

Quarterly national accounts - Detailled results Q3 2010

French GDP increased in Q3 (+0.3%) household purchasing power slightly accelerated (+0.7% after +0.5%)

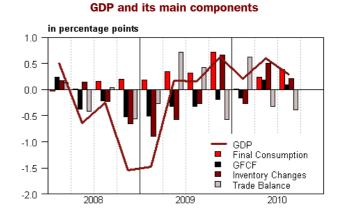
French GDP increased by 0.3% in the third quarter of 2010, after +0.6% in the previous quarter.

Households' consumption expenditures accelerated

Production's growth slightly decreased (+0.3% after +0.7%). Households' consumption expenditures edged up (+0.5% after +0.3%) whereas total GFCF slowed down (+0.5% after +0.9%). Altogether, total domestic demand (excluding inventory changes) buoyantly contributed to GDP growth: +0.5 point after +0.4 point in the second quarter. Imports remained dynamic (+3.9% after +3.8%), more than exports (+2.6% after +2.7%). As a consequence, foreign trade balance deteriorated on the third quarter and negatively contributed to GDP growth (-0.4 point after -0.3 point). Inventory changes positively contributed to GDP growth: +0.5 point.

GDP growth estimate revised in the third quarter. This mainly ensued from the revisions of GFCF indicators in business services and construction industry, and consumption indicators in personal services. Besides, GDP growth estimate also revised in the second quarter: +0.6%, whereas it was +0.7% in the publication of the 12th of november. This is primarily due to the revision of production indicator in transport.

* This growth rate is seasonally and trading-day adjusted; volumes are chain-linked previous-year-prices volumes.



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percentage change from previous period, trading-days and

	seasonally adjusted data					
	2009	2010	2010	2010	2009	2010
	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3		(ovhg)
GDP	0.6	0.2	0.6	0.3	-2.5	1.4
Imports	3.2	1.8	3.8	3.9	-10.6	8.2
Households'						
consumption						
expenditure	1.0	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.6	1.4
General government's						
consumption						
expenditure	0.6	-0.1	0.3	0.3	2.8	1.4
GFCF	-0.9	-0.8	0.9	0.5	-7.0	-1.8
of which Non financial						
corporated and						
unincorporated						
enterprises	-1.0	-0.9	1.2	0.5	-7.9	-1.7
Households	-1.4	-0.4	0.2	0.9	-8.7	-2.3
General government	0.1	-1.4	0.9	-0.3	0.6	-0.8
Exports	1.1	4.7	2.7	2.6	-12.2	9.6
Contributions :						
Internal demand						
excluding inventory						
changes	0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.5	-0.5	0.8
Inventory changes	0.7	-0.3	0.5	0.2	-1.8	0.4
Net foreign trade	-0.6	0.6	-0.3	-0.4	-0.2	0.2

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	seasonally adjusted data					uala
	2009 Q4	2010 Q1	2010 Q2	2010 Q3	2009	2010 (ovhg)
Profit ratio of NFC* (level) Household purchasing	29.2	29.7	29.5	29.7	29.8	
power	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.7	1.6	1.3
*NEC : non-financial corporations						

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Household disposable income and household account ratios

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	2009	2010	2010	2010	2009	2010
	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3		(ovhg)
HDI	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.1	2.4
Household						
purchasing power	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.7	1.6	1.3
HDI by ci*						
(purchasing power)	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.6
Adjusted HDI						
(purchasing power)	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.6	1.6	1.4
Saving rate (level)	15.9	15.9	16.1	16.2	16.2	
Financial saving rate						
(level)	6.9	6.9	7.2	7.3	7.0	
* ci · consumption unit						

ci : consumption unit

Household purchasing power slightly increased this quarter

In nominal terms, households disposable income slightly increased (+0.9% after +0.8%). Wages kept increasing (+0.3% after +0.7%) but at a lower pace than past quarter because of the deceleration of wage per employee. On the contrary, taxes on income and wealth decreased (-1.3% after +1.1%) this guarter and offset the effect of the deceleration of wages. In particular, the income tax dropped this quarter with 2009 income declaration. Finally, social benefits in cash slew down (+0.7% after +0.8%).

In the same time, consumption price decelerated (+0.2% after +0.3%) stemming from the decrease of energy prices. As a whole, households purchasing power accelerated slightly (+0.7% after +0.5%).

Households disposable income increased more sharply than household consumption in nominal terms (+0.7%). As a consequence, household saving rate gained 0.1 point and reached 16.2%.

Non-financial corporation profit ratio increased this quarter

Value added of non financial corporations progressed this quarter at the same pace than last quarter (+1.0%). Wages paid (including social contributions) decelerated in the third quarter (+0.6% after +1.2%) because of the slow down of wages per employee (+0.3% after +0.9%) although employment grew at the same pace (+0.2%). As a whole, non-financial corporation profit ratio increased by 0.2 point and reached 29.7%.