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MALTA: A PROFILE

Situated in the Central Mediterranean Sea, Malta is a small archipelago of five islands – Malta (the largest), Gozo, Comino, Comminotto (Maltese, Kemmunett), and Filfla. The latter two are uninhabited. The Maltese Islands lie some 93 kilometres south of Sicily and 290 kilometres north of Libya. The capital city of Malta is Valletta.

The climate is a typically Mediterranean one with hot, dry summers, warm autumns and short, cool winters with adequate rainfall. Temperatures are stable, the annual mean being 18°C and monthly averages ranging from 12°C to 31°C. Winds are strong and frequent, the most common being the cool northwesterly known locally as *il-majjistral*, the dry northeasterly known as *il-grigal*, and the hot, humid southeasterly known as *ix-xlokk*.

Malta attained independence in 1964. Under the 1964 Independence Constitution, Malta was a constitutional monarchy and parliamentary state. This constitution was amended in 1974 to make Malta a republic within the Commonwealth. Its head of state is a president appointed by the Maltese Parliament which, in its turn, is elected by Universal Suffrage for a term of five years.

Maltese culture stems largely from the Islands' history of domination by Arab, Norman, European and English influences, as well as from the widespread prevalence of the Roman Catholic Church. Folk traditions have grown mainly around the *festas*, held in honour of the patron saints of towns and villages; these are marked by religious ceremonies, processions and celebrations of a more mondaine nature. The Easter period also gives rise to a spate of Good Friday biblical character pageants in several parts of the Islands. These are populist and devotional at the same time. Folk festivals are also popular. The principal one is *I-Imnarja*, an agrarian feast held on 29 June, the joint feastday of St. Peter and St. Paul, and highlighted by *I-għana*, a type of folksinging peculiar to the Maltese Islands.

Carnival in Malta dates back to at least the middle of the 15th Century. Balls and dance competitions featuring *il-Maltija*, the national dance, *il-Parata*, a sword dance, as well as contemporary dances and défilés of floats are the order of this 3-day festival.

Malta is a country of bastions and belfries. No other country in the world has so many walled cities, churches and chapels in so small an area. The walled cities are Valletta (*il-Belt*), Mdina (*l-Imdina*), Floriana (*il-Furjana*), Cospicua (*Bormla*), Senglea (*l-Isla*), and Vittoriosa (*il-Birgu*). Mdina ranks amongst the world's oldest mediaeval cities. St. John's Co-Cathedral, in the heart of Valletta, is characterised by beautiful Flemish tapestries and houses many famous paintings by Caravaggio and Mattia Preti.

Malta owes its rich architectural heritage to the rule of the Knights Hospitallers of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem (1530-1798). Under the Knights, the Maltese discomfited the Turks of the Ottoman Empire in the Great Siege of 1565. They also built their capital city, a gem of Baroque architecture.

About the Artist

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Malta: A Fact Sheet

2003

Area	316 km ²
Population	399,867
Births	3,902
Crude birth rate	10.0
Marriages	2,341
Crude marriage rate	6.0
Deaths	3,072
Crude death rate	7.9
Infant mortality rate	5.9
GDP per head (at market prices)	Lm4,586 ^P
Unemployment rate	7.90%
Inflation rate	1.30%
Imports	Lm1,279.2 million
Exports	Lm928.3 million
Total manufacturing sales	Lm 1.03 billion
Tourist arrivals	1.1 million
Average tourist length of stay	9.0 nights
Meat production	18.6 million tonnes (beef, pork and broilers)
Fish landings	1.07 million tonnes
Balance of Payments current account	Lm101.7 million
Licensed road vehicles/1,000 inhabitants	674
Road casualties/1,000 inhabitants	3.0

^P provisional

LOCAL COUNCILS

Malta

Attard
Birkirkara
Dingli
Għargħur
Gżira
Isla (Senglea)
Lija
Marsascala
Mellieħa
Mqabba
Naxxar
Pieta'
Rabat (Malta)
San Gwann
Santa Venera
Swieqi
Valletta
Zebbuġ (Malta)

Balzan
Birżebbuġia
Fgura
Għaxaq
Ħamrun
Kalkara
Luqa
Marsaxlokk
Mġarr (Malta)
Msida
Paola
Qormi
Safi
San Pawl il-Baħar
Siġġiewi
Ta' Xbiex
Xgħajra
Zejtun

Birgu (Vittoriosa)
Bormla (Cospicua)
Floriana
Gudja
Iklin
Kirkop
Marsa
Mdina
Mosta
Mtarfa
Pembroke
Qrendi
San Giljan
Santa Luċija
Sliema
Tarxien
Zabbar
Zurrieq

Gozo

Fontana
Għasri
Nadur
San Lawrenz
Xewkija

Għajnsielem
Kerċem
Qala
Sannat
Zebbuġ (Gozo)

Għarb
Munxar
Rabat (Victoria-Gozo)
Xagħra

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Cyprus	CY
Czech Republic	CZ
Denmark	DK
Estonia	EE
Finland	FI
France	FR
Germany	DE
Greece	EL
Hungary	HU
Ireland	IE
Italy	IT
Latvia	LV
Lithuania	LT
Luxembourg	LU
Malta	MT
Netherlands	NL
Poland	PL
Portugal	PT
Slovak Republic	SK
Slovenia	SI
Spain	ES
Sweden	SE
United Kingdom	UK
Bulgaria	BG
Romania	RO
Turkey	TR

Explanatory notes on NACE categories

Code	Category
A	Agriculture, hunting and forestry
B	Fishing
C	Mining and quarrying
D	Manufacturing
E	Electricity, gas and water supply
F	Construction
G	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles, motorcycles and personal and household goods
H	Hotels and restaurants
I	Transport, storage and communication
J	Financial intermediation
K	Real estate, renting and business activities
L	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security
M	Education
N	Health and social work
O	Other community, social and personal service activities
P	Private households with employed persons

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA AND LAND COVER

Table 1. Malta: geographical data

Situation		Area	
Northern latitude 36° 00' 00' '		Malta	245.728 square kilometres
Southern latitude 35° 48' 00' '		Gozo	67.078 square kilometres
Eastern longitude 14° 35' 00' '		Comino	2.784 square kilometres
Western longitude 14° 10' 30' '		Total	315.590 square kilometres
Extension	maximum length	Malta	27.359 kilometres
		Gozo	14.484 kilometres
	maximum width	Malta	14.480 kilometres
		Gozo	7.242 kilometres
	shoreline	Malta	196.80 kilometres
		Gozo	56.01 kilometres

Table 2. Mean air temperature

Month	2001	2002	2003
Mean temperature (°C)			
January	14.3	11.5	13.4
February	13.2	13.8	10.4
March	16.9	15.5	12.7
April	16.5	16.9	15.5
May	20.6	19.5	20.4
June	23.9	24.6	26.1
July	27.1	27.1	28.8
August	27.7	26.4	28.7
September	25.1	24.0	24.5
October	23.3	21.3	22.1
November	18.0	18.3	18.0
December	12.8	14.2	13.9

Table 3. Mean air temperature, sunshine and wind velocity

Year	Mean temperature	Mean maximum	Mean minimum	Mean daily sunshine (hours)	Average wind velocity (Knots)
	Degrees celsius				
2001	19.9	23.7	16.2	8.5	8.7
2002	19.4	22.8	16.1	8.1	7.6
2003	19.5	23.0	16.1	8.0	7.1

Table 4. Rainfall: September / August

Period				Total (millimetres)	
September	2000	-	August	2001	383.5
	2001	-		2002	259.6
	2002	-		2003	753.2

Table 5. Relative humidity

per cent			
Month	2001	2002	2003
January	81	77	78
February	77	83	73
March	77	76	79
April	76	74	82
May	75	79	76
June	68	62	64
July	72	65	63
August	72	69	68
September	77	75	79
October	80	75	80
November	70	79	78
December	72	80	73

Table 6. Land use: 2001

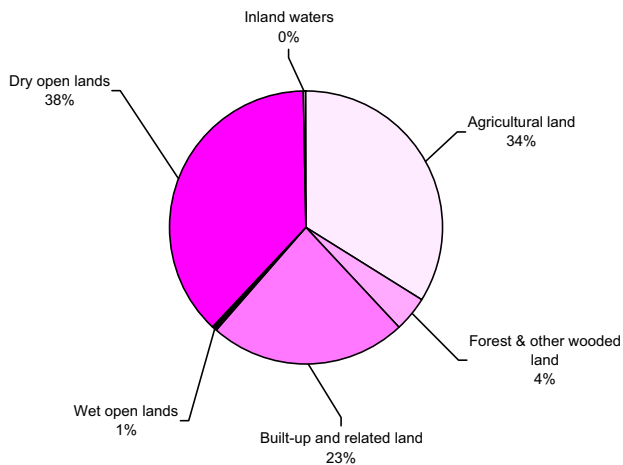
	Km ²	% total area
Total agricultural land	107.06	33.88
Land under forest and other wooded land *	13.37	4.23
Built-up and related land (excl. scattered farm buildings)	73.38	23.22
Of which:		
Industrial land	5.63	1.78
Land use for quarries etc.	2.56	0.81
Land of mixed use **	65.19	20.63
Wet open land	1.60	0.50
Dry open land ***	119.59	37.84
Inland waters	1.00	0.33
Total land area	316.00	100.00

* (used for recreational purposes), Public-owned

** includes residential, commercial and technical infrastructure

*** includes coastal areas, cliffs, garigue and other open land which is not earmarked for development

Chart 1. Land use in Malta: 2001



ENVIRONMENT

Table 7. Waste disposal in public landfills

		tonnes		
	Municipal solid waste	Construction and demolition waste	Industrial and other waste	
2001	139,378	939,548	81,954	
2002	187,066	1,289,248	40,115	
2003	201,835	538,069	41,351	

Source: Waste Management Strategy Implementation Department.

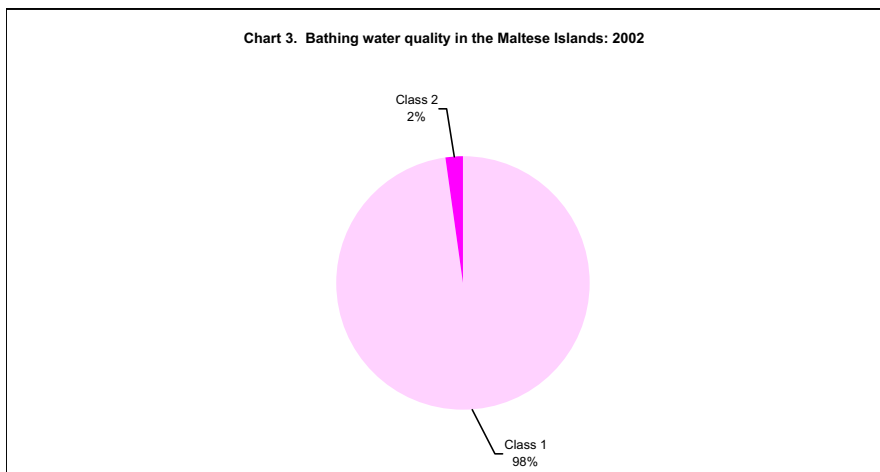
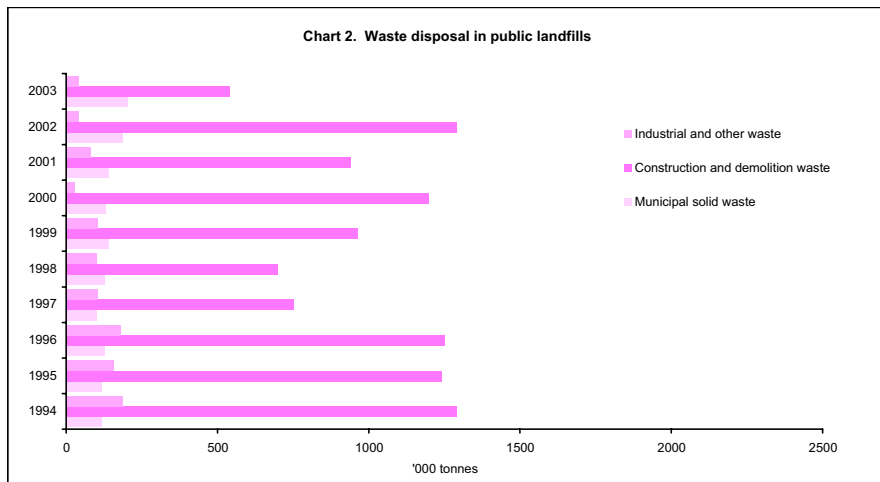


Chart 4. Bathing water quality in Malta (Island of): 2002

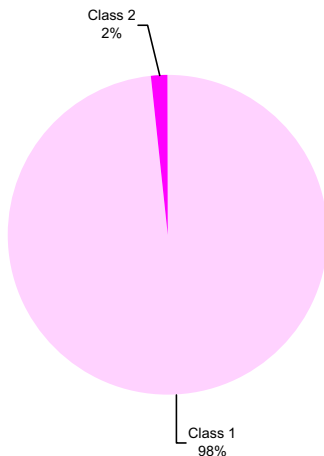
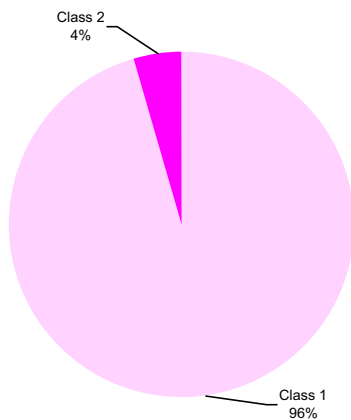


Chart 5. Bathing water quality in Gozo and Comino: 2002



Note: 1st Class Area: Faecal Coliforms < 100 per 100ml in at least 95% of total samples collected during the bathing season.

2nd Class Area: Faecal Coliforms < 100 per 100ml in at least 50% of samples and
< 1000 per 100ml in at least 90% of total samples collected during the bathing season.

3rd Class Area: Faecal Coliforms ≥ 100 per 100ml in 50% or more of samples and /or
≥ 1000 per 100ml in 10% or more of total number of samples collected during the bathing season.

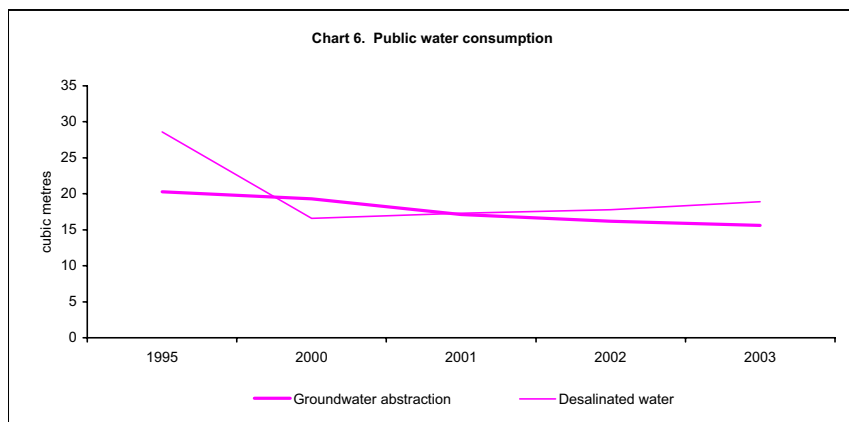


Table 8. Broad sectoral consumption of water

Year	Domestic sector	Industrial sector	Commercial/ Government/ Other sectors	All uses ¹ ('000 m ³)
	(% of all users)			
1998/1999 [*]	70.9	8.8	20.3	24,700
1999	65.0	6.6	28.4	17,415
1999/2000	63.5	7.4	29.0	18,001
2000	61.9	9.3	28.8	18,731
2001	63.5	7.4	29.1	18,002
2002	67.0	6.0	27.0	18,613
2003	66.5	6.0	27.5	18,968

[^] Excluding loss in network

^{*} August 1998 to July 1999

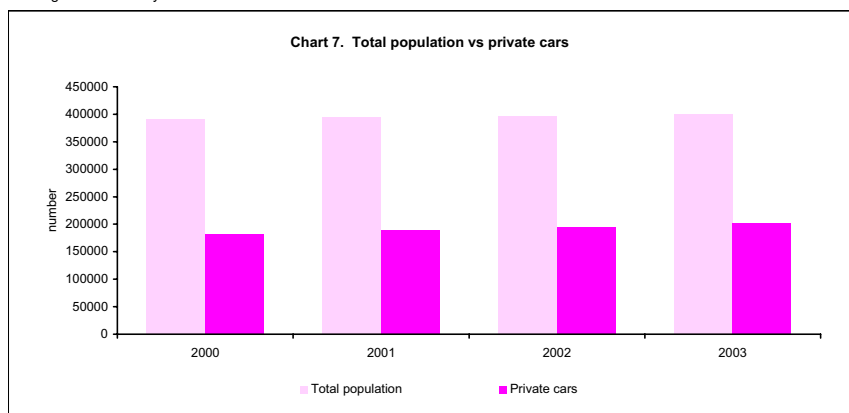


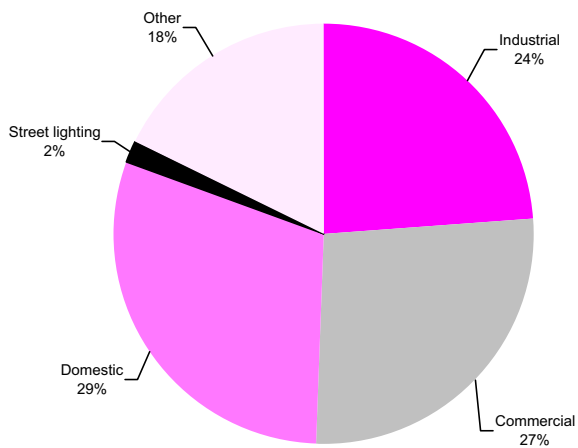
Table 9. Power generation and consumption

'000 kilowatt hour

Year	Total generated	Used in station	Consumed				Other
			Industrial	Commercial	Domestic	Street lighting	
1999/2000	1,916,623	114,977	477,379	457,142	539,796	27,551	299,778
2000/2001	1,943,350	117,661	482,908	503,660	540,265	42,733	256,123
2001/2002	2,055,073	123,987	504,760	501,582	561,907	44,901	317,936
2002/2003	2,208,015	125,093	499,230	553,804	623,679	35,220	370,989

Source: Enemalta Corporation.

Chart 8. Use of generated power: 2002/2003



POPULATION AND MAIN CAUSES OF DEATH

Table 10. Population

	Total population	Increase/decrease	
		Absolute	Per cent
Males			
2001	195,363	8,527	4.56
2002	196,836	10,000	5.35
2003	198,099	11,263	6.03
Females			
2001	199,278	7,982	4.17
2002	200,460	9,164	4.79
2003	201,768	10,472	5.47
Total			
2001	394,641	16,509	4.37
2002	397,296	19,164	5.07
2003	399,867	21,735	5.74

Note: Data refer to December of the various years.

Table 11. Demographic events

Year	Live births			Crude birth rate*	Marriages	Crude marriage rate*	Deaths			Crude death rate*
	Males	Females	Total				Males	Females	Total	
2001	1,992	1,867	3,859	10.1	2,194	5.7	1,496	1,439	2,935	7.6
2002	1,997	1,808	3,805	9.9	2,240	5.7	1,604	1,427	3,031	7.8
2003	1,956	1,946	3,902	10.0	2,341	6.0	1,541	1,531	3,072	7.9

* Per 1,000 population

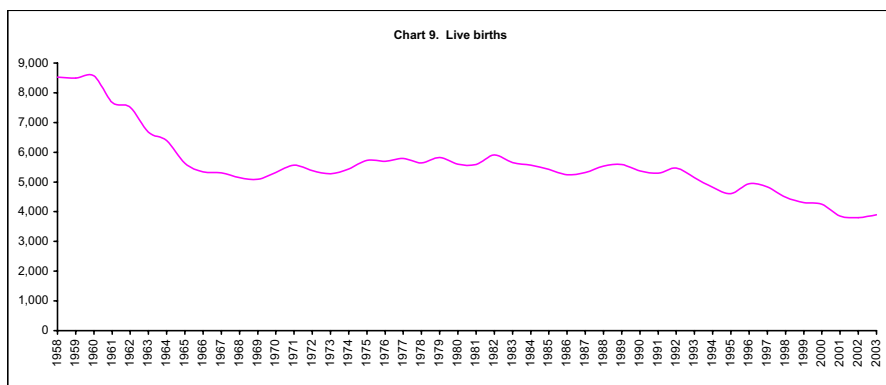


Table 12. Mean age in years at marriage

	2001		2002		2003	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
First marriage	27.5	25.0	26.9	25.4	28.5	26.0
Other marriage	46.0	39.1	44.2	38.9	45.4	41.1

Note: The 'Other Marriage' category includes persons whose previous marital status was that of widowed or divorced or annulled.

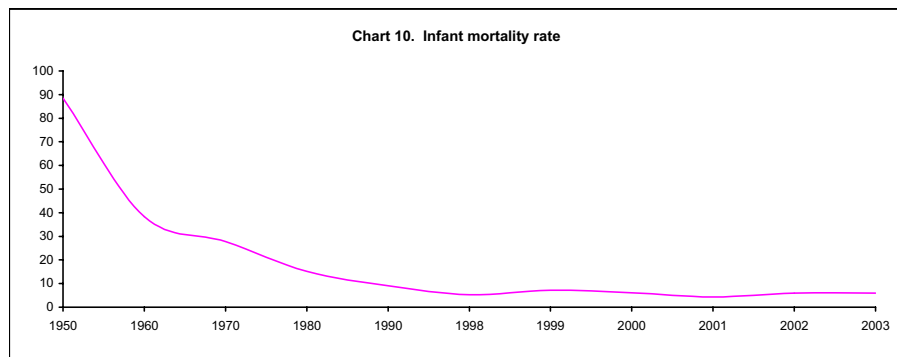
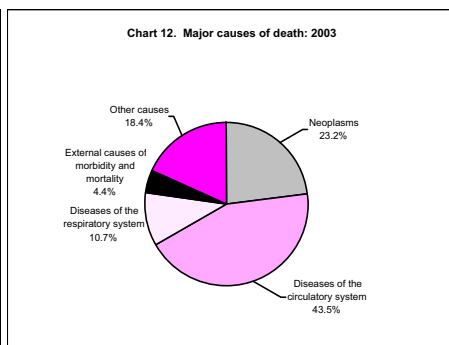
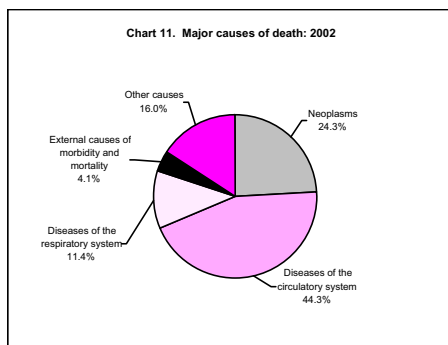


Table 13. Mortality rate by sex and major cause of death

Major cause of death	2001		2002		2003	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Neoplasms	28.0	21.1	26.2	22.4	24.4	21.9
Diseases of the circulatory system	40.8	46.8	40.8	47.8	42.3	44.6
Diseases of the respiratory system	13.1	11.5	13.8	9.0	12.0	9.3
External causes of morbidity and mortality	5.6	3.3	4.5	3.6	5.2	3.6
Other causes	12.5	17.3	14.7	17.2	16.1	20.6



Source: Department of Health Information.

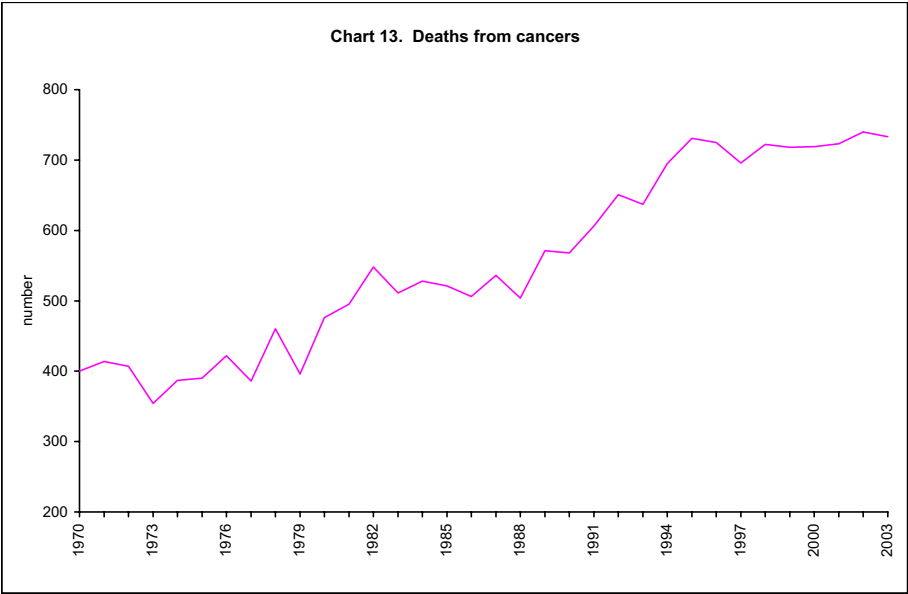
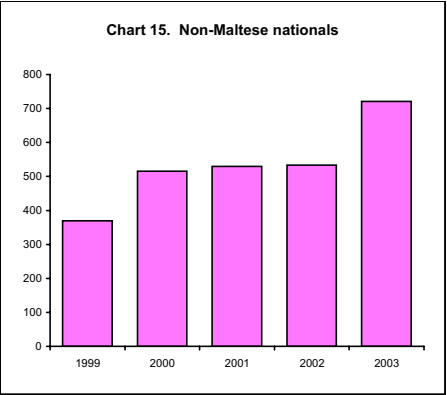
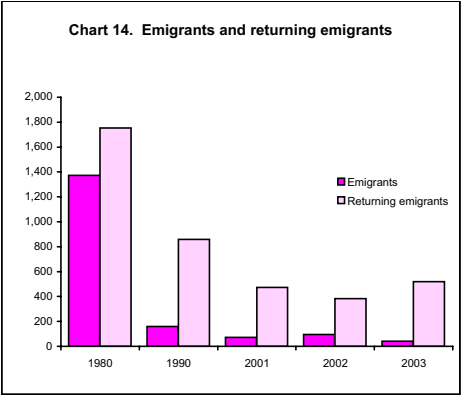


Table 14. Migration

Year	Emigrants from	Emigrants returning to
	Maltese Islands	
1980	1,374	1,753
1990	160	858
2001	73	472
2002	96	382
2003	40	518

Table 15. Non-Maltese nationals settling in Maltese Islands

Year	Number
1999	369
2000	515
2001	530
2002	533
2003	721



EDUCATION AND CULTURE

Table 16. Enrolment at different levels of education

Level	Primary	Secondary	Post-secondary	Tertiary	Vocational ¹
2001 Total	33,530	27,647	5,122	7,493	4,134
Males	17,315	13,814	2,516	3,392	3,131
Females	16,215	13,833	2,606	4,101	1,003
2002 Total	32,717	28,126	4,973	6,362	4,262
Males	16,946	14,302	2,705	3,159	2,764
Females	15,771	13,824	2,268	4,173	1,026
2003 Total	31,708	28,560	5,169	9,006	4,635
Males	16,454	14,443	2,298	3,888	3,168
Females	15,254	14,117	2,871	5,118	1,467

¹ including post-secondary vocational courses

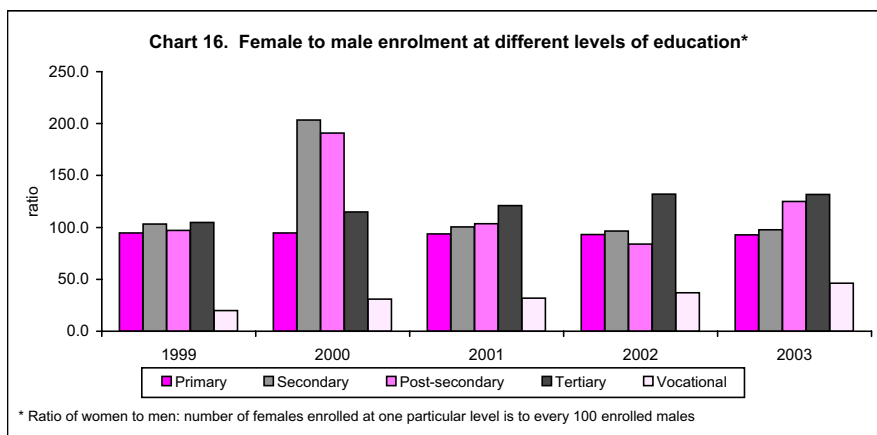


Table 17. Teaching staff^f by educational level and sex

Level	2000/2001		2001/2002		2002/2003	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Pre-Primary	18	1,101	12	31	17	902
Primary	368	1,679	384	2,015	372	2,013
Secondary	1,456	1,875	1,344	1,848	1,376	2,069
Vocational ²	455	97	398	109	366	103
Tertiary	587	197	599	201	595	208
Special	24	92	20	103	20	112
Total	2,908	5,041	2,757	4,307	2,746	5,407

¹ includes staff not directly engaged in teaching

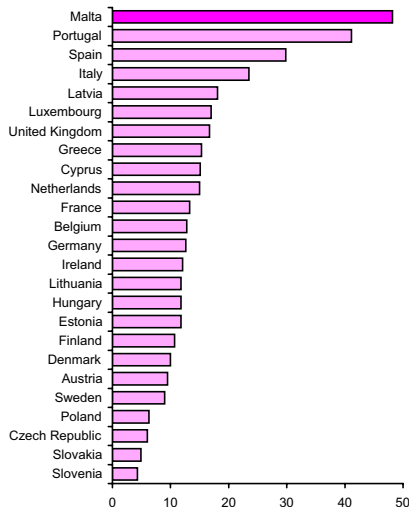
² Vocational education comprises technical institutes, trade schools, the Institute of Tourism Studies, the Kindergarten Assistants' Training Centre and the Instructors' Training Centre from 1996/97 to 1998/99 and MCAST from (2001)

Table 18. Enrolment in post-obligatory education

Age	1980		1990		1998		2002	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
16	1,069	479	1,402	930	2,281	616	994	584
17	918	202	472	620	1,367	1,492	1,557	1,716
18	601	151	627	381	1,490	1,511	1,537	1,816
19	293	32	457	186	1,002	768	1,137	1,100
20	447	39	648	169	773	637	761	814
21	119	53	138	109	437	487	552	637
22	14	7	146	112	332	305	386	326
23	15	8	161	93	188	153	196	143
24	7	3	125	69	157	126	143	115
25+	76	38	392	247	1,364	1,004	917	853
Total	3,559	1,012	4,568	2,916	9,391	7,099	8,180	8,104

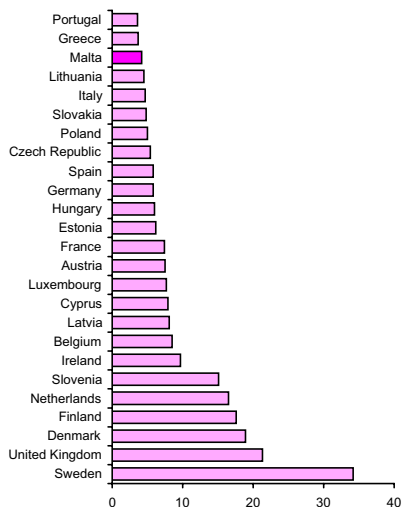
Note: Includes full-time and part-time students in upper secondary vocational and non-vocational institutions, as well as the university.

**Chart 17. Early school-leavers: 2003
(EU comparisons)**



Source: Eurostat.

**Chart 18. Life-long learners¹: 2003
(EU comparisons)**



¹ number of persons aged 15 years and over participating in education or training as a percentage of the total population aged 15 years and over

Table 19. Percentage of early school-leavers

Year	Sex		Total
	Males	Females	
2001	56.8	50.1	53.6
2002	53.0	50.9	52.0
2003	51.7	48.2	50.0

Note: 'School-leavers' refers to persons between 18-24 years who have achieved lower secondary school level or less and who are not in further education. This indicator has been calculated as a percentage of the total population in the same age bracket. Data refer to the December issues of the Labour Force Survey.

Table 20. Public libraries

Acquisitions / Loans	2001	2002	2003 ^P
Book purchases	6,001	6,936	4,412
Book donations ¹	7,425	8,324	11,404
New library members	6,218	6,327	6,149
Book loans	746,246	757,166	807,650
of which:			
Central Public Library	300,483	281,886	282,996
Regional libraries	194,097	218,246	228,789
Branch libraries (Malta)	215,636	222,766	247,572
Branch libraries (Gozo)	36,030	34,268	48,293

¹ includes book items which were either donated to branch libraries or purchased by local councils for their respective branch libraries

^P provisional

Table 21. Number of books received at the National Library of Malta under Legal Deposit

	2001	2002	2003 ^P
Number of books	466	289	599

^P provisional

Source: National Library of Malta.

Table 22. Number of periodical titles ¹ received at the National Library of Malta under Legal Deposit

	2001	2002	2003 ^P
Number of periodical titles	578	548	699

¹ includes: parish news letters; *festa* programme; and ephemera

^P provisional

Source: National Library of Malta.

Table 23. Average book loans per person from the Public Library system

	2001	2002	2003
Total book loans	746,246	757,166	807,650
Total population	394,641	397,296	399,867
Average loans per person	1.9	1.9	2.0

Table 24. Visitors to public museums

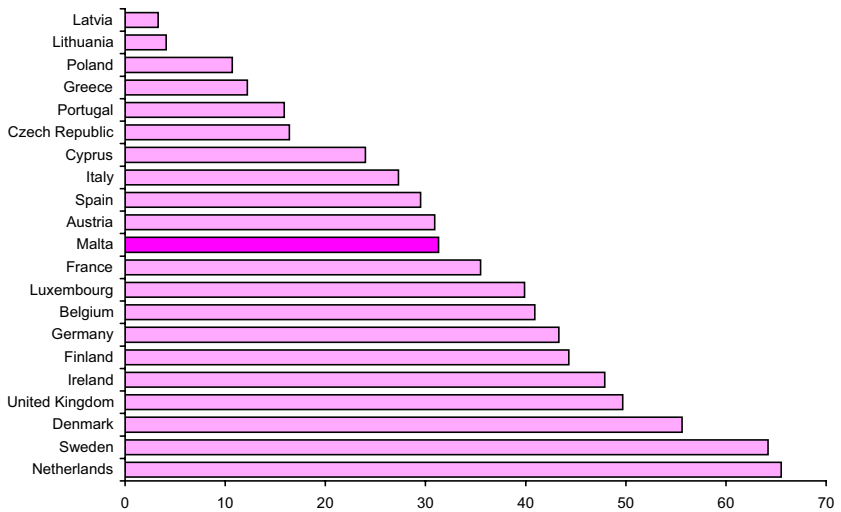
Visitors	2001	2002	2003
On payment	881,712	881,342	916,404
For free	229,656	220,817	167,302
Total visitors	1,111,368	1,102,159	1,083,706
Group tickets sold	233,409	570,143	537,051

Table 25. Percentage of EU households with internet access at home

	2001	2002	2003
Austria (AT)	46.2	30.9	36.2
Belgium (BE)	34.7	40.9	:
Cyprus (CY)	20.0	24.0	29.0
Czech Republic (CZ)	11.0	16.4	:
Denmark (DK)	58.9	55.6	64.2
Estonia (EE)	9.8	:	:
Finland (FI)	48.1	44.3	47.4
France (FR)	26.2	35.5	:
Germany (DE)	37.9	43.3	51.2
Greece (EL)	11.7	12.2	16.3
Hungary (HU)	:	:	:
Ireland (IE)	46.2	47.9	35.6
Italy (IT)	32.9	27.3	30.9
Latvia (LV)	2.3	3.3	:
Lithuania (LT)	3.2	4.1	6.2
Luxembourg (LU)	43.6	39.9	45.4
Malta (MT)	:	31.3	:
Netherlands (NL)	58.5	65.5	:
Poland (PL)	7.7	10.7	:
Portugal (PT)	23.4	15.9	21.7
Slovak Republic (SK)	:	:	:
Slovenia (SI)	24.0	:	:
Spain (ES)	23.4	29.5	25.2
Sweden (SE)	64.3	64.2	:
United Kingdom (UK)	46.5	49.7	55.1

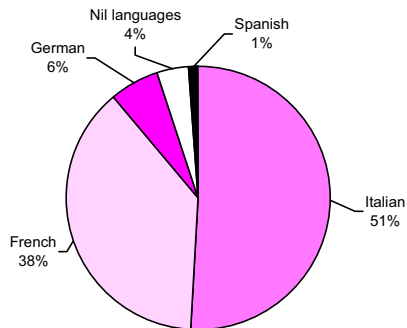
Source: Eurostat.

Chart 19. Level of internet access in households: 2002



Source: Eurostat.

Chart 20. Percentage of lower secondary students learning a European language as a first foreign language: 2002/2003



Note: In Malta, the teaching of the English language is compulsory up to lower secondary level.

Table 26. Radio and television broadcasting stations approved by the Broadcasting Authority

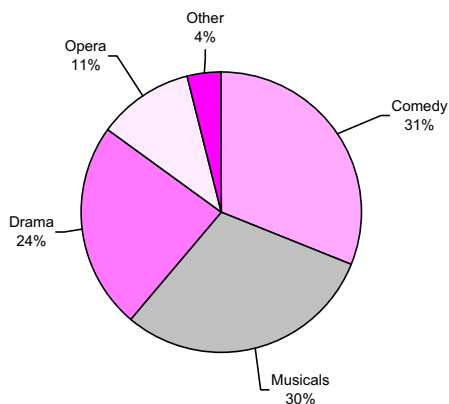
	2002	2003
Radio: nationwide stations	12	13
Television stations	7	6

Table 27. Theatre patronage

	2001	2002	2003
Opera	2,417	4,003	4,143
Drama	6,820	10,866	19,090
Comedy	46,336	44,851	25,255
Musicals	26,794	31,118	30,646
Dance	15,329	17,946	14,889
Others	44,741	60,231	50,433
Total	142,437	169,015	144,456

Source: Theatre administrative data.

Chart 21. Preferred type of theatre performance



Note: 'Other' includes concert and dance performances.

Source: NSO survey of theatre-goers, 2004.

HEALTHCARE

Table 28. Healthcare facilities

	2002	2003
Acute care hospitals	9	9
Acute care hospital beds:	1,381	:
per 1000 population	3.5	:
Average acute care length of stay	4.3	4.6

Note: Acute care refers to short stay.

Source: Department of Health Information.

Table 29. Healthcare professionals

	2001	2002	2003
Registered medical practitioners	1,197	1,058	1,201
per 1000 population	3.0	2.7	3.0
Registered dentists	152	159	168
per 1000 population	0.4	0.4	0.4
Registered pharmacists	750	809	:
per 1000 population	1.9	2.0	:
Registered nurses and midwives	:	2,307	2,423
per 1000 population	:	5.8	6.1

Source: Department of Health Information.

: not available

Table 30. Child vaccinations

	2003
	Per cent
Infants vaccinated against:	
Diphtheria	93.3
Tetanus	93.3
Pertussis	93.3
Poliomyelitis	93.3
Infants vaccinated against:	
Mumps	87.8
Rubella	87.8
Children vaccinated against:	
Measles	87.8
Infants vaccinated against invasive disease due to Hib ¹	91.1

Notes:

1. Infants refer to persons who have completed 1 year of life.

2. Children refer to persons who have completed 2 years of life.

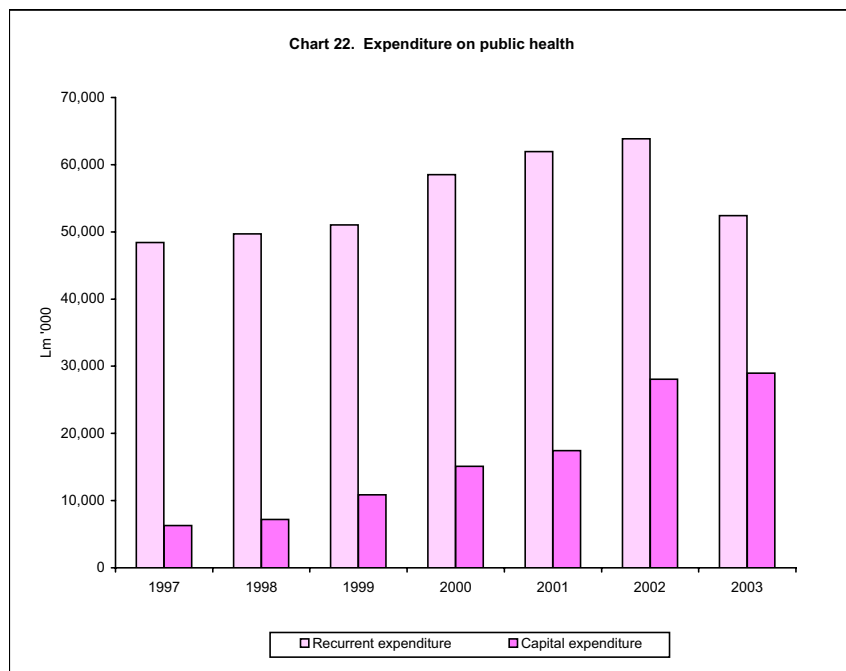
¹ Hib - full appellation is Haemophilus Influenza B. This leads to croup.

Source: Department of Health Information.

Table 31. Expenditure on public health

	Lm '000		
Type of expenditure	2001	2002	2003
Recurrent expenditure	61,949	63,874	52,399
of which:			
Personal emoluments	40,141	41,919	37,884
Operational and maintenance	19,061	18,968	5,137
Programmes and initiatives	1,029	1,095	1,058
Other	1,718	1,892	8,320
Capital expenditure	17,418	28,088	28,986
of which:			
Buildings and modernisation	16,097	26,671	27,943
Equipment	398	122	86
Other	923	1,295	957

Source: Annual Reports of Government Departments; Government of Malta Financial Report, various issues.



SOCIAL SECURITY

Table 32. Claims for short-term benefits

Type of benefit	2001	2002	2003
Sickness benefit	141,462	127,436	138,145
Unemployment benefit	11,733	11,239	15,763
Special unemployment benefit	568	637	1,427
Injury benefit	4,867	4,654	4,602
Marriage grant	3,293	3,323	3,197
Gratuity on re-marriage	13	2	6
Total	161,936	147,291	163,140

Table 33. Families receiving children/family benefits

Type of benefit	2001	2002	2003
Child allowance	35,814	37,141	36,481
Disabled child allowance	544	597	660
Maternity benefit	2,958	3,243	2,839

Table 34. Persons receiving pensions/assistance

Type of benefit	2001	2002	2003
Contributory pension	56,317	57,732	59,405
of which:			
Retirement pension	7,366	7,392	7,507
Nat. min. retirement pension	8,071	7,963	7,899
Two-thirds pension	15,547	16,211	16,882
Nat. min. invalidity pension	4,944	5,582	6,348
Nat. min. widow's pension	8,052	7,905	7,860
Other	12,337	12,679	12,909
Non-contributory pension	6,617	7,073	6,983
of which:			
Old age	3,936	4,224	4,098
Mentally/severely handicapped	1,860	1,956	2,047
Other	821	893	838
Non-contributory assistance	50,674	58,215	57,004
of which:			
Social assistance	10,254	14,209	12,768
Sickness assistance	13,483	14,467	14,553
Supplementary allowance	26,777	29,274	29,425
Other	160	265	258

Note: All figures have been rounded.

Source: Department of Social Security.

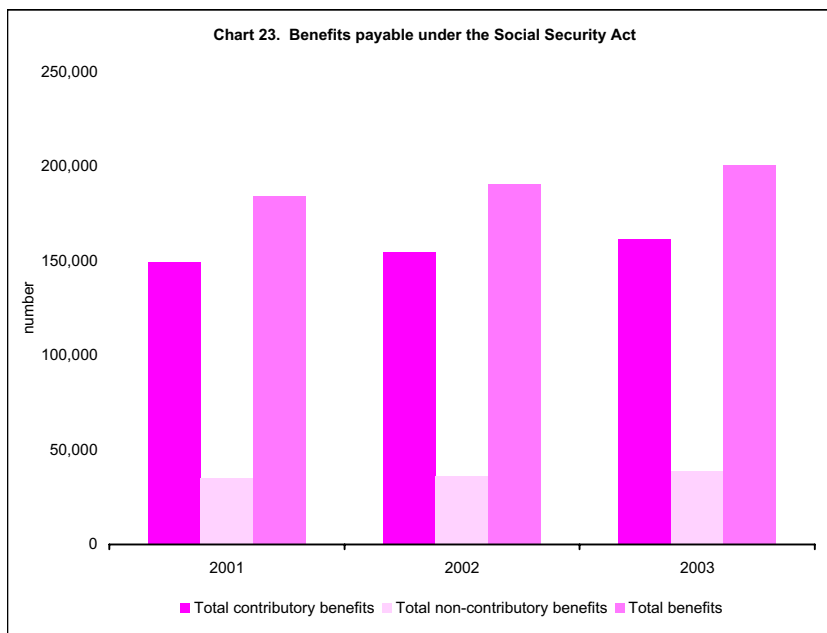
Table 35. Social benefits payable under the Social Security Act (Cap. 318)

Lm'000

Type of benefit	2001	2002	2003
Total contributory benefits	149,301	154,621	161,697
Retirement pension	78,467	80,887	84,132
Invalidity pension	10,607	12,073	14,196
Widow's pension	30,135	30,611	32,453
Children's allowance	15,851	15,850	14,859
Sickness benefit	1,803	2,070	2,273
Bonus	9,945	10,126	10,733
Other	2,493	3,003	3,052
Total non-contributory benefits	35,146	36,128	39,225
Age/Pension for the visually impaired	6,181	5,830	5,887
Disability pension	2,931	2,849	3,099
Social assistance	15,719	17,210	18,949
Medical assistance	5,166	5,204	5,703
Bonus	2,879	2,940	3,049
Supplementary assistance	2,098	1,927	2,414
Other	172	167	123
Total benefits	184,447	190,749	200,922

Note: All figures have been rounded.

Source: Department of Social Security.



QUALITY OF LIFE

Table 36. Information society: selected indicators

Type of indicator	Total December 2001	Per 100 Population ¹	Total December 2002	Per 100 Population ¹	Total December 2003	Per 100 Population ¹
Telephone lines	207,745	52.6	207,269	52.2	208,271	52.1
Mobile telephone subscriptions	220,545	55.9	276,859	69.7	289,992	72.5
Pagers subscriptions	4,866	1.2	4,645	1.2	4,383	1.1
Two-way radio licences	1,189	0.3	1,130	0.3	999	0.2
Cable TV subscriptions	90,091	22.8	95,107	23.9	99,434	24.9
Satellite dish receivers	9,189	2.3	15,071	3.8	16,154	4.0
Internet subscriptions	51,343	13.0	67,001	16.9	76,814	19.2
VOIP (minutes consumed)	:	:	:	:	4,352,767	1,088.6

¹ average figures have been rounded

Table 37. Licensed motor vehicles

Type of vehicle	2001	2002	2003
Private Cars	188,495	195,055	201,924
Commercial Vehicles	43,663	43,852	44,657
Motorcycles	12,605	13,097	13,420
Other	9,289	9,325	9,451
Total	254,052	261,329	269,452

Table 38. Road traffic accidents, cases by region

Region	2001	2002	2003
Malta (Island of)	12,780	13,383	13,304
Gozo and Comino	592	679	675
Total	13,372	14,062	13,979

Table 39. Road traffic accidents, casualties by region

Region	2001	2002	2003
Malta (Island of)	1,136	1,201	1,091
Gozo and Comino	95	111	96
Total	1,231	1,312	1,187

Table 40. Road equipment and accidents

	2001	2002	2003
Road Vehicles			
Licensed vehicles	254,052	261,329	269,452
Licensed passenger cars	188,495	195,055	201,924
Rate of motorisation (licensed vehicles per 1000 inhabitants)	644	658	674
Rate of motorisation (passenger cars per 1000 inhabitants)	478	491	505
Road Accidents			
Accidents per 1000 licensed vehicles	53	54	52
Casualties per 1000 inhabitants	3.1	3.3	3.0

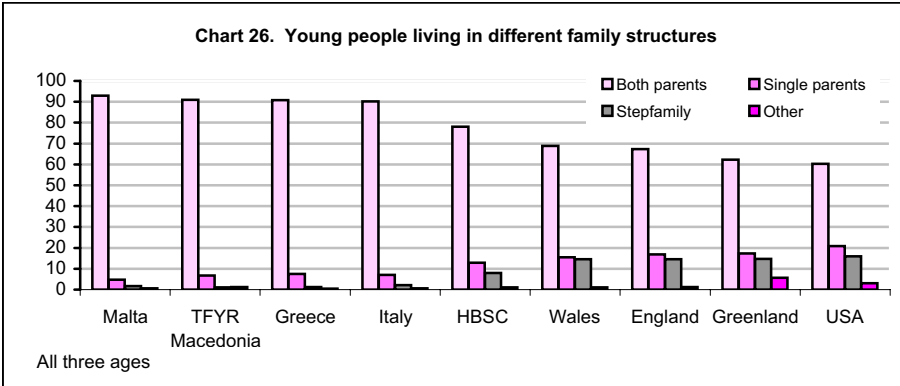
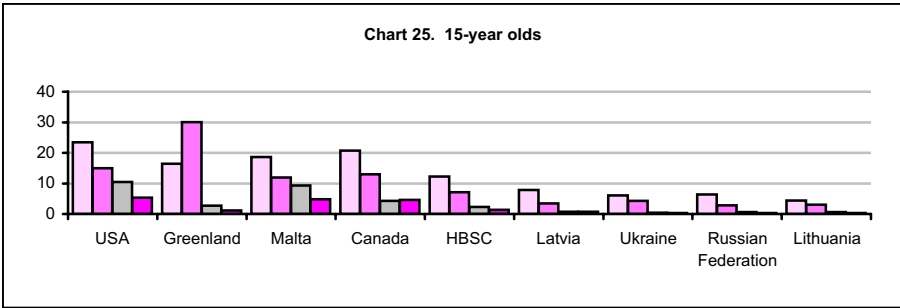
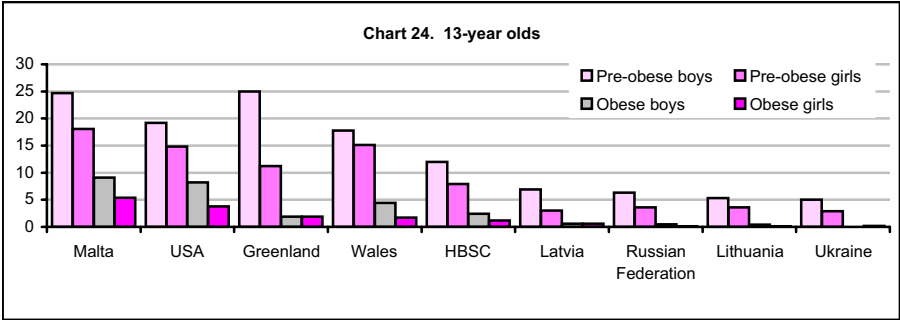
Table 41. Trends in human development

Human Development Index (HDI)	1975	1985	1995	2000	2002
Norway (highest in HDI rank)	0.866	0.897	0.935	0.954	0.956
Malta (31st in HDI rank)	0.726	0.789	0.850	0.873	0.875
Malta as % of highest in rank	84	88	91	92	92

Source: UNDP (2004) Human Development Report 2004.

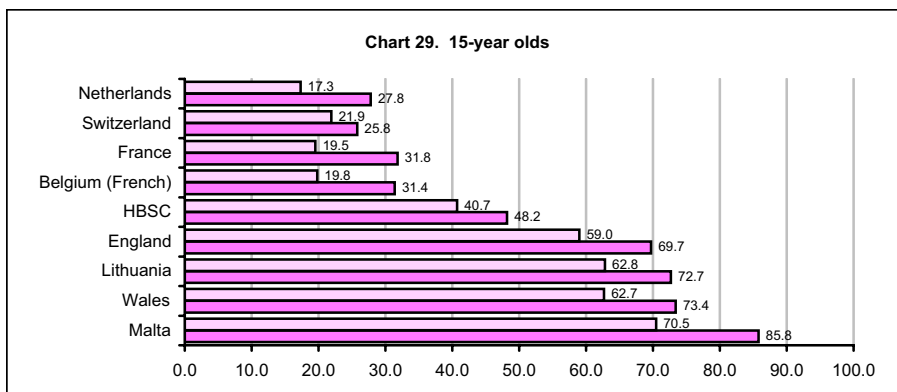
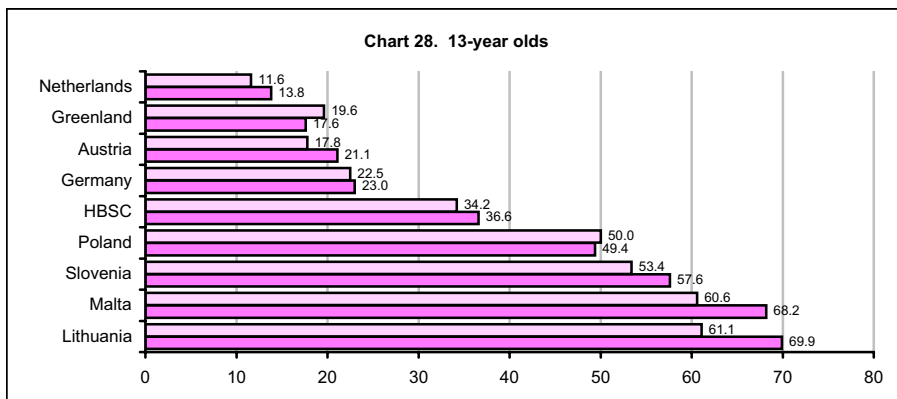
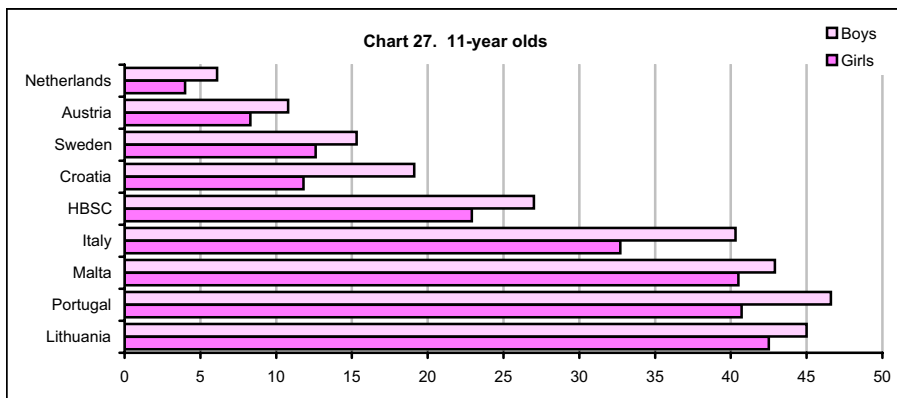
Charts 24 to 35 are sourced in the report: *Young people's health in context: Health Behaviour in School-aged Children study: international report from the 2001/2002 survey* compiled by the World Health Organisation (WHO). BMI refers to Body Mass Index. HBSC refers to the worked-out average in Health Behaviour in School-aged Children. Generally, the enquiry centred on three age groups - 11, 13 and 15-year olds.

Percentage of young people who are overweight according to BMI
(Four highest and four lowest country percentages on either side of HBSC average)



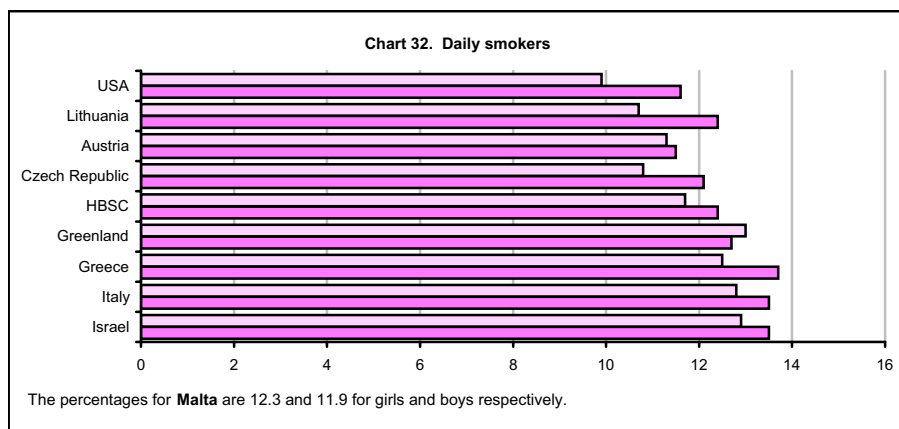
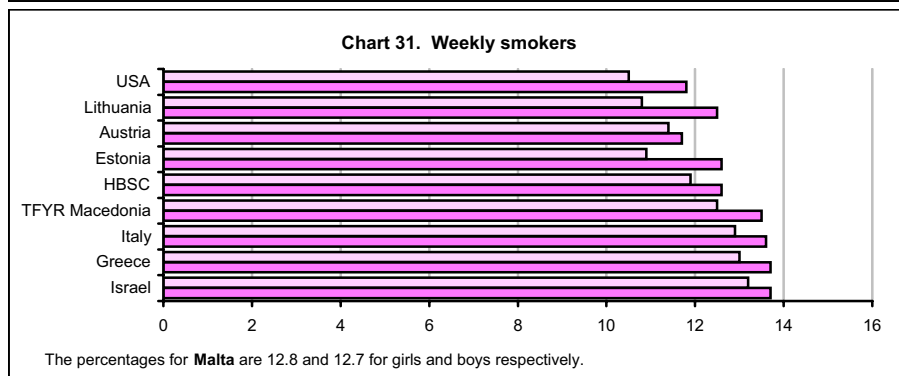
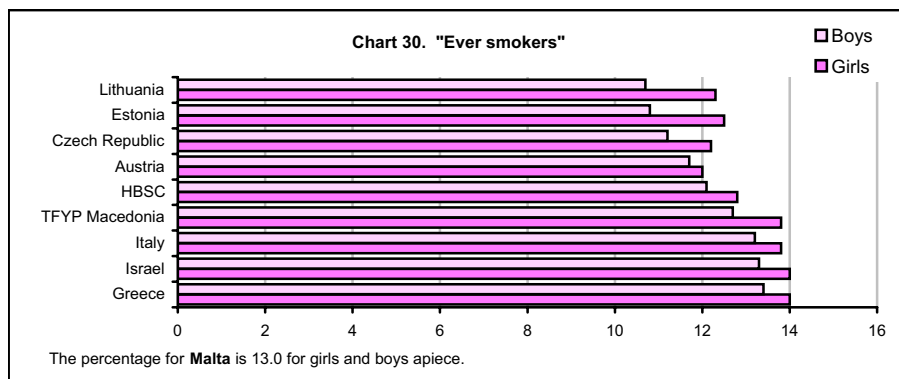
Percentage of young people feeling pressured by schoolwork

(Four highest and four lowest country percentages on either side of HBSC average)



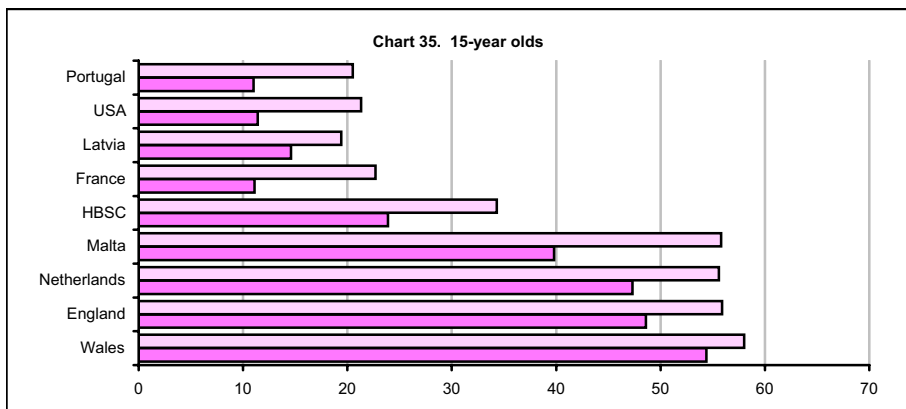
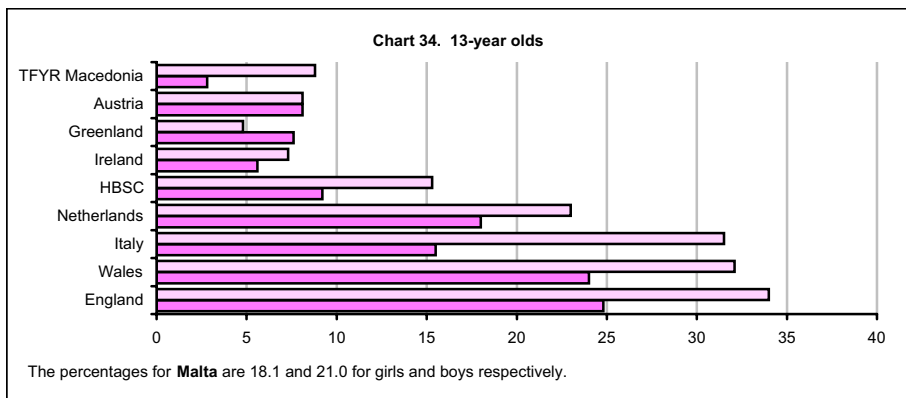
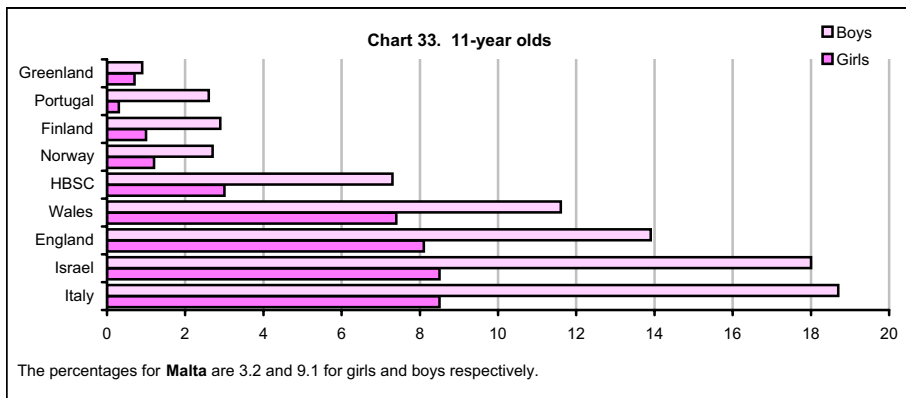
Age at onset of smoking for 15-year olds

(Four highest and four lowest country percentages on either side of HBSC average)



Percentage of young people who drink alcohol weekly

(Four highest and four lowest country percentages on either side of HBSC average)



THE ECONOMY

Table 42. GDP and GNI (ESA 1995)

		2000	2001	2002	2003
ESA 95		Lm'000	Lm'000	Lm'000	Lm'000
Code					
PRODUCTION APPROACH					
P.1	Output of goods and services (at basic prices)	3,210,904	3,082,607	3,120,518	3,279,699
P.2	Intermediate consumption (at purchasers' prices)	1,723,664	1,567,347	1,587,553	1,682,398
B.1g	Gross value added (at basic prices)	1,487,240	1,515,260	1,532,965	1,597,301
D.21	Taxes on products	208,662	223,380	231,682	241,168
D.31	Subsidies on products	12,139	13,560	9,291	11,192
B.1*g	Gross Domestic Product (ESA 95)	1,683,763	1,725,080	1,755,356	1,827,277
EXPENDITURE APPROACH					
P.3	Total final consumption expenditure	1,390,403	1,445,714	1,469,982	1,510,987
P.3	Household final consumption expenditure	1,041,539	1,065,784	1,068,448	1,093,926
P.3	NPISH final consumption expenditure	24,588	25,909	28,601	29,619
P.3	General government final consumption expenditure	324,276	354,021	372,933	387,442
P.5	Gross capital formation	460,636	367,867	290,412	413,021
P.51	Gross fixed capital formation	377,515	356,777	332,408	392,769
P.52	Changes in inventories	79,534	7,090	-45,996	16,252
P.53	Acquisitions less disposals of valuables	3,587	4,000	4,000	4,000
P.6	Exports of goods and services	1,572,823	1,399,132	1,468,570	1,420,643
P.7	Imports of goods and services	1,740,099	1,487,633	1,473,608	1,517,374
B.1*g	Gross Domestic Product (ESA 95)	1,683,763	1,725,080	1,755,356	1,827,277
INCOME APPROACH					
D.1	Compensation of employees	754,561	816,569	829,803	853,524
B.2g+B.3g	Gross operating surplus and mixed income	737,915	706,124	723,685	764,918
D.2	Taxes on production and imports	214,243	229,711	239,200	248,502
D.3	Subsidies	22,956	27,324	37,332	39,667
B.1*g	Gross Domestic Product (ESA 95)	1,683,763	1,725,080	1,755,356	1,827,277
D.1	Compensation of employees received from the rest of the world	4,352	2,443	3,459	4,647
D.1	Compensation of employees paid to the rest of the world	3,191	3,078	3,463	3,116
D.2	Taxes on production and imports paid to the Institutions of the EU	0	0	0	0
D.3	Subsidies received from the Institutions of the EU	0	0	0	0
D.4	Property income received from the rest of the world	383,944	370,463	357,682	326,692
D.4	Property income paid to the rest of the world	438,199	358,721	355,124	312,805
B.5*g	Gross National Income (ESA 95)	1,630,669	1,736,187	1,757,910	1,842,695

Table 43. Production and generation of income accounts

		Total economy			
ESA 95		2000	2001	2002	2003
Code		Lm'000	Lm'000	Lm'000	Lm'000
Production account					
P.1	Output	3,210,905	3,082,607	3,120,516	3,279,700
P.2	Intermediate consumption	1,723,664	1,567,347	1,587,552	1,682,398
B.1g	Value added, gross	1,487,241	1,515,260	1,532,964	1,597,302
K.1	Consumption of fixed capital	234,060	250,293	248,276	254,485
B.1n	Value added, net	1,253,181	1,264,967	1,284,688	1,342,817
Generation of income account					
B.1n	Value added, net	1,253,181	1,264,967	1,284,688	1,342,817
D.1	Compensation of employees	754,562	816,569	829,803	853,524
D.29	Other taxes on production	5,578	6,328	7,514	7,334
D.39	Other subsidies on production (-)	10,815	13,761	28,036	28,474
B.2	Operating surplus	503,856	455,831	475,407	510,432

Gross Domestic Product

ESA 95		2000	2001	2002	2003
Code		Lm'000	Lm'000	Lm'000	Lm'000
B.1g	Value added, gross (at basic prices)	1,487,241	1,515,260	1,532,964	1,597,302
D.21	<i>add</i> Taxes on products	208,661	223,380	231,683	241,167
D.31	<i>less</i> Subsidies on products	12,139	13,560	9,291	11,192
B.1*g	GDP at market prices	1,683,763	1,725,080	1,755,356	1,827,277
Rate of growth			2.5%	1.8%	4.1%

Table 44. GDP by category of expenditure at constant 2000 prices

ESA 95		2000	2001	2002	2003
Code		Lm'000	Lm'000	Lm'000	Lm'000
P.3	Total final consumption expenditure	1,390,403	1,381,907	1,388,356	1,410,017
P.3	Household final consumption expenditure	1,041,539	1,034,240	1,026,564	1,040,942
P.3	NPISH final consumption expenditure	24,588	24,567	25,786	26,145
P.3	General government final consumption expenditure	324,276	323,100	336,006	342,930
P.5	Gross capital formation	460,635	354,921	263,764	380,025
P.51	Gross fixed capital formation	377,514	343,865	303,645	361,467
P.52	Changes in inventories	79,534	7,156	-43,661	14,874
P.53	Acquisitions less disposals of valuables	3,587	3,900	3,780	3,683
P.6	Exports of goods and services	1,572,823	1,495,439	1,566,642	1,534,835
P.7	Imports of goods and services	1,740,099	1,589,351	1,552,147	1,660,692
B.1*g	Gross Domestic Product (ESA 95)	1,683,762	1,642,916	1,666,616	1,664,185
Rate of Growth			-2.4%	1.4%	-0.1%

Table 45. Percentage contribution to Gross Value Added (at basic prices)

NACE	2000	2001	2002	2003
A Agriculture, hunting and forestry	2.27	2.41	2.43	2.19
B Fishing	0.19	0.25	0.29	0.25
C Mining and quarrying	0.29	0.30	0.34	0.38
D Manufacturing	24.76	21.61	21.50	22.08
E Electricity, gas and water supply	2.06	1.84	1.99	1.65
F Construction	4.08	4.50	4.58	4.71
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles, motorcycles and personal and household goods	11.74	11.10	11.44	11.36
H Hotels and restaurants	7.62	7.30	7.10	7.03
I Transport, storage and communication	10.80	11.99	10.22	10.22
J Financial intermediation	5.28	5.15	4.68	5.17
K Real estate, renting and business activities	11.95	12.54	13.04	13.56
L Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	6.99	7.75	7.84	7.99
M Education	5.86	6.64	7.02	7.13
N Health and social work	5.11	5.51	5.81	5.34
O Other community, social and personal service activities**	4.44	4.73	5.27	5.23
FISIM (Financial Intermediary Services Indirectly Measured)	-3.43	-3.62	-3.53	-4.30
Gross Value Added	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

** Including private households with employed persons (NACE P)

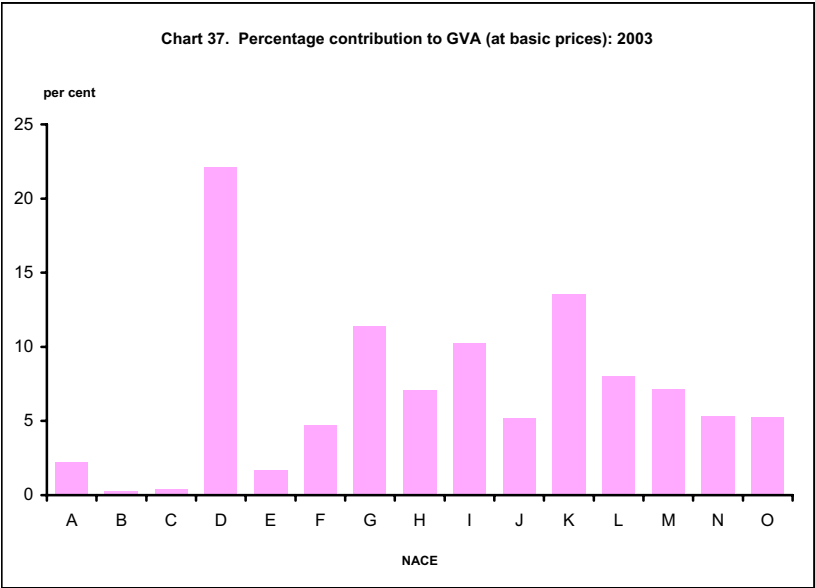
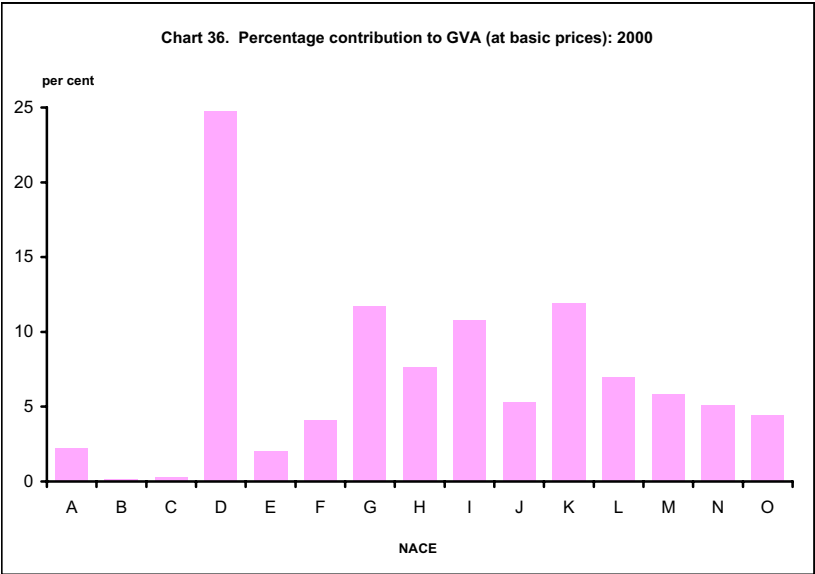


**Table 46. Gross Domestic Product per capita at current prices
in Purchasing Power Standards ¹**

Country	GDP per head in PPS			(EU15=100)			(EU25=100)			
	2000	2001	2002 ^p	2000	2001	2002 ^p	2003 ^p	2001	2002 ^p	2003 ⁿ
EU Member States										
Austria (AT)	25,700	26,300	26,680	114	112	111	111	123	121	121
Belgium (BE)	24,100	24,700	25,620	106	107	106	107	117	116	117
Cyprus (CY)	16,960	18,281	18,380	76	78	77	76	86	84	83
Czech Republic (CZ)	12,620	14,156	14,820	59	60	62	63	66	67	69
Denmark (DK)	26,900	27,500	27,000	115	115	112	113	126	123	123
Estonia (EE)	9,130	9,015	9,650	38	39	41	42	43	45	46
Finland (FI)	23,500	24,300	24,490	104	104	102	101	114	111	111
France (FR)	22,700	23,600	25,240	104	105	105	104	115	115	113
Germany (DE)	23,750	24,100	23,950	102	101	100	99	110	109	108
Greece (EL)	15,300	15,800	16,990	66	67	71	73	74	77	80
Hungary (HU)	11,220	12,017	12,830	49	52	53	56	56	58	61
Ireland (IE)	26,000	27,500	30,160	115	118	125	120	129	137	131
Italy (IT)	23,600	24,300	23,680	101	100	98	98	110	108	107
Latvia (LV)	6,990	7,790	8,370	32	34	36	36	37	39	39
Lithuania (LT)	8,080	8,690	9,570	35	37	40	42	41	43	46
Luxembourg (LU)	44,500	45,500	45,630	199	194	190	191	213	208	208
Malta (MT)	12,600	16,221	16,530	71	69	69	67	76	75	73
Netherlands (NL)	25,600	26,000	26,800	111	113	111	110	124	122	120
Poland (PL)	8,950	9,644	10,010	42	42	42	42	46	45	46
Portugal (PT)	16,200	16,900	17,050	70	71	71	69	77	77	75
Slovak Republic (SK)	10,480	10,433	11,340	44	45	47	47	49	52	51
Slovenia (SI)	15,260	15,843	16,710	67	68	69	70	75	76	77
Spain (ES)	18,500	19,100	20,710	83	84	86	87	92	94	95
Sweden (SE)	22,800	23,100	25,190	109	106	105	106	116	115	115
United Kingdom (UK)	22,500	23,200	25,840	104	105	107	109	115	117	119
Candidate Countries										
Bulgaria (BG)	5,990	6,078	6,360	25	26	26	27	29	29	29
Romania (RO)	5,460	5,700	6,350	23	24	26	27	27	28	30
Turkey (TR)	5,620	5,570	5,920	28	24	25	25	26	27	27
Average GDP per head in PPS for EU-15	22,570	23,338	24,040	100	100	100	100	:	109	109
Average GDP per head in PPS for EU-25	19,600	21,288	21,990	91	91	91	92	100	100	100
Average GDP per head in PPS for new members	10,020	10,500	11,370	46	47	47	48	51	52	53

^p provisional

ⁿ nowcast (flash estimates)

¹ PPS is the artificial common reference currency unit used in the EU to express the volume of economic aggregates for the purpose of spatial comparisons

Source: Eurostat: Statistics in Focus, Theme 2 - 64/2003, 2/2004, 27/2004, 37/2004.

GOVERNMENT FINANCE

Table 47. Government finance data

Lm'000

Aggregates	2001	2002	2003
Total revenue	797,421	770,957	873,487
less loans (<i>Treasury</i>)	106,823	10,563	132,129
less sale of shares (<i>Finance</i>)	0	27,341	0
less other extraordinary receipts (<i>Finance</i>)	21,977	13,250	2,137
Revenue (net of loans, sale of shares and other extraordinary receipts)	668,621	719,803	739,221
<i>of which:</i>			
Grants	1,392	2,721	2,517
Customs & Excise	60,885	59,813	61,576
Consumption tax	114,668	117,503	123,910
Income tax	166,302	190,175	205,218
Social security	179,065	181,142	188,427
Others	146,309	168,449	157,573
Total expenditure (<i>Treasury</i>)	766,658	819,324	857,405
less contribution to Sinking Fund in respect of local and foreign loans	11,730	10,900	12,288
less direct loan repayment	1,015	947	451
Total expenditure (less contribution to Sinking Fund and less direct loan repayment)	753,913	807,477	844,666
<i>consisting of:</i>			
Recurrent expenditure	614,626	645,995	677,655
<i>of which</i>			
Education	46,691	47,502	48,998
Social security (benefits)	184,448	190,749	200,922
Others	383,488	407,744	427,735
Public debt servicing (excluding contribution to the Sinking Fund and direct loan repayment)	58,660	63,811	12,288
Capital programme	80,627	97,672	103,969
Productive investment	26,400	31,526	28,372
Infrastructure	26,872	27,391	34,095
Social	27,355	38,754	41,501
Fiscal position (Lm million)			
GDP at current market prices	1,725 ^P	1,755 ^P	1,827 ^P
Government deficit (-) (a)	-85	-88	-105
As a percentage of GDP	4.92	5.01	5.75

^P provisional

(a) Made up of total expenditure (less contribution to Sinking Fund and less direct loan repayment) minus revenue (net of loans and sale of shares, and other extraordinary receipts).

Notes: 1. Figures may not add up exactly due to rounding. 2. The deficit figure is exclusive to Central Government data, and is not strictly comparable to the Maastricht Criteria (which includes also the extended Government i.e. Local Councils and Extra Budgetary Units).

Source: The Treasury; Central Bank of Malta.

Table 48. Government debt

Lm' 000

Aggregates	2001	2002	2003
Government debt position	1,012,691	1,076,961	1,259,605
<i>consisting of:</i>			
Treasury bills (a)	159,459	218,831	232,286
Government stock	812,854	813,030	913,029
Foreign borrowing (b)	40,378	45,100	72,616
Other debt assumptions (c)	-	-	41,846
MGSF investments in Government Debt (d)	-	-	-172
Government debt			
As a percentage of GDP	58.7	61.4	68.9

(a) Treasury bills are quoted at nominal prices.

(b) Foreign borrowing is quoted in Maltese liri.

(c) Includes loans of Ex-Malta Drydocks and Ex-Malta Shipbuilding.

(d) Malta Government Stocks owned by the Sinking Fund.

Notes: 1. Figures may not add up exactly due to rounding. 2. The debt figures reported are exclusive to Central Government data, and are strictly not comparable to the Maastricht Criteria (which includes also the extended Government i.e. Local Councils and Extra Budgetary Units).

Source: Central Bank of Malta, quoting data from The Treasury and the Malta Stock Exchange.

Chart 38. Revenue (net of loans and sale of shares) by main category: 2003

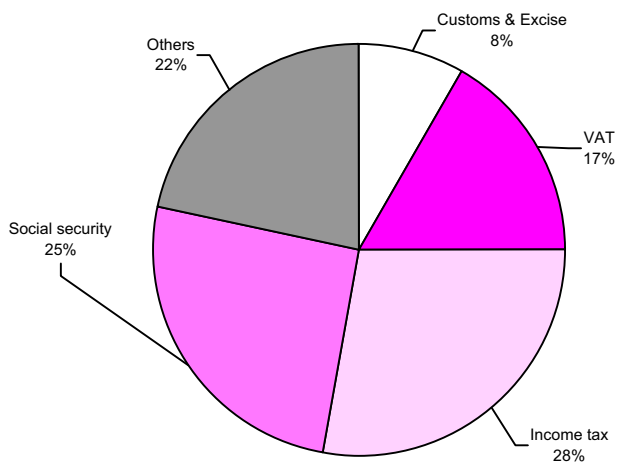


Chart 39. Total Expenditure (less contribution to Sinking Fund) by Main Category: 2003

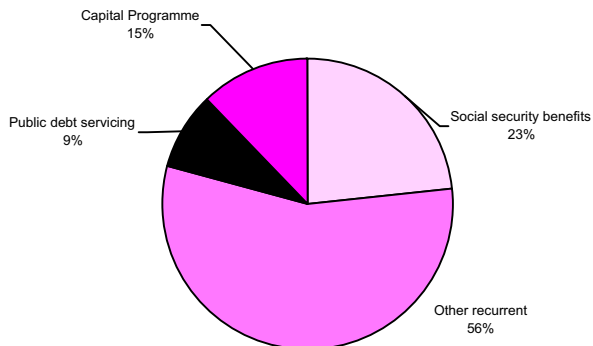
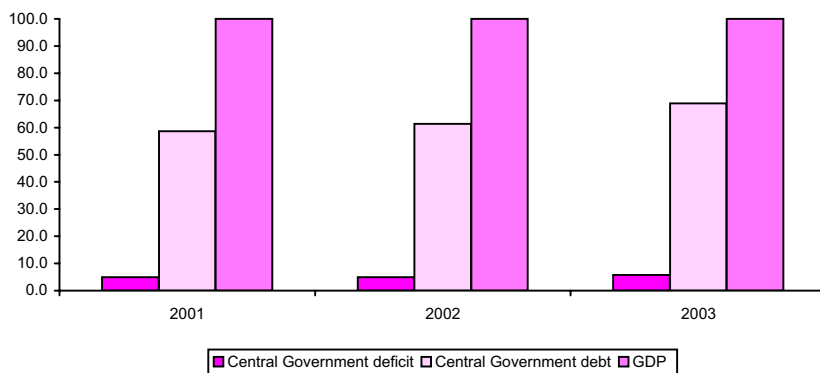


Chart 40. Total government expenditure (less contribution to Sinking fund and less direct loan repayment) and recurrent revenue as a percentage of GDP



Chart 41. Central Government deficit and debt as a percentage of GDP



BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

Table 49. Balance of Payments

Lm '000

	2001		2002		2003 ^P	
	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit	Debit
Current Account	0	73,629	0	18,621	0	101,694
Goods, Services and Income	1,772,038	1,849,432	1,829,711	1,832,196	1,751,982	1,833,295
Goods and Services	1,399,132	1,487,633	1,468,570	1,473,609	1,420,643	1,517,374
Goods	900,601	1,155,266	975,126	1,153,401	943,147	1,203,124
Services	498,531	332,367	493,444	320,208	477,496	314,250
Transport	145,231	140,608	145,696	151,792	122,352	140,085
Travel	260,745	81,234	245,726	66,360	261,471	80,931
Other services	92,555	110,525	102,022	102,056	93,673	93,235
Income	372,906	361,799	361,141	358,587	331,339	315,921
Compensation of employees	2,443	3,078	3,459	3,463	4,647	3,116
Investment income	370,463	358,721	357,682	355,124	326,692	312,805
Current Transfers	85,944	82,179	107,476	123,612	71,670	92,051
Capital and Financial Account	5,278	0	0	31,412	42,082	0
Capital Account	663	0	2,870	0	2,387	0
Financial Account	4,615	0	0	34,282	39,695	0
Direct Investment	115,644	0	0	184,201	134,335	0
Abroad	0	10,739	770	0	0	8,943
In Malta	126,383	0	0	184,971	143,278	0
Portfolio Investment	0	196,826	0	173,261	0	589,647
Assets	0	197,111	0	172,402	0	585,211
Liabilities	285	0	0	859	0	4,436
Financial Derivatives *	0	0	0	0	9,036	0
Assets	0	0	0	0	0	1,797
Liabilities	0	0	0	0	10,833	0
Other Investments	201,139	0	445,015	0	540,711	0
Assets	816,510	0	0	219,528	0	6,208
Liabilities	0	615,371	664,543	0	546,919	0
Reserve Assets	0	115,342	0	121,836	0	54,740
Net Errors and Omissions	68,351	0	50,033	0	59,612	0

^P provisional

* Data on financial derivatives that were previously included with portfolio investment are being shown separately as from the last quarter of 2003

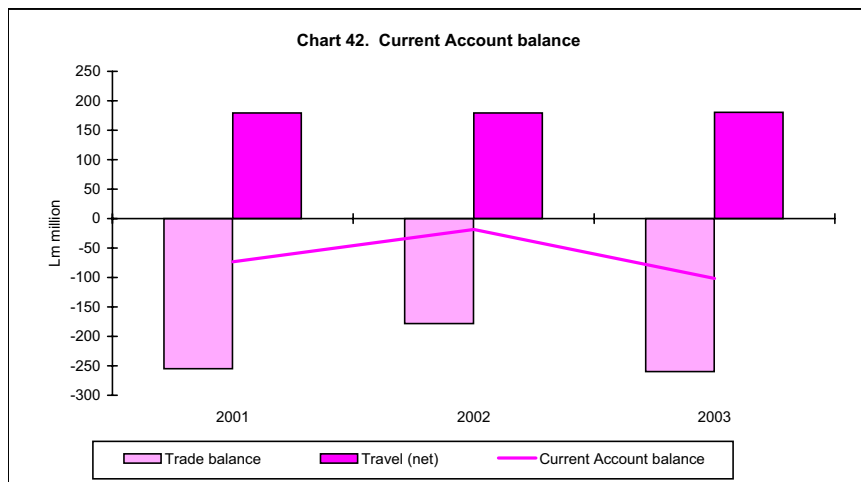
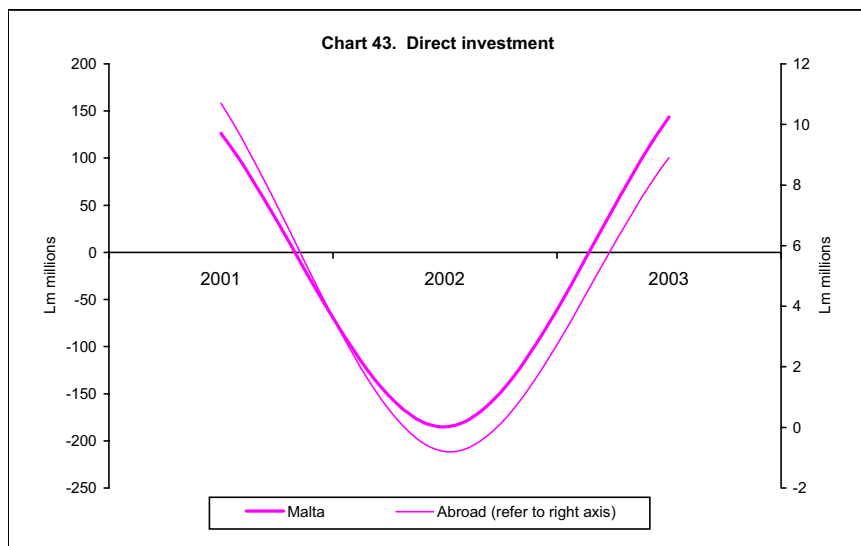


Table 50. Direct investment

	Lm million		
	2001	2002	2003 ^P
In Malta	126.4	-185.0	143.3
Abroad	10.7	-0.8	8.9

^P provisional



INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Table 51. Imports and exports by broad economic category

	Lm '000		
Economic category	2001	2002	2003
Imports	1,225,159	1,227,458	1,279,175
Industrial supplies	644,888	630,666	657,632
Capital goods	200,450	200,006	208,563
Consumer goods	279,112	294,025	311,082
Fuel/lubricants	100,709	102,761	101,898
Exports	880,648	960,728	928,312
Domestic	790,851	797,295	816,730
Re-exports	89,797	163,433	111,582
Visible trade gap	-344,511	-266,730	-350,863

Table 52. Imports by sector

	Lm'000		
Sector	2001	2002	2003
Food	108,755	115,187	116,191
Beverages and tobacco	21,936	22,783	24,778
Crude materials	14,089	12,176	12,103
Fuels	100,873	102,939	102,071
Animal / vegetable oils and fats	1,933	2,405	2,546
Chemicals	89,057	97,117	103,148
Semi-manufactures	147,669	150,577	145,433
Machinery & transport equipment	608,180	585,611	619,156
Manufactured goods	121,436	128,138	142,992
Miscellaneous transactions	11,231	10,525	10,757
TOTAL	1,225,159	1,227,458	1,279,175

Table 53. Domestic exports by sector

	Lm'000		
Sector	2001	2002	2003
Food	20,706	36,115	33,148
Beverages and tobacco	5,197	4,099	1,960
Crude materials	2,022	2,134	2,480
Chemicals	15,995	13,607	14,849
Semi-manufactures	50,655	44,574	44,734
Machinery & transport equipment	538,032	521,110	549,538
Manufactured goods	157,360	174,914	169,664
Miscellaneous transactions	884	742	357
TOTAL	790,851	797,295	816,730

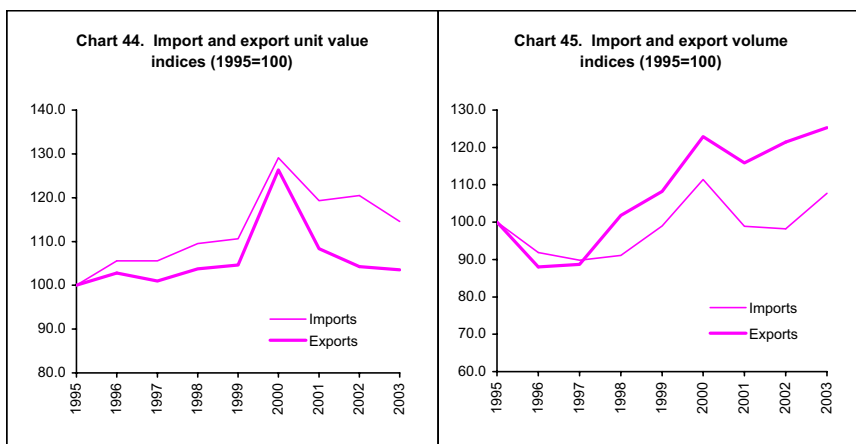
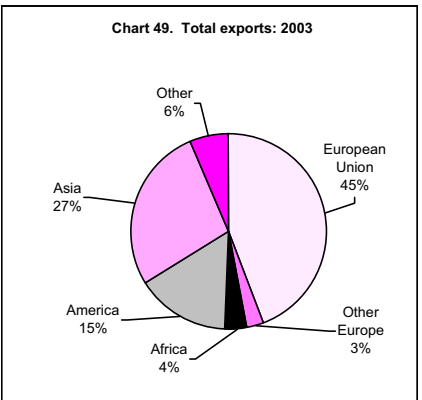
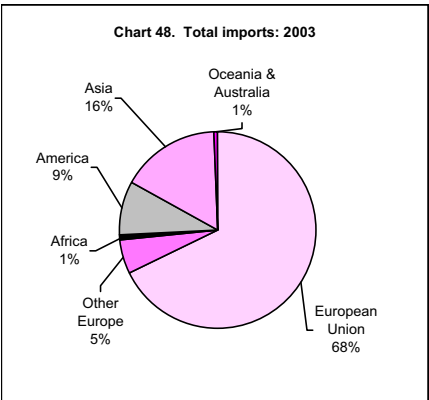
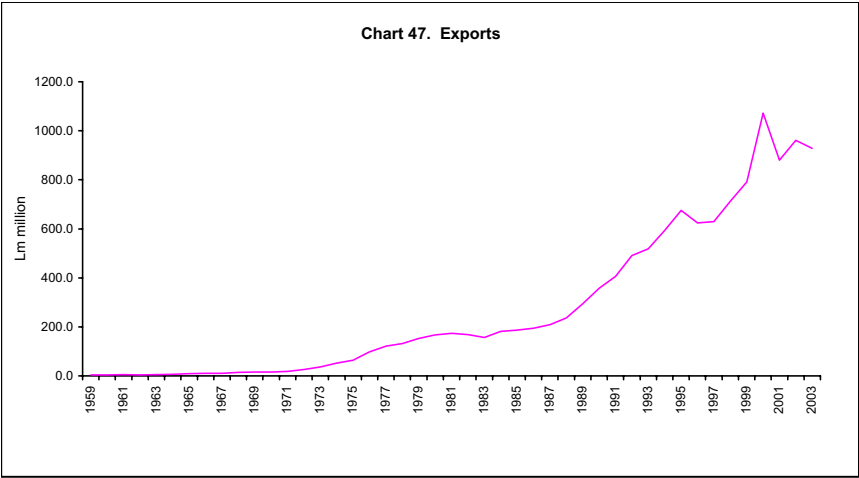
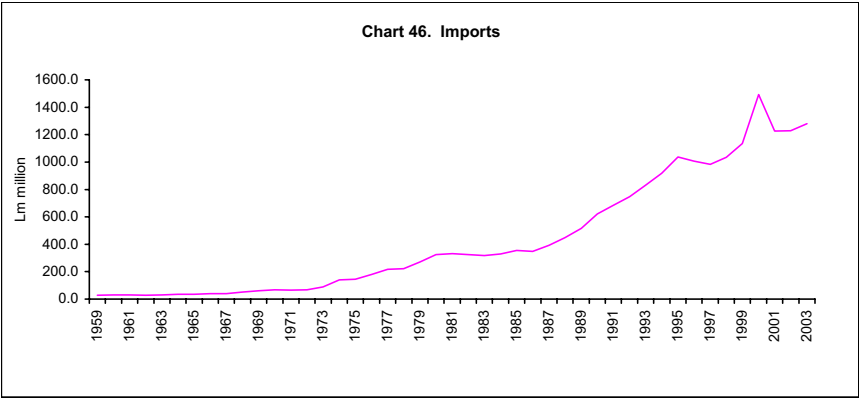


Table 54. Direction of trade

Lm ' 000

	2001	2002	2003
Imports			
European Union	779,079	824,844	867,348
of which:			
France	184,066	205,158	218,900
Germany	107,431	98,539	100,990
Italy	243,455	271,772	294,411
United Kingdom	123,097	127,764	118,637
Other Europe	56,004	66,688	70,159
Africa	28,604	17,309	10,789
America	157,357	127,377	113,822
Asia	197,311	184,971	210,176
Oceania & Australia	6,804	6,269	6,881
Total	1,225,159	1,227,458	1,279,175
Exports			
European Union	421,351	421,834	411,065
of which:			
France	140,203	120,027	120,195
Germany	114,802	93,510	95,234
Italy	30,232	32,658	31,496
United Kingdom	76,211	112,263	109,021
Other Europe	15,853	19,327	24,392
Africa	33,019	44,775	35,130
America	178,286	163,678	143,229
Asia	174,197	247,729	255,229
Oceania & Australia	628	526	459
Ships and aircraft stores, and bunkers	57,314	62,859	58,808
Total	880,648	960,728	928,312



AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES

Table 55. Land under cultivation: 2001

Region	Total agricultural land (Ha)			
	Irrigated land	%	Dry land	%
Malta (Island of)	1,374	91.05	6,826	79.00
Gozo	135	8.95	1,814	21.00
Total	1,509	100.00	8,640	100.00

Table 56. Marketed vegetables and fruit

Produce	'000 tonnes		
	2001	2002	2003
Vegetables	36.7	39.8	37.7
Potato exports	6.1	6.1	4.1
Fruit*	1.9	2.1	2.1

* revised

Table 57. Meat, milk and egg production

Produce	2001	2002	2003
Beef ('000 tonnes)	1,536	1,636	1,408
Pork ('000 tonnes)	9,930	10,405	9,822
Broilers ('000 tonnes)	6,256	6,661	7,405
Milk producer sales ('000 litres)	43,935	41,435	38,854
Egg sales ('000 eggs)	97,549	99,248	98,355

Table 58. Fish landings

Quantity	'000 tonnes		
	2001	2002	2003
Swordfish	78	190	134
Dorado	303	347	507
Blue-fin Tuna	189	176	220
Other	271	228	209

Table 59. Fish price index

	2001	2002	2003
Fish price index 1995 = 100	142.28	137.89	129.52

Table 60. Fish volume index

	2001	2002	2003
Fish volume index 1995 = 100	90.88	101.63	115.61

Table 61. Agriculture and fishing: contribution to GDP

	Lm ' 000		
	2001	2002	2003 ^P
GDP at factor cost	1,515,260	1,532,964	1,597,302
Agriculture and fishing	40,317	41,672	39,001
% of GDP	2.66	2.72	2.44
Compensation of employees	9,368	9,294	8,185
% of GDP	0.62	0.61	0.51
Operating surplus	26,422	28,149	28,743
% of GDP	1.74	1.84	1.80

^P provisional

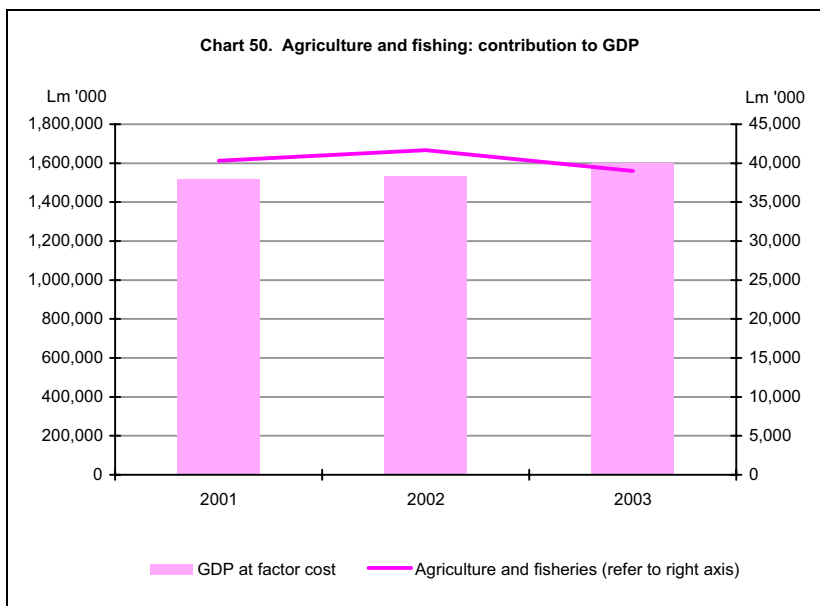


Table 62. Agricultural price indices based on economic accounts for agriculture (1998 = 100)

	2001	2002	2003
Agricultural output *	97.23	93.36	88.68
Vegetables	110.10	121.18	114.61
Potatoes	126.94	106.51	109.23
Fruit	14.92	6.84	3.45
Animals	104.00	104.27	103.30
Animal products	104.98	108.13	119.90

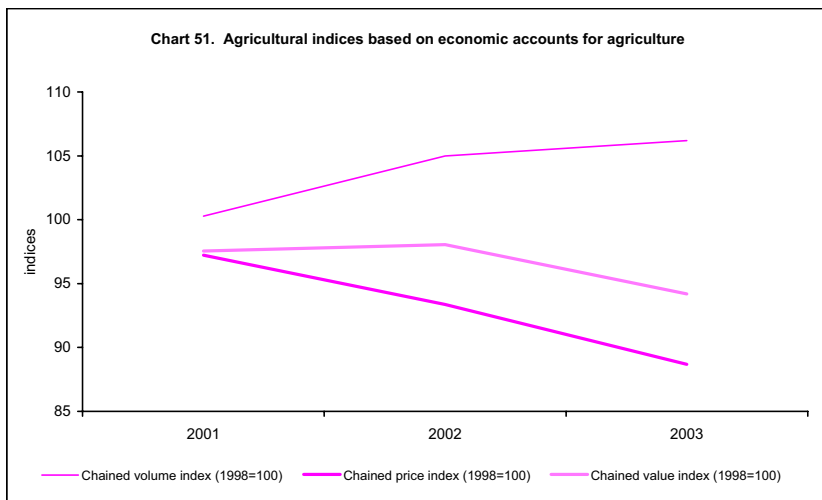
Table 63. Agricultural volume indices based on economic accounts for agriculture (1998 = 100)

	2001	2002	2003
Agricultural output *	100.28	104.98	106.18
Vegetables	77.84	69.81	67.66
Potatoes	80.93	87.95	71.53
Fruit	600.09	1,388.37	2,988.33
Animals	99.43	102.11	100.05
Animal products	95.44	92.20	88.06

Table 64. Agricultural value indices based on economic accounts for agriculture (1998 = 100)

	2001	2002	2003
Agricultural output *	97.54	98.05	94.19
Vegetables	85.70	84.58	77.54
Potatoes	102.74	93.68	78.13
Fruit	89.54	94.97	103.14
Animals	103.41	106.47	103.36
Animal products	100.18	99.69	105.57

* excluding secondary activities and nursery plants



TOURISM

Table 65. Tourist arrivals from selected countries

Country of origin	2001	2002	2003
France	82,669	80,101	76,384
Germany	160,262	142,106	125,811
Italy	93,564	100,875	94,175
Libya	31,017	22,783	20,218
The Netherlands	50,756	44,395	40,810
United Kingdom	451,530	444,335	459,565
Others	310,347	299,219	309,638
Total	1,180,145	1,133,814	1,126,601

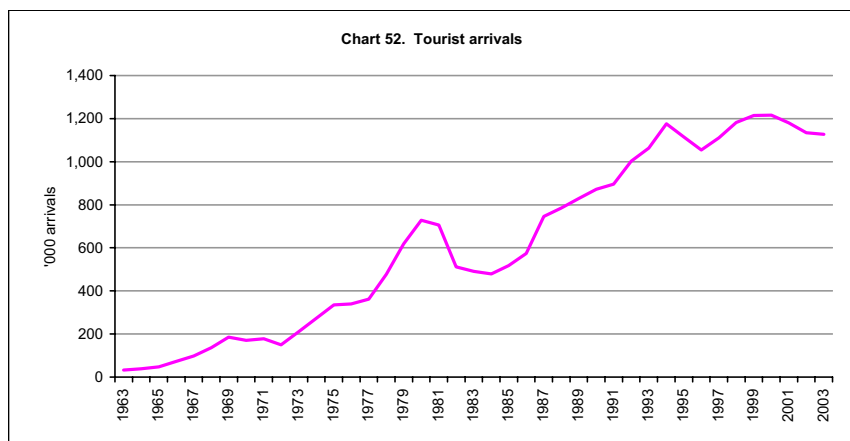


**Table 66. Average length of stay of tourists by type of accommodation
(in nights)**

Type of accommodation	2001	2002	2003
5-star hotel	7.1	6.7	6.8
4-star hotel	9.0	8.9	8.9
3-star hotel	9.7	9.6	9.8
2-star hotel	8.7	9.2	8.9
1-star hotel	8.4	10.4	0.0
Tourist village	9.7	9.4	10.3
Guesthouse	9.9	10.1	10.6
Total	9.0	8.8	9.0

Note: The source for the 2003 figures is the Tourism Departures Survey first carried out in January 2001.

Table 67. Collective accommodation and bed-places

Accommodation	2001		2002		2003	
	No. of hotels	No. of bed-places	No. of hotels	No. of bed-places	No. of hotels	No. of bed-places
5-star hotel	11	3,738	11	3,738	13	5,040
4-star hotel	43	14,583	45	15,341	47	15,908
3-star hotel	51	11,623	51	11,548	53	11,668
2-star hotel	25	1,590	19	1,258	18	1,174
1-star hotel	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unclassified	-	-	-	-	-	-
Holiday complex / Apartment hotel	39	7,622	35	6,949	36	7,053
Guesthouse	54	1,269	36	940	40	1,044
Hostel	4	266	2	166	3	236
Total	227	40,691	189	39,940	210	42,123

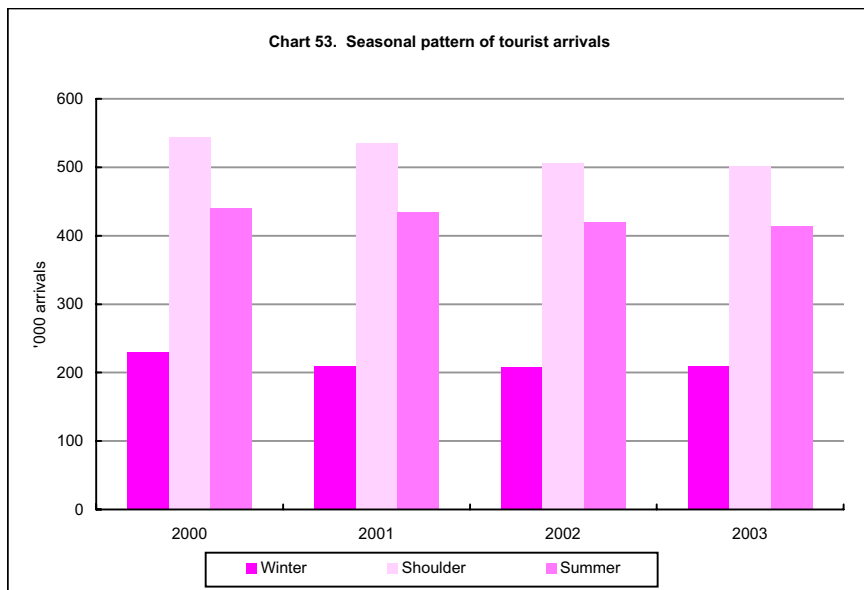


Table 68. Travel account in the Balance of Payments

	Lm '000		
	2001	2002	2003 ^P
Travel receipts	260,745	245,726	261,471
Travel expenditures	81,234	66,360	80,931
Net travel account	179,511	179,366	180,540
Net amount for all economic sectors (current account)	-73,629	-18,621	-101,694
Travel receipts	260,745	245,726	261,471
of which:			
for hotel accommodation (includes hotels, guesthouses, complexes)	159,307	157,585	170,527
Hotel accommodation as a percentage of travel receipts	61.1	64.1	65.2
Services receipts from abroad	498,531	493,444	477,496
Travel receipts as a percentage of services receipts	52.3	49.8	54.8
Travel ratio ¹	3.21	3.70	3.23
Normalised travel ratio ²	0.52	0.57	0.53

^P provisional

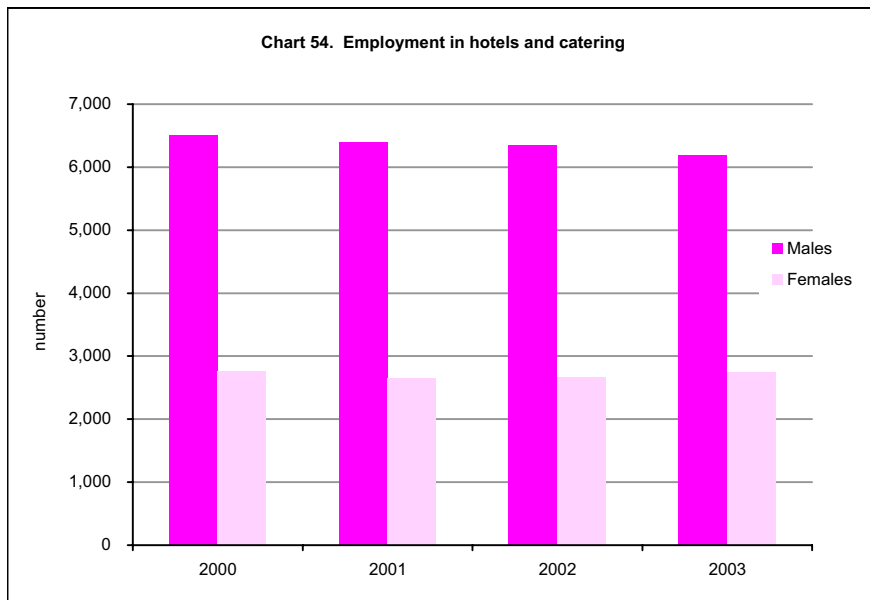
¹ measured by dividing credits by debits. A ratio greater than 1 indicates a country is a net exporter of tourism (receipts are greater than expenditures)

² measured as follows: (credits - debits/credits + debits). A ratio equal to +1 indicates a country exporting only tourism services

Table 69. Employment in hotels and catering

Sex	2001	2002	2003
Males	6,390	6,347	6,194
Females	2,643	2,667	2,736
Total	9,033	9,014	8,930

Source: Employment and Training Corporation (ETC).

**Table 70. Maltese travelling abroad by air**

	2001	2002	2003 ^P
Maltese going abroad	164,936	156,683	174,432
Expenditure on travel abroad (Lm million)	81.2	66.4	80.9

^P provisional

MANUFACTURING

**Table 71. Average annual earnings and sales per employee
in manufacturing industry**

(Lm)

Sector	Average annual earnings			Average annual sales		
	per employee			per employee		
	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
Food and Beverages	4,942	5,171	5,480	35,919	38,059	39,535
Tobacco products	9,303	7,200	7,529	234,336	199,753	188,507
Textiles and textile products	3,827	4,102	4,139	17,793	22,167	19,461
Wearing apparel and clothes	4,308	4,371	4,692	17,889	20,196	24,629
Leather and leather products	4,134	4,029	4,495	19,447	19,892	20,705
Wood and wood products	3,429	3,478	3,590	10,878	10,261	10,807
Paper and paper products	5,372	5,502	6,368	23,076	23,466	26,365
Publishing and printing	5,410	6,177	6,640	21,952	27,684	30,083
Chemicals and chemical products	6,033	6,303	6,488	33,042	33,174	35,066
Rubber and plastic products	4,763	5,553	6,216	17,326	20,470	22,124
Other non-metallic mineral products	4,344	4,348	4,529	21,157	21,014	20,839
Basic metals products	5,145	5,268	5,577	8,823	7,000	5,825
Fabricated metal products	5,064	5,440	5,708	20,056	23,232	23,559
Machinery and equipment n.e.c.	5,113	5,388	5,699	30,617	27,784	33,678
Office machinery and computers	5,450	5,100	4,849	69,200	58,050	44,354
Electrical machinery and apparatus	5,749	5,968	6,474	33,845	33,181	32,182
Radio, TV and Communication equipment	5,899	6,627	6,985	153,642	146,581	148,524
Medical, precision and optical instruments	5,180	5,490	6,394	16,234	22,731	27,205
Motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	3,391	3,582	3,758	16,531	12,927	15,074
Other transport equipment	6,114	5,859	8,458	33,485	44,742	73,801
Furniture and Manufacturing n.e.c.	5,528	5,538	5,994	31,002	30,245	28,605
Totals	5,121	5,446	5,936	43,996	45,495	49,595

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

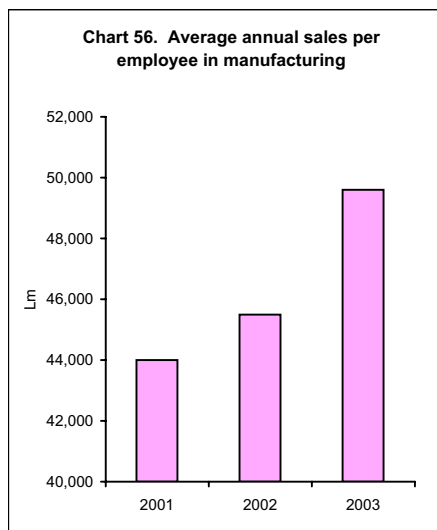
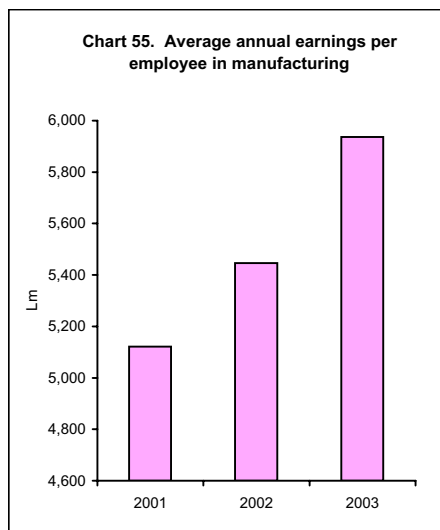


**Table 72. Average annual employment and wages and salaries
in manufacturing industry**

Sector	Average annual employment			Wages & salaries (Lm'000)		
	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
Food and Beverages	3,150	3,118	3,146	15,566	16,124	17,242
Tobacco products	152	150	160	1,414	1,080	1,205
Textiles and textile products	561	795	796	2,147	3,261	3,295
Wearing apparel and clothes	3,287	3,027	2,164	14,159	13,230	10,155
Leather and leather products	843	696	527	3,485	2,804	2,366
Wood and wood products	49	46	46	168	160	165
Paper and paper products	317	311	282	1,703	1,711	1,797
Publishing and printing	1,504	1,547	1,640	8,137	9,556	10,888
Chemicals and chemical products	1,051	1,051	1,059	6,341	6,624	6,871
Rubber and plastic products	2,196	1,928	1,718	10,459	10,706	10,678
Other non-metallic mineral products	630	658	685	2,737	2,861	3,100
Basic metals products	62	56	48	319	295	266
Fabricated metal products	700	684	666	3,545	3,721	3,803
Machinery and equipment n.e.c.	426	389	384	2,178	2,096	2,187
Office machinery and computers	20	20	19	109	102	90
Electrical machinery and apparatus	1,324	1,220	1,183	7,612	7,281	7,661
Radio, TV and Communication equipment	3,093	3,133	3,277	18,246	20,762	22,891
Medical, precision and optical instruments	1,126	1,004	992	5,833	5,512	6,343
Motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	64	55	48	217	197	181
Other transport equipment	167	163	218	1,021	955	1,840
Furniture and Manufacturing n.e.c.	1,798	1,748	1,720	9,940	9,680	10,307
Totals	22,516	21,797	20,776	115,336	118,718	123,329

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

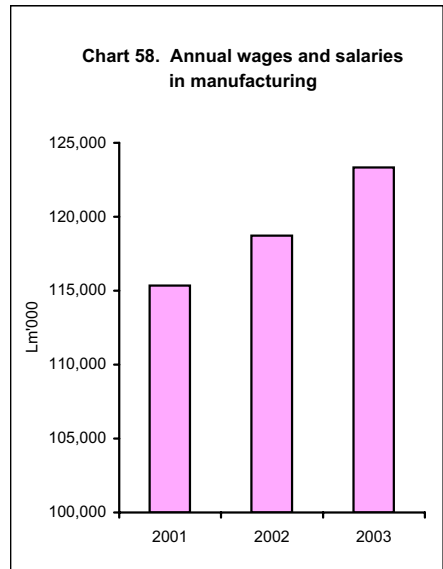
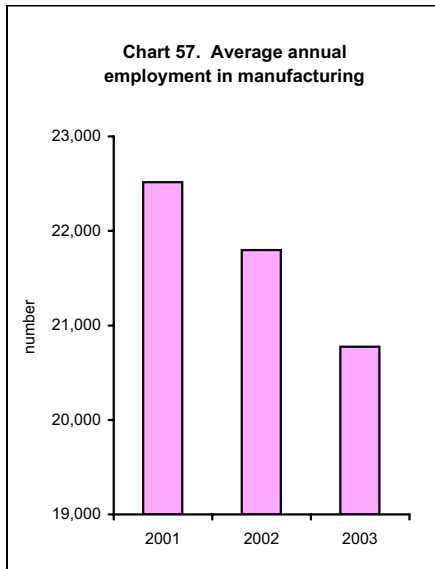
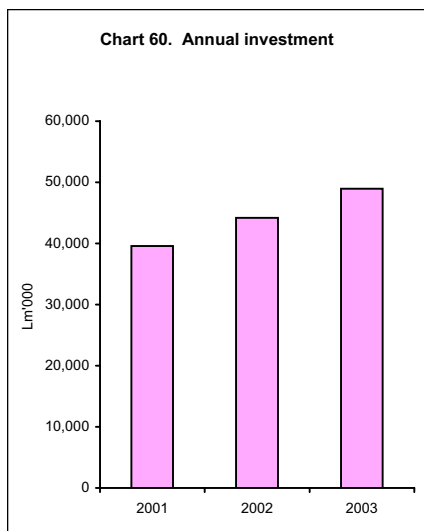
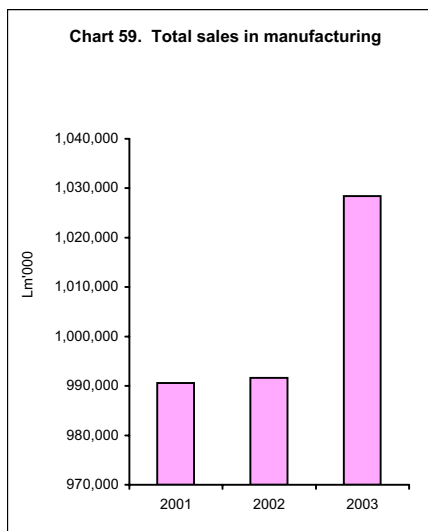


Table 73. Total sales and investment in manufacturing industry

(Lm'000)

Sector	Total sales			Investment		
	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
Food and Beverages	113,144	118,669	124,386	4,181	2,910	8,042
Tobacco products	35,619	29,963	30,161	1,170	598	131
Textiles and textile products	9,981	17,623	15,491	828	1,918	306
Wearing apparel and clothes	58,800	61,132	53,304	1,380	889	454
Leather and leather products	16,394	13,845	10,901	216	252	119
Wood and wood products	532	472	497	2	1	2
Paper and paper products	7,315	7,298	7,442	68	22	22
Publishing and printing	33,015	42,826	49,328	770	3,639	3,057
Chemicals and chemical products	34,727	34,867	37,135	1,973	5,840	6,581
Rubber and plastic products	38,047	39,466	38,003	2,802	2,754	2,672
Other non-metallic mineral products	13,330	13,827	14,265	222	409	404
Basic metals products	547	392	278	1	1	2
Fabricated metal products	14,039	15,891	15,696	350	365	463
Machinery and equipment n.e.c.	13,043	10,808	12,924	283	256	388
Office machinery and computers	1,384	1,161	821	0	0	1
Electrical machinery and apparatus	44,811	40,481	38,079	2,808	1,955	1,847
Radio, TV and Communication equipment	475,215	459,237	486,714	19,075	17,506	17,524
Medical, precision and optical instruments	18,280	22,822	26,987	2,253	806	923
Motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	1,057	710	727	19	7	1
Other transport equipment	5,592	7,293	16,052	101	27	712
Furniture and Manufacturing n.e.c.	55,739	52,867	49,187	1,077	4,012	5,305
Totals	990,611	991,650	1,028,377	39,579	44,167	48,955

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.



Methodological Notes:

1. For 2001 and 2002 all enterprises are classified in accordance with NACE Rev. 1 (Nomenclature des Activités Economiques dans les Communautés Européennes) and with NACE Rev 1.1 for 2003. Few changes were carried out and their effect on the sectors in manufacturing industry was minimal.
2. Employment is inclusive of all part-time employees and outworkers. As regards to Table. 77: Average annual employment, is worked out on average taken on the total employment in manufacturing sectors at the end-of-month figures marking the end of every quarter, i.e. March, June September and December.
3. Gross wages and salaries are inclusive of all basic wages and salaries payable at regular intervals, overtime, night shift and other allowances, bonuses and commissions. Employers' social security contributions are excluded.
4. Total Sales are made up of all local sales, which are exclusive of VAT and exports on an FOB basis.
5. Investment refers to new investment during the reference period. These are tangible capital goods for own company use but not for speculative use. They have a useful life of more than one year. Any additions, alterations, improvements or renovations prolonging the service life or to increase the productive capacity of capital goods are taken into account. Excluded from the definition are current maintenance costs as well as investment in capital goods used under rental and lease contracts, intangible goods (patents, trade marks), financial assets and goods acquired through mergers. Computer software is regarded as investment if its life is over one year and if it is of a relatively considerable value.

Data for 2003 are provisional.

EMPLOYMENT

Table 74. Labour status

Labour Status	2001			2002			2003		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Employed	103,607	41,980	145,587	102,120	46,283	148,403	101,159	45,883	147,042
Unemployed	6,626	3,538	10,164	6,715	4,160	10,875	8,502	4,094	12,596
Inactive	44,783	115,261	160,044	48,085	111,659	159,744	47,766	113,210	160,976
Total	155,016	160,779	315,795	156,920	162,102	319,022	157,427	163,187	320,614
percentage									
Employed	66.84	26.11	46.10	65.08	28.55	46.52	64.26	28.12	45.86
Unemployed	4.27	2.20	3.22	4.28	2.57	3.41	5.40	2.51	3.93
Inactive	28.89	71.69	50.68	30.64	68.88	50.07	30.34	69.37	50.21
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 75. Activity, employment and unemployment rate

Month	Activity rate			Employment rate			Unemployment rate		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2001	81.9	34.3	58.3	76.9	31.7	54.5	6	7.8	6.5
2002	79.1	37.6	58.5	74.2	34.5	54.5	6.2	8.2	6.8
2003	79.5	36.7	58.3	73.3	33.7	53.7	7.8	8.2	7.9

Note: Data refer to the December issues of the Labour Force Survey.

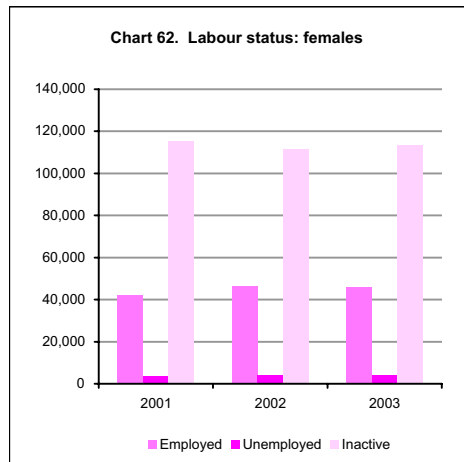
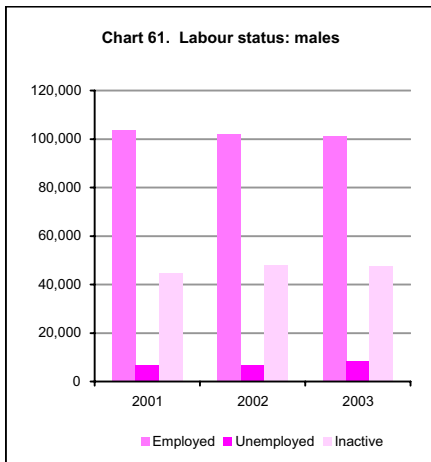


Table 76. Total employed persons by age distribution

Labour Status	2001			2002			2003		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
15 - 24	16,381	13,656	30,037	16,069	13,955	30,024	14,471	13,298	27,769
25 - 34	24,341	11,032	35,373	23,488	12,325	35,813	23,985	12,931	36,916
35 - 44	25,289	7,312	32,601	24,142	9,566	33,708	23,494	8,520	32,014
45 - 54	26,831	7,503	34,334	27,103	8,039	35,142	27,683	7,593	35,276
55 - 64	10,043	2,355	12,398	10,338	2,222	12,560	10,620	3,045	13,665
65 +	722 ^u	122 ^u	844 ^u	980 ^u	176 ^u	1,156 ^u	906 ^u	496 ^u	1,402 ^u
Total	103,607	41,980	145,587	102,120	46,283	148,403	101,159	45,883	147,042

percentage									
15 - 24	15.8	32.5	20.6	15.7	30.2	20.2	14.3	29.0	18.9
25 - 34	23.5	26.3	24.3	23.0	26.6	24.1	23.7	28.2	25.1
35 - 44	24.4	17.4	22.4	23.6	20.7	22.7	23.2	18.6	21.8
45 - 54	25.9	17.9	23.6	26.5	17.4	23.7	27.4	16.5	24.0
55 - 64	9.7	5.6	8.5	10.1	4.8	8.5	10.5	6.6	9.3
65 +	0.7	0.3	0.6	1.0	0.4	0.8	0.9	1.1	1.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

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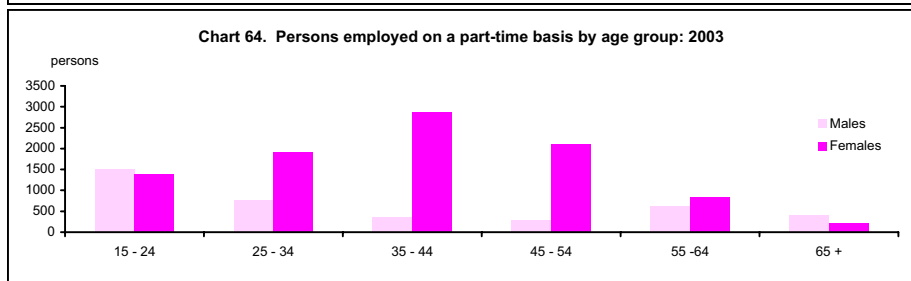
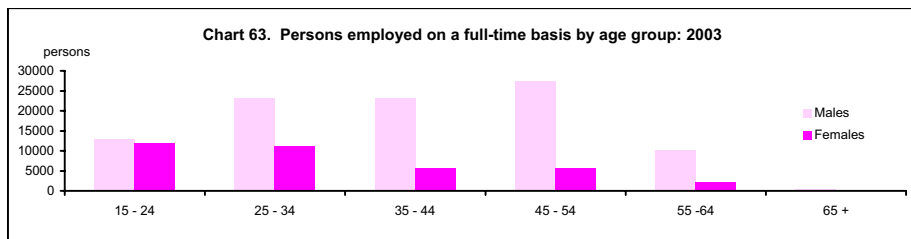


Table 77. Total employed persons by main occupation

Occupation	2001		2002		2003	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Armed forces	1,648 ^u	-	1,058 ^u	-	1,368 ^u	-
Legislators, senior officials and managers	9,653	1,922	11,457	2,322	11,248	2,536
Professionals	7,314	5,705	7,544	6,604	8,002	6,769
Technicians and associate professionals	13,895	5,424	13,174	7,450	13,741	6,957
Clerks	7,656	10,249	7,547	9,550	7,523	9,563
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	12,702	7,068	13,443	7,579	12,475	10,401
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	2,248	116 ^u	1,552 ^u	75 ^u	2,427	62 ^u
Craft and related trades workers	19,501	238 ^u	19,701	615 ^u	18,879	733 ^u
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	12,471	6,116	11,051	6,846	11,245	4,546
Elementary occupations	16,519	5,142	15,593	5,242	14,251	4,316
Total	103,607	41,980	102,120	46,283	101,159	45,883

^u under-represented

**Table 78. Total employed persons by economic activity
(Main occupation)**

Occupation	2001		2002		2003	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Agriculture, hunting and forestry	2,215	177 ^u	2,409	182 ^u	2,303	185 ^u
Fishing	733 ^u	48 ^u	284 ^u	69 ^u	560 ^u	-
Mining and quarrying	515 ^u	-	730 ^u	-	956 ^u	79 ^u
Manufacturing	22,986	8,446	18,983	9,323	20,639	7,478
Electricity, gas and water supply	2,954	121 ^u	3,321	427 ^u	3,818	298 ^u
Construction	11,072	210 ^u	11,575	501 ^u	10,826	388 ^u
Wholesale and retail trade; repairs of household goods and vehicles	14,142	6,511	15,020	5,798	14,330	7,820
Hotels and restaurants	8,566	3,869	8,968	4,099	7,397	4,443
Transport, storage and communication	11,012	2,022	9,967	2,785	8,661	2,648
Financial intermediation	2,640	2,794	2,891	2,866	2,670	2,649
Real estate, renting and business activities	3,856	1,900	5,433	1,879	5,153	2,140
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	8,483	2,430	9,304	3,203	9,908	3,340
Education	4,539	6,460	4,638	7,130	4,095	6,753
Health and social work	6,029	4,689	5,081	5,618	5,071	5,440
Other community, social and personal service activities	3,616	1,791	3,462	2,143	4,772	1,668 ^u
Private households with employed persons	116 ^u	380 ^u	-	191 ^u	-	417 ^u
Extra-territorial organisations and bodies	133 ^u	132 ^u	54 ^u	69 ^u	-	137 ^u
Total	103,607	41,980	102,120	46,283	101,159	45,883

^u under-represented

Table 79. Unemployed persons by age group

Age group	2001			2002			2003		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
15 - 24	3,201	2,262	5,463	2,518	2,188	4,706	3,072	2,597	5,669
25 - 44	2,283	919 ^u	3,202	2,624	1,197 ^u	3,821	3,901	901 ^u	4,802
45 - 64	1,142 ^u	357 ^u	1,499 ^u	1,573 ^u	775 ^u	2,348	1,529 ^u	596 ^u	2,125
Total	6,626	3,538	10,164	6,715	4,160	10,875	8,502	4,094	12,596
percentage									
15 - 24	48.3	63.9	53.7	37.5	52.6	43.3	36.1	63.4	45.0
25 - 44	34.5	26.0	31.5	39.1	28.7	35.1	45.9	22.0	38.1
45 - 64	17.2	10.1	14.8	23.4	18.7	21.6	18.0	14.6	16.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

^u under-represented

Table 80. Unemployed persons by duration of job search

Duration of job search	2001			2002			2003		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Less than 5 months	1,552 ^u	1,817	1,817	1,712 ^u	2,299	4,011	2,607	1,309 ^u	3,916
6-17 months	2,046	1,173 ^u	2,046	939 ^u	704 ^u	1,643 ^u	1,263 ^u	1,203 ^u	2,466
18+ months	3,028	548 ^u	3,028	4,064	1,157 ^u	5,221	4,632	1,582 ^u	6,214
Total	6,626	3,538	10,164	6,715	4,160	10,875	8,502	4,094	12,596

^u under-represented

Table 81. Inactive persons by age group

Age group	2001			2002			2003		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
15 - 24	11,070	12,449	23,519	12,808	12,526	25,334	13,523	13,253	26,776
25 - 34	807 ^u	13,437	13,437	1,652 ^u	12,440	14,092	492 ^u	11,939	12,431
35 - 44	834 ^u	19,972	19,972	1,149 ^u	17,781	18,930	1,473 ^u	16,765	18,238
45 - 54	3,593	22,860	26,453	4,122	21,939	26,061	3,894	25,040	28,934
55 - 64	8,851	18,484	27,335	8,703	18,738	27,441	8,623	18,172	26,795
65 +	19,628	28,059	47,687	19,651	28,235	47,886	19,761	28,041	47,802
Total	44,783	115,261	158,403	48,085	111,659	159,744	47,766	113,210	160,976
percentage									
15 - 24	24.7	10.8	14.8	26.6	11.2	15.9	28.3	11.7	16.6
25 - 34	1.8	11.7	8.5	3.4	11.1	8.8	1.0	10.5	7.7
35 - 44	1.9	17.3	12.6	2.4	15.9	11.9	3.1	14.8	11.3
45 - 54	8.0	19.8	16.7	8.6	19.6	16.3	8.1	22.1	18.0
55 - 64	19.8	16.0	17.3	18.1	16.8	17.2	18.1	16.1	16.6
65 +	43.8	24.3	30.1	40.9	25.3	30.0	41.4	24.8	29.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

^u under-represented

ACCIDENTS AT WORK

Table 82. Accidents at work by sex of victim

Sex	2001		2002		2003	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Males	4,562	89.2	4,438	89.9	4,208	88.7
Females	552	10.8	498	10.1	538	11.3
Total	5,114	100.0	5,157	100.0	4,746	100.0

Table 83. Accidents at work by occupation of victim

Occupation	Males		Females		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
2001						
Legislators, senior officials and managers	50	1.1	3	0.6	53	1.0
Professionals	71	1.6	25	4.5	96	1.9
Technicians and associate professionals	166	3.6	89	16.1	255	5.0
Clerks	70	1.5	31	5.6	101	2.0
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	177	3.9	30	5.4	207	4.0
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	19	0.4	-	-	19	0.4
Craft and related trades workers	985	21.6	23	4.2	1,008	19.7
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	194	4.3	1	0.2	195	3.8
Elementary occupations	2,830	62.0	350	63.4	3,180	62.2
Total	4,562	100.0	552	100.0	5,114	100.0
2002						
Legislators, senior officials and managers	30	0.7	1	0.2	31	0.6
Professionals	62	1.4	15	3.0	77	1.6
Technicians and associate professionals	166	3.7	76	15.3	242	4.9
Clerks	98	2.2	35	7.0	133	2.7
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	182	4.1	26	5.2	208	4.2
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	26	0.6	1	0.2	27	0.5
Craft and related trades workers	865	19.5	4	0.8	869	17.6
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	218	4.9	9	1.8	227	4.6
Elementary occupations	2,791	62.9	331	66.5	3,122	63.2
Total	4,438	100.0	498	100.0	4,936	100.0
2003						
Legislators, senior officials and managers	65	1.5	5	0.9	70	1.5
Professionals	184	4.4	95	17.7	279	5.9
Technicians and associate professionals	60	1.4	10	1.9	70	1.5
Clerks	77	1.8	37	6.9	114	2.4
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	237	5.6	38	7.1	275	5.8
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	37	0.9	-	-	37	0.8
Craft and related trades workers	1,067	25.4	6	1.1	1,073	22.6
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	211	5.0	46	8.6	257	5.4
Elementary occupations	2,270	53.9	301	55.9	2,571	54.2
Total	4,208	100.0	538	100.0	4,746	100.0

Table 84. Accidents at work by age group of victim

Age group	Males		Females		Total	
	No	%	No	%	No	%
2001						
25-34	1,188	26.0	122	22.1	1,310	25.6
35-44	1,092	23.9	75	13.6	1,167	22.8
45-54	1,021	22.4	95	17.2	1,116	21.8
55 +	416	9.1	35	6.3	451	8.8
Total	4,562	100.0	552	100.0	5,114	100.0
2002						
15-24	888	20.0	195	39.2	1,083	21.9
25-34	1,187	26.7	128	25.7	1,315	26.6
35-44	1,002	22.6	66	13.3	1,068	21.6
45-54	1,002	22.6	82	16.5	1,084	22.0
55 +	359	8.1	27	5.4	386	7.8
Total	4,438	100.0	498	100.0	4,936	100.0
2003						
15-24	808	19.2	188	34.9	996	21.0
25-34	1,141	27.1	139	25.8	1,280	27.0
35-44	977	23.2	90	16.7	1,067	22.5
45-54	902	21.4	92	17.1	994	20.9
55 +	380	9.0	29	5.4	409	8.6
Total	4,208	100.0	538	100.0	4,746	100.0

Table 85. Accidents at work by economic activity

Occupation	2001		2002		2003	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Agriculture, hunting and forestry	42	-	42	4	39	2
Fishing	5	-	7	-	8	-
Mining and quarrying	9	-	17	-	19	-
Manufacturing	1,830	157	1,581	152	1,574	152
Electricity, gas and water supply	144	1	157	4	160	1
Construction	465	6	528	5	562	9
Wholesale and retail trade; repairs of household goods and vehicles	197	17	199	18	228	17
Hotels and restaurants	208	60	231	47	257	90
Transport, storage and communication	256	29	323	34	351	33
Financial intermediation	9	10	10	1	21	12
Real estate, renting and business activities	74	10	82	17	146	26
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	157	21	141	14	190	21
Education	116	112	128	87	27	37
Health and social work	2	32	6	17	94	106
Other community, social and personal service activities	68	11	46	6	75	5
Private households with employed persons	1	-	-	-	1	-
Extra-territorial organisations and bodies	979	86	940	92	456	27
Total	4,562	552	4,438	498	4,208	538

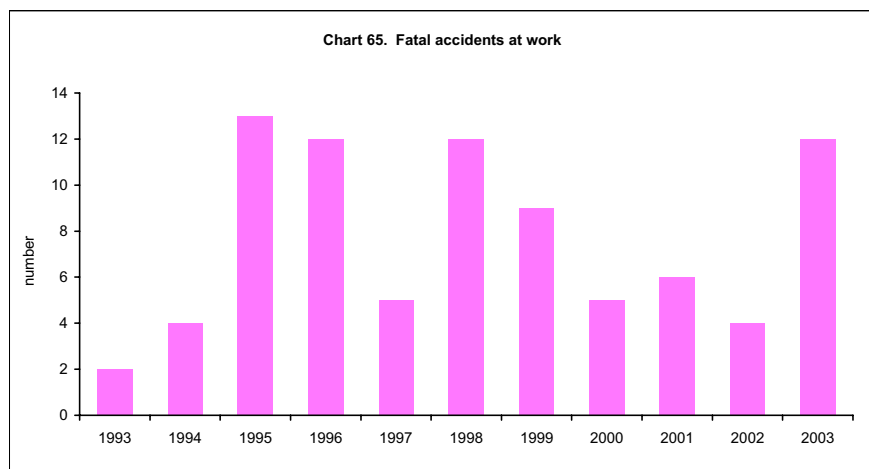
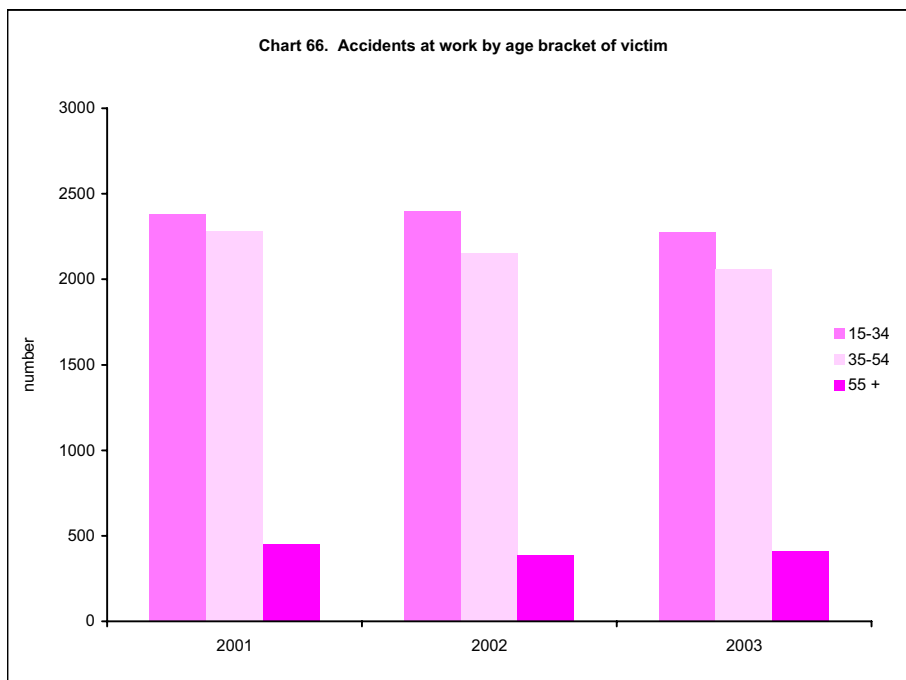


Table 86. Fatal accidents at work

Year	Number
1993	2
1994	4
1995	13
1996	12
1997	5
1998	12
1999	9
2000	5
2001	6
2002	4
2003	12



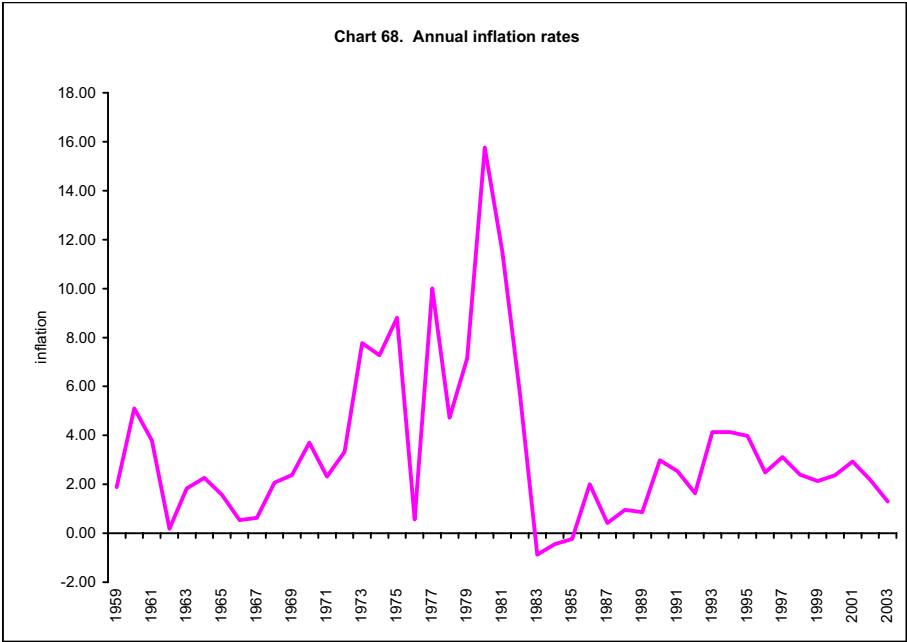
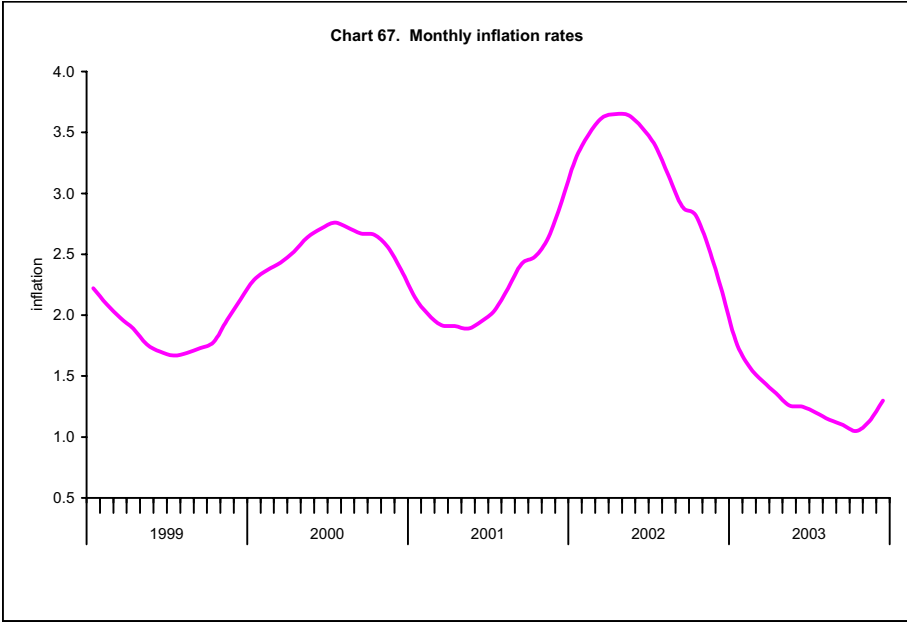
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Table 87. Retail Prices Index

Section	Weight 1995 = 100	2001	2002	Weight 2002 = 100	2003
Food	29.92	116.47	117.96	23.82	102.30
Beverages and tobacco	7.34	139.70	150.01	6.11	102.40
Clothing and footwear	10.14	92.98	91.89	8.24	92.33
Housing	5.27	118.78	122.57	7.57	102.11
Fuel, light and power	2.53	104.62	110.00	2.25	100.00
Durable household goods	9.31	105.52	105.69	7.65	99.12
Transport and communications	16.00	126.51	128.35	23.13	101.27
Personal care and health	6.47	120.55	124.25	6.22	102.62
Education, entertainment and recreation	8.31	117.23	121.24	8.84	99.27
Other goods and services	4.71	107.11	108.93	6.17	103.25
All items	100.00	115.95	118.49	100.00	100.75

**Table 88. Monthly inflation rates
(12-month moving average)**

Month	2001	2002	2003
January	2.15	3.27	1.79
February	2.01	3.48	1.58
March	1.92	3.62	1.46
April	1.91	3.65	1.36
May	1.89	3.64	1.26
June	1.95	3.54	1.25
July	2.04	3.39	1.20
August	2.22	3.14	1.14
September	2.42	2.89	1.10
October	2.48	2.82	1.05
November	2.64	2.55	1.13
December	2.93	2.19	1.30



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Table 89. Average exchange rates of major selected currencies against the Maltese Lira

Currency	2001	2002	2003
US \$	0.4499	0.4329	0.3767
Stg £	0.6481	0.6503	0.6159
Euro	0.4030	0.4087	0.4261
Yen	0.0037	0.0035	0.0033

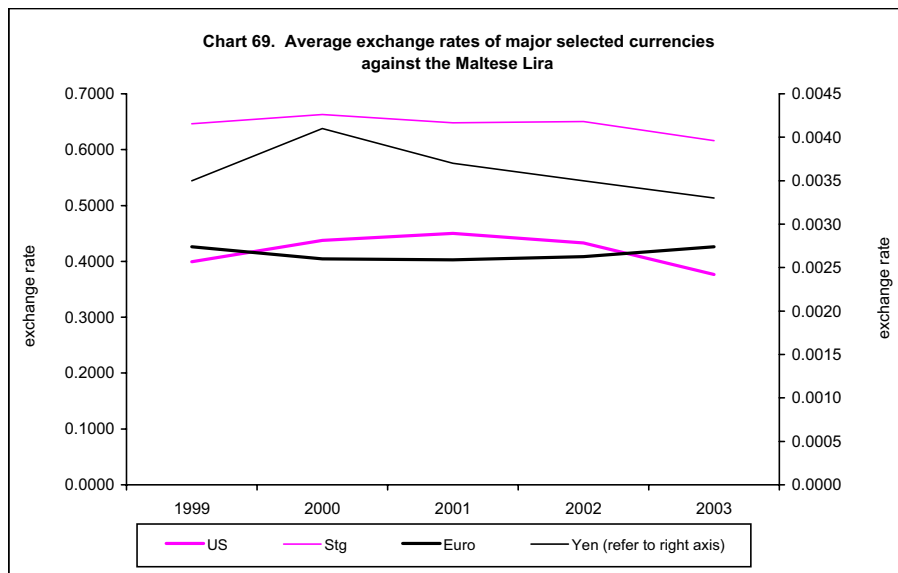


Table 90. Average exchange rates of the Maltese Lira against major selected currencies

Currency	2001	2002	2003
US \$	2.2226	2.3100	2.6543
Stg £	1.5430	1.5378	1.6237
Euro	2.4815	2.4468	2.3470
Yen	269.97	288.88	307.39

Source: Central Bank of Malta.

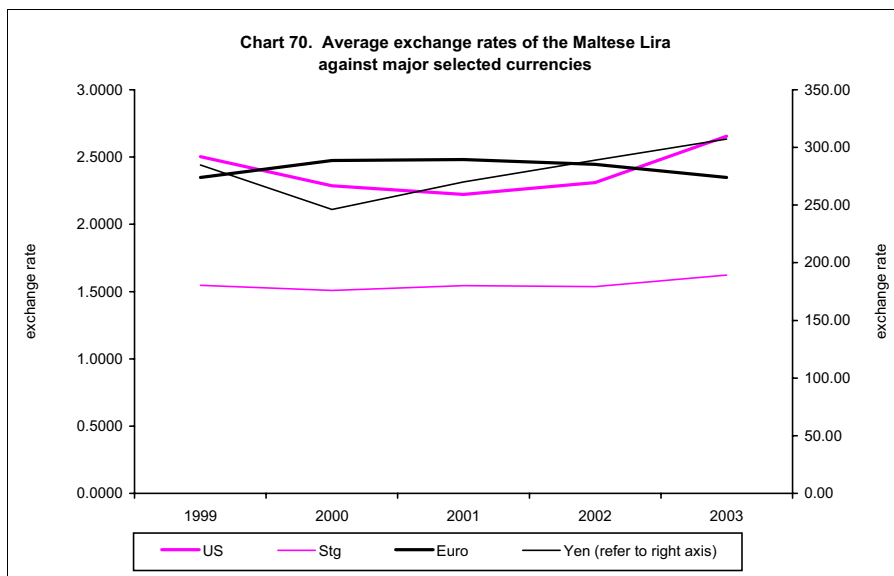


Table 91. Monetary aggregates

	Lm '000		
	2001	2002	2003
Narrow Money (M1)	1,282,933	1,367,373	1,492,398
of which:			
Currency in circulation	418,887	436,831	460,424
Intermediate Money (M2)	2,481,141	2,781,488	2,850,668
Broad Money (M3)	2,481,141	2,781,488	2,850,695

Table 92. Counterparts of M3

	Lm'000		
	2001	2002	2003
Domestic Credit	2,324,149	2,401,446	2,650,195
Net Foreign Assets	1,089,573	1,301,322	1,416,135
<i>Less other counterparts of M3</i>	932,581	921,281	1,215,637
Broad Money (M3)	2,481,141	2,781,488	2,850,695

Source: Central Bank of Malta.

Table 93. Deposits
(analysis by ownership)

Lm '000

	2001	2002		2003
Resident	2,351,751	2,620,801	Resident	2,658,961
of which:			of which:	
Personal	1,955,817	2,121,567	Central Government	17,766
Business	351,655	426,933	Other general Government	6,852
Other	44,280	72,301	Financial intermediaries and financial auxiliaries	51,299
			Non-financial companies	420,469
			Households and non-profit institutions	2,180,340
Non-Resident	946,220	908,426	Non-Resident	850,927
Total	3,297,971	3,529,227	Total	3,527,653

Note: As from 2003 there has been a re-classification of the data shown above.

Source: Central Bank of Malta.

Table 94. Selected interest rates in Malta

	Per cent per annum		
	2001	2002	2003
Central Bank			
Discount Rate	4.25	3.75	3.00
Deposit Money Banks			
Current	1.48	1.12	0.44
Savings	2.22	1.80	0.99
Time	4.98	4.39	3.45
Average Weighted	6.50	6.07	5.31
Government Securities			
Treasury Bills			
1 month	4.80	4.00	4.00
3 month	4.53	3.67	2.94
6 month	5.04	3.80	2.93
1 year	5.08	4.40	3.13
Government Stocks			
1 year	4.47	3.74	-
2 year	-	-	3.39
5 year	5.40	5.15	4.37
10 year	6.15	5.43	4.71
15 year	6.44	5.86	4.96
20 year	6.55	-	-

Source: Central Bank of Malta.

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