

Briefing: Key features of 2017 Draft Budgetary Plans

This document compares key features of the 2017 Draft Budgetary Plans (DBP) with the autumn 2016 forecasts by the European Commission (EC) and key features included in the 2016 Stability Programmes (SP) with the spring 2016 forecasts by the EC. While **blue** cells indicate that the Member State is more optimistic than the EC forecast, **grey** cells indicate that the Member State is less optimistic than the EC forecast. An overview comparing these figures with the required fiscal efforts and the medium-term budgetary objectives in structural terms (MTO) as included in the latest Council decisions/recommendations is provided in [a separate EGOV table](#).

Euro Area Member States under the Excessive Deficit Procedure (EDP)																									
		GDP growth (% change)						Debt (% of GDP)						Deficit/ Surplus (% of GDP)						Structural deficit/surplus (% GDP) (y-o-y difference in percentage points)					
		Autumn 2016			Spring 2016			Autumn 2016			Spring 2016			Autumn 2016			Spring 2016			Autumn 2016			Spring 2016		
		DBP ¹	EC ²	Δ	SP ³	EC ⁴	Δ	DBP ¹	EC ²	Δ	SP ³	EC ⁴	Δ	DBP ¹	EC ²	Δ	SP ³	EC ⁴	Δ	DBP ¹	EC ²	Δ	SP ³	EC ⁴	Δ
ES*	2015	3.2	3.2	0.0	3.2	3.2	0.0	99.8	99.8	0.0	99.2	99.2	0.0	-5.1	-5.1	0.0	-5.1	-5.1	0.0	-	-2.8 (-0.9)	-	-1.8 (-)	-2.9 (-1.0)	1.1
	2016	3.2	3.3	-0.1	2.7	2.6	0.1	99.4	99.6	-0.2	99.1	100.3	-1.2	-4.6	-4.6	0.0	-3.6	-3.9	0.3	-3.6 (-)	-3.7 (-0.9)	0.1	-1.8 (0.0)	-3.1 (-0.2)	1.3
	2017	2.5	2.3	0.2	2.4	2.5	-0.1	99.0	99.5	-0.5	99.0	99.6	-0.6	-3.1	-3.3	0.2	-2.9	-3.1	0.2	-3.3 (0.3)	-3.5 (0.2)	0.2	-1.7 (0.1)	-3.2 (-0.1)	1.5
FR	2015	1.3	1.3	0.0	1.2	1.2	0.0	96.2	96.2	0.0	95.7	95.8	-0.1	-3.5	-3.5	0.0	-3.5	-3.5	0.0	-1.9 (-)	-2.6 (0.3)	0.7	-1.6 (-)	-2.4 (0.3)	0.8
	2016	1.5	1.3	0.2	1.5	1.3	0.2	96.1	96.4	-0.3	96.2	96.4	-0.2	-3.3	-3.3	0.0	-3.3	-3.4	0.1	-1.6 (0.3)	-2.5 (0.1)	0.9	-1.3 (0.3)	-2.4 (0.0)	1.1
	2017	1.5	1.4	0.1	1.5	1.7	-0.2	96.0	96.8	-0.8	96.5	97.0	-0.5	-2.7	-2.9	0.2	-2.7	-3.2	0.5	-1.1 (0.5)	-2.3 (0.2)	1.2	-0.8 (0.5)	-2.7 (-0.3)	1.9

¹ The 2017 DBP are published on the [EC website](#). Since many DBP do not include figures for 2015, the 2015 figures in these columns are from Eurostat (extraction: 11/2016). EL does not need to submit a DBP since it is subject to a programme. *Spain and Lithuania submitted updated 2017 DBP's (12/2016), and COM issued [revised opinions](#) including an update to its autumn 2016 forecast for both these Member States (01/2017).

² The figures in these columns are published in the [statistical annex](#) (tables 1, 36, 41 and 42) of the EC [autumn 2016 forecasts](#).

³ The SP of spring 2016 are published in the [Europe2020 section](#) of the EC website.

⁴ The figures in these columns are published in the [statistical annex](#) (tables 1, 36, 41 and 42) of the EC [spring forecasts](#).

⁵ The pp change in the structural balance may only be regarded as a proxy for the fiscal effort taken by the Member State concerned. The [EC Opinions](#) on the DBP include assessments of fiscal effort/effective action based on a [methodology](#) agreed by Council and EC.

PT	2015	1.6	1.6	0.0	1.5	1.5	0.0	129.0	129.0	0.0	129.0	129.0	0.0	-4.4	-4.4	0.0	-	-4.4	-	-	-2.3 (-0.4)	-	-2.0 (-)	-2.0 (-0.6)	0.0
	2016	1.2	0.9	0.3	1.8	1.5	0.3	129.7	130.3	-0.6	124.8	126.0	-1.2	-2.4	-2.7	0.3	-2.2	-2.7	0.5	-1.7 (-)	-2.4 (-0.1)	0.7	-1.7 (0.3)	-2.2 (-0.2)	0.5
	2017	1.5	1.2	0.3	1.8	1.7	0.1	128.3	129.5	-1.2	122.3	124.5	-2.2	-1.6	-2.2	0.6	-1.4	-2.3	0.9	-1.1 (0.6)	-2.4 (0.0)	1.3	-1.3 (0.4)	-2.5 (-0.3)	1.2
Euro Area Member States under the preventive arm of the SGP																									
		GDP growth (% change)						Debt (% of GDP)						Deficit/ Surplus (% of GDP)						Structural deficit/surplus (% GDP) (y-o-y difference in percentage points, which is a proxy for the fiscal effort ⁵)					
		Autumn 2016			Spring 2016			Autumn 2016			Spring 2016			Autumn 2016			Spring 2016			Autumn 2016			Spring 2016		
		DBP ¹	EC ²	Δ	SP ³	EC ⁴	Δ	DBP ¹	EC ²	Δ	SP ³	EC ⁴	Δ	DBP ¹	EC ²	Δ	SP ³	EC ⁴	Δ	DBP ¹	EC ²	Δ	SP ³	EC ⁴	Δ
BE	2015	1.4	1.5	-0.1	1.4	1.4	0.0	105.8	105.8	0.0	106.0	106.0	0.0	-2.5	-2.5	0.0	-2.6	-2.6	0.0	-2.3 (-)	-2.6 (0.2)	0.3	-2.3 (-)	-2.6 (0.2)	0.3
	2016	1.4	1.2	0.2	1.2	1.2	0.0	107.0	107.0	0.0	106.2	106.4	-0.2	-3.0	-3.0	0.0	-2.5	-2.8	0.3	-2.4 (-0.1)	-2.7 (-0.1)	0.3	-1.7 (0.6)	-2.3 (0.3)	0.6
	2017	1.2	1.3	-0.1	1.5	1.6	-0.1	106.5	107.1	-0.6	104.7	105.6	-0.9	-1.7	-2.3	0.6	-1.4	-2.3	0.9	-1.1 (1.3)	-2.0 (0.7)	0.9	-0.8 (0.9)	-2.1 (0.2)	1.3
DE	2015	1.7	1.7	0.0	1.7	1.7	0.0	71.2	71.2	0.0	71.2	71.2	0.0	0.75	0.7	0.05	0.7	0.7	0.0	-	0.8 (0.0)	-	0.8 (-)	0.8 (0.1)	0.0
	2016	1.8	1.9	-0.1	1.7	1.6	0.1	68.25	68.1	0.15	68.25	68.6	-0.35	0.5	0.6	-0.1	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.75 (-)	0.6 (-0.2)	0.15	0.0 (-0.8)	0.4 (-0.4)	-0.4
	2017	1.4	1.5	-0.1	1.5	1.6	-0.1	66.0	65.7	0.3	65.75	66.3	-0.55	0.25	0.4	-0.15	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.5 (-0.25)	0.4 (-0.2)	0.1	0.0 (0.0)	0.4 (0.0)	-0.4
EE	2015	1.4	1.4	0.0	1.1	1.1	0.0	10.1	10.1	0.0	9.7	9.7	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0	-	-0.1 (0.0)	-	1.0 (-)	0.6 (0.5)	0.4
	2016	1.3	1.1	0.2	2.0	1.9	0.1	9.6	9.4	0.2	9.6	9.6	0.0	0.3	0.5	-0.2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3	1.1 (-)	0.6 (0.8)	0.5	0.3 (-0.7)	0.0 (-0.6)	0.3
	2017	2.5	2.3	0.2	3.0	2.4	0.6	10.3	9.5	0.8	10.4	9.3	1.1	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3	0.2 (-0.9)	-0.2 (-0.8)	0.4	0.2 (-0.1)	-0.2 (-0.2)	0.4
IE	2015	26.3	26.3	0.0	7.8	7.8	0.0	78.6	78.6	0.0	93.8	93.8	0.0	-1.9	-1.9	0.0	-2.3	-2.3	0.0	-2.2 (-)	-1.8 (1.8)	-0.4	-2.4 (-2.6)	-2.2 (0.5)	-0.2
	2016	4.2	4.1	0.1	4.9	4.9	0.0	76.0	75.4	0.6	88.2	89.1	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	0.0	-1.1	-1.1	0.0	-1.9 (0.3)	-1.7 (0.1)	-0.2	-2.0 (0.4)	-2.0 (0.2)	0.0
	2017	3.5	3.6	-0.1	3.9	3.7	0.2	74.3	73.6	0.7	85.5	86.6	-1.1	-0.4	-0.5	0.1	-0.4	-0.6	0.2	-1.1 (0.8)	-1.0 (0.7)	-0.1	-0.8 (1.2)	-1.0 (1.0)	0.2
IT	2015	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.0	132.3	132.3	0.0	132.7	132.7	0.0	-2.6	-2.6	0.0	-2.6	-2.6	0.0	-	-1.1 (0.2)	-	-0.6 (-)	-1.0 (0.1)	0.4
	2016	0.8	0.7	0.1	1.2	1.1	0.1	132.8	133.0	-0.2	132.4	132.7	-0.3	-2.4	-2.4	0.0	-2.3	-2.4	0.1	-1.2 (-)	-1.6 (-0.5)	0.4	-1.2 (-0.6)	-1.7 (-0.7)	0.5

	2017	1.0	0.9	0.1	1.4	1.3	0.1	132.6	133.1	-0.5	130.9	131.8	-0.9	-2.3	-2.4	0.1	-1.8	-1.9	0.1	-1.6 (-0.4)	-2.2 (-0.5)	0.6	-1.1 (0.1)	-1.7 (0.0)	0.6
LT*	2015	1.8	1.8	0.0	1.6	1.6	0.0	42.7	42.7	0.0	40.0	42.7	-2.7	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-	-0.7 (0.9)	-	-0.5 (-)	-0.4 (1.1)	-0.1
	2016	2.3	2.0	0.3	2.5	2.8	-0.3	40.8	40.8	0.0	41.1	41.1	0.0	-0.6	-0.6	0.0	-0.8	-1.1	0.3	-1.1 (-)	-1.0 (-0.3)	-0.1	-0.7 (-0.2)	-1.2 (-0.8)	0.5
	2017	2.7	2.7	0.0	3.2	3.1	0.1	43.5	43.3	0.2	39.9	42.9	-3.0	-0.7	-0.8	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.4	-1.3 (-0.2)	-1.4 (-0.4)	0.1	0.0 (0.7)	-0.8 (0.4)	0.4
	2015	3.5	3.5	0.0	4.8	4.8	0.0	22.1	22.1	0.0	21.5	21.4	0.1	1.6	1.6	0.0	1.3	1.2	0.1	-	2.2 (-0.2)	-	2.3 (-)	1.7 (-1.1)	0.6
LU	2016	3.1	3.6	-0.5	2.9	3.3	-0.4	23.2	23.2	0.0	22.4	22.5	-0.1	1.2	1.3	-0.1	0.8	1.0	-0.2	2.3 (-)	1.9 (-0.3)	0.4	1.9 (-0.4)	1.4 (-0.3)	0.5
	2017	4.6	3.8	0.8	4.5	3.9	0.6	23.6	23.3	0.3	22.9	22.8	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.8 (-1.5)	0.4 (-1.5)	0.4	0.6 (-1.3)	0.3 (-1.1)	0.3
LV	2015	2.7	2.7	0.0	2.7	2.7	0.0	36.3	36.3	0.0	36.4	36.4	0.0	-1.3	-1.3	0.0	-1.0	-1.3	0.3	-	-1.8 (-0.2)	-	-0.7 (-)	-1.9 (-0.2)	1.2
	2016	2.5	1.9	0.6	3.0	2.8	0.2	40.1	40.0	0.1	40.3	39.8	0.5	-0.9	-0.8	-0.1	-1.0	-1.0	0.0	-0.4 (-)	-1.5 (0.4)	1.1	-0.9 (-0.2)	-1.6 (0.3)	0.7
	2017	3.5	2.8	0.7	3.3	3.1	0.2	39.1	37.2	1.9	38.3	35.6	2.7	-1.1	-1.1	0.0	-1.0	-1.0	0.0	-1.0 (-0.6)	-1.7 (-0.2)	0.7	-1.1 (-0.2)	-1.6 (0.0)	0.5
MT	2015	6.2	6.2	0.0	6.3	6.3	0.0	64.0	64.0	0.0	63.9	63.9	0.0	-1.4	-1.4	0.0	-1.5	-1.5	0.0	-	-2.2 (0.6)	-	-2.3 (-)	-2.3 (-0.1)	0.0
	2016	3.9	4.1	-0.2	4.2	4.1	0.1	63.3	62.1	1.2	62.6	60.9	1.7	-0.8	-0.7	-0.1	-0.7	-0.9	0.2	-1.1 (-)	-1.1 (1.1)	0.0	-1.5 (0.8)	-1.6 (0.7)	0.1
	2017	3.5	3.7	-0.2	3.1	3.5	-0.4	61.9	59.9	2.0	60.4	58.3	2.1	-0.6	-0.6	0.0	-0.6	-0.8	0.2	-0.3 (0.8)	-0.7 (0.4)	0.4	-0.9 (0.6)	-1.2 (0.4)	0.3
NL	2015	2.0	2.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	65.1	65.1	0.0	65.1	65.1	0.0	-1.9	-1.9	0.0	-1.8	-1.8	0.0	-	-1.2 (-0.5)	-	-1.0 (-)	-0.9 (0.3)	-0.1
	2016	1.7	1.7	0.0	1.8	1.7	0.1	63.4	63.0	0.4	65.4	64.9	0.5	-1.1	-0.8	-0.3	-1.7	-1.7	0.0	-0.9 (-)	-0.5 (0.7)	-0.4	-1.6 (-0.6)	-1.5 (-0.6)	-0.1
	2017	1.7	1.7	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	62.1	61.3	0.8	64.1	63.9	0.2	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-1.2	-1.2	0.0	-0.6 (0.3)	-0.2 (0.3)	-0.4	-1.2 (0.4)	-1.2 (0.3)	0.0
AT	2015	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0	85.5	85.5	0.0	86.2	86.2	0.0	-1.0	-1.0	0.0	-1.2	-1.2	0.0	0.1 (-)	0.0 (0.7)	0.1	0.0 (-)	0.0 (-)	0.0
	2016	1.7	1.5	0.2	1.6	1.5	0.1	83.2	83.5	-0.3	84.3	84.9	-0.6	-1.4	-1.5	0.1	-1.6	-1.5	-0.1	-0.9 (-1.0)	-1.0 (-1.0)	0.1	-0.9 (-0.9)	-0.9 (-0.9)	0.0
	2017	1.5	1.6	-0.1	1.6	1.6	0.0	80.9	81.1	-0.2	82.6	83.0	-0.4	-1.2	-1.3	0.1	-1.5	-1.4	-0.1	-0.9 (0.0)	-0.9 (0.1)	0.0	-1.0 (-0.1)	-1.2 (-0.3)	0.2
SI	2015	2.3	2.3	0.0	2.9	2.9	0.0	83.1	83.1	0.0	83.2	83.2	0.0	-2.7	-2.7	0.0	-2.9	-2.9	0.0	-	-1.9 (0.6)	-	-2.1 (-)	-2.7 (-0.1)	
	2016	2.3	2.2	0.1	1.7	1.7	0.0	80.2	80.2	0.0	80.2	80.2	0.0	-2.2	-2.4	0.2	-2.2	-2.4	0.2	-1.5 (-)	-2.1 (-0.2)	0.6	-1.5 (0.6)	-2.5 (0.2)	1.0
	2017	2.9	2.6	0.3	2.4	2.3	0.1	78.2	78.3	-0.1	78.2	78.0	0.2	-1.3	-2.0	0.7	-1.6	-2.1	0.5	-0.8 (0.7)	-2.3 (-0.2)	1.5	-1.3 (0.2)	-2.9 (-0.4)	1.6

SK	2015	3.6	3.8	-0.2	3.6	3.6	0.0	52.9	52.5	0.4	52.9	52.9	0.0	-2.7	-2.7	0.0	-3.0	-3.0	0.0	-	-2.3 (-0.1)	-	-2.2 (-)	-2.3 (-0.3)	0.1
	2016	3.6	3.4	0.2	3.2	3.2	0.0	53.5	53.3	0.2	52.9	53.4	-0.5	-2.0	-2.2	0.2	-2.1	-2.4	0.3	-1.7 (-)	-2.0 (0.3)	0.3	-1.7 (0.5)	-2.1 (0.2)	0.4
	2017	3.5	3.2	0.3	3.6	3.3	0.3	52.7	52.7	0.0	52.2	52.7	-0.5	-1.3	-1.5	0.2	-1.3	-1.6	0.3	-1.0 (0.7)	-1.4 (0.6)	0.4	-1.0 (0.7)	-1.5 (0.6)	0.5
FI	2015	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	63.6	63.6	0.0	63.1	63.1	0.0	-2.8	-2.8	0.0	-2.7	-2.7	0.0	-	-1.4 (0.4)	-	-1.3 (-)	-1.4 (0.2)	0.1
	2016	1.1	0.8	0.3	0.9	0.7	0.2	65.3	65.4	-0.1	65.0	65.2	-0.2	-2.4	-2.4	0.0	-2.5	-2.5	0.0	-1.2 (-)	-1.3 (0.0)	0.1	-1.5 (-0.2)	-1.6 (-0.2)	0.1
	2017	0.9	0.8	0.1	1.2	0.7	0.5	66.7	67.1	-0.4	66.7	66.9	-0.2	-2.6	-2.5	-0.1	-2.1	-2.3	0.2	-1.6 (-0.4)	-1.6 (-0.3)	0.0	-1.4 (0.1)	-1.5 (0.1)	0.1
CY	2015	1.6	1.7	-0.1	1.6	1.6	0.0	107.5	107.5	0.0	108.9	108.9	0.0	-1.2	-1.1	-0.1	-1.0	-1.0	0.0	-	1.7 (-1.4)	-	2.4 (-)	1.7 (-1.3)	0.7
	2016	2.7	2.8	-0.1	2.2	1.7	0.5	108.3	107.1	1.2	105.6	108.9	-3.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	0.0	0.4 (-)	0.2 (-1.5)	0.2	0.7 (-1.7)	0.4 (-1.3)	0.3
	2017	2.8	2.5	0.3	2.5	2.0	0.5	105.3	103.7	1.6	101.7	105.4	-3.7	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	-0.5	0.0	-0.5	-1.0 (-1.4)	-1.3 (-1.4)	0.3	-0.2 (-0.9)	-0.5 (-0.9)	0.3

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