

Country Profile

G-20 advanced industrial and emerging countries


France

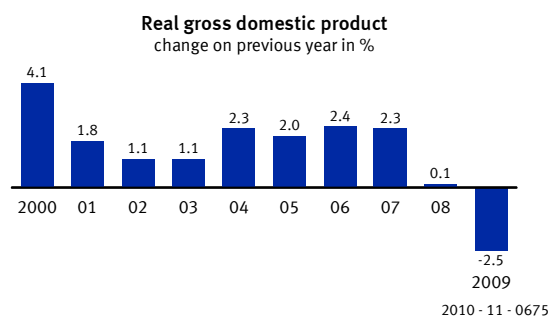
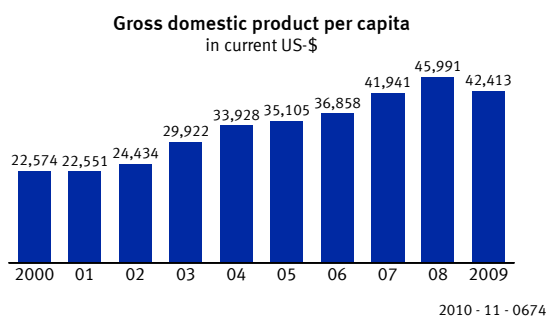


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General information

Capital city	Paris	
Currency	Euro (EUR)	
Official language	French	
Population (1 000)	62,637 (2010)	
Land area (km ²)	547,660	
Gross domestic product (current, bn US-\$)	2,656.4 (2009)	
Exchange rate (average), € per US-\$	0,72 (2009)	



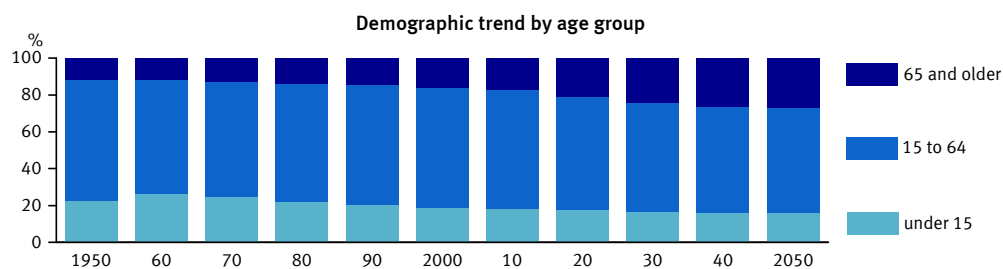
Economy and finance	unit	1995	2000	2005	2009
Gross domestic product (GDP), current prices	bn US-\$	1,572.4	1,333.3	2,147.8	2,656.4
GDP per capita, current prices	US-\$	27,183	22,574	35,105	42,413
Economic development (GDP)	% change on previous year	2.2	4.1	2.0	-2.5
General government budget balance	% of GDP	-5.5	-1.5	-3.0	-7.6
Public debt	% of GDP	55.5	57.3	66.4	78.1
Inflation rate (annual change of price index)	% change on previous year	1.8	1.8	1.9	0.1
Consumer price index, food	2000 = 100	93.1	100.0	111.0	120.4
Total Tax revenue (incl. social security)	% of GDP	42.9	44.4	43.9	43.1 ¹
Exchange rate, annual average	EUR per US-\$	1.08	1.09	0.80	0.72
Stock of inward foreign direct investment (FDI)	bn US-\$	191.4	391.0	889.0	1,133.0
Stock of outward foreign direct investment (FDI)	bn US-\$	204.4	925.9	1,232.2	1,720.0
Net flow: inward FDI	bn US-\$	23.7	43.3	85.0	59.6
Net flow: outward FDI	bn US-\$	15.8	177.4	115.0	147.2
Gross value added: Agriculture, forestry, fishing	% of GDP	3.3	2.8	2.3	2.0 ¹
Gross value added: Industry	% of GDP	24.6	22.9	20.7	20.4 ¹
Gross value added: Services	% of GDP	72.1	74.3	77.0	77.6 ¹

¹ 2008.

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Population and migration	unit	1995	2000	2005	2009
Population	1 000	57,844	58,896	60,873	62,616
Population density	inhabitants per km ²	105.6	107.5	111.2	113.7 ¹
Share of population aged under 15	% of total population	19.5	18.8	18.4	18.4
Share of population aged 15 to 64 years	% of total population	65.1	65.0	65.1	64.9
Share of population aged 65 years and older	% of total population	15.4	16.1	16.5	16.7
Share of foreign-born population	% of total population	10.5	10.7	10.6	.
Fertility rate, total	births per woman	1.71	1.88	1.92	2.00 ¹
Population change	% on previous year	+0.32	+0.46	+0.58	+0.54
Life expectancy at birth (male)	years	73.9	75.3	76.8	78.0 ¹
Life expectancy at birth (female)	years	81.8	82.7	83.8	85.2 ¹

¹ 2008.



From 2010 onwards: estimation of the United Nations, medium variant.

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Health	unit	1995	2000	2005	2008
Public expenditure on health	% of GDP	8.3	8.0	8.8	8.7
Hospital beds	per 1 000 inhabitants	8.9	8.1	7.3	7.1 ²
Practising physicians	per 1 000 inhabitants	3.2	3.3	3.4 ³	3.7 ²
Infant mortality rate	per 1 000 live births	5.5	4.3	3.8	3.4

² 2007 – ³ 2004.

Education	unit	1995	2000	2005	2008
Public expenditure on education	% of GDP	5,9	5,7	5,6	5,6 ²
Pupil-teacher ratio, primary	number	18,8	18,7	18,6	19,0
Pupil-teacher ratio, secondary	number	12,7	11,8	11,4	12,3

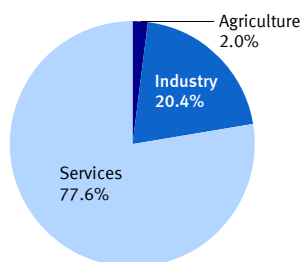
² 2007.

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Labour force	unit	1995	2000	2005	2009
Labour force (age 15-64)	1 000	24,805	25,716	27,574	28,457
Labour force participation rate (age 15-64)	%	67.8	68.7	70.0	70.7
Labour force participation rate (male, 15-64)	%	75.0	75.2	75.3	75.2
Labour force participation rate (female, 15-64)	%	60.8	62.4	64.8	66.3
Employment rate (age 15-64)	%	59.5	62.1	63.7	64.2
Self-employed persons	% of total employment	11.6	10.1	9.9	9.9 ¹
Unemployed persons (age 15-64)	1 000	2,787	2,385	2,598	2,759
Unemployment rate (age 15-64)	%	11.0	9.0	9.3	9.5
Long-term unemployment rate (age 15-64)	% of unemployed persons	39.4	38.8	41.1	35.2
Unemployment rate (age 15-24)	%	9.8	7.0	7.8	9.2
Average labour costs in manufacturing	US-\$ per hour	19.77	15.76	24.64	31.61 ¹

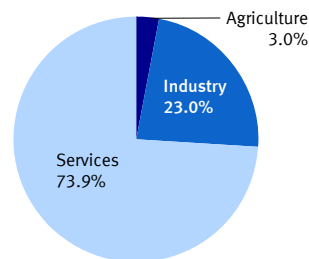
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Gross value added by sector in 2008



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Employed persons by sector 2008



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Living conditions	unit	1995	2000	2005	2009
Gross national income, Atlas method	Intl. US-\$ per capita	25,190	24,450	35,180	42,680
Human development index (HDI)	rank	2	12	10	8 ²
Ratio of the richest 10% to the poorest 10%	quotient of income share	9.1	.	.	.

² 2007.

Business, production	unit	1995	2000	2005	2009
Production index of manufacturing industry	2005 = 100	88.7	100.2	100.0	87.4
Production: crude steel	1 000 tons	18,100	20,954	19,481	12,836
Production: passenger cars	1 000 vehicles	.	2,880	3,113	1,819
Producer price index (industrial production)	2000 = 100	92.4 ³	93.3	100.0	104.1

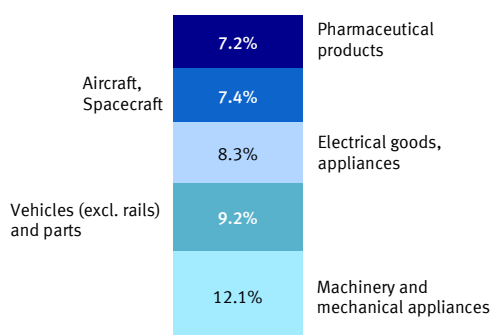
³ 1996.

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Agriculture	unit	1995	2000	2005	2009
Agricultural land	% of land area	54.9	54.2	54.0	53.4 ¹
Employment in agriculture	1 000	1,088	879	722	600
Index of agricultural production	1999 bis 2001 = 100	95	100	97	97
Index of agricultural exports (value)	1999 bis 2001 = 100	120	98	136	145 ²
Forest area	% of land area	27.3	28.0	28.7	29.0 ¹

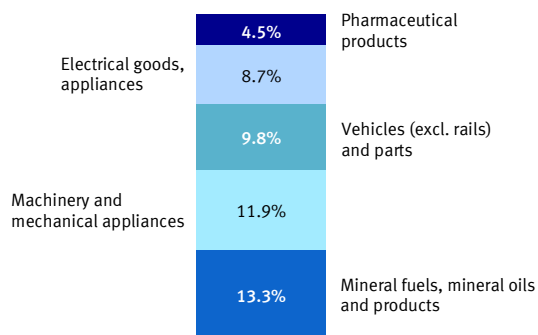
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Selected exports by major commodity groups 2009
Share of goods exported



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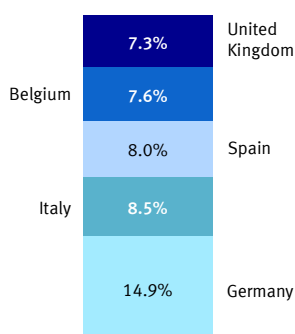
Selected imports by major commodity groups 2009
Share of goods imported



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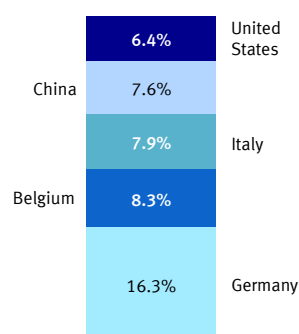
External trade	unit	1995	2000	2005	2009
Import of goods	bn US-\$	273.4	303.8	475.9	540.5
Export of goods	bn US-\$	284.0	295.3	434.4	464.1
Trade balance	bn US-\$	10.7	-8.4	-41.5	-76.4
↘ Goods imported from Germany	mn US-\$	50,549	49,231	81,704	88,207
Main product group: vehicles (excl. rail), parts	mn US-\$	9,238	9,297	17,302	16,859
Share of goods imported from Germany	% of all goods imported	18.5	16.2	17.2	16.4
↘ Goods exported to Germany	mn US-\$	50,152	44,461	63,112	68,985
Main product group: Mineral fuels, oils, products	mn US-\$	6,136	5,727	8,232	9,337
Share of goods exported to Germany	% of all goods exported	17.7	15.1	14.5	14.9

Destination countries 2009
Share of goods exported



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Origin countries 2009
Share of goods imported



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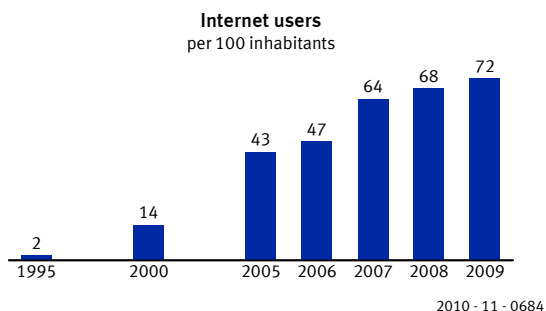
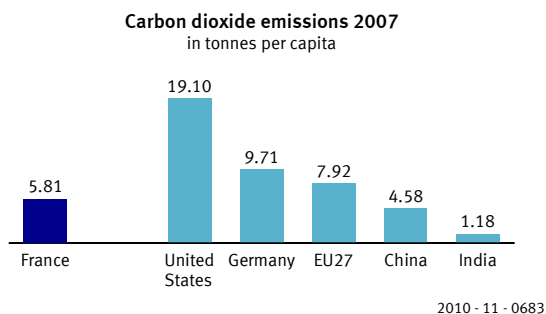
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Transport	unit	1995	2000	2005	2008
Passenger cars	per 1 000 inhabitants	434	476	494	498 ¹
Rail transport: passengers	mn passenger-km	55,311	69,860	78,306	88,283
Rail transport: freight	bn ton-km	48,136	55,448	41,898	41,530
Air transport: passengers	mn passengers	36.0	52.6	52.5	61.2
Air transport: freight	bn ton-km	4,578	5,224	5,802	6,188
Average pump price for gasoline	US-\$ per litre	1.17	0.99	1.48 ²	1.52

¹ 2007 – ² 2006.

Environment and energy	unit	1995	2000	2005	2008
CO ₂ emissions	metric tons per capita	5.96	6.21	6.17	5.74
Gross electricity consumption	kWh per capita	6 813	7 485	7 944	7 772 ¹
Energy consumption	kg oil equivalent per capita	4 104	4 299	4 459	4 258 ¹
Fossil fuel energy consumption	% of energy consumption	53.3	52.5	52.1	51.2
Net energy imports (+) / exports (-)	% of energy consumption	45.8	47.8	49.2	48.6 ¹

¹ 2007.



Science, research, technology	unit	1995	2000	2005	2009
Research and development (R&D) expenditure	% of GDP	2.3 ³	2.2	2.1	2.0 ⁴
Researchers (full-time equivalents) in R&D sector	per mn inhabitants	2,660 ³	2,910	3,319	.
Resident patent applications	per mn inhabitants	215	236	235	239 ¹
Mobile phone subscriptions	per 100 inhabitants	1.6	49.1	78.8	95.5
Internet users	per 100 inhabitants	2.2	14.3	42.9	71.6
Fixed broadband subscriptions	per 100 inhabitants	.	0.3	15.5	31.1

¹ 2007 – ³ 1996 – ⁴ 2008.

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Methodology and sources

The indicators presented in this country profile are predominantly taken from official international statistical sources. Official national statistics are only used to complete the profile where necessary. All database extractions were carried out in October 2010. The following overview lists the sources used for each section.

Economy and finance ▪ IMF, UNCTAD, ILO, OECD, World Bank	Business, production ▪ IMF (IFS), World Steel Assoc., OICA
Population and migration ▪ UNPOP, World Bank	Agriculture ▪ FAOSTAT
Health ▪ World Bank, OECD	External trade ▪ UN Comtrade
Education ▪ UNESCO	Transport ▪ World Bank
Labour force ▪ Eurostat, ILO, Bureau of Labor Statistics	Environment and energy ▪ IEA, World Bank
Living conditions ▪ World Bank, UNDP	Science, research, technology ▪ UNESCO, WIPO, ITU

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