

Facts and Figures 2016

Administrative Management of the
Tax- and Customs Administration

Customs Offices (CO)	2016
traffic of goods	
no. of clearances	3.94 m clearances
controls (declarations)	161,521 cases
licences - customs	8,321 licences
audits and controls	
no. of completed audits	1,102 cases
surplus	38.9 m euro
controls (customs surveillance)	5,222 cases
mobile controls	2,244 cases
excise duties	
declarations (incl. distillation of alcohol)	49,940 declarations
controls (supervision)	7,766 cases
licences - excise	8,143 licences
travellers	
controls of travellers	234,794 travellers
tax refunds	2.09 m declarations
seizures	
CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora)	358 seizures
cash control	75 discoveries
counterfeit goods	1,947 seizures
drugs	839 seizures
reports to other administrations	1,796 reports
cigarette smuggling cases	2,623 discoveries
no. of detected cigarettes	8.17 m pieces
finalized penal procedures (incl. judicial procedures)	3,310 cases

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General Information	2016
economic data	
gross domestic product (GDP) - at current prices	349.49 bn euro
gross domestic product (compared to 2015)	1.5%
level of taxes and social security contributions (% of GDP)	43.4%
inflation (HICP)	1.0%
unemployment rate (according to Eurostat)	6.0%
consumer price index (2010 = 100)	111.7%
budget deficit (% of GDP) Maastricht criteria	-1.6%
tax/customs revenue	
revenues (budget chapter 16)	81.14 bn euro
thereof	
VAT incl. import VAT of customs	27.06 bn euro
wage tax	24.65 bn euro
corporation tax	7.43 bn euro
excise duties on mineral oil	4.31 bn euro
income tax	3.90 bn euro
insurance tax (incl. engine-related insurance tax)	3.40 bn euro
capital yields tax	2.36 bn euro
excise duties on tobacco	1.83 bn euro
real estate transfer tax	1.12 bn euro
duties according to gambling act	0.56 bn euro
duties on the supply and consumption of energy	0.90 bn euro
other excise duties and transfer taxes	1.11 bn euro
customs duties	0.26 bn euro
transfers of family allowance	3.44 bn euro

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Budget in million euros	preliminary success 2016	budget 2016		
total expenses TO/CO/AULT/TI/Finpol	655.55	674.68		
thereof personnel costs	559.21	575.10		
No. of staff 1 st of Jan. 2017 (exclusive staff on leave)	sum ¹⁾	women	university graduates	employees with A-levels
tax offices	6,324	55%	5%	48%
customs offices	1,471	30%	3%	56%
audit unit for large traders	465	37%	81%	11%
tax investigation unit	144	34%	5%	68%
financial police	449	24%	3%	43%
total	8,854	48%	9%	47%

Audit Unit for Large Traders (AULT)	2016
no. of audits/special VAT audits	3,403 cases
surplus audits/special VAT audits	654.6 m euro
no. of audits VAT foreigners	351 cases
surplus audits VAT foreigners	50.4 m euro
no. of inquiries/reviews	1,113 cases
surplus from inquiries/reviews	9.6 m euro

Tax Investigation Unit (TI)	2016
no. of investigations/audits/special VAT audits/inquiries/reviews	447 cases
confiscated cash	7.4 m euro
surplus audits/special VAT audits	8.1 m euro

Financial Police (FinPol)	2016
no. of controlled companies	30,439 controls
no. of controlled employees	54,579 employees
thereof illegal employees	12,962 employees
measures of tax supervision	7,660 cases
no. of games of chance controls	730 controls
safeguarding measures of revenue	27.0 m euro

¹⁾ full employment equivalent

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Tax office for duties, transfer taxes and gambling	2016
no. of audits	426 cases
surplus from audits	140.6 m euro

Tax Offices (TO)	2016
FinanzOnline users (citizens and companies)	4.24 m users
number of phone calls	6.47 m calls
average waiting time phone calls	69.7 seconds
general assessment	
FinanzOnline quota employee assessment	65.8%
no. of annual employee assessments completed	4.21 m cases
processing time employee assessments	28 calendar days
no. of requests, evaluation of family allowance	659,030 cases
processing time family allowance	23 calendar days
business assessment and auditing	
FinanzOnline quota business assessment	88.1%
no. of tax returns completed (business assessment)	2.13 m returns
processing time business assessment	22 calendar days
no. of audits/special VAT audits	27,485 cases
surplus from audits/special VAT audits	718.1 m euro
no. of cases other auditing measures	26,664 cases
surplus from other auditing measures	29.8 m euro
no. of joint audits of wage-dependent taxes	10,441 cases
surplus from wage-dependent taxes	148.8 m euro
finalized penal procedures (incl. judicial procedures)	6,337 cases
safeguarding of revenue	
collectable tax debts	1,598.1 m euro
total tax debts	8,108.7 m euro