Key economic indicators for the German economy

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Real GDP ¹ (percent change over previous year)	0.4	0.3	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.5
Domestic employment (1,000 persons)	42,060	42,328	42,703	43,032	43,487	43,769
Unemployed (ILO concept)	2,223	2,182	2,092	1,950	1,860	2,058
Unemployed (BA concept)	2,897	2,950	2,898	2,795	2,738	2,923
Unemployment rate ² (ILO concept)	5.4	5.2	5.0	4.7	4.4	4.8
Unemployment rate ² (BA concept)	6.8	6.9	6.7	6.4	6.2	6.6
Consumer prices	2.0	1.5	0.9	0.2	0.5	1.5
Unit labor costs ³	3.1	2.0	1.6	1.7	2.3	2.2
Government budget balance ⁴						
in billion EUR	-2.4	-3.1	8.9	19.4	15.9	11.4
in percent of GDP	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.4
Current account balance, in percent of GDP	7.0	6.8	7.3	8.5	8.6	8.7

¹ Price-adjusted, chain-linked.

Sources: National and international institutions; computations by DIW Berlin; 2015 and 2016: DIW forecast.

² As a share of domestic labor force (ILO), resp. Civilian labor force (BA).

³ Compensation of employees (national concept) per hour worked over real GDP.

⁴ According to ESA 2010.