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ANNEX A

Overall Tax Levels and Tax Structures in OECD Member Countries, 1990-2002

Table A. Tax revenues expressed as a percentage of GDP at market prices, 1990-2002

	Total	tax revenu	ie	Personal	income tax	es		Socia	al security co	ontributions			All ot	her taxes	
							Emp	oloyees		Em	ployers				
	1990	1995	2002	1990	1995	2002	1990	1995	2002	1990	1995	2002	1990	1995	2002
Australia	29	30	32	13	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	18	19
Austria	40	42	44	9	9	10	6	6	6	7	7	7	20	19	21
Belgium	43	45	46	14	15	15	4	5	5	9	9	9	16	17	18
Canada	36	36	34	15	13	12	2	2	2	3	3	3	17	17	17
Czech Republic	-	40	39	-	5	5	-	4	4	-	11	11	-	20	19
Denmark	47	49	49	25	27	26	1	1	1	0	0	0	21	21	21
Finland	44	46	46	15	14	14	1	3	2	9	10	9	18	19	20
France	43	44	44	5	5	8	6	6	4	12	11	11	21	22	21
Germany	36	38	36	10	11	9	6	7	6	7	7	7	13	14	14
Greece	29	32	36	4	4	5	4	4	5	4	5	6	16	19	21
Hungary	-	42	38	-	7	8	-	2	2	-	12	9	-	21	19
Iceland	32	32	38	8	10	15	0	0	0	1	3	3	22	19	20
Ireland	34	33	28	11	10	7	2	2	1	3	3	3	18	18	17
Italy	39	41	43	10	11	11	3	3	2	9	9	9	17	19	21
Japan	30	28	26	8	6	5	3	4	4	5	5	5	14	13	12
Korea	18	19	24	3	4	3	0	0	3	1	1	2	14	14	17
Luxembourg	41	42	42	10	9	7	4	5	5	5	5	5	22	23	25
Mexico	17	17	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	17	18
Netherlands	43	42	39	11	8	7	10	11	7	3	3	5	19	20	21
New Zealand	38	37	35	17	16	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	21	20
Norway	42	41	44	11	11	11	4	3	3	7	6	6	20	21	23
Poland ^a	-	37	33	-	9	8	-	11	10	-	-	-	-	17	16
Portugal	29	34	34	5	6	-	3	3	-	5	6	-	17	18	34
Slovak Republic	-	-	33	-	-	3	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	19
Spain	33	33	36	7	8	7	2	2	2	8	8	9	16	15	18
Sweden	53	49	50	21	16	15	0	2	3	14	12	12	19	19	20
Switzerland	26	28	30	10	10	10	3	4	4	3	3	4	10	11	13
Turkey	20	23	31	5	5	6	2	1	2	2	1	3	11	15	21
United Kingdom	37	35	36	11	10	11	2	3	2	4	3	3	20	19	19
United States	27	28	27	10	10	10	3	3	3	4	4	3	11	11	10

a) Total social security contributions.

Source: Revenue Statistics 1965-2003, 2004 Edition.

(Countries with non-central government income taxes)

			Central govern	nment			:		Sta	te and local go	vernment ¹			
	Percentage of						: Percentage of							
	GDP	Total	GDP	Total	GDP	Total	:	GDP	Total	GDP	Total	GDP	Total	
	1990		1995		2002		:	1990		1995		2002		
Belgium	9	20	8	17	8	17	:	5	12	7	15	6	14	
Canada	9	25	8	23	7	22	:	6	16	5	15	4	13	
Denmark	12	25	12	25	11	22	:	13	28	14	29	15	32	
Finland	7	15	6	12	6	13	:	9	19	9	19	8	18	
Iceland	5	15	5	16	7	19	:	4	11	5	15	8	20	
Japan	6	19	4	14	3	12	:	2	8	2	7	2	7	
Korea	3	18	3	18	3	12	:	0	1	0	1	0	1	
Norway	4	9	4	10	6	13	:	7	17	7	16	5	11	
Spain ²	7	20	7	22	5	13	:	1	2	1	2	2	6	
Sweden	5	9	1	3	-1	-2	:	15	29	15	31	16	32	
Switzerland	3	10	2	7	2	7	:	7	29	8	29	8	27	
United States	8	30	8	29	8	30	:	2	7	2	7	2	7	

1. Income-tax sharing arrangements exist in Austria, Germany, Greece, Luxembourg, Portugal and Spain.

2. Spain has introduced an income tax of the Autonomous Regions as of 1997; pro memory.

Source: Revenue Statistics 1965-2003, 2004 Edition.

ANNEX B

Source of Earnings Data

	Type of sample	Source
Australia	Representative sample of employers and employees in each industry. Carried out in May	Bureau of Statistics "Distribution and composition of employee earnings and hours"
Austria	Annual Wage Tax Statistics	"Lohnsteuerstatistik"
Belgium	Annual survey by National Bureau of Social Security	"Rapport Annuel d'Office National de Sécurité Sociale"
Canada	Monthly survey of all firms	Statistics Canada, "Employment Earnings and Hours"
Czech Republic	Employer survey data	National Statistical Office
Denmark	Danish Employers Confederation survey of earnings	Annual Report Danish Employers Confederation (Dansk Arbejds Giverforening)
Finland	Finnish Employers Federation survey of hourly earnings	"Wages Statistics" published by the Central Statistical Office
France	Update of file based upon "annual declarations of salaries"	"Economie et Statistiques"
Germany	Survey carried out by the Federal Statistical Office	"Statistical Yearbook"
Greece	Survey carried out by National Statistics Service and Social Security Institutions	National Statistical Service Labour Statistics
Hungary Iceland	Monthly surveys among enterprises with over ten employees Quarterly survey of weekly earnings by the Wage Investigation Committee which extends to members of the Icelandic Employers' Confederation all over the country	Central Statistical Office
Ireland	Quarterly surveys of industrial employment, earnings and hours worked by Central Statistical Office	
Italy	Monthly Statistics Bulletin	National Institute of Statistics
Japan	Basic survey of wage structure of all establishments with more than 10 employees	Ministry of Labour, Annual Report
Korea	Major Labour Statistics	Ministry of Labour
Luxembourg	Monthly survey and annual "Social Security Trends"	Statistics Office and Ministry of Labour
Mexico	Manufacturing sector of the economy	Mensual, Instituto Nacional de Estadistica, Geografia e Informatica (INEGI)
Netherlands	April and October sample of non-agricultural wage-earners	Central Bureau of Statistics, Monthly Bulletin of social statistics
New Zealand	Department of Statistics PCInfos	
Norway	Norwegian Employers Confederation quarterly survey	Norsk arbeidsgiverfurenings kvartalsvise lonns-og frauvaersstoatistikk
Portugal	April and October survey of earnings carried out by the Ministry of Labour	Ministry of Labour
Poland	Estimates for different sectors	Monthly Statistical Bulletin
Slovak republic	Quarterly and annual statistical data	Slovak Statistical Office
Spain	Monthly survey of firms	Instituto Nacional de Estadistica "Indicadores de Salarios"
Sweden	Second quarter survey of Swedish employers	Statistics Sweden
Switzerland	Statistics of the Federal Office for Industry, the Arts and Professions	La vie économique, Département fédéral de l'Economie Publique à Berne
Turkey	Annual Manufacturing Industry Survey	State Institute of Statistics
United Kingdom	Annual sample of weekly earnings in PAYE (new earnings survey)	Department of Employment "Employment Gazette"
United States	Monthly surveys by Department of Labour on the basis of a questionnaire covering more than 30 million non-agricultural wage and salary-workers	"Employment and Earnings"

ANNEX C

Exchange Rates and Purchasing Power Parities of National Currencies, 2004

	Monetary unit	2004	
_		Exchange rates * Purchas	sing power parities
Australia	AUD	1.37	1.39
Austria	EUR	1.23	0.94
Belgium	EUR	1.23	0.91
Canada	CAD	1.33	1.20
Czech Republic	CZK	26.23	14.87
Denmark	DKK	6.07	8.71
Finland	EUR	1.23	0.98
France	EUR	1.23	0.91
Germany	EUR	1.23	0.97
Greece	EUR	1.23	0.72
Hungary	HUF	206.79	130.38
Iceland	ISK	71.37	93.90
Ireland	EUR	1.23	1.00
Italy	EUR	1.23	0.86
Japan	JPY	108.94	134.82
Korea	KRW	1 162.47	768.93
Luxembourg	EUR	1.23	1.03
Mexico	MXN	11.27	7.30
Netherlands	EUR	1.23	0.95
New Zealand	NZD	1.53	1.48
Norway	NOK	6.88	9.55
Poland	PLZ	3.77	1.85
Portugal	EUR	1.23	0.68
Slovak Republic	SKK	32.80	17.44
Spain	EUR	1.23	0.80
Sweden	SEK	7.48	9.64
Switzerland	CHF	1.26	1.87
Turkey	TRL	1 422 146.81	830 360.87
United Kingdom	GBP	0.55	0.64
United States	USD	1.00	1.00

^{*} Average of 9 months daily rates.

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