



The New Zealand Economy: Ten Years at a Glance
(Annual percentage change, unless specified otherwise)

March years	Actuals		Projections		
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Price measures					
CPIX	1.7	1.0	2.2	1.4	1.5
Wages	2.6	2.7	2.6	3.1	3.1
Import prices	2.9	2.9	1.7	-0.8	-0.2
Export prices	4.8	-1.5	2.6	-0.9	-0.4
Monetary conditions					
Real MCI (year average)	750	25	-100	25	125
Nominal MCI (year average)	700	-50	-125	0	100
TWI (year average)	64.4	57.3	58.0	58.6	59.4
90-day rate (year average)	8.0	6.2	5.0	5.5	6.0
Output					
Output gap (% of potential GDP, year average)	0.6	-2.0	-1.4	-0.2	0.3
Real GDP (production, annual average % change)	2.0	-0.2	3.0	3.8	3.5
Key balances					
Government operating balance (% of GDP)	2.6	2.3	0.3	0.8	1.1
Current account balance (% of GDP)	-6.8	-6.5	-7.0	-5.5	-5.3
Terms of trade (annual average % change)	-0.6	-0.6	-1.7	0.8	-0.2
Unemployment rate (March quarter, s.a.)	7.2	7.2	6.8	6.3	5.8
Household savings rate (% of disposable income)	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.7	1.1
World economy					
World GDP (annual average % change)	3.1	0.9	2.8	2.8	2.8
World CPI inflation	2.4	1.0	1.7	1.8	2.0
Real expenditures on GDP (Annual average percentage change)					
Final consumption expenditure					
Private	3.1	1.3	2.0	2.3	2.2
Public authority	6.4	-0.4	5.3	-3.3	-0.1
Total	3.7	0.9	2.6	1.2	1.7
Gross fixed capital formation					
Market sector					
Residential	1.7	-15.0	13.2	5.0	1.5
Business	0.1	7.4	10.5	5.9	4.6
Non-market government sector	7.0	-6.2	6.1	6.3	3.4
Total	1.5	0.4	10.4	5.8	3.9
Final domestic expenditure					
Stockbuilding	0.2	-0.9	0.3	0.3	0.3
Gross national expenditure					
Exports of goods and services	3.4	-0.1	4.6	2.5	2.5
Imports of goods and services	3.6	2.1	4.6	5.8	5.9
	4.8	3.6	7.2	1.7	2.8
GDP (expenditure)					
	3.0	-0.7	3.7	3.9	3.6
GDP (production)					
	2.0	-0.2	3.0	3.8	3.5

Government operating balance

Percentage of nominal GDP (expenditure), June year.

Current account balance

Percentage of nominal GDP (production) excluding migrant transfers.

Terms of trade

Domestic-currency export and import prices, *Overseas Trade Indexes*.

Unemployment rate

Household Labour Force Survey.

World GDP

RBNZ definition. Projections based on *Consensus Forecasts*. s.a.

World CPI inflation

RBNZ definition and estimate. TWI trading partners' CPI

Stockbuilding

inflation, using TWI weights. Projections based on *Consensus Forecast*.

Percentage point contribution to GDP growth rate.

Annual percentage change

$(Q/Q-4-1)*100$

Source: Unless specified otherwise, Statistics New Zealand definitions, not seasonally adjusted.

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March years	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Price measures					
CPIX	1.7	1.6	2.6	2.1	2.0
Wages	0.7	1.4	2.1	3.7	4.0
Import prices	3.6	-6.0	1.1	-1.3	-4.6
Export prices	8.8	-6.5	1.2	-3.5	-6.3
Monetary conditions					
Real MCI (year average)	-400	-275	150	575	975
Nominal MCI (year average)	-325	-275	175	600	950
TWI (year average)	53.6	55.5	58.0	62.2	66.4
90-day rate (year average)	6.8	5.7	7.8	8.8	9.0
Output					
Output gap (% of potential GDP, year average)	-3.0	0.3	2.0	2.0	1.3
GDP (production, annual average % change)	1.2	6.3	5.4	3.8	2.6
Key balances					
Government operating balance (% of GDP)	n/a	0.9	3.1	3.6	2.0
Current account balance (% of GDP)	-2.6	-2.3	-4.7	-5.5	-6.4
Terms of trade (annual average % change)	2.4	1.5	-0.3	-2.2	-0.8
Unemployment rate (March quarter, s.a.)	9.8	9.1	6.6	6.2	6.5
Household savings rate (% of disposable income)	3.4	3.3	0.4	0.5	0.7
World economy					
World GDP (annual average % change)	2.7	3.4	4.4	4.1	4.2
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Private	0.3	3.4	6.0	4.2	3.8
Public authority	3.0	-1.1	-0.7	3.3	2.4
Total	0.9	2.4	4.6	4.0	3.5
Gross fixed capital formation					
Market sector					
Residential	2.8	17.1	12.2	-0.1	4.0
Business	5.3	20.3	16.1	12.0	2.4
Non-market government sector	-3.1	8.5	37.0	14.3	30.0
Total	3.7	18.2	17.2	9.4	6.2
Final domestic expenditure					
Stockbuilding	1.3	5.1	7.0	5.1	4.1
	0.7	1.1	0.0	-0.7	-0.5
Gross national expenditure					
Exports of goods and services	2.0	6.2	6.9	4.3	3.6
Imports of goods and services	2.5	7.9	8.4	2.6	3.8
	7.4	8.0	14.3	7.2	7.0
GDP (expenditure)					
	0.8	6.2	5.3	2.9	2.6
GDP (production)					
	1.2	6.3	5.4	3.8	2.6

CPIX

Import prices

Export prices

Wages

Real MCI

Nominal MCI

Exchange rate (TWI)

90-day bank bill yield

Output gap

Potential GDP

Consumers Price Index excluding credit services.

Overseas Trade Indexes (domestic currency).

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Private sector average ordinary hourly earnings, *Quarterly Employment Survey*.

Reserve Bank of New Zealand.

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Defined as the year average percentage difference between real GDP (production s.a.) and potential GDP.

Reserve Bank definition and estimate.