

Short term indicators in October 2007

Gross Domestic Product 2006 and 2nd quarter 2007

4.2% growth of GDP in 2006

The present figures show Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in 2006 amounting to 1,163 billion ISK. In real terms, GDP grew at a rate of 4.2%. The GDP growth can mainly be explained by increased fixed capital formation by 19.8% and by 4.4% growth in household final consumption. Imports increased by 10.1% in real terms and exports decreased by 5.1% resulting in a deficit on current account by 296 billion ISK, 25.5% of GDP.

*2.5% growth of GDP
in 2nd quarter 2007*

The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew by 2.5% in the 2nd quarter of 2007 compared with the same quarter of 2006. During the period there was an increase in household final consumption by 3.9%. Government final consumption grew by 2.6% but fixed capital expenditure decreased by 8.4% and total domestic expenditure remained almost unchanged in real terms in the 2nd quarter of 2007. Seasonally adjusted series show a 2.2% growth in GDP in the 2nd quarter of 2007.

Prices

*The CPI rose by 4.2% in
the 12 months to September*

The CPI in September 2007 rose by 1.32% from the preceding month (CPI less housing cost rose by 1.14%). Over the last 12 months the CPI rose by 4.2% (CPI less housing cost rose by 1.1%) while the change over the last 3 months is equivalent to an annual inflation of 6.5% (2.6% inflation less housing cost). In Iceland, the HICP fell by 0.3% in August. Over the 12 months to August the HICP in Iceland rose by 1.8% and by 2% in the EEA. The building cost index in September rose by 0.45% from the preceding month and rose by 7% on September 2006.

Wages

*The wage index rose by 8% in
the 12 months to August*

The wage index for the whole economy rose by 0.4% in August 2007 and had then risen by 8% over the last 12 months. The corresponding rise in the CPI was 3.8%. Deflated by the CPI, real wages rose by 4% over the 12 months to August 2007. The average purchasing power January–August this year is 4.2% over January–August last year.

Domestic demand

*Domestic demand
on the increase*

Credit card turnover of private households was up by 17.8% in January–August 2007 from 2006. Debit card turnover increased by 6% in January–August 2007. Altogether domestic debit and credit card turnover by households increased by 11.7% in recent 12 months compared with the previous 12 months. Credit card expenditure by Icelanders abroad increased by 8% in January–August 2007 from



2006. Total credit and debit card turnover of foreign cards in Iceland increased by 6.8% in January–August 2007 compared with same months in 2006.

10.1% decrease in new car registrations

New car registrations in January–September 2007 were 17,356, i.e. decreased by 10.1% from 2006 while in last twelve months, to end of September, the decrease was 15%.

Fish catch volume and export prices

Increase in fish catch

The total value of the fish catch in January–August 2007, measured at constant prices, was 2.2% more than the year before. The price of catch in Icelandic krónur was up by 26.5% in January–July 2007 from January–July 2006. Export prices of marine products, measured in Icelandic krónur, were up by 7.1% in January–August 2007 over January–August the year before. The price of foreign exchange decreased by 2% (krónur appreciated) between the periods.

External trade in August and preliminary figures in September

Deficit in external trade in August

The balance of trade of goods in August showed a deficit of 12 billion as compared with a deficit of 14 billion in August 2006. The value of exports was 17.8 billion and the value of imports was 29.8 billion. The value of exports January–August was 176.5 billion and the value of imports was 243 billion. Exports rose by 14% in this period and imports fell by 6% at fixed exchange rate.

Deficit in external trade in September

The preliminary value of exports of goods in September 2007 is 18.1 billion ISK fob while the value of imports is 28.1 billion ISK fob. Therefore preliminary figures show a trade deficit in September 2007 of 10 billion ISK compared with 7.4 billion in September 2006.

Arrivals at Keflavik International Airport

9.1% growth in arrivals at Keflavik International Airport in January–September

748 thousand passengers arrived from abroad at Keflavik International Airport in January–September 2007 compared with 686 thousand in January–September 2006. This is a growth of 9.1%. The growth in recent twelve months is 10.4%.

VAT turnover

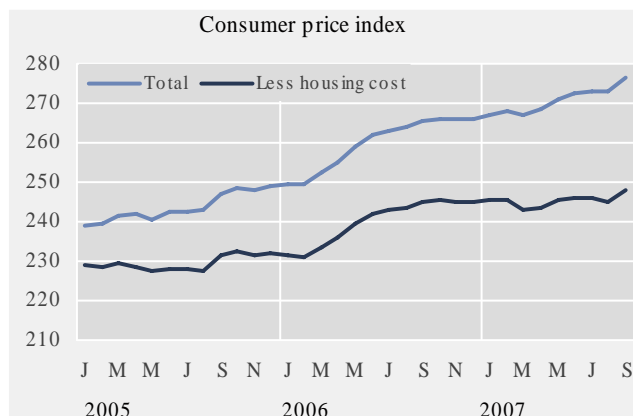
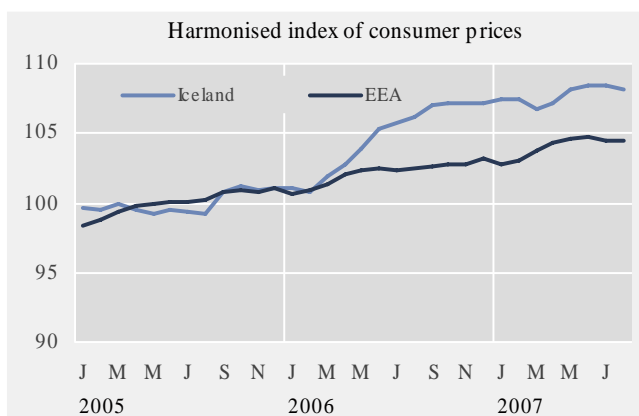
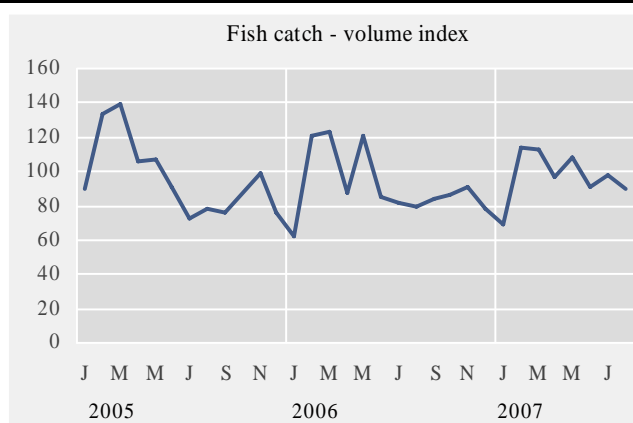
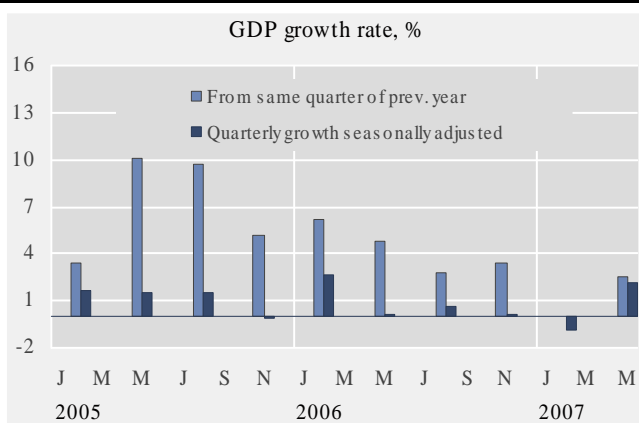
11.9% increase in VAT turnover in January–June

VAT turnover increased by 11.9% in January–June compared with same months last year. The growth over the last 12 months is 14.1%.

	Turnover in million ISK			Turnover in million ISK		
	Jan.–June 2006	Jan.–June 2007	Growth %	July 2005–June 2007	July 2006–June 2007	Growth %
Total turnover	963,959	1,079,139	11.9	1,912,457	2,182,164	14.1
Manufacturing	210,394	225,741	7.3	423,144	461,843	9.1
Construction	93,282	112,967	21.1	183,769	241,841	31.6
Retail trade and sale of motor vehicles	165,765	177,851	7.3	332,299	359,390	8.2
Hotels and restaurants	18,822	22,450	19.3	39,711	47,091	18.6
Transport	68,969	61,542	-10.8	144,971	132,059	-8.9
Communication	17,077	20,368	19.3	32,943	37,831	14.8
Other services	82,362	105,450	28.0	165,085	213,833	29.5

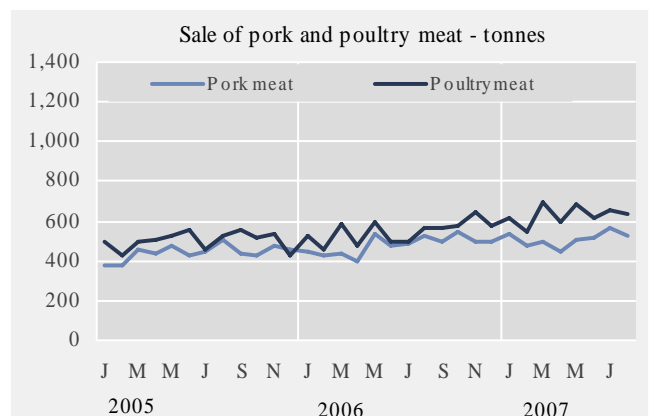
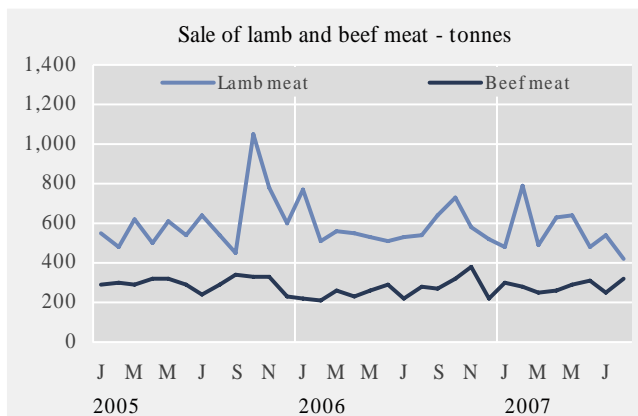
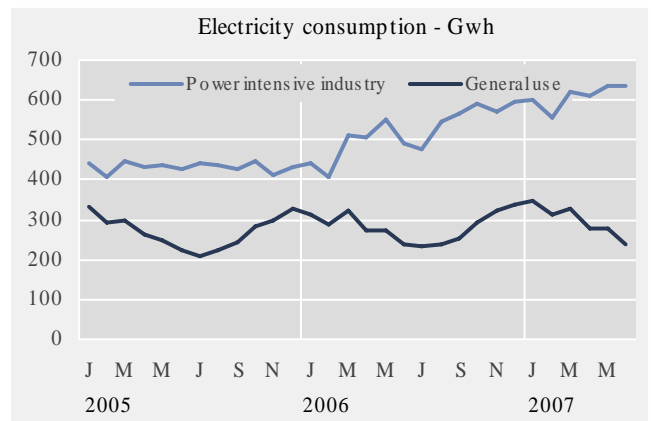
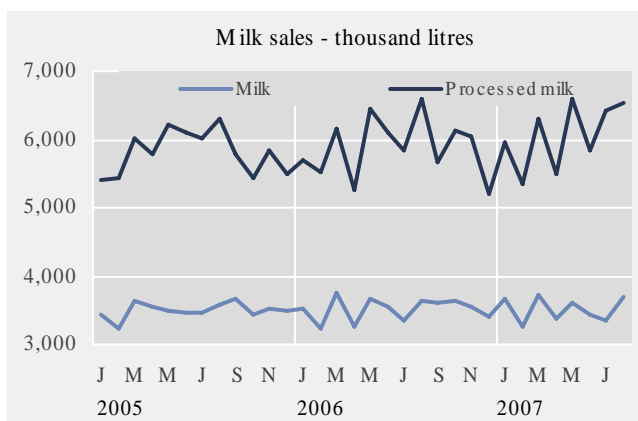
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	Annual GPD growth from same quarter of prev. year	Quarterly GPD growth from prev. quarter s.a.	Consumer index price	Consumer price index less housing cost	Harmonised index of consumer prices, Iceland	Harmonised index of consumer prices, EEA	Building cost index	Fish catch, volume index	Aluminium production tonnes
2005	7.1	•	244.1	229.6	100.0	100.0	314.4	96.4	274,696
2006	4.2	•	260.6	240.7	104.6	102.2	341.3	91.9	326,090
Oct. 2005	•	•	248.4	232.5	101.3	101.0	316.6	87.3	23,531
Nov. 2005	5.1	-0.1	248.0	231.5	100.9	100.8	316.6	99.2	22,219
Dec. 2005	•	•	248.9	232.0	101.1	101.0	316.7	76.2	22,993
Jan. 2006	•	•	249.7	231.5	101.0	100.6	325.2	62.7	23,146
Feb. 2006	6.1	2.6	249.5	230.9	100.8	100.9	325.3	120.5	20,628
Mar. 2006	•	•	252.3	233.6	101.9	101.4	325.9	123.3	25,010
Apr. 2006	•	•	255.2	236.1	102.7	102.1	329.4	87.5	26,790
May 2006	4.8	0.2	258.9	239.6	103.9	102.4	334.9	121.4	28,975
Jun. 2006	•	•	261.9	242.0	105.3	102.5	335.8	85.7	26,928
Jul. 2006	•	•	263.1	243.0	105.7	102.4	349.7	81.2	24,004
Aug. 2006	2.8	0.6	264.0	243.7	106.2	102.5	351.4	80.0	26,046
Sep. 2006	•	•	265.6	245.2	107.0	102.6	352.3	84.4	29,804
Oct. 2006	•	•	266.2	245.6	107.1	102.8	354.4	86.9	32,531
Nov. 2006	3.4	0.2	266.1	245.0	107.1	102.8	355.2	90.6	30,439
Dec. 2006	•	•	266.2	245.0	107.1	103.2	356.3	78.4	31,789
Jan. 2007	•	•	266.9	245.3	107.4	102.8	364.5	69.0	32,591
Feb. 2007	0.0	-0.9	268.0	245.3	107.5	103.1	368.2	114.2	29,898
Mar. 2007	•	•	267.1	243.2	106.8	103.7	369.0	112.6	35,031
Apr. 2007	•	•	268.7	243.7	107.1	104.3	370.3	96.3	33,631
May 2007	2.5	2.2	271.0	245.7	108.1	104.6	370.2	108.0	36,562
Jun. 2007	•	•	272.4	246.2	108.5	104.7	370.9	91.3	33,128
Jul. 2007	•	•	273.0	245.9	108.4	104.4	372.0	98.3	33,007
Aug. 2007	•	•	273.1	245.0	108.1	104.5	375.2	89.6	37,329
Sept. 2007	•	•	276.7	247.8	•	•	376.9	•	•



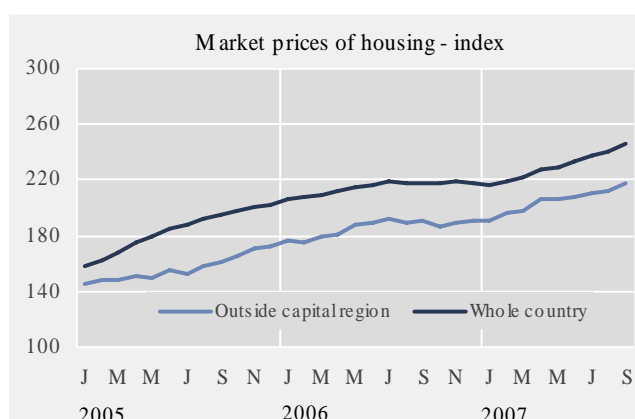
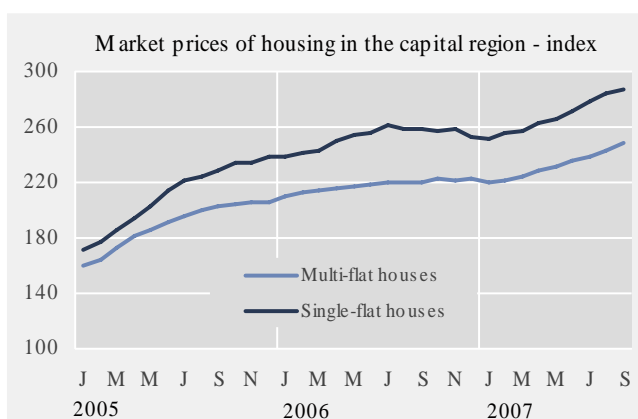
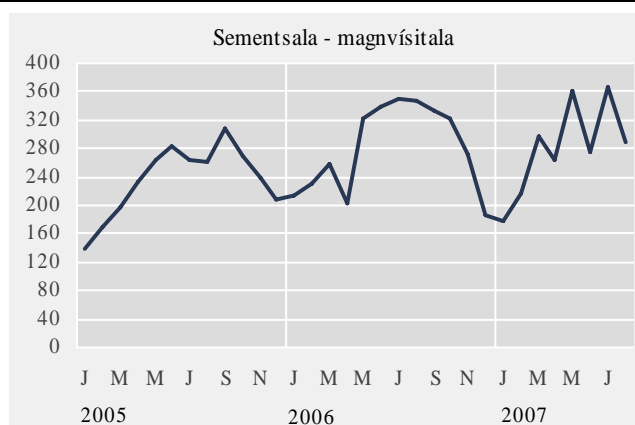
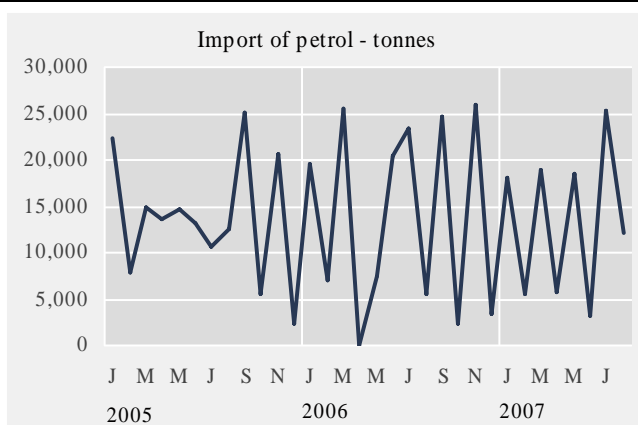
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	Milk production and sales in thousand litres			Sale of meat in tonnes				Electricity cons. Gwh	
	Milk received by dairies	Milk sales from dairies	Milk processing converted by protein content	Lamb	Beef	Pork	Poultry	Power intensive industry	General use
2005	109,446	41,974	69,805	7,358	3,574	5,300	6,009	5,191.2	3,159.6
2006	116,389	42,153	70,613	6,984	3,164	5,772	6,581	6,265.3	3,390.9
Aug. 2005	8,894	3,571	6,290	542	289	506	524	438.3	221.5
Sep. 2005	7,849	3,674	5,788	445	344	435	551	426.3	243.6
Oct. 2005	7,849	3,435	5,435	1,053	330	428	514	445.5	281.8
Nov. 2005	8,225	3,527	5,843	776	328	481	536	413.4	298.7
Dec. 2005	8,977	3,498	5,496	603	233	455	423	432.9	325.5
Jan. 2006	9,617	3,521	5,689	773	220	445	522	443.8	314.9
Feb. 2006	9,081	3,241	5,508	509	211	431	459	409.4	289.0
Mar. 2006	10,297	3,741	6,148	556	262	432	584	510.5	321.5
Apr. 2006	9,786	3,256	5,248	551	233	400	478	506.7	272.4
May 2006	11,369	3,654	6,445	533	261	539	601	553.0	272.4
Jun. 2006	9,717	3,553	6,116	509	292	477	500	493.8	238.1
Jul. 2006	9,874	3,336	5,833	534	224	487	494	475.2	234.0
Aug. 2006	9,819	3,631	6,596	537	277	527	568	545.9	240.2
Sep. 2006	8,778	3,620	5,666	643	270	494	569	567.5	254.5
Oct. 2006	9,159	3,638	6,118	731	316	550	579	592.3	292.7
Nov. 2006	9,050	3,562	6,031	583	380	495	649	571.4	321.5
Dec. 2006	9,842	3,400	5,216	524	217	495	579	595.9	339.4
Jan. 2007	10,490	3,672	5,955	481	304	536	612	602.5	345.1
Feb. 2007	9,839	3,266	5,358	791	284	477	550	555.3	313.9
Mar. 2007	11,082	3,713	6,319	491	254	497	694	621.5	329.8
Apr. 2007	10,891	3,382	5,507	635	256	445	593	611.4	277.9
May 2007	11,751	3,614	6,601	643	286	504	683	635.7	275.6
Jun. 2007	11,213	3,446	5,845	480	307	518	615	634.6	239.2
Jul. 2007	10,840	3,361	6,418	540	253	566	659
Aug. 2007	10,688	3,707	6,540	416	318	522	637



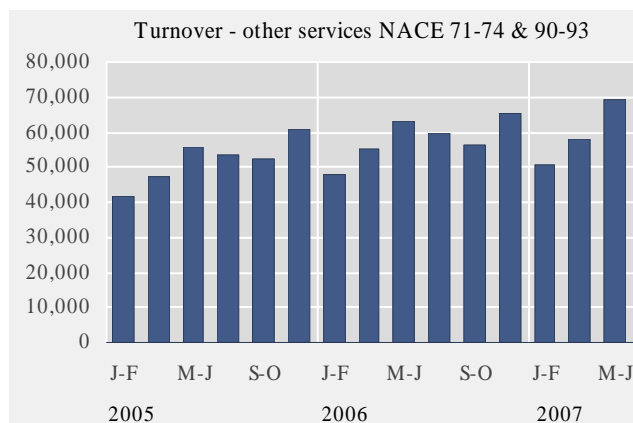
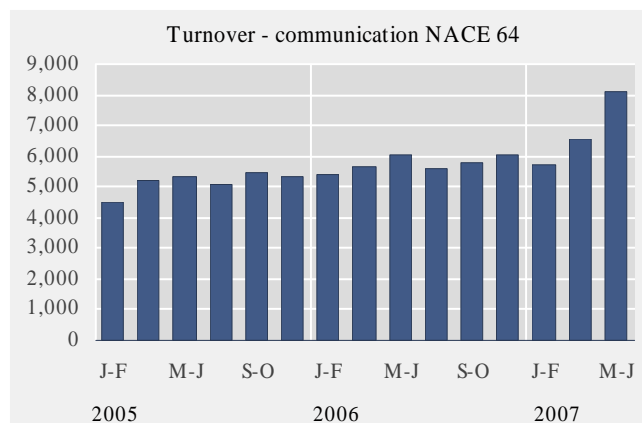
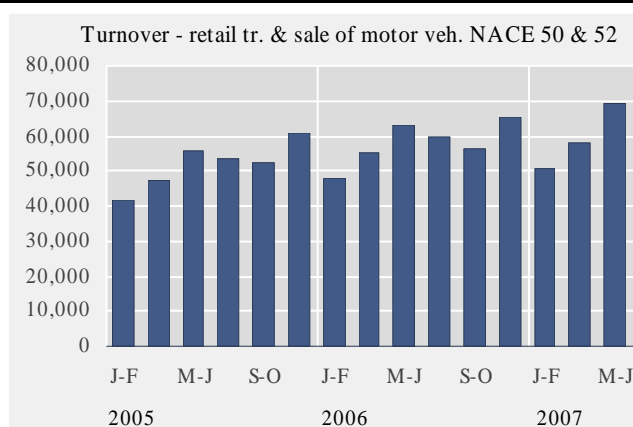
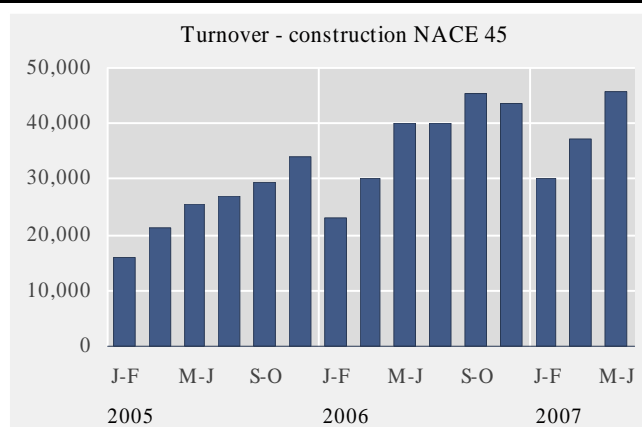
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	Import of fuel in tonnes				Market prices of housing - index					
	Petrol	Gas oils	Fuel oils	Jet fuel	Cement sales index	Public housing fund loans, number	Multi-flat houses, cap. region	Single-flat houses, cap. region	All types, outside cap. region	All types, whole country
2005	163,308	418,195	62,897	139,357	236.3	2,041	189.1	210.6	156.5	183.8
2006	165,290	385,994	71,658	166,525	281.6	1,284	218.2	252.3	185.9	214.7
Sep. 2005	25,114	65,783	11,763	30,387	307.0	166	202.3	229.1	161.0	195.5
Oct. 2005	5,631	0	0	11,550	270.1	164	204.1	234.0	165.6	198.4
Nov. 2005	20,740	66,903	8,874	11,791	239.8	176	205.3	234.5	171.2	200.6
Dec. 2005	2,301	1,383	1	0	208.5	113	206.4	238.8	172.2	202.1
Jan. 2006	19,498	38,930	4,679	15,434	213.1	84	210.6	238.3	177.2	205.9
Feb. 2006	7,013	3,849	1	-	229.9	106	212.8	241.4	174.9	207.1
Mar. 2006	25,624	56,581	16,185	24,681	257.0	141	214.2	242.4	179.4	209.2
Apr. 2006	0	0	2,056	0	203.5	85	216.3	249.6	181.1	212.2
May 2006	7,484	23,562	10,350	5,610	321.9	144	217.6	254.6	188.1	215.3
Jun. 2006	20,383	47,333	10,072	19,692	340.0	145	219.2	255.5	189.9	216.7
Jul. 2006	23,507	51,253	1,997	29,009	350.9	124	220.5	261.1	192.1	219.0
Aug. 2006	5,434	17,225	4,783	3,318	347.3	89	220.5	258.6	189.7	217.9
Sep. 2006	24,657	60,056	8,519	28,941	334.6	61	220.3	258.0	191.0	218.0
Oct. 2006	2,236	18,556	2,897	2,969	321.8	112	222.5	257.8	186.4	218.2
Nov. 2006	26,010	52,511	10,120	30,300	272.8	113	221.9	258.0	189.6	218.5
Dec. 2006	3,444	16,138	0	6,570	186.3	80	222.3	252.6	190.2	217.9
Jan. 2007	17,990	36,673	14,044	19,726	178.9	98	219.9	251.7	190.3	216.3
Feb. 2007	5,455	17,019	1	2,358	216.6	90	222.1	255.7	196.6	219.8
Mar. 2007	18,926	44,665	15,048	12,597	298.0	139	224.7	257.6	197.8	222.0
Apr. 2007	5,736	10,319	2,052	21,173	263.6	100	228.9	263.0	205.9	227.2
May 2007	18,568	38,595	15,227	-	360.3	118	231.6	265.4	206.2	229.2
Jun. 2007	3,149	11,112	2,997	32,649	274.5	137	235.9	271.4	208.5	233.3
Jul. 2007	25,288	14,044	71,110	0	367.2	•	239.0	278.5	211.1	237.0
Aug. 2007	12,189	25,793	5,320	10,275	288.7	•	242.3	284.4	211.5	240.0
Sep. 2007	•	•	•	•	•	•	248.1	287.7	218.1	245.4



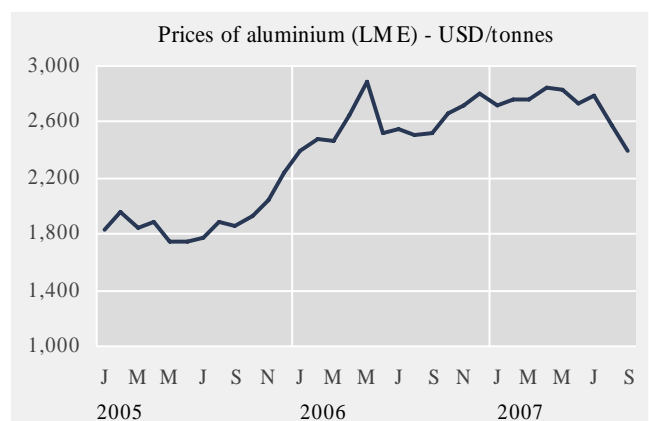
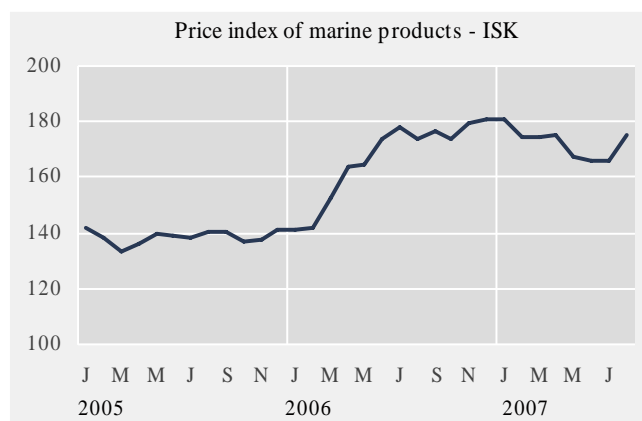
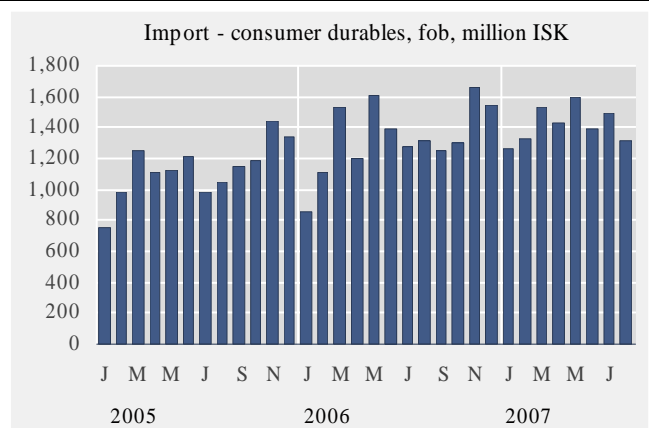
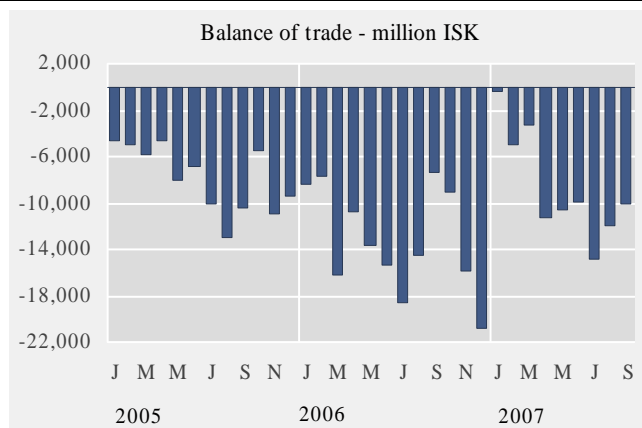
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Turnover by industry, based on VAT records, in million ISK							
	Manufacturing NACE 15-37	Construction NACE 45	Retail trade and motor vehicles NACE 50 & 52	Hotels and restaurants NACE 55	Transport NACE 60-63	Communi- cation NACE 64	Other services NACE 71-74 & 90-93
2005	387,865	153,408	310,866	36,586	139,495	30,873	152,758
2006	446,445	222,755	347,320	43,463	139,486	34,540	190,738
May-Jun 2003	54,052	16,601	41,519	5,386	20,704	4,436	17,378
Jul-Aug 2003	50,299	17,088	43,441	7,209	19,440	4,380	16,632
Sep-Oct 2003	55,009	19,141	40,355	4,815	17,869	4,358	17,183
Nov-Dec 2003	54,373	18,249	45,664	4,438	15,305	4,644	21,234
Jan-Feb 2004	46,553	12,738	36,250	3,599	15,087	4,210	16,701
Mar-Apr 2004	60,094	15,164	41,574	4,419	18,301	4,454	19,370
May-Jun 2004	60,382	19,829	46,990	5,886	21,260	4,966	20,048
Jul-Aug 2004	54,031	21,012	46,898	8,073	26,058	4,652	19,664
Sep-Oct 2004	59,743	21,672	45,188	5,356	22,794	4,709	21,746
Nov-Dec 2004	61,914	25,993	53,782	4,883	19,766	4,939	27,866
Jan-Feb 2005	49,519	15,891	41,484	3,944	17,338	4,496	19,739
Mar-Apr 2005	60,630	21,324	47,240	4,993	20,765	5,195	24,028
May-Jun 2005	64,966	25,706	55,608	6,760	25,390	5,316	26,268
Jul-Aug 2005	62,332	26,846	53,387	8,951	28,122	5,060	25,374
Sep-Oct 2005	69,493	29,520	52,256	6,144	25,494	5,477	26,504
Nov-Dec 2005	80,925	34,121	60,891	5,794	22,386	5,329	30,845
Jan-Feb 2006	53,161	22,875	47,624	4,670	19,040	5,382	24,158
Mar-Apr 2006	74,127	30,302	55,051	6,083	23,242	5,663	27,802
May-Jun 2006	83,106	40,105	63,090	8,069	26,687	6,032	30,402
Jul-Aug 2006	84,989	39,984	59,507	10,391	26,391	5,614	32,364
Sep-Oct 2006	74,783	45,259	56,430	7,467	23,109	5,781	36,722
Nov-Dec 2006	76,330	43,631	65,602	6,783	21,017	6,068	39,297
Jan-Feb 2007	68,041	30,033	50,469	5,269	17,560	5,725	30,772
Mar-Apr 2007	79,358	37,123	58,232	7,321	20,060	6,536	34,303
May-Jun 2007	78,342	45,811	69,150	9,860	23,922	8,107	40,375



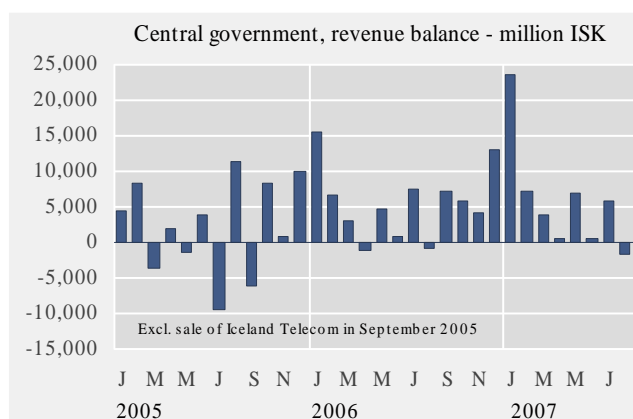
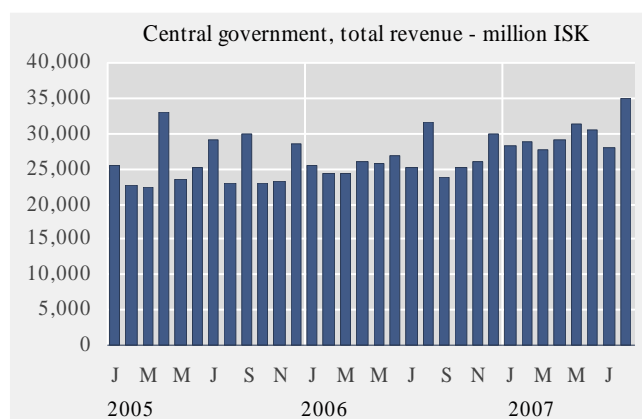
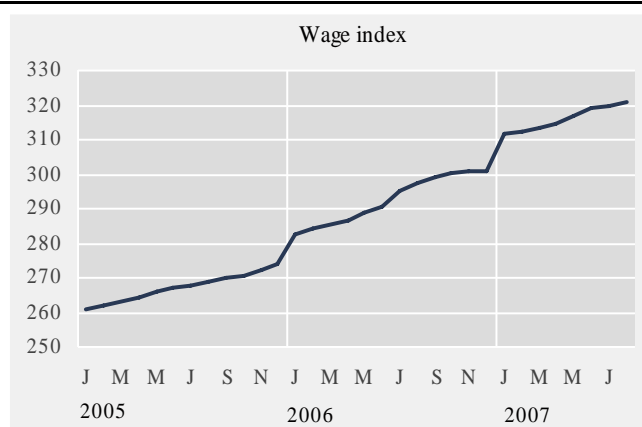
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	Balance of trade	Export of goods total	Import of goods total	Import of consumer durables	Import of industrial supplies			
2005	-94,540	194,355	288,895	13,586	107,901	138.6	1,896.1	54.6
2006	-148,610	242,740	391,350	16,019	146,372	166.7	2,594.3	65.0
Oct. 2005	-5,544	16,041	21,585	1,184	6,803	136.9	1,932	58.3
Nov. 2005	-11,007	16,747	27,754	1,441	11,727	137.7	2,038	55.0
Dec. 2005	-9,381	13,690	23,070	1,337	6,922	141.1	2,236	56.6
Jan. 2006	-8,401	17,051	25,452	854	10,739	140.9	2,391	62.9
Feb. 2006	-7,766	14,661	22,427	1,106	7,644	142.0	2,481	59.7
Mar. 2006	-16,137	19,915	36,052	1,529	13,300	152.3	2,458	61.6
Apr. 2006	-10,801	19,081	29,882	1,195	9,847	164.0	2,643	70.8
May 2006	-13,740	23,938	37,678	1,607	13,957	164.4	2,881	69.4
Jun. 2006	-15,358	26,439	41,797	1,386	14,533	173.8	2,520	68.2
Jul. 2006	-18,616	19,378	37,994	1,278	14,679	177.9	2,556	73.5
Aug. 2006	-14,430	16,596	31,025	1,315	11,455	173.7	2,508	73.2
Sept. 2006	-7,388	25,358	32,746	1,254	14,914	176.8	2,518	61.2
Oct. 2006	-9,105	19,998	29,104	1,296	9,993	174.0	2,662	57.3
Nov. 2006	-15,856	20,189	36,045	1,658	14,217	179.6	2,714	58.4
Dec. 2006	-20,863	20,136	41,000	1,540	11,093	180.5	2,799	63.4
Jan. 2007	-314	25,860	26,174	1,267	10,310	181.2	2,721	53.8
Feb. 2007	-5,001	23,930	28,930	1,322	13,185	174.8	2,759	57.6
Mar. 2007	-3,327	30,608	33,934	1,532	14,000	174.3	2,758	62.5
Apr. 2007	-11,313	18,956	30,269	1,427	12,630	175.0	2,844	67.7
May 2007	-10,648	20,503	31,151	1,595	12,430	167.6	2,825	67.5
Jun. 2007	-9,938	20,148	30,087	1,386	10,485	165.9	2,727	71.8
Jul. 2007	-14,831	17,858	32,689	1,488	14,001	165.9	2,788	77.9
Aug. 2007	-11,973	17,825	29,798	1,313	11,677	175.4	2,578	71.8
Sept. 2007	-10,000 ¹	18,100 ¹	28,100 ¹	2,400	79.1

¹ Preliminary figures.

Short term indicators in October 2007

	Wage index	Real wages, index	Quarterly average (from 2003)			Central government finance, million ISK		
			Labour force participation %	Unemployment %	Number of employed persons	Total revenue	Total expenditure	Revenue balance
2005	267.2	112.3	81.9	2.6	161,300	336,937	308,383	28,554
2006	292.7	115.2	83.1	2.9	169,600	381,336	314,716	66,620
Aug. 2005	268.9	112.6	83.1	1.8	164,000	34,209	22,802	11,407
Sep. 2005	269.8	111.8	•	•	•	23,732	29,809	-6,077
Oct. 2005	270.6	111.8	•	•	•	31,265	22,989	8,276
Nov. 2005	272.3	112.4	81.7	2.7	161,500	24,148	23,275	873
Dec. 2005	273.9	112.7	•	•	•	38,498	28,523	9,975
Jan. 2006	282.8	116.2	•	•	•	41,132	25,508	15,624
Feb. 2006	284.4	116.3	81.1	2.4	163,500	31,112	24,459	6,653
Mar. 2006	285.4	115.4	•	•	•	27,463	24,404	3,059
Apr. 2006	286.4	114.3	•	•	•	24,891	26,087	-1,196
May 2006	289.1	113.9	85.1	4.0	171,600	30,467	25,713	4,754
Jun. 2006	290.4	113.5	•	•	•	27,761	26,989	772
Jul. 2006	295.4	115.0	•	•	•	32,683	25,097	7,586
Aug. 2006	297.4	115.2	84.2	2.6	173,300	30,600	31,471	-871
Sep. 2006	298.9	115.3	•	•	•	31,137	23,904	7,233
Oct. 2006	300.4	115.8	•	•	•	31,108	25,192	5,916
Nov. 2006	301.0	116.0	82.1	2.5	169,900	30,153	26,085	4,068
Dec. 2006	300.8	115.8	•	•	•	42,829	29,807	13,022
Jan. 2007	311.5	119.5	•	•	•	51,786	28,206	23,580
Feb. 2007	312.3	119.7	82.2	2.0	172,800	35,811	28,689	7,122
Mar. 2007	313.2	119.9	•	•	•	31,604	27,794	3,811
Apr. 2007	314.6	119.6	•	•	•	29,703	29,163	539
May 2007	316.9	119.5	85.1	3.2	179,100	38,212	31,302	6,909
Jun. 2007	319.0	120.0	•	•	•	30,797	30,355	443
Jul. 2007	319.8	120.1	•	•	•	33,965	28,061	5,904
Aug. 2007	321.1	119.8	•	•	•	33,218	34,915	-1,697



Explanatory notes and references

References are quoted for data originating outside Statistics Iceland.

GDP growth rate, %. Change in the volume of gross domestic product each quarter as compared with the same quarter of the previous year. Seasonally adjusted growth rate is also presented, showing quarterly growth on previous quarter.

Consumer price index and **Consumer price index less housing cost.** May 1988=100. Compiled at the beginning of each month. Yearly averages are converted by middle month indices.

Harmonized index of consumer prices. 2005=100. The harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP) is compiled for all EEA-member states. It differs in scope from the Icelandic CPI. The main difference is that imputed rent for owner occupied housing is included in the Icelandic CPI but not in the HICP. On the other hand, expenditure of foreign visitors in Iceland and expenditure of people living in hospitals and similar institutions are included in the HICP but not in the Icelandic CPI.

Building cost index. June 1987=100. The index is compiled at the middle of each month.

Fish catch, volume index. The volume index is an annual chain-linked index, having the monthly average of 2004 as a reference period. The base year each time is T-2.

Aluminium production, tonnes. Source: Producers.

Milk received by dairies. Thousand litres. Milk from farmers received by dairies. Source: Icelandic Dairy Association.

Milk sales from dairies. Thousand litres. Sale of milk, cream, skimmed milk and other liquid milk products. Source: Icelandic Dairy Association.

Milk processing converted by protein content. Processed milk products other than milk, cream, skimmed milk and other liquid milk products converted into thousand litres on the basis of protein content. Source: Icelandic Dairy Association.

Sale of meat in tonnes. Lamb, beef, pork, poultry. Includes sales of domestic produce but not imported meat nor game. Source: Association of Icelandic farmers.

Electricity consumption. Gigawatt-hours. Divided into consumption by power-intensive industry which is defined as aluminium and ferrosilicon production. All other consumption is considered general use. Source: National Energy Authority.

Import of fuel in tonnes. Petrol, gas oils, fuel oils and jet fuel derived from the external trade statistics.

Cement sales. Index 1990=100. Sale of domestic and imported cement. Source: Producers and importers.

Public housing fund loans. Number of loans to individuals for new construction, loans to entrepreneurs are excluded. Source: Housing Loan Fund.

Market prices of housing. Indices, March 2000=100. The indices are sub items from the CPI based on housing sales contracts collected by the Land Registry of Iceland.

Credit and debit card usage. Million Icelandic krónur (ISK). The figures show total household expenditure by credit and debit cards. Withdrawals at ATM's and payments made in banks are not included. Sources: VISA Iceland and MasterCard.

Number of new car registrations. Includes both new and used cars. Source: The Icelandic Federation for Motor Trades and Repairs.

Import of cars. Cif-value, million ISK.

Number of passengers to Keflavík Airport. The total number of visitors, Icelandic and foreign, arriving by air at Keflavík international airport. Transit passengers are not included in these figures. Source: Civil Aviation Administration, Keflavík Airport.

Number of overnight stays in hotels. Covers hotels that are operated throughout the year.

Turnover by industry. Million ISK. The figures show total turnover according to VAT returns for every two VAT-accounting months. The turnover excludes VAT. Break-down by industry is based on the Statistics Iceland activity code, ÍSAT 95 which corresponds to NACE rev. 1.

External trade. Fob-value in ISK.

Price index of marine products. Based on unit prices of the main products according to data from producers, weighted by production or sales in the previous year. 1990=100.

Prices of aluminium (LME). Average monthly price of aluminium on the London Metal Exchange. Source: The National Power Company.

Oil price (UK Brent 38). Average monthly price of a barrel of North-Sea oil. Source: Olúfélagið hf.

Wage index. December 1988=100. Refers to average wages each month.

Real wages. Index 2000=100. Refers to the change in the wage index deflated by the CPI converted to mid-month figures.

Labour force participation, unemployment and number of employed persons. The figures show results from the labour force sample survey (LFS) of Statistics Iceland. From 2003 onwards, the LFS is continuous and renders quarterly results. Sample size is 4,000 persons each quarter. In the period 1991-2002 the LFS was carried out twice each year, in April and in November.

Labour force participation: The total labour force (employed and unemployed) as a proportion of the total population 16-74 years of age.

Unemployment: The number of unemployed as a proportion of the labour force.

Number of employed persons: Total number of persons engaged in any kind of work for payment, including self-employed.

Central government finance. Total revenue, total expenditure and revenue balance. Million ISK. Cash basis. Source: Government Accounting Office.

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