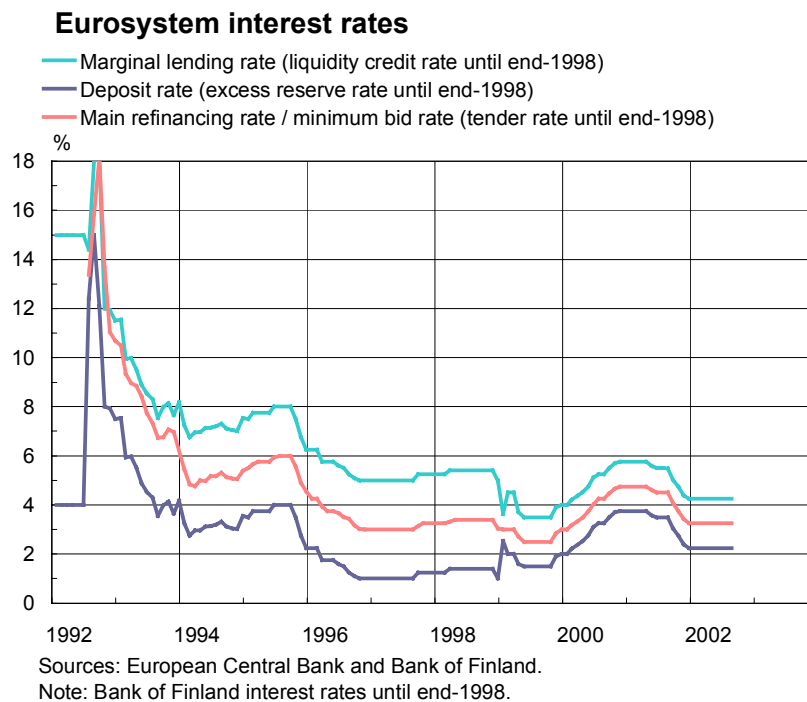


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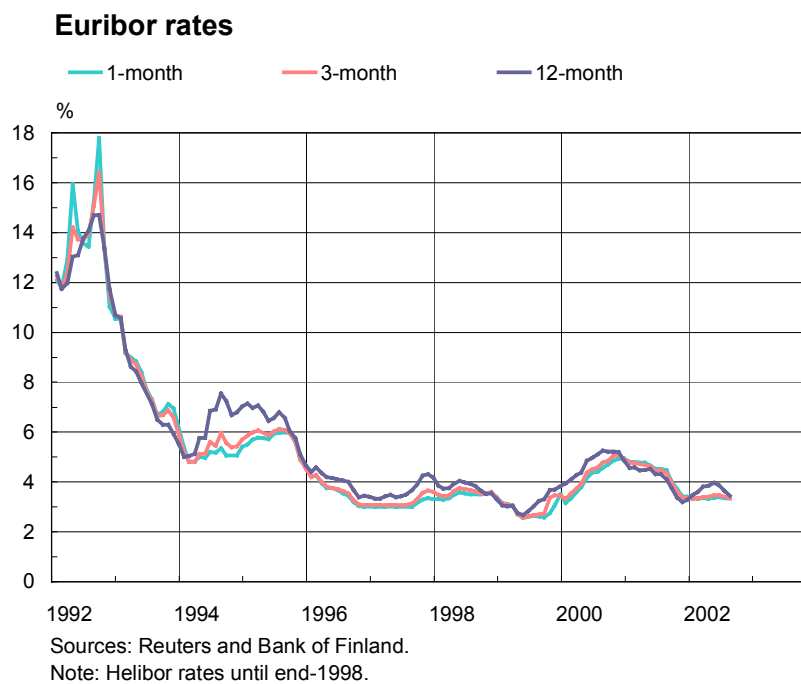
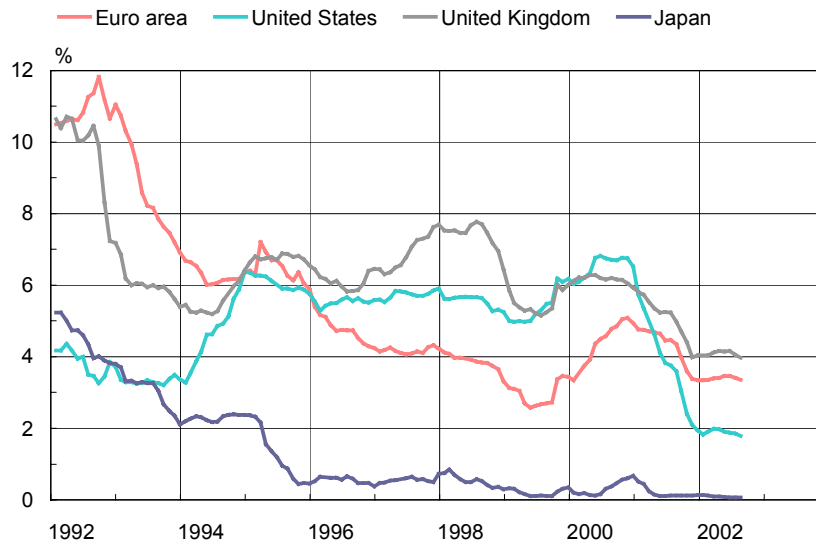


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International three-month interest rates

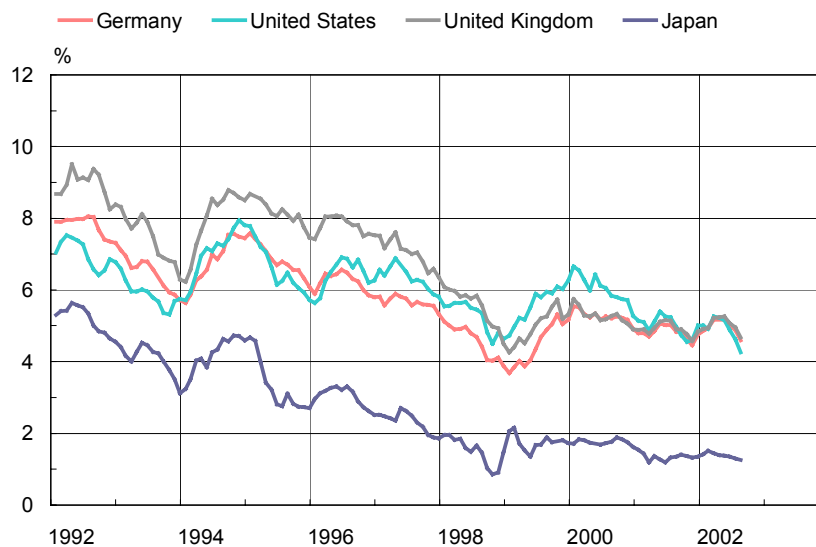


Sources: Reuters and European Central Bank.

Note: Until end-1998 the euro area rate is calculated as the average of national rates weighted by GDP. Euribor from January 1999.

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International long-term interest rates



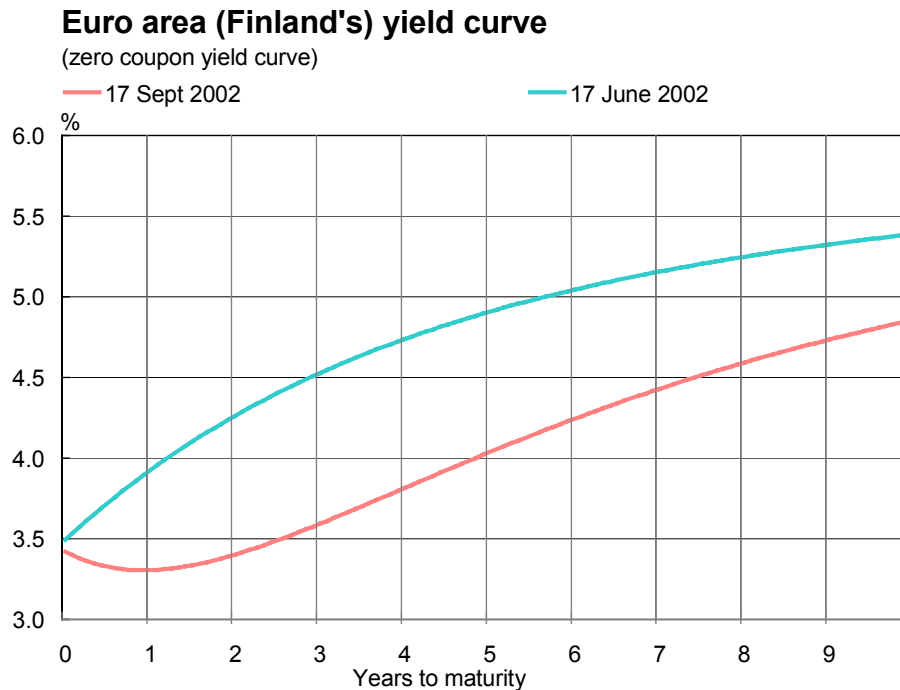
Source: Reuters.

Note: Yield on ten-year government bonds.

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Source: Bank of Finland.

Note: BOF estimation using Nelson & Siegel (1987) yield curve model applied to Eonia and Euribor rates and Finnish benchmark government bond yields.

Banking in Finland

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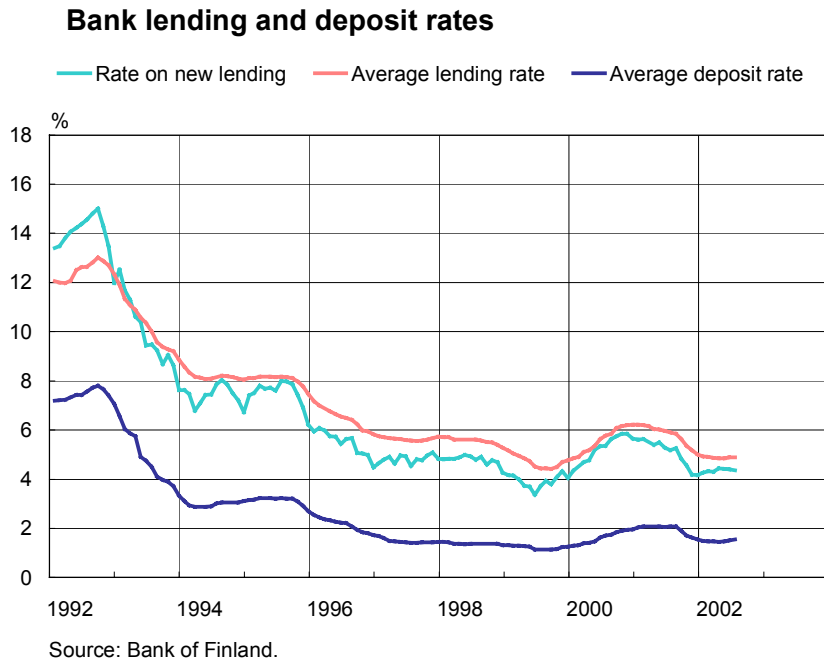


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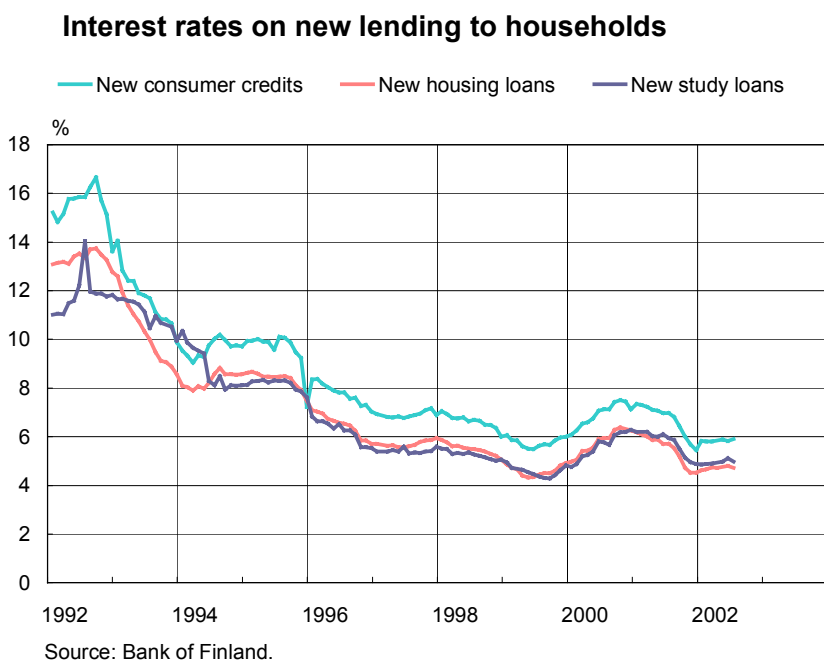


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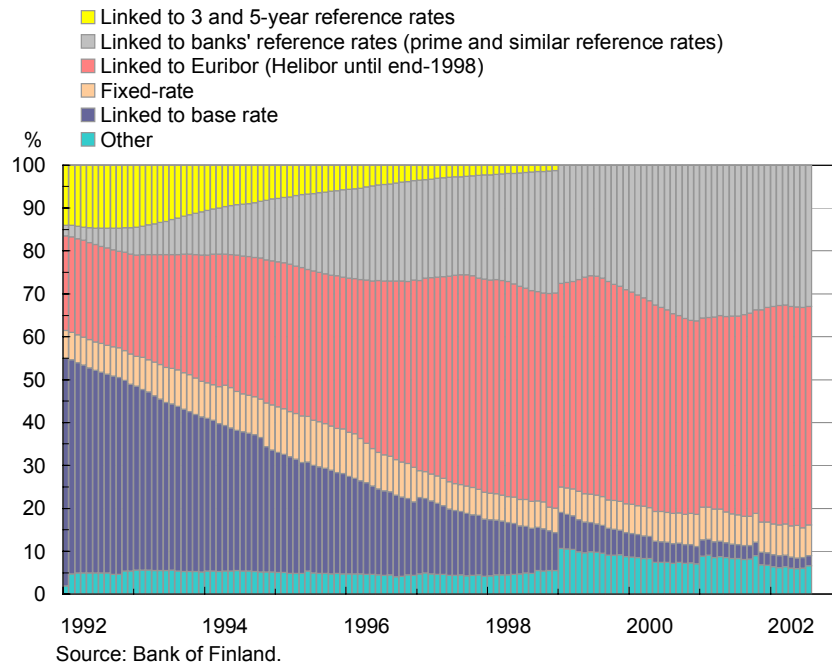
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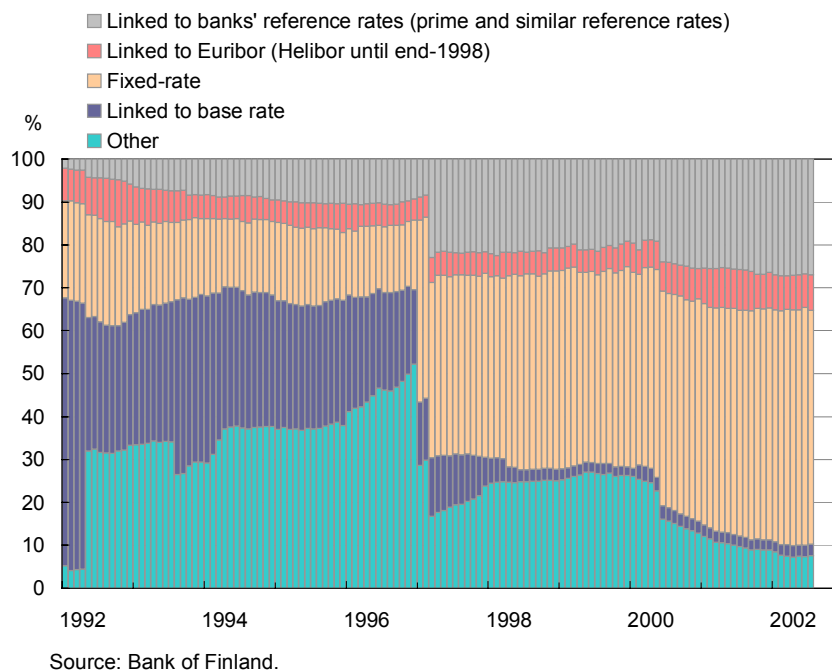
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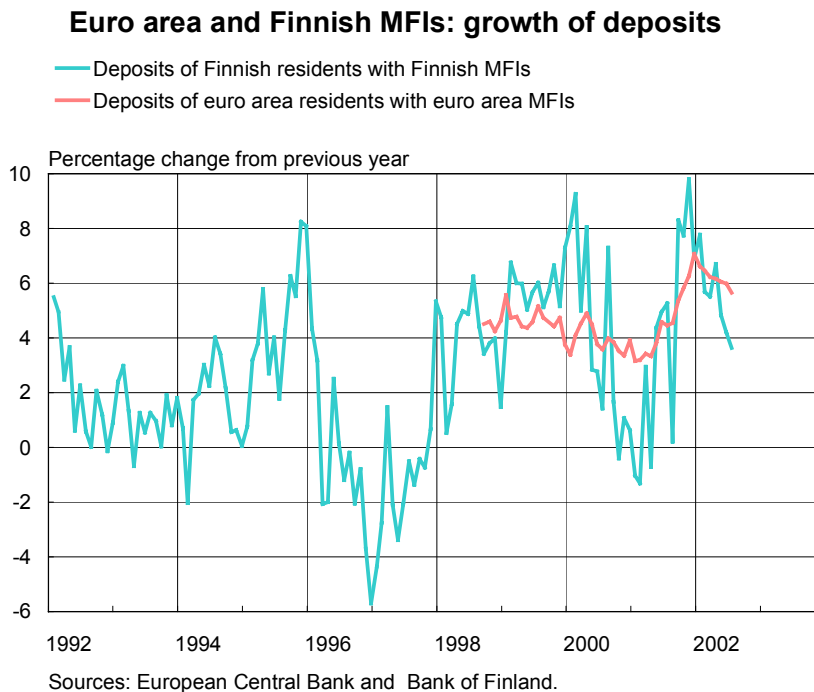


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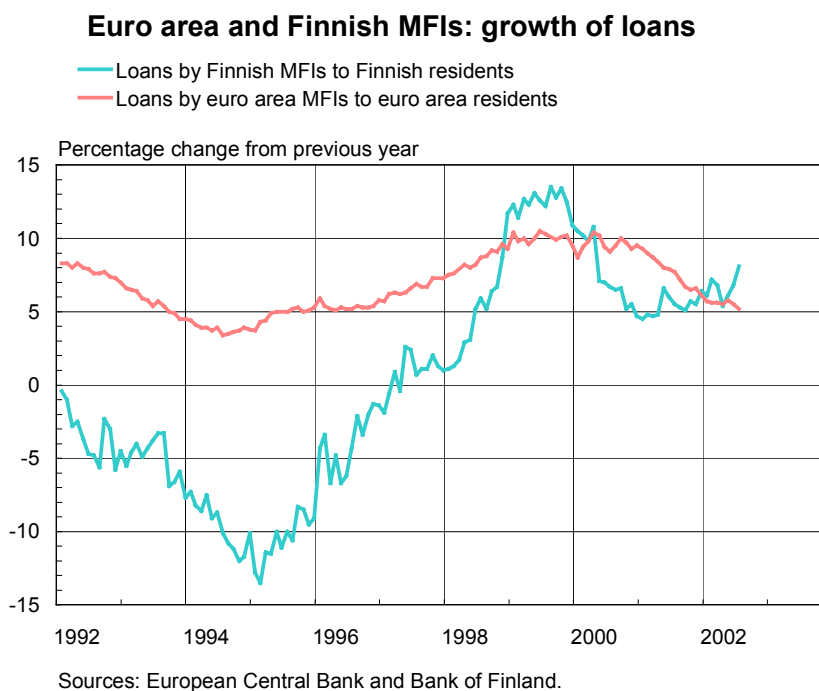


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Liabilities of Finnish monetary financial institutions included in monetary aggregates for the euro area

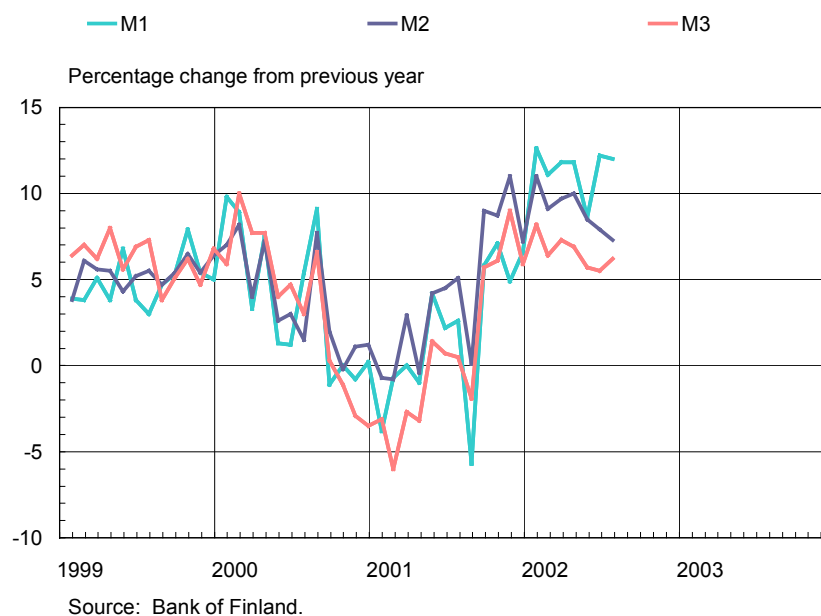
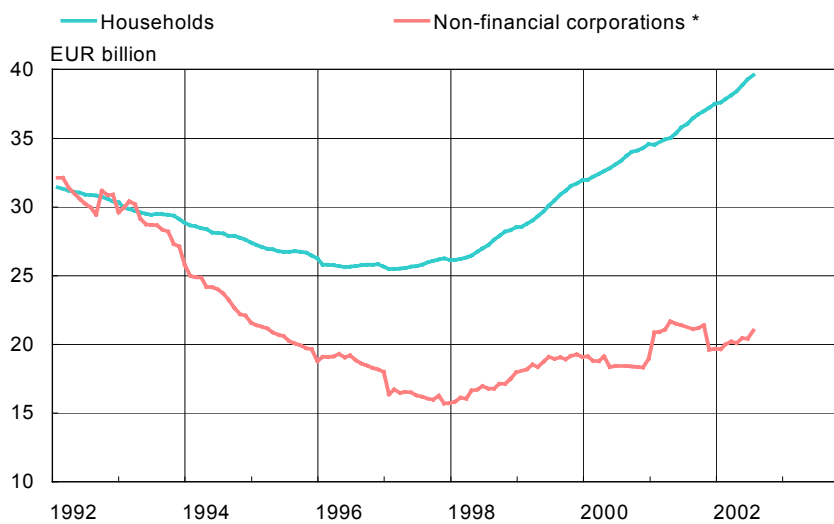


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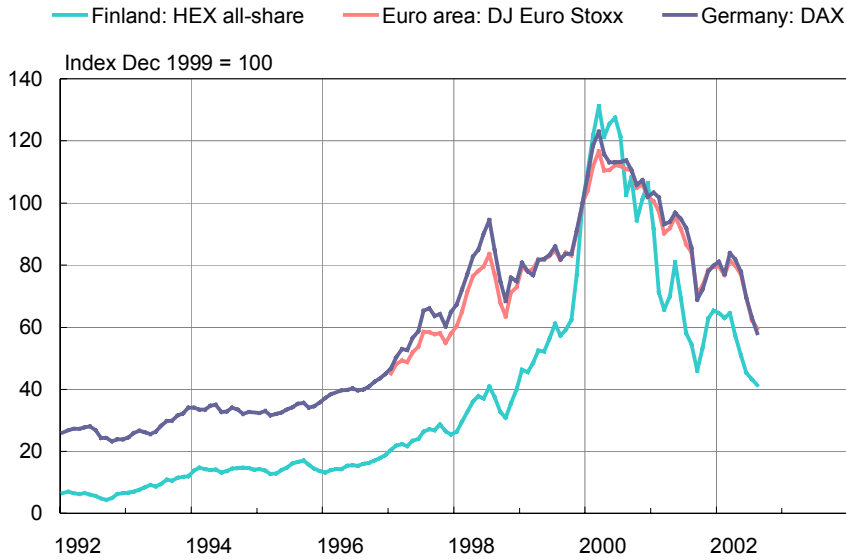
Outstanding bank credit to households and non-financial corporations in Finland



Securities market

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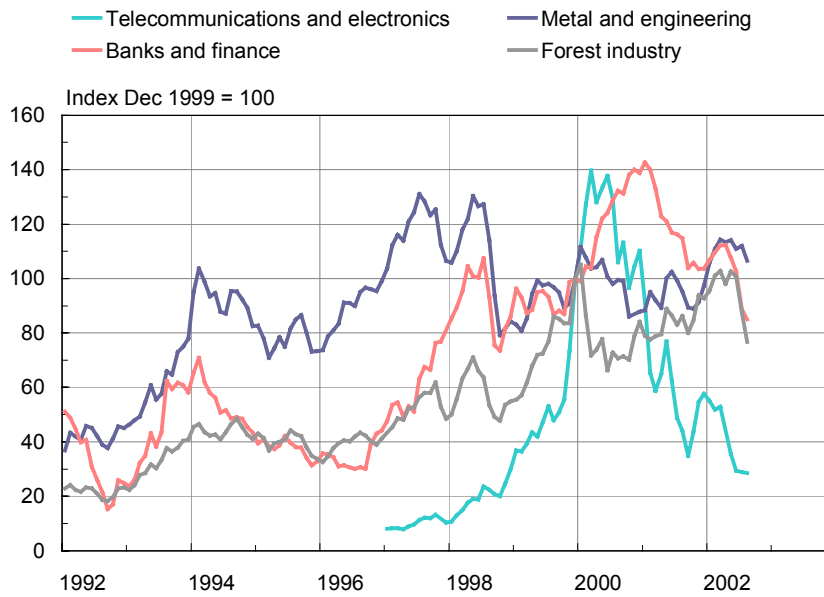
Selected stock price indices in the euro area



Sources: Bloomberg and HEX Helsinki Exchanges.

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HEX Helsinki Exchanges: share indices by sector



Source: HEX Helsinki Exchanges.

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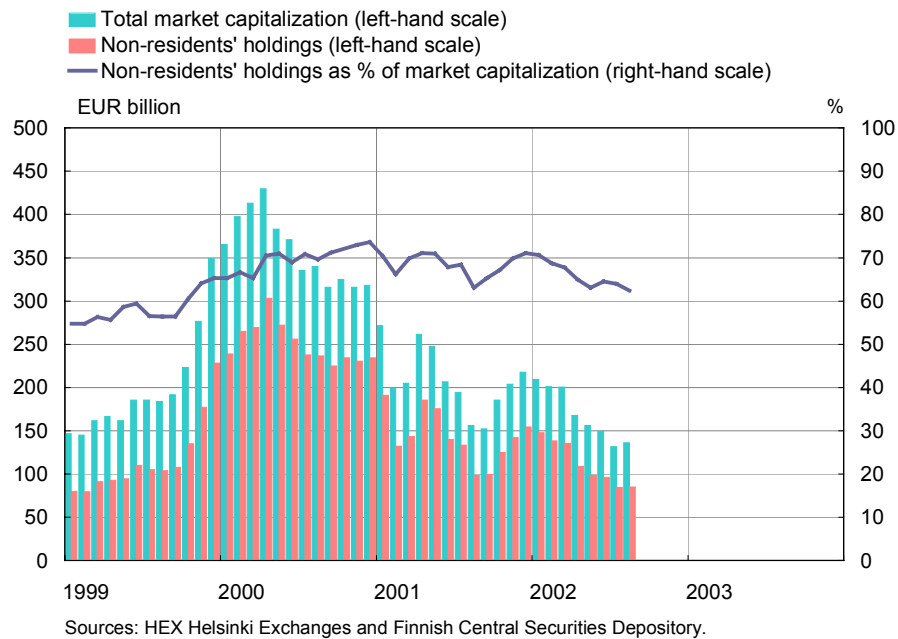


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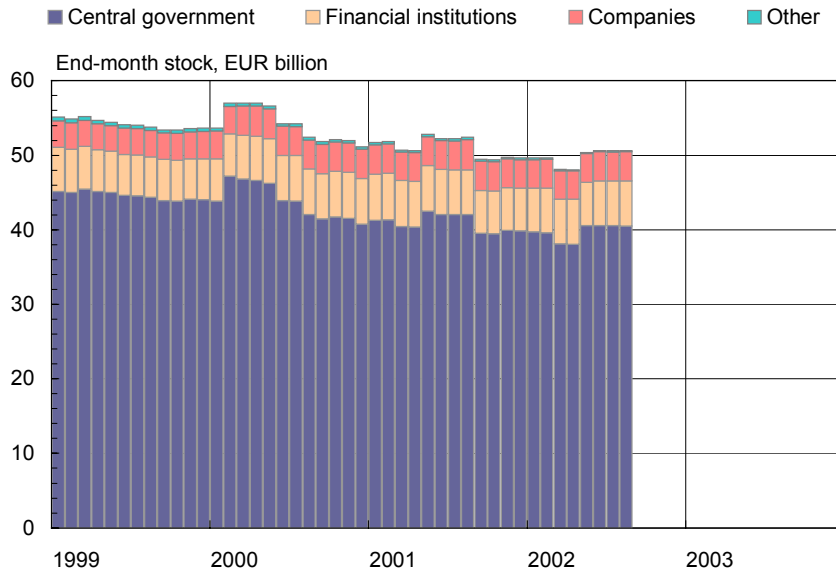
12-month moving totals

- Finnish shares, net purchases
— Finnish bonds and money market paper, net purchases



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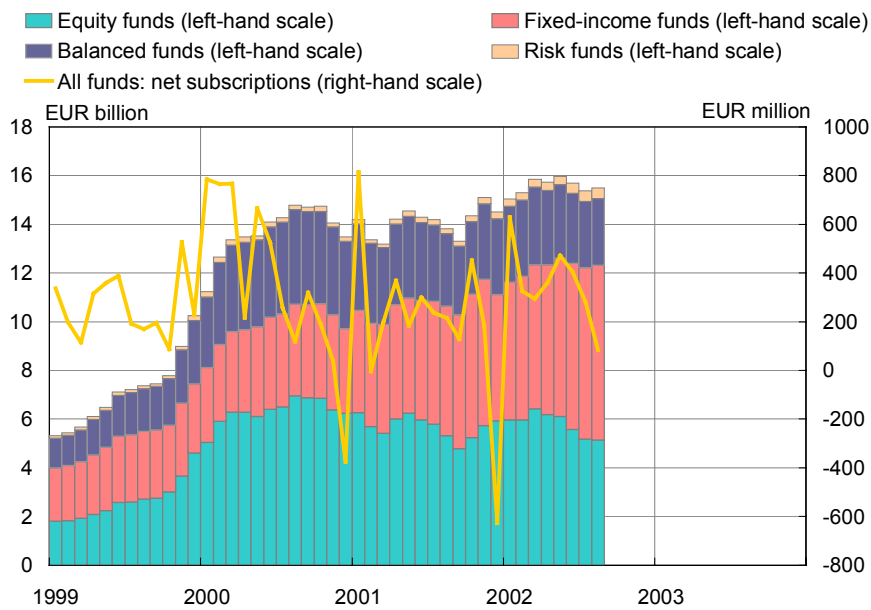
Bonds issued in Finland



Source: Statistics Finland.

Chart 20.

Mutual funds registered in Finland



Sources: HEX Helsinki Exchanges and Finnish Association of Mutual Funds.

Borrowing by sector in Finland

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Non-financial corporate sector and household borrowing

1 = corporate sector (excl. housing corporations), 2 = households.

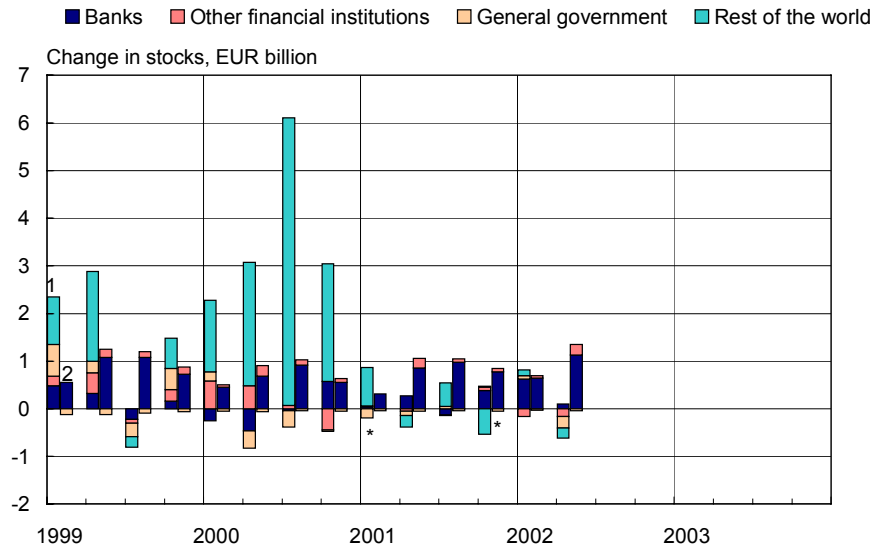
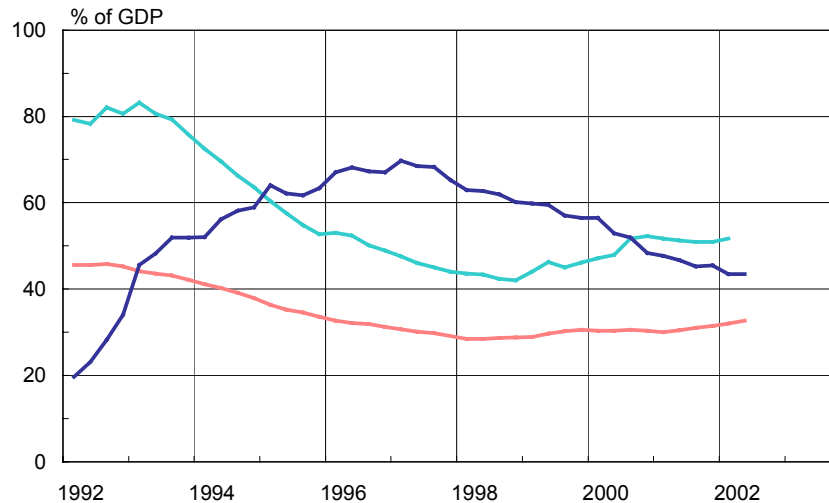


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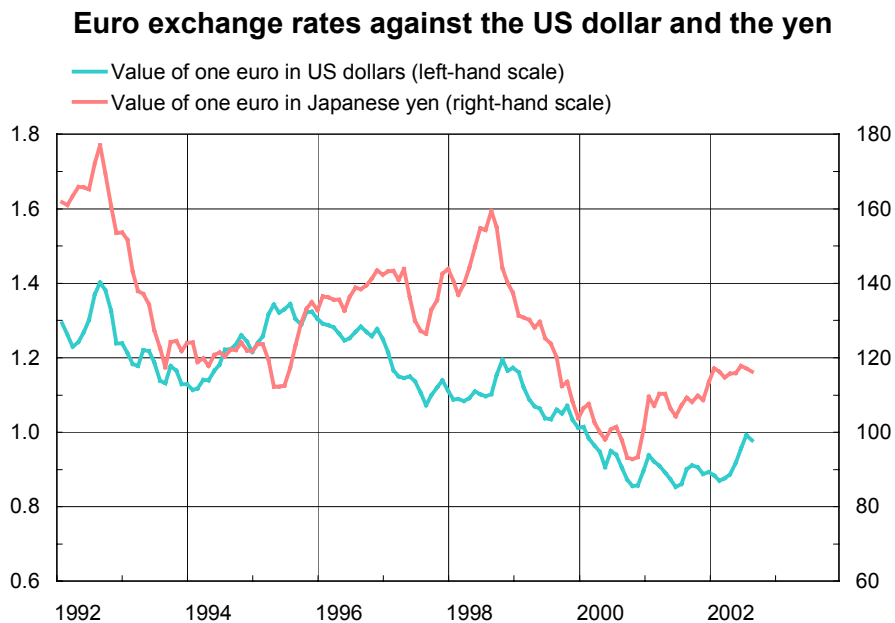
Sectoral debt ratios in Finland

Legend: Non-financial corporate sector excl. housing corporations (teal), Household sector (red), Central government (blue)



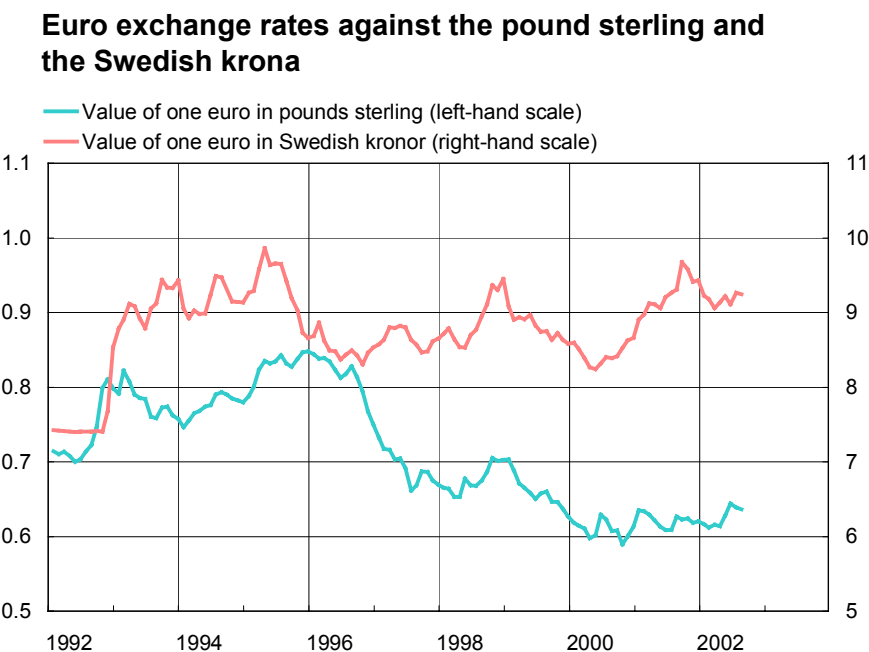
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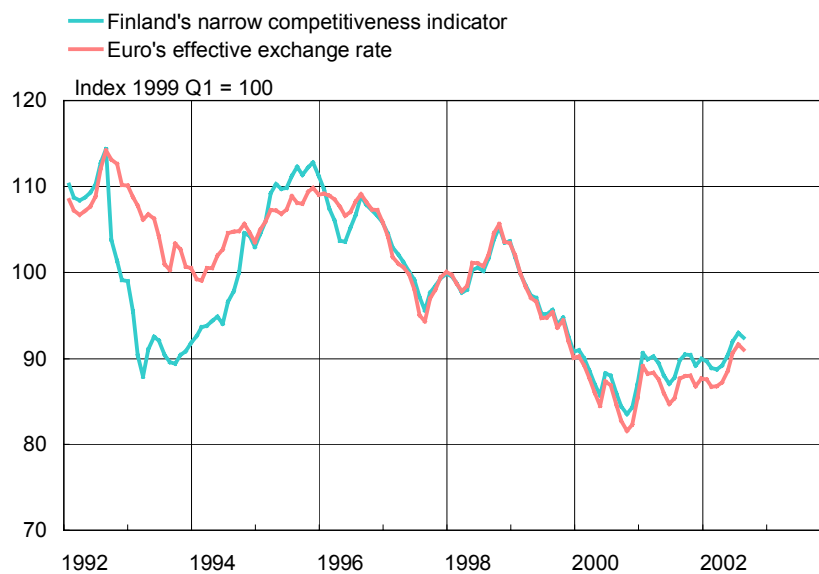
Sources: European Central Bank and Reuters.
Note: ECU exchange rate until end-1998.

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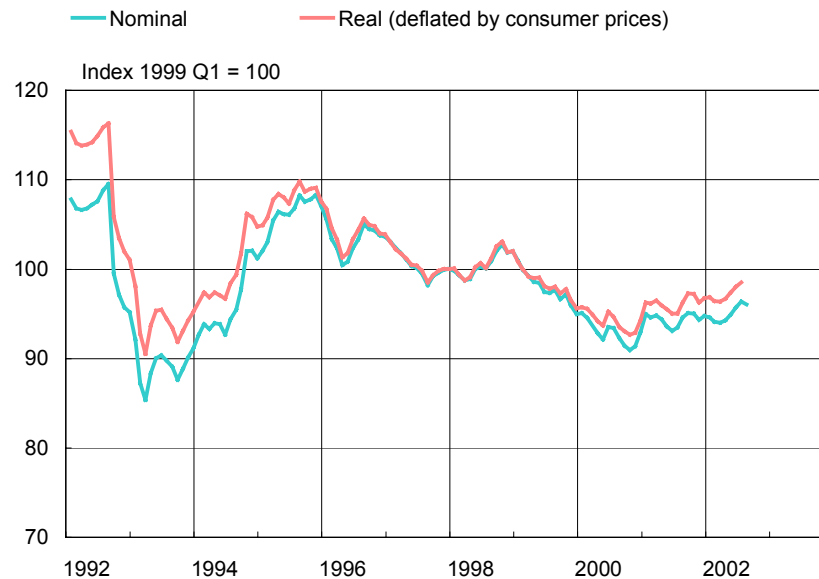
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Euro's external value and Finland's competitiveness indicator

Sources: European Central Bank and Bank of Finland.

Note: An upward movement of the index represents an appreciation of the euro/
 a weakening in Finnish competitiveness. The method of calculation is described in the
 Bank of Finland Bulletin 1/2000.

Chart 26.

Competitiveness indicators for Finland

Source: Bank of Finland.

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

Real economy

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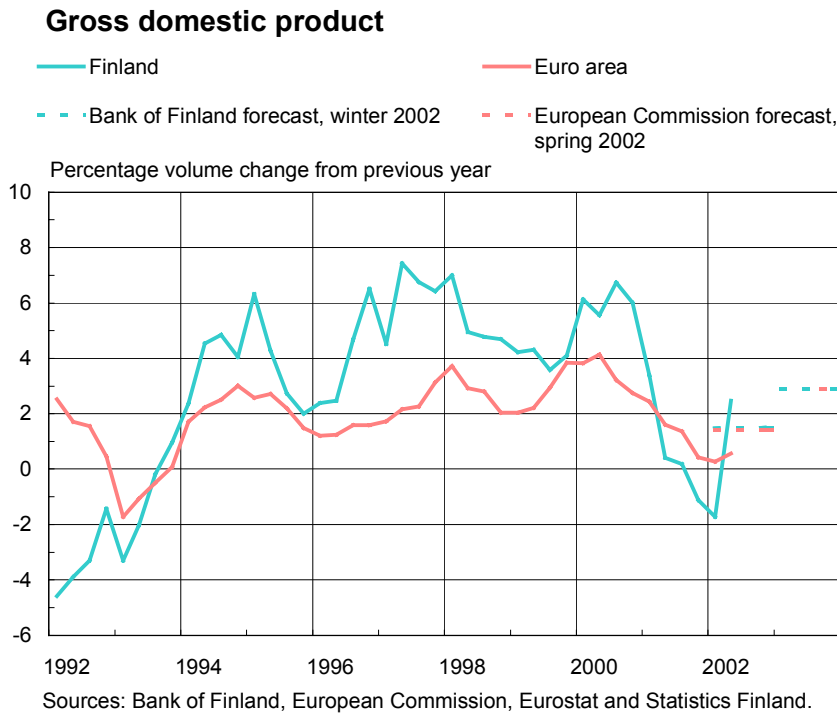


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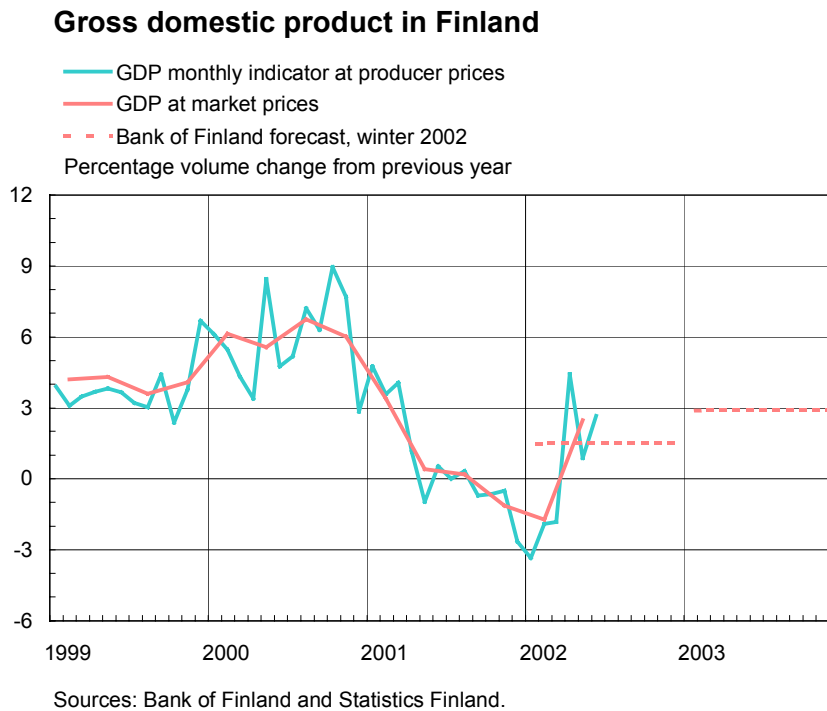


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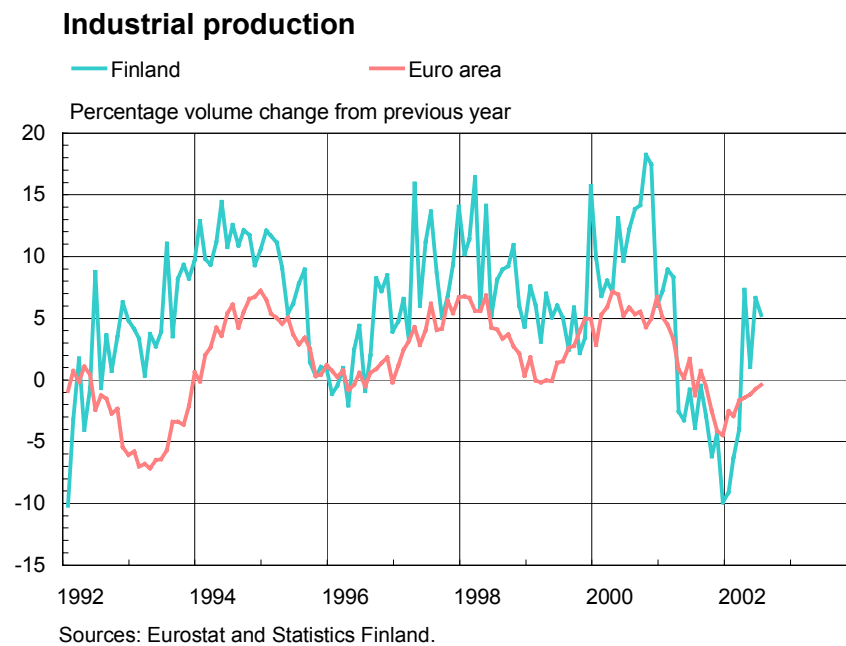


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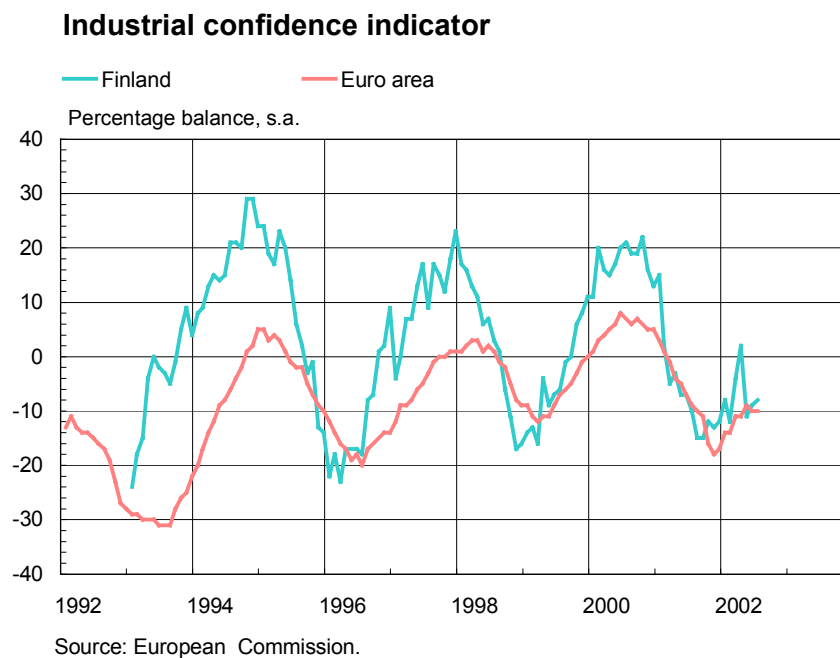


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Manufacturing production by sector in Finland

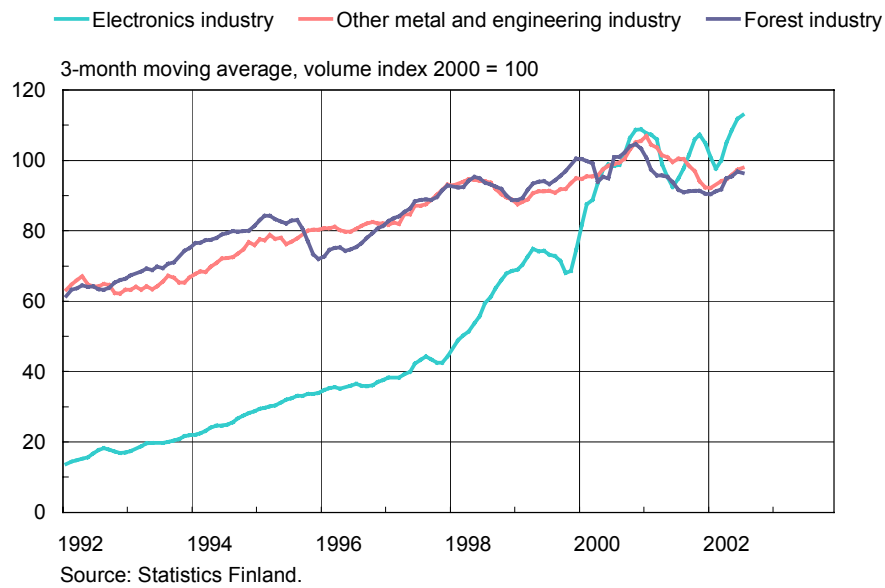


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Finland's imports of goods

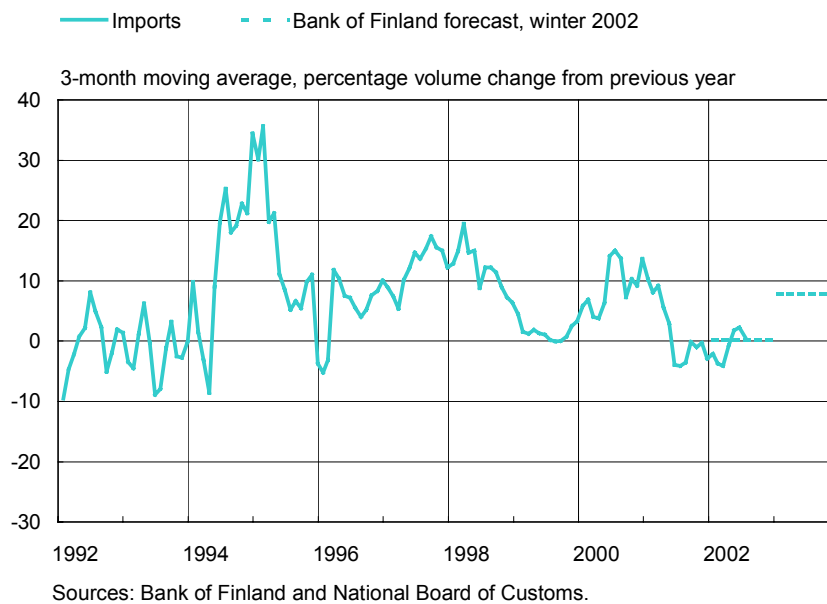


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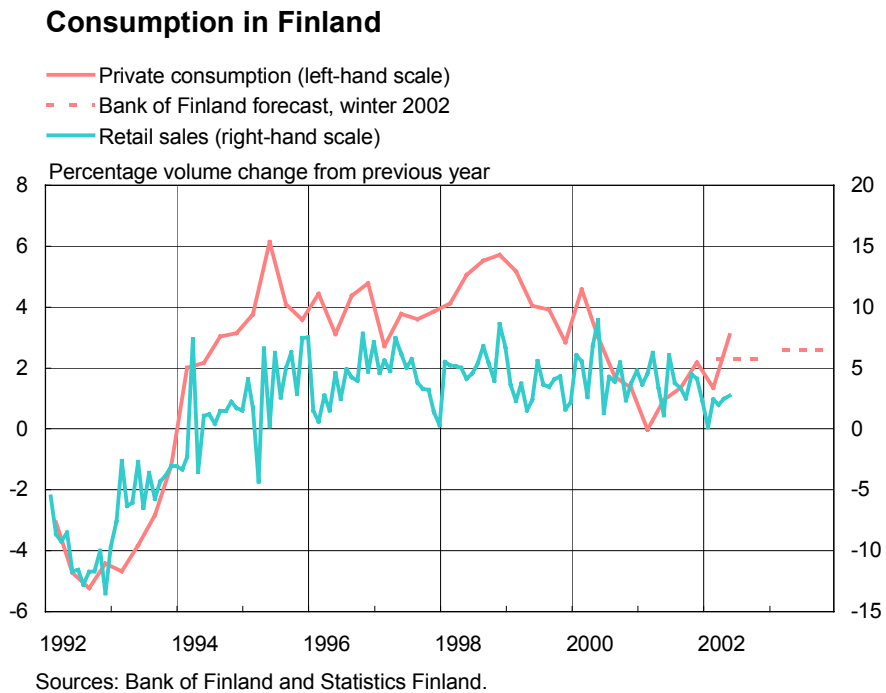


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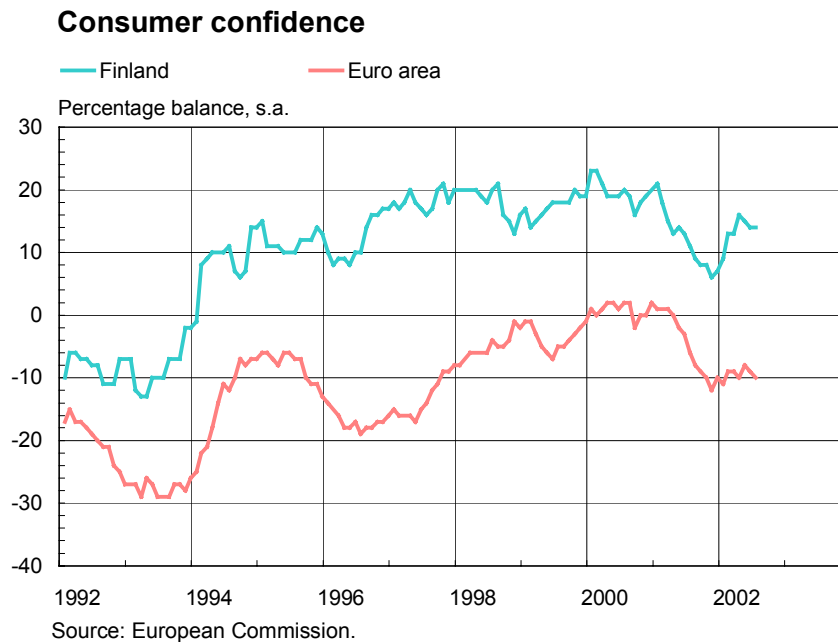


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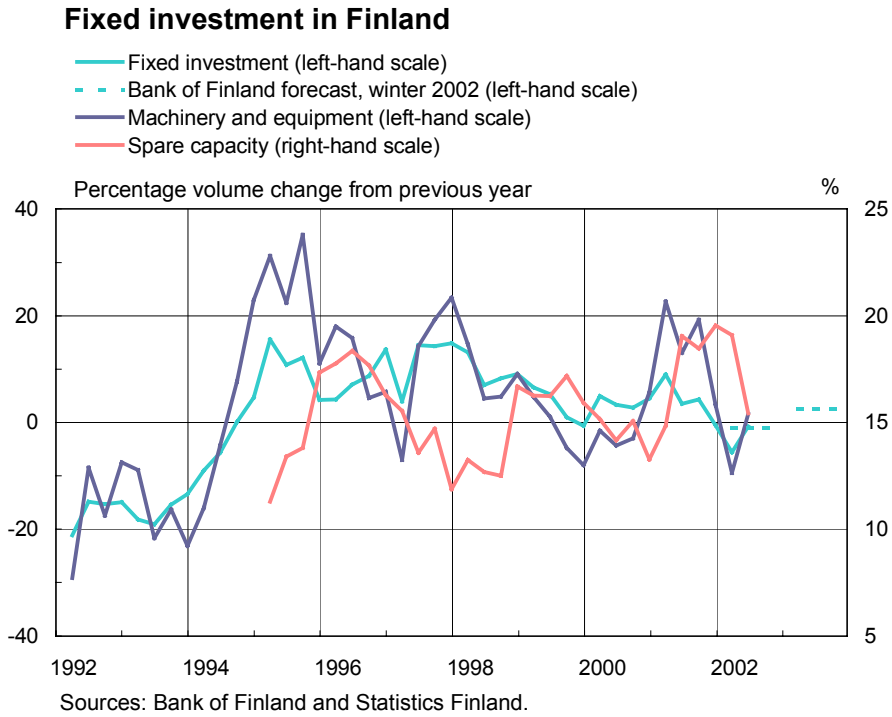


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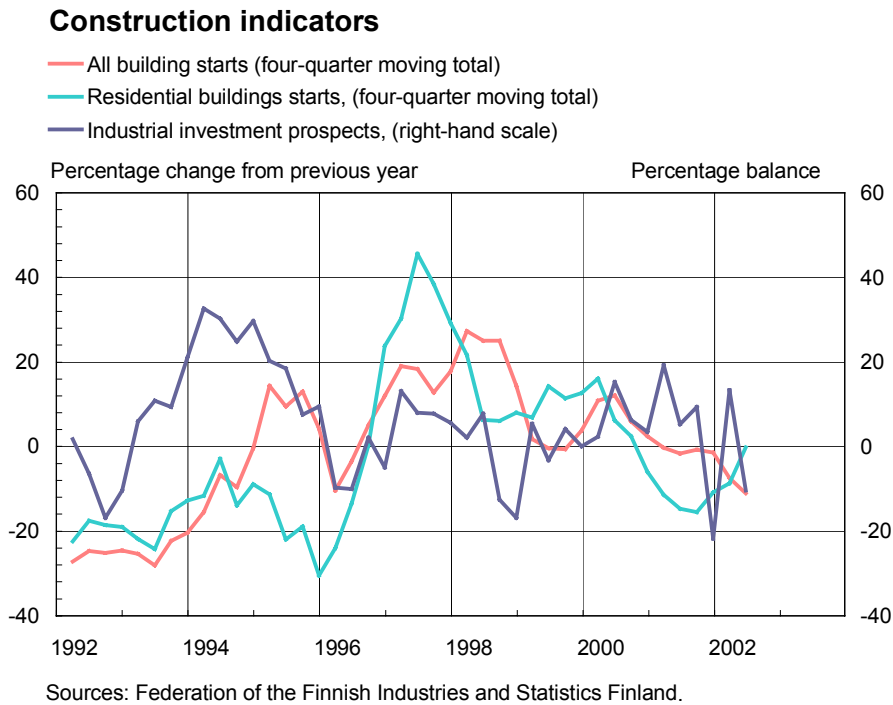


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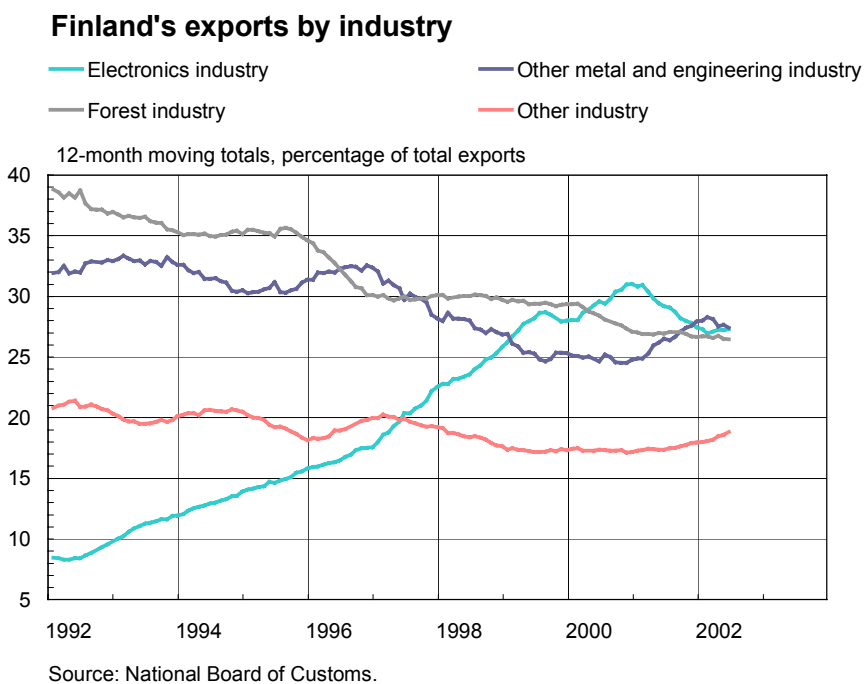


Table 1.

Supply, demand and labour market indicators

	2000	2001	2002 Actual		2002*	2003*
Supply and demand						
<i>percentage volume change from previous year</i>						
Gross domestic product at market prices	6.1	0.7	2.5 Q2 0.3 Q1-Q2		1.5	2.9
GDP monthly indicator at producer prices	5.9	0.7	2.7 M6 0.2 M1-M6			
Manufacturing production	12.7	-1.6	6.5 M7 0.3 M1-M7			
Consumption expenditure	1.8	1.4	2.8 Q2 2.1 Q1-Q2		2.5	2.4
- private	2.6	1.1	3.2 Q2 2.2 Q1-Q2		2.3	2.6
- general government	-0.2	2.1	2.0 Q2 2.0 Q1-Q2		3.1	2.1
Gross fixed capital formation	3.9	4.0	-0.6 Q2 -3.0 Q1-Q2		-1.1	2.5
- private	5.5	4.6	-0.8 Q2 -3.6 Q1-Q2		-2.0	2.5
- general government	-5.4	0.8	0.5 Q2 0.1 Q1-Q2		4.2	2.3
Domestic demand	2.9	2.0	0.0 Q2 -1.3 Q1-Q2		1.5	2.4
Exports of goods and services	20.1	-2.2	4.3 Q2 0.6 Q1-Q2		0.3	6.8
Imports of goods and services	16.0	0.1	-1.3 Q2 -3.4 Q1-Q2		0.1	6.9
Labour market indicators						
Employed persons <i>percentage change from previous year</i>	1.7	1.4	-0.2 M8 0.4 M1-M8		0.2	0.7
Unemployment rate, s.a. **	9.8	9.1	9.2 M8 9.2 M1-M8		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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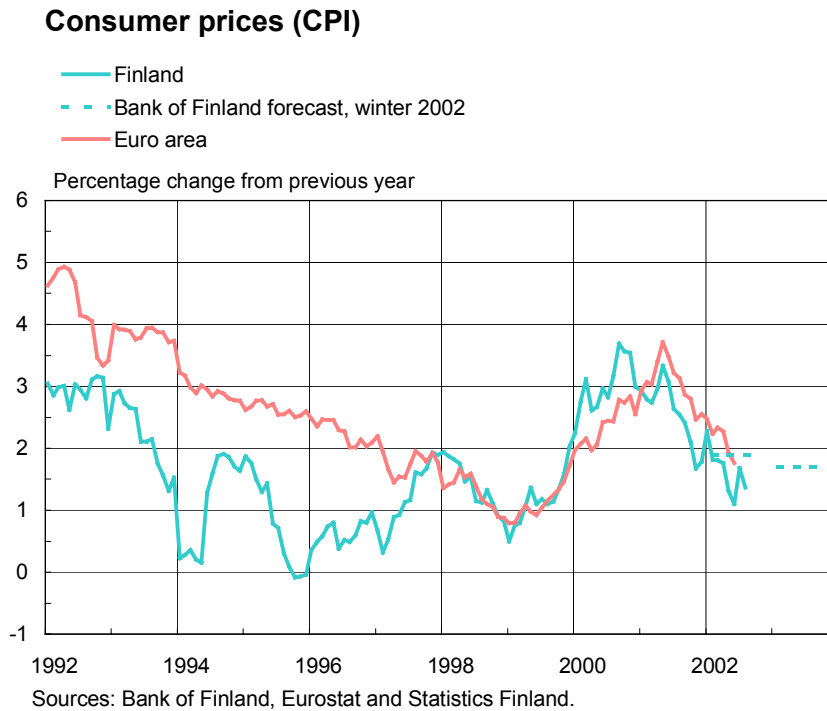


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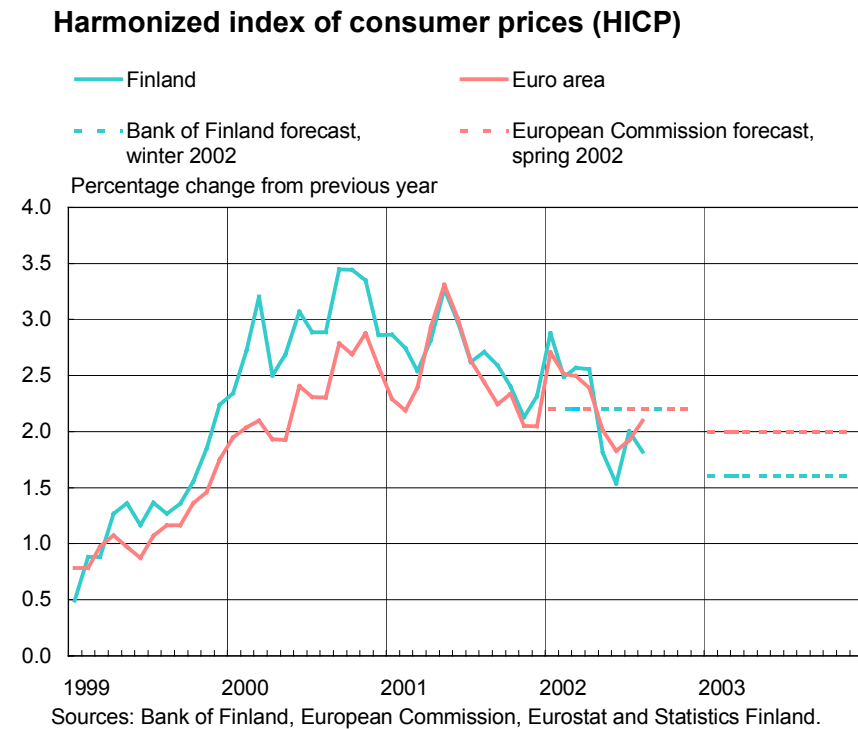


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Inflation rates in the euro area (HICP)

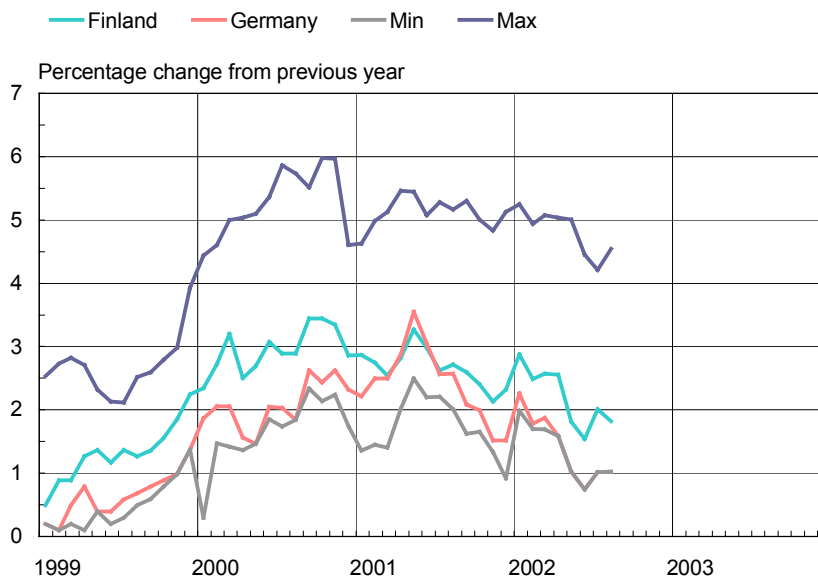


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Producer prices

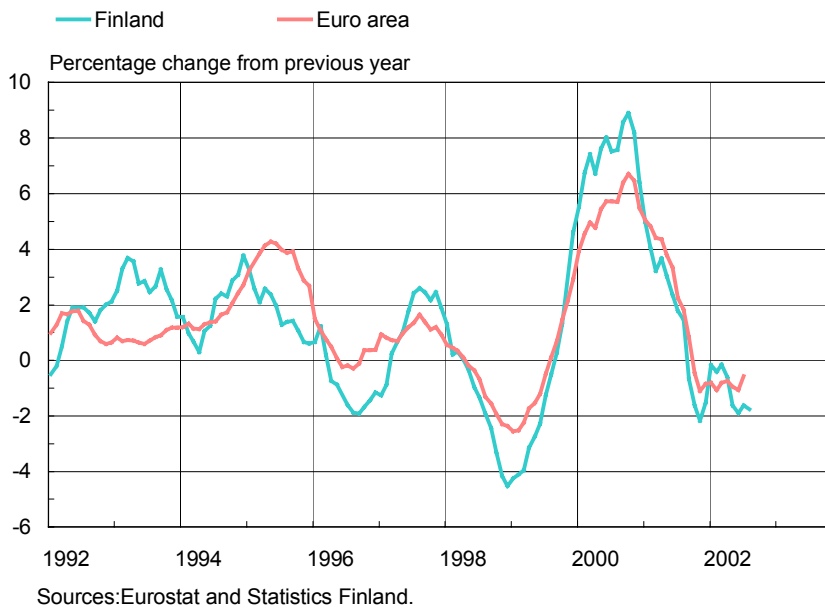


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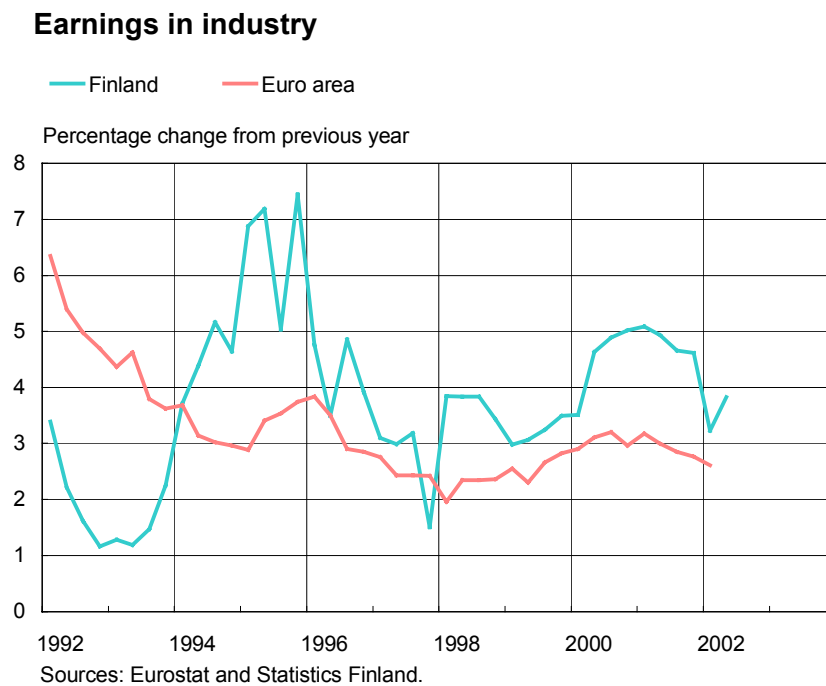


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Finland's export prices, import prices and terms of trade

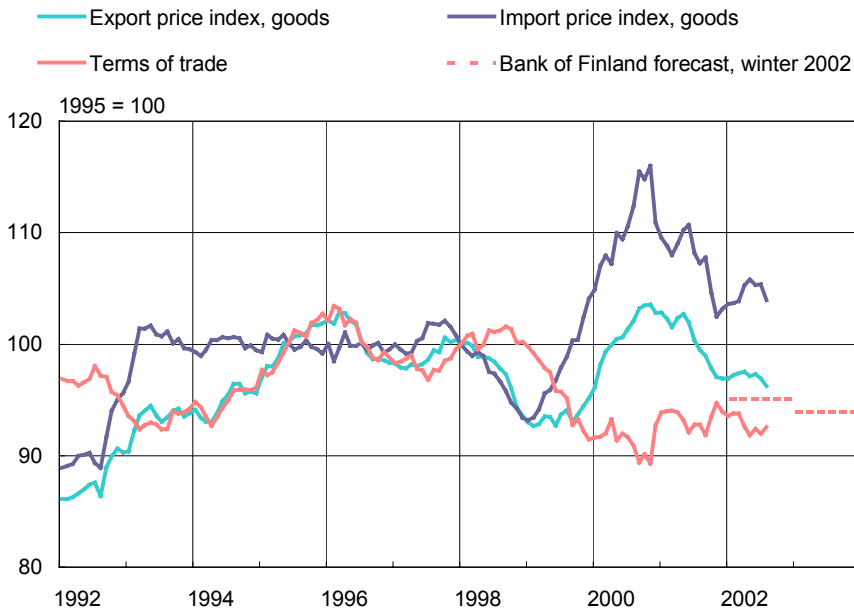


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Dwelling prices in Finland

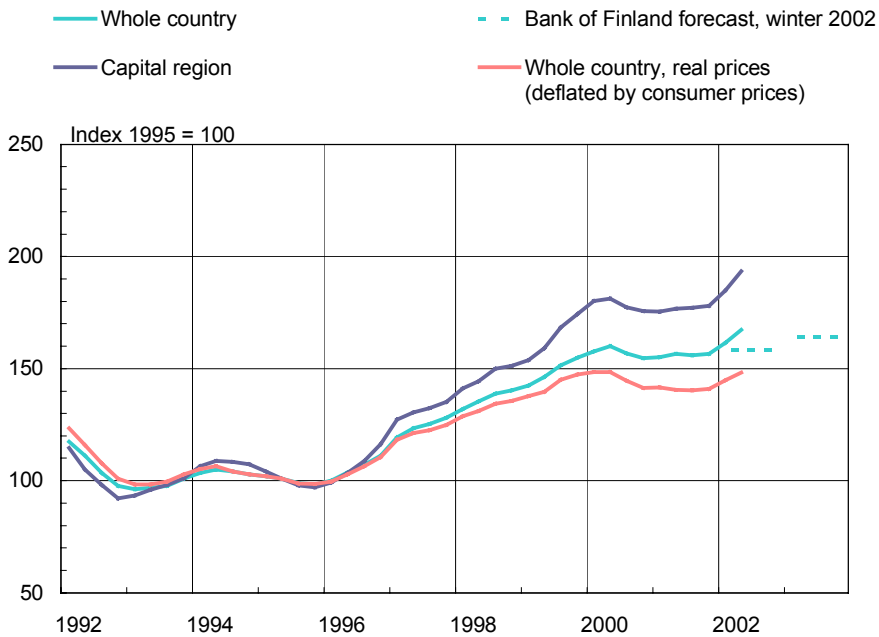


Table 2.

Cost and price indicators*Percentage change from previous year*

	2000	2001	2002 Actual	2002*	2003*
Labour costs					
Index of wages and salaries	4.0	4.5	3.6 Q2 3.3 Q1-Q2	2.8	3.7
Unit labour costs					
- whole economy	-0.6	5.2	0.8 Q2 2.6 Q1-Q2	1.7	1.8
- manufacturing	-6.2	6.2	-3.9 Q2 1.6 Q1-Q2		
Price indices					
Export prices (goods)					
- export price index	7.9	-0.6	-3.3 M8 -4.5 M1-M8		
- export price deflator	2.7	-1.6	-4.5 Q2 -5.4 Q1-Q2	-1.4	1.0
Import prices (goods)					
- import price index	13.1	-2.8	-3.1 M8 -4.0 M1-M8		
- import price deflator	6.4	-3.1	-2.3 Q2 -3.0 Q1-Q2	-1.4	2.3
Producer prices	7.4	1.5	-1.8 M8 -1.0 M1-M8		
Wholesale prices	8.1	0.3	-1.4 M8 -1.4 M1-M8		
Consumer prices					
- consumer price index	3.4	2.6	1.4 M8 1.6 M1-M8	1.9	1.7
- harmonized index of consumer prices	3.0	2.7	1.8 M8 2.2 M1-M8	2.2	1.6
Asset prices					
Stumpage prices	6.0	-1.9	5.9 M8 0.5 M1-M8		
Dwelling prices, whole country	5.7	-0.8	6.9 Q2 5.6 Q1-Q2	1.6	3.5
Share prices	91.1	-42.5	-24.0 M8 -23.3 M1-M8		

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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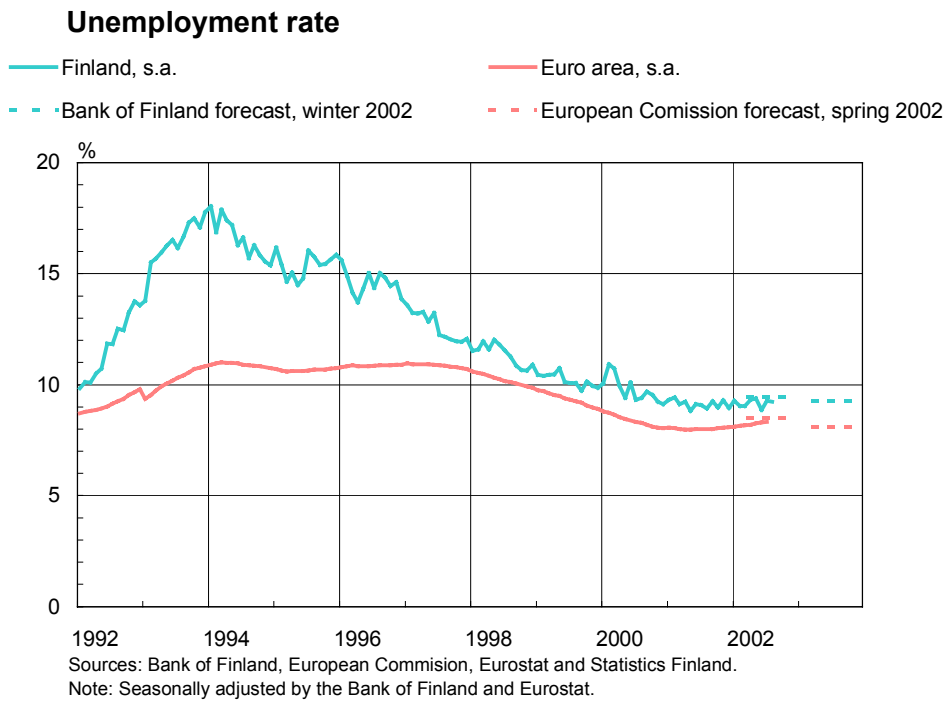
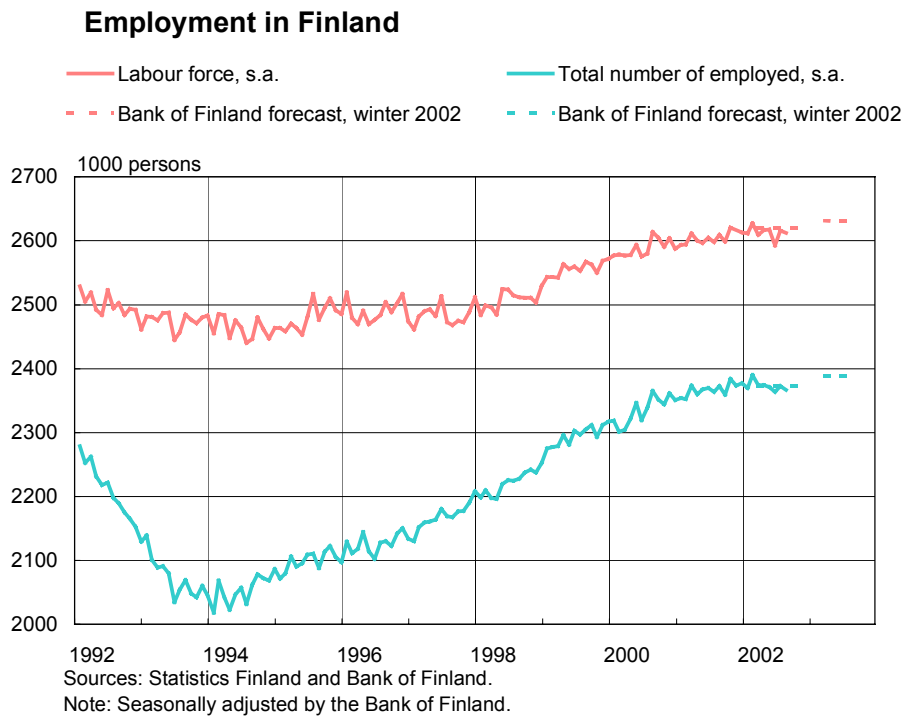
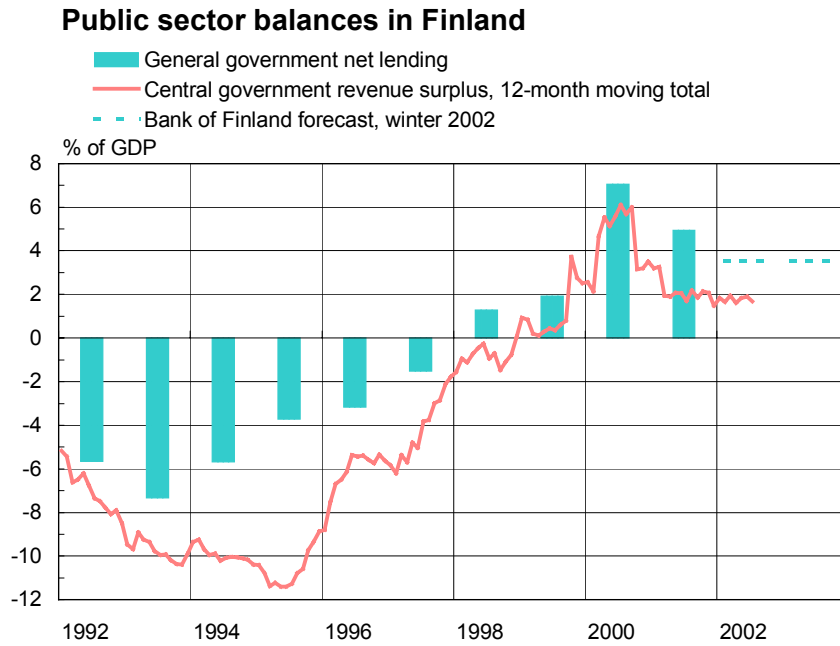


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Public finances

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

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External balance

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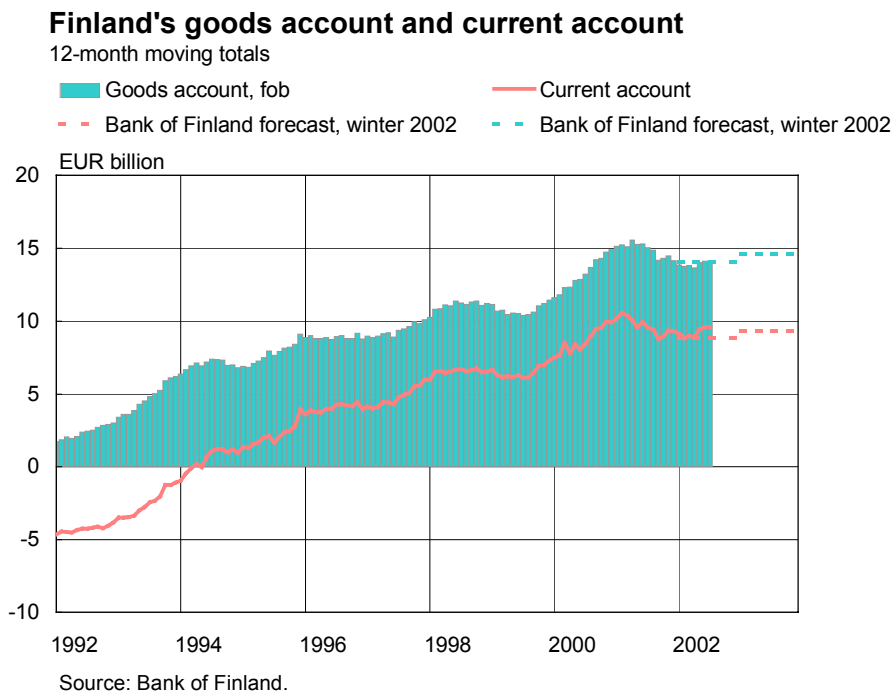


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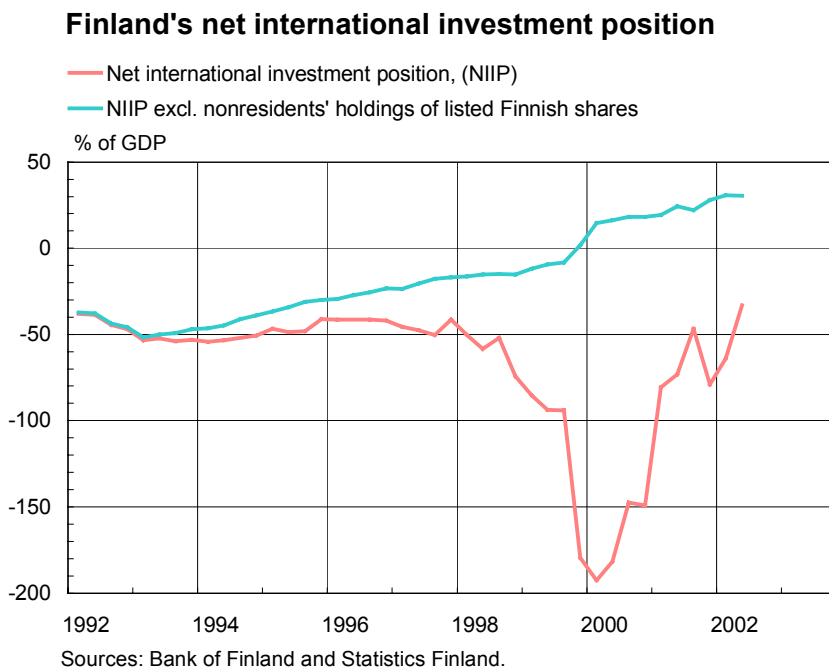


Table 3.

External balance and sectoral balances indicators

	2000	2001	2002 Actual	2002*	2003*
Goods account					
EUR billion	14.9	14.1	0.9 M07 7.8 M01-M07	14.1	14.7
per cent of GDP	11.4	10.4		10.2	10.1
Current account					
EUR billion	9.9	9.3	0.6 M07 4.0 M01-M07	8.9	9.3
per cent of GDP	7.6	6.8		6.4	6.4
Financial account					
EUR billion	-9.5	-8.8	-0.5 M07 -4.2 M01-M07		
General government	-11.0	-10.0	-0.1 M07 -4.2 M01-M07		
Direct investment					
in Finland	9.6	3.8	0.4 M07 3.4 M01-M07		
abroad	26.1	9.3	1.2 M07 4.0 M01-M07		
Shares	3.2	-1.4	-0.3 M07 -1.8 M01-M07		
Other capital (incl. errors and omissions)	14.8	8.0	0.6 M07 2.3 M01-M07		
Foreign exchange reserves (increase -)	-0.4	-0.5	-0.1 M07 0.2 M01-M07		
Net lending, saving minus investment					
Private sector					
EUR billion	0.7	2.6		4.0	4.2
per cent of GDP	0.5	1.9		2.9	2.9
General government					
EUR billion	9.2	6.7		4.9	5.1
per cent of GDP	7.0	4.9		3.5	3.5
Central government					
EUR billion	4.5	2.7		1.1	1.2
per cent of GDP	3.5	2.0		0.8	0.8
Local government					
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					
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					
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	43.4		43.6	42.1

Sources: Bank of Finland and Statistics Finland.

* Bank of Finland forecast, winter 2002.

** Excl. housing corporations.

