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Measuring National Output and National Income

national income and product accounts Data collected and published by the government describing the various components of national income and output in the economy.

Gross Domestic Product

gross domestic product (GDP) The total market value of all final goods and services produced within a given period by factors of production located within a country.

GDP is the total market value of a country's output. It is the market value of all final goods and services produced within a given period of time by factors of production located within a country.

Gross Domestic Product

Final Goods and Services

final goods and services Goods and services produced for final use.

intermediate goods Goods that are produced by one firm for use in further processing by another firm.

value added The difference between the value of goods as they leave a stage of production and the cost of the goods as they entered that stage.

Gross Domestic Product

Final Goods and Services

In calculating GDP, we can sum up the value added at each stage of production or we can take the value of final sales. We do not use the value of total sales in an economy to measure how much output has been produced.

TABLE 21.1 Value Added in the Production of a Gallon of Gasoline (Hypothetical Numbers)

Stage Of Production	Value Of Sales	Value Added
(1) Oil drilling	\$3.00	\$3.00
(2) Refining	3.30	0.30
(3) Shipping	3.60	0.30
(4) Retail sale	4.00	0.40
Total value added		\$4.00

Gross Domestic Product

Exclusion of Used Goods and Paper Transactions

GDP is concerned only with new, or current, production. Old output is not counted in current GDP because it was already counted when it was produced.

GDP does not count transactions in which money or goods changes hands but in which no new goods and services are produced.

Gross Domestic Product

Exclusion of Output Produced Abroad by Domestically Owned Factors of Production

GDP is the value of output produced by factors of production *located within a country*.

gross national product (GNP) The total market value of all final goods and services produced within a given period by factors of production owned by a country's citizens, regardless of where the output is produced.

Calculating GDP

expenditure approach A method of computing GDP that measures the total amount spent on all final goods and services during a given period.

income approach A method of computing GDP that measures the income—wages, rents, interest, and profits—received by all factors of production in producing final goods and services.

Calculating GDP

The Expenditure Approach

There are four main categories of expenditure:

- Personal consumption expenditures (*C*): household spending on consumer goods
- Gross private domestic investment (*I*): spending by firms and households on new capital, that is, plant, equipment, inventory, and new residential structures
- Government consumption and gross investment (*G*)
- Net exports (*EX - IM*): net spending by the rest of the world, or exports (*EX*) minus imports (*IM*)

$$GDP = C + I + G + (EX - IM)$$

Calculating GDP

The Expenditure Approach

TABLE 21.2 Components of U.S. GDP, 2007: The Expenditure Approach

	Billions Of Dollars	Percentage of GDP
<i>Personal consumption expenditures (C)</i>	9,734.2	70.3
Durable goods	1,078.2	7.8
Nondurable goods	2,833.2	20.5
Services	5,822.8	42.1
<i>Gross private domestic investment (I)</i>	2,125.4	15.4
Nonresidential	1,481.8	10.7
Residential	640.7	4.6
Change in business inventories	2.9	0.0
<i>Government consumption and gross investment (G)</i>	2,689.8	19.4
Federal	976.0	7.1
State and local	1,713.8	12.4
<i>Net exports (EX – IM)</i>	–708.0	– 5.1
Exports (EX)	1,643.0	11.9
Imports (IM)	2,351.0	17.0
<i>Gross domestic product</i>	13,841.3	100.0

Note: Numbers may not add exactly because of rounding.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Calculating GDP

The Expenditure Approach

Personal Consumption Expenditures (C)

personal consumption expenditures (C)

Expenditures by consumers on goods and services.

durable goods Goods that last a relatively long time, such as cars and household appliances.

nondurable goods Goods that are used up fairly quickly, such as food and clothing.

services The things we buy that do not involve the production of physical things, such as legal and medical services and education.

Calculating GDP

The Expenditure Approach

Personal Consumption Expenditures (C)

ECONOMICS IN PRACTICE

Where Does eBay Get Counted?

So do any of eBay's services count as part of GDP? eBay's business is to provide a marketplace for exchange. In doing so, it uses labor and capital and creates value. In return for creating this value, eBay charges fees to the sellers that use its site. The value of these fees do enter into GDP. So while the old knickknacks that people sell on eBay do not contribute to current GDP, the cost of finding an interested buyer for those old goods does indeed get counted.



Calculating GDP

The Expenditure Approach

Gross Private Domestic Investment (*I*)

gross private domestic investment (*I*) Total investment in capital—that is, the purchase of new housing, plants, equipment, and inventory by the private (or nongovernment) sector.

nonresidential investment Expenditures by firms for machines, tools, plants, and so on.

residential investment Expenditures by households and firms on new houses and apartment buildings.

Calculating GDP

The Expenditure Approach

Gross Private Domestic Investment (*I*)

Change in Business Inventories

change in business inventories The amount by which firms' inventories change during a period. Inventories are the goods that firms produce now but intend to sell later.

$$\text{GDP} = \text{Final sales} + \text{Change in business inventories}$$

Calculating GDP

The Expenditure Approach

Gross Private Domestic Investment (*I*)

Gross Investment versus Net Investment

depreciation The amount by which an asset's value falls in a given period.

gross investment The total value of all newly produced capital goods (plant, equipment, housing, and inventory) produced in a given period.

net investment Gross investment minus depreciation.

$$\text{capital}_{\text{end of period}} = \text{capital}_{\text{beginning of period}} + \text{net investment}$$

Calculating GDP

The Expenditure Approach

Government Consumption and Gross Investment (G)

government consumption and gross investment (G) Expenditures by federal, state, and local governments for final goods and services.

Net Exports ($EX - IM$)

net exports ($EX - IM$) The difference between exports (sales to foreigners of U.S.-produced goods and services) and imports (U.S. purchases of goods and services from abroad). The figure can be positive or negative.

Calculating GDP

The Income Approach

national income The total income earned by the factors of production owned by a country's citizens.

TABLE 21.3 National Income, 2007

	Billions of Dollars	Percentage of National Income
National Income	12,221.1	100.0
Compensation of employees	7,874.2	64.4
Proprietors' income	1,042.6	8.5
Rental income	65.4	0.5
Corporate profits	1,598.2	13.1
Net interest	602.6	4.9
Indirect taxes minus subsidies	961.4	7.9
Net business transfer payments	94.2	0.8
Surplus of government enterprises	−14.5	−0.1

Source: See Table 6.2.

Calculating GDP

The Income Approach

compensation of employees Includes wages, salaries, and various supplements—employer contributions to social insurance and pension funds, for example—paid to households by firms and by the government.

proprietors' income The income of unincorporated businesses.

rental income The income received by property owners in the form of rent.

corporate profits The income of corporations.

net interest The interest paid by business.

Calculating GDP

The Income Approach

indirect taxes minus subsidies Taxes such as sales taxes, customs duties, and license fees less subsidies that the government pays for which it receives no goods or services in return.

net business transfer payments Net transfer payments by businesses to others.

surplus of government enterprises Income of government enterprises.

Calculating GDP

The Income Approach

TABLE 21.4 GDP, GNP, NNP and National Income, 2007

	Dollars (Billions)
GDP	13,841.3
Plus: Receipts of factor income from the rest of the world	+ 817.5
Less: Payments of factor income to the rest of the world	<u>– 721.8</u>
Equals: GNP	13,937.1
Less: Depreciation	<u>– 1,686.6</u>
Equals: Net national product (NNP)	12,250.5
Less: Statistical discrepancy	<u>– 29.4</u>
Equals: National income	12,221.1

Source: See Table 6.2.

Calculating GDP

The Income Approach

net national product (NNP) Gross national product minus depreciation; a nation's total product minus what is required to maintain the value of its capital stock.

statistical discrepancy Data measurement error.

personal income The total income of households.

Calculating GDP

The Income Approach

TABLE 21.5 National Income, Personal Income, Disposable Personal Income, and Personal Saving, 2007

	Dollars (Billions)
National income	12,221.1
Less: Amount of national income not going to households	<u>– 561.6</u>
Equals: Personal income	11,659.5
Less: Personal income taxes	<u>– 1,482.5</u>
Equals: Disposable personal income	10,177.0
Less: Personal consumption expenditures	– 9,734.2
Personal interest payments	– 262.8
Transfer payments made by households	<u>– 137.1</u>
Equals: Personal saving	42.9
Personal saving as a percentage of disposable personal income:	0.4%

Source: See Table 6.2.

Calculating GDP

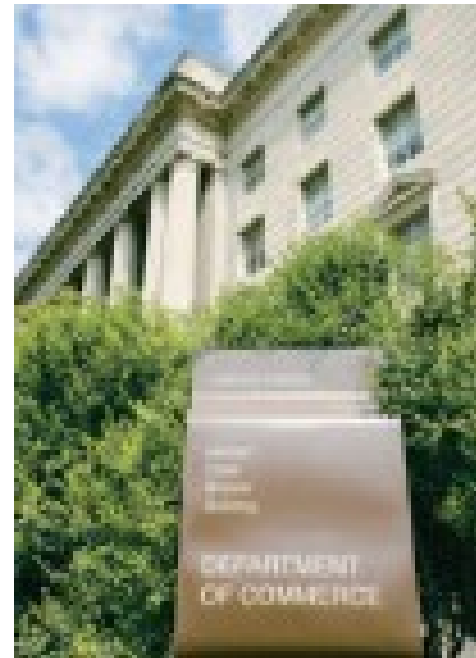
The Income Approach

ECONOMICS IN PRACTICE

GDP: One of the Great Inventions of the 20th Century

While the GDP and the rest of the national income accounts may seem to be arcane concepts, they are truly among the great inventions of the twentieth century.

Paul A. Samuelson and
William D. Nordhaus



Calculating GDP

The Income Approach

disposable personal income or after-tax income Personal income minus personal income taxes. The amount that households have to spend or save.

personal saving The amount of disposable income that is left after total personal spending in a given period.

personal saving rate The percentage of disposable personal income that is saved. If the personal saving rate is low, households are spending a large amount relative to their incomes; if it is high, households are spending cautiously.

Nominal versus Real GDP

current dollars The current prices that we pay for goods and services.

nominal GDP Gross domestic product measured in current dollars.

weight The importance attached to an item within a group of items.

Nominal versus Real GDP

Calculating Real GDP

TABLE 21.6 A Three-Good Economy

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
					GDP in Year 1 in	GDP in Year 2 in	GDP in Year 1 in	GDP in Year 2 in
	Production Year 1	Year 2	Price Per Unit Year 1	Year 2	Year 1 Prices	Year 1 Prices	Year 2 Prices	Year 2 Prices
	Q_1	Q_2	P_1	P_2	$P_1 \times Q_1$	$P_1 \times Q_2$	$P_2 \times Q_1$	$P_2 \times Q_2$
Good A	6	11	\$0.50	\$0.40	\$3.00	\$5.50	\$2.40	\$4.40
Good B	7	4	0.30	1.00	2.10	1.20	7.00	4.00
Good C	10	12	0.70	0.90	<u>7.00</u>	<u>8.40</u>	<u>9.00</u>	<u>10.80</u>
<u>Total</u>					\$12.10	\$15.10	\$18.40	\$19.20
					Nominal GDP in year 1		Nominal GDP in year 2	

Nominal versus Real GDP

Calculating Real GDP

base year The year chosen for the weights in a fixed-weight procedure.

fixed-weight procedure A procedure that uses weights from a given base year.

weight The importance attached to an item within a group of items.

Nominal versus Real GDP

Calculating the GDP Deflator

The GDP deflator is one measure of the overall price level. The GDP deflator is computed by the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA).

Overall price increases can be sensitive to the choice of the base year. For this reason, using fixed-price weights to compute real GDP has some problems.

Nominal versus Real GDP

The Problems of Fixed Weights

The use of fixed-price weights to estimate real GDP leads to problems because it ignores:

- Structural changes in the economy.
- Supply shifts, which cause large decreases in price and large increases in quantity supplied.
- The substitution effect of price increases.

Limitations of the GDP Concept

GDP and Social Welfare

Society is better off when crime decreases; however, a decrease in crime is not reflected in GDP.

An increase in leisure is an increase in social welfare, but not counted in GDP.

Most nonmarket and domestic activities, such as housework and child care, are not counted in GDP even though they amount to real production.

Limitations of the GDP Concept

Gross National Income per Capita

gross national income (GNI) GNP converted into dollars using an average of currency exchange rates over several years adjusted for rates of inflation.

Limitations of the GDP Concept

The Underground Economy

underground economy The part of the economy in which transactions take place and in which income is generated that is unreported and therefore not counted in GDP.

Limitations of the GDP Concept

The Underground Economy

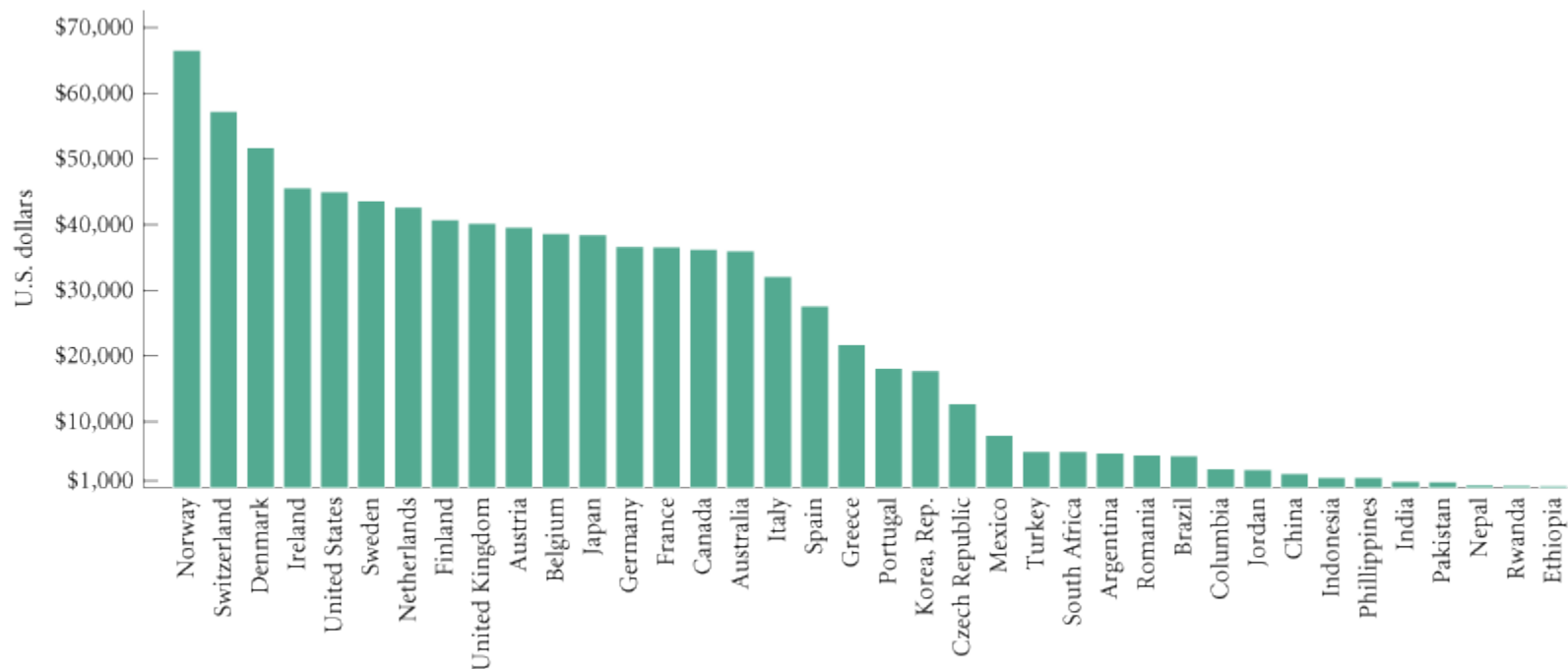


FIGURE 21.1 Per Capita Gross National Income for Selected Countries, 2006

REVIEW TERMS AND CONCEPTS

base year
change in business inventories
compensation of employees
corporate profits
current dollars
depreciation
disposable personal income, or after-tax income
durable goods
expenditure approach
final goods and services
fixed-weight procedure
government consumption and gross investment (G)
gross domestic product (GDP)
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income approach
indirect taxes minus subsidies
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rental income
residential investment
services
statistical discrepancy
surplus of government enterprises
underground economy
value added
weight
Expenditure approach to GDP: $GDP = C + I + G + (EX - IM)$
 $GDP = \text{Final sales} - \text{Change in business inventories}$
Net investment = Capital end of period
- Capital beginning of period