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**The Size of the Shadow Economy in 21 OECD Countries
(in % of „official“ GDP) using the MIMIC and currency
demand approach:
From 1989/90 to 2009**

Table 1: The Size and Development of the Shadow Economy in 21 OECD Countries from 1989/90 to 2009**The Size of the Shadow Economy (in % of „official“ GDP)
using the MIMIC (Multiple Industries and multiple courses procedure) and currency demand approach**

OECD-Countries	Average 1989/90	Average 1994/95	Average 1997/98	Average 1999/00	Average 2001/02	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009 ¹
1. Australia	10.1	13.5	14.0	14.3	14.1	13.7	13.2	12.6	11.4	11.7	10.6	10.9
2. Austria	6.9	8.6	9.0	9.8	10.6	10.8	11.0	10.3	9.7	9.4	8.1	8.47
3. Belgium	19.3	21.5	22.5	22.2	22.0	21.4	20.7	20.1	19.2	18.3	17.5	17.8
4. Canada	12.8	14.8	16.2	16.0	15.8	15.3	15.1	14.3	13.2	12.6	12.0	12.6
5. Denmark	10.8	17.8	18.3	18.0	17.9	17.4	17.1	16.5	15.4	14.8	13.9	14.3
6. Finland	13.4	18.2	18.9	18.1	18.0	17.6	17.2	16.6	15.3	14.5	13.8	14.2
7. France	9.0	14.5	14.9	15.2	15.0	14.7	14.3	13.8	12.4	11.8	11.1	11.6
8. Germany	11.8	13.5	14.9	16.0	16.3	17.1	16.1	15.4	15.0	14.7	14.2	14.6
9. Greece	22.6	28.6	29.0	28.7	28.5	28.2	28.1	27.6	26.2	25.1	24.3	25.0
10. Great Britain	9.6	12.5	13.0	12.7	12.5	12.2	12.3	12.0	11.1	10.6	10.1	10.9
11. Ireland	11.0	15.4	16.2	15.9	15.7	15.4	15.2	14.8	13.4	12.7	12.2	13.1
12. Italy	22.8	26.0	27.3	27.1	27.0	26.1	25.2	24.4	23.2	22.3	21.4	22.0
13. Japan	8.8	10.6	11.1	11.2	11.1	11.0	10.7	10.3	9.4	9.0	8.8	9.5
14. Netherlands	11.9	13.7	13.5	13.1	13.0	12.7	12.5	12.0	10.9	10.1	9.6	10.2
15. New Zealand	9.2	11.3	11.9	12.8	12.6	12.3	12.2	11.7	10.4	9.8	9.4	9.9
16. Norway	14.8	18.2	19.6	19.1	19.0	18.6	18.2	17.6	16.1	15.4	14.7	15.3
17. Portugal	15.9	22.1	23.1	22.7	22.5	22.2	21.7	21.2	20.1	19.2	18.7	19.5
18. Sweden	15.8	19.5	19.9	19.2	19.1	18.6	18.1	17.5	16.2	15.6	14.9	15.4
19. Switzerland	6.7	7.8	8.1	8.6	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.0	8.5	8.2	7.9	8.3
20. Spain	16.1	22.4	23.1	22.7	22.5	22.2	21.9	21.3	20.2	19.3	18.7	19.5
21. USA	6.7	8.8	8.9	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.4	8.2	7.5	7.2	7.0	7.6
Unweighted Average over 21 OECD countries	12.7	16.2	16.8	16.8	16.7	16.5	16.1	15.6	14.5	13.9	13.3	13.8

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1) Preliminary values

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