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Flash Estimate of the Gross Domestic Product - Base 2010 First quarter of 2015

Gross Domestic Product registers a quarterly variation of 0.9% in the first quarter of 2015

The annual rate is 2.6% in the first quarter of 2015

The Gross Domestic Product (GDP)¹ generated by the Spanish economy registered a 0.9% variation in the first quarter of 2015, as compared to the previous quarter², according to the flash estimate of quarterly GDP. This rate was two tenths higher than that registered in the previous quarter (0.7%).

Gross Domestic ProductQuarter-on-quarter growth rates



Gross Domestic Product

| Rates | 2013 | 2013 | | | | 2014 | | | | 2015 | | | |
|--------------------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|--|
| | IQ | IIQ | IIIQ | IVQ | IQ | IIQ | IIIQ | IVQ | IQ | IIQ | IIIQ | IVQ | |
| Year-on-year | -2.2 | -1.7 | -1.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| Quarter-on-quarter | -0.3 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |

¹ Chain-linked volume measures.

² Data adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects

The annual variation of the GDP in the first quarter 2015 was 2.6%, against 2.0% in the fourth quarter of the previous year.

Gross Domestic Product Year-on-year growth rates



Methodological note

This advanced estimate of the GDP uses the same methodology as that employed in the compilation of the complete estimate, although within a simplified framework. In addition, temporary series modelling advanced techniques have been turned to, both for completing the data for the reference period and for validating estimates.

With the estimate of the quarterly GDP adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects for some countries in the European Union (EU), Spain among them, the European Statistical Office (Eurostat) carried out an initial estimate of GDP growth for the EU and for the Economic and Monetary Union. Obtaining this advance estimate of the EMU forms part of Eurostat and European Central Bank policy of offering timely and quality data that are comparable with that produced by the United States.

This advanced estimate of the quarterly GDP provides information only as a guideline, and therefore, it does not have to coincide with the data provided by the Quarterly National Accounts of Spain (QNAS) a few weeks later.

In this sense, we remind you that the INE will publish, on 28 May, the complete tables and charts of the Spanish Quarterly National Accounts for the first quarter of 2015.