



In the second quarter of 2025, the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew by 3.4% compared to the second quarter of 2024 and there was an increase of 0.9% compared to the first quarter of 2025 at the seasonally adjusted data.

#### Second quarter of 2025

#### **GDP**, current prices

According to the preliminary data, GDP¹ at current prices for the second quarter of 2025 is 52 363.9 million BGN (Annex, Table 1). The GDP per person is 8 140 BGN. At an average for the quarter exchange rate of 1.7256115 BGN for 1 USD the GDP is 30 345 million USD, or 4 717 USD per person. In Euro terms, GDP reaches 26 773 million EUR in total and 4 162 EUR per person.

The Gross Value Added (GVA)<sup>2</sup> generated by the national economy during the second quarter of 2025 amounted to 45 264.0 million BGN at current prices.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **The GDP at market prices** is the final result of the economic activity of resident institutional units. GDP is derived by the following three approaches:

<sup>-</sup> GDP is the sum of GVA generated by institutional sectors or economic activity groupings plus taxes minus subsidies on product. GVA is the balancing item of the Production account;

<sup>-</sup> GDP by final expenditure is calculated as the sum of individual consumption, collective consumption, gross fixed capital formation, changes in inventories, net exports of goods and services;

<sup>-</sup> GDP by income approach is a sum of generated income in the income account (compensation of employees, net taxes on production, gross operating surplus, and gross mixed income).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **Gross Value Added at basic prices** is a balancing item in the Production account between the gross output at basic prices and the intermediate consumption at purchasers' prices.

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20.0

2.8

■ Second quarter of 2024

2.5

Agriculture

0.0

Figure 1. Gross Value Added by economic sectors in the second quarters of 2024 and 2025, %

In the second quarter of 2025, the relative share of the economic sector of Agriculture in GVA was 2.8%, which indicates an increase of 0.3 percentage points compared to the second quarter of 2024.

Industry

■Second quarter of 2025

Services

The Industry sector decreased its relative share in GVA of the national economy by 0.1 percentage points, to 27.4%.

The relative share of the value added of the activities in the Services sector is 69.8%, decreasing in the second quarter of 2025 by 0.2 percentage points compared to the second quarter of 2024.

-56.0 Imports of goods and services -51.6 59.4 Exports of goods and services 52.8 2.6 Change in inventories 17.0 Gross fixed capital formation 19.0 8.8 Collective consumption 10.7 68.2 Individual consumption 69.4 -80 -60 -40 -20 20 40 60 80 ■ Second quarter of 2024 ■ Second quarter of 2025

Figure 2. Final use components of GDP in the second quarters of 2024 and 2025, %

In the second quarter of 2025, 80.1% of the GDP was used for final consumption expenditures<sup>3</sup>. Investments (gross fixed capital formation<sup>4</sup>) formed 19.0% of GDP. The external balance of goods and services was positive.

#### GDP and GVA growth rates from seasonally adjusted data

### Growth rates on a quarterly basis

longer than one year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> **Final consumption expenditures** include expenditures of resident institutional units (households, non-profit institutions serving households, general government) on goods and services used for individual consumption of the population and for collective consumption of society. According to the national concept principles, individual consumption expenditures include expenditures for goods and services on the territory of the country and abroad. <sup>4</sup> **Gross fixed capital formation** includes acquired fixed assets owned by residential producers and households less disposal ones during the reporting period. Gross fixed capital formation covers the investments for the tangible and intangible assets, produced in the production process or imported, used many times over a period,

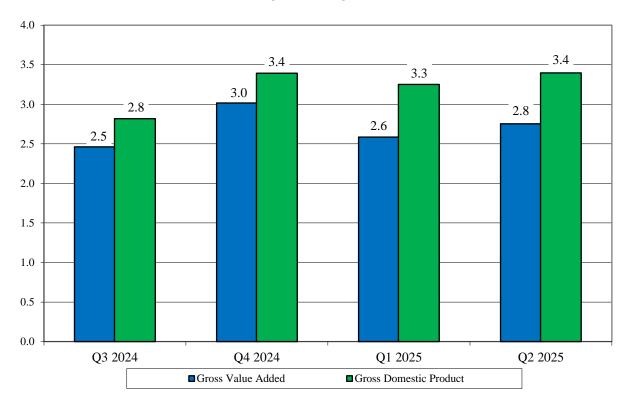
According to the preliminary and seasonally adjusted data, in the second quarter of 2025, GDP increased by 0.9% compared to the previous quarter (Annex, Table 2). For the same period, GVA increased by 0.7%.

According to the seasonally adjusted data for the second quarter of 2025, the final consumption increased by 1.8% compared to the previous quarter. Exports of goods and services increased by 0.7% and the imports of goods and services decreased by 1.4% compared to the previous quarter, according to the seasonally adjusted data.

#### Growth rates on an annual basis

GDP increased by 3.4% and GVA increased by 2.8% in the second quarter of 2025 compared to the second quarter of 2024, according to the seasonally adjusted data (Annex, Table 2).

Figure 3. Growth rate of GDP and GVA compared to the corresponding quarter of the previous year, %



The increase in Gross Value Added is determined by the growth in the following economic activities:

'Public administration and defense; compulsory social security; education; human health and social work activities' - by 8.2%, 'Construction' - by 7.7%, 'Real estate activities' - by 5.5%, 'Information and communication' - by 5.4%, 'Financial and insurance activities' - by 5.1%, 'Arts, entertainment and recreation, repair of household goods and other services' - by 3.2%, 'Professional, scientific and technical activities; administrative and support service activities' - by 2.4%, 'Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles; transportation and storage; accommodation and food service activities' - by 1.2%.

A decline was registered in 'Agriculture, forestry and fishing' - by 4.0% and 'Mining and quarrying; manufacturing; electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply; water supply, waste management and remediation activities' - by 3.1%.

Regarding the expenditure components of GDP, the main contributor to the registered positive economic growth was the final consumption - an increase of 8.3%. During the second quarter of 2025, a decrease was recorded in the exports of goods and services - by 4.8%, while the imports of goods and services increased by 0.1% compared to the same quarter of the previous year.

#### Methodological notes

The quarterly estimates of national accounts for GDP and its components are developed in accordance with the methodological principles of the European System of Accounts, 2010 - adopted by Council Regulation No. 549/2013 EC.

The survey has been conducted regularly since 1996. The time series are available on the website of NSI (<a href="www.nsi.bq">www.nsi.bq</a>).

The results are preliminary. They are based on the available monthly and quarterly statistical and administrative information, and are updated annually (9 months after the end of the year) based on data from the annual exhaustive surveys and updated administrative information.

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- b) GDP by final expenditure is calculated as the sum of individual consumption, collective consumption, gross fixed capital formation, changes in inventories, and net exports of goods and services.
- c) GDP by income approach is a sum of compensation of employees, net taxes on production, gross operating surplus, and gross mixed income.

The seasonal adjustment of statistical indicators in NSI is performed using the software developed by Eurostat - product JDemetra+, whereby applied the algorithm TRAMO/SEATS. A direct method of seasonal adjustment is applied, in which the aggregates and their components are adjusted independently.

#### Annex

Table 1

Gross Domestic Product in the second quarter of 2025

(Seasonally unadjusted data)

		Second quarter of 2025			
		Value at	Share, %		
Nº	Indicators	current prices, Million BGN	in GVA	in GDP	
1	Gross Value Added by economic sector (2+3+4):				
2	Agriculture	45264.0	100.0	86.4	
3	Industry	1285.9	2.8	2.5	
4	Services	12413.7		23.7	
5	Adjustments	31564.4	69.8	60.2	
_		7099.9		13.6	
6	Gross Domestic Product (1+5=7+10+13+16)	52363.9		100.0	
	by final use components:				
7	Final consumption (8+9)	41934.2		80.1	
8	Individual	36348.4		69.4	
9	Collective	5585.8		10.7	
10	Gross capital formation (11+12)	9782.6		18.7	
11	Gross fixed capital formation	9960.9		19.0	
12	Change in inventories	-178.3		-0.3	
13	Balance, exports - imports (14 - 15)	647.0		1.2	
14	Exports of goods and services	27627.5		52.8	
15	Imports of goods and services				
16	Statistical discrepancy	26980.5		51.6	
		0.0		0.0	

Growth rates of GDP, total and by component<sup>1</sup>

(Per cent)

Table 2

Nº	Indicators	Growth rate, current quarter compared with the previous quarter				(Per cent) Growth rate, current quarter compared with the same quarter of the previous year			
		III 2024	IV 2024	I 2025	II 2025	III 2024	IV 2024	I 2025	II 2025
1	Gross Value Added by economic sector:	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.7	2.5	3.0	2.6	2.8
2	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	-6.7	1.4	2.1	-0.5	-9.7	-6.7	0.1	-4.0
3	Mining and quarrying; manufacturing; electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply; water supply, waste management and remediation activities	-0.5	-0.4	-1.5	-0.6	0.5	0.7	-3.4	-3.1
4	Construction Wholesale and retail trade; repair	2.3	2.4	1.1	1.7	6.1	8.2	7.7	7.7
5	of motor vehicles and motorcycles; transportation and storage; accommodation and food service activities	-0.2	0.7	0.9	-0.2	3.1	2.8	3.0	1.2
6	Information and communication	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.4	3.7	4.1	4.9	5.4
7	Financial and insurance activities	2.1	1.3	0.6	0.9	3.6	4.7	4.6	5.1
8	Real estate activities	1.5	1.0	0.5	2.3	0.7	1.0	2.3	5.5
9	Professional, scientific and technical activities; administrative and support service activities	0.2	0.5	1.0	0.7	0.5	0.9	2.3	2.4
10	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security; education; human health and social work activities	4.6	0.8	0.3	2.3	7.3	7.4	4.7	8.2
11	Arts, entertainment and recreation, repair of household goods and other services	0.9	0.7	1.1	0.4	1.5	2.3	3.0	3.2
12	Adjustments	1.9	3.2	0.1	2.4	5.3	7.0	7.8	7.7
13	Gross Domestic Product	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.9	2.8	3.4	3.3	3.4
	by final use components:								
14	Final consumption	2.1	1.7	2.5	1.8	4.8	6.2	7.6	8.3
15	Individual	1.6	1.9	3.0	1.6	4.4	5.9	8.2	8.3
16	Collective	5.2	0.0	3.0	2.9	6.3	4.2	7.2	11.5
17	Gross capital formation	3.1	2.2	-2.7	-3.9	6.8	5.9	8.3	-1.3
18	Gross fixed capital formation	2.7	2.0	3.6	1.5	-0.7	1.7	8.8	10.1
19	Change in inventories						•		
20	Balance (exports - imports)								
21	Exports of goods and services	-2.5	-0.4	-2.6	0.7	0.1	-1.8	-3.3	-4.8
22	Imports of goods and services	0.1	1.2	0.3	-1.4	3.1	2.2	4.6	0.1

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Growth rate is calculated by using seasonally adjusted, chain-linked estimates of the GDP components based on average 2020 prices.