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INSTRUMENTS OF CENTRAL BANK POLICY IN FINLAND

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espite the change in the exchange rate regime from fixed to floating exchange rates, the Bank of Finland's system of monetary control has remained intact. The Bank uses the instruments at its disposal to regulate the day-today liquidity of the banking system and to set the terms on which banks can obtain marginal financing from the central bank or on which they are required to deposit their surplus liquidity at the central bank.

CHANGES IN BANK LIQUIDITY SHOW UP IN THE CENTRAL BANK'S **BALANCE SHEET**

Bank liquidity changes as a result of the measures taken by the central bank. Stylized and simplified balance sheets for the central bank and the consolidated banking sector are shown in the accompanying table. Those balance-sheet items that affect the banks' davto-day liquidity appear separately; the other items contain all those balance-sheet items that remain essentially unchanged from one day to the next.

The liabilities side of the Bank of Finland's balance sheet includes the monetary base, ie currency (notes and coin) in circulation plus the banks' reserves. The banks' reserves, in turn, consist of cash in their vaults, cash reserve deposits and call money deposits. Currency in circulation and the banks' cash reserve deposits are relatively stable components whereas the amounts of certificates of deposit, call money deposits and liquidity credits fluctuate from day to day.

When banks close their books at the end of the business day this is ultimately achieved

in one of two ways: if the bank's assets exceed its liabilities, the liquidity surplus must be deposited at the Bank of Finland: if the bank's liabilities exceed its assets then the liquidity shortfall is covered by borrowing from the central bank. Thus the banks are dependent on the Bank of Finland. The combined sum of the differences between the banks' assets and liabilities describes the liquidity position of the entire banking sector.

The liquidity position of the entire banking sector can to a large extent be determined by the Bank of Finland; that is, it can determine to what degree the banking system has to borrow from or deposit funds with the central bank. The banks' liquidity position affects interest rates and exchange rates in the short term. The longer the time horizon, the more also expectations about the future course of economic development are reflected in interest rates and exchange rates.

The Bank of Finland can influence the banks' liquidity needs through two different channels: the cash reserve deposit scheme and market operations. Under the cash reserve deposit scheme, the Bank of Finland collects deposits from the banks. Market operations involve the purchase or sale of either money market instruments or foreign exchange. By utilizing these techniques, the Bank of Finland determines to what extent the banks have to resort to the Bank of Finland's liquidity system.

The Bank of Finland sets the terms applied in the liquidity system such that the rate of interest charged on liquidity credit is higher and the rate of interest payable on call money deposits lower than market rates of inter-

BALANCE SHEETS FOR THE BANK OF FINLAND AND THE CONSOLIDATED BANKING SECTOR

Bank of Finland's Balance Sheet

Assets

Foreign exchange reserves Claims on banks:

- certificates of deposit
- liquidity credits

Other Total

Liabilities

Currency in circulation Liabilities to banks:

- cash reserve deposits
- certificates of deposit issued by the Bank of Finland
- call money deposits Other

Total

Banks' Balance Sheet

Assets

Claims on the Bank of Finland:

- cash reserve deposits at the Bank of Finland
- certificates of deposit issued by the Bank of Finland
- call money deposits at the Bank of Finland Loans to the public

Other Total

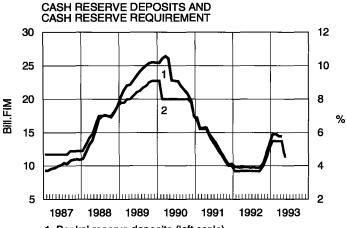
Liabilities

Liabilities to the Bank of Finland:

- certificates of deposit
- liquidity credits

Deposits from the public Other Total





Banks' reserve deposits (left scale)
 Cash reserve requirement (right scale)

est. This creates an incentive for the banks to avoid recourse to the facility. The search for other sources of finance affects their market behaviour. Thus a tightening of liquidity tends to raise the level of interest rates and an easing of liquidity to lower it.

UP-TO-DATE LIQUIDITY FORECASTING

The central bank's control of day-to-day liquidity is based on a forecast of the liquidity of the banking system as a whole, ie the banks' combined daily position vis-à-vis the central bank. The banks' liquidity position is affected by maturing money market and forward exchange deals, by changes in the amount of currency in circulation, by the government's foreign payments, by changes in cash reserve deposits, companies' investment deposits and the government's special deposits.

The daily forecast covers a period of two weeks; particularly the forecast for the next two days is very accurate. Uncertainty attaches mainly to changes in the public's holdings of notes and coin. Such changes are usually only minor and hence of limited significance for the accuracy of the liquidity forecast. However, in exceptional cases, for example in connection with tax refunds, the changes are

significant. In addition, weekly forecasts are made covering a period of four weeks. Estimates for longer time horizons are based on the Bank of Finland's macroeconomic forecasts.

In many countries the central bank handles the government's payment flows, which can vary considerably for seasonal or other reasons, thus hampering the task of liquidity forecasting. This problem does not arise in Finland as the government's payments are handled by commercial banks rather than by the central bank.

Every morning, the Bank of Finland publishes an estimate of the banks' liquidity position on the previous banking day, together with a forecast for the value date, on the electronic information systems of Reuters (SPFH) and Telerate (8607). The value date, which is the date on which deals contracted today are settled, is two business days after the contract date.

CASH RESERVE DEPOSIT SYSTEM AFFECTS LIQUIDITY SLOWLY

Under the cash reserve deposit agreement between the Bank of Finland and the banks, the Bank of Finland can require the banks to deposit a certain percentage of their domestic deposits at the central bank (Chart 1). An increase in the deposit requirement or an enlargement of the cash reserve base tightens liquidity. Conversely, a decrease in the deposit requirement or a reduction in the cash reserve base increases liquidity. The amount of cash reserve deposits varies automatically along with changes in the banks' domestic deposits.

The board of management of the Bank of Finland can raise the deposit requirement only once a month and then by only 0.6 percentage point at a time. The maximum permissible percentage is 7 per cent of the cash reserve base.

The Bank of Finland pays interest on cash reserve deposits at a rate which is three percentage points below three-month HELIBOR, but not less than 8 per cent.

MARKET OPERATIONS IN SECURITIES ...

The central bank buys and sells securities in the money market through open market operations. The purchase of securities increases the liquidity of the banking system whereas the sale of securities reduces it (Chart 2). An increase in liquidity raises the level of interest rates while a tightening lowers it.

The Bank of Finland undertakes most of its open market operations in the form of dealings in certificates of deposit issued by banks. CDs are negotiable promissory notes with a maturity in the range of one to 12 months. The yield is expressed as a discount rate. Similar negotiable instruments can be issued by companies, local authorities or the central government. In most other countries open market operations are conducted in government paper. In Finland, however, dealings in government paper have been of only minor significance until recent times.

Securities deals are made either directly with individual banks or simultaneously with all counterparties in tenders held by the Bank of Finland. In the case of direct, or outright, deals all counterparties are asked to quote two-way binding prices,

ie bid and offer rates. The standard amount for CD deals is FIM 20 million and the value date two business days ahead. In tenders the amounts vary and are often larger than in outright deals.

When liquidity is increased by means of a tender, CDs are bought under repurchase agreements ('repos'), whereby the seller undertakes to buy back the security at an agreed date in the future. In securities deals involving repurchase agreements, both ownership and possession are transferred to the buyer, ie lender, for the duration of the loan and consequently the credit risk diminishes.

Normally, the tenders held by the Bank of Finland are variable-rate tenders, in which the counterparties are requested to make bids or offers in terms of both prices and amounts for a given maturity, usually one month. When the Bank of Finland has received all the bids or offers, it accepts that amount which corresponds to the targets set for the interest rate and/or the amount in the tender.

The Bank of Finland's tender rate, which is the reference rate used in the liquidity system, is the weighted average of the bids or offers accepted in tenders for one-month period, expressed as an annual interest rate. When the maturity of the instrument in the tender is other than one month, the Bank of Finland's tender rate does not change.

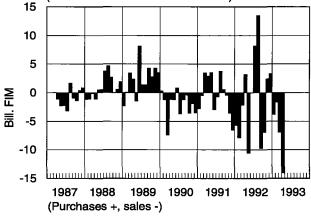
A competitive tender can also be held in the form of a fixedrate tender, in which case the Bank of Finland sets an acceptable interest rate in advance and requests the counterparties to tender for amounts only. In a fixed-rate tender, the tender rate is the interest rate announced by the Bank of Finland. The tender rate and the total amount of accepted bids or offers are published on Reuters (SPFB, SPFH) and Telerate (8607) as soon as the results of the tender are known.

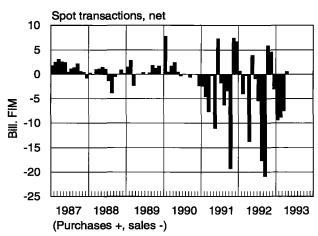
The Bank of Finland has also occasionally undertaken money market transactions in the wholesale market for deposits

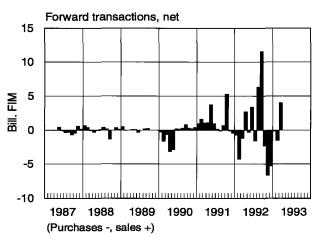
CHART 2.

THE BANK OF FINLAND'S MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS AND INTERVENTION IN THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET

Money market operations, net (incl. effect of matured transactions)







or credits with maturities of one week or two weeks.

Short-term money market rates or HELIBOR (Helsinki Interbank Offered Rate) rates are determined in the CD market. They are calculated by the Bank of Finland as the averages of the bid rates quoted daily at 1.00 pm by the five largest commercial banks (Kansallis-Osake-Pankki, Union Bank of Finland, Okobank, Skopbank and Postipankki). The HELIBOR rates are also published on Reuters (SPFB) and Telerate (8607).

The Bank of Finland approves the counterparties with which it is prepared to undertake money market dealings. The criterion for acceptance is that the bank or intermediary is able to act as a market maker. This requires that the counterparty is able to quote two-way prices for traded amounts of at least FIM 10 million in all maturities and to deliver the relevant securities on the value date. So far, only banks have been accepted as counterparties.

The Bank of Finland is prepared, on request, to accept as instruments used in money market dealings CDs issued by banks whose capital is at leasi FIM 200 million and whose solvency meets the capital adequacy requirements set by the Bank for International Settlements (BIS)¹ and which are able to act as market makers. An additional requirement is that the Bank of Finland monitors the risks of these banks.

...AND IN FOREIGN CURRENCIES

The Bank of Finland no longer regulates the import and export of foreign exchange.² Although the Finnish markka has

According to the BIS standard, a bank's capital ratio, ie the ratio of its capital to the sum of its risk-weighted assets, investments and off-balance sheet commitments, should be at least 8 per cent. been floating since September 1992 the Bank of Finland has occasionally influenced developments in the exchange rate in order to dampen fluctuations. By intervening in the foreign exchange market, the Bank of Finland also affects the liquidity of the banking system: when the Bank sells foreign exchange, the country's foreign exchange reserves decrease and market liquidity tightens; when it purchases foreign exchange, the country's foreign exchange reserves grow and liquidity increases. In Finland, the government's foreign transactions take place through the balance sheet of the Bank of Finland. Consequently, the government's foreign borrowing increases foreign exchange reserves, whereas repayments of principal and interest payments on foreign loans decrease it.

The Bank of Finland's foreign exchange intervention can take the form of spot transactions, in which case the effects on liquidity and foreign exchange reserves become apparent on the value date – ie in two business days' time – or forward transactions, in which case the effects are postponed until some specified date in the future.

Foreign exchange deals are entered into on a bilateral basis but with all counterparties at the same time. In spot deals, the standard amount is nowadays the equivalent of DEM 10 million; in forward deals, the amounts vary.

Although the central bank's foreign exchange intervention affects market liquidity, the immediate aim of such operations is usually to influence the markka's exchange rate. The scale of foreign exchange intervention has varied greatly in recent years, depending on the pressure to which the markka's value has been exposed.

Every business day at noon Finnish time, the Bank of Finland calculates and publishes exchange rates for 22 currencies.³ These quotations are middle rates, calculated as the averages of the buying and selling rates

prevailing in the market at that moment. It is customary to regard the Bank of Finland's quotations as 'official' exchange rates, although the Bank is not obliged to do foreign exchange deals at these rates. The commercial banks nevertheless use them as reference rates for transactions involving low-yalue payments.

THE BANK OF FINLAND'S LIQUIDITY SYSTEM

The banks have to close their books at the end of each business day. At about 3.30 pm in the afternoon the banks' claims and liabilities in respect of each other as well as interbank business transactions are cleared and settled across accounts maintained at the Bank of Finland. Immediately after this, trading in the overnight market begins. This is the market where banks seek to eliminate their liauidity surpluses or deficits. The overnight interest rate is determined as a result of these transactions.

After the overnight market closes at 4.00 pm, a bank's liquidity position for the day is the balance on its current account at the Bank of Finland. The sum of these balances represents the liquidity position of the entire banking system. If it shows a surplus, this means that one or more banks currently has call money deposits at the Bank of Finland, If, on the other hand, it shows a deficit, then one or more banks has to obtain liquidity credit from the Bank of Finland. There are no quantitative limits on either call money deposits or liquidity credit. Liquidity credit is not automatically overnight credit, however. Rather, the maturity can be 1, 7, 14, 21 or 28 days, as determined by the Bank of Finland (Chart 3). A maturity which is longer than overnight increases the cost of

The last remaining foreign exchange controls were abolished with effect from 1 October 1991. The only requirements now relate to controlling risks associated with the foreign activities of financial institutions, and the provision of information for balance of payments purposes.

The middle rates calculated by the Bank of Finland are notified daily to Reuters, Telerate, Startel, the Finnish News Agency, the Finnish Broadcasting Company's teletext service and Post and Communications. The quotations are also recorded on the Bank of Finland's telephone answering machine.

liquidity credit and thus acts as an inducement to the banks to smooth out fluctuations in their liquidity in the interbank market.

Both the interest rate payable on call money deposits and that charged on liquidity credit are tied to the tender rate for onemonth period. The tender rate is based on the last tender held by the Bank of Finland. The Bank of Finland determines the spreads for call money deposits and liquidity credit in relation to the tender rate. The interest rate spreads and the maturity for liquidity credit are displayed continuously on Reuters and Telerate.

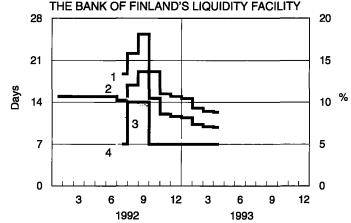
The current liquidity system was introduced at the beginning of July 1992. In the same context, the rate of interest paid on call money deposits was raised, which increased the banks' incentive to hold call money deposits ('free reserves') at the Bank of Finland. In addition, large fluctuations in the overnight rate were reduced by narrowing the spread between the call money deposit rate and the liquidity credit rate.

The Bank of Finland's arrangements for controlling bank liquidity have been developed at different times to serve different purposes. As a result, there is some overlapping between the schemes, which gives rise to unnecessary complexity. The present cash reserve system differs considerably from reserve systems widely applied in other countries. Indeed, a future aim is to convert the existing cash reserve deposit system into a more uniform reserve system.

BASE RATE A REMNANT OF THE ERA OF REGULATION

The Bank of Finland's base rate is an administered interest rate set by the Parliamentary Supervisory Board. Its importance has diminished along with the development of markets in Finland, and, for example, the Bank of Finland has not extended central bank financing linked to the base rate for many years. Nonetheless the base rate is still of importance as a fairly large

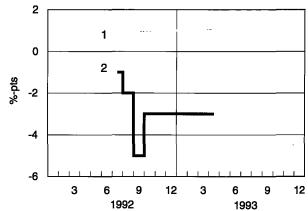
CHART 3.



1. Liquidity credit rate (prior to 3 July 1992 call money credit rate)

2. Tender rate

- 3. Call money deposit rate
- 4. Maturity of liquidity credit, days (left scale)



Spread between liquidity credit rate and tender rate
 Spread between call money deposit rate and tender rate

proportion of deposits and outstanding loans are tied to it, and these rates are adjusted whenever there is a change in the base rate. It is also mentioned in more than 40 different laws and regulations. The decline in the significance of the base rate has been retarded by the fact that rates on tax-exempt time deposits are linked to it.

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DEVELOPMENTS IN FINNISH DEBT

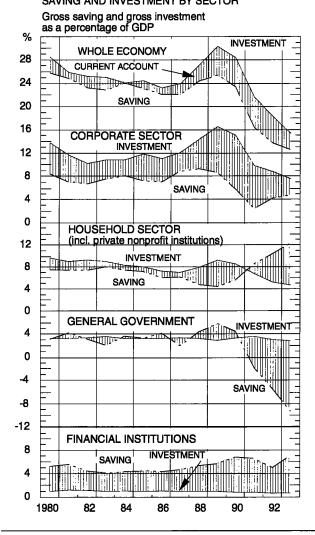
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distinctive feature of the current recession in Finland has been the high indebtedness of both the private and public sectors, combined with high real interest rates and declining real income. Net foreign debt, which in relation to GDP has more than doubled in the space of a few years. represents a serious constraint for economic policy. As adjustment and balance-sheet restructuring are being undertaken by all sectors simultaneously, domestic demand has weakened, which, in turn, has exacerbated the adjustment process. However, an improvement in the current account has been under way since the second half of 1992 and the ratio of Finland's net foreign debt to exports has begun to decrease.

As in many other countries. the indebtedness of the private sector increased rapidly in Finland in the latter half of the 1980s. In Finland this development was due to a combination of factors operating in the same direction. A prolonged period of rapid economic growth, exceptionally favourable terms of trade and improved income expectations generated strong investment demand. At the same time, deregulation of capital movements and bank lending rates eased access to credit. Borrowing was further fuelled by soaring asset prices, notably real estate and equity prices. In these circumstances banks were able to expand lending without having to worry about solvency problems. The resultant credit boom gave a strong boost to Finnish economic growth via domestic demand.

The period of rapid credit expansion and overheated eco-8 nomic conditions ended abrupt-

CHART 1.
SAVING AND INVESTMENT BY SECTOR



ly at the turn of the decade. Economic growth came to a halt in 1990 and the Finnish economy entered an exceptionally severe recession in 1991, characterized by sharply declining real income and falling asset prices. Altogether, real GDP declined by 10 per cent in 1991–92.

Though inflation has decelerated, the upward trend in nominal interest rates continued until autumn 1992, resulting in a substantial increase in the debt service burden.

DOMESTIC BOOM DEEPENED THE CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT IN THE LATE 1980s

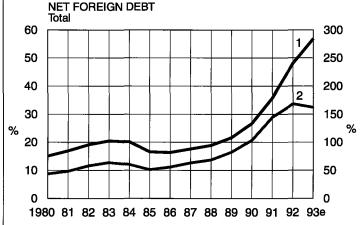
The external balance started to deteriorate towards the end of the 1980s. From an average of 1.3 per cent of GDP in the period 1981-85, the current account deficit widened to about 5.0 per cent in 1989-90. The trade account deficit had its origins mainly in domestic factors. In the late 1980s, the boom in domestic demand and erosion of price competitiveness crowded out exports and induced higher imports. In 1991, the rapid deterioration in Finland's external environment aggravated the adjustment of the current account. The Soviet trade collapsed and demand in western markets stagnated, exerting a strong deflationary impact on the economy.

In the framework of sectoral income and demand, the weak-ening of the financial balance of the economy in the latter half of the 1980s can be viewed as a consequence of increased investment and sharply lower saving in the private sector (Chart 1).

A succession of large current account deficits has led to a rapid rise in Finland's external debt. In relation to GDP, net foreign debt increased from about 20 per cent in 1988 to 48 per cent in 1992 (Chart 2). Also contributing to the sharp increase in indebtedness was the depreciation of the markka, which in 1991–92 raised the markka value of Finland's net foreign debt by the equivalent of almost 8 per cent of GDP.

The recession has had a significant impact on sectoral financial balances. In spite of weak income developments, the financial balance of the private sector moved into surplus in 1992 because of sharp declines in consumption and investment. The counterpart to this adjustment was, however, a substantial increase in the financial deficit of the public sector (see Chart 1). The recent development and increase in the financial deficit of the public sector (see Chart 1).

CHART 2.



- 1. As a percentage of GDP (left scale)
- 2. As a percentage of current account receipts (right scale)

By sector, as a percentage of GDP

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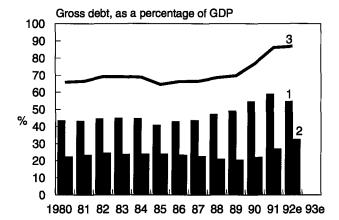
- Total debt
- 2. General government debt

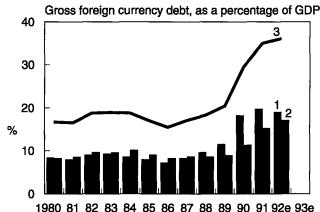
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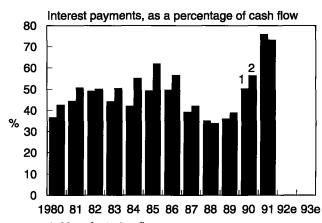
- 1. Average rate on outstanding markka loans
- Average rate on new markka loans

CHART 4. CORPORATE SECTOR





- 1. Domestic sector
- 2. Open sector
- 3. Total corporate sector



- 1. Manufacturing firms
- Wholesale and retail trade

opments in sectoral financial balances have also been reflected in the sectoral distribution of net foreign debt, with a fall in the share of the private sector and a rapid rise in the share of the public sector, notably the state.

The trade balance turned into a surplus towards the end of 1991 and remained in surplus in 1992. By contrast, the deficit on the investment income account has deepened as a result of the growth of interest payments on foreign debt and negative reinvested earnings from direct investment, thus slowing the improvement in the external balance. The deficit on current account stopped growing in 1991 and began to shrink in 1992.

RECESSION AND DEPRECIATION OF THE MARKKA WORSENED CORPORATE INDEBTEDNESS

Historically, capital-intensive export firms have had relatively high leverage levels, partly because of the favourable tax treatment of debt financing.1 However, in the wake of financial liberalization, the economic environment of firms has undergone major change, which has increased the financial vulnerability of highly leveraged firms. Regulated interest rates have been replaced by market-determined rates, which are dependent on developments in international interest rates. Consequently, domestic nominal and real interest rates rose along with international interest rates in the late 1980s and early 1990s (Chart 3).

In connection with financial deregulation firms substantially increased their debt financing, a growing share of which consisted of loans denominated in foreign currency (Chart 4). Foreign currency loans gained popularity because of the existence of a relatively large differential be-

¹Including unincorporated enterprises

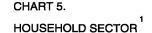
Capital and corporate taxation have undergone major reform since the 1980s. At the beginning of 1993, the capital tax rate was lowered to 25 per cent, thus reducing non-neutrality between different sources of finance.

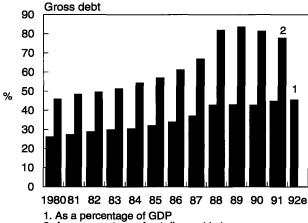
tween domestic and foreign interest rates. During the late 1980s, more than half of all new corporate debt denominated in foreign currency was raised by firms in the domestic sector.

The indebtedness of Finnish firms did not become a major problem until 1990–91, because increases in corporate earnings and asset values kept abreast of debt growth in the second half of the 1980s. Since 1991 the deterioration of corporate financial conditions has been rapid, reflecting higher interest rates and a sharp decline in both earnings and the market value of assets.

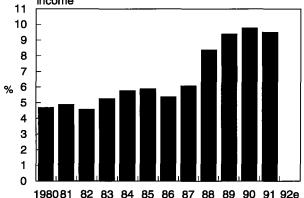
Although the sizable depreciation of the markka since November 1991 has boosted export earnings, the financial position of the corporate sector has remained weak. Whereas the leverage of export firms has gradually started to level off, the financial difficulties of firms in the domestic sector have intensified.2 The main reasons for this unusually difficult situation are to be found in the investment boom that took place in the second half of the 1980s and in the increased foreign currency borrowing of firms in the domestic sector. Most of this investment occurred in those industries that were subsequently hit hard by the recession, eg residential and non-residential construction, real estate and services. As domestic demand fell by 13 per cent in 1991-92, a large part of these investments has turned out to be superfluous and unprofitable.

As a consequence of the high level of foreign debt, the depreciation of the markka since 1991 has substantially increased the leverage of firms in the domestic sector by boosting the markka value of their foreign currency loans. As the exchange rate risks have materialized, firms' willingness to hold foreign currency debt has di-





As a percentage of net disposable income
 Interest payments, as a percentage of net disposable income



 Including unincorporated enterprises and excluding nonprofit institutions

minished. In dollar terms, the gross foreign currency debt of the corporate sector decreased from about USD 53 billion at the end of 1990 to USD 42 billion at the end of 1992. This trend was maintained during the first quarter of the current year.

The problems of debt overhang in the corporate sector and high levels of real interest rates have been compounded by the heavy debt servicing burden resulting from a combination of high real interest rates and low or even negative corporate earnings (Chart 4). Real interest rates have been at historically very high levels over the past two years. The recent fall in interest rates will ease debt servicing burdens to some degree. Furthermore, firms have initiated a major cost and debt adjustment involving labour shedding, cutbacks in spending on investment and a reduction in inventory levels. Improved cash flows have been redirected towards repaying outstanding debt.

HOUSEHOLD INDEBT-EDNESS HAS STOPPED GROWING BUT IS STILL AT A HIGH LEVEL

Favourable economic development also encouraged households to incur debt. Household borrowing started to rise sharply in the late 1980s following the abolition of lending rate regulations and down payment 11

This is reflected, among other things, in banks' credit losses, the majority of which are attributable to firms in the domestic sector.

CHART 6.

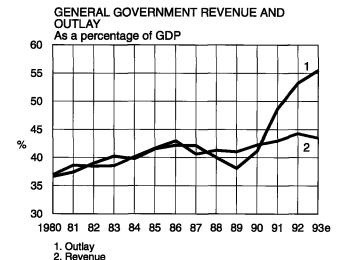
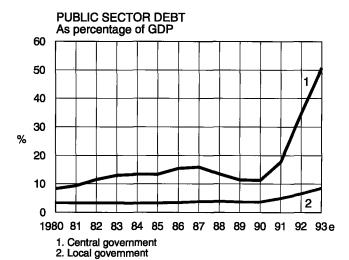


CHART 7.



requirements for housing and other personal loans. As a consequence, the household saving ratio fell to an exceptionally low level. Despite increasing levels of indebtedness, buoyant house prices increased household net wealth and hence borrowing capacity. The high level of debt was not perceived to be a problem as a fall in asset prices was considered to be most unlikely. These expectations were largely based on the experience of the inflationary years of 12 the 1970s and early 1980s,

which led to underestimation of the debt burden incurred.

When economic conditions started to deteriorate in 1990, the growth of personal income slowed and later even became negative, and unemployment soared. Existing debt levels became unsustainable, prompting the need for financial consolidation. Consequently, household borrowing slowed down sharply and the saving ratio rose.

Household debt has accounted for a relatively small proportion of banks' credit loss-

es.3 The situation remains fragile, however, as the household debt burden is still high. Real interest rates are high, real disposable income is declining and asset and house prices are at very low levels. Household indebtedness has clearly increased in relation to household wealth. Nominal house prices have fallen by 50 per cent from their peak in 1989. At their peak in 1990-91, interest payments accounted for about 10 per cent of disposable income compared to roughly 5 per cent at the beginning of 1980s (Chart 5). The recent fall in interest rates will reduce the debt service burden of the household sector to some degree, however.

RECESSION CAUSED A SHARP RISE IN GOVERNMENT DEBT

The financial position of the general government sector remained healthy throughout the 1980s, in large part because of favourable economic performance. Though the ratio of general government outlays (public demand and transfer payments) to GDP exhibited an upward trend for almost the entire decade, revenue also grew in relation to GDP. The shift in production toward the labour-intensive service sectors, together with the rapid growth of domestic demand in the latter years of the decade, served to broaden the tax base (Chart 6).

Central government debt, which in Finland makes up most of general government debt, rose slightly in relation to GDP until the final years of the 1980s, before declining markedly during the economic boom. By international standards, central government debt remained small, as too did other components of general government debt, primarily local government debt. Debt financing plays a minor role in local government largely because of legal limita-

Households have accounted for about 20 per cent of the banking sector's non-performing loans and 6–7 per cent of its credit losses.

TABLE. FINANCIAL ASSET	rs and Li <i>a</i>	ABILITIES	BY SECTO	OR	
Billion FIM	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992
Public sector Financial assets Financial liabilities	65 77	73 76	82 79	83 115	111 204
Household sector¹ Financial assets Financial liabilities	238 220	254 251	266 267	270 278	272 276
Corporate sector Financial assets Financial liabilities	117 320	151 376	157 428	174 458	200 461

¹ Including non-profit institutions.

tions and the significant share of state-aids in financing local government spending.

Following the onset of economic recession in Finland, the financial position of the public sector has deteriorated sharply since 1991. General government outlays, especially those of the central government sector, have risen sharply as a result of the recession. Expenditure related to unemployment has soared in response to a fourfold rise in the unemployment rate from 4.2 per cent at the end of 1990. Another large component of central government expenditure that is related to the recession is the capital support provided by way of loans to banks. The third component of outlays contributing to the increased expenditure of central and local government is related to interest payments on outstanding debt. which have grown at an accelerating pace because of both the rapid growth of debt and the high level of interest rates. On the revenue side the slump has caused a general erosion of the tax base and, in addition, the shifts in demand have resulted in a decrease in tax revenue.

Whereas the general government sector still recorded a revenue surplus (revenue less expenditure before financial transactions) in 1990, a deficit amounting to 9 per cent of GDP had emerged by 1992. The bulk of this deficit – 7 percentage points – is attributable to the central government. Another factor contributing to the growth of central government debt has been the expansion of financial investments referred to above. Central government debt, which

amounted to only 11.3 per cent of GDP at the end of 1990, had reached 34.9 per cent by the end of 1992 (Chart 7).

The share of borrowing abroad in the financing of the central government deficit has increased. This shift is also connected with a change in the sectoral distribution of capital imports. As a result of the efforts by the private sector to consolidate its debt, the net foreign debt of this sector has recently started to decline.

Of the central government's net borrowing in 1991 and 1992, over 50 per cent was denominated in foreign currency. This has increased the central government's exposure to exchange rate risk. By March 1993, the weakening of the markka had increased the markka value of central government debt in relation to GDP by some 6 percentage points compared with the situation prior to the devaluation of November 1991.

PRIVATE SECTOR'S FINANCIAL BALANCE IMPROVING, PRIORITY GIVEN TO ADJUSTMENT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR, EXTERNAL BALANCE STRENGTHENING

Adjustment towards better financial balance in the private sector is expected to continue in the near term. Cautious income expectations should keep the household sector's saving propensity at a high level and channel savings into debt repayment and the accumulation of financial assets. In the corporate sector intense efforts are being made to restore indebtedness to more sustainable levels. Owing to low levels of capacity utili-

zation investment demand is not expected to pick up significantly. In the public sector, however, the financial deficit is likely to deepen further in 1993.

The unexpectedly rapid build-up in central government debt has focused attention in fiscal policy on the urgency of halting the continued rise in indebtedness. Cutting public deficits is considered essential for an improvement in the economy's external balance. Fiscal consolidation is also regarded as a precondition for lower domestic interest rates and for curbing pressures for higher taxation.

The Government has made a reduction in the size of the public sector the prime objective of fiscal policy. In order to achieve this objective, the Government has adopted a medium-term budgetary framework aimed at reducing real central government outlays to their 1991 level by 1995. The first cuts were included in the 1992 budget while the budget for 1993 provided for substantially larger spending cuts, amounting to over 4 per cent of GDP. In October last year and again in March this vear, the Government announced additional savings measures to be taken in 1994-96. In March, the Government also set explicit targets for the consolidation of central government finances. The aim is to halt the rise in the level of central government indebtedness so that by 1997 the ratio of debt to gross domestic product would be no more 70 per cent.

The improvement in the current account position is expected to continue over the next two years. The current account is forecast to move into surplus in the course of next year and to remain in surplus in 1995. This development implies a clear turnaround in net foreign debt in relation to export earnings in 1993 and later also a halt in the upward trend in the outstanding value of debt.

14 May 1993

FINLAND'S BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, JANUARY-MARCH 1993

Current account

The current account showed a deficit of FIM 6.2 billion in January–March of this year, FIM 1.9 billion less than in the corresponding period a year ago. The main contributions to the improvement came from an increase in the trade surplus and a decrease in the deficit on the services account. The improvement in the external balance was, however, partially offset by a rise in net interest expenditure.

Goods. Compiled on a balance-of-payments basis, the trade account posted a surplus of FIM 5.3 billion, FIM 3.3 billion more than for the first quarter of 1992. The value of exports grew by 24 per cent. The sharpest increase was registered for the exports of the paper and basic metals industries. The value of imports rose by 12 per cent. Imports of raw materials and intermediate goods grew by 11 per cent, whereas imports of consumer goods fell by 10 per cent.

Services. The deficit on the services account totalled FIM 1.7 billion, down by FIM 0.7 billion from the corresponding period a year ago. The surplus on the transport account grew slightly. The services account improved substantially as a result of a marked narrowing of the deficit on the travel account; this was mainly due to a fall of 19 per cent in travel expenditure. There was no further increase in the deficit on the other services account.

Investment income. Investment expenditure abroad 14 amounted to FIM 10.3 billion,

MAJOR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS ITEMS, JANUARY-MARCH 1993, MILLION FIM¹

	Receipts	Expenditure	Net	
Trade (exports fob, imports cif) Adjustment items Trade account Transport Travel Other services Services account GOODS AND SERVICES ACCOUNT	31 312 -468 30 844 2 007 1 211 2 502 5 720 36 564	25 962 -393 25 569 1 018 2 198 4 195 7 412 32 981	5 350 -75 5 275 989 -988 -1 693 -1 692 3 583	
Investment income Unrequited transfers Other A. CURRENT ACCOUNT	2 098 471 1 126 40 259	10 326 1 761 1 406 46 475	-8 228 -1 290 -280 -6 216	
(Change in assets	Change in liabilities	Net	
Loans Direct investment Portfolio investment Other long-term capital B. LONG-TERM CAPITAL ACCOUNT BASIC BALANCE (A+B)	692 -1 497 -2 915 106 -3 614	9 232 151 16 270 -384 25 269	9 924 -1 346 13 355 -278 21 655 15 439	
Trade credits Short-term capital of banks Other short-term capital Errors and omissions C. SHORT-TERM CAPITAL ACCOUNT OVERALL BALANCE (A+B+C)	–1 376 –18 341 1 256	265 -3 922 -5 922	-1 111 -22 263 -4 666 6 907 -21 133 -5 694	
Change in the foreign exchange reserves of the Bank of Finland			5 694	
Assets: increase -, decrease + Liabilities: increase +, decrease -				
¹ Preliminary figures.				

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while investment income from abroad totalled FIM 2.1 billion. Interest payments abroad totalled FIM 8.2 billion, FIM 2.3 billion more than a year earlier.¹ Current account data include estimated reinvested earnings from direct investment, ie the combined income of direct investment enterprises after payment of dividends. In previous years, the current account was not adiusted for this item until later.

Capital account

There were heavy capital movements during the first quarter of the year, although net imports of capital totalled only FIM 0.5 billion. Net exports of capital by the private sector amounted to FIM 26.2 billion, while net imports of capital by the central government totalled FIM 29.1 billion. As the net inflow of capital was not sufficient to cover the current account deficit, the Bank of Finland's foreign exchange reserves decreased by FIM 5.7 billion. At the end of March, the Bank of Finland's foreign exchange reserves stood at FIM 27.3 billion.

Direct investment. Finnish direct investment abroad totalled FIM 1.5 billion in net terms, approximately the same as in January–March last year. Net foreign direct investment in Finland amounted to only FIM 0.2 billion.

Portfolio investment. Net capital imports in the form of portfolio investment amounted to FIM 13.4 billion. Net sales of Finnish bonds abroad totalled FIM 15.0 billion. Sales of Finnish

shares abroad amounted to FIM 1.3 billion, approximately FIM 1 billion more than a year ago. A major factor contributing to this development was the lifting of the restrictions on foreign ownership of Finnish shares from the beginning of the year. Finnish investment in foreign bonds amounted to FIM 2.9 billion.

Short-term capital. Net exports of short-term capital amounted to FIM 21.1 billion, a large part of which was due to an increase in the banks' short-term claims. In January, the Bank of Finland repaid the remaining amount, FIM 2.4 billion in all, of the currency support credits which the Bank had drawn in autumn 1992. Short-term liabilities related to imports grew by FIM 0.4 billion and prepayments and receivables related to exports by FIM 1.5 billion.

Net foreign debt

According to preliminary data, Finland's net foreign debt amounted to FIM 263.4 billion at the end of March. Net long-term debt accounted for 261.4

billion and net short-term debt for FIM 2.0 billion. Exchange rate changes and other valuation items² increased Finland's net debt by some FIM 28 billion in the first quarter of the year. The central government's share of total net foreign debt was FIM 156.8 billion.

PUBLICATION OF THE BANK OF FINLAND

The Bank of Finland Year Book for 1992 has been published. The Year Book includes the Governor's review, a review of central bank policy and other central bank activities in 1992 as well as the financial statements and accompanying notes. Various banking transactions undertaken by the Bank during the year under review are included in a statistical appendix. Helsinki 1993. 85 pp. ISSN 0081-9468.

In addition to exchange rate changes, the amount of outstanding liabilities and assets is affected, inter alia, by changes in prices of securities and by credit losses.

MONETARY AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE POLICY MEASURES FROM JUNE 1992 TO MAY 1993

1992

JUNE

Government Guarantee Fund becomes new owner of Skopbank. On 12 June, the Parliamentary Supervisory Board approves a deal whereby Scopulus Oy, owned by the Bank of Finland, sells its holdings of Skopbank shares and preferred capital certificates to the Government Guarantee Fund. **Government offer of capital** for banks. Based on the decision by the Government in March to make available FIM 8 billion for investment in banks' core capital, the Government makes a formal offer of investment to the banks on 17 June. Capital will be offered to Finnish deposit banks according to their size, as measured by riskweighted assets and offbalance-sheet commitments calculated according to BIS standards. The capital will be available at two dates, either in August or in December, depending on the preference of the bank.

Government Guarantee
Fund supports the Savings
Bank of Finland. On 26 June,
the Government Guarantee
Fund decides to grant capital
support amounting to FIM 5.5
billion and a guarantee of FIM
1.7 billion to the Savings Bank of
Finland. The latter will be
established in autumn 1992 by
merging 41 savings banks.

JUIY

The system for regulating bank liquidity changes. The Bank of Finland decides to replace the existing call money 16 facility by a new system for

regulating the supply of bank liquidity with effect from 1 July. The new system differs from that applied hitherto in that deposit and borrowing rates are closer to market interest rates and move in line with changes in market rates. In addition, the Bank of Finland may, at its discretion, extend the maturity of liquidity credit from one day up to four weeks.

Central banks of Finland and EC countries strengthen cooperation. The central banks of the European Communities and the Bank of Finland decide on 15 July to strengthen their monetary cooperation. The primary means of achieving this is a network of credits available whenever necessary to support the foreign exchange reserves.

AUGUST

Government offer of capital.

Fifty-three savings banks and four commercial banks (Kansallis-Osake-Pankki, Postipankki, Skopbank and STS-Bank) accept, by 14 August, the offer of capital made by the Government. The total amount of capital raised is FIM 4.6 billion.

SEPTEMBER

Floating of the markka. On 8 September, the Bank of Finland decides to temporarily float the markka because of continuing pressure against the currency in the foreign exchange market. The decision is taken with the consent of the Government in accordance with the Currency Act.

OCTOBER

Tax-exempt deposits. On 16 October, the law on the tax relief of deposits and bonds is amended to grant tax-exempt status to 36-month fixed-rate deposits providing the interest rate on them is not more than the Bank of Finland's base rate less one percentage point and they are made between 1 September 1992 and 31 December 1993. The tax-exempt status of 24-month deposits is extended to apply to deposits made up to the end of 1994.

Cash reserve requirement.

The Bank of Finland raises the banks' cash reserve requirement from 3.7 per cent to 4.0 per cent of the cash reserve base at end-September.

Termination of payments agreement. The payments agreement between Finland and Bulgaria is terminated on 16 October. Immediately after this, the effecting of clearing payments is discontinued, the clearing accounts are closed and there is a changeover to the use of convertible currencies in trade between the two countries.

NOVEMBER

Amendment to the Currency Act. On 13 November, section 2 of the Currency Act is amended so as to enable the Government, on the basis of a proposal of the Bank of Finland, to authorize the Bank to abandon the limits on the markka's range of fluctuation for an indefinite period. In addition, the Government can cancel such authorization, after taking into consideration the conditions prevailing in the money and foreign exchange markets. Prior to making the

decision, the Government must request the opinion of the Bank of Finland on the matter.

Decision to continue the floating of the markka. On 13 November, the Government, in accordance with the amendment to the Currency Act, decides to authorize the Bank of Finland to continue the floating of the markka.

Letter of intent between the **Government Guarantee** Fund and Kansallis-Osake-Pankki. On 24 November. Kansallis-Osake-Pankki buys the majority shareholding in STS-Bank Ltd from the STS Foundation. On the same date. the Government Guarantee Fund and Kansallis-Osake-Pankki sign a letter of intent on the establishment of an asset management company ("bad bank") for the management of STS-Bank's bad loans. The agreement is conditional on the Act on the Government Guarantee Fund being amended to permit the establishment of such a company.

Cash reserve requirement.

The Bank of Finland raises the banks' cash reserve requirement from 4.0 per cent to 4.5 per cent of the cash reserve base at end-October.

Till-money credits. The Bank of Finland revises the base amounts, the share of banks' till-money holdings which is not financed by the Bank of Finland under the till-money credit arrangement. The combined total of base amounts is raised to 20 per cent of currency in circulation with the public. The combined total of the banks' base amounts rises by FIM 597 million and amounts to FIM 1 791 million as from the last business day in November.

DECEMBER

Government offer of capital to banks. Two commercial banks (Union Bank of Finland and Okobank), 14 savings banks and 57 cooperative banks accept, by 16 December, the offer of capital made by the

Government. The total amount of capital raised in this context if FIM 3.3 billion.

Government Guarantee Fund grants support to Skopbank and the Savings Bank of Finland. The

Bank of Finland. The Government Guarantee Fund decides, on 22 December, to grant capital support totalling FIM 1.5 billion to Skopbank and, on 30 December, to grant capital support totalling FIM 4.7 billion to the Savings Bank of Finland. Cash reserve requirement. The Bank of Finland raises the banks' cash reserve requirement from 4.5 per cent to 5.0 per cent of the cash reserve base at

1993

JANUARY

end-November.

Base rate. The Parliamentary Supervisory Board lowers the Bank of Finland's base rate from 9.5 per cent to 8.5 per cent with effect from 1 January.

Cash reserve requirement.

The Bank of Finland raises the banks' cash reserve requirement from 5.0 per cent to 5.5 per cent of the cash reserve base at end-December

Interest on cash reserve deposits. The Bank of Finland decides to lower the rate of interest paid on cash reserve deposits as from 1 January in accordance with the current cash reserve agreement. The new interest rate will be 3 percentage points below three-month HELIBOR, however not less than 8 per cent.

Swap agreement between the Nordic central banks.

The Nordic central banks decide to revise and substantially enlarge their agreement on short-term currency support, which has been in force since 1 January 1984. The revised agreement enters into force on 1 January for an indefinite period.

New legislation on foreign ownership. The 1939 Restriction Act is repealed at the end of December, and new legislation lifting the restrictions on foreign ownership of Finnish companies enters into force on 1 January. The new legislation also liberalizes the acquisition of real estate by foreigners.

FEBRUARY

Monetary policy. The Bank of Finland specifies the guidelines in accordance with which monetary policy will be conducted over the next few years. The aim is to stabilize the rate of inflation, measured by the annual rise in consumer prices. permanently at two per cent by 1995. Inflation will be measured by the consumer price index; however, changes due to public charges, taxes and developments in housing prices will not be taken into account in monetary policy.

Base rate. The Parliamentary Supervisory Board lowers the Bank of Finland's base rate from 8.5 per cent to 7.5 per cent with effect from 15 February.

Finnish State guarantees banks' operations. On 23 February, Parliament unanimously approves a resolution requiring the Finnish State to guarantee that Finnish banks meet their commitments under all circumstances. At the same time, Parliament undertakes to grant the Government whatever funds and powers might be necessary for this purpose.

MARCH

Organization of the Government Guarantee Fund. The internal organization of the Government Guarantee Fund is changed on 11 March. The changes are designed to improve the Fund's prerequisites for providing bank support. The main changes are: (1) the board of management of the Fund comprises at most five members, at least one of whom represents the Ministry of Finance: the Parliamentary Supervisory Board of the Bank of Finland continues to function as 17 the Fund's supervisory body and eg appoints the members of the board; (2) the Fund has a full-time manager and other necessary full-time staff; and (3) the Fund assists the Ministry of Finance in the preparation of decisions concerning the use of funds set aside for bank support in the state budget; the Government makes decisions on support measures.

MAY

Base rate. The Parliamentary Supervisory Board lowers the Bank of Finland's base rate from 7.5 per cent to 7.0 per cent with effect from 17 May.

Cash reserve requirement.

The Bank of Finland lowers the banks' cash reserve requirement from 5.5 per cent to 4.5 per cent of the cash reserve base at end-April.

Maximum interest rate on transaction accounts. Under the amendment to the law on income and wealth taxation, the maximum annual rate of interest payable on tax-exempt transaction accounts is lowered from 4.5 per cent to 2.5 per cent with effect from 6 May.



LAND, CLIMATE AND POPULATION

Finland covers an area of more than 338 000 square kilometres. The total area is slowly increasing because of the steady uplift of the land since the last glacial era. The country shares frontiers with Sweden in the west, Norway in the north and Russia in the east and has a coastline bordered by the Baltic Sea in the south and west. Agricultural land accounts for 8 % of the total area, forest and other wooded land for 69 % and inland waters for 10%. Located between latitudes 60° and 70° north, Finland has warm summers and cold winters. Helsinki on the south coast has an average maximum temperature of 22° C (72° F) in July and —4° C (25° F) in February.

Finland has a population of 5 055 700 (1 January 1993) and an average population density of 16.6 per square kilometre. The largest towns are Helsinki (Helsingfors), the capital, with 502 000 inhabitants, Espoo (Esbo) 178 850, Tampere (Tammerfors) 175 300, Turku (Åbo)160 200 and Van-

taa (Vanda) 159 300.

There are two official languages: 93.4 % of the population speaks Finnish as its mother tongue and 5.9 % Swedish. There is a small Lapp population in the north. Finnish is a member of the small Finno-Ugrian group of languages, which also includes Estonian and Hungarian.

FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Finland is a parliamentary democracy with a republican constitution. From the twelfth century to 1809 Finland was part of the Kingdom of Sweden. In 1809, Finland was annexed to Russia as an autonomous Grand Duchy with the Tsar as Grand Duke. On 6 December 1917 Finland declared her independence. The republican constitution adopted in 1919 remains essentially unchanged today.

The legislative power of the country is exercised by Parliament and the President of the Republic. The supreme executive power is vested in the President, who is elected for a period of six years. The President for the current term, 1 March 1988 to 1 March 1994, is Dr Mauno Koivisto.

Parliament, comprising 200 members, is elected by universal suffrage for a period of four years. Following the parliamentary elections of 1991, the seats of the various parties in Parliament are distributed as follows:

Centre Party 55; Social Democratic Party 48; National Coalition Party 40; Left-Wing Alliance 19; Swedish Peo-20 ple's Party 12; The Greens 10; Christian League 8; Rural Party 7; and Liberal Party of Finland 1.

Of the 17 ministerial posts in the present Government appointed in April 1991, 8 are held by the Centre Party, 6 by the National Coalition Party, 2 by the Swedish People's Party and 1 by the Christian League. The Prime Minister is Mr Esko Aho of the Centre Party.

Finland is divided into 461 selfgoverning municipalities. Members of the municipal council are elected by universal suffrage for a period of four years.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Finland became a member of the BIS in 1930, the IMF in 1948, the IBRD in 1948, GATT in 1950, the UN in 1955, the Nordic Council in 1955, the IFC in 1956, IDA in 1960, EFTA in 1961, the ADB in 1966, the OECD in 1969, the IDB in 1977, the AfDB in 1982, the MIGA in 1988 and the Council of Europe in 1989.

Having abolished most quantitative restrictions on foreign trade in 1957, Finland first took part in European free trade arrangements under the auspices of EFTA in 1961. Imports from the USSR were also progressively freed from customs duties. Finland's free trade agreement with the EEC entered into force in 1974 and agreements for the removal of trade barriers were concluded with several eastern European countries as well. In spring 1992, Finland signed the agreement on the European Economic Area (EEA) between the member countries of EFTÁ and the European Community, and submitted her application for membership of the European Community. Citizens of the five Nordic countries, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden, have enjoyed a common labour market, a passport union and reciprocal social security benefits since the mid-1950s.

Finland's development cooperation programmes channel assistance via international organizations and, bilaterally, to a number of African, Asian and Latin American countries.

THE ECONOMY

Output and employment. Of the gross domestic product of FIM 440 billion in basic values in 1991, 3 % was generated in agriculture and fishing, 2% in forestry, 21 % in industry, 8 % in construction, 10 % in trade, restaurants and hotels, 8 % in transport and communications, 4 % in finance and insurance, 22 % in other private services and 21 % by producers of government services. Of total employment of 2.3 million persons in 1991, 8 % were

engaged in primary production, 29 % in industry and construction and 63% in services.

In 1991, expenditure on the gross domestic product in purchasers' values amounted to FIM 503 billion and was distributed as follows: net exports -0.6 % (exports 21.8 %, imports -22.4 %), gross fixed capital formation 23 %, private consumption 55 % and government consumption 24 %. Finland's gross tax ratio (gross taxes in relation to GDP) was 37 % and the net tax ratio (net taxes in relation to GDP) 20 %, which is about the average for OECD countries.

Average annual (compounded) growth of real GDP was 4.7 % in the period 1950-59, 5.0 % in 1960-69, 3.7 % in 1970-79, 3.7 % in 1980-89 and 4.0 % in 1950-91. Finland's GDP per capita in 1991 was USD 24 800.

Foreign trade. OECD countries absorb the bulk of Finnish merchandise exports. In 1988–92, their share was, on average, 78.1 per cent, of which the share of EC countries was 47.7 percentage points and that of EFTA countries 20.2 percentage points. Over the same period, Finland's exports to East European countries (including the Soviet Union) accounted for 14.4 per cent and the rest of the world for 9.6 per cent. The regional distribution of Finland's merchandise imports has been quite similar to that of exports.

in 1992, the share of forest industry products in total merchandise exports was 38 %, the share of metal and engineering products 43% and the share of other goods 19 %. Raw materials and intermediate goods (incl. crude oil) accounted for 62% of merchandise imports, fuels for 4 %, investment goods for 14 % and consumption goods for 22 %.

Forest resources. Finland has fairly abundant forest resources, but only limited amounts of other raw materials. The growing stock comprises 1880 million cubic metres, of which 45 % is pine, 37 % spruce and 18 % broad-leaved species, chiefly birch.

The annual growth increment totals 79 million cubic metres and the total drain calculated on the basis of commercial fellings was 38 million cubic metres in 1992.

Energy. In 1991, gross consumption of primary energy amounted to 30 Mtoe, of which inclustry accounted for 44%, heating for 22%, transportation for 14% and other purposes for 20%. The sources of primary energy in 1991 were as follows: oil 29%, coal 12%, nuclear power 15%, hydro-electric power, peat and other indigenous

sources 30 %, others 14 %. Compared internationally (1990), Finland's consumption of 5.8 toe (OECD definition) per capita was 1.8 times higher than the average in European OECD countries. The self-sufficiency rate (including nuclear power) in Finland was 39 %, as compared with 60 % in western Europe on average.

FINANCE AND BANKING

Currency. Finland has had its own monetary system since 1865. The currency unit is the markka (plural: markkaa), abbreviation FIM, which is divided into 100 penniä (singular: penni). From 1 November 1977 to 7 June 1991 the external value of the markka was officially expressed in terms of a tradeweighted currency index, which was permitted to fluctuate within a prescribed range (from 30 November 1988 the range was 6 percentage points). From 7 June 1991 to 7 September 1992, the markka was pegged to the European Currency Unit, the ECU. The fluctuation margins and the midpoint were set so as to correspond to the fluctuation margins and midpoint of the old currency index. The midpoint was first 4.87580 (FIM/ECU). Owing to the devaluation of the markka on 15 November 1991, the midpoint was increased to 5.55841 and the fluctuation limits to 5.39166 and 5.72516. On 8 September 1992, the Bank of Finland decided to temporarily abandon the limits of the fluctuation range and allow the markka to float. On 13 November 1992, the Government, on the basis of the amended Currency Act, authorized the Bank of Finland to float the markka for an indefinite period.

The Central Bank. The Bank of Finland (Suomen Pankki - Finlands Bank). founded in 1811, operates under the supervision of the Parliamentary Supervisory Board, the nine members of which are entrusted with overall supervision of the Bank and certain specific decisions such as fixing the Bank's base rate and the limits for other rates. The Governor and a maximum of five other Members of the Board of Management are appointed by the President of the Republic. The Board manages all affairs not expressly entrusted to the Parliamentary Supervisory Board, including the terms of banks' central bank finance, open market operations, intervention in the foreign exchange market and determination of the external value of the currency within the fluctuation limits. The powers vested in the Bank and its independence of the Government make the Bank of Finland one of the world's stronger central banks. In practice, the Bank liaises closely with the Government, so as to coordinate economic policy. The Bank of Finland has a head office in Helsinki and 8 branch offices in other towns.

Other banks (31 December 1992). Finland has three major groups of deposit banks with a total of about 2 700 offices. There are three big commercial banks with national branch networks and ten smaller ones, two of which are foreign-owned. The commercial banks have a total of 29 foreign branches, subsidiaries and associate banks and 31 representative offices abroad. There are 41 savings banks and 310 cooperative banks with their own extensive branch networks. In addition, foreign banks have three branches and eight representative offices in Finland.

Financial market. Of the total stock of FIM 776 billion in outstanding domestic credit at the end of 1991, 62 % was provided by deposit banks 3 % by private mortgage banks, 17 % by insurance companies, 4 % by other private credit institutions, 4 % by public financial institutions and 9 % by the state, local authorities and social security funds. There are no quantitative restrictions or interest rate limitations on lending. Regulation of bank lending rates was progressively relaxed earlier in the 1980s and finally abolished in 1986.

In the money market, 75 % of the instruments, which totalled approximately FIM 158 billion at end-1992, were negotiable instruments such as bank certificates of deposit, commercial paper, Treasury notes and local authority paper. Funds raised through bank trust departments and non-negotiable bank debt instruments make up the bulk of non-negotiable instruments. In its open market operations, the Bank of Finland deals in bank certificates of deposit and also issues its own certificates of deposit.

There are 63 listed companies on the Helsinki Stock Exchange, with a market capitalization value of FIM 64 billion (at end-1992). Two foreign companies are also quoted. Domestic bonds and debentures in circulation at end-1992 totalled FIM 162 billion; government bonds made up 27 % of the total. Turnover on the Stock Exchange in 1992 amounted to FIM 26 billion; the share of shares and subscription rights in the total was approximately 40 %.

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THE RALANCE SHEET OF THE RANK OF FINLAND

	1992		199)3	
	31 Dec.	8 April	15 April	23 April	30 April
ASSETS					
Gold and foreign currency claims	29 517	29 703	28 100	35 302	34 900
Gold	2 180	2 180	2 180	2 180	2 180
Special drawing rights	564	653	627	627	615
IMF reserve tranche	1 732	1 956	1 878	1 879	1 842
Convertible currencies	25 041	24 914	23 415	30 616	30 262
Other foreign claims	4 867	4 923	4 904	4 899	4 895
Markka subscription to Finland's IMF quota	4 464	4 476	4 476	4 476	4 476
Term credit	404	447	428	423	419
Claims on financial institutions	14 595	11 396	11 121	11 528	7 348
Liquidity credits	1 585	360	138	693	305
Certificates of deposit	3 930	1 160	1 110	961	1 543
Securities with repurchase commitments	4 408	5 263	5 270	5 270	1 145
Term credits	100	_	_	_	_
Till-money credits	2 872	2 994	2 994	2 994	2 747
Bonds	1 462	1 382	1 371	1 371	1 37
Other claims on financial institutions	238	238	238	238	238
Claims on the public sector	2 446	1 954	1 954	1 953	2 639
Loans to the Government Guarantee Fund	1 000	500	500	500	1 200
Total coinage	1 446	1 454	1 454	1 453	1 439
Claims on corporations	1 458	1 393	1 400	1 393	1 384
Financing of domestic deliveries (KTR)	747	682	678	671	662
Other claims on corporations	711	711	722	722	722
Other assets	10 925	9 613	9 6 1 4	9 613	9 6 1 8
Loans for stabilizing the money market	9 474	9 474	9 474	9 474	9 474
Accrued items	1 298	_	_	_	_
Other assets	153	139	140	139	144
Capitalized expenditures and losses					
due to safeguarding the stability					
of the money market	1 700	1 700	1 700	1 700	1 700
Total	65 509	60 682	58 792	66 388	62 483
LIABILITIES					
Foreign currency liabilities	101	297	275	281	276
Convertible currencies	101	297	275	281	276
Other foreign liabilities	7 764	5 641	5 594	5 595	5 573
IMF markka accounts	4 464	4 476	4 476	4 476	4 476
Allocations of special drawing rights	1 026	1 165	1 119	1119	1 098
Other foreign liabilities	2 274	_	_		-
Notes and coin in circulation	14 508	13 998	13 921	13 693	13 834
Notes	13 209	12 707	12 629	12 405	12 545
Coin	1 299	1 290	1 291	1 288	1 289
Certificates of deposit	4 880	9 530	9 540	13 760	13 490
Liabilities to finandal institutions	20 000	16 217	15 205	18 899	15 719
Call money deposits	2 135	1 519	506	650	1 120
Term deposits	4 700	-	_	3 550	_
Cash reserve deposits	13 165	14 698	14 698	14 698	14 599
Other liabilities to financial institutions	-	0	.0	1	
Liabilities to the public sector	90	303	444	459	59
Cheque accounts	72	92	123]	
Deposits of the Government Guarantee Fund	18	210	321	458	58
Other liabilities to the public sector	_	_	_	_	_
Liabilities to corporations	3 362	2 502	2 493	2 483	2 466
Deposits for investment and ship purchase	3 362	2 502	2 493	2 483	2 466
Other liabilities	4 399	163	158	157	153
Accrued items	4 242			_	_

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Total

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5 000

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Capital accounts

Valuation account and reserves

Profit/loss for the accounting year

Accrued items

Other liabilities

Primary capital

Reserve fund

1.2 TIME SERIES FOR THE BALANCE SHEET ITEMS OF THE BANK OF FINLAND,

End of period		-			oreign sector	•				P.	ıblic seci	ler
periou ·	Gold	Special drawing rights	IMF reserve tranche	Convertible currenties, not	Convertible reserves, total (1+2+3+4)	Tied corren- cies, net	Foreign exchange reserves, total (5+6)	Other claims, net	Net claims (7+8)	Claims	Liabil- ities	Net claims (10-11)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1988	2 128	1 120	940	24 373	28 561	945	29 506	1 117	30 623	1 128	1 903	- 775
1989	2 179	966	950	18 780	22 875	-564	22 312	440	22 752	1 137	5 325	-4 188
1990	2 180	791	783	33 451	37 205	-882	36 324	-364	35 960	1314	1 321	-7
1991	2 180	932	1 136	29 336	33 584	33	33 616	-412	33 204	1 375	3	1 372
1992	2 180	564	1 732	24 940	29 416	-	29 416	-2 897	26 519	2 446	90	2 356
1992												
April	2 180	1 199	1 242	22 981	27 602	21	27 622	-540	27 082	1 387	4	1 383
May	2 180	1 045	1 235	27 547	32 007	17	32 025	- 545	31 480	1 397	4	1 393
June	2 180	1 007	1 200	26 724	31 111	14	31 125	-538	30 587	2 920	4	2916
July	2 180	942	1 280	27 033	31 435	8	31 443	-526	30 917	2 904	4	2 900
Aug.	2 180	861	1 195	18 830	23 066	0	23 066	-2 449	20 617	4 404	4	4 400
Sept.	2 180	1 001	1 328	22 470	26 979	-7	26 970 -	11 206	15 764	8 480	38	8 442
Oct.	2 180	1 025	1 360	29 610	34 175	_	34 175 -	11 797	22 378	8 507	51	8 456
Nov.	2 180	552	1 908	33 474	38 114	_	38 114	-2 858	35 256	1 466	6 173	-4707
Dec.	2 180	564	1 732	24 940	29 416	-	29 416	-2 897	26 519	2 446	90	2 356
1993												
Jan.	2 180	595	1 829	27 247	31 851	_	31 852	-661	31 191	2 449	92	2 357
Feb.	2 180	655	1 972	23 778	28 585	_	28 585	-710	27 875	2 121	90	2 031
March	2 180	655	1 974	22 521	27 330	_	27 330	-716	26 614	1 954	102	1 852
April	2 180	615	1 842	29 986	34 623	-	34 624	-678	33 946	2 639	59	2 580

End of			Domestic fir	ancial secto	•		Co	rporate sec	tor		
peried	Torm claims on deposit banks	Liquidity position of deposit banks, net	Cash reserve deposits of deposit banks	Till-money credits to deposit banks	Other claims on financial institu- tions, net	Net claims (13+14+ 15+16+ 17)	Claims in the form of special financing	Special deposits and other items, net	Not claims (19+20)	Notes and coin in circu- lation	Out- standing CDs issued by the Bani of Finland
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
1988	7 187	335	-19 039	2 920	3 733	-4864	2 823	-6579	-3 756	11 550	1 130
1989	33 230	-531	-25 506	3 3 1 0	2 248	12 751	2 000 -	- 10 604	-8 604	13 129	_
1990	9 411	-418	-17 401	3 427	2317	-2664	1 477	-9724	-8247	14 555	_
1991	11 882	-2 206	-10361	3 528	2 003	4 846	1 086	-6854	-5 768	14 528	8 880
1992	3 738	- 550	-13 165	2 872	1 700	-5 405	747	-2 651	– 1 904	14 508	4 880
1992											
April	11 306	-1 997	-9 856	3 917	1 899	5 269	967	-4513	-3 546	13 822	16 450
May	8 562	– 750	-9 851	3 709	1 923	3 593	946	-3 775	-2 829	13 787	20 600
June	10 380	– 152	-9773	3 483	1 882	5 820	904	-4022	-3118	13 896	21 790
July	14 304	-7 507	-9812	3 654	1818	2 457	882	-3851	-2969	13 790	19 350
Avg.	15 914	- 13 405	-9772	3 534	1 794	- 1 935	861	- 3 527	-2 666	13 562	6 930
Sept.	13 354	-811	-9762	3 450	1 758	7 989	832	-3412	-2 580	13 459	13 720
Oct.	5 520	-219	- 10 421	3 432	1 748	60	807	-3315	-2 508	13 493	12 540
Nov.	9 211	1 875	-11 900	2 778	1 737	3 701	787	-3 238	-2 451	14 062	14 885
Dec.	3 738	- 550	- 13 165	2 872	1 700	-5 405	747	-2 651	– 1 904	14 508	4 880
1993											
Jan.	6 804	-3 732	- 14 734	3 023	1 665	-6974	728	-2072	-1344	14 906	6710
Feb.	7 448	- 690	- 14 806	3 5 1 1	1 639	-2898	710	-1915	-1 205	13 840	7 220
March	8 069	142	- 14 698	2 994	1 626	-1867	686	-1 808	-1122	13 720	10 270
April	2 688	-815	- 14 599	2 747	1 608	-8371	662	-1 744	-1 082	13 834	13 490

¹ Call money claims on deposit banks, net, until 2 July 1992.

2. THE BANK OF FINLAND'S OPERATIONS IN THE MONEY AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKETS AND THE BANKS' FORWARD **EXCHANGE POSITION**2.1 BANKS' LIQUIDITY POSITION

AT THE BANK OF FINLAND, MILL. FIM

2.2 THE BANK OF FINLAND'S **CASH RESERVE SYSTEM**

Average of daily observations	Call money deposits	Liquidity credits'	Liquidity position, net' (1-2)	End of period	Cash reserve requirement, %	Deposits, mill. FLM	Average rate of interest on deposits, during period, %
	1	2	3		1	2	3
1988	621	127	494	1988	7.6	19 039	7.38
1989	416	369	47	1989	9.1	25 506	7.00
1990	806	132	674	1990	7.0	17 401	8.73
1991	881	985	– 103	1991	4.0	10 361	10.11
1992	2 103	437	1 666	1992	5.0	13 165	11.00
1992				1992			
April	1 008	1 323	-315	May	3.7	9 851	11.75
May	486	141	345	June	3.7	9 773	11.74
June	715	45	669	July	3.7	9812	11.92
July	3 540	26	3 5 1 4	Avg.	3.7	9 772	13.09
Aug.	8 895	0	8 894	Sept.	3.7	9 762	14.43
Sept.	3 974	1 687	2 287	Oct.	4.0	10 421	11.38
Oct.	2 191	876	1 314	Nov.	4.5	11 900	9.47
Nov.	1 512	296	1 215	Dec.	5.0	13 165	8.66
Dec.	1 193	640	553				
1993				1993 Jan.	5.5	14 734	8.00
Jan.	1511	594	917	Feb.	5.5	14 806	8.00
Feb.	1 305	23	1 282	March	5.5	14 698	8.00
March	416	1 008	-592	April	5.5	14 599	8.00
April	629	390	239	May	4.5	••	

¹ Call money credits and call money position until 2 July 1992.

2.3 THE BANK OF FINLAND'S MONEY MARKET TRANSACTIONS, MILL. FIM

During period	Purchases of money market instruments	Sales of money market instruments	Matured money market instruments, net	Money market transactions, not (1-2-3)
	1	2	3	4
1988	13 840	19 190	- 16 850	11 500
1989	131 110	3 855	99 245	28 010
199J	163 326	26 379	160 797	- 23 850
1991	109 568	30 380	81 969	-2781
1992	76 230	137 940	- 49 457	- 12 253
1992				
April	11 310	17 310	-9200	3 200
May	6 630	15 240	1 930	– 10 540
June	8 200	14 860	-6 600	-60
July	11 700	13 300	- 9 798	8 198
Aug.	6 520	7 650	- 14 659	13 529
Sept.	4 300	19 920	-5930	9 69 0
Oct.	1 760	10 740	-2060	- 6 920
Nov.	8 030	7 570	- 1 980	2 440
Dec.	12 070	5 680	3 040	3 350
1993				
Jan.	5 490	5 400	3 890	- 3 800
Feb.	6 500	8 340	-260	– 1 580
March	10 470	12 750	4 660	-6940
April	5 870	11 310	8 550	– 13 990

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2.4 THE BANK OF FINLANDS TRANSACTIONS IN CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES, MILL. FIM

	<u> Interventi</u>	on in the foreign exch	Spot transactions	Central government's		
During period	Spet purchases	Spot sales	Forward exchange intervention = change in forward exchange position	related to forward contracts, net	foreign exchange transactions, net	
	1	2	3	4	5	
1991	35 120	- 69 940	- 14 820	12 820	12 260	
1992	20 050	-70 640	-1 650	390	45 060	
1992						
March	50	- 250	1 200	-1 200	1 250	
April	2 960	- 16 650	-2790	1 650	6 040	
May	3 870	-	500	-320	930	
June	1 480	-2380	2 530	3 390	5 370	
July	470	-5790	1 450	-1590	3 760	
Aug.	110	-17 700	-6110	6 350	3 170	
Sept.	~	-20 880	- 14 860	11 610	2 800	
Oct.	5 870	_	670	-2210	3 5 1 0	
Nov.	4 530	_	6 190	-6610	13 020	
Dec.	-	- 2 990	5 100	-5710	- 1 200	
1993						
Jan.	_	-9 390	-440	-580	12 660	
Feb.	_	-8 830	3 600	-2000	7 870	
March	-	-7 470	-3 920	4 030	2 690	

2.5 FORWARD EXCHANGE MARKET, MILL. FIM

End of period —	Banks' forward positions with									
beuen -	Dome	stic companies		Foreign banks, net	Bank of Finland, not	Tetal, net (3+4+5)				
_	Forward exchange bought by banks	Forward exchange sold by banks	Net (1-2)	squks, ner	of risigne, nor	(47473)				
	1	2	3	4	5	6				
1988	16 488	1 543	14 946	9 086	-377	23 654				
1989	10 531	3 563	6 967	8 031	205	15 204				
1990	11 609	4 979	6 631	10 100	-6098	10 633				
1991	33 004	36 352	-3348	2 550	8 953	8 155				
1992	39 195	32 939	6 256	-11 197	7 133	2 192				
1992										
March	27 850	22 720	5 130	5 216	2 937	13 283				
April	29 812	27 586	2 227	- 423	5 815	7 619				
May	29 457	24 458	4 999	408	5 531	10 938				
June	28 942	28 750	192	4 412	807	5411				
July	27 567	29 494	- 1 927	4 013	1 328	3 414				
Avg.	25 399	34 767	-9368	421	7 933	-1014				
Sept.	34 168	45 232	-11 065	-9827	20 158	-734				
Oct.	37 048	38 820	– 1 771	10 681	17 921	5 469				
Nov.	40 986	35 550	5 436	-11 623	11 617	5 430				
Dec.	39 195	32 939	6 256	– 11 197	7 133	2 192				
1993										
Jan.	35 125	32 711	2 414	-9056	6 433	-209				
Feb.	33 968	32 896	1 072	-8 308	2 585	-4 651				
March	33 115	34 059	- 944	– 10 187	9 815	-1316				

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3. RATES OF INTEREST 3.1 MONEY MARKET RATES AND RATES APPLIED BY THE BANK OF FINLAND, PERCENT

Average of daily ob- servations	Inter-bank evernight rate		HEL	IBOR			Bank of Finland rates	1
		1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Liquidity credit rate'	Call money deposit rate	Base rate
	7	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1988	8.47	9.77	9.97	10.16	10.50	11.50	7.04	7.63
1989	10.21	12.32	12.53	12.61	12.72	13.40	4.00	7.67
1990	10.57	13.63	13.99	14.16	14.39	15.00	4.00	8.50
1 99 1	14.89	13.64	13.07	12.69	12.53	15.48	4.00	8.50
1992	13.32	13.49	13.27	13.08	12.96	14.90	7.41	9.17
1992								
April	17.24	15.94	14.21	13.38	13.04	15.00	4.00	8.50
May	14.39	14.05	13.73	13.28	13.10	15.00	4.00	9.50
June	13.58	13.58	13.70	13.83	13.76	<u>15.00</u>	<u>4.00</u>	9.50
July	13.47	13.45	13.96	14.19	14.07	14.37	12.13	9.50
Aug.	15.02	15.25	15.09	14.97	14.69	16.84	14.65	9.50
Sept.	16.65	17.79	16.41	15.29	14.71	19.15	13.43	9.50
Oct.	12.23	13.34	13.37	13.32	13.39	14.69	8.96	9.50
Nov.	10.66	11.04	11.50	11.63	11.72	12.03	8.03	9.50
Dec.	10.20	10.55	10.68	10.70	10.70	11.69	7.69	9.50
1993								
Jan.	10.20	10.53	10.64	10.63	10.57	11.49	7.49	8.50
Feb.	8.47	9.16	9.19	9.22	9.30	10.34	6.34	8.00
March	9.13	8.99	8.90	8.69	8.62	9.96	5.96	7.50
April	8.93	8.85	8.73	8.57	8.44	9.85	5.85	7.50

¹ Call money credit rate until 2 July 1992.

3.2 THE BANK OF FINLAND'S LIQUIDITY FACILITY

3.3 WEIGHTED EURORATES AND COMMERCIAL ECU INTEREST RATE, PER CENT

	The Bank of Finland's		Liquid- ity credit:	Liquid- ity credit:	Call money depos-	Average of daily obser-	ECU	3 currencies	Commercial ECU
	tender rate, %		inter- est rate	mater- ity,	its:	vations		3 months	
	ruro, 70		margin, %-points	days	est rate		1	2	3
			•		margin, %-points	1988	6.9	6.0	6.9
					/o-boimis	1989	9.3	8.4	9.3
	1		2	3	4	1990	10.5	9.1	10.4
992	-		_		-	1991	10.1	8.5	9.9
uly	13.37	July	+1.00	7	- 1.00	1992	10.4	7.8	10.6
lug.	15.84	Aug.	+1.00	14	- 2.00 - 2.00	1992			
ept.	18.15	Sept.	+1.00	14	- 5.00		10.3	0.0	10.2
ct.	13.69	Oct.	+1.00	7	- 3.00	April	10.3	8.2	
lov.	11.03	Nov.	+1.00		- 3.00	May	10.2	8.1	10.2
ec.	10.69	Dec.	+1.00	7 7	- 3.00	June Isolar	10.4 10.7	8.0	10.5
						July		7.9	10.8
993						Aug.	10.9	8.0	11.1
in.	10.49	Jan.	+1.00	7	- 3.00	Sept.	11.0	7.5	11.6
eb.	9.34	Feb.	+1.00	7	- 3.00	Oct.	10.3	7.2	11.1
Larch	8.96	March	+1.00	7	- 3.00	Nov.	9.9	7.3	10.4
pril	8.85	April	+1.00	7	– 3.00	Dec.	10.3	7.2	10.9
5 April	9.04					1993			
5 April	8.90					Jan.	9.9	6.8	10.1
0 April	8.75					Feb.	9.9	6.6	9.6
8 April	8.58					March	9.3	6.4	9.2
0 April	8.52					April	8.6	6.3	8.9

3.4 RATES OF INTEREST APPLIED BY BANKS, PER CENT

Average			Londi	ng				Aarkka de	osits and	other mar	kka fundi:	y
for pe- riod		No	w credi	ls	Average lending	Of which:	24- month	36- montk	Other lex-	Average rate of	Average rate of	Average rate of
ri ou	Choque account and post- al giro credits	Bills of ex- change	Loans	New lending, total	rate	Com- mer- cial banks	tax- exempt	tax- exempt deposits	exempt deposits, max. rate of inferest'	interest	interest on other funding	interest on markka funding
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1988	10.22	12.27	10.50	10.72	9.88	9.74	8.00		3.75	5.24	9.80	6.20
1989	12.97	13.47	11.58	12.07	10.56	10.40	7.50		4.50	5.67	11.92	7.37
1990	13.24	15.62	13.33	13.85	11.84	11.61	7.50		4.50	6.43	13.55	8.41
1991	13.63	15.88	13.40	13.84	12.08	11.80	7.50		4.50	7.10	13.22	8.97
1992	14.04	15.86	13.32	13.75	12.46	12.13	7.50	8.50	4.50	7.41	12.84	9.14
1992												
March	14.21	15.73	13.36	13.81	11.97	11.70	7.50		4.50	7.23	12.32	8.77
April	12.31	16.24	13.75	14.06	12.08	11.76	7.50		4.50	7.33	13.09	9.16
May	15.34	15.59	13.82	14.22	12.50	12.21	7.50		4.50	7.42	12.95	9.12
June	15.1 <i>7</i>	15.47	14.04	14.39	12.61	12.29	7.50		4.50	7.42	12.94	9.15
July	15.96	16.19	14.06	14.56	12.63	12.29	7.50		4.50	7.55	12.94	9.26
Avg.	16.21	16.56	14.33	14.81	12.81	12.52	7.50		4.50	7.71	13.64	9.68
Sept.	16.56	16.94	14.52	15.00	13.01	12.72	7.50	8.50	4.50	7.80	14.39	10.03
Oct.	16.70	16.29	13.76	14.29	12.87	12.43	7.50	8.50	4.50	7.66	13.11	9.41
Nov.	14.18	15.74	13.10	13.47	12.70	12.26	7.50	8.50	4.50	7.41	12.26	8.99
Dec.	12.63	14.99	11.64	11.98	12.34	11.93	7.50	8.50	4.50	7.06	11.78	8.62
1993												
Jan.	11.87	15.36	12.32	12.53	11.89	11.68	6.50	7.50	4.50	6.56	11.18	8.04
Feb.	12.07	14.78	11.34	11.68	11.33	11.15	5.50	6.50	4.50	6.05	10.51	7.53
March	11.35	14.50	10.93	11.29	11.07	10.84	5.50	6.50	4.50	5.87	10.04	7.30

¹ End of period.

3.5 YIELDS ON BONDS AND DEBENTURES, PER CENT

Period	calcul	ace rates lated by c of Finland	gover	cable mment onds	Taxable public itsues	Taxfree public issues
	3 years	5 years	5 years	10 years		
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1988	10.7	10.8	10.6		10.6	7.8
1989	12.2	12.0	12.1		11.9	8.1
1990	13.7	13.5	13.2		13.3	9.2
1991	12.3	12.2	11.9		12.6	10.0
1992	13.1	13.0	12.1	11.51	13.8	9.9
1992						
March	12.1	12.1	11.3		12.4	9.8
April	12.8	12.7	11.9		12.8	9.8
May	13.0	12.9	11.8		13.0	9.8
June	13.3	13.2	12.2		14.2	10.2
July	13.6	13.3	12.1		14.1	10.5
Aug.	14.3	14.0	12.8		14.5	10.4
Sept.	15.0	14.7	13.3		15.3	10.1
Oct.	14.3	14.2	13.0		15.3	9.9
Nov.	12.8	12.9	12.0	12.0	14.7	9.4
Dec.	11.7	11.8	10.9	11.0	13.2	9.5
1993						
Jan.	11.4	11.6	10.7	10.9	12.2	8.6
Feb.	10.5	10.7	9.9	10.3	12.1	8.0
March	9.7	10.0	9.4	9.9	11.4	7.6

¹ November and December only.

4. RATES OF EXCHANGE 4.1 MIDDLE RATES, FIM

Average of daily	New York	Montreal	London	Dublia	Stockhol	m Oslo	Copen- hagen	Frankfyri aM	Amster- dam	Brussels	Zwrich	Paris
quo- tations	1 USD	1 CAD	1 GBP	1 JEP	1 SEK	1 NOK	1 DKK	1 DEM	1 NLG	1 BEF	1 CHF	1 FRF
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1988	4.187	3.405	7.446	6.377	0.6829	0.6424	0.6220	2.3842	2.1185	0.11390	2.8631	0.7029
1989	4.290	3.624	7.032	6.082	0.6654	0.6213	0.5869	2.2818	2.0226	0.10890	2.6243	0.6725
1990	3.823	3.277	6.808	6.325	0.6459	0.6110	0.6181	2.3664	2.1002	0.11447	2.7576	0.7024
1991	4.046	3.533	7.131	6.511	0.6684	0.6236	0.6322	2.4380	2.1634	0.11841	2.8208	0.7169
1992	4.483	3.706	7.875	7.636	0.7714	0.7222	0.7444	2.8769	2.5552	0.13973	3.2000	0.8486
1992												
April	4.495	3.783	7.895	7.270	0.7538	0.6962	0.7039	2.7280	2.4233	0.13258	2.9655	0.8066
May	4.402	3.672	7.975	7.256	0.7540	0.6962	0.7033	2.7162	2.4129	0.13196	2.9529	0.8079
June	4.290	3.587	7.945	7.269	0.7544	0.6967	0.7069	2.7238	2.4178	0.13235	3.0051	0.8091
July	4.077	3.420	7.824	7.292	0.7545	0.6966	0.7107	2.7356	2.4261	0.13279	3.0576	0.8106
Aug.	3.985	3.350	7.734	7.289	0.7540	0.6962	0.7120	2.7462	2.4358	0.13328	3.0659	0.8096
Sept.	4.439	3.635	8.209	8.066	0.8271	0.7653	0.7904	3.0602	2.7170	0.14848	3.4724	0.8993
Oct.	4.695	3.771	7.791	8.340	0.8410	0.7774	0.8218	3.1725	2.8180	0.15398	3.5775	0.9350
Nov.	5.048	3.982	7.714	8.394	0.8140	0.7805	0.8263	3.1812	2.8281	0.15465	3.5330	0.9404
Dec.	5.136	4.034	7.969	8.570	0.7457	0.7710	0.8395	3.2477	2.8890	0.15784	3.6137	0.9526
1993												
Jan.	5.419	4.242	8.304	8.863	0.7475	0.7885	0.8699	3.3561	2.9850	0.16307	3.6685	0.9899
Feb.	5.830	4.622	8.387	8.641	0.7747	0.8352	0.9247	3.5526	3.1565	0.17228	3.8416	1.0488
March	5.972	4.790	8.716	8.810	0.7720	0.8527	0.9441	3.6258	3.2254	0.17604	3.9274	1.0673
April	5.597	4.435	8.646	8.551	0.7519	0.8268	0.9131	3.5076	3.1212	0.17038	3.8346	1.0371

Average of daily quo-	Rome	Vienna	Lisben	Reykjavik	Madrid	Athens	Tallien	Tokyo	Mei- bourne	ECU Commer- cial	SDR
tations	1ITL	1 ATS	1 PTE	1 ISK	1 RSP	1 GRD	1 EBK	1 JPY	1 AUD	1 XEU	1 XDR
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
1988	0.00322	0.3391	0.0291	0.0980	0.0359		•	0.03266	3.288	4.944	5.61826
1989	0.00313	0.3242	0.0273	0.0758	0.0362			0.03116	3.398	4.719	5.49375
1990	0.00319	0.3363	0.0268	0.0656	0.0375			0.02647	2.988	4.864	5.18345
1991	0.00326	0.3464	0.0280	0.0684	0.0389	0.0224		0.03008	3.152	5.003	5.53082
1992	0.00364	0.4088	0.0332	0.0778	0.0438	0.0235	0.4060	0.03546	3.289	5.798	6.31247
1992											
April	0.00362	0.3875	0.0320	0.0759	0.0433	0.0231		0.03368	3.428	5.586	6.16396
May	0.00361	0.3860	0.0326	0.0755	0.0434	0.0230		0.03369	3.328		6.11371
June	0.00360	0.3869	0.0328	0.0752	0.0433	0.0224		0.03381	3.246	5.583	6.05642
July	0.00361	0.3888	0.0323	0.0744	0.0430	0.0220		0.03245	3.039		5.88609
Avg.	0.00362	0.3901	0.0318	0.0739	0.0428	0.0220		0.03155	2.890		5.80390
Sept.	0.00380	0.4346	0.0348	0.0819	0.0455	0.0244		0.03620	3.208		6.46534
Oct.	0.00358	0.4509	0.0356	0.0838	0.0446	0.0243		0.03876	3.359		6.73373
Nov.	0.00370	0.4522	0.0357	0.0840	0.0444	0.0244		0.04075	3.483	6.247	7.00171
Dec.	0.00364	0.4615	0.0362	0.0817	0.0455	0.0246	0.4060	0.04141	3.542	6.359	7.13363
1993											
Jan.	0.00364	0.4771	0.0373	0.0849	0.0473	0.0251	0.4195	0.04333	3.652	6.576	7.46369
Feb.	0.00377	0.5049	0.0390	0.0898	0.0497	0.0267	0.4441	0.04824	3.970	6.904	7.99711
March	0.00375	0.5153	0.0392	0.0918	0.0507	0.0270	0.4532	0.05103	4.225	7.034	8.24353
April	0.00364	0.4985	0.0378	0.0886	0.0484	0.0256	0.4384	0.04982	3.985	6.830	7.90874

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4.2 MARKKA VALUE OF THE ECU AND CURRENCY INDICES

Markka value of the ZCU	Curr	oncy indices, 1982=1	100	
FIM/ECU	Trade-weighted currency index	Payments currency index	MERM index	
1	2	3	4	
4.96108	102.0	101.7	104.7	
4.73670	98.4	99.1	102.8	
4.85697	97.3	96.8	97.3	
5.00580	101.4	101.4	102.8	
5.80140	116.4	115.7	117.3	
5.58563	112.9	113.0	114.5	
5.58167	112.7	112.2	113.6	
5.58600	112.6	111.4	112.8	
5.58744	111.9	109.6	110.3	
5.58723	111.5	108.8	109.1	
6.13433	122.6	120.0	120.8	
6.22713	124.6	123.6	125.3	
6.25533	125.2	126.2	129.2	
6.36242	125.0	126.8	129.8	
6.57212	128.9	131.3	134.7	
6.89952	·			
7.03656	138.2	141.6	147.4	
6.83031	134.0	136.2	141.6	
	\$\frac{1}{1}\$ 4.96108 4.73670 4.85697 5.00580 5.80140 5.58563 5.58167 5.58600 5.58744 5.58723 6.13433 6.22713 6.25533 6.36242 6.57212 6.89952 7.03656	Trade-weighted currency index 1 2 4.96108 102.0 4.73670 98.4 4.85697 97.3 5.00580 101.4 5.80140 116.4 5.58563 112.9 5.58167 112.7 5.58600 112.6 5.58744 111.9 5.58723 111.5 6.13433 122.6 6.22713 124.6 6.25533 125.2 6.36242 125.0 6.57212 128.9 6.89952 135.6 7.03656 138.2	Trade-weighted cerrency index T 2 3 4.96108 102.0 101.7 4.73670 98.4 99.1 4.85697 97.3 96.8 5.00580 101.4 101.4 5.80140 116.4 115.7 5.58563 112.9 113.0 5.58167 112.7 112.2 5.58600 112.6 111.4 5.58744 111.9 109.6 5.58723 111.5 108.8 6.13433 122.6 120.0 6.22713 124.6 123.6 6.25533 125.2 126.2 6.36242 125.0 126.8 6.57212 128.9 131.3 6.89952 135.6 138.8 7.03656 138.2 141.6	Trade-weighted currency index

5. OTHER DOMESTIC FINANCING 5.1 BANK FUNDING FROM THE PUBLIC, MILL. FIM

End of period	Choque and gire doposits	Trans- action deposits	Time deposits	Other deposits	Markka deposits, total (1+2+3+4)	Foreign currency deposits	Total deposits (5+6)	Other funding	Total funding (7+8)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1988	25 473	76 958	121 6	570	224 102	4 643	228 745	28 844	257 589
1989	28 942	85 396	125 7	748	240 085	7 358	247 444	35 298	282 742
1990	30 953	96 176	124 9		252 058	6818	258 876	38 835	297 711
1991	33 619	86 442	122 126	19 615	261 802	13 151	274 953	52 760	327 713
1992	34 832	88 526	114 771	21 218	259 347	14 626	273 973	65 557	339 530
1992									
Jan.	32 780	84 701	123 513	19 094	260 087	12 274	272 361	54 706	327 068
Feb.	29 417	86 031	123 652	18 666	257 767	12 350	270 117	56 202	326 319
March	30 899	87 563	123 296	18 185	259 943	11 805	271 748	54 436	326 184
April	30 762	86 090	124 087	18 119	259 058	12 665	271 722	59 353	331 076
May	30 791	84 805	123 555	17 922	257 073	11 441	268 514	60 635	329 148
June	33 330	84 552	122 504	17714	258 101	10 418	268 519	62 836	331 355
July	32 419	83 953	122 788	18 003	257 163	10 665	267 828	62 293	330 121
Aug.	33 067	83 283	122 056	17 976	256 381	11 525	267 906	60 054	327 961
Sept.	30 779	82 078	120 918	18 662	252 436	15 698	268 134	61 377	329 510
Oct.	34 447	82 734	119 726	19 659	256 566	15 429	271 995	59 666	331 661
Nov.	34 675	82 763	118 536	19 613	255 587	14 807	270 394	61 800	332 194
Dec.	34 832	88 526	114 771	21 218	259 347	14 626	273 973	65 557	339 530
1993									
Jan.	36 386	90 643	112 861	21 500	261 390	15 643	277 033	62 723	339 757

5.2 BANK LENDING TO THE PUBLIC, MILL. FIM

End of period	Cheque account and postal giro crodits	Bills of exchange	Louns	Maricka lending, tetal (1+2+3)	Foreign currency credits	Total lending (4+5)
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1988	11 358	5 920	234 268	251 545	50 235	301 780
1989	15 270	5 650	257 768	278 688	73 176	351 864
1990	19 152	5 777	260 790	285 720	103 134	388 853
1991	18 037	4 712	262 859	285 609	107 714	393 323
1992	16 045	3 335	252 163	271 544	95 168	366 712
1992						
Jan.	17 450	4 167	262 309	283 926	107 075	391 001
Feb.	17 650	4 099	262 813	284 563	105 703	390 266
March	17 215	3 996	260 983	282 194	102 701	384 895
April	17 407	3 927	259 782	281 116	101 104	382 220
May	17 403	3 9 1 6	259 295	280 613	99 035	379 649
June	17 344	3 899	257 990	279 234	96 635	375 869
July	16 959	3 848	257 777	278 583	95 334	373 917
Aug.	17 249	3 719	256 976	277 944	92 605	370 550
Sept.	17 366	3 610	256 359	277 335	103 654	380 989
Oct.	16 738	3 538	255 133	275 409	100 976	376 385
Nov.	16 545	3 449	254 411	274 405	101 162	375 567
Dec.	16 045	3 335	252 163	271 544	95 168	366 712
1993						
Jan.	15 948	3 017	251 227	270 192	96 543	366 735

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5.3 MONEY SUPPLY AND MONETARY AGGREGATES, MILL.FIM

End of	Foreign		Domestic cre	dit	Other			
period	assets, net	Claims on the central government	Claims on the public	Total (2+3)	items, net	M,	M, (1+4+5)	M,
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1988	- 40 670	– 15 356	353 681	338 325	- 63 387	111 259	234 268	256 947
1989	- 59 049	- 18 691	408 344	389 653	- 79 084	124 295	251 519	272 603
1990	-82 881	- 19 072	453 720	434 648	- 85 385	141 524	266 383	291 045
1991	-86 555	-6516	470 852	464 336	-102 540	130 644	275 241	310 924
1992*	-68 099	81	439 937	440 018	- 97 909	134 829	274 011	310 733
1992*								
March	- 87 007	-5 201	467 987	462 785	- 102 093	128 701	273 685	311 738
April	-83 331	-4726	465 590	460 864	- 104 416	127 554	273 117	315 983
May	-83 053	-4 327	463 477	459 151	– 104 706	126 652	271 391	311 877
June	- 75 847	-2899	459 867	456 968	- 108 783	128 496	272 338	314 149
July	- 70 776	-3718	457 463	453 745	– 111 703	127 189	271 265	314 330
Aug.	- 65 517	– 1 835	456 178	454 342	- 118 708	126 771	270 118	311 644
Sept.	- 70 526	4 256	454 777	459 032	- 122 318	123 157	266 188	307 307
Oct.	- 66 406	5 737	451 432	457 170	-119914	128 012	270 850	313 340
Nov.	-65 532	-8253	448 726	440 473	– 105 066	128 610	269 875	312 343
Dec.	-68 099	81	439 937	440 018	- 97 909	134 829	274 011	310 733
1993*								
Jan.						138 722	276 026	315 321
Feb.			••			136 775	273 288	307 345
March			••			135 987	270 830	311 142

5.4 LIABILITIES AND ASSETS OF THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT, MILL. FIM

End of	Foreig	n currency	-denomin	ated debt	ı	Markka-de	mominated	debt	Tetal	Out-	Cash
period	Bends	Other bonds and deben- tures	Long- term promis- sory notes	Total (1+2+3)	Public bonds	Other long- term liabil- ities	Treasury notes and bills	Total (5+6+7)	ecentral govern- ment debt (4+8)	stand- ing lending	Tenas
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1988	20 202	1 804	4 273	26 279	24 243	5 272	2 290	31 805	58 084	41 011	15 858
1989	18 505	852	3 429	22 786	24 126	5 750	250	30 126	52 912	43 499	21 248
1990	20 917	732	3 144	24 793	23 982	8 263	_	32 245	57 038	48 121	23 114
1991	38 703	2 437	2 506	43 646	31 018	12 208	5 180	48 406	92 052	55 165	15 956
1992	100 244	3 669	2 474	106 387	40 578	13 555	14 762	68 895	175 282	63 517	19 781
1992											
March	47 575	2 843	2 401	52 819	32 629	12 199	7 201		104 848	57 571	18 423
April	53 972	2 837	2 383	59 192	32 814	11 614	7 257		110 877	58 103	17 029
May	55 006	2 861	2 376	60 243	33 881	11 460	8 257		113 841	58 649	21 068
June	60 146	3 099	2 166	65 411	34 316	11 460	10 384		121 571	59 244	20 284
July	63 957	3 063	1 641	68 661	35 193	11 460	10 658		125 972	59 810	22 293
Avg.	66 790	3 050	1 630	71 470	34 862	11 460	11 901		129 693	60 172	20 510
Sept.	79 848	3 579	2 209	85 636	36 152	11 460	12 193		145 441	60 940	21 269
Oct.	84 008	3 599	2 549	90 156	37 427	11 460	14 533		153 576	61 672	22 952
Nov.	85 971	3 704	2 599	92 274	38 928	11 460	14 716		157 378	61 743	22 448
Dec.	100 244	3 669	2 474	106 387	40 578	13 555	14 762	68 895	175 282	63 517	19 781
1993											
Jan.	116 428	7 343	2 607	126 378	41 597	13 555	16 900	72 052			••
Feb.	130 937	8 155	4 440	143 532	44 537	13 598	20 397	78 532			
March	135 192	8 185	4 422	147 799	47 824	13 593	22 315	83 732	231 531		

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5.5 MARKKA BOND MARKET

A) ISSUES, MILL. FIM

During period			By sector		В		Total _ (1+2+3+4+5)		
perion	Corpo-	Financial	Central	Local government	Others	Publ	ic issues	Private - placinas	(6+7+8)
	railons		30101 122021	Accel Hiller		Taxable	Tuxfroo	- hi-a-30	(01710)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1988	3 027	8 4 1 8	6 889	268	61	7 861	6 522	4 280	18 663
1989	4 204	11 022	5 717	233	13	11 146	2 997	7 046	21 189
1990	4 640	17 891	4 420	490	1 007	17 234	607	10 607	28 447
1991	7 277	25 737	11 073	1 320	_	30 160	_	15 247	45 407
1992*	6 984	15 122	12 965	2 674	4	23 936	_	13 812	37 749
1992*									
March	442	953	235	310	_	1 445	_	494	1 940
April	53	1 318	_	570	4	144	_	1 801	1 945
May	1 087	598	3 724	121	_	4 565	_	966	5 531
June	1 242	726	215	42	_	1 071	_	1 154	2 225
July	399	10		86		50	_	445	495
Aug.	18	1 445	175	20	_	1 620	_	38	1 657
Sept.	2	964	190	77	_	231	_	1 002	1 233
Oct.	1 371	692	2 966	208	_	3 307	_	1 930	5 237
Nov.	140	1 556	430	120	_	1 996	_	250	2 246
Dec.	1 065	4 559	-	600	_	2 178	_	4 046	6 224
1993*		•							
Jan.	624	747	1 766	276	_	2 473	_	940	3 412
Feb.	471	1 178	3 480	283	_	4 760	_	652	5 412
March	871	944	3 944	656	13	5 278	_	1 149	6 427

B) STOCK, MILL. FIM

End of period			By sector			B	By type of loan				
	Corpo-	Financial institutions	Contral	Local	Others	Public	issues	Private - placinas	(1+2+3+4+5) = (6+7+8)		
	ramons	INSTITUTIONS	government	gover nment		Taxable	Taxfree	- bracings	(87776)		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
1988 1989 1990 1991 1992*	19 195 21 463 23 522 26 632 26 617	42 892 50 216 59 756 76 701 82 319	28 953 29 381 28 812 35 195 44 005	1 413 1 555 1 756 2 766 5 237	292 290 1 298 3 726 3 358	32 028 41 162 52 273 76 346 89 534	30 054 27 742 22 970 18 096 13 917	30 663 34 001 39 902 50 578 58 085	92 745 102 906 115 145 145 020 161 536		
1991 IV	26 632	76 701	35 195	2 766	3 726	76 346	18 096	50 578	145 020		
1992* 	26 650 26 383 26 079 26 617	77 864 80 295 80 658 82 319	36 796 37 744 39 579 44 005	3 555 4 306 4 457 5 237	3 724 3 721 3 720 3 358	80 892 83 427 86 058 89 534	15 977 15 314 14 329 13 917	51 720 53 707 54 106 58 085	148 589 152 449 154 493 161 536		

C) TURNOVER, MILL. FIM

During period	Interbank	Between banks and customers		eary dealers' transactions schmark government bends	
			Purchases from other primary dealers	Purchases from others	Sales to others
	1	2	3	4	5
1988		2.4.5	•	•	•
1989	6 500	9 660	•	•	•
1990	5 401	6 058	•	•	•
1991	3 343	29 134	:	:	:
1992	18 221	58 594	10 744	12 156	13 354
1992					
April	2 480	2 493			
May	360	1 618			
June	846	1 848			
July	859	2 604			
Aug.	3 756	5 058	3 574	2 130	1 798
Sept.	3 272	7 360	2 930	2 566	2 2 1 8
Oct.	1 918	8 934	1 600	2 059	3 171
Nov.	1 481	8 642	1 270	2 469	3 201
Dec.	1 460	8 073	1 370	2 932	2 966
1993					
Jan.	2 566	10 760	2 350	3 889	4 923
Feb.	2 762	14 290	2 690	4 909	7 933
March	3 760	15 481	3 400	5 482	8 300
April	2 073	12 289	1 840	4 409	7 048
Apru	20/3	12 207	1 040	4 407	7 046

5.6 HELSINKI STOCK EXCHANGE

Average of daily ebser- varions)				Share	prices				Tu	ii. FLM	
			нех	index (28	Dec., 199	0=1000)				Shares	Total	
	Ali- share							sub- scrip-	and doben- tures			
	index	Ro- stricted	Non- ro- stricted	Banks and finance	insur- ance and	Many- factur- ina		Of which:		tion rights	10.00	
			, record	imanes	invest- mont	y	Forest Indus- tries	Metal and ongi- neer- ing	Con- glom- erates			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1988	1 692	1 727	1 473	1 825	1 371	1 705	1 591	1 629	2013	31 734	5 718	37 452
1989	1 827	1 850		1 958	1 528	1 818	1 728	1 748	2 061	33 160	7 375	40 536
1990	1 330	1 322		1 260	1 182	1 374	1 435	1 281	1 472	15 521	4 550	20 071
1991	962	949		901	898	1 003	1 075	1 076	1 020	6 339	1 315	7 655
1992	772	759	868	425	467	942	1 123	1 206	890	10 277	15 377	25 654
1992												
April	805	791	907	530	552	941	1 124	1 171	878	418	23	441
May	849	838		542	538	1 014	1 202	1 317	950	674	104	778
June	788	776		411	474	972	1 182	1 298	904	606	511	1 118
July	722	710		345	425	901	1 082	1 210	835	406	902	1 308
Aug.	639	628		286	343	803	969	1 120	728	313	898	1 211
Sopt.	576	564		205	250	750	944	1 085	653	614	1 449	2 062
Oct.	651	637		227	289	852	1 017	1 184	791	1 233	2 208	3 441
Nov.	809	796		344	429	1 033	1 184	1311	1 012	1 474	2 562	4 037
Dec.	845	829	959	329	424	1 096	1 203	1 296	1 127	2 521	6 543	9 064
1993												
Jan.	875			314	422	1 143	1 158	1 331	1 214	1 803	4 114	5 917
Feb.	913			348	449	1 187	1 246	1 378	1 250	2 268	4 461	6 730
March				429	483	1 295	1 437	1 417	1 371	3 019	5 354	8 374
April	1 091			464	551	1 419	1 478	1 566	1 535	3019	3 260	6 279

6. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, FOREIGN LIABILITIES AND ASSETS 6.1 CURRENT ACCOUNT, MILL. FIM

During period	Exports of goods, fob	Trans- port receipts	Travel receipts	Other services receipts	tetal "	Exports of goods and sorvices (1+5)	Invest- ment income	Trans- fers and other income	Current account receipts (6+7+8)	Imports of goods, df	Trans- port ex- pondi- turo	Travel ex- pendi- ture	Other services ex- pendi- ture
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	71	12	13
1988 1989 1990 1991* 1992*	91 313 98 265 99 750 91 100 105 627	7 026 7 662 8 347 7 508 8 134	4 280 4 497 4 650 5 044 6 087	6 132 6 277 6 081 5 636 7 735	17 438 18 436 19 077 18 189 21 956	108 750 116 701 118 827 109 289 127 583	9 377 10 212 12 739 10 003 6 994	4 415 3 652 4 461 5 120 5 640	122 543 130 565 136 027 124 412 140 217	91 232 104 400 101 967 86 348 93 478	3 338 3 869 4 363 3 974 4 173	7 907 8 969 10 766 11 089 10 962	7 390 8 759 9 503 11 011 13 325
1990 IV	26 010	2 078	1 188	1 728	4 994	31 004	3 642	1 130	35 776	26 765	1 277	2 760	2 974
1991* 	21 947 21 204 22 749 25 199	1 759 1 850 2 030 1 869	915 1 256 1 629 1 244	1 462 1 282 1 274 1 618	4 136 4 389 4 932 4 731	26 084 25 593 27 681 29 931	3 022 2 376 2 557 2 047	1 242 1 323 1 233 1 322	30 348 29 293 31 471 33 300	22 015 20 895 20 526 22 912	968 1 019 1 020 967	2 592 2 583 2 899 3 014	2 833 2 599 2 439 3 139
1 992* I Ii III IV	24 736 26 404 24 774 29 713	1 836 2 045 2 253 2 000	1 159 1 492 1 957 1 479	1 791 1 782 1 873 2 290	4 786 5 319 6 083 5 769	29 522 31 723 30 857 35 482	2 494 1 484 1 405 1 611	1 329 1 332 1 427 1 552	33 345 34 539 33 689 38 645	22 760 24 239 20 736 25 743	1 000 1 033 1 069 1 071	2 725 2 813 2 853 2 571	3 427 3 027 3 223 3 648
1993* I	30 844	2 007	1 211	2 502	5 720	36 564	2 098	1 597	40 259	25 569	1 018	2 198	4 195

	Services expendi- ture, total (11+12 +13)		ment ex- pendi- ture	fors and other	account	account		(3-12)	Other services (4-13)	Services account (20+21 +22)	Goods and servi- ces account (19+23)		fors	Current account (24+25 +26)= (9-18)
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
1988 1989 1990 1991* 1992*	21 596 24 632 26 074		17 033 21 882 26 973 28 674 30 763		133 874 155 439 162 540 151 108 162 994	- 2 218 4 752	3 793 3 984 3 534	- 4 471 - 6 117 - 6 044	- 2 482 - 3 422 - 5 374	1 196 3 160 5 555 7 885 6 503	- 9 294 - 7 772 - 3 132 -	- 11 670 - 14 234 - 18 671	- 3 910 - 4 506 - 4 893	- 24 87 - 26 513 - 26 69
1 990 IV	7011	33 776	7 141	2 289	43 206	- 755	801	– 1 572	- 1 246	– 2 017 -	- 2 772	- 3 499	– 1 159	- 7 43
1991* ! !! !!! !V	6 394 6 201 6 358 7 121	28 408 27 096 26 884 30 033	7 642 7 805 6 716 6 510	2 161 2 190	39 023 37 063 35 790 39 232	- 67 309 2 223 2 288	831 1 010	- 1 326 - 1 270	- 1 317 - 1 165	- 2 257 - - 1 812 - - 1 425 - 2 389	- 1 503 797	- 4 620 - 5 429 - 4 159 - 4 463	- 838 - 957	-777 -431
1 99 2* 	7 152 6 872 7 145 7 290	29 912 31 111 27 881 33 034	8 357 7 661 6 914 7 831	3 167 2 418 2 421 2 288	41 437 41 190 37 215 43 152	1 975 2 166 4 038 3 970	1 012 1 184	- 1 320 - 896	- 1 636 - 1 245 - 1 350 - 1 359	- 1 553 - 1 062	- 391 612 2 976 2 448	- 5 864 - 6 177 - 5 508 - 6 220	- 1 086 - 994	
1993* I	7 412	32 981	10 326	3 167	46 475	5 275	989	- 988	– 1 693	– 1 692	3 583	- 8 228	– 1 570	-621

		imports o	long-ter	m capital			Exports of		Long-	Busic		
period	Direct invest- ment in Finland	Pertfelio invest- ment in Finland	Logas	Other long- term capital	Total (1+2 +3+4)	Direct invest- ment abread	Portfolio invest- ment abroad	Loans	Other long- term capital	Total (6+7 +8+9)	term capital account (5-10)	balance
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1988 1989 1990 1991* 1992*	2 218 2 095 3 010 - 997 807	14 355 14 756 22 656 37 285 36 618	3 062 8 608 19 674 14 883 5 951	85 79 169 521 - 233	19 720 25 538 45 509 51 692 43 143	10 919 13 327 12 471 4 303 4 369	1 248 180 577 - 372 221	3 931 5 323 - 499 815 3 472	292 273 294 101 304	16 390 19 103 12 843 4 847 8 366	6 435 32 666 46 846	- 8 001 - 18 439 6 153 20 149 12 000
1990 IV	2 024	6 330	3 261	103	11 718	5 054	416	– 1 348	128	4 250	7 468	38
1991* 	116 99 - 435 - 777	7 883 16 050 10 416 2 937	3 994 4 888 2 747 3 253	- 258 481 - 32 330	11 735 21 518 12 697 5 743	1 199 1 171 1 330 603	- 16 - 433 434 - 356	33 556 - 521 747	165 - 19 - 2 - 44	1 380 1 275 1 242 950	20 243	1 679 12 472 7 136 1 138
1992* 	464 35 - 49 357	4 023 12 934 5 306 14 354	- 160 428 726 4 957	263 - 321 139 - 314	4 590 13 076 6 122 19 354	1 613 156 1 018 1 582	182 1 142 - 968 - 134	615 123 1 121 1 612	273 187 182 - 337	2 683 1 608 1 353 2 722	1 907 11 468 4 770 16 632	- 6 185 4 817 1 243 12 124
1993* I	151	16 270	9 232	- 384	25 269	1 497	2 915	- 692	- 106	3 614	21 655	15 439

During	lasp	orts of sh	ort-term ca	pital	Bxq	ports of si	kort-term	capital	Errors	Short-	Overall	Change
period	Short- torm capital imports of au- thorized banks	Trade credits	Other short- term capital	Total (13+14 +15)	Short- term capital exports of au- thorized banks	Trade credits	Other short- term capital	Total (17+18 +19)	_ and omis- sions	form capital account (16-20 +21)	balance extl. reserve move- ments (12+22)	in central bank's foreign exchange reserves
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
1988	10 950	- 399	- 811	9 740	2 331	644	1 995	4 971	3 415	8 183	183	- 183
1989	4 285	1 627	3 679	9 592	1 462	475	710	2 647	5 533	12 478	- 5 961	5 961
1990	16 258	1119	- 1 357	16 020	- 2 290	- 1 254	1 244	- 2 300	- 9 381	8 939	15 092	- 15 092
1991*	- 13 133	817	- 1 301	- 13 617	6 261	981	3 285	10 527	-2410	- 26 553	- 6 404	6 404
1992*	-28310	8 198	10 454	- 9 659	- 567	4 232	6 593	10 258	– 1 332	– 21 249	- 9 249	9 249
1990 IV	– 11 196	- 6	- 1 088	- 12 290	– 13 404	- 34	- 467	– 13 905	- 241	1 374	1 412	- 1 412
1991*												
1	18 038	- 1 035	2 367	19 370	22 472	- 618	3 978	25 831	1 680	- 4 781	- 3 102	3 102
Ш	- 10 815	3	- 605	- 11 416	515	- 482	1 970	2 003	– 1 274	- 14 693	- 2 221	2 221
	- 16 261	392	- 583	– 16 453	- 3 091	1 049	1 869	- 174	2 237	– 14 042	- 6 905	6 905
IV	- 4 094	1 456	- 2 481	- 5 118	- 13 635	1 033	- 4 531	– 17 133	- 5 053	6 962	5 824	- 5 824
1992*												
	- 2010	306	3 490	1 786	4 134	975	1 723	- 1 435	1 323	4 543	- 1 641	1 641
II	- 9 527	4 056	416	- 5 056	- 1 612	1 192	- 3 403	- 3 823	- 4 634	- 5 866	- 1 049	1 049
iii	- 11 092	1 537	12 295	2 740	6 064	305	176	6 545	- 3 603	- 7 409	- 6 165	6 165
IV	- 5 681	2 299	- 5 747	- 9 129	- 885	1 761	8 096	8 972	5 583	- 12518	- 394	394
1993*												
•	- 3 922	265	- 5 922	- 9 579	18 341	1 376	– 1 256	18 461	6 907	- 21 133	- 5 694	5 694

¹ Capital account data are based on surveys as from the beginning of 1991. The resulting figures conform more closely to the IMF's recommendations.

6.3 FINLAND'S FOREIGN LIABILITIES AND ASSETS, MILL. FIM

End of		Lon	g-torm liab	ilities				Long-			
period	Direct invest- ment in Finland	Port- folio invest- ment in Finland	Loans	Other long- term capital	Total (1+2+ 3+4)	Direct invest- ment abroad	Port- folio invest- ment abread	Loans	Other long- torm capital	Total (6+7+ 8+9)	debt, net (5-10)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	71
1988 1989	12 673 16 093	68 957 82 313	33 117 40 110	915 994	115 662 139 510	24 199 33 234	8 223 7 680	19 417 24 572	2 484 2 757	54 323 68 243	61 339 71 267
1990 1991 1992	18 651 17 443 18 250	98 399 143 668 209 627	51 744 75 794 94 948	4 630 4 492 5 277	173 424 241 398 328 101	43 931 53 285 65 840	7 184 7 451 9 050	25 595 27 612 33 754	5 487 6 161 7 649	82 196 94 509 116 293	91 228 146 889 211 808
1990	10 250	207 027	74 740	32//	020 101	00 040	7 000	00754	7 0 4 7	110270	211 000
IV	18 651	98 399	51 744	4 630	173 424	43 931	7 184	25 595	5 487	82 196	91 228
1991* V	18 760 18 273	110 275 126 771 132 480 143 668	60 239 66 420 68 747 75 794		192 639 215 867 223 422 241 398	45 383 46 808 48 391 53 285	7 333 6 945 7 414 7 451	25 798 26 813 25 747 27 612	5 914 6 061 5 934 6 161	84 428 86 628 87 486 94 509	108 211 129 239 135 935 146 889
1992* 	17 942 17 893	150 914 160 361 183 761 209 627	77 893 76 151 85 221 94 948	4 810 4 427 5 039 5 277	251 524 258 880 291 913 328 101	54 898 55 054 64 258 65 840	7 922 9 110 8 553 9 050	28 885 27 736 30 709 33 754	6 738 6 648 7 397 7 649	98 444 98 548 110 917 116 293	153 080 160 333 180 996 211 808
19 93 * I	18 401	252 938	114 726	5 277	391 342	73 981	12 295	35 310	8 323	129 909	261 433

End of period		Short-i	term liai	bilities			Shor	t-term a:	sets		Short- term	Debt,	Net inter-	Not in- terest
perioa	Bank of Finland short- term Habil- ities		ŧ	short-		Bank of Finland's short- torm assets	Short- term assets of author- ized banks	credits	Other shert- term assets	Total (17+18 +19+20)	liabii- Itles,	(11+22)	est and divi- dend ex-	and dividend expendi- ture in relation to curren account receipts
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
1988	3 341	83 828	11 070	9 039	107 278	32 037	32 108	3 16 041	4 789	84 975	22 303	83 642	7 93	3 6.5
1989	3 558	88 751	12 697	12 883	117 889	25 113	33 569	16516	5 666	80 864	37 024	108 291	10 45	8.0
1990	3 922	106 548	13 466	13 864	137 801	39 506	27 190	14 372	6 608	87 676	50 125	141 353	13 130	9.7
1991	* 3 149	100 837	14 233	14 703	132 921	35 922	36 727	15 940	10 545	99 134	33 787	180 675	15 73	12.7
1992	* 7 849	86 895	22 549	22 254	139 546	33 966	43 534	21 229	16 698	3 115 427	24 119	235 926	20 170	14.4
1990 V	3 922	106 548	13 466	13 864	137 801	39 506	27 190) 14 372	6 608	87 676	50 125	141 353	3 223	3 9.0
1991	•													
		127 305	12 323	17 232	160 259	37 748	48 792	13 824	11 336	111 700	48 559	156 770	3 886	12.8
	2 889	117 997	12318	17 498	150 702	36 023	50 406	13 362	13 721	113 513	37 189	166 429	4 695	5 16.0
	2 826	100 908	12710	16 703	133 147	29 006	47 064	14 416	15 121	105 606	27 541	163 477	3 424	10.9
V	3 149	100 837	14 233	14 703	132 921	35 922	36 727	15 940	10 545	99 134	33 787	180 675	3 729	7 11.2
1992														
<u> </u>	3 185	102 919								98 234	40 814	193 894		
	3 242	91 661	18 587	18 157		-	32 786		8 932		38 192	198 524		
	14 067		20 147					19 015		101 400	42 959	223 956		
IV	7 849	86 895	22 549	22 254	139 546	33 966	43 534	21 229	16 698	115 427	24 119	235 926	5 320	13.8
1993		00.777	00.703	10 /07	10/001	21.000	/2.000		1/007	1111000	1.000	0/0 400	7 204	100
	5 836	88 666	22 /91	19 607	136 901	31 998	63 292	23 282	16 337	134 909	1 992	263 425	7 328	3 18.2

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6.4 FINLAND'S LONG-TERM FOREIGN LIABILITIES AND ASSETS, BY SECTOR, MILL. FIM

End of period			.ong-form	liabilitles	;		Long-termessets						Long- term	
P 01102	Cor- porate sector	Banks	Other financial institu- tions	Central govern- ment	Other	Total (1+2+ 3+4+5)	Cor- porate sector	Banks	Other financial institu- tions	Central govern- ment		Total (7+8+9 +10+11)	liabil- ities, net	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
1988 1989	46 471 58 009	27 427 40 199	114 339 117 665	26 926 23 063	499 574	115 662 139 510	25 093 34 828	21 607 26 048		3 101 3 517	949 1 537	54 323 68 243	61 339 71 267	
1990 1991*	65 553 79 217	56 394 69 460	21 694 35 623	29 174	610 721	173 424 241 398	45 372 57 223	28 423 27 619	2 075	4 279	2 047 2 794	82 196 94 509	91 228 146 889	
1992*		67 611		118 081		328 101	73 583	30 708			3 296	116 293	211 808	
1990 IV	65 553	56 394	21 694	29 174	610	173 424	45 372	28 423	2 075	4 279	2 047	82 196	91 228	
1991* - 		58 071 66 196 67 268 69 460	26 529 33 210 34 193 35 623		724 696 723 721	192 639 215 867 223 422 241 398	47 370 49 580 51 317 57 223	28 015 27 523 26 843 27 619	2 122 2 138	5 040 4 655	2 252 2 362 2 534 2 794	84 428 86 628 87 486 94 509	108 211 129 239 135 935 146 889	
1992* 		67 742 62 218 66 652 67 611	36 029 37 681 39 127 49 135	65 370 78 534 98 824 118 081	1 703 2 020	251 524 258 880 291 913 328 101	59 372 60 041 69 286 73 583	28 516 28 119 30 385 30 708	2 290 2 451	5 147 5 528	2 890 2 951 3 268 3 296	98 444 98 548 110 917 116 293	153 080 160 333 180 996 211 808	
1993* I	101 643	70 232	54 493	162 000	2 974	391 342	81 592	35 165	3 179	6 259	3 714	129 909	261 433	

7. FOREIGN TRADE

7.1 EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND THE TRADE BALANCE, MILL. FIM

7.2 FOREIGN TRADE: INDICES OF VOLUME, UNIT VALUE AND TERMS OF TRADE, 1980=100

	-			Period	Velu	inie	Unit	value	Terms of
During period	Exports, fob	Imports, cif	Balance (1-2)		Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	- trade
	1	2	3		7	2	3	4	5
1988	92 902	92 118	784	1988	121	130	145	122	119
1989	99 784	105 516	- 5 732	1989	121	144	156	126	123
1990	101 327	103 027	- 1 700	1990	125	138	154	128	120
1991	92 842	87 744	5 098	1991	114	115	154	131	118
1992*	107 471	94 988	12 483	1 992 *	124	112	164	145	113
1992*				1990					
March	9 327	8 155	1 1 <i>7</i> 2	111	114	124	155	129	120
April	8 742	8 432	310	IV	130	139	154	133	116
May	9 098	8 094	1 004						
June	9019	8 097	922	1991*					
July	7 972	6 754	1 218	I	110	117	154	131	118
Aug.	7 615	6 871	744	11	107	112	153	130	118
Sept.	9 658	7 489	2 169	##	113	109	156	132	119
Oct.	10 200	8 756	1 444	IV	124	118	157	135	116
Nov.	10 532	8 740	1 792						
Dec.	9 441	8 613	828	1992*					
				1	118	112	162	142	114
1993*				11	125	118	162	143	113
Jan.	9 433	6 564	2 870	III	117	102	163	142	115
Feb.	10 434	9 031	1 404	IV	133	116	171	154	111
March	11 445	10 368	1 077						

7.3 FOREIGN TRADE BY MAIN GROUPS, MILL. FIM

During		Export	s by industri	ies, fob			Impor	is by use of go	ods, cif	
period	Wood	Paper	Chemical	Metal and	Other	Raw materials	Crude oil,	Finishe	d goods	Other
	industry prod uct s	ind éstry prod ucts	ind ustry products	engineering industry products	goods	(excl. crude eil)	fuels and jubricants	Investment goods	Consumer goods	goods
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1988	7 567	30 474	8 450	29 225	17 186	45 791	7 533	17 274	20 828	692
1989	7 4 1 6	32 513	8 844	32 682	18 329	51 786	8 3 1 0	20 606	24 055	759
1990	7811	31 658	9 540	35 493	16 825	49 210	9 829	19 364	23 888	736
1991	6 984	29 695	10 539	29 188	16 436	42 505	9 399	13 973	21 195	672
1992*	7 892	32 587	12 172	35 741	19 079	49 514	9 745	13 348	20 826	1 555
1992*										
March	654	2 756	1 179	3 091	1 647	4 265	660	1 055	2 077	98
April	746	2 798	1 068	2 571	1 559	4 300	710	1 401	1 902	119
May	712	2 567	1 074	3 183	1 562	4 118	909	1 429	1 610	28
June	679	2 643	967	3 155	1 575	4 548	742	1 162	1 538	107
July	504	2 393	761	3 122	1 192	3 463	776	907	1 538	70
Aug.	530	2 336	919	2 335	1 495	3 660	690	752	1 552	217
Sept.	687	2914	1 026	3 244	1 787	4 129	546	903	1 789	122
Oct.	797	3 186	1 027	3 331	1 859	4 498	1 064	1 199	1 890	105
Nov.	770	3 0 1 0	1 205	3 789	1 758	4 809	1 058	1 039	1 755	79
Dec.	644	2 949	870	3 421	1 557	4 280	1 300	1 122	1 534	377
1993*										
Jan.	706	2 677	1 048	3 253	1 749	3 683	547	884	1 390	60
Feb.	776	3 069	1 134	3 259	2 196		1 095	1 661	1 850	78
March	898	3 438	1 213	3914	1 982		889	2 841	1917	71

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7.4 FOREIGN TRADE BY REGIONS AND COUNTRIES

		Exper	is, fob			Impo	orts, cif	
Region and country	199	P2 •		993 ° 9- February	7	992 '		993 * y- February
	Mill. FIM	Percentage share	Mill. FLM	Percentage change from the corre- spending period of the previous year	Mill. FIM	Percentage share	Mill. FLM	Percentage cleange from the corre- sponding period of the previous year
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
All OECD countries	88 347	82.2	14 974	13.8	75 180 62 972	79.1 66.3	12 214 9 542	1.7 - 4.5
OECD Europe	78 566	73.1	13 129	10.1	029/2	00.3	9 342	- 4.5
Of which:	1.040		010	0.1	1.1/0	1.0	1.44	15.4
Austria	1 368	1.3	212	~ 3.1	1 162	1.2	144	– 15.4
Belgium and			400		0.400	0.0	00/	
Luxembourg	2 785	2.6	483	5.7	2 688	2.8	386	- 4.1
Denmark	3 858	3.6	663		3 192	3.4	429	– 15.4
France	7 204	6.7	1 079	3.5	4 382	4.6	661	- 4.3
Germany	16 806	15.6	2 762	2.3	16 085	16.9	2 261	- 6.0
Italy	4 302	4.0	794	30.3	3 425	3.6	539	- 2.2
Netherlands	5 628	5.2	1 048	26.5	3 458	3.6	559	1.2
Norway	3 775	3.5	592	19.5	3 825	4.0	898	52.1
Spain	2 842	2.6	441	~ 0.8	1 167	1.2	215	– 14.2
Sweden	13 771	12.8	2 265	5.4	11 133	11.7	1 514	- 18.1
Switzerland	1 921	1.8	306	– 1 <i>.</i> 5	1 842	1.9	285	- 9.3
United Kingdom	11 519	10.7	1 952	18.9	8 213	8.6	1 256	- 4.1
Other OECD Of which:	9 781	9.1	1 845	49.7	12 209	12.9	2 672	32.5
Canada	751	0.7	159	107.6	616	0.6	95	6.7
Japan	1 370	1.3	232	- 12.2	5 202	5.5	884	4.8
United States	6 365	5.9	1 175	62.4	5 792	6.1	1 631	59.7
Non-OECD Europe	un							
countries Of which:	7 310	6.8	1 420	28.0	9 681	10.2	1 807	36.0
Russia	3 020	2.8	645		6 725	7.1	1 398	
Other countries	11 814	11.0	3 473	117.0	10 127	10.7	1 573	- 4.6
Of which: OPEC countries	1 927	1.8	392	60.1	1 497	1.6	47	- 68.4
TOTAL	107 471	100.0	19 867	25.2	94 988	100.0	15 594	4.1
Of which:								
EC countries	57 150	53.2	9 586	10.6	44 801	47.2	6 668	- 5.3
EFTA countries	20 959	19.5	3 390		18 033	19.0	2 847	- 2.9

8. DOMESTIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS 8.1 SUPPLY AND USE OF RESOURCES, MILL. FIM, 1985 PRICES

(seasonally adjusted figures)

Period		mption iditure	Fixed investment		Change in stocks,	Domestic demand	Exports	lmports	GDP (6+7-8)
	Private	Public	Private	Public	incl. steristical discrepancy	(1+2+3+4+5)			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1988 1989 1990 1991* 1992*	209 956 218 775 219 293 211 181 199 052	75 190 77 117 80 525 82 338 82 250	81 839 95 178 88 429 68 465 57 944	11 446 11 234 12 720 12 701 11 533	9 062 14 056 13 992 6 723 8 486	387 493 416 360 414 959 381 408 359 265	105 897 107 552 109 236 101 932 111 186	118 405 128 834 127 735 112 277 112 755	374 985 395 078 396 460 371 063 357 696
1990 III IV	54 798 54 187	20 203 20 314	21 081 21 187	3 123 3 183	3 569 3 409	102 774 102 281	26 534 26 327	30 373 30 909	98 935 97 699
1991* 1 1 11 V	53 328 52 957 52 830 52 067	20 426 20 540 20 637 20 735	19 487 17 089 16 181 15 708	3 150 3 526 3 181 2 845	2 829 1 685 784 1 424	99 220 95 796 93 613 92 778	25 261 24 272 26 721 25 678	29 529 27 117 28 182 27 448	94 951 92 951 92 152 91 009
1992* V	51 229 49 790 49 442 48 591	20 444 20 533 20 600 20 674	15 375 15 203 14 411 12 955	2 995 2 995 2 746 2 797	1 557 2 132 2 232 2 565	91 601 90 653 89 430 87 582	27 243 28 296 27 406 28 241	28 675 29 126 27 392 27 562	90 170 89 822 89 443 88 261

8.2 VOLUME OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, 1990=100

(seasonally adjusted figures)

Period	Total industry	Mining and quarrying	Many- facturing	Wood and paper industries	Metal and ongineering Industries	Other manu- facturing	Energy and water supply
	(100.0)	(1.3)	(89.5)	(16.8)	(31.3)	(41.5)	(9.1)
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1988	97.1	94.1	97.1	98.7	93.8	99.0	97.5
1989	100.3	101.9	100.5	102.3	99.6	100.8	97.9
1990	100.2	99.8	100.2	100.1	100.4	100.1	100.0
1991*	90.4	90.6	89.1	90.6	85.0	91.5	103.7
1992*	92.5	100.9	91.2	94.3	91.0	90.1	103.6
1992*							
Feb.	90.5	93.5	89.6	93.1	86.8	88.7	100.8
March	92.2	99.0	91.0	94.7	91.6	89.3	102.7
April	93.1	96.4	91.8	91.8	92.9	90.9	104.3
May	93.4	124.6	92.2	96.7	90.9	91.4	97.2
June	95.6	168.7	93.6	95.4	94.3	91.4	99.8
July	93.6	103.0	94.8	90.8	97.5	92.8	97.4
Avg.	93.7	89.6	92.9	96.3	95.7	90.2	99.8
Sept.	92.2	96.2	91.0	96.5	89.8	89.3	102.3
Ocit.	93.1	80.7	91.1	95.4	89.7	91.6	112.4
Nov.	93.0	88.3	90.9	96.8	89.2	89.5	113.8
Dec.	90.3	77.5	88.3	94.9	87.6	87.8	110.8
1993							
Jan.	93.7	88.7	92.6	105.6	93.8	86.8	105.2
Feb.	94.5	83.6	93.6	97.4	96.4	87.9	105.0

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8.3 INDICATORS OF DOMESTIC SUPPLY AND DEMAND, 1985=100

(seasonally adjusted figures)

Period	Volume of wholesale	Volume of	Volume of		Of which:		Imports of	Montkly Indicator
	trade	retuil trade	construction of buildings	Residential boildings	Industrial buildings	Other buildings	goods	of GDP
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1988	116.7	113.0	108.6	106.0	113.4	110.6	135.0	110.6
1989	124.2	117.0	130.3	132.9	137.6	125.2	161.4	115.3
1990	119.9	111.7	127.3	124.8	161.7	122.1	144.6	116.5
1991*	101.2	103.9	103.9	94.4	127.7	109.9	102.1	110.7
1992*	87.9	93.8	79.5	72.9	76.9	86.6	84.3	108.1
1991*								
IV	95.3	101.9	89.9	78.2	97.7	100.8	110.6	108.8
1992*								
Jan.	97.0	104.4						108.2
Feb.	88.6	98.9		••				108.2
March	91.9	97.2						109.6
April	89.4	96.4						108.2
May	83.5	93.2		••				107.5
June	95.3	94.4						109.0
July	89.9	92.0						108.9
Aug.	83.1	89.5		•				107.3
Sept.	87.2	93.4		••				107.8
Oct.	84.8	91.2		.,				107.0
Nov.	81.4	85.8		••			••	107.6
Dec.	82.2	89.3		••	••	••	••	107.5
	92.5	100.2	88.2	82.9	92.5	96.5	87.4	108.7
'n	89.4	94.7	83.9	81.7	78.1	91.6	106.2	108.2
ĬĬ	86.7	91.6	82.0	75.0	85.0	83.5	63.9	108.0
īV	82.8	88.8	67.9	53.9	52.3	74.7	79.6	107.4
1993*								
Jan.	74.5	86.6						107.4

8.4 WAGES AND PRICES, 1985=100

	of wage		Ву	sectors			Con- sumer price	Basic price index	By origin		Produc- or price index			Building cost index
	salary		Of which Manufac turing (SIC 3)	gov-	i Local gov- erz- mont	Non- profit insti- tutions	index	for domestic supply	Domes- tic goods	import- ed goods		Experi- ed goods	Home market goods	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1988 1989 1990 1991 1992	135.7 148.2 157.6 160.5	124.6 136.5 148.8 158.3 160.8	122.7 133.8 146.8 156.2 159.7	128.8 137.4 149.8 157.9 161.1	122.0 132.1 144.7 154.8 158.6	128.0 137.1 150.0 158.9 162.4	112.6 120.0 127.3 132.6 136.0	107.3 110.9 111.2	104.9 111.3 115.7 115.8 115.6	89.1 92.6 93.6 94.2 100.9	101.7 107.8 110.0 109.9 112.6	103.8 110.5 110.4 108.7 113.4	100.7 106.4 109.8 110.4 112.3	116.3 125.5 134.5 137.3 134.9
1991 IV	159.6	160.1	158.3	159.9	157.3	161.4	133.6	111.1	115.4	95.6	110.3	109.0	110.8	137.3
1992 Mard April May June July Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.	h 						135.4 135.9 136.0 136.3 136.1 135.9 136.4 136.9	112.3 112.3 112.3 112.2 112.0 112.2 113.3 113.4	115.6 115.8 115.7 115.7 115.9 115.7 115.2 115.7 115.5 115.5	99.2 99.8 99.9 100.0 99.0 98.6 101.3 104.3 105.5 105.9	111.5 112.0 112.5 112.8 112.9 112.4 113.2 113.8 114.1 114.0	111.7 112.0 112.6 113.2 113.2 111.8 115.0 115.9 116.7 115.9	111.4 112.0 112.4 112.6 112.8 112.7 112.3 112.8 112.8 113.0	136.5 135.5 134.8 133.7 134.0 133.7 134.5 134.7 134.4
I II IV	160.0 160.6 160.3 160.9	160.5 161.1 160.6 161.1	159.3 160.2 159.2 160.0	160.5 160.9 161.3 161.6	158.0 158.4 158.6 159.5	161.8 162.3 162.6 163.0	135.0 136.1 136.2 136.9	112.3 112.2	115.5 115.7 115.6 115.6	98.9 99.9 99.6 105.2	111.3 112.4 112.8 113.9	111.6 112.6 113.3 116.2	111.2 112.3 112.6 112.9	136.5 134.7 134.0 134.3
1993 Jan. Feb. Marc				 			138.2 138.6 138.8	115.3	115.8 116.6 117.1	107.1 109.8 112.4	114.4 115.9 116.9	116.5 118.9 120.5	113.4 114.5 115.2	134.7 134.8 134.7

¹ Preliminary figures for columns 1—6.

8.5 LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT (seasonally adjusted figures)

Period	Labour force partici- pation rate among 15-74 vear olds	o force cl- on on of	Total employ- ment (4+5) = (6+7+8+9)	By industrial status			By in	Unem- ployed	Unem- ployment		
				Self- employed	Wage and salary earners	Agri- culture and forestry	Industry	Con- struction	Sorvice industries	refe	rate
	%	_			10	100 person	3				%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1988	68.4	2 546	2 431	368	2 062	238	553	188	1 452	116	4.6
1989	68.7	2 559	2 470	367	2 104	218	561	199	1 492	89	3.5
1990	68.4	2 556	2 467	360	2 108	207	556	205	1 500	88	3.4
1991	67.4	2 533	2 340	340	2 000	197	502	179	1 461	193	7.6
1992	66.1	2 502	2 174	325	1 849	188	454	150	1 382	328	13.1
1992											
Marc	h 66.7	2 521	2 228	329	1 900	194	460	151	1 423	293	11.6
April	65.8	2 486	2 193	326	1 866	186	457	151	1 399	293	11.8
May	66.1	2 501	2 192	332	1 860	189	453	154	1 395	310	12.4
June	66.3	2 509	2 188	331	1 857	191	454	156	1 387	321	12.8
July	65.8	2 492	2 164	326	1 838	185	453	146	1 380	327	13.1
Aug.	66.5	2 5 1 8	2 164	330	1 834	187	445	150	1 382	354	14.1
Sept.	65.6	2 488	2 145	321	1 824	186	456	150	1 353	343	13.8
Oct.	66.0	2 499	2 134	319	1814	181	453	132	1 367	366	14.6
Nov.	66.2	2 508	2 123	315	1 809	177	440	141	1 365	385	15.3
Dec.	65.3	2 477	2 093	310	1 783	181	435	135	1 342	384	15.5
1993											
Jan.	65.7	2 492	2 089	305	1 784	178	436	125	1 350	404	16.2
Feb.	65.7	2 493	2 074	314	1 759	171	422	129	1 352	420	16.8
Marc	h 65.2	2 474	2 049	309	1 740	180	428	130	1 310	426	17.2

8.6 CENTRAL GOVERNMENT FINANCES: REVENUE, EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL BALANCE, MILL. FIM, CASH FLOW BASIS

During				Expenditure							
period	Direct taxes	Indirect taxes	Other texes and similar revenue	Other revenue	Rev- enue before financial trans- actions (1+2+3+4)	Redemp- tions of loans granted by the state	Revenue before berrewing (5+6)	Consump- tion	Trans- fers and sub- sidles	Of which:	
										Local govern- ment	Other de- mestic sectors
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1988	35 339	66 348	473	13 629	115 789	2 557	118 346	32 266	65 502	29 757	33 108
1989	39 397	76 458	471	15 990	132 316	3 926	136 241	35 082	72 008	33 244	35 715
1990	42 611	77 364	953	18 423	139 351	4 260	143 611	41 535	81 190	37 646	40 313
1991	41 054	73 251	1 136	19 182	134 624	4 442	139 069	45 085	101 220	42 297	55 160
1992	34 312	69 541	1 512	21 251	126 616	5 054	131 669	49 207	105 184	42 990	59 180
1991											
Dec.	3 876	6 691	66	2 636	13 270	418	13 688	3 927	10 463	3 857	5 844
1992											
Jan.	2 963	5 805	98	867	9 733	10	9 743	4 311	8 447	3 360	4 963
Feb.	2 854	6 461	84	1 098	10 497	7	10 504	4 000	8 004	3 387	4 449
March	- 420	5 048	227	2 355	7 2 1 0	2 041	9 251	3 889	9 055	3 808	4 542
April	4 629	5 583		2 373	1 2 704	83	12 787	4 022	9 590	3 818	5 394
May	3 068	5 722		2 012	10 933	32	10 965	3 782	9 010	3 658	5 183
June	4 310	5 6 1 5		2 097	12 157	339	12 496	4 390	8 760	4 005	4 5 1 4
July	3 662	6 074		1 234	11 245	78	11 323	5 073	7 975	3 469	4 3 1 9
Avg.	3 422	5 938		1 528	11 018	393	11 411	3 483	8 170	3 413	4 553
Sept.	3 091	5 663		1 510	10 381	137	10 517	3 887	8 179	3 440	4 575
Oct.	2 896	5 336		1 448	9 816	187	10 003	4 169	9 599	3 498	5 933
Nov.	2 984	5 925		1 751	10 770	704	11 474	3 806	9 072	3 463	5 492
Dec.	853	6 371	-50	2 978	10 152	1 043	11 195	4 395	9 323	3 671	5 263

Dering			Expenditu		Financial balance				
period	Fixed invest- ment	Other expendi- ture	Expenditure hefere financial transactions (8+9+ 12+13)	Lending and other fluancial investment	Expenditure before redemptions of state debt (14+15)	Rev- enue sur- plus (5-14)	Net ber- rewing requirement (7-16)	Net bor- rewing	Cash sur- ples (18+19)
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1988	7 565	5 614	110 946	6 529	117 476	4 842	870	2 417	3 287
1989	8 393	5 343	120 825	7 566	128 390	11 491	7 851	-4009	3 842
1990	5 962	4 927	133 614	9319	142 934	5 737	678	1 201	1 879
1991	5 370	6 368	158 044	13 328	171 372	-23 420	- 32 304	25 659	- 6 645
1992	5 042	8 755	167 932	35 501	203 433	-41 316	-71 764	70 691	- 1 071
1991									
Dec.	526	892	15 809	798	16 607	-2 539	-2 920	-211	-3 131
1992									
Jan.	340	846	13 945	792	14 737	-4212	-4 994	1 161	-3833
Feb.	314	168	12 485	839	13 324	-1988	-2820	7 885	5 065
March	378	1 355	14 676	3 305	17 981	-7 466	-8 730	3 545	-5 185
April	394	684	14 691	683	15 374	– 1 987	- 2 587	5 474	2 887
May	400	366	13 559	826	14 385	-2 626	-3 420	3 216	-203
June	476	1 006	14 631	2 574	17 205	-2 474	-4709	8 162	3 453
July	398	479	13 925	683	14 608	-2 680	-3 285	5 185	1 900
Aug.	387	331	12 370	7 005	19 375	- 1 352	-7 964	4 133	-3831
Sept.	442	816	13 325	4 950	18 275	-2944	- 7 758	5 267	-2 491
Oct.	439	1 229	15 436	937	16 373	-5 620	-6370	8 365	1 995
Nov.	410	102	13 390	1 010	14 400	-2 620	-2 926	15 124	12 199
Dec.	664	1 373	15 499	11 897	27 396	-5 347	- 16 201	3 174	- 13 027

NOTES AND EXPLANATIONS TO THE STATISTICAL SECTION

GENERAL

Source

Unless otherwise stated, the source or compiler of figures is the Bank of

Symbols used

- Preliminary
- Revised
- Less than half the final digit shown
- Logically impossible Data not available
- Nil
- S Affected by strike
- Break in séries

Owing to rounding of figures, the sum of the individual items in the tables may

from the total shown.

NOTES AND EXPLANATIONS TO TABLES

1 THE BALANCE SHEET OF THE BANK OF FINLAND

Table 1.2 Domestic financial sector. Term claims on deposit banks (Column 13) = bank certificates of deposit held by the Bank of Finland + securities with repurchase commitments. Liquidity position of deposit banks, net (Column 14): see explanation to Table 2.1. Other claims on financial institutions, net (Column 17) = bonds + other claims on financial institutions – other liabilities to financial institutions. Corporate sector. Special deposits and other items, net (Column 20) = bonds: other other claims on corporations - deposits for investment and ship purchase other liabilities to corporations.

2 THE BANK OF FINLAND'S **OPERATIONS IN THE MONEY** AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKETS AND THE BANKS FORWARD EXCHANGE **POSITION**

Table 2.1 Banks with access to central bank financing can make call money deposits with the Bank of Finland without limit. They can also obtain liquidity credit with a maturity of 1 day, 7 days, 14 days, 21 days or 28 days. The maturity is determined by the Bank of Finland.

Table 2.2 The cash reserve requirement is reported for the month by the end of which the deposit must be made with the Bank of Finland. The requirement is announced at the end of the previous month and is determined on the basis of the cash reserve base for that month. The rate of interest paid on cash reserve deposits is 3 percentage points less than three-month HELIBOR (from April to December 1992 2 percentage points) but at least 8 per cent. The figures for 1989 include the additional deposit requirement of 1.1 per cent under the supplementary cash reserve agreement in force at the time. together with the corresponding noninterest-bearing deposits of FIM 3 159

Table 2.3 Money market instruments are the instruments used by the Bank of Finland in its money market operations. Matured money market instruments, net, comprise both instruments purchased and sold. Money market transactions are recorded according to trade dates.

Table 2.4 Foreign exchange transactions are recorded according to trade dates. In addition to spot transactions (Columns 1, 2, 4 and 5) the Bank of Finland's foreign exchange reserves are affected by interest payments and by changes in both the prices of securities and exchange rates. Spot transactions related to forward contracts (Column 4) refer to the combined effects on the foreign exchange reserves of forward transactions in the form of swaps and maturing forward transactions. The central government's foreign exchange trans-actions (Column 5) comprise trans-actions related to drawings and redemptions of government loans and associated interest payments.

Table 2.5 As from the beginning of 1990, the statistics on the forward exchange market are based on data on individual contracts against the Finnish markka as reported by banks (excluding Columns 5 and 6). The statistics cover all authorized banks and contracts. The rates of exchange used in the statistics are the forward rates on the contract date.

3 RATES OF INTEREST

Table 3.1 HELIBOR (Helsinki Interbank Offered Rate) (Columns 2-5): The HELIBOR rate for each maturity is calculated by the Bank of Finland as the average of the offered rates for certificates of deposit quoted daily at 1 p.m. by the five largest banks.

Table 3.2 The Bank of Finland's tender rate (column 1) is determined in tenders held by the Bank of Finland, in which the banks are asked to make bids or offers for money market instruments with a maturity of one month. The tender rate is the weighted average of accepted bids or offers, expressed as a simple annual interest rate. If, when requesting bids or offers, the Bank of Finland announces an acceptable interest rate (fixed-rate tender), the tender rate is the same as the rate announced by the Bank. The monthly figure for the tender rate is the arithmetic average of calendar day figures.

Banks with access to central bank financing can make call money deposits with the Bank of Finland without limit. In addition, they can obtain liquidity credit from the Bank of Finland with a maturity of 1 day, 7 days, 14 days, 21 days or 28 days. The maturity of liquidity credit is determined by the Bank of Finland. The rate of interest on liquidity credit is obtained by adding together the Bank of Finland's tender rate and the interest rate margin for liquidity credit. The call money deposit rate is obtained by subtracting the interest rate margin for call money deposits from the Bank of Finland's tender rate. The monthly figures for maturity and interest rate margins are those prevailing at the end of the month.

Table 3.3 The rates shown are based on the lending rates quoted for

the respective currencies in the Euromarket. ECU (Column 1): the weights of the ECU basket. 3 currencies (Column 2): DEM 60, USD 30 and GBP 10 per cent.

Table 3.4 Lending. New credits (Columns 1–4): rates of interest on new credits drawn during the month are average monthly rates weighted by loan amounts. Annual rates are arithmetic averages of monthly observa-tions until 1987 after which they are weighted by loan amounts. Average lending rates (Columns 5 and 6) are all weighted by loan amounts. As from January 1989, the loans of Postipankki Ltd have been included in the commercial banks' outstanding stock of loans. Deposits. 24-month and 36-month taxexempt deposits (Columns 7 and 8): from May (September) 1992, 24-month (36-month) deposits are tax-exempt if they carry a rate of interest which is at most the Bank of Finland's base rate less two percentage points (one percentage point). In the period from January 1989 to April 1992, 24-month deposits (Column 7) were tax-exempt if they carried a rate of interest which was at most the Bank of Finland's base rate less one percentage point. Other tax-exempt deposits (Column 9): in the period from January 1989 to April 1992, deposits other than 24-month deposits were tax-exempt if they carried a rate of interest which was at most the Bank of Finland's base rate less 4 percentage points. From May 1992, deposits other than 24-month or 36-month deposits are tax-exempt if they carry a maximum rate of interest as prescribed by law. The maximum rate was first set at 4.5 per cent. From 6 May 1993 it has been 2.5 per cent. All markka deposits (Column 10): the stock of deposits comprises all markka deposits by the public. The monthly and annual average rates of interest are weighted by deposit amounts. Other funding (Column 11): CDs outstanding + promissory notes + bonds. The average rate of interest is weighted by amounts. Total markka funding (Column 12); markka deposits by the public + banks' other markka funding. The rate of interest is weighted by amounts.

Table 3.5 Reference rates (Columns 1 and 2) are calculated by the Bank of 1 and 2) are calculated by the bank of Finland as the monthly averages of the offered rates for taxable, fixed-rate bonds quoted daily by the five largest banks. Yields on taxable government bonds (Columns 3 and 4) are calculated by the Bank of Finland in a similar feabling. Until January 1992 the yield on fashion. Until January 1992, the yield on 5-year taxable government bonds (Column 3) was calculated on a builet bond due on 15 March 1994 with a coupon rate of 13 per cent. From February 1992 onwards the yield is calculated on a bullet bond due on 15 January 1999 with a coupon rate of 11 per cent. The yield on 10-year taxable government bonds (Column 4) is calculated on a housing bond (bullet) due on 15 March 2002 with a coupon rate of 10.75 per cent. The yield on taxable public issues (Column 5) is calculated as the arithmetic mean of yields on fixed-rate ordinary bonds, debentures \$25

and other bonds (excl. zero coupon loans, bonds with equity warrants and convertible debentures) issued by all issuers except the central government with a remaining maturity of between 3 and 6 years. The yield on taxfree public issues (Column 6) is calculated as the arithmetic mean of yields on fixedrate public bonds with a remaining maturity of between 4 and 5 years. The Bank of Finland calculates the yields for columns 5 and 6 once a week on the basis of the trading quotations of the Helsinki Stock Exchange. Monthly observations are the averages of weekly observations and annual observations the averages of monthly observations.

4 RATES OF EXCHANGE

Table 4.2 FIM/ECU (Column 1): The markka value of the ECU is calculated as the sum of the dollar amounts of the currencies in the ECU valued at current market rates, for which daily quotations at noon Finnish time are used. The midpoint was FIM 4.87580 from 7 June to 14 November 1991, and FIM 5.55841 from 15 November 1991 to 7 September 1992, and the fluctuation limits were t3 per cent around the midpoint. Since 8 September 1992 the markka has been floating. Trade-weighted currency index (Column 2): The weights are moving averages of the shares of (currently) 14 countries in Finland's foreign merchandise trade (only convertible currencies are included). The pay-ments currency index (Column 3): The weights are moving averages of shares of payments currencies (14 convertible currencies) in Finland's foreign trade. The MERM index (Column 4): The weights are fixed 1977 weights computed on the basis of the IMF's world trade model; 14 currencies are included in this index.

5 OTHER DOMESTIC FINANCING

Table 5.1 Source: Statistics Finland. The public comprises households and non-profit institutions, enterprises (excl. financial institutions) and the local government sector. The table is based on new classifications of Statistics Finland applied since March 1991. Series before March 1991 have been reclassified by the Bank of Finland to conform with the present table, except for columns 3 and 4 where disaggregation was not possible and combined figures are shown. Time deposits (Column 3) consist of all fixed-term deposits. Other deposits (Column 4) include mainly investment accounts with no specific time-period. other funding (Column 8) comprises CDs, promissory notes and bonds. The figures for banks' holdings of CDs issued by other banks, as well as the CD holdings of the Bank of Finland and the central government have been netted out; netting out is done by the Bank of Finland. Hence, this column includes some liabilities held by entities not covered by the above definition of the public.

Table 5.2 Source: Statistics Finland. The public comprises households and non-profit institutions, enterprises(excl. financial institutions) and local govern-S26 ment. Foreign currency credits (Column 5) are mainly granted by com-mercial banks and Postipankki.

Table 5.3 Foreign assets, net (Column 1) = the Bank of Finland's foreign claims + banks' foreign claims (incl. foreign claims of banks' foreign branches) - the Bank of Finland's foreign liabilities - banks foreign liabilities (incl. foreign liabilities of banks' foreign branches). Domestic credit. Claims on the central government, net (Column 2) the Bank of Finland's claims on the central government + banks' claims on the central government - the central the central government – the central government's deposits with the Bank of Finland and Postipankki – loans granted from state funds through banks. Claims on the public (incl. local government), (Column 3) = the Bank of Finland's claims on the private sector + banks' claims on the private sector + banks' claims on the private sector (loans to the public, bonds and debentures (excl. government bonds and bank debentures), claims on other financial institutions, shares held by banks). Other items, net (Column 5) = capital accounts and other items of the Bank of Finland (incl. private sector time deposits with the Bank of Finland) + capital accounts of deposit banks unclassified assets and liabilities of deposit banks, net (bank debentures, bank CDs held by the public, other market funding and foreign currency deposits by the public). M, (Column 6) = currency in circulation - banks' till money + markka cheque and postal giro account deposits and transactions account deposits held by the public. M_2 (Column 7) = M_1 + quasi-money (markka time deposits held by the public, excl. deposits with the Bank of Finland). M_3 (Column 8) = M_2 + bank CDs held by the public.

Table 5.4 Source: State Treasury Office. Other bonds and debentures (Column 2) are so-called private placings. Long-term promissory notes (Column 3) are bank loans. Outstanding lending (Column 10) comprises the stock of loans granted from the central government budget and from extrabudgetary funds. Cash funds (Column 11) comprise the cash funds held in central government accounting offices, funds held in cheque and postal giro accounts, as well as placements of central government cash funds. The main part of the latter is reserved for covering transferable allocations budgeted in previous years (for details, see the article "State Borrowing and Cash Management" by Pekka Laajanen and Pekka Saarinen in the August 1987 issue of the Bulletin). Transferable allo-cations amounted to FIM 8.1 billion at

the end of 1988.

Table 5.5 Source: Table B: Statistics Finland from the beginning of 1991. Tables A and B include markka-denominated bonds issued by Finnish issuers in Finland and abroad as well as those issued by foreign issuers in Finland. Table C includes transactions in markka-denominated bonds outside the Helsinki Stock Exchange. Interbank transactions (Column 1) and transactions (purchases and sales) between banks and customers (Column 2) are transactions by the banks entitled to central bank financing. The State Treasury and, at this stage, the five largest banks (Kansallis-Osake-Pankki, Okobank, Postipankki, Skopbank and

Union Bank of Finland have agreed on a market making arrangement for benchmark government bonds with effect from 1 August 1992. Transactions (purchases) between primary dealers (Column 3) comprise transactions in benchmark government bonds between the banks that have signed the market making agreement. Purchases and sales between banks and others (Columns 4 and 5) consist of transactions in benchmark government bonds between primary dealers and other parties. Other parties refer to all parties that are not primary dealers. **Table 5.6** Source: The Helsinki

Stock Exchange.

6 BALANCE OF PAYMENTS FOREIGN LIABILITIES AND **ASSETS**

Table 6.1 The figures for the trade and goods and services accounts are compiled in accordance with the System of National Accounts. The figures for investment income and expenditure (Columns 7 and 16) include reinvested earnings on direct investment. Preliminary data on reinvested earnings in the previous year have been included in the current account figures annually from the September issue of the Bulletin. (The annual figure is divided evenly

between quarterly figures.)

Table 6.2 Columns 1-5: Net change in long-term liabilities. Columns 6-10: Net change in long-term assets. Port-folio investment in Finland (Column 2) and abroad (Column 7) (marketable instruments): Primary and secondary market transactions in securities. Loans (Column 3) (non-marketable instruments): Financial loans, import credits, prepayments related to exports and leasing credits. Other long-term capital (Column 4): Finland's subscriptions to international financial institutions paid in the form of promissory notes + long-term deposit liabilities of banks + other long-term liabilities of central government, banks and other financial institutions. Loans (Column 8): Financial loans, development credits, export credits, prepayments related to imports and leasing credits. Other long-term capital (Column 9): Finland's subscriptions to international financial institutions + long-term deposits of banks + other long-term assets of central government, banks and other financial institutions.

Table 6.3 Net foreign debt (Columns 1–23) at the end of a period is classified in the same way as the corresponding data on changes in the capital account (Table 6.2). The items included in net foreign debt have been translated into markkaa using the spot rates for each date. Thus the figures include the impact of changes in exchange rates.

Table 6.4 The sectoral figures for short-term foreign liabilities and assets correspond to the figures shown in Columns 12-22 of Table 6.3.

7 FOREIGN TRADE

Source: The National Board of Customs. All tables refer to foreign trade in goods.

Table 7.2 The volume indices (Columns 1 and 2) are calculated according to the Paasche formula and the unit value indices (Columns 3 and 4) according to the Laspeyres formula. The terms of trade (Column 5) is the ratio of the export unit value index to the import unit value index multiplied by one hundred. **Table 7.4** The regional and country

according to Finnish Official Statistics I A. grouping is based on the classification

8 DOMESTIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS

Tables 8.1-8.5 Source: Statistics Finland. Seasonal adjustment is carried out by the Bank of Finland.

Table 8.3 The monthly indicator of GDP (Column 8) is weighted together from 11 readily available indicators of developments in output in various industries.

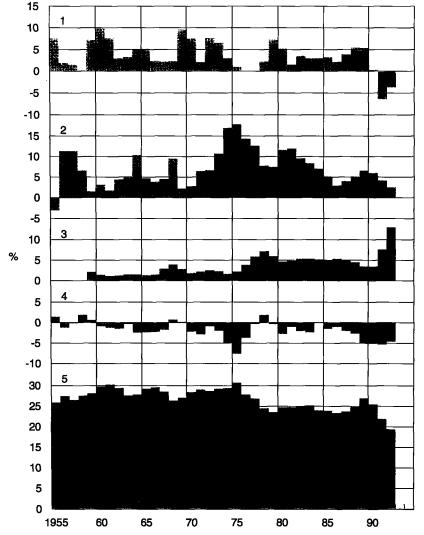
Table 8.4 The consumer price index (Column 7) was revised as from January 1988. Both the weights and the methods of calculation were changed (see the item in the March 1988 issue of the Bulletin). The base year is 1985.

Table 8.6 Source: Ministry of

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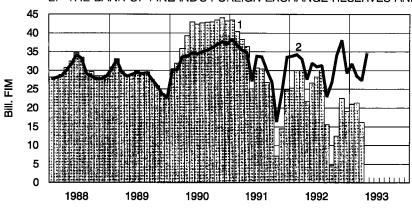
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1. LONG-TERM INDICATORS

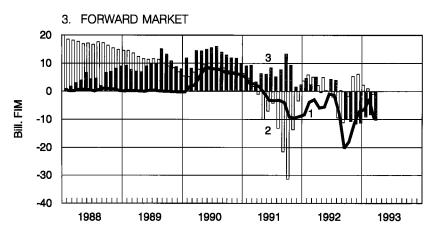


- GDP, change in volume from the previous year, per cent
- Consumer prices, change from the previous year, per cent
- Unemployment rate, per cent
- Current account, as a percentage of GDP
- 5. Fixed investment, as a percentage of GDP

2. THE BANK OF FINLAND'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES AND FORWARD POSITION

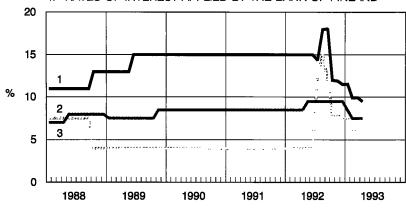


- Foreign exchange reserves plus forward position
- 2. Foreign exchange reserves



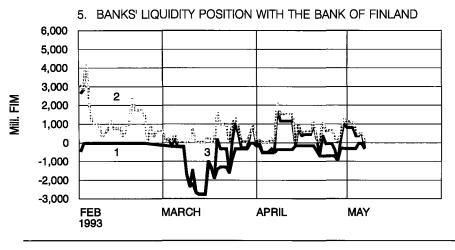
- Forward exchange purchased by the Bank of Finland from banks
- Forward exchange sold by domestic companies to banks
- Forward exchange sold by foreign banks to banks



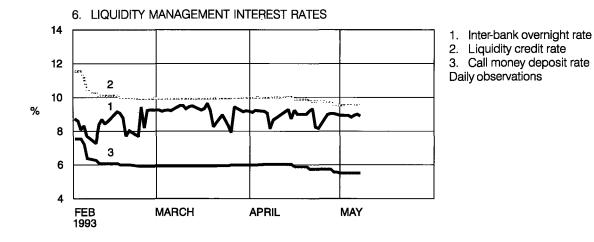


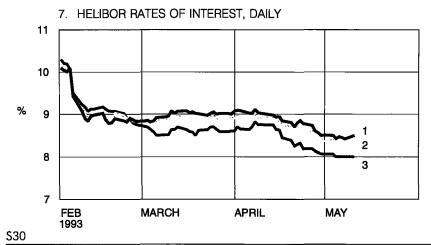
- Liquidity credit rate (up to 2 July 1992 call money credit rate)
- 2. Call money deposit rate
- 3. Base rate

End-of-month observations

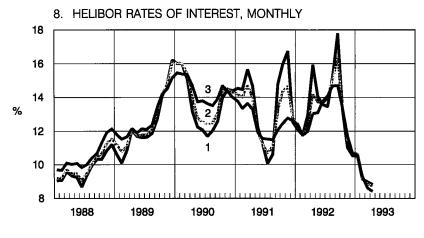


- 1. Liquidity credits (-)
- 2. Call money deposits
- 3. Net

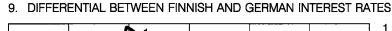


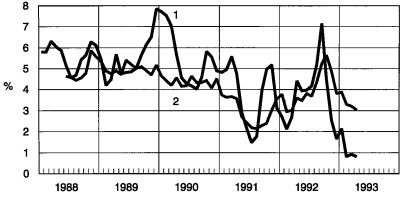


- 1. 1-month HELIBOR
- 2. 3-month HELIBOR
- 3. 12-month HELIBOR

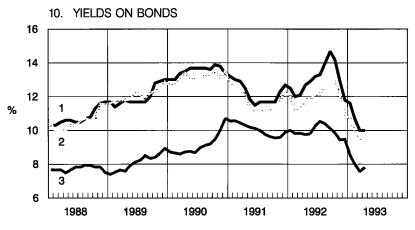


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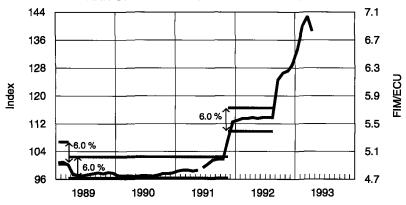


- 3-month HELIBOR minus
 3-month DEM eurorate
- 5-year Finnish
 government bond yield
 minus 5-year German
 government bond yield



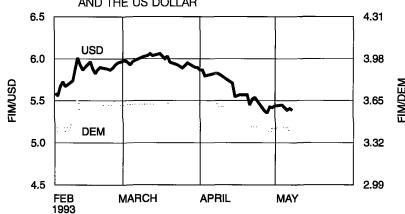
- 1. Bank of Finland's 5-year reference rate
- Until April 1991, yield on (4–5 year) taxable government bonds Since May 1991, yield on government bond due on 15 March 1996, coupon rate 11.75 per cent
- 3. Yield on (4–5 year) taxfree government bonds

11. BANK OF FINLAND CURRENCY INDEX AND THE MARKKA VALUE OF THE ECU



Until 7 June 1991, the Bank of Finland currency index. From 7 June 1991, the markka's exchange rate against the ECU, the fluctuation limits of which were 4.72953–5.02207 in the period 7 June – 14 November 1991, and 5.39166–5.72516 in the period 15 November 1991 – 7 September 1992. Since 8 September 1992, the limits have been temporarily abandoned. Monthly averages

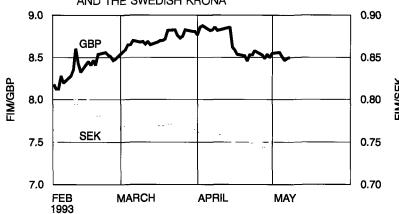
12. DAILY SPOT RATES FOR THE MARKKA AGAINST THE DEUTSCHMARK AND THE US DOLLAR



Middle rates

DEM = right scale USD = left scale

13. DAILY SPOT RATES FOR THE MARKKA AGAINST THE POUND STERLING AND THE SWEDISH KRONA



Middle rates

GBP = left scale SEK = right scale

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14. MONTHLY SPOT RATES FOR THE MARKKA AGAINST THE DEUTSCHMARK AND THE US DOLLAR



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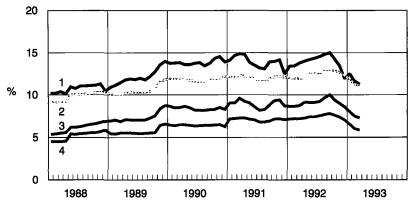
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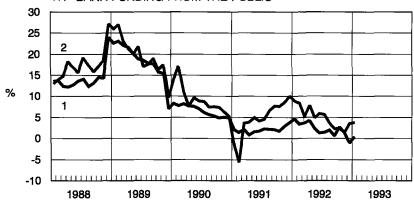
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16. BANKS' MARKKA LENDING RATES AND MARKKA FUNDING RATES



- Average rate on new markka lending
- Average rate on outstanding markka lending
- Average rate on total markka funding (deposits + other funding)
- 4. Average markka deposit rate

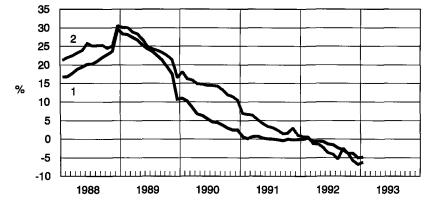
17. BANK FUNDING FROM THE PUBLIC



- Markka deposits
- 2. Total funding

Change from the corresponding month of the previous year, per cent

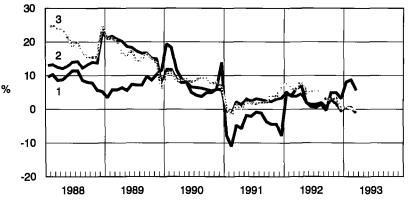
18. BANK LENDING TO THE PUBLIC



- Markka lending
- 2. Total lending

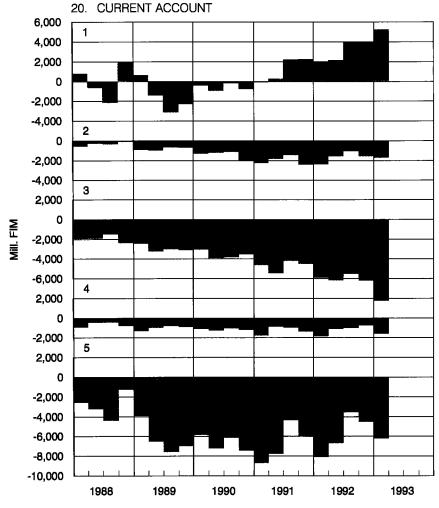
Change from the corresponding month of the previous year, per cent

19. MONEY SUPPLY

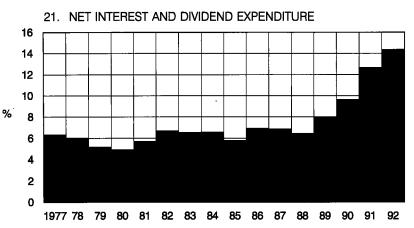


- 1. Narrow money (M1)
- 2. Broad money (M2)
- 3. M2 + bank CDs held by the public (M3)

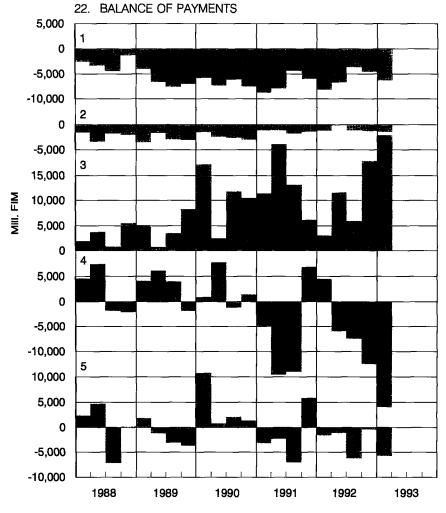
Change from the corresponding month of the previous year, per cent



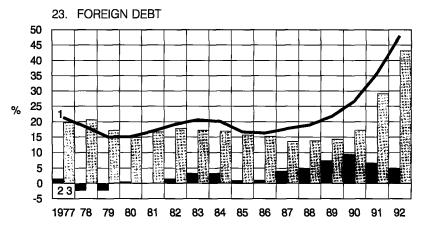
- 1. Trade account
- 2. Services account
- 3. Investment income account
- 4. Unrequited transfers account and other items, net
- 5. Current account



As a percentage of current account receipts

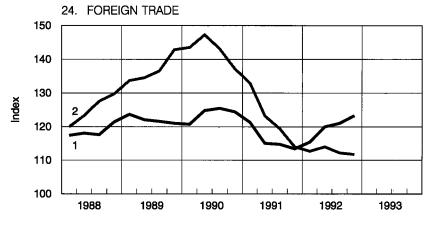


- 1. Current account
- 2. Direct investment
- 3. Other long-term capital account
- 4. Short-term capital account
- Overall balance = change in the foreign exchange reserves of the Bank of Finland



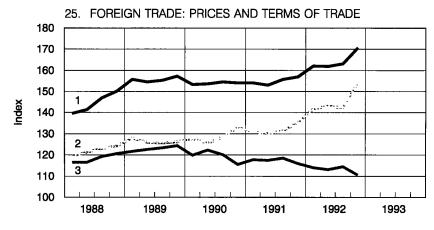
- . Total foreign net debt
- 2. Short-term net debt
- 3. Long-term net debt

As a percentage of GDP



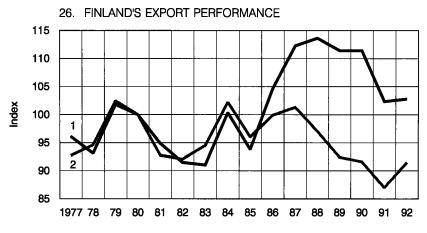
- Total exports
- 2. Total imports

Volume index, 1980 = 100, four-quarter moving average plotted at the last quarter



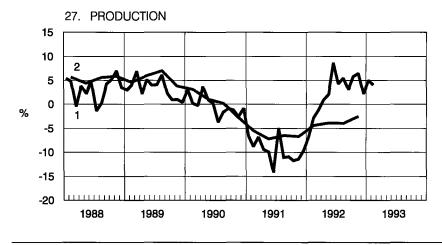
- Unit value index of exports
- Unit value index of imports
- 3. Terms of trade

1980 = 100

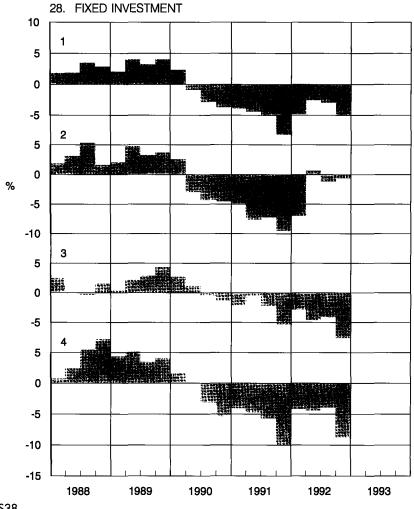


- Value of exports to OECD countries in relation to imports of OECD countries
- 2. Volume of exports to OECD countries in relation to imports of OECD countries

1980 = 100



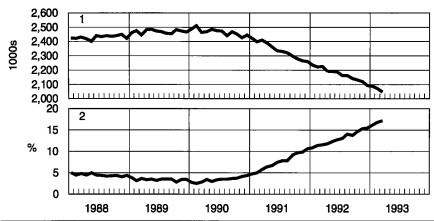
- 1. Industrial production, change in volume from the corresponding month of the previous year, per cent
- 2. GDP change in volume from the corresponding quarter of the previous year, per cent



- 1. Total fixed investment
- 2. Investment in machinery and equipment
- 3. Building investment, excl. residential buildings
- 4. Residential buildings

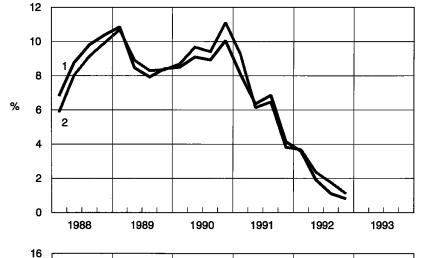
Volume changes calculated from four-quarter moving totals and plotted at the last quarter, per cent

29. EMPLOYMENT AND THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



- 1. Employment, 1000 persons
- 2. Unemployment rate, per cent



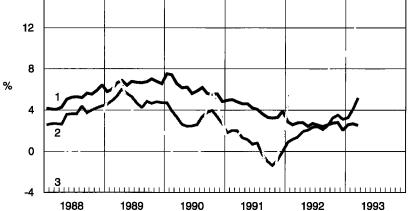


- Index of wage and salary earnings, all wage and salary earners
- 2. Index of wage and salary earnings, manufacturing workers

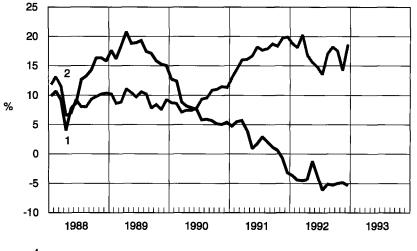
Change from the corresponding quarter of the previous year, per cent

- Consumer price index
 - 2. Wholesale price index
 - 3. Import price index

Change from the corresponding month of the previous year, per cent

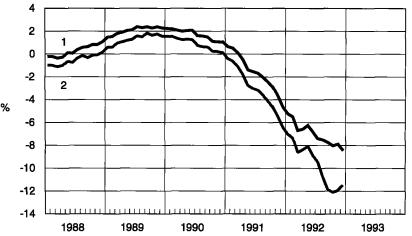


31. CENTRAL GOVERNMENT FINANCES



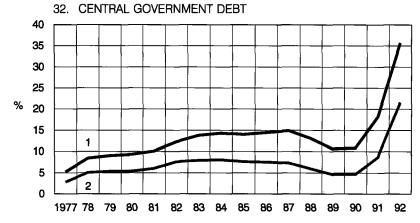
- 1. Revenue excl. borrowing
- 2. Expenditure excl. redemptions of central government debt

12-month changes calculated from 12-month moving totals and plotted at the last month, per cent



- Revenue surplus (revenue less expenditure excl. financial transactions) (surplus = +)
- Net borrowing requirement (net borrowing = -)

12-month moving total as a percentage of GDP, plotted at the last month



- 1. Total debt
- 2. Of which: foreign currency-denominated debt

As a percentage of GDP

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