

## Balance of Payments

Second Quarter of 2008 and Second Quarter of 2007

	In millions of U.S. dollars		
	(1) 2008 Q2	(2) 2007 Q2	(1)-(2)
<b>A. Current Account</b>	<b>6,493</b>	<b>5,909</b>	<b>584</b>
Goods: exports f.o.b.	70,412	59,446	10,966
Goods: imports f.o.b.	-64,591	-54,383	-10,208
<i>Balance on Goods</i>	<i>5,821</i>	<i>5,063</i>	<i>758</i>
Services: credit	8,748	7,285	1,463
Services: debit	-9,023	-8,369	-654
<i>Balance on Services</i>	<i>-275</i>	<i>-1,084</i>	<i>809</i>
Income: credit	5,586	5,418	168
Income: debit	-3,936	-2,530	-1,406
<i>Balance on Income</i>	<i>1,650</i>	<i>2,888</i>	<i>-1,238</i>
Current transfers: credit	1,335	1,137	198
Current transfers: debit	-2,038	-2,095	57
<i>Balance on Current Transfers</i>	<i>-703</i>	<i>-958</i>	<i>255</i>
<b>B. Capital Account</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-19</b>	<b>-1</b>
Capital account: credit	0	1	-1
Capital account: debit	-20	-20	0
<i>Total, Groups A plus B</i>	<i>6,473</i>	<i>5,890</i>	<i>583</i>
<b>C. Financial Account</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>-8,854</b>	<b>9,695</b>
Direct investment abroad	-2,623	-2,155	-468
Direct investment in R.O.C. (Taiwan)	1,107	1,814	-707
Portfolio investment assets	-7,141	-17,120	9,979
Equity securities	-5,973	-13,847	7,874
Debt securities	-1,168	-3,273	2,105
Portfolio investment liabilities	-3,609	10,148	-13,757
Equity securities	-2,834	10,575	-13,409
Debt securities	-775	-427	-348
Financial derivatives	-35	94	-129
Financial derivatives assets	1,491	774	717
Financial derivatives liabilities	-1,526	-680	-846
Other investment assets	6,398	-3,794	10,192
General government	5	6	-1
Banks	4,745	-5,025	9,770
Other sectors	1,648	1,225	423
Other investment liabilities	6,744	2,159	4,585
Monetary authorities	816	1,272	-456
General government	0	1	-1
Banks	4,996	510	4,486
Other sectors	932	376	556
<i>Total, Groups A through C</i>	<i>7,314</i>	<i>-2,964</i>	<i>10,278</i>
<b>D. Net Errors And Omissions</b>	<b>-2,724</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>-3,795</b>
<i>Total, Groups A through D</i>	<i>4,590</i>	<i>-1,893</i>	<i>6,483</i>
<b>E. Reserve Assets</b>	<b>-4,590</b>	<b>1,893</b>	<b>-6,483</b>

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The First Half of 2008 and The First Half of 2007

	In millions of U.S. dollars		
	(1) 2008 H1	(2) 2007 H1	(1)-(2)
<b>A. Current Account</b>	<b>14,988</b>	<b>15,319</b>	<b>-331</b>
Goods: exports f.o.b.	134,274	113,850	20,424
Goods: imports f.o.b.	-124,185	-101,668	-22,517
<i>Balance on Goods</i>	<i>10,089</i>	<i>12,182</i>	<i>-2,093</i>
Services: credit	17,611	14,581	3,030
Services: debit	-17,873	-16,448	-1,425
<i>Balance on Services</i>	<i>-262</i>	<i>-1,867</i>	<i>1,605</i>
Income: credit	12,652	10,944	1,708
Income: debit	-5,888	-4,099	-1,789
<i>Balance on Income</i>	<i>6,764</i>	<i>6,845</i>	<i>-81</i>
Current transfers: credit	2,620	2,229	391
Current transfers: debit	-4,223	-4,070	-153
<i>Balance on Current Transfers</i>	<i>-1,603</i>	<i>-1,841</i>	<i>238</i>
<b>B. Capital Account</b>	<b>-291</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>-246</b>
Capital account: credit	0	1	-1
Capital account: debit	-291	-46	-245
<i>Total, Groups A plus B</i>	<i>14,697</i>	<i>15,274</i>	<i>-577</i>
<b>C. Financial Account</b>	<b>1,788</b>	<b>-19,864</b>	<b>21,652</b>
Direct investment abroad	-5,788	-4,145	-1,643
Direct investment in R.O.C. (Taiwan)	1,704	3,747	-2,043
Portfolio investment assets	-13,518	-28,061	14,543
Equity securities	-10,491	-21,491	11,000
Debt securities	-3,027	-6,570	3,543
Portfolio investment liabilities	5,704	9,377	-3,673
Equity securities	-305	10,564	-10,869
Debt securities	6,009	-1,187	7,196
Financial derivatives	786	-305	1,091
Financial derivatives assets	3,691	1,272	2,419
Financial derivatives liabilities	-2,905	-1,577	-1,328
Other investment assets	3,190	-2,333	5,523
General government	2	11	-9
Banks	-3,597	-5,317	1,720
Other sectors	6,785	2,973	3,812
Other investment liabilities	9,710	1,856	7,854
Monetary authorities	-1,656	2,090	-3,746
General government	0	-6	6
Banks	7,825	-1,208	9,033
Other sectors	3,541	980	2,561
<i>Total, Groups A through C</i>	<i>16,485</i>	<i>-4,590</i>	<i>21,075</i>
<b>D. Net Errors And Omissions</b>	<b>-573</b>	<b>3,066</b>	<b>-3,639</b>
<i>Total, Groups A through D</i>	<i>15,912</i>	<i>-1,524</i>	<i>17,436</i>
<b>E. Reserve Assets</b>	<b>-15,912</b>	<b>1,524</b>	<b>-17,436</b>

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Year / Quarter	Current Account					Capital Account	Financial Account					Reserve Assets
		Goods	Services	Income	Current Transfers			Direct Investment	Portfolio Investment	Financial Derivatives	Other Investment	
1998	3,436	10,315	-7,401	2,049	-1,527	-181	2,495	-3,614	-2,288	-124	8,521	-4,827
1999	7,993	14,706	-7,201	2,805	-2,317	-173	9,220	-1,494	9,336	-257	1,635	-18,593
2000	8,899	13,672	-6,637	4,468	-2,604	-287	-8,019	-1,773	-224	-304	-5,718	-2,477
2001 <sup>r</sup>	18,936	20,561	-4,570	5,679	-2,734	-163	-384	-1,371	-228	-1,063	2,278	-17,353
2002 <sup>r</sup>	26,357	24,920	-3,084	7,013	-2,492	-139	8,749	-3,441	-8,826	-242	21,258	-33,664
2003 <sup>r</sup>	30,504	26,137	-2,469	9,555	-2,719	-87	7,628	-5,229	-5,197	-215	18,269	-37,092
2004 <sup>r</sup>	19,728	17,363	-4,942	11,132	-3,825	-77	7,169	-5,247	-4,669	-843	17,928	-26,595
2005 <sup>r</sup>	17,578	19,456	-6,653	9,039	-4,264	-117	2,302	-4,403	-2,857	-1,003	10,565	-20,056
2006 <sup>r</sup>	26,300	24,197	-3,543	9,581	-3,935	-118	-19,595	25	-18,940	-965	285	-6,086
2007 <sup>r</sup>	32,979	30,445	-3,791	10,132	-3,807	-96	-38,656	-3,338	-40,089	-289	5,060	4,020
2005/2 <sup>r</sup>	2,026	3,111	-2,099	2,205	-1,191	-26	3,270	-902	1,698	-102	2,576	-6,450
3 <sup>r</sup>	1,293	4,303	-2,691	766	-1,085	-20	-2,208	-312	-5,496	-544	4,144	-495
4 <sup>r</sup>	9,559	8,910	-1,103	2,650	-898	-55	-6,789	-1,924	3,198	-256	-7,807	-630
2006/1 <sup>r</sup>	5,898	4,123	-807	3,634	-1,052	-12	-3,551	-305	-7,025	-96	3,875	-2,242
2 <sup>r</sup>	4,944	5,091	-1,161	2,143	-1,129	-43	-5,798	-719	-5,952	-367	1,240	-482
3 <sup>r</sup>	6,643	6,862	-835	1,451	-835	-22	-4,083	-129	-7,275	-168	3,489	-1,128
4 <sup>r</sup>	8,815	8,121	-740	2,353	-919	-41	-6,163	1,178	1,312	-334	-8,319	-2,234
2007/1 <sup>r</sup>	9,410	7,119	-783	3,957	-883	-26	-11,010	-57	-11,712	-399	1,158	-369
2 <sup>r</sup>	5,909	5,063	-1,084	2,888	-958	-19	-8,854	-341	-6,972	94	-1,635	1,893
3 <sup>r</sup>	6,477	7,896	-1,393	957	-983	-33	-13,325	-1,480	-14,423	47	2,531	7,733
4 <sup>r</sup>	11,183	10,367	-531	2,330	-983	-18	-5,467	-1,460	-6,982	-31	3,006	-5,237
2008/1 <sup>r</sup>	8,495	4,268	13	5,114	-900	-271	947	-2,568	2,936	821	-242	-11,322
2 <sup>p</sup>	6,493	5,821	-275	1,650	-703	-20	841	-1,516	-10,750	-35	13,142	-4,590

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2. p Preliminary estimates

3. r Revised