

World Economic Prospects 2009

A planner's guide to international market conditions

World Economic Prospects examines the future prospects for the world's largest economies.

Discussed are the major challenges faced by each of the 71 countries researched and looks at the key factors that will influence future performance and the types of repercussions that could result from various economic shocks in today's world.

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- Coverage of 71 countries
- Regional sections as well as country sections
- Rankings section
- Forecast data up to 2020
- Overview of the global economy

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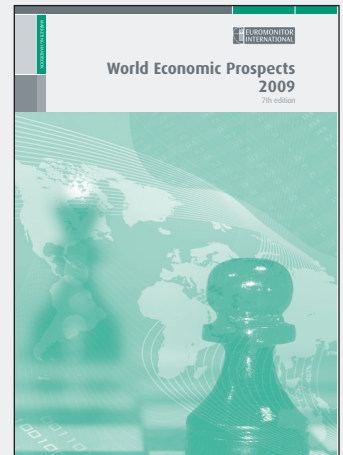
- Provides and overview of the country's economy
- Incisive comment on the future economic outlook
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- See which countries are forecast to have the fastest growing economies and which are predicted to slow down
- Look at what is going to happen on a country and worldwide basis in the next 10 years
- Understand which markets hold the greatest potential for investment

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- Provides a thorough analysis of future economic and political developments
- Forecast data gives you an 'insight' into future demographic and economic shifts
- Includes the world's major economic and industrial powers



Market conditions are assessed in 71 countries and 7 regions providing:

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Strategic country overview

Each section starts with an overview of the economy

A political stability and risk analysis

Highlighting particularly important or sensitive issues likely to affect short and long term economic outlook

Analysis of a country's economic prospects

Identifying potential government changes along with changes to economic growth

Includes the following data:

- Economic profile
- Demographic trends
- Major cities
- Short-term macro economic forecasts

RANKINGS

Rankings datasets

- Total population
- Urban population
- Median age of population
- Total GDP
- GDP per capita
- Real GDP growth
- Per capita disposable income

INTERNATIONAL

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- Overview
- Demographic trends
- Economic trends
- Political risk

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North America

Overview of the Regional Economy

Economic profile: 2008-2020 Table 9.1
— US\$ at 2007 prices

	2008	2010	2015	2020
GDP (million)	14,899,779.58	16,194,411.75	18,031,051.37	22,535,038.88
GDP per capita	44,529.40	47,157.30	53,138.30	60,457.83
Private consumption (million)	10,484,223.60	11,731,948.44	13,655,496.92	16,194,337.87
Private consumption per capita	31,382.88			
Disposable income (million)	10,570,021.10			
Disposable income per capita	31,589.51			

Source: Euromonitor International from IMF

The Canadian economy has performed well and the country claims the strongest. Continuing economic recovery in the US have driven Canada's economic growth.

The boom in global commodity prices. However, the associated appreciation of the oil and gas sector in western resource-rich and resource-poor provinces.

The economic upswing that began four years ago has slowed as a result of a weak dollar. Rapid productivity growth, investment, and employment has gradually aided by a weakening dollar.

The key challenge for American policy is to reduce the federal debt ahead of the retirement entitlement reform. The country's financial markets, those of Social Security, and have increased. Medicare system is still expected to be in a decade and outlays are projected to triple.

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other parts of Eastern Europe are less striking (and, in part, are driven by emigration) but it is clear that the region's work force is not only shrinking but ageing at a steady pace.

At the other end of the spectrum are countries which will experience relatively high rates of population growth combined with a relatively slow ageing process. Only one European country (Ireland) falls in this category but the list includes a number of Middle Eastern oil exporters where population gains are driven mainly by immigration. In several Asian countries – as well as a few Latin America countries – population gains will be mainly due to natural increases.

Chart 2: A Comparison of Rates of Population and Ageing: 2007-2020

Source: Euromonitor, IMF, OECD, ADB, IADB, National sources
Note: Countries are classified on the basis of population growth in 1995-2015 and the percentage change in median age over the same time period.

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