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HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE SECOND QUARTER 2011

Review of Real GDP for second quarter of 2011

Following the compilation of the provisional annual GDP estimates for 2011, the quarterly GDP (QGDP) estimates for the second quarter of 2011 have been reviewed, and the key findings are outlined below.

The **year-on-year** real GDP growth of the second quarter of 2011 was 16.4 per cent. The Industry sector recorded a 40.4 per cent growth, followed by Agriculture (36.9%), whilst Services recorded a negative growth (-0.7%). The subsectors that recorded higher growth in the second quarter were the Mining and Quarrying (including oil production), recording 210.9 per cent; Crops (including cocoa), 82.3 per cent; and Financial and Insurance activities, 76.0 per cent.

Seasonally adjusted quarter-on-quarter estimates show a decline in overall economic activity in the second quarter (-3.1%), despite significant growth in Finance and Insurance (52.2%), Crops (30.3%), Mining and Quarrying (26.6%), Livestock (13%) and Information and Communication (9.2%). Subsectors that recorded negative growth include Other personal service activities (-69.1%); Hotels and restaurants (-22.5%); Forestry (-19.3%); Manufacturing (-9.9%); and Fishing (-7.8%).

The earlier release of 21 September 2011 was reviewed to correct discrepancies in the aggregates. Eight of the 20 subsectors that were affected by this review are, Livestock, Mining and quarrying, Manufacturing, Construction, Trade, Transport and storage, Education, and Health.

This release, therefore, supersedes that of 21 September 2011 and all references should be made to the reviewed estimates.

The estimates of the first quarter of 2011 released on 22 June 2011 still hold.

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Forthcoming issues

Issue	Expected date of publication
Third quarter of 2011	December 21, 2011
Fourth quarter of 2011	March 28, 2012

Explanatory notes

Introduction

This Statistical Release contains independently compiled quarterly estimates of the gross domestic product (GDP) for the period of first quarter of 2006 to fourth quarter of 2010. The estimates are based on the 1993 System of National Accounts (SNA), International Standard Industrial Classification Revision 4 published by the United Nations and other international organizations and Quarterly National Accounts Manual: Concepts, data sources, and compilation by International Monetary Fund (IMF). This means that the methodology, concepts and classifications, are in accordance with the guidelines and recommendations of an internationally agreed system of national accounts. The estimates of real GDP are expressed in terms of a 2006 base year.

Methodology

Short-term indicators are used to estimate the quarterly GDP (ref Quarterly National Accounts Manual: Concepts, Data sources, and Compilation - IMF) where Annual GDP estimates are calculated independently from the quarterly estimates. Other than that, annual GDP estimates are derived as the sum of the GDP for the four quarters.

Seasonal adjustment

The quarterly value added and GDP estimates have been seasonally adjusted. Seasonal adjustment is the process of estimating and removing seasonal effects from time series to reveal non-seasonal features. This process is to provide a clearer view of short term movements and trends and also to allow earlier identification of turning points

Revision policy

Revisions to the previously published series may be made each quarter. The frequency and cause of these revisions are as follows:

Quarterly: additional data becoming available for the latest quarters, which is used to replace existing estimates; revisions to quarterly data (e.g. revisions to the Balance of Payments, Fiscal data, VAT data), which will be incorporated as soon as possible to maintain consistency between published macro-economic statistics.

Annual: introduction of annual data following the release of the latest annual national accounts each year.

Irregular: for example, methodological changes. Note that as far as possible, revisions of this nature are incorporated to coincide with the annual cycle of revisions outlined above.

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Table 1 - Quarterly Gross Domestic Product by Sector at Constant 2006 Prices

Year	Quarter	Quarterly GDP (GHc Million)				Year-on-year growth in GDP (%)			
		Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total**	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total**
2006	1	937.8	864.5	2,113.3	4,087.5				
	2	704.8	884.3	2,271.4	4,067.8				
	3	1,785.1	953.0	2,138.4	5,073.1				
	4	1,987.4	1,002.5	2,167.2	5,476.7				
2007	1	893.5	990.9	2,342.3	4,544.0	-4.7	14.6	10.8	11.2
	2	702.4	1,019.4	2,316.5	4,361.2	-0.3	15.3	2.0	7.2
	3	1,795.9	971.0	2,280.9	5,362.9	0.6	1.9	6.7	5.7
	4	1,930.3	948.4	2,418.7	5,645.4	-2.9	-5.4	11.6	3.1
2008	1	958.4	1,130.8	2,567.3	4,943.7	7.3	14.1	9.6	8.8
	2	778.7	1,125.1	2,413.6	4,616.3	10.9	10.4	4.2	5.8
	3	1,943.3	1,114.2	2,625.4	5,984.2	8.2	14.7	15.1	11.6
	4	2,035.6	1,151.8	2,499.6	6,047.8	5.5	21.4	3.3	7.1
2009	1	1,001.7	1,173.3	2,653.8	5,073.4	4.5	3.8	3.4	2.6
	2	791.5	1,184.3	2,657.1	4,856.3	1.6	5.3	10.1	5.2
	3	2,074.6	1,170.9	2,636.5	6,114.3	6.8	5.1	0.4	2.2
	4	2,261.3	1,196.2	2,719.4	6,410.5	11.1	3.9	8.8	6.0
2010	1	1,062.8	1,186.4	2,972.7	5,415.4	6.1	1.1	12.0	6.7
	2	903.7	1,192.0	2,765.1	5,107.3	14.2	0.6	4.1	5.2
	3	2,186.2	1,285.7	2,952.7	6,647.9	5.4	9.8	12.0	8.7
	4	2,299.8	1,324.2	3,023.7	7,016.7	1.7	10.7	11.2	9.5
2011	1	1,479.9	1,607.2	3,185.1	6,660.3	39.2	35.5	7.1	23.0
	2*	1,237.0	1,673.0	2,745.0	5,946.4	36.9	40.4	-0.7	16.4

* provisional

** Total includes net indirect taxes

Table 2 - Seasonal Adjusted Quarterly Gross Domestic Product by Sector at Constant 2006 Prices

Year	Quarter	Quarterly GDP (GHc Million)				Quarter-on-quarter growth in GDP (%)			
		Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total**	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total**
2006	1	1,366.6	853.7	2,043.7	4,410.0				
	2	1,312.6	882.1	2,283.2	4,469.0	-4.0	3.3	11.7	1.3
	3	1,328.1	963.8	2,187.7	4,453.0	1.2	9.3	-4.2	-0.4
	4	1,387.2	1,007.6	2,182.7	4,572.0	4.5	4.5	-0.2	2.7
2007	1	1,302.8	976.4	2,261.6	4,555.0	-6.1	-3.1	3.6	-0.4
	2	1,305.9	1,018.5	2,332.5	4,675.0	0.2	4.3	3.1	2.6
	3	1,336.4	981.8	2,331.6	4,622.0	2.3	-3.6	0.0	-1.1
	4	1,347.5	953.0	2,439.0	4,741.0	0.8	-2.9	4.6	2.6
2008	1	1,397.4	1,114.2	2,469.0	4,997.0	3.7	16.9	1.2	5.4
	2	1,447.7	1,124.1	2,441.8	5,012.0	3.6	0.9	-1.1	0.3
	3	1,446.1	1,126.5	2,678.1	5,208.0	-0.1	0.2	9.7	3.9
	4	1,421.0	1,157.4	2,524.9	5,106.0	-1.7	2.7	-5.7	-2.0
2009	1	1,460.5	1,156.1	2,539.4	5,178.0	2.8	-0.1	0.6	1.4
	2	1,471.5	1,183.3	2,705.5	5,380.0	0.8	2.4	6.5	3.9
	3	1,543.8	1,183.9	2,682.2	5,359.0	4.9	0.1	-0.9	-0.4
	4	1,578.6	1,202.0	2,750.0	5,520.0	2.3	1.5	2.5	3.0
2010	1	1,549.6	1,169.0	2,834.6	5,593.0	-1.8	-2.7	3.1	1.3
	2	1,680.1	1,191.0	2,827.7	5,741.0	8.4	1.9	-0.2	2.6
	3	1,626.8	1,300.1	2,997.8	5,864.0	-3.2	9.2	6.0	2.1
	4	1,605.6	1,330.9	3,060.1	6,004.0	-1.3	2.4	2.1	2.4
2011	1	2,158.9	1,582.2	3,034.1	6,887.0	34.5	18.9	-0.8	14.7
	2*	2,295.0	1,673.1	2,811.2	7,243.0	6.3	5.7	-7.3	5.2

* provisional

** Total includes net indirect taxes

