

FISCAL TARGETS. A GUIDE TO FORECASTERS?

INPUT DATA

GCR_database_aa.xlsx aa = country code

Each file contains

- 1) The realised Government Consumption series - Annual frequency - Annual growth –
Source: National accounts – columns B:D
- 2) The forecasted Government Consumption series - Annual frequency - Annual
growth – Source: Stability Programmes as reported by the countries to the European
Commission – columns G:I
- 3) Quarterly frequency series
 - a) Government Consumption (real, seasonally adjusted) – q-q growth rate – Source:
National accounts – column L
 - b) Government Consumption (deflator, seasonally adjusted) – q-q growth rate –
Source: National accounts – column M
 - c) PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (LEVEL --- stock of employees "non-market services",
seasonally adjusted) – y-y growth rate – Source: National accounts – column N
 - d) PUBLIC WAGES per employee (LEVEL --- "non-market services", seasonally
adjusted) – y-y growth rate – Source: National accounts – column O
 - e) Indicator of Government Consumption (nominal, non-seasonally adjusted) – y-y
growth rate – Source: National sources, government reports on monthly
expenditures– column P
 - f) Indicator of Government Consumption (deflator, health and education prices,
non-seasonally adjusted) – y-y growth rate – Source: Eurostat – column Q