

# *General government expenditure by function*

2008

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## *Share of general government expenditure of GDP started to rise in 2008*

The share of total general government expenditure of gross domestic product (GDP) was 49.5 per cent in 2008. In 2007 the share was 47.3 per cent. The upward turn of the share of expenditure of GDP in 2008 was due both to faster growth of total expenditure than in the year before and in particular the slowing down of the growth rate of GDP. In 2006 and 2007 the share of total expenditure of GDP diminished from the previous year. General government total expenditure grew by 7.3 per cent in 2008.

In 2008 the biggest general government expenditure item was social protection with its GDP share of 20.4 per cent. The second largest share of expenditure, or 7.1 per cent of GDP went to health care. Social protection accounted for 41.3 per cent and health care for 14.3 per cent in 2008 of total expenditure. Expenditure on education represented 12 per cent of total expenditure.

General government total expenditure refers here to general government consolidated expenditure. Consolidated expenditure excludes property expenditure, capital transfers and other current transfers between general government sub-sectors. This release presents the revisions that have been made in the entire time series 1990–2008 of the statistics on general government expenditure by function. These statistics are based on national accounts data, so the revision of the time series in the national accounts published on 29 January 2010 will also cause revisions to data on expenditure by function. The detailed time series is presented in database tables.

### Consolidated Total Expenditures by Function, General Government 2007–2008

		Million euro	Ratio to GDP, %
Function	Year		
G0 All functions	2007	84 901	47,3
	2008	91 121	49,5
G01 General public services	2007	11 223	6,3
	2008	12 191	6,6
G02 Defence	2007	2 507	1,4
	2008	2 770	1,5
G03 Public order and safety	2007	2 240	1,2
	2008	2 451	1,3
G04 Economic affairs	2007	7 910	4,4
	2008	8 672	4,7
G05 Environmental protection	2007	589	0,3
	2008	586	0,3
G06 Housing and community amenities	2007	607	0,3
	2008	778	0,4
G07 Health	2007	11 911	6,6
	2008	13 005	7,1
G08 Recreation, culture and religion	2007	1 937	1,1
	2008	2 079	1,1
G09 Education	2007	10 330	5,8
	2008	10 935	5,9
G10 Social protection	2007	35 647	19,9
	2008	37 654	20,4

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Function	Million euro	Ratio to GDP, %
G0 All functions	91 121	49,5
G0101 Executive and legislative organs, financial, fiscal and external affairs	2 733	1,5
G0102 Foreign economic aid	644	0,3
G0103 General services	4 891	2,7
G0104 Basic research	903	0,5
G0105 R&D general public services	3	0,0
G0106 General public services, not elsewhere classified	38	0,0
G0107 Public debt transactions	2 979	1,6
G0108 Transfers of a general character between different levels of government	0	0,0
G0201 Military defence	2 549	1,4
G0202 Civil defence	40	0,0
G0203 Foreign military aid	109	0,1
G0204 R&D defence	0	0,0
G0205 Defence, not elsewhere classified	72	0,0
G0301 Police services	999	0,5
G0302 Fire-protection services	525	0,3
G0303 Law courts	466	0,3
G0304 Prisons	241	0,1
G0305 R&D Public order and safety	4	0,0
G0306 Public order and safety, not elsewhere classified	216	0,1
G0401 General economic, commercial and labour affairs	1 257	0,7
G0402 Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	1 927	1,0
G0403 Fuel and energy	43	0,0
G0404 Mining, manufacturing, construction	207	0,1
G0405 Transport	4 125	2,2
G0406 Communications	32	0,0
G0407 Other industries	0	0,0
G0408 R&D Economic affairs	754	0,4
G0409 Economic affairs, not elsewhere classified	327	0,2
G0501 Waste management	162	0,1
G0502 Waste water management	0	0,0
G0503 Pollution abatement	145	0,1
G0504 Protection of biodiversity and landscape	65	0,0
G0505 R&D Environmental protection	56	0,0
G0506 Environmental protection, not elsewhere classified	158	0,1
G0601 Housing development	103	0,1
G0602 Community development	473	0,3
G0603 Water supply	28	0,0
G0604 Street lighting	0	0,0
G0605 R&D Housing and community amenities	0	0,0
G0606 Housing and community amenities, not elsewhere classified	174	0,1
G0701 Medical products, appliances and equipment	1 299	0,7
G0702 Outpatient services	5 511	3,0
G0703 Hospital services	5 561	3,0
G0704 Public health services	39	0,0
G0705 R&D Health	170	0,1
G0706 Health, not elsewhere classified	425	0,2
G0801 Recreational and sporting services	824	0,4
G0802 Cultural services	924	0,5
G0803 Broadcasting and publishing services	3	0,0
G0804 Religious and other community services	326	0,2
G0805 R&D Recreation, culture and religion	2	0,0
G0806 Recreation, culture and religion, not elsewhere classified	0	0,0
G0901 Pre-primary and primary education	2 176	1,2
G0902 Secondary education	5 042	2,7
G0903 Post-secondary, non-tertiary education	0	0,0
G0904 Tertiary education	2 967	1,6
G0905 Education not definable by level	407	0,2

	Million euro	Ratio to GDP, %
G0906 Subsidiary services to education	40	0,0
G0907 R&D Education	10	0,0
G0909 Education, not elsewhere classified	293	0,2
G1001 Sickness and disability	7 976	4,3
G1002 Old age	17 047	9,3
G1003 Survivors	1 307	0,7
G1004 Family and children	4 856	2,6
G1005 Unemployment	3 711	2,0
G1006 Housing	428	0,2
G1007 Social exclusion, not elsewhere classified	1 162	0,6
G1008 R&D Social protection	33	0,0
G1009 Social protection, not elsewhere classified	1 134	0,6

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