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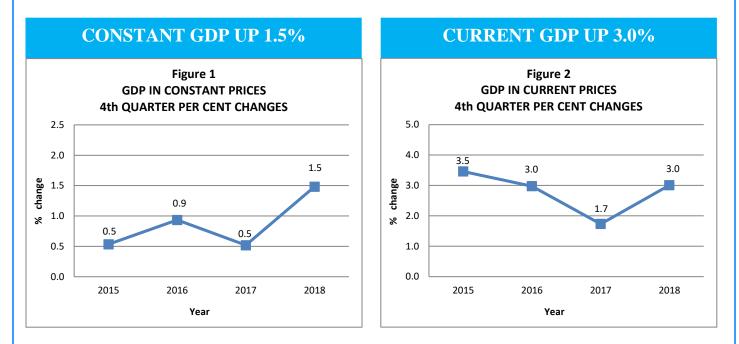
QUARTERLY GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY EXPENDITURE

QUARTER 4/2018

POSITIVE GDP GROWTH RECORDED FOR 4TH QTR 2018

During the fourth quarter 2018, quarterly Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at constant prices was estimated at \$1,152.9 million (Table 1). This represented a 1.5 per cent increase year-over-year (Figure 1). The main driver was a \$30.4 million gain in the external balance of goods and services.

In current prices, nominal GDP increased 3.0 per cent (Figure 2; Table 2). Overall inflation for the 4th quarter, as measured by the implicit price index, increased 1.5 per cent.



HIGHLIGHTS (CONSTANT PRICES)

- After adjusting for inflation, Household Final Consumption decreased 2.6 per cent year-over-year to \$638.4 million (Table 1). During the year, households spent less on clothing, furniture, information processing equipment and accommodation services.
- Government Final Consumption increased 0.4 per cent due to higher wages and salaries which was offset by a reduction in spending on goods and services. (Table 1).
- Gross Capital Formation (i.e. investment in fixed assets) grew by 1.5 per cent (Table 1). Gross Capital Formation related to Construction registered a 7.0 per cent increase during the period reflecting major construction projects such as hotel development and the airport project. In contrast, investment in Machinery and Equipment decreased 4.1 per cent due mostly to engine parts, boats, data processing machines, telecommunications equipment and structures (and parts thereof).
- The net surplus on trade in goods and services increased \$30.4 million or 24.8 per cent (Table 1), due mostly to a rise in the Exports of Services. Exports of Services rose 14.2 per cent during the period reflecting increased earnings from the export of travel services and financial services. In contrast, Imports of Goods, which have a downward effect on GDP growth, grew 16.9 percent due mostly to imports of fuel, machinery and finished equipment. Payments for the Imports of Services rose 5.0 per cent due to construction/engineering services.

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Table 1 : GDP by Expenditure – CONSTANT PRICES (BD\$ millions) ^(1,2,3) (2006=100)

	2017R Q4	2018R Q1	2018R Q2	2018R Q3	2018 Q4
FINAL CONSUMPTION					
EXPENDITURE	835.7	809.2	802.1	803.6	819.5
Household Final Consumption	655.4	619.5	611.3	617.5	638.4
Government Final Consumption	180.3	189.7	190.8	186.1	181.0
GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION	177.7	176.6	223.3	223.2	180.4
Construction	89.5	91.2	113.6	114.9	95.7
Machinery and Equipment	88.3	85.3	109.7	108.3	84.7
EXTERNAL BALANCE OF GOODS AND SERVICES	122.7	304.5	127.5	76.0	153.1
Exports of Goods and Services	507.2	679.4	571.4	520.2	578.4
Exports of Goods	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.1
Exports of Services	503.8	676.1	568.1	516.9	575.4
Imports of Goods and Services	384.5	374.9	443.9	444.2	425.4
Imports of Goods	182.0	179.6	237.9	223.1	212.8
Imports of Services	202.5	195.3	206.0	221.2	212.6
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT	1,136.1	1,290.3	1,152.8	1,102.7	1,152.9

	2017R Q4	2018R Q1	2018R Q2	2018R Q3	2018 Q4
FINAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE	+0.4	-0.7	-1.8	-2.9	-1.9
Household Final Consumption	+1.2	-1.6	-2.0	-2.4	-2.6
Government Final Consumption	-2.6	+2.7	-1.1	-4.8	+0.4
GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION	0.0	-11.6	-2.2	+36.5	+1.5
Construction	+1.3	+0.3	+5.9	+36.1	+7.0
Machinery and Equipment	-1.2	-21.5	-9.4	+37.0	-4.1
EXTERNAL BALANCE OF GOODS AND SERVICES	+2.4	+2.8	+33.9	-20.7	+24.8
Exports of Goods and Services	+0.1	-0.1	+5.1	+6.9	+14.0
Exports of Goods	-14.9	-6.8	+3.2	-5.9	-9.0
Exports of Services	+0.2	0.0	+5.1	+7.0	+14.2
Imports of Goods and Services	-0.6	-2.3	-1.0	+13.7	+10.6
Imports of Goods	-5.2	-9.8	-4.4	+17.9	+16.9
Imports of Services	+3.9	+5.8	+3.3	+9.7	+5.0
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT	+0.5	-1.5	+1.1	+1.4	+1.5

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QUARTERLY GDP BY EXPENDITURE						
Table 2 : GDP by Expenditure – CURRENT PRICES (BD\$ millions) ^(1,2,3) (2006=100)						
	2017R Q4	2018R Q1	2018R Q2	2018R Q3	2018 Q4	
FINAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE	1,091.0	1,065.9	1,058.5	1,063.1	1,091.5	
Household Final Consumption	<mark>850.6</mark>	811.9	800.3	807.1	840.5	
Government Final Consumption	240.4	254.0	258.2	255.9	251.0	
GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION	202.1	201.9	256.0	257.3	209.0	
Construction	111.5	114.3	143.1	145.1	121.3	
Machinery and Equipment	90.6	87.6	112.9	112.2	87.7	
EXTERNAL BALANCE OF GOODS AND SERVICES	218.1	462.1	248.6	181.3	256.2	
Exports of Goods and Services	675.9	910.0	788.8	721.3	776.4	
Exports of Goods	<mark>4.4</mark>	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.1	
Exports of Services	671.5	905.6	784.2	716.8	772.3	
Imports of Goods and Services	457.8	447.9	540.1	540.0	520.2	
Imports of Goods	<mark>216.3</mark>	211.9	285.1	266.9	257.9	
Imports of Services	241.4	236.0	255.0	273.2	262.3	
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT	1,511.3	1,729.9	1,563.1	1,501.7	1,556.7	
Percentage Changes ⁽⁴⁾ (%)						
	2017R Q4	2018R Q1	2018R Q2	2018R Q3	2018 Q4	
FINAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE	+2.0	+1.2	-0.1	-1.4	0.0	
Household Final Consumption	+2.9	+0.1	-0.6	-1.3	-1.2	
Government Final Consumption	<mark>-1.0</mark>	+4.9	+1.5	-1.7	+4.4	
GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION	+1.1	-9.5	-0.3	+38.4	+3.4	

+38.3

+38.5

-10.4

+7.6

-1.0

+7.7

+15.4

+17.9

+13.1

+2.4

+5.0

+2.3

+8.8

-3.3

+17.5

+14.9

+15.0

+13.6

+19.2

+8.7

+3.0

-7.2

Government Final Consumption	-1.0	14.5	11.5
GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION	+1.1	-9.5	-0.3
Construction	+2.5	+1.8	+7.5
Machinery and Equipment	-0.5	-20.9	-8.6
EXTERNAL BALANCE OF GOODS AND SERVICES	+0.8	+2.2	+17.7
Exports of Goods and Services	+0.9	+0.6	+5.5
Exports of Goods	-9.8	-1.7	+8.9
Exports of Services	+1.0	+0.6	+5.4
Imports of Goods and Services	+0.9	-0.9	+0.6
Imports of Goods	-3.4	-8.5	-3.0

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GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

Imports of Services

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+7.0

+0.1

QUARTERLY GDP BY EXPENDITURE

DEFINITIONS AND NOTES

Household Consumption

Household final consumption expenditure consists of the expenditure incurred by resident households on individual consumption goods and services including those sold at prices that are not economically significant. Household consumption in this publication represents "actual final consumption of households" since it includes goods and services as social transfers in kind from general government and non-profit institutions serving households. Household consumption also includes indirect estimates of consumption such as the imputed rent of residents living in their own dwellings.

Government Consumption

Government consumption expenditure consists of expenditure incurred by general government on both individual consumption goods and services and collective consumption services. Individual consumption includes expenditure used for the direct satisfaction of individual needs like health and education. Collective consumption includes expenditure used to satisfy the collective needs of members of the community like defence and environmental protection.

Gross Capital Formation

Gross fixed capital formation consists of net acquisitions (acquisitions less disposals) of fixed assets. Capital assets are goods that are intended for use in a production process and that are expected to last for more than one year. Examples of capital assets are machinery and equipment.

Exports of Goods and Services

This category includes merchandise exports, re-exports of goods such as the sales of fuel to foreign airlines, exports of services and direct purchases in the domestic market by non-residents.

Imports of Goods and Services

This category includes merchandise imports, imports of services and direct purchases abroad by residents.

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

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