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	<i>Consumer prices</i>		<i>Exchange rate</i>		<i>Interest rates (end of period, %)</i>						<i>Money and credit</i> ⁵			
	% ch. in CPI over the previous ¹		% ch. in effective exchange rate ^{1,2}		Short-term rates			Long-term rates			12 month % changes			
	1 month	12 months	1 month	12 months	Central Bank repo yield	3 month REIBOR ³	3 month treasury bills	5 y. non-indexed T-notes	10 year treasury bonds ⁴	25 year housing bonds ⁴	Base money	M3	DMB lending ⁶	Foreign liab. for relending ⁷
1994 .....	.	1.5	.	-4.7	5.4	.	6.1	8.7	5.1	5.8	1.6	2.3	-1.3	-29.4
1995 .....	.	1.7	.	-0.1	6.5	.	7.3	10.6	5.9	5.8	-4.6	2.2	0.0	-18.4
1996 .....	.	2.3	.	-0.1	6.9	.	7.1	9.4	5.8	5.8	23.6	6.8	11.8	64.5
1997 .....	.	1.8	.	1.3	7.2	.	7.2	8.3	5.3	5.3	3.1	8.7	12.7	33.2
1998 .....	.	1.7	.	1.6	7.5	8.2	7.6	7.5	4.3	4.7	4.6	15.2	30.5	59.9
1998														
April	0.2	1.9	0.5	2.2	7.2	.	7.3	7.5	4.8	4.9	-2.6	9.3	11.9	23.8
May	0.3	2.4	0.2	1.9	7.2	.	7.3	7.6	4.8	4.9	13.0	12.3	13.4	16.5
June	0.2	2.3	0.9	2.3	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.7	4.8	4.9	21.9	14.2	14.5	11.9
July	-0.2	1.9	0.0	1.6	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.8	4.8	5.0	35.2	15.4	14.6	14.7
August	-0.5	1.1	0.0	1.5	7.2	7.2	7.3	7.7	4.8	4.9	8.2	16.2	17.5	24.3
September ..	0.1	0.8	-0.9	0.9	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4	4.4	4.8	8.6	16.8	18.5	28.7
October	0.4	0.9	-0.4	1.7	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.3	4.3	4.8	-0.3	17.9	24.9	43.2
November ..	0.3	1.3	-0.7	1.2	7.5	8.0	7.6	7.4	4.4	4.8	42.1	17.4	27.4	40.6
December ...	-0.2	1.3	0.2	0.4	7.5	8.2	7.6	7.5	4.3	4.7	4.6	15.2	30.5	59.9
1999														
January	0.6	1.3	0.4	0.8	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.1	4.1	4.3	10.5	12.4	30.3	54.0
February	-0.2	1.4	0.0	0.2	7.9	8.8	8.0	7.8	4.1	4.5	13.5	15.1	31.4	62.0
March	0.5	1.5	0.0	0.2	7.9	8.8	7.9	7.9	4.3	4.5	60.2	22.3	33.3	64.8
April	0.5	1.8	-0.5	-0.7	7.9	8.7	8.0	8.2	4.1	4.4	14.2	20.2	37.0	62.6
May	0.5	2.0	-0.5	-1.4	7.9	8.6	8.1	8.4	4.1	4.6	2.6	18.2	36.6	59.6
June	0.8	2.6	0.5	-1.7	8.4	9.2	8.5	8.5	4.2	4.5	-4.9	20.3	36.1	75.0
July	0.4	3.2	0.1	-1.7	8.4	9.1	8.5	8.3	4.2	4.6	3.2	16.5	37.5	82.5
August	0.4	4.2	0.4	-1.3	8.4	9.3	8.5	8.7	4.3	4.6	1.0	16.2	37.5	70.7
September ..	0.8	4.9	0.4	-0.0	9.0	10.3	9.3	9.2	4.4	4.6	12.1	14.8	35.4	82.0
October	0.8	5.3	1.2	1.6	9.0	10.9	9.5	9.3	4.6	4.9	...	...	...	...
November ..	-	5.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

1. Percentage changes between period averages. 2. Based on the official effective exchange rate basket (trade-weighted). Positive sign indicates appreciation of the Icelandic króna. 3. Average yield on the interbank market in Icelandic króna. 4. Yield in excess of changes in the CPI. 5. Annual figures are changes over year. Latest figures are preliminary. 6. DMBs = deposit money banks = commercial and savings banks and other institutions permitted to accept deposits from the public. 7. Foreign liabilities for relending.

Table 1 (continued) Main monthly indicators ⁵

	<i>Foreign exchange market and reserves</i>			<i>Foreign trade and external conditions</i>						<i>Labour market</i>		<i>Treasury fin.</i>	<i>Asset prices</i>	
	Gross foreign exchange reserves:			CB net pur- chases (b.kr.)	Trade balance (b.kr.)	Mer- chandise exports. (b.kr.)	Mer- chandise imports (b.kr.)	Marine product prices 12 mo. % ch. ¹⁰	Real exchange rate of króna ¹¹	Un- employ- ment	Wages, 12 mo. % change	Fin. balance, % of rev., cum. from beg. of year ¹²	12 mo. % changes	
	in b.kr.	Merch. imports ⁸	For. short- term liabil. ⁹										Equity prices ¹³	Housing prices ¹⁴
1994	20.3	2.6	2.3	-16.2	19.7	112.7	93.0	-2.3	89.2	4.8	1.1	-6.7	23.6	4.2
1995	20.5	2.4	1.9	-3.6	13.4	116.6	103.3	7.7	89.3	5.0	3.7	-7.8	35.2	-3.4
1996	30.8	3.0	1.2	16.0	1.2	125.7	124.5	1.0	89.5	4.3	6.5	-9.4	59.9	-0.2
1997	27.8	2.6	0.7	13.7	0.3	131.2	131.0	2.2	90.3	3.9	5.0	0.9	13.6	2.0
1998	29.6	2.2	0.9	17.0	-25.1	136.6	161.7	11.8	91.7	2.8	9.5	4.6	9.8	5.9
1998														
March	27.2	2.3	0.6	0.2	-3.6	9.6	13.2	12.4	91.9	3.7	12.8	-0.9	-1.8	5.5
April	28.2	2.4	0.6	3.7	-1.5	11.1	12.6	13.0	92.3	3.4	9.8	1.4	-21.9	6.4
May	29.4	2.5	0.6	2.1	-2.6	11.7	14.3	11.6	92.6	2.9	8.1	-1.1	-11.0	6.1
June	33.2	2.7	0.6	4.8	-1.0	13.0	14.0	15.8	93.2	2.6	8.1	4.5	-5.9	5.8
July	30.3	2.4	0.6	3.1	-1.7	14.0	15.6	16.3	92.9	2.5	7.9	-4.3	-5.7	5.8
August	29.1	2.3	0.8	-0.8	0.5	12.1	11.6	16.2	92.6	2.2	8.5	0.1	5.3	6.4
September ..	28.5	2.2	0.6	-1.7	-2.9	10.8	13.7	13.3	91.8	2.0	8.3	-1.1	3.1	7.3
October	29.1	2.2	0.8	-0.7	-2.6	10.8	13.4	12.4	91.8	2.1	8.0	1.8	0.4	7.5
November ..	28.9	2.1	0.6	-2.0	-3.7	10.7	14.4	7.3	91.1	2.2	7.9	2.4	7.8	7.4
December ...	29.8	2.2	0.8	1.4	0.8	13.7	12.9	5.2	91.3	2.5	7.8	4.6	9.8	7.0
1999														
January	28.6	2.2	0.6	3.8	-2.5	8.2	10.8	4.1	91.9	2.5	7.4	18.3	20.8	7.5
February	29.3	2.2	0.6	1.0	-0.8	10.8	11.6	1.9	91.4	2.3	7.4	10.7	22.3	7.7
March	32.6	2.4	0.6	7.5	2.3	16.9	14.6	-0.5	91.4	2.5	7.4	7.6	20.3	9.7
April	34.2	2.5	0.7	1.4	-2.8	10.8	13.6	-3.1	91.9	2.2	7.2	10.9	20.5	9.9
May	31.9	2.3	0.6	-1.2	-4.2	12.5	16.7	-5.0	92.1	1.9	7.2	5.9	9.3	11.3
June	31.1	2.2	0.7	-0.4	-2.6	13.5	16.1	-6.3	93.1	1.8	7.0	9.5	6.6	13.5
July	33.5	2.4	0.8	-	-2.1	12.3	14.3	-7.7	93.3	1.7	6.8	1.4	10.0	16.5
August	31.6	2.3	0.8	-	-2.2	10.6	12.8	-8.6	94.4	1.7	6.3	6.0	12.2	18.2
September ..	34.8	2.5	0.9	-	-4.6	11.4	16.0	-9.5	95.5	1.4	6.3	6.0	27.0	18.9
October	34.1	2.4	...	-	...	...	...	-9.2	97.2	...	6.3	...	34.9	...

8. Gross foreign exchange reserves at end of period as a ratio of the average monthly value of merchandise imports. Calculated at fixed exchange rates. 9. The denominator is foreign short-term liabilities of credit institutions (deposit money banks and investment banks). 10. Prices in SDR. Annual figures are % changes between annual averages. 11. Real effective exchange rate of the Icelandic króna based on relative consumer prices (a trade-weighted average of trading partners' consumer prices is used). 1980 = 100. 12. Cash basis. 13. The ICEX-15 index from January 1 1998. Earlier the ISE stock price index. Annual figures are % changes over year. 14. Residential housing in the Reykjavík area. 3 month moving average of price per m² based on present value of contracts. Annual figures are % changes over year.

Sources: Statistics Iceland, National Economic Institute, Directorate of Labour, State Accounting Office, Iceland Stock Exchange, The Valuation Office of Iceland, Central Bank of Iceland.

Table 2 Prices

	1999								
	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Consumer price index, May 1988 = 100	185.4	186.4	187.3	188.8	189.5	190.2	191.8	193.3	193.3
<i>1 month % changes:</i>									
Consumer price index	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.0
Domestic goods less agric. products and vegetables	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.4	-0.2	1.1	-0.1	1.0	0.2
Agricultural products and vegetables	-0.1	-0.1	1.3	-0.9	-0.5	3.7	-0.9	0.9	-1.5
Imported goods less alcohol and tobacco	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.0	-0.8	1.8	0.9	0.1
Petrol	0.0	2.7	2.1	6.6	1.5	3.4	6.4	1.0	-3.6
Housing	0.9	2.1	0.2	2.5	1.0	0.8	2.7	1.5	0.0
Public services	0.0	0.1	-0.4	0.0	1.0	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0
Other services	0.3	0.4	0.5	1.1	0.5	0.4	-0.1	0.6	0.2
Harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP) ¹	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.8	-0.1
<i>12 month % changes:</i>									
Consumer price index	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.6	3.2	4.2	4.9	5.3	5.0
Domestic goods less agric. products and vegetables	2.6	3.1	2.8	2.3	3.3	4.4	4.1	6.0	6.4
Agricultural products and vegetables	2.2	1.3	1.5	0.8	2.2	5.6	4.5	4.9	3.1
Imported goods less alcohol and tobacco	-2.6	-1.5	-0.9	-0.1	0.3	1.4	3.2	3.0	2.5
Petrol	-6.1	-2.6	-0.5	6.3	6.1	9.4	17.3	18.4	14.7
Housing	6.5	6.5	6.8	9.2	9.3	10.0	12.8	13.7	13.4
Public services	2.6	2.7	2.3	2.4	3.4	3.7	4.0	3.8	3.8
Other services	3.0	3.2	3.1	4.0	4.5	4.7	4.6	4.9	5.2
Harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP) ¹	0.5	0.8	1.0	1.3	2.0	3.1	3.8	4.2	3.8
Building cost index for residential buildings	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.6	...
Housing prices ²	9.7	9.9	11.3	13.5	16.5	18.2	18.9	...	...
<i>Foreign CPI and commodity prices, 12 mo. % changes</i>									
Consumer price index in USA	1.7	2.3	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.6	...	...
Consumer price index in euro area ³	1.0	1.1	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.2	...	...
Commodity prices, oil excluded	-12.7	-12.7	-10.2	-8.4	-7.6	-5.3	-4.0	...	...
Petrol prices ⁴	-10.6	-3.8	7.4	24.9	55.3	95.7	83.1	120.4	133.3

1. Deviates from the CPI calculated by Statistics Iceland in that the latter includes own housing, education and health care. 2. Present value of price per m² in the Greater Reykjavik Area. 12 month % changes between 3 month moving averages. 3. Harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP). 1996=100. 4. Fuel oil 3.5. Sources: Statistics Iceland, The Valuation Office of Iceland, Datastream, Bloomberg.

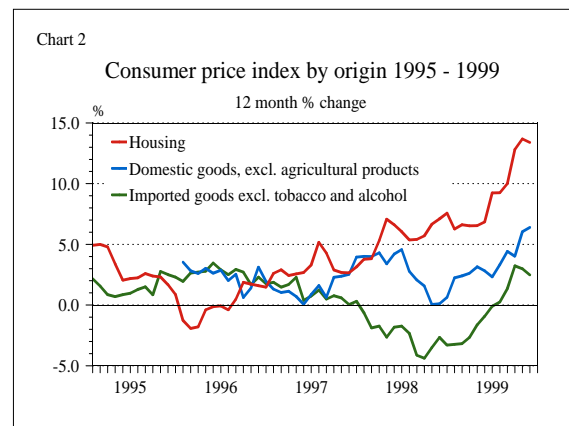
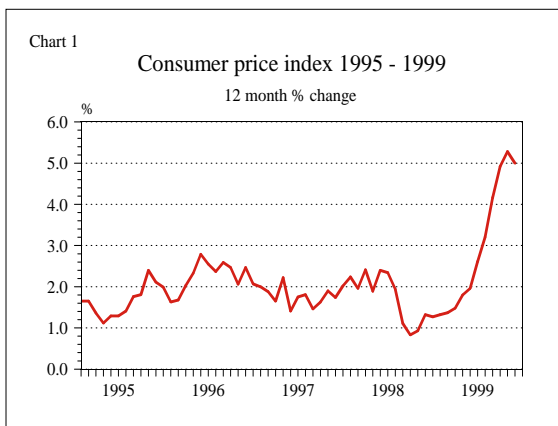


Table 3 Exchange rate of the Icelandic króna

	1999 (monthly averages)									3 month % ch. to Nov. 10 ³
	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov. 10	
<i>Effective exchange rate indices:¹</i>										
Official index (31/12 '91 = 100).....	113.1	113.6	114.2	113.6	113.5	113.1	112.6	111.2	110.1	3.0
Import-weighted index (31/12 '94 = 100)....	96.9	97.3	97.8	97.2	97.2	96.9	96.5	95.3	94.3	3.0
Export-weighted index (31/12 '94 = 100)....	96.0	96.5	97.0	96.5	96.4	95.9	95.5	94.4	93.4	3.0
<i>Central Bank quotations:²</i>										
U.S. dollar	72.2	73.1	73.7	74.4	74.5	72.9	72.6	70.8	71.3	1.7
Euro	78.6	78.3	78.4	77.2	77.1	77.3	76.3	75.8	74.2	5.2
Japanese yen	0.604	0.611	0.605	0.616	0.623	0.644	0.678	0.668	0.678	-6.7
Pound sterling.....	117.0	117.8	119.1	118.7	117.2	117.0	117.8	117.4	115.6	1.2
Danish krone	10.58	10.53	10.55	10.39	10.37	10.39	10.26	10.20	9.98	5.1
Norwegian krone.....	9.24	9.41	9.53	9.44	9.43	9.35	9.27	9.14	9.06	4.0
Swedish krona	8.79	8.78	8.74	8.74	8.82	8.83	8.83	8.68	8.57	3.1
<i>% changes³</i>										
	Between annual averages				From beginning of year			Previous 12 months		
	1995	1996	1997	1998	Oct.'97	Oct.'98	Oct.'99	Oct.'97	Oct.'98	Oct.'99
<i>Effective exchange rate indices:</i>										
Official index (31/12 '91 = 100).....	-0.1	-0.1	1.3	1.6	0.0	0.2	2.4	0.3	1.7	3.0
Import-weighted index (31/12 '94 = 100)....	.	-0.7	1.7	1.7	0.3	0.1	2.4	0.7	1.7	3.1
Export-weighted index (31/12 '94 = 100)....	.	0.4	0.9	1.6	-0.4	0.3	2.4	-0.2	1.7	2.8
<i>Central Bank quotations:²</i>										
U.S. dollar	7.9	-2.8	-6.1	-0.2	-5.9	4.4	-2.6	-6.7	2.9	-3.1
Euro (Deutschemark before 1999).....	-4.5	2.0	8.3	1.1	4.6	-3.7	8.9	6.6	-1.5	9.6
Japanese yen	-0.8	12.7	4.3	7.6	-2.9	-6.3	-10.1	-1.2	0.1	-13.0
Pound sterling.....	4.8	-1.9	-10.4	-1.3	-4.4	2.8	-1.3	-9.2	2.4	-0.5
Danish krone	-4.7	0.5	7.0	1.1	4.0	-3.8	8.6	5.7	-1.6	9.6
Norwegian krone.....	-3.0	-1.0	2.9	6.6	2.6	4.3	1.4	2.6	7.7	4.2
Swedish krona	-0.3	-8.5	7.0	4.0	2.6	2.7	-0.4	6.9	6.5	3.5

1. Based on a trade-weighted (goods and services) basket of trading partners' currencies. 2. Exchange rate of respective currency against the Icelandic króna. 3. Percentage changes are calculated in such a way that the Icelandic króna's appreciation is indicated by a positive sign. Source: Central Bank of Iceland.

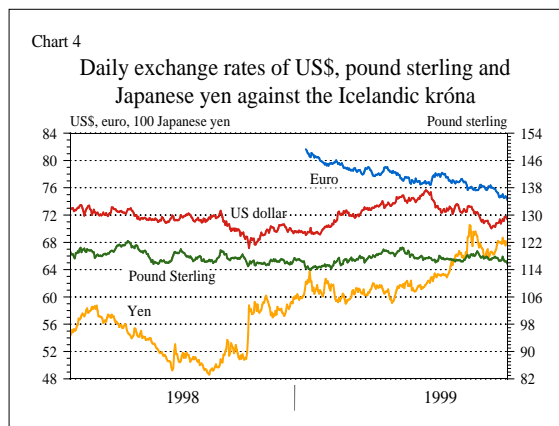
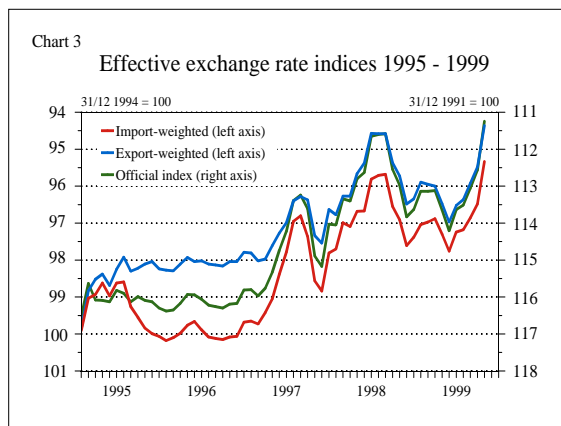


Table 4 Interest rates

All figures are in %	Annual averages ¹			1999, at end of month						Nov. 10 1999
	1996	1997	1998	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	
<i>Central Bank rates</i>										
Credit institutions' current account	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.4	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.5	4.5	4.5
Required deposits ²	3.5	3.5	5.5	6.2	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.3	7.3	7.3
Overnight loans (discount rates) .....	.	.	8.5	8.9	9.4	9.4	9.4	10.0	10.0	10.0
Repurchase agreements ³	6.6	6.9	7.3	7.9	8.4	8.4	8.4	9.0	9.0	9.0
<i>Yields on the money market⁴</i>										
REIBOR, 1 month .....	.	.	7.6	8.5	9.2	8.9	9.4	9.8	10.0	10.0
REIBOR, 3 month .....	.	.	7.6	8.6	9.2	9.1	9.3	10.3	10.9	11.1
REIBOR, 6 month .....	.	.	8.1	9.2	9.6	9.8	11.1	11.3	11.6	11.9
Treasury bills, 3 month (ISE)	7.0	7.0	7.4	8.1	8.5	8.5	8.5	9.3	9.5	9.4
Treasury bills, 12 month (ISE)	7.5	7.4	7.5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Bank bills, 3 month (ISE) ⁵										
<i>Yields on the capital market⁶</i>										
Treasury notes, up to 5 yrs	9.2	8.7	7.7	8.4	8.5	8.3	8.7	9.2	9.3	9.1
Treasury bonds, 5 yrs	5.6	5.5	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.9	4.7	4.94	5.0
Treasury bonds, 10 yrs	5.6	5.5	4.7	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.55	4.7
Housing bonds, 25 yrs.	5.7	5.5	4.9	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.88	4.8
Bank bonds ⁷ .....	.	.	5.5	4.9	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.53	4.8
<i>Deposit money banks' lending rates</i>										
Companies' overdrafts	14.0	14.5	14.5	15.3	16.1	16.3	16.3	16.9	17.0	17.0
Bills of exchange, discount rates	12.4	12.9	12.9	13.4	14.3	14.3	14.3	15.0	15.2	15.2
Average rates on non-indexed securities ...	12.4	12.9	12.8	13.0	13.8	13.9	14.0	14.6	14.7	14.7
Average rates on indexed securities	8.9	9.0	8.8	8.5	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.8
<i>Rates acc. to Interest Rate Act 25/1987⁸</i>										
Average yields on general credit	12.9	13.5	13.5	13.5	13.6	14.5	14.6	14.7	15.3	15.5
Penalty rates	15.8	16.3	16.5	16.5	16.5	17.0	17.0	18.0	18.6	19.0

1. Arithmetic averages of end-of-month figures. Central Bank rates are time-weighted averages. 2. On May 21 1998 previously indexed terms became non-indexed. 3. Since March 1998 yields in auctions. Tap sales before that time. 4. REIBOR are yields on the interbank market in Icelandic króna which began in June 1998. For Treasury and bank bills, yields in trading on the ISE. 5. Average yield on 75-105 days bank bills traded on ISE. 6. All bond yields are in real terms. 7. The average yield of zero-coupon bank notes with approximately 5 years maturity, not callable. 8. Interest rates that have legal status in the month shown. Source: Central Bank of Iceland.

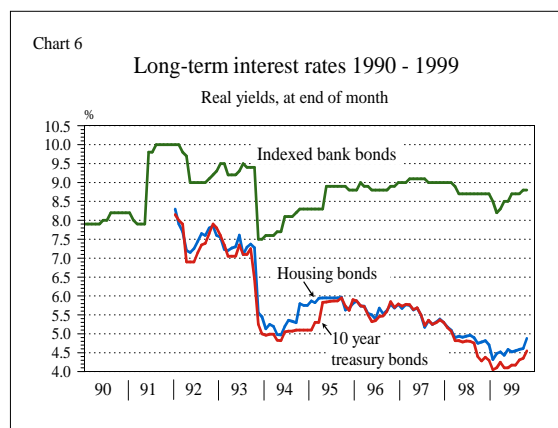
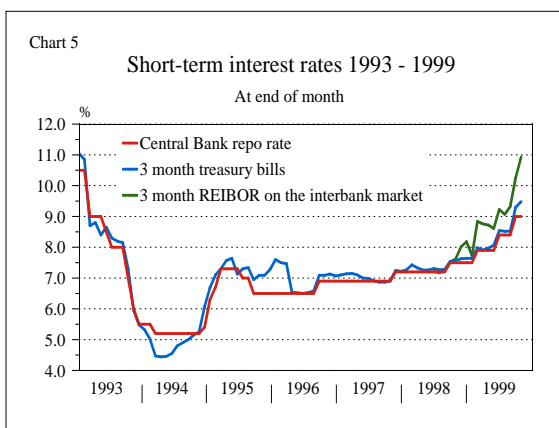


Table 5 Money and credit

Selected items from the balance sheets of the Central Bank, deposit money banks and the banking system

	In b.kr. Sept.99	% change over year			1 mo. change in b.kr.			12 mo. % change		
		1996	1997	1998	July	August	Sept.	Sept.'97	Sept.'98	Sept.'99
Central Bank										
Net foreign exchange reserves	34.4	.	.	.	0.8	-2.9	5.6	.	.	.
Claims on treasury and gov. inst., net ...	-12.0	.	.	.	3.4	-4.9	-5.2	.	.	.
Claims on deposit money banks.....	15.9	-64.9	245.8	201.8	-0.5	2.6	-1.7	26.3	51.4	83.5
Base money.....	23.3	23.6	3.1	4.6	4.8	-3.0	-0.5	27.8	8.6	12.1
Notes and coins in circulation.....	6.0	5.9	5.0	10.0	0.6	-0.6	-0.1	7.2	9.9	10.9
Reserves of deposit money banks	17.3	32.5	2.4	2.3	4.2	-2.5	-0.4	37.0	8.2	12.6
Deposit money banks										
Liquidity	-6.2	.	.	.	5.5	-6.5	5.8	.	.	.
With Central Bank.....	-12.8	.	.	.	0.0	-1.7	1.4	.	.	.
Credit and marketable securities	438.4	12.0	16.6	33.7	1.1	7.8	3.3	16.7	25.0	31.6
Credit	383.4	11.5	12.4	30.2	4.4	8.6	3.5	13.2	18.5	35.4
Treasury and government institutions	12.8	-2.0	1.2	-6.9	0.6	0.0	0.8	1.0	4.8	20.8
Non-bank financial institutions	6.0	42.2	10.4	-12.6	0.0	-0.2	0.3	22.8	-59.1	122.4
Industries	242.5	12.9	12.5	32.5	3.8	5.8	-1.5	13.1	20.3	37.0
Households	122.2	10.6	15.0	34.9	0.0	3.0	3.9	14.6	23.6	31.6
Marketable securities.....	54.7	18.6	65.2	61.2	-3.3	-0.8	-0.1	64.1	83.5	9.8
Deposits	256.5	6.9	9.3	14.8	1.9	3.4	-0.4	8.5	17.0	14.8
Bonds	62.6	32.9	26.2	27.9	1.2	-1.1	0.9	28.8	31.6	22.2
Foreign liabilities for relending	116.5	64.5	33.2	59.9	12.0	-4.2	9.3	65.1	28.7	82.0
Banking system										
Foreign assets, net	-79.5	.	.	.	-6.9	-3.4	2.3	.	.	.
Credit and marketable securities	439.0	8.8	15.5	27.6	4.8	7.2	-2.9	15.4	20.0	26.6
Money supply, M1 ²	62.5	8.5	16.4	20.3	1.8	2.4	-5.1	12.1	17.4	18.5
M2 (M1 + demand savings deposits)....	133.0	2.1	4.4	10.7	-3.3	0.9	-4.9	0.9	20.4	-5.3
M3 (M2 + time savings deposits).....	262.5	6.8	8.7	15.2	2.6	2.9	-0.5	8.4	16.8	14.8
M4 (M3 + securities issues)	325.1	9.6	11.4	17.8	3.7	1.8	1.6	11.4	19.1	16.6

1. Leasing contracts included. Marketable securities are included in figures until December 1995. 2. Sum of notes and coins in circulation and DMBs' demand deposits. Source: Central Bank of Iceland.

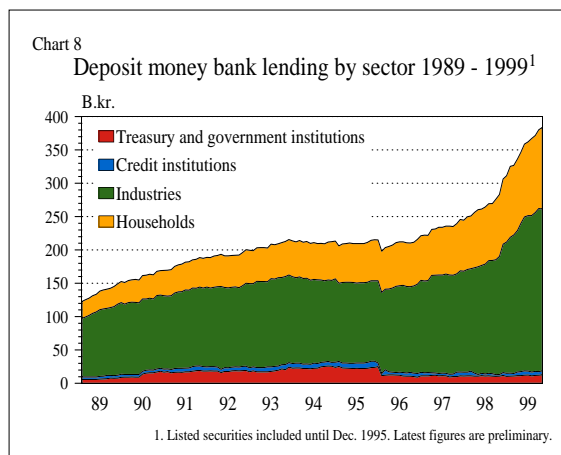
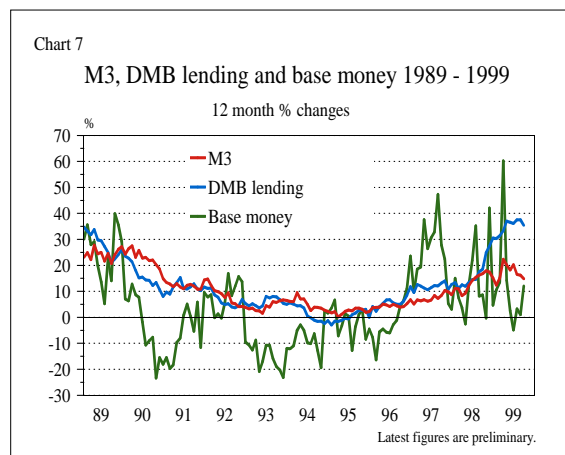


Table 6 The credit system¹

	In b.kr. June '99	% change over year			3 mo. % change			12 mo. % change		
		1996	1997	1998	Dec. '98	Mar. '99	June '99	June '97	June '98	June '99
Assets										
Loans and domestic securities.....	1,240.2	8.3	11.3	15.3	5.2	2.6	4.5	8.4	12.6	16.6
Banking system	426.4	8.8	16.1	27.3	10.3	6.1	5.2	13.0	14.5	34.1
Industrial credit funds.....	127.5	2.9	25.0	21.1	6.9	-0.4	5.1	5.3	40.3	10.7
Housing credit funds	247.9	9.1	7.5	7.2	2.9	2.1	4.4	7.5	7.8	10.6
Pension funds	363.6	17.4	14.5	7.9	2.0	3.3	3.1	17.6	9.6	11.1
Insurance companies	39.3	16.0	4.7	9.6	-3.2	11.4	2.5	5.6	8.8	10.0
Leasing companies	31.1	32.8	76.4	38.9	6.2	9.0	4.7	39.7	81.2	30.2
Mutual funds	77.6	60.0	68.0	123.5	41.6	3.9	8.1	26.8	99.4	79.7
Foreign credit	453.2	9.5	10.6	19.6	8.9	8.9	5.8	5.9	15.8	29.8
Public lending funds.....	82.1	-0.4	0.2	-1.3	-2.0	-0.6	-2.4	-0.5	1.6	-5.7
Total of above.....	1,848.8	10.5	13.6	17.9	6.8	4.9	4.5	10.2	15.3	21.3
Less inter-institutional lending.....	-608.6	16.5	19.4	23.9	10.5	9.8	4.4	14.8	22.2	32.3
Assets = liabilities	1,240.2	8.3	11.3	15.3	5.2	2.6	4.5	8.4	12.6	16.6
Liabilities										
Domestic liabilities.....	939.9	11.5	13.5	15.6	5.6	1.9	6.8	11.2	14.0	17.6
Notes and deposits.....	233.3	6.8	9.4	15.1	0.9	5.6	5.7	6.7	14.2	20.4
Securities	108.3	0.6	15.6	25.7	11.4	-9.3	10.5	4.8	7.7	19.4
Insurance indemnity fund.....	35.7	11.1	4.8	5.8	-4.0	9.1	1.7	9.0	5.4	5.6
Pension funds	438.4	17.0	14.4	15.1	5.7	5.3	4.7	15.2	15.7	18.3
Capital of financial institutions	123.9	2.6	9.5	5.7	7.0	6.4	6.0	6.4	5.2	19.3
Other, net	0.3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Foreign credit, net.....	300.3	0.5	5.1	14.5	4.1	4.8	-1.9	1.1	8.4	13.4
Credit by sector:										
Central government	142.2	1.2	3.3	0.1	-5.0	-1.4	-5.1	1.9	-1.8	-5.6
Municipalities	53.0	4.4	1.9	16.4	3.6	3.4	0.2	10.9	10.7	11.6
Industries	573.7	10.1	16.8	21.2	8.0	5.0	7.1	11.0	19.2	25.1
Households	471.4	10.3	10.1	14.8	6.2	1.2	5.2	8.3	11.8	15.7

1. Included are the banking system, investment credit funds, pension funds, state lending funds, insurance companies, leasing companies, mutual funds and foreign sector. Figures are partly estimated. Latest figures are preliminary.

Source: Central Bank of Iceland.

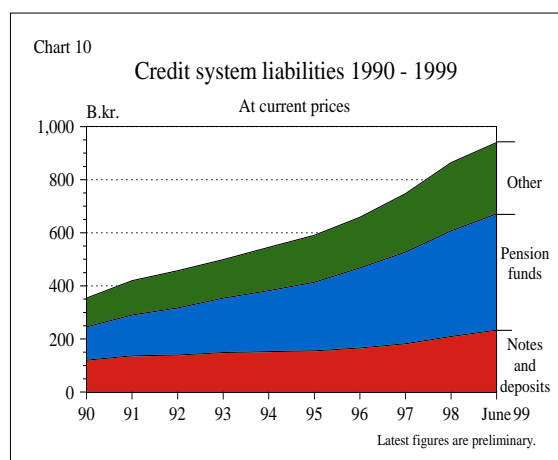
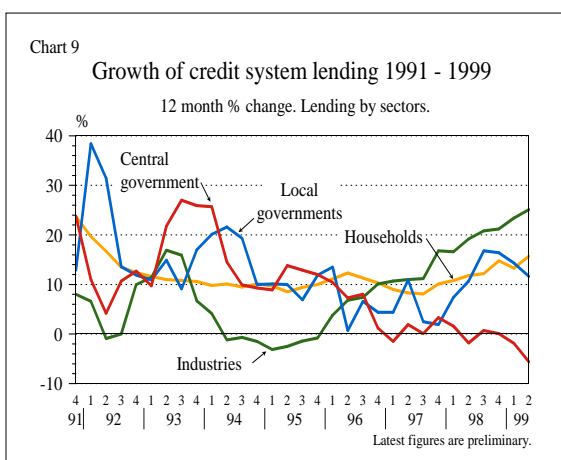


Table 7 Financial markets

At end of period	Outstanding in b.kr.			1 month % changes			12 month % changes		
	1997	1998	Sept. '99	July'99	Aug.'99	Sept.'99	July'99	Aug.'99	Sept.'99
Money market ¹	27.4	25.5	22.8	17.8	-6.7	-5.3	-4.4	-15.1	-28.4
Securities market	292.9	352.7	391.3	2.0	0.6	1.5	15.0	12.9	13.2
thereof Treasury bonds	86.9	85.0	84.5	1.3	0.8	0.8	-10.1	-10.1	-8.1
thereof housing bonds	107.9	127.2	141.2	1.7	1.6	1.4	16.7	18.0	17.1
Market capitalization of listed equity	151.0	233.2	315.3	6.6	3.6	5.9	63.5	67.2	79.7
Mutual funds units (open-end)	33.4	72.6	85.6	2.4	0.2	4.8	64.6	64.0	66.3

1. Bills issued by treasury, banks, savings banks and investment credit funds. 2. Government bonds, government notes, housing bonds, state housing fund bonds and listed bond issues of banks, savings banks, investment credit funds, leasing companies, firms, municipalities and foreign parties. Open-end mutual funds' units not included. Source: Central Bank of Iceland.

Table 8 Labour market

Changes in indices are in percent. Other changes indicate increase/decrease in jobs or permits	Averages		Sept. '99	1 month change			12 month change		
	1997	1998		July'99	Aug.'99	Sept.'99	Sept.'97	Sept.'98	Sept.'99
Wage index (1990=100)	155.8	170.4	157.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	7.1	8.3	6.3
Real wages (1990=100) ¹	108.3	116.5	118.8	-0.3	-0.3	-0.7	5.4	7.4	1.3
Number of new work permits	1,560	2,229	383	93	53	75	138	101	53
Job vacancies, total	77	157	462	194	374	-267	20	170	162
thereof Greater Reykjavík Area	40	82	293	90	164	-32	37	55	158

Percent of labour force, period averages	Averages		June '99	1 month change			12 month change		
	1997	1998		July'99	Aug.'99	Sept.'99	Sept.'97	Sept.'98	Sept.'99
Measured unemployment	3.9	2.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.4	3.3	3.0	1.4
Seasonally adjusted unemployment	3.8	2.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	4.3	3.8	1.8

	Averages		Sept. '99	3 month % changes			12 month % changes		
	1997	1998		July'99	Aug.'99	Sept.'99	Sept.'97	Sept.'98	Sept.'99
Wage index (1990 = 100)	134.1	146.7	156.9	4.7	0.4	0.4	6.9	8.2	6.5
Wages in the private sector	131.0	140.3	147.9	4.5	0.3	0.1	7.5	5.5	5.3
Wages in the public sector and banks	138.7	156.7	171.2	5.2	0.6	0.7	5.9	12.5	8.2

1. Deflated by consumer prices. Sources: Statistics Iceland, Directorate of Labour, Institute of Labour Market Research, Central Bank of Iceland.

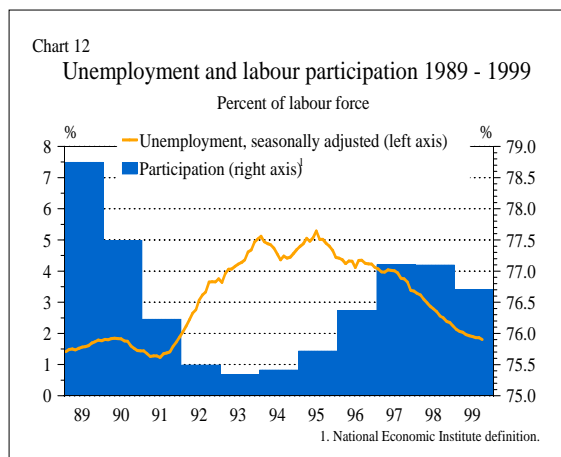
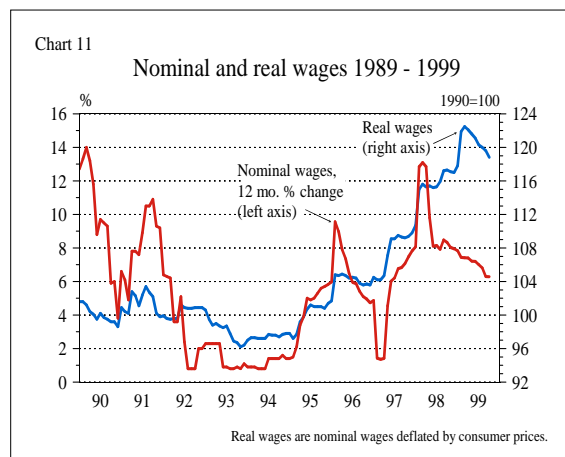


Table 9 National accounts

Billion króna	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	Preliminary		Forecast
							1998	1999	2000
Gross domestic production (GDP), current prices	397.6	411.4	435.0	451.5	486.5	529.9	586.6	641.9	687.1
GDP at 1990 fixed prices	356.1	359.5	372.5	374.7	396.1	417.2	438.4	463.8	476.2
GNP at 1990 fixed prices	345.4	348.3	358.6	362.3	384.6	404.4	429.3	451.5	462.3
<i>Volume changes between years, percent</i>									
Private consumption	-4.5	-4.5	1.9	4.2	6.4	6.0	11.0	6.0	2.5
Public consumption	-0.8	2.3	3.7	1.3	1.0	3.1	3.7	3.4	2.5
Gross fixed capital formation	-11.3	-11.4	-1.1	-2.8	27.4	10.5	23.4	-0.1	2.1
Industries	-17.5	-24.8	0.5	7.3	53.0	17.9	35.7	-3.5	3.2
Housing	-3.3	-5.8	0.0	-9.9	7.1	-6.1	0.0	8.0	5.0
Public works and buildings	-3.6	14.4	-4.7	-12.4	-3.7	6.6	3.7	7.5	-4.9
National expenditure	-5.3	-4.1	1.5	3.1	7.6	6.2	11.9	4.3	2.4
Exports of goods and services	-1.9	7.1	10.0	-2.2	10.0	6.0	2.4	8.3	2.6
Exports of goods	-1.0	5.1	12.2	-2.2	9.1	1.9	-2.1	9.7	2.2
Exports of services	-4.4	12.2	4.1	-6.3	12.7	17.5	13.0	5.5	3.5
Imports of goods and services	-8.0	-8.6	4.2	3.8	16.7	8.6	22.1	3.4	2.0
Imports of goods	-7.6	-14.1	7.6	6.5	16.6	5.9	22.3	2.1	0.9
Imports of services	-8.9	6.3	-3.3	-2.5	16.8	16.0	21.5	6.7	4.5
Gross domestic production (GDP)	-3.3	1.0	3.7	1.0	5.7	5.3	5.1	5.8	2.7
Gross national product (GNP)	-3.3	0.9	3.1	1.4	6.4	5.2	6.2	5.2	2.4
Gross national income (GNI)	-4.2	-0.9	2.7	1.9	4.8	6.2	7.7	4.8	2.7
Terms of trade (goods and services)	-2.7	-5.3	0.0	1.1	-3.1	2.7	3.9	-1.0	0.9
<i>Percent of GDP</i>									
Private consumption	62.5	60.3	59.1	60.4	61.0	60.4	61.6	61.7	61.4
Gross fixed capital formation	17.5	15.6	15.1	14.6	18.0	18.6	21.4	19.9	19.5
Current account balance	-2.4	0.8	2.0	0.9	-1.6	-1.4	-5.7	-4.6	-4.2
Gross national saving	15.0	16.6	17.1	16.0	16.1	17.2	15.9	15.3	15.2

Source: National Economic Institute.

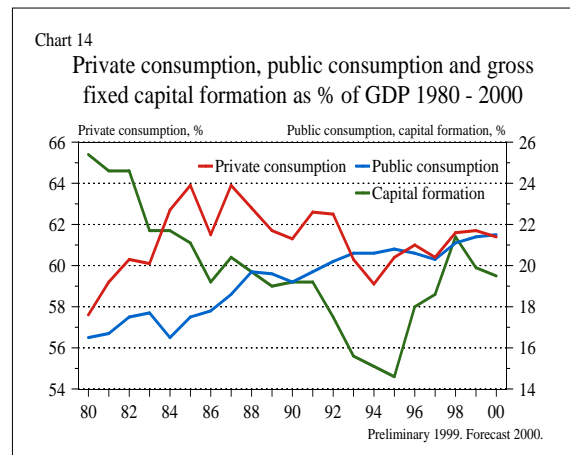
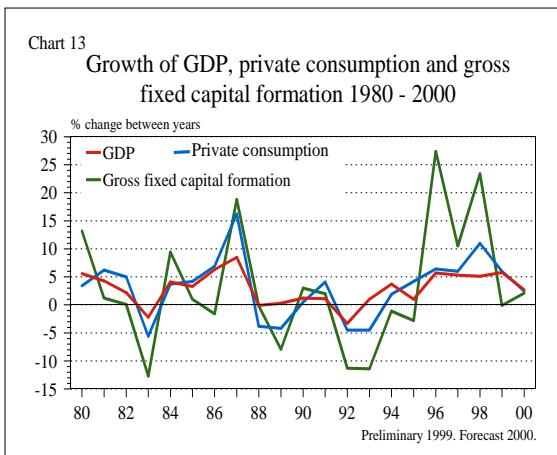


Table 10 Current account balance

	Billion kr.					Jan. - Sept., % change between years			
	1995	1996	1997	1998	Jan.-Sept.'99	1996	1997	1998	1999
Trade balance									
Trade balance.....	13.4	1.2	0.3	-25.1	-4.6	.	.	.	.
Excluding ships and aircraft	13.0	3.1	-2.2	-19.9	-3.9	.	.	.	.
Merchandise exports f.o.b.....	116.6	125.7	131.2	136.6	107.0	7.1	5.2	5.2	5.4
Excluding ships and aircraft	112.5	121.5	126.0	134.4	102.5	8.3	2.9	8.9	1.3
Marine products	83.9	92.6	93.6	99.3	73.1	9.5	1.8	7.3	-3.3
Aluminium and ferro-silicon.....	15.5	15.9	18.9	21.6	18.7	8.3	6.9	27.2	12.8
Other industrial products.....	9.5	9.1	9.9	9.8	8.1	-1.0	9.7	-5.4	22.1
Merchandise imports f.o.b.	103.3	124.5	131.0	161.7	16.0	30.8	7.5	15.0	16.7
Excluding ships and aircraft	99.6	118.5	128.2	154.3	14.3	21.4	25.1	9.0	10.7
Consumption goods.....	21.9	24.2	25.5	29.9	43.1	20.7	9.0	19.1	14.3
Investment goods	22.1	28.2	32.8	42.3	40.9	48.3	5.2	44.0	4.4
Terms of trade, excl. services (1990 = 100)	97.2	92.8	95.7	100.8	-0.6	-5.0	2.1	9.8	-0.6

	Billion kr.					Jan. - June, % ch. between years			
	1995	1996	1997	1998	Jan.-June'99	1996	1997	1998	1999
Services and income balance									
Services balance.....	3.2	1.9	3.0	-1.3	-3.5	.	.	.	.
Services exports	44.6	51.1	59.7	67.1	30.0	5.3	21.7	18.7	-0.9
Transportation	17.3	22.5	25.7	31.1	14.5	24.5	13.0	26.9	0.9
Travel	12.0	11.7	12.3	14.6	5.7	-17.1	5.5	19.1	13.9
Other receipts	15.3	17.0	21.7	21.4	9.8	-1.4	43.4	9.2	-9.9
Services imports	-41.5	-49.3	-56.8	-68.4	-33.4	13.3	15.9	23.6	6.3
Transportation	-13.4	-16.6	-17.9	-22.8	-11.5	27.5	10.8	35.8	-2.8
Travel	-18.2	-20.5	-22.9	-28.0	-13.9	9.8	9.0	25.4	16.8
Other expenditure.....	-9.9	-12.2	-15.9	-17.6	-8.0	1.9	34.5	6.4	4.2
Balance on income	-12.1	-10.5	-10.3	-6.0	-5.2	.	.	.	.
Receipts.....	6.0	7.7	8.9	15.2	6.8	30.8	45.1	43.1	-8.4
Compensation of employees.....	3.3	4.2	4.1	4.7	2.3	23.9	5.9	26.7	-6.1
Investment income.....	2.7	3.5	4.8	10.4	4.5	38.8	85.7	52.8	-9.6
Expenditures.....	-18.1	-18.2	-19.2	-21.2	-12.0	0.4	1.4	3.3	11.0
Compensation of employees.....	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-49.2	13.8	-4.3	36.6
Investment income.....	-17.7	-17.9	-18.8	-20.9	-11.8	1.6	1.2	3.4	10.7
Current transfer, net.....	-0.3	-0.5	-0.2	-1.0	-0.4	69.6	-160.2	-435.4	-31.7
Current account balance.....	4.1	-7.9	-7.3	-33.4	-19.6	.	.	.	.

Sources: Statistics Iceland, National Economic Institute, Central Bank of Iceland.

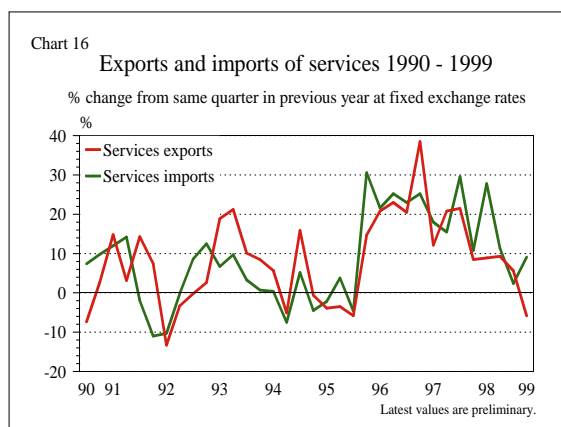
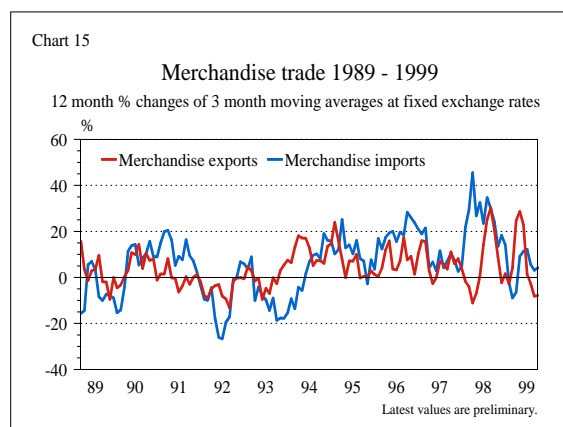


Table 11 Capital account and international investment position

Flows in b.kr.	1995	1996	1997	1998	1998			1999	
					II	III	IV	I	II
Capital and financial account	-1.3	10.0	13.3	39.9	7.3	14.3	8.9	16.9	-0.4
Capital transfer, net	-0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Financial account excluding reserves	-0.8	20.2	10.1	42.5	13.9	9.9	10.0	19.5	-2.3
Outward FDI, net	-1.7	-4.2	-3.6	-5.1	-0.2	-0.5	-3.6	0.4	-1.1
Inward FDI, net	-0.6	5.5	10.3	10.4	3.3	2.0	4.9	1.5	5.0
Portfolio investment, net: assets.....	-5.9	-4.3	-16.1	-28.4	-4.5	-3.4	-13.1	-4.7	-13.6
Portfolio investment, net: liabilities..	15.2	11.6	-2.8	4.7	-1.4	-1.7	5.8	4.1	9.1
Other capital, net	-7.8	11.7	22.4	60.9	16.7	13.5	16.0	18.2	-1.6
Long-term debt, net.....	-15.7	1.9	18.6	60.6	1.5	26.6	27.7	4.1	14.3
Short-term debt, net	7.9	9.8	3.8	0.3	15.2	-13.2	-11.7	14.2	-15.9
Reserves assets	-0.2	-10.2	3.2	-2.3	-6.4	4.5	-1.1	-2.5	1.8

International investment position	Position at end of period, billion kr.								
	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	March '99	June '99
Total assets	50.1	57.2	59.4	65.3	86.8	115.0	148.3	163.9	194.5
Direct investment	6.3	8.3	10.2	11.7	16.1	19.8	24.0	23.6	24.9
Portfolio assets	0.8	3.3	12.0	17.8	22.7	40.4	71.4	79.0	94.0
Other capital assets	42.9	45.7	37.2	35.8	48.1	54.8	52.9	61.2	75.5
Total liabilities.....	263.9	299.6	289.6	291.6	314.7	358.4	435.5	466.8	495.0
Direct investment	7.9	8.5	8.7	8.4	13.2	23.9	31.7	33.2	36.0
Portfolio liabilities.....	80.1	112.9	132.2	143.4	152.5	152.0	157.1	162.2	172.1
Long-term debt.....	149.1	152.7	126.4	111.5	111.1	129.8	193.6	202.0	227.9
Short-term debt	26.7	25.5	22.3	28.3	37.9	52.6	53.1	69.3	59.0
International investment position.....	-213.8	-242.4	-230.2	-226.3	-227.9	-243.4	-287.2	-302.9	-300.5

Percent of GDP ¹	
International investment position.....	-49.3 -55.7 -53.0 -50.4 -47.8 -46.1 -48.3 . .
Net external debt ²	49.0 56.0 54.1 52.6 50.9 50.7 56.3 . .
External debt position ²	59.0 66.9 64.7 63.1 63.2 63.4 67.7 . .
Of which long-term debt.....	49.0 57.3 55.0 51.9 50.7 49.7 55.7 . .

1. At annual average exchange rates. 2. Direct investment capital excluded. Source: Central Bank of Iceland.

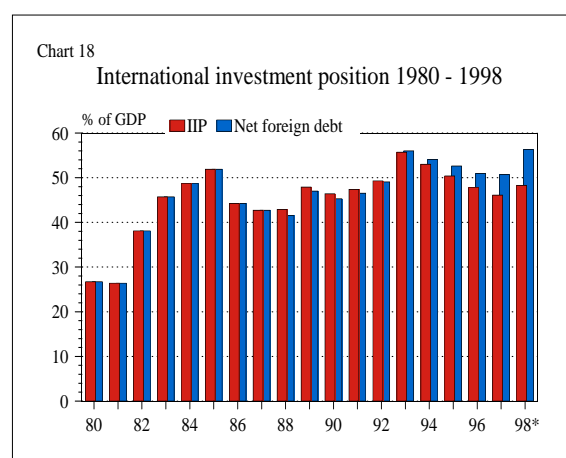
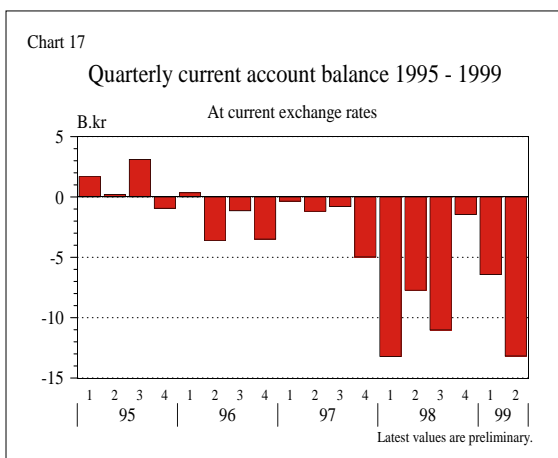


Table 12 A summary of treasury finances ¹

In b.kr.	1996	1997	1998 ²	Jan. - Sept.		% ch. from prev. year	Previous 4 months		% ch. from prev. year
				1998	1999		Sept.'98	Sept.'99	
Revenues	128.3	135.3	180.8	116.7	135.1	15.8	54.7	62.3	13.8
Expenditures.....	137.0	134.6	189.6	118.1	127.0	7.6	55.4	58.4	5.5
Financial balance	-8.7	0.7	-8.8	-1.3	8.1	.	-0.7	3.8	.
Miscell. short-term accounts.....	-1.5	-3.0	-1.5	1.1	-4.6	.	0.1	-1.4	.
Net lending.....	1.3	-0.3	2.9	0.5	2.5	.	0.3	1.5	.
Equity transactions.....	-0.3	0.4	2.0	0.2	1.1	.	-0.1	0.0	.
Pension liabilities.....	-2.8	5.0	22.2	0.0	0.0	.	0.0	0.0	.
Balance before financing	-12.0	2.8	16.8	0.6	7.2	.	-0.3	4.0	.
Net borrowing	11.1	-2.7	-9.5	-1.4	-10.7	.	-2.1	-2.0	.
Short-term domestic.....	-0.4	-3.9	2.9	6.5	-4.2	.	5.1	-0.5	.
Long-term domestic.....	4.8	7.8	-2.0	3.1	-6.2	.	-1.5	-1.6	.
From abroad.....	6.6	-6.5	-10.4	-11.0	-0.4	.	-5.7	0.1	.
Cash balance	-0.9	0.2	7.3	-0.9	-3.5	.	2.5	-1.9	.
<i>Revenues and expenditures – selected items</i>									
Total revenues	128.3	135.3	180.8	116.7	135.1	15.8	54.7	62.3	13.8
Tax revenues	119.6	125.5	161.2	106.8	124.8	16.9	50.0	57.5	15.0
Personal income taxes, gross.....	31.7	27.6	32.3	21.7	25.6	18.0	8.5	10.5	23.5
Items subtracted from revenues...	-9.8	-9.9	0.0	.	.	.	.	.	.
Value-added tax.....	46.2	50.0	59.3	36.6	44.2	20.8	18.5	21.7	17.3
Taxes on alcohol, petrol and cars ...	21.2	22.6	24.6	19.2	21.6	12.5	9.6	10.8	12.3
Payroll taxes.....	13.2	14.3	16.1	12.0	13.0	8.6	5.7	5.8	2.7
Other taxes	17.2	20.9	29.0	17.3	20.4	17.8	7.7	8.7	12.7
Interest, dividends and rent.....	8.0	8.3	10.8	5.5	6.2	14.0	2.8	3.1	9.9
Profits from asset sales	0.3	0.6	2.5	0.9	0.6	-27.2	0.1	0.2	55.5
Other revenues	0.5	0.9	6.4	3.6	3.5	-4.2	1.8	1.4	-17.2
Total expenditures	137.0	134.6	189.6	118.1	127.0	7.6	55.4	58.4	5.5
Expenditure on goods and services	52.7	54.4	84.3	45.4	50.2	10.6	20.8	23.3	11.9
Current transfers	53.6	50.9	71.7	50.8	55.1	8.5	24.1	25.9	7.1
Interest payments	15.3	14.9	16.0	10.5	9.0	-14.0	4.0	2.3	-43.5
Maintenance.....	3.9	3.9	4.1	2.9	3.4	15.3	1.7	2.0	17.5
Capital expenditures	11.4	10.5	13.6	8.5	9.4	10.2	4.6	5.0	6.8

1. Yearly figures on accruals basis according to the treasury accounts, monthly figures on cash basis according the State Accounting Office. 2. The large increase in expenditures and revenues between 1997 and 1998 is in large part due to changes in accounting standards. Child benefits, housing benefits, the share of religious organizations in tax revenues and depreciation of tax claims previously subtracted on the revenue side are now shown in gross revenue and expenditures. So are several revenue items collected by government agencies which were previously subtracted from their expenditures. Finally, dues collected by various organizations according to legislated mandate and previously invisible in treasury accounts are now shown as revenue matched by identical transfers. *Source: State Accounting Office.*

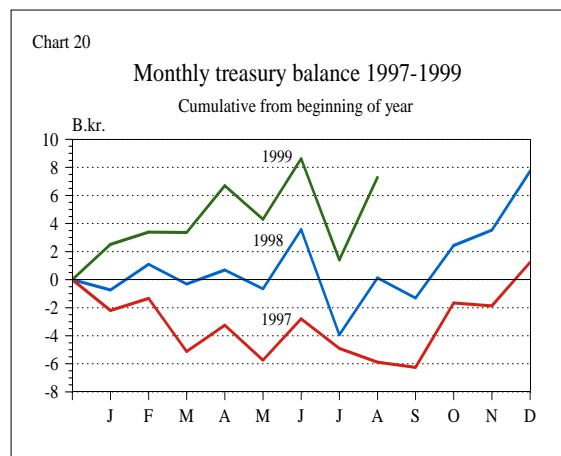
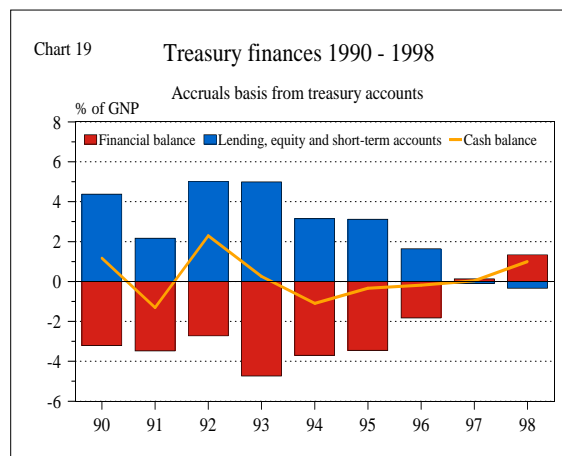


Table 13 Public sector finances ¹

<i>In b.kr.</i>	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	<i>Prel.</i> 1999	<i>Estim.</i> 2000
General government										
Revenues	147.9	150.3	147.5	153.7	162.8	178.1	193.6	219.2	239.3	251.5
Expenditures	159.6	161.5	166.0	174.3	176.2	185.8	193.7	213.6	231.4	241.1
Financial balance.....	-11.6	-11.2	-18.4	-20.6	-13.4	-7.7	-0.1	5.5	7.9	10.4
Net debt	79.3	106.5	143.2	165.5	179.3	191.5	196.5	178.9	173.7	157.8
Gross debt.....	154.2	185.6	220.1	245.1	267.6	274.4	279.4	280.0	276.0	261.1
Central government										
Revenues	119.3	121.0	118.5	124.3	130.5	143.6	150.1	169.2	183.6	192.6
Expenditures	130.5	130.5	132.2	137.7	142.0	150.9	147.2	160.0	173.1	180.1
Financial balance.....	-11.2	-9.6	-13.8	-13.4	-11.6	-7.3	2.7	9.2	10.5	12.5
Net debt	74.4	98.4	130.6	144.9	155.4	168.2	172.3	151.3	143.2	124.6
Gross debt.....	137.5	166.1	195.6	213.9	232.6	239.2	241.6	237.8	230.4	211.9
Local government										
Revenues	30.1	31.5	31.0	31.9	34.9	40.0	48.2	53.7	59.8	63.1
Expenditures	30.8	33.2	35.7	38.8	36.4	40.5	51.2	57.5	62.4	65.3
Financial balance.....	-0.6	-1.7	-4.7	-6.8	-1.4	-0.4	-3.0	-3.8	-2.7	-2.2
Net debt	7.3	10.2	14.6	22.2	25.1	24.2	25.0	28.3	31.0	33.8
Gross debt.....	17.5	20.4	25.2	31.8	35.6	35.7	38.4	42.8	46.2	49.7
General government, % of GDP										
Revenues	37.3	37.8	35.9	35.4	36.0	36.6	36.5	37.4	37.3	36.6
Expenditures	40.2	40.6	40.4	40.1	39.0	38.2	36.5	36.5	36.1	35.1
Financial balance.....	-2.9	-2.8	-4.5	-4.7	-3.0	-1.6	0.0	0.9	1.2	1.5
Net debt	19.4	26.6	34.3	37.8	39.4	38.9	36.7	30.4	26.4	22.8
Gross debt.....	37.7	46.4	52.8	56.0	58.7	55.8	52.2	47.5	42.0	37.7

1. Revenues and expenditures are here itemized according to the UN system of national accounts and deviate from the treasury accounts on accruals basis or (within the year) on cash basis shown in Table 12. The main differences are that by SNA standards i) in each year only pension liabilities increases due to activities during that year are shown; ii) instead of showing depreciation of tax claims as expenditures, a precautionary deduction is made on the revenue side; iii) profits from the sale of government assets are not shown as revenues. Instead, they are shown as a part of lending and borrowing transactions.
 Source: National Economic Institute.

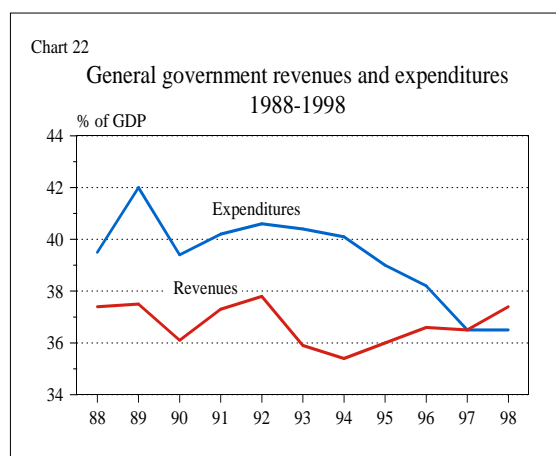
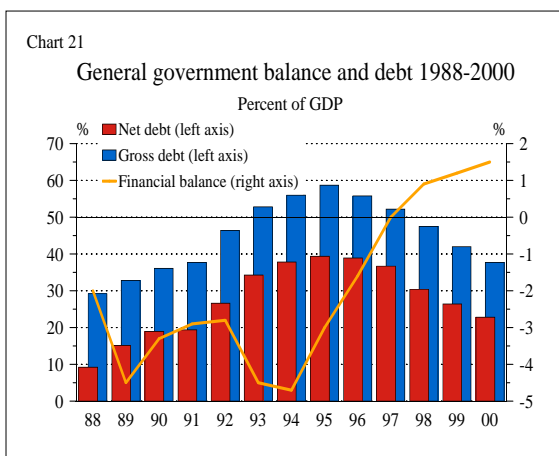


Table 14 Profit of businesses and competitive position

	Annual averages				III quarter		% ch. from prev. year		
	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	I 99	II 99	III 99
Real effective exchange rate (1990=100)									
Based on relative unit labour costs	78.5	81.2	81.8	83.8	87.2	86.8	1.0	-0.9	-1.0
Based on relative consumer prices	89.2	89.3	89.5	90.3	91.7	94.1	-0.2	-0.4	2.2
Effective exchange rate index (31/12 '94 = 100) ¹	99.8	99.3	98.8	97.3	95.5	95.7	-0.2	1.6	1.2

Accounts of publicly listed companies²

All amounts are in b.kr.

	Annual results			Half-year results		
	1997	1998	Change from prev. year	1998:I	1999:I	Change from prev. year
Total profit before taxes	8.5	10.4	1.9	5.8	6.8	1.0
Fisheries	3.4	2.5	-1.0	2.2	0.9	-1.3
Finance and insurance	2.7	4.8	2.1	2.6	3.5	0.8
Transportation	0.3	1.5	1.1	-0.4	1.2	1.7
Industries and production	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.6	0.3	-0.3
Total profit of regular operations before taxes .	8.6	8.3	-0.3	4.5	6.5	2.0
Fisheries	1.3	1.4	0.1	2.1	0.6	-1.5
Finance and insurance	4.7	5.3	0.7	2.3	4.4	2.1
Transportation	-0.1	0.5	0.6	-1.1	-0.2	0.8
Industries and production	1.1	0.7	-0.4	0.4	0.3	-0.1
Equity ratio	34.3	34.1	.	31.9	32.2	.
Return on equity	7.0	7.7	.	7.9	7.4	.
Number of listed companies at end of period ..	51	67	.	55	73	.

	At end of year				Nov. 10 1999	% change to Nov. 10 1999			
	1995	1996	1997	1998		1 mo.	3 mo.	from Jan. 1	12 mo.
Share prices, 31/12 1997 = 1,000									
ICEX-15	547	872	1,000	1,098	1,429	0.6	15.2	30.2	38.5
ISE Main List Index (ICEX-MAIN)	554	889	1,000	1,047	1,353	0.6	11.9	29.3	37.6

ISE industry indices 31/12 1997 = 100

Fisheries	50	100	100	96	108	-0.9	5.5	12.1	12.7
Finance and insurance	42	55	100	111	167	3.3	23.7	50.0	70.5
Transportation	63	88	100	131	171	-1.5	15.3	30.3	45.5
Industries and production	69	125	100	96	128	-2.7	17.7	34.0	53.1

1. Based on a trade-weighted basket of trading partners' currencies. Positive sign indicates the króna's appreciation. 2. The sample includes all companies listed on Iceland Stock Exchange (ISE) at each time. 3. All listed companies except in finance and insurance sector. 4. Own capital as ratio of total assets. Sources: Iceland Stock Exchange and Central Bank of Iceland.

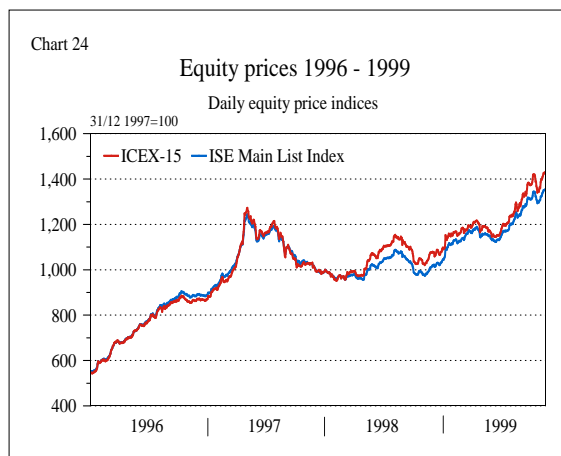
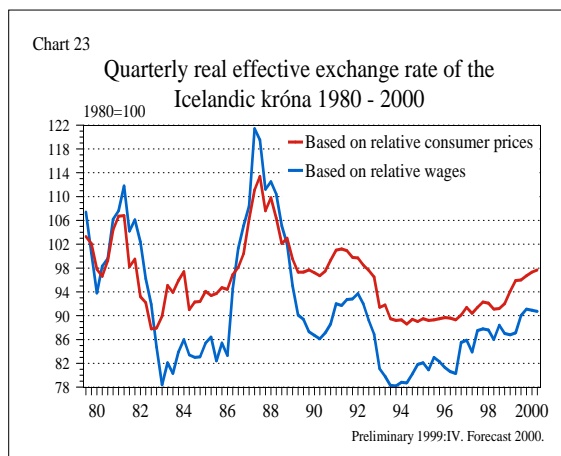


Table 15 International comparison

Based on latest monthly data for each region:	EU-15	EMU-11	USA	UK	Japan	Sweden	Norway	Finland	Denmark	Iceland
Inflation in previous 12 months.....	1.2	1.2	2.6	1.2	0.3	0.9	2.5	1.4	2.4	5.0
Unemployment ¹	9.1	10.0	4.1	4.2	4.6	6.9	3.3	9.8	4.3	1.4
Economic growth ²	1.7	1.6	5.4	1.8	-2.8	3.6	-1.1	3.3	1.5	5.8
Long-term interest rates ³	5.3	5.3	6.1	5.7	1.8	3.4	6.2	5.4	5.6	4.6
Short-term interest rates ⁴	3.9	3.4	5.4	5.3	0.1	3.1	6.5	3.4	3.3	10.9
<i>Figures in 1998:</i>										
GDP per capita based on PPP, in thous. US\$ ⁵	...	...	31.5	22.1	24.0	22.0	27.8	21.7	26.3	27.0
Gross savings, % of GDP.....	19.9	22.2	17.4	14.9	31.1	16.1	30.5	22.3	20.9	15.2
Gen. government fin. balance, % of GDP....	-1.5	-2.0	1.7	0.5	-6.0	1.9	3.9	0.9	1.0	0.9
Gen. government gross debt, % of GDP	69.3	73.7	56.7	48.7	97.3	74.2	33.4	49.7	58.0	47.5
Gen. government expenditure, % of GDP....	47.5	48.4	32.8	40.2	36.9	60.8	46.9	49.1	55.1	36.5
Current account balance, % of GDP	1.1	1.4	-2.7	0.1	3.2	2.1	-1.5	5.8	-1.4	-5.7

1. Seasonally adjusted except for Norway. 2. Annual GDP growth based on latest quarterly figures for all regions except Iceland. Seasonally adjusted except for Denmark and Sweden. 3. 10 year government bonds. For Iceland, real yield is shown. 4. Three month money market rates. 5. Converted to US dollars at an exchange rate that eliminates the difference in price levels between the countries. Sources: *International Monetary Fund, Eurostat, OECD.*

Table 16 International economic developments

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
<i>Annual economic growth (%)¹</i>									
World.....	2.5	2.7	4.0	3.8	4.3	4.2	2.5	3.0	3.5
Euro area	1.4	-0.9	2.5	2.4	1.5	2.4	2.8	2.1	2.8
United Kingdom.....	0.1	2.3	4.4	2.8	2.6	3.5	2.2	1.1	2.4
United States	2.7	2.3	3.5	2.3	3.4	3.9	3.9	3.7	2.6
Japan.....	1.0	0.3	0.6	1.5	5.0	1.4	-2.8	1.0	1.5
Developing countries	6.7	6.5	6.8	6.1	6.6	5.8	3.2	3.5	4.8
Countries in transition.....	-13.8	-7.1	-7.1	-0.5	-0.3	2.2	-0.2	0.8	2.8
<i>Annual growth in world trade (%)</i>	4.7	3.9	9.1	9.4	6.8	9.9	3.6	3.7	6.2
<i>Consumer price inflation</i>									
Euro area	4.4	3.7	3.0	3.2	2.3	1.6	1.2	1.0	1.3
United Kingdom.....	4.7	3.0	2.4	2.8	3.0	2.8	2.7	2.3	2.2
United States	3.0	3.0	2.6	2.8	2.9	2.3	1.6	2.2	2.5
Japan.....	1.7	1.2	0.7	-0.1	0.1	1.7	0.6	-0.4	0.0
<i>Unemployment, % of labour force</i>									
Euro area	9.5	10.9	11.7	11.4	11.7	11.7	10.9	10.3	9.7
United Kingdom.....	9.6	10.3	9.4	8.1	7.4	5.7	4.7	4.8	5.3
United States	7.5	6.9	6.4	5.6	5.4	4.9	4.5	4.3	4.5
Japan.....	2.2	2.5	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.4	4.1	5.0	5.8
<i>Gen. government fin. balance, % of GDP²</i>									
Euro area	-4.7	-5.5	-5.0	-4.8	-4.1	-2.5	-2.1	-2.0	-1.7
United Kingdom.....	-6.0	-8.0	-6.8	-5.8	-4.4	-2.1	0.3	-0.4	-0.6
United States	-4.4	-3.6	-2.3	-1.9	-0.9	0.4	1.3	1.6	2.0
Japan.....	1.5	-1.6	-2.3	-3.6	-4.2	-3.4	-5.3	-7.3	-7.1
<i>Long-term interest rates³</i>									
Euro area	9.9	8.1	8.1	8.5	7.1	6.0	4.7	4.1	4.2
United Kingdom.....	9.1	7.5	8.2	8.2	7.8	7.0	5.5	4.4	4.6
United States	7.0	5.9	7.1	6.6	6.4	6.4	5.3	5.2	5.2
Japan.....	5.3	4.3	4.4	3.4	3.1	2.4	1.5	1.7	1.8

1. Real GDP percent change between years. 2. Percent of GDP. General government, e.g. central government, local governments and social security transactions. 3. Yields on ten year treasury bonds. Sources: *International Monetary Fund, OECD.*

Table 17 Historical economic indicators (continued on next page)

	<i>Consumer prices</i> ¹		<i>Króna effective exchange rate</i> ²			<i>Interest rates (%)</i>			<i>Money and credit</i>			Ratio of gr. reserves to merch. imports ⁶	External debt, % of GDP ⁷	Growth of real GDP(%)
	Consumer price index	CPI inflation (%)	Nominal exchange rate ³	Real exchange rate ⁴		Gov. bonds average yield ⁵	Banks' secured lending (real yield)		% change over year					
				Relative CPI	Relative ULC		Non-ind.	Indexed	M3	DMBs' lending	Credit system lending			
1971	0.5	6.8	.	88.0	100.0	5.1	6.0	.	20.1	22.7	23.2	3.8	32.0	13.1
1972	0.5	9.9	3.9	91.8	111.4	5.1	-5.3	.	18.3	21.3	23.0	4.7	30.8	6.2
1973	0.7	21.4	4.3	102.4	116.6	5.1	-14.4	.	33.0	35.2	34.6	3.6	29.6	6.8
1974	0.9	42.4	4.8	116.4	139.2	5.1	-24.8	.	27.6	55.6	64.8	1.2	30.2	5.7
1975	1.4	49.4	7.5	92.4	96.9	3.9	-15.7	.	29.0	32.1	46.4	1.3	42.8	0.6
1976	1.8	32.4	8.5	103.3	106.4	5.8	-7.4	.	32.5	26.8	32.2	2.2	40.7	6.0
1977	2.4	30.3	9.7	113.1	114.2	3.5	-9.5	.	43.9	40.5	41.8	2.0	37.6	8.8
1978	3.5	44.0	13.9	105.3	106.6	3.3	-13.4	.	48.7	47.3	62.8	2.6	39.2	5.9
1979	5.0	44.5	18.7	100.0	100.7	3.5	-15.4	.	55.9	58.1	46.4	2.5	39.7	4.9
1980	8.1	61.8	25.9	100.0	100.0	3.5	-8.3	2.3	65.4	66.4	71.1	2.4	35.9	5.6
1981	12.2	50.8	34.7	104.3	106.3	3.2	-1.7	2.5	70.5	72.2	54.1	3.0	36.5	4.3
1982	18.4	51.0	54.5	95.7	102.2	3.5	-9.4	2.9	58.0	92.0	100.2	2.1	46.4	2.2
1983	33.9	84.2	100.0	90.2	84.3	3.8	-14.2	3.0	78.7	85.6	82.9	2.5	57.2	-2.2
1984	43.7	29.2	116.3	94.6	83.4	7.0	3.4	5.5	33.4	43.0	40.2	2.1	60.2	4.1
1985	57.9	32.4	148.7	93.1	84.5	6.9	-2.3	5.0	47.6	29.7	35.9	2.8	63.6	3.3
1986	70.2	21.3	171.0	94.9	86.4	8.5	4.3	5.2	35.0	19.1	21.5	3.6	56.5	6.3
1987	83.4	18.8	177.3	104.0	109.0	8.7	4.7	7.7	35.2	42.1	30.9	2.4	49.4	8.5
1988	104.6	25.4	202.6	109.3	113.4	8.7	11.8	9.2	24.0	37.2	33.8	2.4	51.3	-0.1
1989	126.7	21.1	254.7	100.5	98.1	7.4	6.5	7.8	27.2	25.2	33.1	3.0	56.8	0.3
1990	145.5	14.8	283.7	97.2	87.3	7.0	9.3	8.0	14.9	11.0	11.7	3.3	55.8	1.2
1991	155.4	6.8	283.6	99.8	89.9	8.1	10.0	9.2	14.4	11.5	15.4	3.2	56.2	1.1
1992	161.2	3.7	285.0	99.7	92.8	7.4	11.8	9.3	3.8	5.7	11.3	4.0	59.0	-3.3
1993	167.8	4.1	308.8	94.3	84.3	6.7	11.5	9.1	6.5	7.0	11.2	4.3	66.9	1.0
1994	170.3	1.5	324.8	89.2	78.5	5.0	9.5	7.9	2.3	-0.1	4.8	2.6	64.7	3.7
1995	173.2	1.7	322.3	89.3	81.2	5.6	10.1	8.7	2.2	1.2	5.9	2.4	63.1	1.0
1996	177.1	2.3	322.9	89.5	81.8	5.5	10.5	8.9	6.8	11.8	8.3	3.0	63.2	5.7
1997	180.3	1.8	318.7	90.3	83.8	5.3	11.1	9.0	8.7	12.7	11.3	2.6	63.4	5.3
1998	183.3	1.7	313.6	91.7	87.2	4.7	11.8	9.0	15.2	30.5	15.3	2.2	67.7	5.1

1. Annual averages (May 1988=100) and changes between years. 2. Annual averages. Exchange rate of the króna against a trade-weighted average of foreign currencies. 3. 1983=100. 4. 1980=100. ULC= unit labour cost. 5. Annual average yield of indexed treasury bonds of all maturities. Yields on Iceland Stock Exchange from 1987. Before that, primary market yields. 6. Gross foreign exchange reserves at end of period as a ratio of the average monthly value of merchandise imports. Calculated at fixed exchange rates. 7. Gross debt. Direct investment capital excluded.

Table 17 (continued) Historical economic indicators

	Components of GDP (% change from previous year)			External trade (% change from prev. year)				Gen. government (% of GDP)			Labour market (% of labour force)		Wages (% change from previous year)	
	Private consump- tion	Gross fixed cap. formation	National expendi- ture	Merchandise goods		Trade balance	Curr. acc. balance (% of GDP)	Financial balance	Revenues	Expend.	Unem- ployment	Labour particip.	Real wages ⁸	Real disposable income
				Exports	Imports									
1971.....	17.2	42.4	28.8	-8.2	24.6	11.4	-6.8	0.2	31.8	31.7	0.6	70.8	.	15.1
1972.....	7.3	0.9	-1.8	14.5	0.5	-2.1	-2.4	1.0	33.3	32.4	0.5	71.1	.	8.4
1973.....	5.3	22.4	12.8	8.7	20.3	10.1	-2.6	0.2	32.9	32.7	0.4	71.5	.	7.3
1974.....	10.3	7.9	13.9	-2.7	12.5	-6.6	-10.6	-2.6	33.0	35.6	0.4	72.3	.	11.6
1975.....	-9.6	-8.8	-5.5	2.6	-12.8	-11.1	-10.2	-2.7	33.0	35.7	0.5	72.2	.	-15.1
1976.....	5.4	-2.7	-3.5	13.1	-3.6	7.8	-1.5	1.1	32.1	31.1	0.5	73.4	.	2.3
1977.....	12.9	11.5	15.0	8.9	20.6	7.0	-2.3	-0.2	30.5	30.7	0.3	72.5	.	15.5
1978.....	9.0	-5.8	2.1	15.2	3.6	0.3	1.2	0.1	31.0	30.9	0.3	73.6	.	8.5
1979.....	2.8	-1.5	3.5	6.3	2.5	-8.6	-0.7	0.9	32.4	31.4	0.4	73.0	.	2.0
1980.....	3.4	13.2	5.7	2.7	3.0	-2.8	-1.9	1.3	33.8	32.5	0.3	74.1	.	1.1
1981.....	6.2	1.2	5.6	3.2	7.1	-0.5	-4.0	1.3	34.9	33.6	0.4	76.8	0.7	5.5
1982.....	5.0	0.1	5.0	-8.9	-0.6	-0.8	-7.9	1.7	36.0	34.3	0.8	77.6	1.7	2.2
1983.....	-5.6	-12.7	-8.6	11.0	-9.7	-1.3	-1.9	-2.0	34.0	36.1	1.0	77.4	-16.7	-12.5
1984.....	3.7	9.4	6.4	2.4	9.1	0.6	-4.6	2.2	35.4	33.1	1.3	77.6	-3.1	-2.5
1985.....	4.2	1.0	2.7	11.1	9.4	-0.9	-3.9	-1.7	34.0	35.7	0.9	79.3	1.2	10.8
1986.....	6.9	-1.6	4.5	5.9	0.9	5.4	0.5	-4.1	33.7	37.8	0.7	80.9	5.7	9.5
1987.....	16.2	18.8	15.7	3.3	23.3	4.3	-3.4	-0.9	33.9	34.7	0.4	84.1	9.0	25.8
1988.....	-3.8	-0.2	-0.6	-3.6	-4.6	-0.8	-3.5	-2.0	37.4	39.5	0.6	80.1	2.2	-2.7
1989.....	-4.2	-7.9	-4.4	2.9	-10.3	-3.9	-1.3	-4.6	37.5	42.0	1.6	78.7	-9.1	-9.4
1990.....	0.5	3.0	1.5	0.0	1.0	-2.0	-2.1	-3.3	36.0	39.4	1.8	77.5	-4.9	-4.6
1991.....	4.1	2.0	5.1	-5.9	5.7	3.6	-4.0	-2.9	37.3	40.2	1.5	76.2	1.4	2.5
1992.....	-4.5	-11.3	-5.3	-1.9	-8.0	-2.7	-2.4	-2.8	37.8	40.6	3.0	75.5	-0.8	-2.3
1993.....	-4.5	-11.4	-4.1	7.1	-8.6	-5.3	0.8	-4.5	35.9	40.4	4.4	75.3	-2.6	-6.0
1994.....	1.9	-1.1	1.5	10.0	4.2	0.0	2.0	-4.7	35.4	40.1	4.8	75.4	-0.3	0.0
1995.....	4.2	-2.8	3.1	-2.2	3.8	1.1	0.9	-3.0	36.0	39.0	5.0	75.7	2.8	3.1
1996.....	6.4	27.4	7.6	10.0	16.7	-3.1	-1.6	-1.6	36.6	38.2	4.3	76.4	4.0	3.0
1997.....	6.0	10.5	6.2	6.0	8.6	2.7	-1.4	0.0	36.5	36.5	3.9	77.1	3.6	5.0
1998.....	11.0	23.4	11.9	2.4	22.1	3.9	-5.7	0.9	37.4	36.5	2.8	77.1	7.6	8.5

8. Deflated by consumer prices. Sources: Statistics Iceland, Iceland Stock Exchange, National Economic Institute, Directorate of Labour.

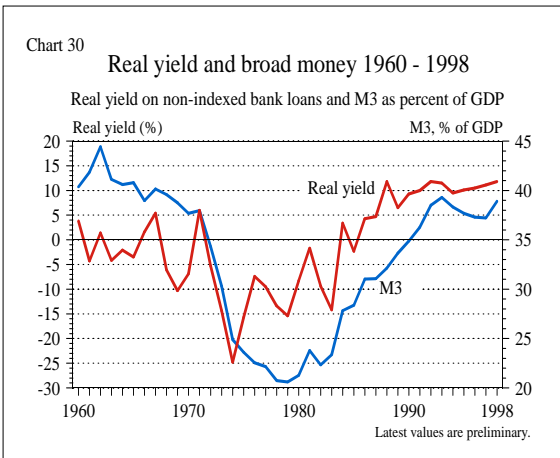
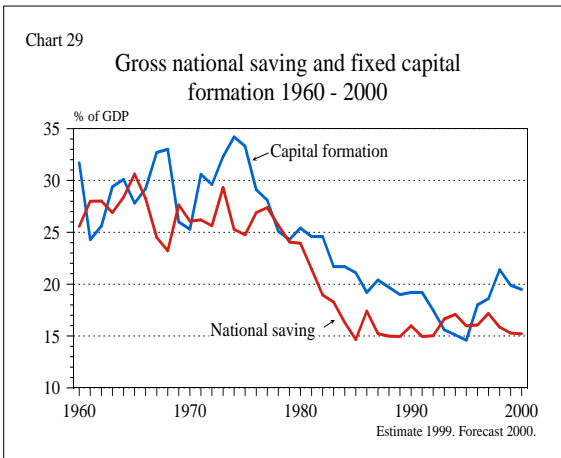
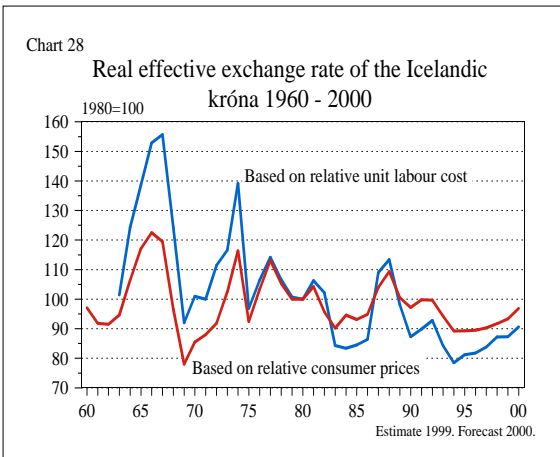
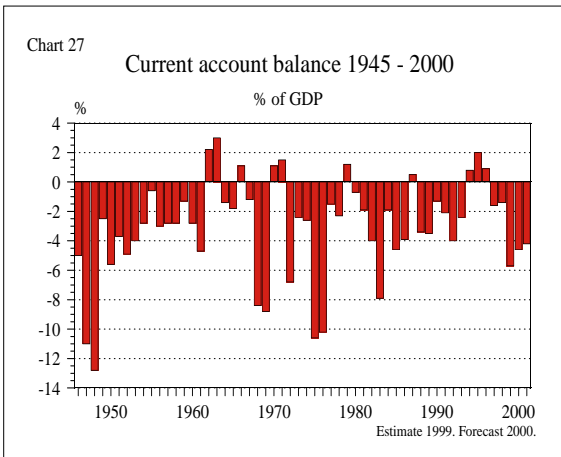
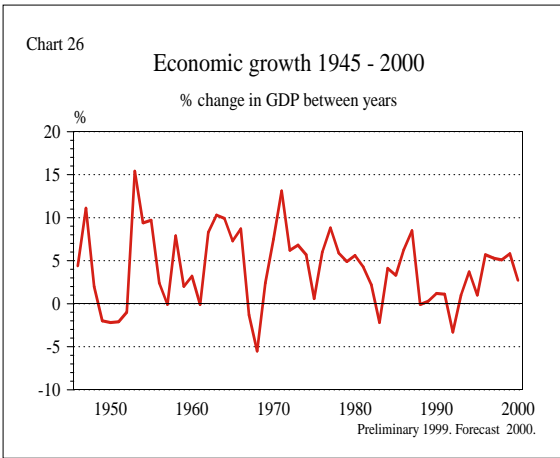
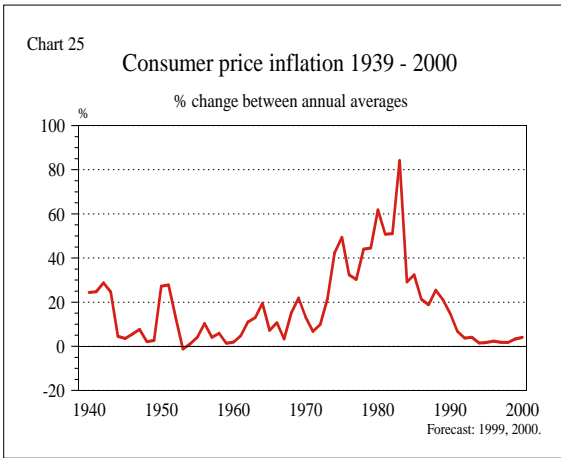


Table 18 Structural indicators for the Icelandic economy

	1970	1998		1970	1998
<i>I. Population and labour force (thous.)</i>			<i>IV. National income and expenditure</i>		
Population at end of year.....	204.8	275.7	Gross domestic product (GDP), b.kr.....	0.4	586.6
under 25 years of age	70.6	68.9	GDP, billion US\$.....	0.5	8.3
25-64 years of age	127.3	192.9	National income per capita, thous. US\$	2.0	24.9
above 64 years of age.....	7.0	13.8	GDP per capita, thous. US\$, PPP-converted ¹	2.7	26.4
Annual popul. growth in prev. 5 yrs. (%)	1.1	0.8	Gross capital formation, % of GDP	25.3	21.4
Labour force	82.7	137.0	Gross national saving, % of GDP	26.1	15.9
Males	54.7	77.7	Net national saving, % of national income	11.6	4.4
Females	28.0	59.3	Exports of goods and services, % of GDP.....	46.4	34.9
<i>II. Employment by industry (%)</i>			<i>V. Capital and indebtedness</i>		
Agriculture	12.4	4.2	<i>% of GDP unless otherwise stated</i>		
Fisheries	6.6	5.1	Fixed assets, % of GDP	3.3	2.9
Fish-processing	7.8	6.0	Fixed assets, billion US\$.....	1.8	24.7
Manufacturing industry.....	15.2	11.6	Net external debt	20.1	56.3
Construction, electricity and water	11.3	8.9	Debt service burden, % of export revenue.....	11.3	21.0
Wholesale & retail trade, restaur. & hotels	13.5	15.0	General government total debt.....	13.0	47.5
Transport, storage and communication.....	8.4	6.9	General government net debt	-2.3	30.4
Finance, insurance, real estate, business serv.	4.0	8.7	Broad money (M3).....	37.7	38.9
Producers of government services	12.4	19.8	Credit system total lending	84.3	195.9
Other services.....	8.3	13.8	to industries	53.5	86.4
<i>III. Merchandise exports</i>			to households.....	21.2	75.1
<i>By category (%):</i>			Market capitalization of listed equity .....	.	39.5
Marine products.....	77.1	72.7			
Manufactures	18.4	23.0			
Aluminium and ferro-silicon	13.2	15.8			
Agricultural products.....	3.4	1.4			
<i>By regions (%):</i>					
United States.....	30.0	13.2			
European Union.....	52.8	65.0			
Other	17.2	21.8			

1. Converted to US dollars at an exchange rate that eliminates the difference in price levels between the countries.. 2. National accounts basis.
Sources: Statistics Iceland, National Economic Institute, Iceland Stock Exchange, Central Bank of Iceland.

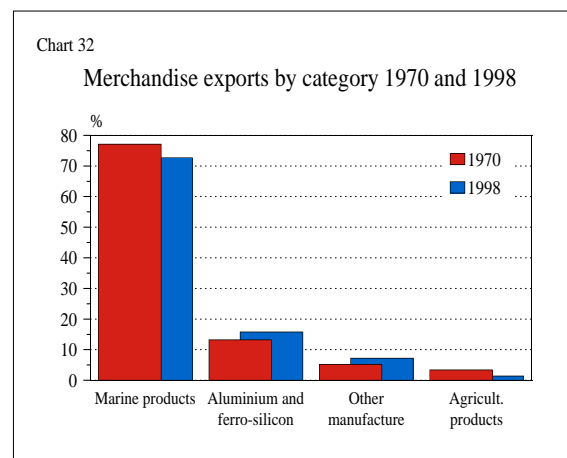
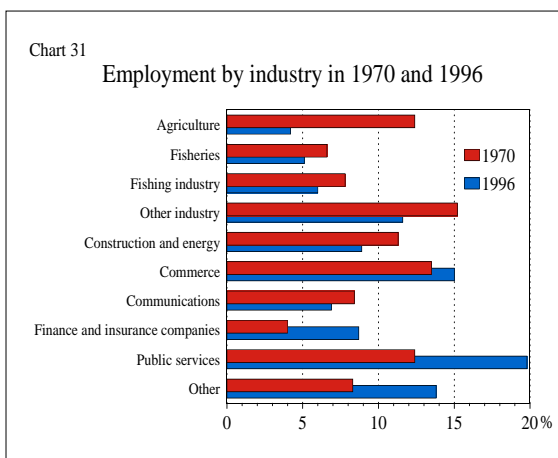


Table 19 Merchandise exports and imports by regions ¹

	Share of total (%)						Billion kr.	
	1970	1980	1990	1997	1998	Jan.-Sept. 1999	1998	Jan.-Sept. 1999
	<i>Merchandise exports, fob</i>							
European Union	52.8	52.3	70.7	60.6	65.0	63.2	88.8	67.6
Euro area	25.4	30.2	37.6	34.3	39.2	37.6	53.5	40.2
Other EU countries	27.4	22.0	33.1	26.3	25.8	25.6	35.2	27.4
United Kingdom	13.2	16.5	25.3	18.9	19.0	19.2	25.9	20.6
Other Western European countries	2.8	2.3	3.4	9.8	10.1	10.1	13.8	10.8
Eastern Europe and former Soviet Union	9.6	8.8	2.9	3.1	2.2	1.0	3.0	1.1
Russia	6.8	5.4	2.5	1.8	1.1	0.3	1.5	0.3
United States	30.0	21.6	9.9	13.9	13.2	15.6	18.0	16.7
Japan	0.1	1.5	6.0	6.6	4.8	6.0	6.5	6.4
Other OECD countries	0.5	0.6	0.5	1.5	1.8	1.8	2.4	1.9
Developing countries ²	4.2	12.9	5.5	2.8	2.2	1.5	2.9	1.6
Other countries	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.7	0.8	0.9	1.2	0.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	136.6	107.0
<i>Merchandise imports, cif</i>								
European Union	64.9	58.0	59.9	58.1	56.2	55.6	99.0	76.4
Euro area	32.0	33.2	35.5	32.6	32.5	32.3	57.2	44.4
Other EU countries	33.0	24.8	24.4	25.5	23.7	23.3	41.8	32.0
United Kingdom	14.3	9.5	8.1	10.1	9.7	9.1	17.0	12.5
Other Western European countries	5.4	8.1	5.2	14.2	11.5	12.1	20.3	16.7
Eastern Europe and former Soviet Union	10.4	10.9	6.5	4.4	5.4	5.2	9.6	7.1
Russia	7.2	9.7	5.0	2.5	2.2	1.8	3.8	2.5
United States	8.2	9.4	14.4	9.4	11.1	11.5	19.5	15.8
Japan	2.9	4.0	5.6	4.9	5.1	5.9	8.9	8.1
Other OECD countries	0.4	5.8	3.7	4.0	5.3	4.6	9.3	6.3
Developing countries ²	7.2	2.7	3.1	3.4	3.8	3.7	6.7	5.1
Other countries	0.6	1.1	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.4	2.7	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	176.1	137.4

1. Country groups as in 1999. 2. International Monetary Fund's definition.

Source: Statistics Iceland.

