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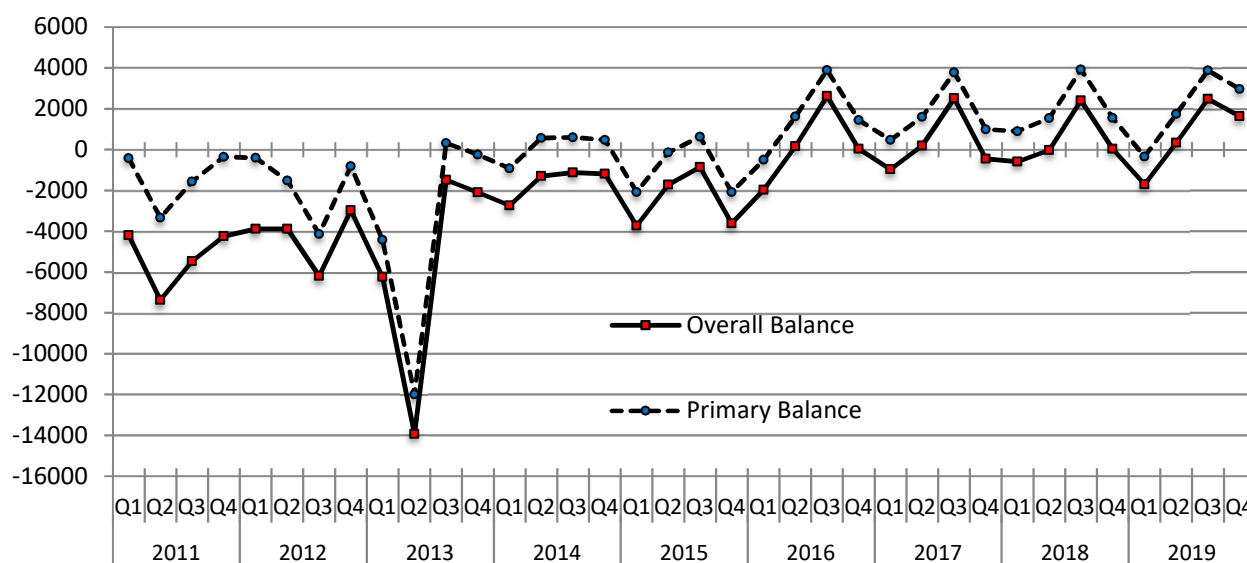
### Quarterly Non-Financial Accounts of General Government 4th Quarter 2019

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) with the present press release announces the quarterly non-financial accounts of General Government for the fourth quarter of 2019 (Table 1 & Table 2) as well as data on General Government debt at the end of that period (Table 3). These data have been produced on the basis of the Regulation ESA 2010 (549/2013) for the System of National Accounts, which became obligatory as of 01.09.2014.

Since the first quarter of 2009, the quarterly non-financial accounts of General Government have been compiled by ELSTAT based mainly on direct data sources. The data are compiled in full consistency with the European System of Accounts - ESA2010. It should be noted that the methods used to compile data on a quarterly basis are consistent with the methods used to compile the annual data.

The quarterly non-financial accounts of General Government provide information on the aggregates constituting General Government revenue (taxes, social contributions, capital transfers, etc) and expenditure (compensation of employees, intermediate consumption, social benefits, interest payments, etc).

**Graph 1: Overall and Primary Balance of General Government (in million EUR)**



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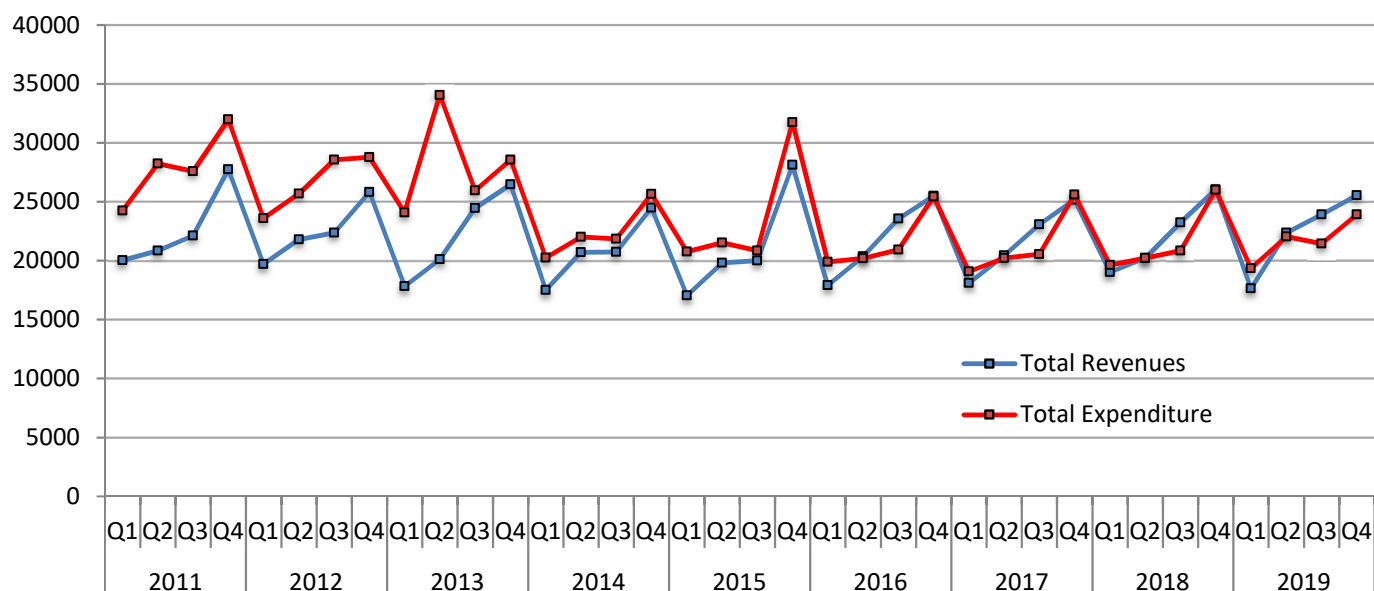
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**TABLE 1: Quarterly non-financial accounts of General Government**  
**2017 Q1 – 2019 Q4 (million EUR)**

ITEMS	2017				2018				2019			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>18,121</b>	<b>20,436</b>	<b>23,073</b>	<b>25,157</b>	<b>19,036</b>	<b>20,214</b>	<b>23,252</b>	<b>26,053</b>	<b>17,638</b>	<b>22,364</b>	<b>23,930</b>	<b>25,548</b>
Taxes on production and imports	5,792	7,031	8,367	9,401	6,438	6,837	8,714	9,343	6,643	7,246	8,809	9,077
Taxes on income and property	3,309	4,839	4,938	4,648	3,556	4,652	5,405	4,985	2,747	5,035	5,454	4,570
Social contributions	6,467	6,445	6,602	6,449	6,562	6,521	6,533	6,683	6,595	6,695	6,774	6,655
Other	2,330	1,955	2,430	3,320	2,082	2,080	2,153	3,307	1,472	3,040	2,349	3,235
Capital transfers	223	166	736	1,339	398	124	447	1,735	181	348	544	2,011
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>19,083</b>	<b>20,239</b>	<b>20,565</b>	<b>25,610</b>	<b>19,626</b>	<b>20,236</b>	<b>20,842</b>	<b>26,016</b>	<b>19,345</b>	<b>22,038</b>	<b>21,442</b>	<b>23,910</b>
<b>Primary expenditure</b>	<b>17,653</b>	<b>18,833</b>	<b>19,282</b>	<b>24,163</b>	<b>18,139</b>	<b>18,669</b>	<b>19,330</b>	<b>24,504</b>	<b>17,973</b>	<b>20,617</b>	<b>20,056</b>	<b>22,584</b>
Compensation of employees	5,188	5,315	5,432	5,576	5,339	5,388	5,449	5,546	5,267	5,602	5,469	5,577
Social benefits	9,109	9,250	9,365	10,702	9,298	9,103	9,508	10,375	9,154	10,297	9,439	9,966
Goods and Services	1,477	2,069	2,008	3,742	1,431	1,906	1,986	3,144	1,352	2,250	1,932	2,891
Subsidies	283	440	525	453	310	444	429	371	401	433	537	671
Other current transfers	665	632	711	654	905	595	772	1,119	898	578	780	791
Capital transfers	931	1,127	1,241	3,036	856	1,233	1,186	3,949	901	1,457	1,899	2,688
<b>Interest</b>	<b>1,430</b>	<b>1,406</b>	<b>1,283</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,487</b>	<b>1,567</b>	<b>1,512</b>	<b>1,512</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>1,421</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>1,326</b>
<b>Primary Balance (excluding interest)<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>468</b>	<b>1,603</b>	<b>3,791</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>1,545</b>	<b>3,922</b>	<b>1,549</b>	<b>-335</b>	<b>1,747</b>	<b>3,874</b>	<b>2,964</b>
<b>Overall Balance</b>	<b>-962</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>2,508</b>	<b>-453</b>	<b>-590</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>2,410</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>-1,707</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>2,488</b>	<b>1,638</b>
<b>Memorandum Item:</b>												
<b>Support to financial institutions <sup>2</sup></b>	-27	-27	-29	-23	-21	-39	-18	-19	-20	-19	-4	157

**Graph 2: Total Revenues and Expenditure of General Government (in million EUR)**



<sup>1</sup> General Government primary balance is defined here as ESA 2010 General Government balance minus interest expenditure of General Government entities to other sectors. It differs from the definition of primary balance used under the Economic Adjustment Program for Greece.

<sup>2</sup> Sign is negative when expenditures of the support exceed revenues. When the impact of the support to financial institutions is positive for the General Government balance, this is due to the fees accruing on the inter-bank lending guarantees and the bond loan scheme, and the revenues from bank preference shares being greater than the expenditures accrued.

**TABLE 2: Quarterly non-financial accounts of General Government  
2017 Q1–2019 Q4 - Percentage contribution**

ITEMS	2017				2018				2019			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>As percentage of Total Revenues</b>												
Taxes on production and imports	32.0	34.4	36.3	37.4	33.8	33.8	37.5	35.9	37.7	32.4	36.8	35.5
Taxes on income and property	18.3	23.7	21.4	18.5	18.7	23.0	23.2	19.1	15.6	22.5	22.8	17.9
Social contributions	35.7	31.5	28.6	25.6	34.5	32.3	28.1	25.7	37.4	29.9	28.3	26.0
Other	12.9	9.6	10.5	13.2	10.9	10.3	9.3	12.7	8.3	13.6	9.8	12.7
Capital transfers	1.2	0.8	3.2	5.3	2.1	0.6	1.9	6.7	1.0	1.6	2.3	7.9
<b>As percentage of Total Expenditure</b>												
<b>Primary expenditure</b>												
Compensation of employees	27.2	26.3	26.4	21.8	27.2	26.6	26.1	21.3	27.2	25.4	25.5	23.3
Social benefits	47.7	45.7	45.5	41.8	47.4	45.0	45.6	39.9	47.3	46.7	44.0	41.7
Goods and Services	7.7	10.2	9.8	14.6	7.3	9.4	9.5	12.1	7.0	10.2	9.0	12.1
Subsidies	1.5	2.2	2.6	1.8	1.6	2.2	2.1	1.4	2.1	2.0	2.5	2.8
Other current transfers	3.5	3.1	3.5	2.6	4.6	2.9	3.7	4.3	4.6	2.6	3.6	3.3
Capital transfers	4.9	5.6	6.0	11.9	4.4	6.1	5.7	15.2	4.7	6.6	8.9	11.2
<b>Interest</b>	7.5	6.9	6.2	5.7	7.6	7.7	7.3	5.8	7.1	6.4	6.5	5.5

**Graph 3: Total Revenues and Expenditure of General Government by category (in million EUR)**

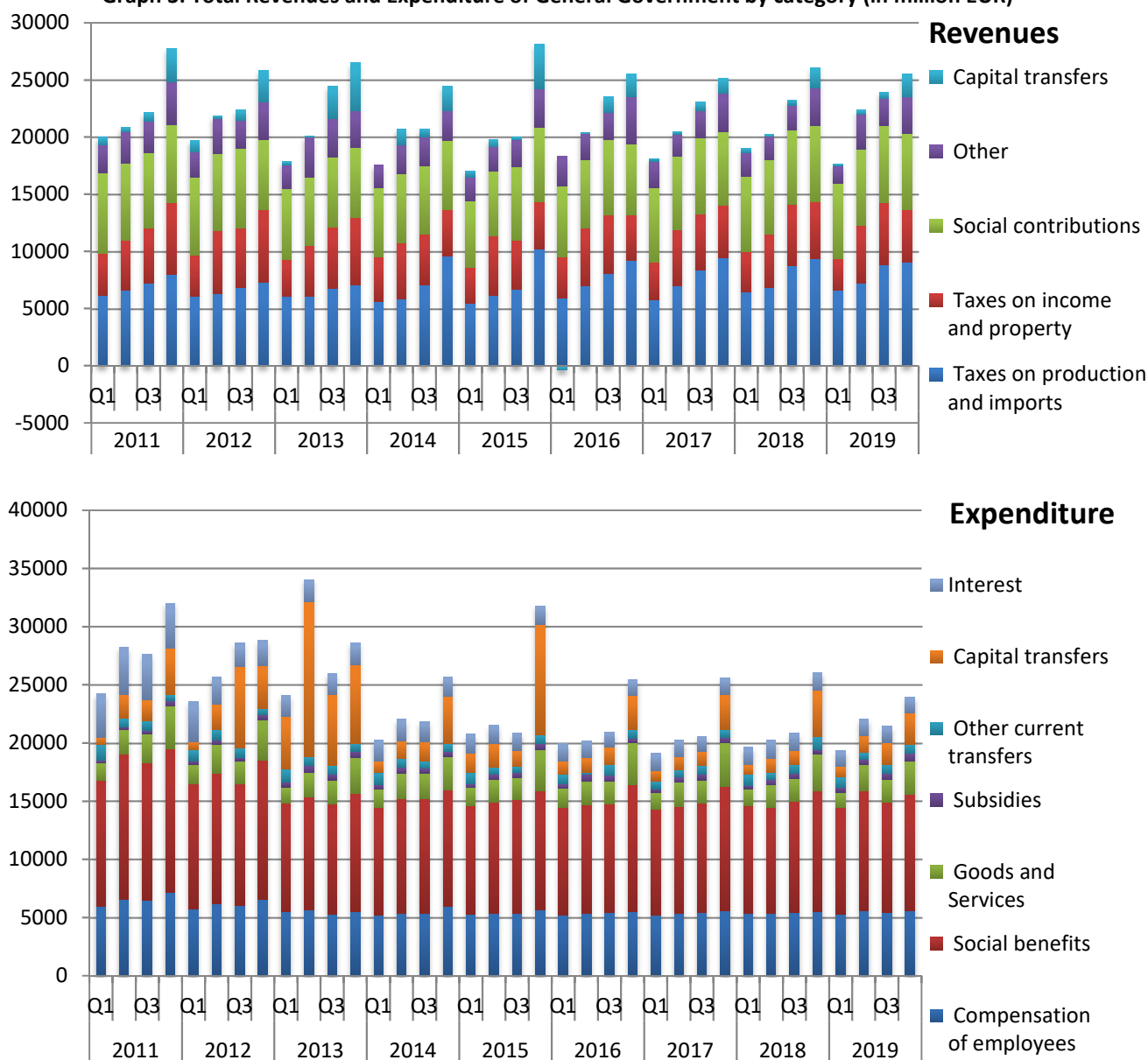
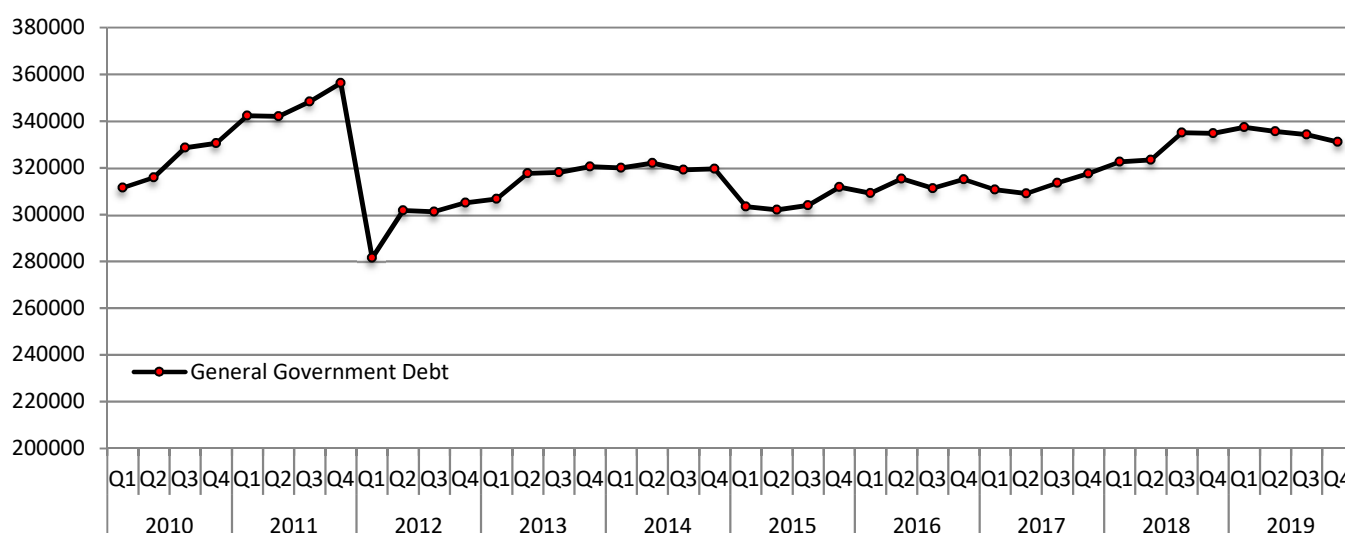


Table 3 below presents the evolution of the consolidated General Government Debt. The analysis of Debt in the categories currency and deposits, securities other than shares and loans, short-term and long-term, is according to the European System of Accounts (ESA2010). It should be noted that the information on debt is presented as the stock of debt at the end of each reference period.

**TABLE 3: Quarterly General Government Debt  
2017 Q1 – 2019 Q4 (million EUR)**

	2017				2018				2019			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>Nominal value of debt outstanding at end of quarter</b>	310,661	309,090	313,495	317,485	322,579	323,401	335,033	334,723	337,415	335,521	334,266	331,063
<b>Currency and deposits</b>	5,917	6,039	6,064	6,008	5,764	5,958	6,130	6,245	6,278	6,287	6,485	6,520
<b>Debt Securities</b>	56,732	56,193	53,765	54,938	56,529	56,902	54,404	52,882	61,493	60,860	60,118	57,854
Short-term (<1 year)	10,116	10,991	13,170	14,261	12,986	13,313	12,668	11,144	11,591	13,024	13,542	11,752
Long-term (>1 year)	46,616	45,202	40,595	40,677	43,543	43,589	41,736	41,738	49,902	47,836	46,576	46,102
<b>Loans</b>	248,012	246,858	253,666	256,539	260,286	260,541	274,499	275,596	269,644	268,374	267,663	266,689
Short-term	456	421	297	2,036	771	853	685	2,241	810	697	629	2,266
Long-term	247,556	246,437	253,369	254,503	259,515	259,688	273,814	273,355	268,834	267,677	267,034	264,423

**Graph 4: General Government Debt - quarterly (in million EUR)**



## References

Detailed table is available on the website of ELSTAT:

<http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SEL05/->

## Note:

### Measure of the primary balance under the Economic Adjustment Program for Greece

A measure of the primary balance as defined under the Economic Adjustment Program for Greece is not calculated by ELSTAT and is not shown in this statistical Press Release. The calculation of the primary balance as per the Economic Adjustment Program calls for a statistical treatment of certain expenditure and revenue items (such as revenue from privatisation of assets, transactions relating to bank recapitalisation, and revenues from transfers related to the income of euro-area national central banks from their investment portfolio holdings of Greek Government securities) that deviates from the typical ESA2010-compliant practice followed in the compilation of the quarterly fiscal figures that are presented in this statistical Press Release.