

The table below illustrates the main economic indicators for the past three years and estimates for 2008.

	MU	2005	2006	2007	f. 2008
<b>GROWTH AND ASSOCIATED FACTORS</b>					
GDP growth	%	4.2	7.9	6.0	6.5
Industrial output growth	%	10.5	11.57	8.08	13.6
Final consumption	%	9.6	9.3	10.0	8.1
Gross Fixed Capital Formation	%	12.7	19.3	28.9	17.4
<b>TRADE AND INVESTMENT</b>					
Exports FOB	Euro mill	22255	25850	29402	34800
Imports FOB	Euro mill	30061	37609	47067	54280
Trade balance	Euro mill	-7806	-11759	-17665	-19480
Current account deficit	Euro mill	-6888	-10156	-16950	-18220
<b>INFLATION</b>					
CPI (year end)	%	8.6	4.87	6.57	5.8
CPI (average)	%	9.0	6.56	4.84	7.5
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>					
Employment	Thou. pers	4558	4667	4770	4865
Unemployment	Thou. pers	523	460	367	360
Unemployment Rate	%	5.9	5.2	4.1	4.1
<b>EXCHANGE RATE</b>					
RON/USD (average)	-	2.91	2.81	2.44	2.31
RON/EURO (average)	-	3.62	3.53	3.34	3.55

Source: National Commission for Prognosis