

AUTUMN 2008 ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR POLAND: ANSWERS FROM PKPP

MAIN FORECAST

	2008	2009
Real GDP growth	5.3	4.0
Consumer price inflation	4.0	2.5
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.2
Employment growth	4.0	1.0

Components of aggregate demand

Annual % change	2008	2009
Private consumption	5.8	5.1
Public consumption	2.6	3.0
Investment (Gross fixed capital formation)	13.4	8.0
Exports	8.5	6.5
Imports	9.7	7.0

ECONOMIC SENTIMENT

Trend in business climate over the next 6 months	Positive	Negative Industry	Unchanged Services		
Trend in profitability over the next 6 months	Positive	Negative Industry	Unchanged Services		
Investment intentions over the next 6 months	Increase (faster pace)	Increase (slower pace) Industry	Unchanged Services	Decrease (slower pace)	Decrease (faster pace)
Driving force behind investment decisions in the next 6 months	Replacement Up	Extension Up	Rationalisation Up	Innovation Same	
Trend in consumer confidence over the next 6 months	Positive	Negative	Unchanged yes		
Overall trend in employment	Industry: past 6 months Up	Industry: next 6 months Same	Services: past 6 months Up	Services: next 6 months Up	
Over the next 6 months, cost/access to finance will be...	Higher / more difficult	Same Cost Access	Lower / less difficult		
Financial market turmoil has affected companies' investment decisions negatively ...	to a large extent	to some extent	to a limited extent	not at all	
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POLICY MIX

	Not necessary, situation is satisfactory	Excellent	Satisfactory	Neither satisfactory nor unsatisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Deteriorating
Progress towards medium-term budgetary objective is...						
Monetary policy is...	Tight, appropriate for the euro area	Tight yes	Appropriate	Loose	Loose, appropriate for the euro area	
Consistency between fiscal and monetary policies	Adequate	Inadequate yes				