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FIRST QUARTERLY GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT ESTIMATE, THIRD QUARTER OF 2026

The estimation of the gross domestic product (GDP) for the third quarter of 2026 is presented by major categories of expenditure and according to the NKD 2007 activity sections.

The quarterly GDP data focus on short-term movements of the economy, while the main purpose of the quarterly GDP estimate is the calculation of real growth rates.

The estimate shows that the quarterly GDP in real terms increased by **2.9%** in the third quarter of 2026, as compared to the same quarter of 2025.

The seasonally adjusted quarterly GDP showed a positive rate of change of 1.2% compared to the previous quarter and it increased by 2.9% in real terms compared to the same quarter of 2025.

1 GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT, REAL GROWTH RATES AND CURRENT PRICES

	2025		2026		
	VII – IX	X – XII	I – III	IV – VI	VII – IX
Non-adjusted data, real growth rates (%)					
Comparison with the same quarter of the previous year	3,0	3,6	2,2	1,7	2,9
Seasonally adjusted data, real growth rates (%)					
Comparison with the previous quarter	0,0	1,1	0,1	0,5	1,2
Comparison with the same quarter of the previous year	3,2	3,3	2,4	1,7	2,9
Current prices, mln euro					
Gross domestic product	27 046	23 582	21 459	25 309	29 138

The real growth rates of the quarterly GDP by expenditure categories based on non-adjusted data are presented in Table 2.

2 GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT ACCORDING TO EXPENDITURE APPROACH, REAL GROWTH RATES, COMPARISON WITH THE CORRESPONDING QUARTER OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR

%

	2025		2026		
	VII – IX	X – XII	I – III	IV – VI	VII – IX
Final consumption expenditure	2,9	3,0	1,9	0,8	3,1
Households	2,3	2,9	2,6	0,5	2,8
NPISH	5,2	3,8	-5,6	-3,9	1,1
General government	4,5	2,5	0,7	2,0	4,3
Gross fixed capital formation	13,9	12,6	2,1	1,5	2,3
Exports of goods and services	-1,1	2,4	-2,2	2,8	0,1
Goods (FOB)	4,1	4,5	-2,6	4,6	6,8
Services	-4,6	0,9	1,2	1,2	-4,1
Imports of goods and services	1,9	2,8	-0,1	3,1	9,3
Goods (FOB)	0,1	2,8	-1,0	2,1	10,2
Services	10,5	2,1	5,4	8,1	5,1
Gross domestic product	**3,0**	**3,6**	**2,2**	**1,7**	**2,9**

A real growth is visible in almost all GDP categories on the expenditure side, except exports of services, where a decline of 4.1% was recorded.

Table 3 shows the real growth rates of the quarterly gross value added (GVA) according to the NKD 2007 activity sections based on non-adjusted data.

3 GROSS VALUE ADDED ACCORDING TO PRODUCTION APPROACH, REAL GROWTH RATES, COMPARISON WITH THE CORRESPONDING QUARTER OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR

%

		2025		2026		
		VII – IX	X – XII	I – III	IV – VI	VII – IX
A	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	0,1	2,7	4,5	4,0	-4,0
B, C, D, E	Manufacturing, mining and quarrying and other industries	5,1	2,2	1,5	-0,3	6,5
C	Manufacturing	7,0	2,5	1,3	0,0	6,8
F	Construction	6,2	6,9	2,6	2,6	3,1
G, H, I	Wholesale and retail trade, transportation, storage, accommodation and food service activities	1,9	2,5	1,5	0,9	1,5
J	Information and communication	1,0	2,7	4,3	5,1	2,2
K	Financial and insurance activities	4,0	2,7	1,2	1,9	2,5
L	Real estate activities	-1,1	0,3	2,7	3,0	3,4
M, N	Professional, scientific, technical, administrative and support service activities	2,6	3,5	-1,2	-0,7	3,5
O, P, Q	Public administration and defence, education, human health and social work activities	3,7	0,7	3,0	3,1	3,4
R, S, T, U	Other service activities	2,0	1,1	2,0	1,5	-1,5
GVA	**Gross value added**	**2,5**	**2,4**	**2,1**	**1,6**	**2,7**

The first estimate shows that the quarterly GVA increased in real terms by **2.7%** in the third quarter of 2026, as compared to the same quarter of 2025, based on non-adjusted data.

The increase in GVA was mainly influenced by the increase in real value added in Manufacturing, mining and quarrying and other industries.

Since 27 February 2026, with the publication of data for the fourth quarter of 2025, the time series of the quarterly calculation of the gross domestic product have been published in the PC-Axis database in the section GDP and National Accounts. The quarterly national accounts include the following tables: Gross domestic product and components, Gross value added by activities (NKD 2007), Compensation of employees by activities (NKD 2007), Final consumption expenditure of households by durability, Gross fixed capital formation by main type of assets, and Exports and imports of goods and services by group of countries.

Data are available on the link PC-Axis databases.

Abbreviations

FOB	free on board
mln	million
NKD 2007	National Classification of Activities, 2007 version
NPISH	non-profit institutions serving households

Symbols

0,0	value not zero but less than 0.05 of the unit of measure used

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