

SPRING 2008 ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR DENMARK: ANSWERS FROM DA AND DI

MAIN FORECAST						
	2007	2008	2009			
Real GDP growth	1.8	1.7	1.6			
Consumer price inflation	1.9	2.1	2.1			
Unemployment rate	3.3	2.8	2.7			
Employment growth	2.4	0.6	0.4			
Components of aggregate demand						
<i>Annual % change</i>	2007	2008	2009			
Private consumption	2.3	2.2	2.2			
Public consumption	1.8	1.7	1.0			
Investment (Gross fixed capital formation)	5.2	5.8	4.2			
Exports	2.5	3.7	5.0			
Imports	4.1	5.2	6.5			
ECONOMIC SENTIMENT						
Trend in business climate over the next 6 months	<i>Positive</i>	<i>Negative</i>	<i>Unchanged</i>			
			Industry			
			Services			
Trend in profitability over the next 6 months	<i>Positive</i>	<i>Negative</i>	<i>Unchanged</i>			
			Industry			
			Services			
Investment intentions over the next 6 months	<i>Increase (faster pace)</i>	<i>Increase (slower pace)</i>	<i>Unchanged</i>	<i>Decrease (slower pace)</i>	<i>Decrease (faster pace)</i>	
		Industry				
Driving force behind investment decisions in the next 6 months	<i>Replacement</i>	<i>Extension</i>	<i>Rationalisation</i>	<i>Innovation</i>		
	na	na	na	na		
Trend in consumer confidence over the next 6 months	<i>Positive</i>	<i>Negative</i>	<i>Unchanged</i>			
			yes			
Overall trend in employment	<i>Industry: past 6 months</i>	<i>Industry: next 6 months</i>	<i>Services: past 6 months</i>	<i>Services: next 6 months</i>		
	Up	Same	Up	Up		
Over the next 6 months, cost/access to finance will be...	<i>Higher / more difficult</i>	<i>Same</i>	<i>Lower / less difficult</i>			
	Cost	Access				
	<i>to a large extent</i>	<i>to some extent</i>	<i>to a limited extent</i>	<i>not at all</i>		
Financial market turmoil has affected companies' investment decisions negatively ...			yes			
EXCHANGE RATE DEVELOPMENTS						
Where will the EUR/USD stand in October 2008 ?	<i>Dollar per euro</i>					
	1.50					
POLICY MIX						
Progress towards medium-term budgetary objective is...	<i>Not necessary, situation is satisfactory</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Satisfactory</i>	<i>Neither satisfactory nor unsatisfactory</i>	<i>Unsatisfactory</i>	<i>Deteriorating</i>
			yes			
Monetary policy is...	<i>Tight</i>	<i>Appropriate</i>	<i>Loose</i>			
		yes				
	<i>Adequate</i>	<i>Inadequate</i>				
Consistency between fiscal and monetary policies		yes				