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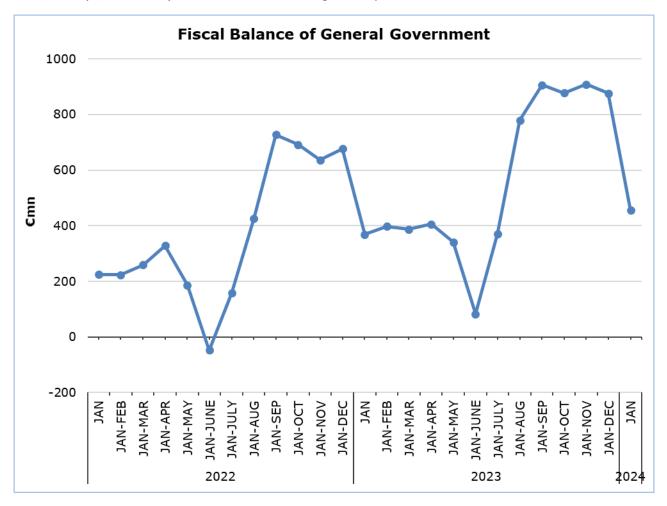
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# **PRESS RELEASE**

## FISCAL ACCOUNTS OF GENERAL GOVERNMENT: JAN 2024

# Surplus €455,9 mn

The preliminary General Government fiscal results, which are prepared by the Statistical Service of Cyprus (CYSTAT) indicate a surplus of €455,9 mn (1,4% of GDP) for January 2024, as compared to a surplus of €368,6 mn (1,2% of GDP) that was recorded during January 2023.



#### **Revenue**

During January 2024, total revenue increased by €153,0 mn (+13,2%) and amounted to €1.316,0 mn, compared to €1.163,0 mn in the corresponding month of 2023.

In detail, revenue from taxes on income and wealth increased by €99,0 mn (+22,4%) and amounted to €540,5 mn, compared to €441,5 mn in 2023. Social contributions increased by €42,3 mn (+14,1%) and amounted to €343,1 mn, compared to €300,8 mn in 2023. Current transfers increased by €2,9 mn (+25,5%) and amounted to €14,1 mn, compared to €11,2 mn in 2023. Revenue from the sale of goods and services increased by €3,6 mn (+7,2%) and amounted to €53,3 mn, compared to €49,7 mn in 2023. Property income increased by €3,5 mn (+48,6%) and amounted to €10,6 mn, compared to €7,1 mn in 2023. Capital transfers increased by €2,1 mn and amounted to €4,0 mn, compared to €1,9 mn in 2023.

On the contrary, taxes on production and imports decreased by €0,3 mn (-0,1%) to €350,5 mn, from €350,8 mn in 2023, of which net VAT revenue decreased by €22,1 mn (-8,4%) to €241,3 mn, from €263,4 mn in 2023.

#### **Expenditure**

During January 2024, total expenditure increased by €65,6 mn (+8,3%) and amounted to €860,1 mn, compared to €794,4 mn in the corresponding month of 2023.

In detail, social benefits increased by €38,1 mn (+11,6%) and amounted to €365,6 mn, compared to €327,5 mn in 2023. Compensation of employees (including imputed social contributions and pensions of civil servants) increased by €41,5 mn (+16,2%) and amounted to €297,3 mn, compared to €255,8 mn in 2023. Intermediate consumption increased by €0,4 mn (+0,5%) and amounted to €76,3 mn, compared to €75,9 mn in 2023.

The capital account increased by €3,1 mn (+15,4%) and amounted to €23,4 mn, compared to €20,3 mn in 2023, of which gross capital formation increased by €4,3 mn (+20,0%) and amounted to €25,8 mn, compared to €21,5 mn in 2023.

On the contrary, subsidies decreased by €6,8 mn (-61,3%) to €4,3 mn, from €11,1 mn in 2023. Current transfers decreased by €4,0 mn (-6,5%) to €58,1 mn, from €62,1 mn in 2023. Interest payable decreased by €6,6 mn (-15,9%) to €35,1 mn, from €41,7 mn in 2023.

**Table** 

Macroeconomic Aggregates of General Government	Euro (million)			Change
	Fiscal Results		Difference	(%)
	Jan 2023	Jan 2024	Jan 2024/23	Jan 2024/23
Total Revenue	1.163,0	1.316,0	153,0	13,2%
Taxes on Production and Imports	350,8	350,5	-0,3	-0,1%
of which VAT	263,4	241,3	-22,1	-8,4%
Current Taxes on Income and Wealth, etc	441,5	540,5	99,0	22,4%
Social Contributions	300,8	343,1	42,3	14,1%
Other Current Resources	68,0	77,9	9,9	14,5%
Interest receivable	7,1	10,6	3,5	48,6%
Current transfers	11,2	14,1	2,9	25,5%
Sales	49,7	53,3	3,6	7,2%
Capital Transfers Received	1,9	4,0	2,1	112,0%
Total Expenditure	794,4	860,1	65,6	8,3%
Total Current Expenditure	774,1	836,7	62,5	8,1%
Intermediate consumption	75,9	76,3	0,4	0,5%
Compensation of employees	255,8	297,3	41,5	16,2%
Social transfers	327,5	365,6	38,1	11,6%
Interest	41,7	35,1	-6,6	-15,9%
Subsidies	11,1	4,3	-6,8	-61,3%
Other current expenditure	62,1	58,1	-4,0	-6,5%
Total Capital Expenditure	20,3	23,4	3,1	15,4%
Gross capital formation	21,5	25,8	4,3	20,0%
Gross capital formation excluding land annexations	21,5	25,7	4,2	19,5%
Other capital expenditure	-1,2	-2,4	-1,2	98,5%
Net Lending (+)/ Borrowing (-)	368,6	455,9	87,3	
% of GDP	1,2%	1,4%		

### **METHODOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **Data Coverage and Methodology**

Information is provided for the whole sequence of accounts for the General Government sector. The revenue and expenditure are analyzed by category and these are classified between current and capital, respectively.

The categories of revenue and expenditure for General Government cover all the subsectors of the General Government based on the European System of Accounts 2010 (ESA 2010).

### **Source of Data**

The data is collected from:

- Financial Information Management Automation System (FIMAS) for Central Government, Extra Budgetary Funds and Social Security Funds,
- Budget execution of Municipalities and Communities,
- Budget execution of Semi-Government Organizations.

For the completion of the estimates, any methodological adjustments or corrections based on the European System of Accounts 2010 (ESA 2010) are taken into account.

#### For more information:

CYSTAT Portal, subtheme <u>Public Finance</u> <u>Predefined Tables</u> (Excel)

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