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Table 1. Mauritania: Gross Domestic Product by Sector
of Origin at Constant 1985 Prices, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In millions of ouguiyas)				
Primary sector	16,378	17,057	18,003	18,085	18,045
Agriculture	4,245	4,518	4,915	4,542	4,088
Livestock	11,499	11,898	12,414	12,836	13,337
Fishing	634	641	674	708	621
Secondary sector	20,783	20,448	20,301	21,936	22,283
Mining	10,902	10,595	9,689	10,568	9,784
Fishing	2,206	2,137	2,606	2,605	2,798
Other industries and handicrafts	2,883	2,813	2,957	3,107	3,253
Construction and public works	4,792	4,902	5,049	5,655	6,447
Tertiary sector	33,495	35,857	38,287	40,922	44,159
Commerce and other services	12,673	13,391	14,202	14,924	15,656
Transport and communications	5,819	6,451	7,171	7,982	9,219
Other services	3,713	3,657	3,910	4,123	4,309
Public administration	11,289	12,357	13,004	13,893	14,975
GDP (at factor cost)	70,655	73,361	76,592	80,943	84,486
Indirect taxes	7,244	7,411	7,483	7,329	7,806
GDP (at market prices)	77,899	80,772	84,075	88,273	92,292
Annual growth rate (in percent)	3.2	3.7	4.1	5.0	4.6
	(Shares of GDP; in percent)				
Primary sector	21.0	21.1	21.4	20.5	19.6
Agriculture	5.4	5.6	5.8	5.1	4.4
Livestock	14.8	14.7	14.8	14.5	14.5
Fishing	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7
Secondary sector	26.7	25.3	24.1	24.9	24.1
Mining	14.0	13.1	11.5	12.0	10.6
Fishing	2.8	2.6	3.1	3.0	3.0
Other industries and handicrafts	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Construction and public works	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.4	7.0
Tertiary sector	43.0	44.4	45.5	46.4	47.8
Commerce and other services	16.3	16.6	16.9	16.9	17.0
Transport and communications	7.5	8.0	8.5	9.0	10.0
Other services	4.8	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.7
Public administration	14.5	15.3	15.5	15.7	16.2
GDP (at factor cost)	90.7	90.8	91.1	91.7	91.5
Indirect taxes	9.3	9.2	8.9	8.3	8.5
GDP (at market prices)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

Table 2. Mauritania: Growth of Output by Sector, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In percent)				
Primary sector					
Agriculture	12.0	6.4	8.8	-7.6	-10.0
Livestock	4.5	3.5	4.3	3.4	3.9
Fishing	-20.0	1.1	5.2	5.0	-12.3
Secondary sector					
Mining	1.2	-2.8	-8.5	9.1	-7.4
Fishing	-44.3	-3.1	21.9	0.0	7.4
Other industries and handicrafts	12.8	-2.4	5.1	5.1	4.7
Construction and public works	3.9	2.3	3.0	12.0	14.0
Tertiary sector					
Commerce and other services	18.4	5.7	6.1	5.1	4.9
Transport and communications	18.6	10.9	11.2	11.3	15.5
Other services	1.4	-1.5	6.9	5.4	4.5
Public administration	5.1	9.5	5.2	6.8	7.8
GDP (at factor cost)	4.7	3.8	4.4	5.7	4.4
Indirect taxes	-9.5	2.3	1.0	-2.1	6.5
GDP (at market prices)	3.2	3.7	4.1	5.0	4.6

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

Table 3. Mauritania: Gross Domestic Product at Current Prices, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
(In millions of ouguiyas; unless otherwise specified)					
Primary sector	36,688	42,160	42,473	44,422	46,492
Agriculture	8,684	11,158	10,180	9,639	8,719
Livestock	25,310	27,776	29,293	31,463	34,717
Fishing	2,695	3,225	3,001	3,320	3,056
Secondary sector	44,164	49,021	52,278	62,345	67,191
Mining	19,545	23,187	24,188	31,224	31,524
Fishing	7,088	6,340	8,189	9,120	10,215
Other industries and handicrafts	7,714	9,054	8,672	9,409	10,315
Construction and public works	9,817	10,440	11,229	12,592	15,137
Tertiary sector	68,071	77,599	84,801	94,908	107,461
Commerce and other services	29,098	33,331	36,513	39,616	43,519
Transport and communications	11,844	13,219	16,172	19,800	24,298
Other services	9,165	10,364	11,123	12,111	13,255
Public administration	17,964	20,686	20,992	23,381	26,389
GDP (at factor cost)	148,924	168,780	179,552	201,675	221,144
Indirect taxes	17,560	20,306	21,314	21,981	24,453
GDP (at market prices)	166,484	189,086	200,866	223,657	245,596
GDP deflator (annual change, in percent)	5.4	9.5	2.1	6.1	5.0
(Shares of GDP; in percent of GDP)					
Primary sector	22.0	22.3	21.1	19.9	18.9
Agriculture	5.2	5.9	5.1	4.3	3.5
Livestock	15.2	14.7	14.6	14.1	14.1
Fishing	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.2
Secondary sector	26.5	25.9	26.0	27.9	27.4
Mining	11.7	12.3	12.0	14.0	12.8
Fishing	4.3	3.4	4.1	4.1	4.2
Other industries and handicrafts	4.6	4.8	4.3	4.2	4.2
Construction and public works	5.9	5.5	5.6	5.6	6.2
Tertiary sector	40.9	41.0	42.2	42.4	43.8
Commerce and other services	17.5	17.6	18.2	17.7	17.7
Transport and communications	7.1	7.0	8.1	8.9	9.9
Other services	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.4
Public administration	10.8	10.9	10.5	10.5	10.7
GDP (at factor cost)	89.5	89.3	89.4	90.2	90.0
Indirect taxes	10.5	10.7	10.6	9.8	10.0
GDP (at market prices)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

Table 4. Mauritania: Expenditures and Savings at Current Prices, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In millions of ouguiyas)				
Consumption	149,088	179,883	188,218	182,436	210,770
Central government	22,956	27,405	30,464	38,696	38,408
Nongovernment 1/	126,132	152,477	157,754	143,740	172,361
Gross domestic investment	33,455	35,471	35,197	67,659	65,855
Central government	8,529	10,781	11,589	16,884	20,453
Nongovernment 1/ 2/	24,926	24,689	23,608	50,775	45,402
Net export of goods and nonfactor services	-16,060	-26,267	-22,549	-26,438	-31,029
Exports	65,318	75,389	76,071	90,945	98,139
Imports	81,378	101,656	98,620	117,383	129,167
Nominal GDP (at market prices)	166,484	189,086	200,866	223,657	245,596
Net factor income	-7,840	3,622	4,994	4,560	-5,806
Net official transfers	26,464	20,591	25,937	23,697	22,928
Gross national disposable income	185,109	213,299	231,797	251,915	17,122
Gross national savings	36,020	33,417	43,579	69,479	51,948
Government	15,706	16,853	20,206	10,512	6,209
Nongovernment 1/	20,314	16,564	23,372	58,967	45,739
	(In percent of GDP)				
Consumption	89.6	95.1	93.7	81.6	85.8
Central government	13.8	14.5	15.2	17.3	15.6
Nongovernment 1/	75.8	80.6	78.5	64.3	70.2
Gross domestic investment	20.1	18.8	17.5	30.3	26.8
Central government	5.1	5.7	5.8	7.5	8.3
Nongovernment 1/ 2/	15.0	13.1	11.8	22.7	18.5
Net export of goods and nonfactor services	-9.6	-13.9	-11.2	-11.8	-12.6
Exports	39.2	39.9	37.9	40.7	40.0
Imports	48.9	53.8	49.1	52.5	52.6
Net factor income	-4.7	1.9	2.5	2.0	-2.4
Net official transfers	15.9	10.9	12.9	10.6	9.3
Gross national disposable income	111.2	112.8	115.4	112.6	107.0
Gross national savings	21.6	17.7	21.7	31.1	21.2
Government	9.4	8.9	10.1	4.7	2.5
Nongovernment 1/	12.2	8.8	11.6	26.4	18.6

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Including public enterprises.

2/ Including change in stocks.

Table 5. Mauritania: Area Cultivated and Production of Selected Crops, 1997/98–2002/03 1/

	1997/98	1998/99	1999/2000	2000/01	Est. 2001/02	Proj. 2002/03
(In thousands of hectares)						
Area cultivated						
Total cereals	182.2	175.6	223.2	207.2	217.5	227.4
Millet and sorghum	147.0	144.5	194.6	174.1	193.6	201.8
Paddy rice	21.8	25.1	21.8	18.0	12.1	13.3
Maize, wheat, and barley	13.5	6.0	6.8	15.1	11.8	12.2
Cowpeas, vegetables, and other	3.1	3.1	...	32.5	32.6	32.6
Dates	...	...	...	4.5	4.5	4.5
(In thousands of metric tons)						
Production						
Total cereals	151.2	194.2	192.8	178.5	160.4	193.8
Millet and sorghum	58.6	85.2	101.2	88.7	94.0	119.4
Paddy rice	80.9	101.9	86.5	76.2	58.2	63.5
Maize, wheat, and barley	11.6	7.1	5.1	13.7	8.2	10.9
Cowpeas, vegetables, and other	38.9	...	60.0	11.1	11.1	11.1
Dates	14.0	...	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0

Source: Ministry of Rural Development and the Environment (MDRE).

Table 6. Mauritania: Supply of Cereals, 1997–2002

(In thousands of metric tons)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Proj. 2002
Production 1/	108.3	139.6	191.2	194.6	179.9	200.5
Imports	214.7	71.3	209.7	269.8	247.7	242.4
Rice (SONIMEX)	84.1	16.9	28.0	29.1	9.5	22.2
Flour (private sector)	62.9	22.8	181.7	240.6	238.2	220.2
Other (private sector)	67.7	31.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Food aid	31.5	13.3	27.7	20.9	22.68	10.00
Total supply	354.5	224.2	428.7	485.3	450.3	452.9
Per capita supply (in kilograms)	156.0	145.3	147.0	162.0	154.8	122.0

Sources: Commission of Food Security (CSA); Ministry of Rural Development and the Environment (MDRE); and Customs Directorate (DGD).

1/ Including stocks, starting 1999.

Table 7. Mauritania: CSA—Operating Revenues and Expenditures, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In millions of ouguiyas)				
Total revenue	393.5	318.0	773.8	2021.2	2174.8
Sales of cereals	32.2	22.0	472.9	1096.2	826.3
Sales in CSA centers 1/	32.2	22.0	472.9	1096.2	826.3
Imported rice	...	...	...	...	...
Rice of national production	...	...	...	...	...
Other local cereals	...	...	...	...	...
Operating subsidies	66.6	275.0	264.2	850.6	885.9
Other revenue	294.7	21.0	36.6	74.4	462.6
Expenses	921.7	735.9	727.9	2289.4	2358.5
Purchases	159.5	117.0	104.7	1464.1	1454.6
Imported wheat	111.3	117.0	...	...	...
Imported rice	...	...	...	...	...
Other imported products	...	...	...	...	...
Rice of national production	...	...	...	...	...
Other local cereals	...	...	24.8	...	91.7
Transport and transit	48.2	...	79.9	26.2	...
Personnel	182.8	129.0	149.2	164.1	181.8
Transport	60.7	1.5	8.8	5.4	46.1
Amortization	116.0	104.4	114.4	94.5	94.5
Other	402.7	384.0	350.8	561.3	581.6
Operating profits (+)/losses (-)	-528.2	-417.9	45.9	-268.2	-183.7

Source: Commission of Food Security (CSA).

1/ 1997 and 1998 reflect delays in donor assistance.

Table 8. Mauritania: Estimated Size of Livestock Herds,
Controlled Slaughtering, and Average Prices, 1997–2002

	1997	1998	1999	2000	<u>Est.</u> 2001	<u>Proj.</u> 2002
	(In thousands of heads)					
Livestock herds 1/						
Cattle	1,392	1,448	1,497	1,550	1,620	1,692
Sheep and goats	11,391	11,960	12,558	13,384	13,775	14,168
Camels	1,184	1,206	1,230	1,278	1,329	1,382
Controlled slaughtering						
Cattle	46	52	59	61	64	67
Sheep and goats	124	140	158	167	171	181
Camels	38	43	49	50	52	53
	(In ouguiyas per head)					
Cattle	32,500	26,342	29,350	38,500	39,848	41,242
Sheep	7,000	5,500	7,000	7,280	8,450	8,511
Goats	6,500	3,576	6,578	6,841	7,125	7,129
Camels	61,000	46,207	52,386	62,350	64,532	66,791

Source: Ministry of Rural Development and the Environment (MDRE).

1/ Stock at year-end.

Table 9. Mauritania: Estimated Fish Catch, 1997–2001

(In thousands of metric tons)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001 1/
Artisanal fishing	15,827	18,043	14,527	19,456	10,078
Traditional	8,265	9,653	7,586	11,364	5,887
Modern	7,562	8,390	6,941	8,092	4,192
Industrial fishing	538,524	641,111	490,211	525,469	249,660
Demersal (deep-sea) fish	27,776	26,735	20,471	21,943	20,431
Pelagic (surface) fish	445,822	534,264	419,880	450,080	212,880
Other	64,926	80,112	49,860	53,446	16,349
Total	554,351	659,154	504,738	544,925	259,738

Sources: Fisheries Resources Research and Management Department (DEARH); and Customs Directorate (DGD).

1/ First semester.

Table 10. Mauritania: Composition of Fish Exports, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
(In thousands of metric tons)					
Volume					
Pelagic	110.7	135.2	154.5	148.6	89.4
Demersal (deep-sea)	13.6	14.2	12.8	15.5	20.6
Cephalopod	51.1	18.7	27.1	26.6	31.0
Fish meal	14.1	12.3	12.7	11.4	8.9
Other	9.2	8.8	6.2	8.9	9.5
Total	198.6	189.2	213.2	211.1	159.3
(In millions of ouguiyas)					
Value					
Pelagic	5,924.0	8,163.0	10,418.1	11,107.8	7,108.1
Demersal (deep-sea)	2,625.0	2,967.0	3,011.1	4,404.3	4,883.3
Cephalopod	17,751.0	14,870.0	16,954.0	16,634.7	20,638.3
Fish meal	807.0	922.0	1,056.2	1,080.8	884.1
Other	941.0	1,075.0	1,114.6	2,217.8	2,825.0
Total	28,048.0	27,997.0	32,554.1	35,445.4	36,338.8

Sources: Fisheries Resources Research and Management Department (DEARH); and Customs Directorate (DGD).

Table 11. Mauritania: Fishing Vessels by Nationality and Category, 1997–2001

(In units)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Deep-sea fishing	208	181	159	149	158
Mauritanian	168	136	110	100	103
Foreign	40	45	49	49	55
Pelagic fishing	49	64	80	54	53
Mauritanian	1	1	0	0	0
Foreign	48	63	80	54	53
Other fishing	139	159	130	131	133
Mauritanian	8	11	18	13	18
Foreign	131	148	112	118	115
Total	396	404	369	334	344
Mauritanian	177	148	128	113	121
Foreign	219	256	241	221	223

Sources: Fisheries Resources Research and Management Department (DEARH); and Ministry of Fishing.

Table 12. Mauritania: Iron Ore—Production, Exports, and Stocks, 1997–2001

(In thousands of metric tons)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Production	11,703	11,373	10,401	11,345	10,301
Exports	11,689	11,402	11,042	11,069	10,093
Changes in stocks	14	-29	-641	276	...
Stocks (end of period)	2,038	2,009	1,368	1,645	...

Source: National Industrial and Mining Company (SNIM).

Table 13. Mauritania: Net Production of Electricity and Water, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
(In thousands of kilowatt hours)					
Electricity 1/	183,931	206,429	215,271	215,540	246,284
Nouakchott	124,326	140,688	150,106	153,764	181,618
Nouadhibou	51,002	55,186	54,193	50,338	52,748
Other	8,603	10,555	10,972	11,437	11,918
(In megawatts)					
Guaranteed capacity installed	61	63	63	63	63
(In thousands of cubic meters)					
Water	16,457	16,925	16,513	16,964	17,791
Nouakchott	13,453	13,774	13,471	13,735	14,552
Nouadhibou	1,982	2,025	2,022	1,937	1,896
Other	1,022	1,126	1,020	1,293	1,343

Source: National Water and Electricity Company (SONELEC).

1/ Excluding autonomous producers, mainly SNIM.

Table 14. Mauritania: Selected Indicators for Public Enterprises, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of ouguiyas; unless otherwise specified)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Value added	28,972	36,434	33,539	...	...
<i>Of which:</i>					
SNIM	19,125	26,232	24,070	29,335	...
OPT	3,134	3,600	3,887	3,635	4,019
SONELEC 2/	3,322	3,679	3,220	2,876	1,099
Profits 3/	4,216	10,527	4,109	...	...
<i>Of which:</i>					
SNIM	4,029	8,362	3,661	4,680	...
OPT	743	694	781	1,390	1,537
SONELEC	430	166	177	76	21
Investment	8,911	11,633	15,178	...	...
<i>Of which:</i>					
SNIM	5,572	8,675	10,476	13,318	...
OPT	1,278	618	1,414	3,093	2,398
SONELEC	1,316	944	2,507	5,826	888
Number of employees	7,887	7,772	7,248	...	...
<i>Of which:</i>					
SNIM 4/	3,824	3,780	3,717	3,717	...
OPT	963	963	963	640	614
SONELEC	929	943	978	978	892
Memorandum items:					
Value added per employee (in thousands of ouguiyas)	3,673	4,688	4,627	...	...
Value added (in percentage of GDP)	17.8	19.7	17.0	...	...
Average annual wage (in thousands of ouguiyas)	916	...	...	...	...

Source: Ministry of Finance.

1/ Excluding the state fishing company (SMCP).

2/ For 2001, this only includes SOMELEC, the former electricity part of SONELEC.

3/ Before taxes.

4/ Excluding temporary employees.

Table 15. Mauritania: SNIM—Operating Accounts, 1997–2001

(In millions of ouguiyas)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total revenue	37,198	44,949	38,587	48,775	48,837
Sales (in millions of metric tons)	11.7	11.4	11.0	11.1	10.1
Total expenses	30,009	32,670	31,348	43,705	43,621
Cost of goods sold	14,219	15,484	16,477	21,548	23,304
Personnel expenses	3,911	4,415	4,292	4,292	4,908
Financial expenses	5,899	5,280	2,858	6,314	147
Depreciation and other provisioning	5,721	7,224	7,206	10,995	14,640
Taxes	82	95	374	365	582
Other expenses	177	172	141	191	40
Operating profits (+)/losses (-)	7,189	12,279	7,239	5,070	5,216

Source: National Industrial and Mining Company (SNIM).

Table 16. Mauritania: SNIM—Balance Sheet, 1997–2001

(In millions of ouguiyas; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Assets	82,082	100,477	99,134	102,248	99,572
Cash in banks	8,860	15,638	13,299	16,791	14,646
Receivables	6,571	5,818	6,381	7,249	9,580
Inventories	8,619	10,063	9,061	10,902	13,808
Fixed assets	29,134	32,225	35,616	56,992	56,462
Fixed capital formation expenses	8,600	7,600	7,232	4,210	2,873
Uncalled capital	0	0	0	0	0
Other	20,298	29,133	27,545	6,104	2,203
Liabilities and equity	82,082	100,477	99,134	102,248	99,572
Short-term debt	4,072	4,953	4,464	9,014	9,950
Long-term debt	45,958	53,780	53,261	52,812	52,018
Equity	25,016	29,045	32,452	32,307	34,469
Losses (-) or profits (+) 1/	4,028	8,362	3,789	4,006	2,041
Other	3,008	4,337	5,168	4,109	1,094

Source: National Industrial and Mining Company (SNIM).

1/ Figures are equivalent to operating profits reported in Table 15 less special transfers to the government.

Table 17. Mauritania: SONELEC—Operating Accounts, 1997–2001

(In millions of ouguiyas)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001 1/
Operating receipts	6,170	6,901	7,549	7,512	4,333
Electricity sales	4,114	4,923	5,432	5,693	3,344
Water sales	1,598	1,828	1,775	1,693	884
Other	458	150	342	126	105
Operating expenses	5,744	6,596	7,322	8,170	4,628
Goods and services inputs	2,594	3,034	4,035	4,873	2,711
Personnel	681	821	997	860	470
Financial expenses	357	767	246	422	121
Amortization	1,383	1,181	1,080	1,044	590
Taxes	15	10	396	380	197
Other	714	782	568	591	539
Operating profits (+)/losses (-)	426	306	227	-658	-295

Source: National Water and Electricity Company (SONELEC).

1/ First semester.

Table 18. Mauritania: Public Utility Rates, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In ouguiyas per kilowatt hour)				
Electricity					
Medium voltage (industry)					
One hook-up	17.57	17.57	20.21	23.84	23.84
Two hook-ups	10.38	10.38	11.87	14.88	14.88
Low voltage					
Private	24.60	24.60	27.60	31.74	31.74
Public lighting	26.97	26.97	31.02	35.67	35.67
Other	26.97	26.97	31.02	35.67	35.67
	(In ouguiyas per cubic meter)				
Water					
Private					
Tranche 1	77.91	77.91	85.00	93.50	93.50
Tranche 2	154.35	154.35	168.40	185.24	185.24
Tranche 3	194.02	194.02	211.68	232.85	232.85
Industry and government	161.70	161.70	176.41	193.60	193.60
Public fountains	77.91	77.91	77.91	85.70	85.70

Source: National Water and Electricity Company (SONELEC).

Table 19. Mauritania: Consumption of Petroleum Products, 1997–2002

(In thousands of metric tons)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Proj. 2002
Ordinary gasoline	41.5	36.7	33.8	26.0	22.3	21.4
Super gasoline	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fuel oil	80.8	85.2	89.4	83.7	78.7	76.7
Kerosene	15.7	17.6	18.1	19.9	18.7	19.7
Lighting oil	0.8	...	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.2
Gas oil	213.1	197.5	213.5	224.8	246.8	254.5
Fishing fleet	81.2	60.4	59.7	57.7	59.7	60.9
Industrial	79.4	57.0	57.0	54.6	56.0	57.1
Artisanal	1.8	3.4	2.7	3.1	3.7	3.8
Transportation	62.7	67.0	92.6	99.7	107.6	115.1
SONELEC	9.4	12.1	12.4	16.4	30.9	26.1
SNIM	52.8	50.3	48.8	51.1	48.6	52.5
Other	7.0	7.7	...	...	...	...
Butane	16.0	17.0	17.4	17.4	18.1	19.2

Source: Ministry of Water and Energy, Directorate of Energy.

Table 20. Mauritania: SNIM—Energy Consumption, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
(In thousands of metric tons)					
Petroleum products	104,039	103,613	101,358	115,733	112,227
Ordinary gasoline	2,906	3,550	3,214	3,815	3,818
Gas oil	53,073	52,063	48,829	61,088	58,578
Heavy fuel	48,060	48,000	49,315	50,830	49,831
(In thousands of kilowatt hours)					
Electricity 1/	204,671	202,599	207,210	212,049	189,516

Source: National Industrial and Mining Company (SNIM).

1/ Autogenerated.

Table 21. Mauritania: Unit Prices of Petroleum Products, 1997–2002

(Prices per liter; unless otherwise specified)

	1997			1998		1999	2000			2001				2002	
	2-Mar	3-Mar	9-Sep	10-Jun	30-Aug	23-Sep	16-Jan	24-May	31-Aug	9-Jan	20-Mar	27-Jun	26-Aug	8-Nov	31-Jan
Regular gasoline	102.6	110.6	110.6	110.6	115.1	125.1	128.1	143.1	173.1	173.1	173.1	171.1	167.0	152.5	147.5
Premium gasoline	118.4	126.4	126.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lighting oil	68.3	73.8	73.8	73.8	78.9	78.9	92.6	93.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	107.2	101.6	90.0	83.9
Gas oil															
Transportation	55.5	58.5	58.5	58.5	63.6	68.6	78.6	86.1	104.1	119.1	119.1	118.1	113.1	105.1	100.5
Fishing fleet 1/	39.6	45.6													
MEFP			36.87	36.62	40.45	50.03	62.09	62.09	92.53	93.68	93.68	93.68	93.68	93.68	93.68
Refineries			35.44	35.08	38.80	48.32	59.92	59.20	90.25	91.37	91.37	91.37	91.37	91.37	91.37
Butane (bottle of 12.5 kg)	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,300	1,300	1,500	1,500	1,660	1,660	1,560	1,560	1,560

Source: Ministry of Water and Energy, Directorate of Energy.

1/ Unit prices, "Nouadhibou dock", liberalized since March 20, 2001.

Table 22. Mauritania: Consumer Price Index for Nouakchott, 1997–2001

(July 1985 = 100)

Weights (in percent)	Foodstuffs (52.0)	Clothing (14.6)	Lodging (25.3)	Other (8.1)	Overall Index (100)	Percentage Change
(Annual average)						
1997	231.6	195.4	230.5	141.9	218.8	4.6
1998	251.9	216.1	241.7	155.8	236.3	8.0
1999	261.0	210.6	257.1	178.0	245.9	4.1
2000	271.2	220.1	262.5	177.9	254.0	3.3
2001	288.8	225.0	271.0	176.7	265.9	4.7
(Monthly average)						
2000						
January	260.5	221.4	265.6	179.0	249.5	0.5
February	260.7	213.6	269.7	176.5	249.3	-0.1
March	263.2	209.6	267.2	177.6	249.4	0.1
April	266.1	211.6	260.8	177.9	249.7	0.1
May	267.2	218.3	259.2	177.7	250.8	0.4
June	268.4	219.1	257.5	177.8	251.1	0.1
July	274.6	219.5	260.0	177.7	255.0	1.6
August	278.1	220.7	260.1	177.7	257.0	0.8
September	276.2	223.9	263.8	177.7	257.4	0.2
October	277.3	224.4	261.3	178.0	257.5	0.0
November	277.7	229.5	262.4	178.1	258.7	0.5
December	284.0	229.7	262.2	179.1	262.1	1.3
2001						
January	286.1	229.9	266.1	177.8	264.1	0.8
February	287.6	230.3	268.9	176.9	265.5	0.6
March	287.7	228.2	270.9	176.7	265.8	0.1
April	287.8	228.2	271.0	176.8	265.8	0.0
May	288.7	227.7	269.5	176.7	265.8	0.0
June	286.8	227.5	274.0	175.7	265.9	0.0
July	289.1	226.2	270.3	175.9	266.0	0.0
August	288.7	223.7	272.1	178.2	266.1	0.0
September	290.2	219.9	272.6	176.6	266.3	0.1
October	290.5	218.7	272.6	177.5	266.4	0.0
November	290.6	219.8	272.6	177.0	266.5	0.1
December	291.7	220.2	271.3	175.0	266.6	0.0

Source: National Statistical Office (ONS).

Table 23. Mauritania: Evolution of Minimum Wages and Salaries, 1997–2001

(In ouguiyas)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Private sector (hourly wages)					
SMIG 1/	42.83	42.83	42.83	42.83	42.83
SMAG 2/	42.83	42.83	42.83	42.83	42.83
Public sector (civil servants' monthly salary)					
Category A1	20,521	20,932	21,350	23,485	25,455
Category A2	19,152	19,535	19,925	21,918	23,856
Category B	18,799	22,559	23,687	26,056	28,077
Category C	13,467	15,756	16,071	17,678	19,532
Category D	11,939	13,969	14,249	15,674	17,487
Category E (teachers)					
Assistant teachers	16,113	19,413	19,801	21,781	23,717
Teachers	20,516	24,718	25,212	27,733	29,788
Assistant professors	30,860	31,490	32,120	35,332	37,539

Source: Ministry of Finance, Directorate of Budget.

1/ Guaranteed minimum industrial wage.

2/ Guaranteed minimum agricultural wage.

Table 24. Mauritania: Civil Service Size and Recruitment, 1997–2001 1/

Ministry and Department	Civil Service at end-1997	Recruitment 1998	Departures 1998	Civil Service at end-1998	Recruitment 1999	Departures 1999	Civil Service at end-1999	Recruitment 2000	Departures 2000	Civil Service at end-2000	Recruitment 2001	Departures 2001	Civil Service at end-2001
Presidency	225	...	2	223	...	4	219	...	3	216	...	3	213
General Secretary of the Government	96	...	2	94	...	3	91	...	3	88	...	2	86
Ministry of Interior, Post and Telecommunications	2,532	...	29	2,503	...	46	2,457	...	16	2,441	91	29	2,503
Ministry of Justice 2/	887	...	18	869	...	23	846	15	17	844	15	19	840
Ministry of Economic Affairs and Development 2/	144	...	...	144	...	3	141	...	...	141	...	1	140
Ministry of Finance	1,294	...	24	1,270	...	40	1,230	...	27	1,203	...	39	1,164
Ministry of Commerce, Artisanal Works, and Tourism 3/	155	...	...	155	...	1	154	...	2	152	...	...	152
Ministry of Fishing and Sea Economy	115	...	2	113	...	1	112	...	...	112	...	2	110
Ministry of Equipment and Transport	150	...	7	143	...	3	140	10	1	149	...	6	143
Ministry of Rural Development and Environment	727	...	15	712	...	23	689	15	9	695	5	12	688
Ministry of Water and Energy	62	...	...	62	...	1	61	...	1	60	...	4	56
Ministry of Culture and Islamic Affairs	97	...	4	93	...	5	88	...	1	87	...	3	84
Ministry of Education	11,554	939	118	12,375	924	145	13,154	1,126	104	14,176	1,739	107	15,808
Ministry of Health and Social Affairs	3,376	150	60	3,466	170	42	3,594	103	40	3,657	245	55	3,847
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	98	...	10	88	...	3	85	...	4	81	...	6	75
Ministry of Information	80	...	1	79	...	1	78	...	1	77	...	1	76
Ministry of Mines and Industry	67	...	1	66	...	1	65	...	...	65	...	...	65
Ministry of Civil Service, Labor, Youth, and Sports	406	...	16	390	...	6	384	...	7	377	...	7	370
State Audit	70	...	2	68	...	1	67	...	...	67	...	2	65
Secretariat for Women's Affairs	103	...	6	97	...	1	96	...	6	90	...	5	85
Secretariat for Maghreb Affairs	13	...	...	13	...	1	12	...	...	12	...	...	12
Secretariat for Literacy	182	...	1	181	...	3	178	...	3	175	...	...	175
Secrétariat d'Etat à l'Etat Civil	41	...	...	41	...	...	41	...	...	41	...	...	41
Foreign Delegation of Mauritians	22	...	...	22	...	...	22	...	...	22	...	...	22
Total	22,496	1,089	318	23,267	1,094	357	24,004	1,269	245	25,028	2,095	303	26,820

Source: Mauritanian authorities.

1/ Number of civil servants at the end of each period are adjusted for changes in the number and responsibilities of each ministry.

2/ Not including the redeployment of personnel from these ministries to the Secretariat of Civil State and Mauritians abroad.

3/ Including the redeployment of personnel from the ministry of commerce to the ministries of finance and the interior.

Table 25. Mauritania: Public Investment Program and its Financing by Sector, 1997–2001

(In millions of ouguiyas)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Rural development	4,392	4,121	4,388	4,552	5,232
Industrial development	1,019	1,714	2,820	2,154	3,826
SNIM	930	1,356	2,434	500	26
Infrastructure	5,767	5,148	4,204	6,728	8,312
Human resources	1,982	3,107	2,960	3,492	3,847
Institutional development	332	845	486	1,774	1,091
Multisectorial projects 1/			678	2,155	4,162
Total investment	14,422	16,290	17,969	21,355	26,497
State	7,123	9,537	9,988	12,962	19,201
SONADER	2,374	1,580	1,925	1,438	1,884
Parastatals	3,996	3,817	3,622	6,455	5,386
SNIM	930	1,356	2,434	500	26
Financing	14,422	16,290	17,969	21,355	26,497
Government	7,123	9,537	9,988	12,962	19,201
Domestic resources	2,939	3,739	2,946	5,127	10,594
Grants	774	1,703	1,930	2,465	2,418
Loans	3,410	4,094	5,111	5,370	6,189
SONADER	2,374	1,580	1,925	1,438	1,884
Domestic resources	91	140	147	333	307
Grants	391	398	671	624	391
Loans	1,892	1,043	1,107	481	1,186
Parastatals	3,996	3,817	3,622	6,455	5,386
Domestic resources	1,890	2,122	1,338	2,958	945
Grants	65	788	771	1,121	1,469
Loans	2,041	907	1,512	2,377	2,971
SNIM	930	1,356	2,434	500	26
Savings	...	...	...	...	...
Grants	0	0	2,335	450	26
Loans	930	1,356	99	50	0
Memorandum items:					
External financing	9,502	10,289	13,537	12,938	14,651
Grants	1,231	2,889	5,707	4,660	4,304
Loans	8,272	7,400	7,830	8,278	10,346

Source: Ministry of Economic Affairs and Development.

1/ Included in the consolidated investment budget (BCI) since 1999.

Table 26. Mauritania: Treasury Operations, 1997–2001 1/

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In millions of ouguiyas)				
Revenue	44,832	51,131	56,015	57,956	51,801
Budgetary revenue	44,582	50,791	55,566	57,906	51,796
Special accounts	250	340	449	50	5
Adjustment for uncashed checks	...	...	...	...	...
Expenditure and net lending	33,515	40,956	44,461	60,001	57,031
Budgetary expenditure	31,971	37,630	40,483	48,142	54,035
<i>Of which:</i>					
Interest due	4,923	6,615	7,170	7,385	7,231
Wages and salaries	8,000	9,107	9,644	10,950	12,216
Goods and services	8,229	9,823	11,627	12,958	14,332
Investment	4,179	4,622	4,363	8,792	11,846
Adjustment for unclassified expenditures	439	539	232	...	...
Special accounts	329	336	440	50	5
Net lending	1,215	2,990	3,538	11,809	2,599
<i>Of which:</i>					
Restructuring	701	2,560	2,988	1,198	2,230
Surplus or deficit (-)	11,317	10,175	11,554	-2,045	-5,230
Financing	-11,317	-10,175	-11,554	2,047	5,208
External	-5,382	-9,458	-7,341	-5,594	-7,692
Grants	80	681	3,123	...	1,600
Loans (net)	-5,462	-10,139	-10,464	-5,594	-9,292
Drawings 2/	3,195	1,454	2,442	7,862	4,608
Amortization due	-8,657	-11,593	-12,906	-13,456	-13,900
Domestic (net)	-11,440	-8,140	-13,516	-19,438	-3,400
Banking system	-10,998	-11,167	-10,986	-18,248	-2,900
Other	-442	3,027	-2,530	-1,190	-500
Exceptional financing	5,505	7,423	9,303	10,795	12,600
Change in external arrears	2,870	7,423	8,128	-41,605	2,800
Change in domestic arrears	...	...	...	...	...
External debt relief and other exceptional assistance	2,635	...	1,175	52,668	9,800
Mauritel op. and other privatization revenue	...	...	...	16,017	3,700
Memorandum items:					
Surplus or deficit (-), excluding restructuring operations	12,018	12,735	14,542	-847	-3,000
Surplus or deficit (-), classifying grants as revenue					
Including restructuring operations	11,397	10,856	14,677	-2,045	-3,630
Excluding restructuring operations	12,098	13,416	17,665	-847	-1,400
	(In percent of GDP)				
Revenue	26.9	27.1	27.9	25.9	21.1
Expenditures and net lending	20.1	21.7	22.2	26.8	23.2
Surplus or deficit (-)	6.8	5.4	5.8	-0.9	-2.1
Surplus or deficit (-), excluding restructuring operations	7.2	6.7	7.2	-0.4	-1.2
Surplus or deficit (-), classifying grants as revenue					
Including restructuring operations	6.8	5.7	7.3	-0.9	-1.5
Excluding restructuring operations	7.3	7.1	8.8	-0.4	-0.5

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Excluding foreign-financed government operations.

2/ Drawings on budgetary loans and World Bank structural adjustment loan (including cofinancing).

Table 27. Mauritania: Consolidated Government Operations, 1997–2001 1/

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In billions of ouguiyas)				
Revenue	44.8	51.1	56.0	58.0	51.8
Budgetary revenue	44.6	50.8	55.6	57.9	51.8
Special accounts	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.0
Adjustment and uncashed checks	...	...	...	...	...
Expenditures and net lending 2/	37.9	47.1	51.7	68.0	65.6
Budgetary expenditures	27.7	32.6	36.0	39.2	42.2
Wages and salaries	8.0	9.1	9.6	11.0	12.2
Goods and services	8.2	9.8	11.6	13.0	14.3
Transfers and subsidies	2.5	2.7	3.0	3.6	4.0
Military expenditures	3.7	3.9	4.1	4.2	4.4
Interest on public debt	4.9	6.6	7.2	7.4	7.2
Other	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0
Capital expenditures and net lending	9.7	13.8	15.2	28.7	23.1
Fixed capital formation	8.5	10.8	11.6	16.9	20.5
Budgetary	4.2	4.6	4.4	8.8	11.8
Extrabudgetary	4.4	6.2	7.2	8.1	8.6
Restructuring and net lending	1.2	3.0	3.6	11.8	2.6
Restructuring operations	0.7	2.6	3.0	1.2	2.2
Other including net lending	0.5	0.4	0.6	10.6	0.4
Other expenditures	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.4
Surplus or deficit (-)	7.0	4.0	4.3	-10.1	-13.8
Financing	-7.0	-4.0	-4.3	10.1	13.8
Foreign (net)	-1.0	-3.3	-0.1	2.5	1.0
Grants	1.3	2.7	5.2	2.7	4.0
Budgetary	0.1	0.7	3.1	...	1.6
Extrabudgetary	1.2	2.0	2.1	2.7	2.4
Loans (net)	-2.3	-6.0	-5.3	-0.2	-3.1
Drawings	6.3	5.6	7.6	13.3	10.8
Budgetary 3/	3.2	1.5	2.4	7.9	4.6
Projects	3.1	4.1	5.2	5.4	6.2
Amortization due	-8.7	-11.6	-12.9	-13.5	-13.9
Domestic (net)	-11.4	-8.1	-13.5	-19.4	-3.4
Banking system	-11.0	-11.2	-11.0	-18.2	-2.9
Other	-0.4	3.0	-2.5	-1.2	-0.5
Exceptional financing	5.5	7.4	9.3	11.1	12.6
Change in external arrears	2.9	...	8.1	-41.6	2.8
Principal	2.4	...	6.0	-36.9	2.2
Interest	0.5	...	2.1	-4.8	0.6
Change in domestic arrears	...	...	0.0	0.0	...
External debt relief	2.6	...	1.2	52.7	9.8
Mauritel op. and other privatization revenue	...	...	0.0	16.0	3.7
Other	...	...	0.0	0.2	...
	(In percent of GDP)				
Memorandum items:					
Revenue and grants	27.7	28.5	30.5	27.1	22.7
Revenue excluding grants	26.9	27.0	27.9	25.9	21.1
Total expenditures and net lending	22.7	24.9	25.7	30.4	26.7
Overall balance excl. grants (deficit -)	4.2	2.1	2.2	-4.5	-5.6
and Mauritel operation (deficit -)	...	...	...	-0.6	...
Overall surplus/deficit (-),					
classifying grants as revenue	5.0	3.6	4.7	-3.3	-4.0
Including restructuring operations					
Excluding restructuring operations	5.4	4.9	6.2	-2.8	-3.1
Primary balance	7.1	5.6	5.7	-1.2	-2.7

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Excluding operations financed directly from abroad and not recorded in treasury accounts, and operations related to the restructuring of banks and public enterprises; excluding grants.

2/ On a commitment basis.

3/ Including program loans.

Table 28. Mauritania: Structure of Budgetary Revenue, 1997–2001 1/

(In billions of ouguiyas)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Tax revenue	26.0	29.5	31.6	33.3	36.4
Tax on income and profits	8.3	9.1	9.9	10.6	11.3
Tax on business profits	3.7	4.1	4.5	4.8	5.0
Tax on wages and salaries	4.1	4.6	4.9	5.3	5.9
General income tax	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Other	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Employers' payroll tax	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Taxes on property	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5
Taxes on goods and services	11.8	14.3	15.8	16.5	18.2
VAT	5.0	6.1	6.9	7.8	9.3
Turnover taxes	3.6	4.2	4.3	4.8	4.3
Tax on petroleum products	1.8	2.2	2.6	2.1	2.6
Other excises	1.1	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.5
Other	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
Taxes on international trade	5.4	5.6	5.4	5.5	6.1
Import taxes	5.4	5.6	5.4	5.5	6.1
Other taxes and duties	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
Nontax revenue	17.8	20.2	23.4	23.0	13.0
Fishing royalties and penalties	14.4	17.4	16.1	16.4	5.3
Revenue from public enterprises	0.6	0.3	5.0	4.1	3.6
Other	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.5	4.1
Revenue from capital	0.8	1.1	0.5	1.6	2.4
Total budgetary revenue	44.6	50.8	55.6	57.9	51.8
Special accounts	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.0
Total revenue	44.8	51.1	56.0	58.0	51.8

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Owing to rounding, totals may not add to sum of components.

Table 29. Mauritania: Structure of Budgetary Revenue, 1997–2001 1/

(In percent of total)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Tax revenue	57.9	57.8	56.5	57.5	70.3
Tax on income and profits	18.5	17.8	17.6	18.3	21.8
Tax on business profits	8.3	8.0	8.1	8.3	9.6
Tax on wages and salaries	9.2	9.0	8.7	9.2	11.4
General income tax	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6
Other	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2
Employers' payroll tax	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Taxes on property	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.8	1.0
Taxes on goods and services	26.3	28.0	28.2	28.4	35.2
VAT	11.2	12.0	12.4	13.4	18.0
Turnover taxes	8.0	8.2	7.7	8.3	8.3
Tax on petroleum products	4.1	4.4	4.6	3.6	5.0
Other excises	2.4	2.9	2.9	2.4	2.9
Other	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9
Taxes on international trade	12.0	10.9	9.7	9.4	11.8
Import taxes	12.0	10.9	9.7	9.4	11.8
Other taxes	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Nontax revenue	39.6	39.5	41.8	39.7	25.0
Fishing royalties and penalties	32.0	34.0	28.8	28.3	10.2
Revenue from public enterprises	1.3	0.7	8.9	7.1	7.0
Other	6.3	4.8	4.1	4.3	7.9
Revenue from capital	1.9	2.1	1.0	2.7	4.7
Total budgetary revenue	99	99	99	100	100
Special accounts	1	1	1	0	0
Total revenue	100	100	100	100	100

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Owing to rounding, totals may not add to sum of components.

Table 30. Mauritania: Consolidated Government Revenue, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In percent of GDP)				
Total revenue	26.9	27.0	27.9	25.9	21.1
Tax revenue	15.6	15.6	15.7	14.9	14.8
Tax on income and profits	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.6
Other direct taxes	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Taxes on goods and services	7.1	7.6	7.9	7.4	7.4
Taxes on international trade	3.2	2.9	2.7	2.4	2.5
Other tax revenue	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Nontax revenue	11.2	11.2	11.9	11.0	6.3
Fishing licenses and royalties	8.6	9.2	8.0	7.3	2.1
Other nontax revenue	2.5	2.0	3.9	3.6	4.1
Special accounts	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0
	(In percent of total revenue)				
Tax revenue	57.9	57.8	56.5	57.5	70.3
Tax on income and profits	18.5	17.8	17.6	18.3	21.8
Other direct taxes	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.9	1.1
Taxes on goods and services	26.3	28.0	28.2	28.4	35.2
Taxes on international trade	12.0	10.9	9.7	9.4	11.8
Other tax revenue	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Nontax revenue	41.5	41.6	42.7	42.4	29.7
Fishing royalties and penalties	32.0	34.0	28.8	28.3	10.2
Other nontax revenue	9.5	7.5	14.0	14.1	19.5
Special accounts	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.1	0.0
	(In percent of tax revenue)				
Tax on income and profits	31.9	30.8	31.2	31.9	31.0
Other direct taxes	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.6
Taxes on goods and services	45.4	48.5	49.9	49.4	50.0
Taxes on international trade	20.8	18.8	17.2	16.4	16.8
Other tax revenue	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.6

Source: Mauritanian authorities.

Table 31. Mauritania: Treasury Expenditures, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In billions of ouguiyas)				
Budgetary expenditures	31.86	37.19	40.35	47.97	54.04
Operating expenditures	27.68	32.56	35.99	39.17	42.19
Wages and salaries	8.00	9.11	9.64	10.95	12.22
Goods and services	8.23	9.82	11.63	12.96	14.33
Subsidies and transfers	2.54	2.74	3.02	3.64	3.99
Interest on public debt 1/	4.92	6.61	7.17	7.39	7.23
Military expenditures	3.66	3.95	4.09	4.20	4.42
Investment expenditures 2/	4.18	4.62	4.36	8.79	11.85
Special accounts	0.33	0.34	0.44	0.05	0.01
Net lending 3/	0.51	0.43	0.55	10.61	0.37
Total expenditures and net lending	32.38	37.62	40.90	58.58	54.40
	(In percent of total expenditures and net lending) 4/				
Budgetary expenditures	98.4	98.9	98.7	81.9	99.3
Operating expenditures	85.5	86.6	88.0	66.9	77.5
Wages and salaries	24.7	24.2	23.6	18.7	22.5
Goods and services	25.4	26.1	28.4	22.1	26.3
Subsidies and transfers	7.9	7.3	7.4	6.2	7.3
Interest on public debt	15.2	17.6	17.5	12.6	13.3
Military expenditures	11.3	10.5	10.0	7.2	8.1
Investment expenditures	12.9	12.3	10.7	15.0	21.8
Special accounts	1.0	0.9	1.1	0.1	0.0
Net lending	1.6	1.1	1.3	18.1	0.7
Total expenditures and net lending	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Interest due.

2/ Excluding foreign-financed investment expenditures.

3/ Excluding extrabudgetary outlays related to restructuring operations.

4/ Owing to rounding, totals may not add up to sum of components.

Table 32. Mauritania: Consolidated Government Expenditures, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In percent of GDP)				
Total expenditures	22.7	24.9	25.7	30.4	26.7
Current expenditures	16.6	17.2	17.9	17.5	17.2
Wages and salaries	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9	5.0
Goods and services	4.9	5.2	5.8	5.8	5.8
Interest on public debt 1/	3.0	3.5	3.6	3.3	2.9
Current transfers	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6
Other 2/	2.4	2.3	2.3	1.9	1.8
Capital expenditures and net lending	5.9	7.3	7.5	12.8	9.4
Fixed capital formation	5.1	5.7	5.8	7.5	8.3
Restructuring and net lending	0.7	1.6	1.8	5.3	1.1
Other 3/	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.2
	(In percent of total expenditures)				
Current expenditures	73.1	69.1	69.6	57.5	64.3
Wages and salaries	21.1	19.3	18.7	16.1	18.6
Goods and services	21.7	20.8	22.5	19.0	21.8
Interest on public debt 1/	13.0	14.0	13.9	10.8	11.0
Current transfers	6.7	5.8	5.8	5.3	6.1
Other 2/	10.5	9.1	8.8	6.2	6.7
Capital expenditure and net lending	25.7	29.2	29.3	42.1	35.1
Fixed capital formation	22.5	22.9	22.4	24.8	31.2
Restructuring and net lending	3.2	6.3	6.8	17.3	4.0
Other 3/	1.2	1.7	1.1	0.3	0.6
	(In percent of current expenditures)				
Wages and salaries	28.9	28.0	26.8	28.0	29.0
Goods and services	29.7	30.2	32.3	33.1	34.0
Interest on public debt	17.8	20.3	19.9	18.9	17.1
Current transfers	9.2	8.4	8.4	9.3	9.4
Other 2/	14.4	13.2	12.6	10.8	10.5

Source: Mauritanian authorities.

1/ Interest expenditures on external debt are recorded on a commitment basis.

2/ Includes special accounts and military expenditures.

3/ Includes unclassified expenditures and expenditures that had been disbursed using emergency procedures, which by-pass regular budget controls.

Table 33. Mauritania: Subsidies and Transfers, 1997–2001

(In millions of ouguiyas)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Government agencies and public enterprises	1,689	2,102	2,634	2,772	2,963
Scholarships	366	375	379	390	400
Transfers to local authorities	82	82	86	86	88
Transfers to communities	9	9	9	9	9
Transfers to nonprofit organizations	7	10	20	20	45
Transfers to international organizations	191	230	270	400	397
Other	197	212	241	280	83
Total	2,541	3,020	3,639	3,957	3,985

Source: Ministry of Finance, Directorate of Budget.

Table 34. Mauritania: Deposits Money Banks, as of end-2001

Name of Bank 1/	Shareholders		Subscribed Capital (UM millions)	Number of Branches
Banque Al Wava Mauritanienne Islamique (BAMIS) (1985)	Group El Baraka	15.20 percent	2,000	2
	Private Mauritians	84.80 percent		
Banque de l'Habitat de Mauritanie (BADH) (1997)	Private Mauritians	50 percent	1,500	4
	Government agencies (SNIM)	26.67 percent		
	Other banks	23.33 percent		
Banque Mauritanienne pour le Commerce International (BMCI) (1974)	Private Mauritians	100 percent	3,000	10
Banque Nationale de Mauritanie (BNM) (1989)	Private Mauritians	100 percent	2,500	7
Chinguitty Bank (1972)	Mauritanian Government	50 percent	3,500	2
	Foreign Bank of Libya	50 percent		
Générale de Banque de Mauritanie (GBM) (1995)	Private Mauritians	65 percent	1,500	2
	Belgolaise	30 percent		
	SFI	5 percent		
Banque du Commerce et de l'Industrie (BCI) (1999)	Private Mauritians	70 percent	1,000	5
	Private Foreigners	30 percent		

Source: Central Bank of Mauritania.

1/ The date between brackets corresponds to banks' year of establishment.

Table 35. Mauritania: Monetary Survey, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of ouguiyas; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Net foreign assets	-2,353	411	7,165	24,073	26,078
Central Bank	-2,067	-1,473	5,259	21,787	24,250
Commercial banks	-286	1,884	1,906	2,286	1,828
Net domestic assets	29,033	27,375	21,218	8,878	12,572
Domestic credit	12,992	4,374	557	-6,027	1,203
Claims on the government (net)	-25,419	-36,573	-47,559	-65,807	-68,714
Central Bank	-25,663	-34,288	-38,600	-51,604	-51,501
Commercial banks	244	-2,285	-8,959	-14,203	-17,213
Claims on the economy	38,411	40,947	48,116	59,780	69,917
Other items (net)	16,041	23,001	20,661	14,905	11,369
Valuation change	18,256	26,212	25,548	25,344	25,696
Other	-2,215	-3,211	-4,887	-10,439	-14,327
Money and quasi-money	26,680	27,786	28,383	32,951	38,650
Money	17,579	18,504	19,675	24,151	27,721
Currency outside banks and treasury	5,854	5,801	5,963	6,402	6,688
Demand deposits	11,725	12,703	13,712	17,749	21,033
Quasi-money	9,101	9,282	8,708	8,800	10,929

Source: Data provided by the Mauritanian authorities.

1/ Adjusted starting from 2000 to take into account two new commercial banks.

Table 36. Mauritania: Assets and Liabilities of the Central Bank, 1997–2001

(In millions of ouguiyas; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Assets	79,457	87,376	95,048	114,098	117,980
Foreign assets	34,425	42,546	51,335	71,429	76,028
Gold	553	671	744	781	820
Foreign exchange	33,737	41,740	50,463	70,520	75,080
SDRs	30	30	23	23	23
Other	105	105	105	105	105
Claims on the government, <i>of which:</i>	17,102	17,012	16,912	16,912	16,912
Treasury bonds (BNM)	6,404	6,404	6,404	6,404	6,404
Treasury bonds (UBD)	6,143	6,143	6,143	6,143	6,143
Claims on commercial banks	2,793	2,789	2,232	1,539	1,539
Other claims	1,132	1,112	1,174	1,294	978
Other assets	24,005	23,917	23,395	22,924	22,523
Liabilities	79,457	87,376	95,048	114,098	117,980
Reserve money	9,089	8,406	8,788	9,222	9,723
Currency outside banks and treasury	5,854	5,801	5,963	6,402	6,688
(Memo: total currency in circulation)	7,301	7,054	7,118	8,097	8,433
Bankers' deposits	3,139	2,369	2,810	2,820	3,035
Deposits of public enterprises	96	236	15	0	0
Foreign liabilities	36,492	44,019	46,076	49,642	51,778
Short term, <i>of which:</i>	19,232	23,096	23,968	24,848	27,905
Use of Fund credit	19,142	22,695	23,749	24,711	27,771
Long term	17,260	20,923	22,108	24,794	23,873
Government deposits, <i>of which:</i>	42,765	51,300	55,512	68,516	68,413
Counterpart funds	12,844	12,151	13,819	20,138	22,435
Capital account	4,821	5,161	5,594	6,339	6,912
Other liabilities, <i>of which:</i>	-13,710	-21,510	-20,922	-19,621	-18,846
Valuation change	-17,121	-24,745	-24,295	-23,860	-24,263
Memorandum items:					
Net foreign assets	-2,067	-1,473	5,259	21,787	24,250
Net credit to the government	-25,663	-34,288	-38,600	-51,604	-51,501
Other items (net)	32,548	40,686	38,145	34,925	32,961

Source: Central Bank of Mauritania.

Table 37. Mauritania: Assets and Liabilities of the Commercial Banks, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of ouguiyas; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Assets	53,645	54,354	61,671	72,557	82,318
Reserves 2/	3,083	2,390	2,984	2,887	3,105
<i>Of which:</i> with the central bank	1,740	1,331	2,124	1,487	1,638
Foreign assets	4,165	4,962	4,964	5,450	5,022
<i>Of which:</i> with banks	3,852	4,813	4,799	5,194	4,759
Claims on the government	1,424	-593	-967	-3,122	-3,083
Claims on the economy	37,279	39,835	46,942	58,486	68,939
<i>Of which:</i> short-term credit	32,470	32,091	36,705	45,614	51,952
Other assets	7,694	7,760	7,748	8,856	8,335
Liabilities	53,645	54,354	61,671	72,557	82,318
Demand deposits	11,629	12,467	13,697	17,749	21,033
Time deposits	9,101	9,282	8,708	8,800	10,929
Foreign liabilities	4,451	3,078	3,058	3,164	3,194
<i>Of which:</i> to banks	3,593	2,746	2,685	2,944	2,353
Government deposits	1,180	1,692	7,992	11,081	14,130
Credit from the central bank	7	7	7	7	7
Capital accounts	23,260	24,203	25,169	28,636	29,923
Other liabilities	4,017	3,625	3,040	3,120	3,102
<i>Of which:</i> valuation change	-1,135	-1,467	-1,253	-1,484	-1,433
Memorandum items:					
Net foreign assets	-286	1,884	1,906	2,286	1,828
Net credit to the government	244	-2,285	-8,959	-14,203	-17,213
Other items (net)	-16,507	-17,685	-17,484	-20,020	-21,592

Source: Central Bank of Mauritania.

1/ Adjusted starting from 2000 to take into account two new commercial banks.

2/ Including cash held by the commercial banks.

Table 38. Mauritania: Claims of the Banking System on the Government, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of ouguiyas; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Net claims on the government	-25,419	-36,573	-47,559	-65,807	-68,714
Central Bank's claims (net)	-25,663	-34,288	-38,600	-51,604	-51,501
Claims	17,102	17,012	16,912	16,912	16,912
Claims on public enterprises	926	926	926	926	926
Other claims on the government	16,281	16,281	16,281	16,281	16,281
Minus: cash at the treasury	-105	-195	-295	-295	-295
Liabilities	42,765	51,300	55,512	68,516	68,413
Deposits of central administration	42,861	51,590	55,551	68,537	68,445
Minus: private deposits (Post Office)	-96	-290	-39	-21	-32
Commercial banks' claims (net)	244	-2,285	-8,959	-14,203	-17,213
Claims	1,424	-593	-967	-3,122	-3,083
Claims on central administration	4,302	4,202	4,637	3,882	6,152
Minus: treasury (customs bills)	-2,878	-4,795	-5,604	-7,004	-9,235
Liabilities	1,180	1,692	7,992	11,081	14,130
Deposits, treasury	1,174	1,686	7,986	11,075	14,124
Other	6	6	6	6	6

Source: Data provided by the Mauritanian authorities.

1/ Adjusted starting from 2000 to take into account two new commercial banks.

Table 39. Mauritania: Foreign Assets and Liabilities of
the Banking System, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of ouguiyas; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Banking system (net)	-2,353	411	7,165	24,073	26,078
Assets	38,590	47,508	56,299	76,879	81,050
Liabilities	-40,943	-47,097	-49,134	-52,806	-54,972
Central Bank (net)	-2,067	-1,473	5,259	21,787	24,250
Assets	34,425	42,546	51,335	71,429	76,028
Gold	553	671	744	781	820
Foreign exchange	33,737	41,740	50,463	70,520	75,080
SDRs	30	30	23	23	23
Other	105	105	105	105	105
Liabilities 2/	-36,492	-44,019	-46,076	-49,642	-51,778
Fund credit	-19,142	-22,695	-23,749	-24,711	-27,771
Banks and correspondents	-13,212	-15,934	-17,067	-18,354	-18,468
<i>Of which:</i>					
Pending transfers	0	0	0	0	0
Arab Monetary Fund	-4,048	-4,989	-5,041	-6,440	-5,405
Other	-90	-401	-219	-137	-134
Commercial banks (net)	-286	1,884	1,906	2,286	1,828
Assets	4,165	4,962	4,964	5,450	5,022
Liabilities	-4,451	-3,078	-3,058	-3,164	-3,194
Banks and correspondents	-3,593	-2,746	-2,685	-2,944	-2,353
Other	-858	-332	-373	-220	-841
Ouguiyas/SDR (end-period)	227	290	309	309	329

Source: Central Bank of Mauritania.

1/ Adjusted starting from 2000 to take into account two new commercial banks.

2/ Starting in 1990, the stock of outstanding liabilities has been adjusted to reflect Mauritania's position vis-à-vis the Arab Monetary Fund to ensure consistency with the balance of payments.

Table 40. Mauritania: Foreign Assets and Liabilities of the Banking System, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of SDRs; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Banking system (net)	-10.4	1.4	23.2	72.8	78.3
Assets	169.9	164.0	182.3	233.5	243.0
Liabilities	-180.2	-162.6	-159.1	-160.6	-164.8
Central Bank (net)	-9.1	-5.1	17.0	65.9	72.8
Assets	151.5	146.8	166.2	216.9	227.9
Gold	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5
Foreign exchange	148.5	144.1	163.4	214.5	225.0
SDRs	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Other	0.3	0.5	0.4	...	0.4
Liabilities 2/	-160.6	-151.9	-149.2	-151.0	-155.2
Fund credit	-83.4	-78.4	-77.6	-75.4	-83.2
Banks and correspondents	-58.2	-55.0	-55.3	-55.8	-55.3
<i>Of which:</i> pending transfers	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	-1.3	-1.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.4
Arab Monetary Fund	-17.8	-17.2	-16.3	-19.6	-16.2
Commercial banks (net)	-1.3	6.5	6.2	7.0	5.5
Assets	18.3	17.1	16.1	16.6	15.1
Liabilities	-19.6	-10.6	-9.9	-9.6	-9.6
Banks and correspondents	-15.8	-9.5	-8.7	-9.0	-7.1
Other	-3.8	-1.1	-1.2	-0.7	-2.5
Ouguiyas/SDR (end-period)	227.2	289.7	308.8	328.7	333.7
Memorandum item:					
Gross official reserves (in months of imports)	4.7	4.4	5.8	6.8	6.9

Source: Central Bank of Mauritania.

1/ Adjusted starting from 2000 to take into account two new commercial banks.

2/ Starting in 1990, the stock of outstanding liabilities has been adjusted to reflect Mauritania's position vis-à-vis the Arab Monetary Fund to ensure consistency with the balance of payments.

Table 41. Mauritania: Selected Lending and Deposit Interest Rates, 1997–2001

(In percent per year)

	1997 (end-December)	1998 (end-September)	1999	2000 (end-December)	2001
Discount rate of the Central Bank	15	15	18	13	11
Maximum rate charged by commercial banks on credits extended to customers	22	22	28	23	21
Rate applied to demand deposits of Mauritanians residing overseas 1/	8	8	8	8	8
Minimum rate on savings	9	10	10	8	8

Source: Central Bank of Mauritania.

1/ Demand deposits of residents are not remunerated.

Table 42. Mauritania: Distribution of Bank Credit According to Maturity and Economic Sectors, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of ouguiyas; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Short term	31,934	32,052	36,635	52,576	61,181
Agriculture and livestock	135	341	153	336	620
Fishing	8,546	8,533	9,677	12,259	13,228
Mining	4	9	4	0	0
Manufacturing	1,019	1,284	1,603	2,078	1,730
Construction	444	676	1,341	2,779	3,841
Transport	276	257	421	345	1,396
Services	1,786	1,695	1,434	4,570	6,612
Trade	12,518	12,750	14,854	21,548	26,810
Other	7,206	6,507	7,148	8,661	6,944
Medium term	860	1,750	3,380	3,995	5,371
Agriculture and livestock	0	0	0	197	181
Fishing	159	627	1,163	2,392	2,526
Mining	0	0	8	2	0
Manufacturing	57	745	1,014	330	785
Construction	0	0	0	65	492
Transport	116	0	74	12	47
Services	15	10	481	295	383
Trade	238	94	123	206	844
Other	275	274	517	496	113
Total	32,794	33,802	40,015	56,571	66,552

Source: Central Bank of Mauritania.

Table 43. Mauritania: Balance of Payments, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In millions of SDRs)				
Trade balance	38	1	21	12	-9
Exports	297	265	244	261	271
<i>Of which:</i>					
Iron ore	154	160	130	147	148
Fish	143	104	113	113	122
Imports, f.o.b.	-258	-264	-223	-250	-280
Services (net)	-108	-90	-82	-81	-105
Nonfactor services	-115	-104	-100	-95	-87
Factor services	7	-14	-17	14	-18
<i>Of which:</i>					
Interest payments due	-37	-30	-27	-29	-26
Private unrequited transfers (net)	39	41	31	27	38
Current account (excluding official transfers)	31	-47	-30	-42	-76
Official transfers	43	39	60	48	33
Program grants	0	3	8	0	0
Other (net)	43	36	51	48	33
Current account (including official transfers)	12	-8	29	6	-43
Capital account	-4	-11	-43	4	-34
Direct investment	-2	0	0	30	11
Official medium- and long-term loans	-2	-35	-28	-6	-23
Disbursements	63	31	35	57	35
Project loans	46	26	27	33	35
Program lending	17	5	8	25	0
Principal due	-65	-66	-63	-63	-59
Other capital and errors and omissions	0	25	-15	-20	-19
Overall balance	8	-19	-14	10	-77
Financing	-8	19	14	-10	76
Net foreign assets (excluding arrears)	-44	-14	-17	-45	4
Central bank	-44	-6	-18	-45	2
Assets	-41	-2	-15	-42	-3
Liabilities	-3	-4	-2	-3	4
Use of Fund resources (net)	9	-5	1	-2	8
Other	-11	1	-3	0	-4
Commercial banks	0	-8	0	0	2
Exceptional financing	36	33	31	35	32
Accruals (+)/ reductions (-) of arrears	12	26	22	-136	10
Debt rescheduling and cancellation 1/	24	7	8	172	22
Current maturities	24	7	8	24	22
Arrears	0	0	0	148	0
HIPC debt relief 2/	...	...	...	...	26
Other program assistance 3/	...	...	...	...	14
	(In percent of GDP; unless otherwise specified)				
Current account deficit					
Including official transfers	1.5	-1.1	4.2	0.8	-5.7
Excluding official transfers	-3.8	-6.4	-4.3	-6.0	-10.0
Overall balance	1.0	-2.6	-2.0	1.4	-10.1
Gross official reserves					
In months of imports	4.7	4.4	5.8	7.0	6.9
In millions of SDRs	151	147	166	217	231
Debt service ratio 4/					
Before debt relief	37.5	34.8	36.4	36.3	31.4
After debt relief (excluding arrear reductions)	29.8	23.7	22.4	24.0	15.5

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Includes HIPC interim assistance from bilateral creditors from 1999.

2/ Includes HIPC interim assistance from multilateral creditors.

3/ Concessional external assistance.

4/ In percent of exports of goods and services.

Table 44. Mauritania: Exports, 1997–2001

(In millions of SDRs; unless otherwise specified)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total exports, f.o.b.	296.5	265.2	243.6	261.3	271.1
Iron ore					
Value	153.7	160.0	129.6	147.2	147.9
Volume (millions of metric tons)	11.7	11.4	11.0	11.1	10.1
Change in percent	4.5	-2.6	-3.5	0.9	-9.0
Unit value (SDR/metric ton)	13.6	14.2	11.7	13.3	14.7
Change in percent	6.2	4.4	-17.6	13.6	10.5
Fish					
Value	142.8	103.6	113.2	113.0	123.2
Pelagic 1/	41.7	38.3	41.7	42.8	29.3
Demersal fish	9.7	6.5	5.8	9.9	12.3
Cephalopod	85.0	53.4	57.2	53.6	72.4
Other	6.4	5.4	8.5	6.7	9.2
Volume (thousands of metric tons)	203.7	183.3	208.2	197.5	153.8
Pelagic 1/	166.8	151.8	170.5	156.8	105.4
Demersal fish	9.6	7.2	5.9	8.3	10.7
Cephalopod	23.5	19.3	26.2	27.1	32.6
Other	3.8	5.0	5.6	5.3	5.1
Unit value (SDR/metric ton)					
Pelagic 1/	250.0	252.5	244.9	272.8	278.0
Demersal fish	1,002.0	903.7	995.6	1,188.1	1,154.8
Cephalopod	3,617.9	2,760.0	2,183.0	1,981.1	2,218.8
Other	1,684.2	1,080.0	1,517.9	1,264.2	1,803.9
Other	0.0	1.6	0.8	1.1	0.0

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Including fish meal.

Table 45. Mauritania: Imports, 1997–2001

(In millions of SDRs)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total imports f.o.b.	258.3	263.8	222.9	249.8	280.2
Total, excluding SNIM	197.8	189.7	154.2	184.1	197.3
Public investment and aid 1/	29.9	31.4	15.1	25.5	19.6
Private sector	167.8	158.2	139.1	158.7	177.7
Equipment and machinery	19.4	22.5	11.9	...	...
Other	148.5	135.7	127.2	...	...
SNIM	60.5	74.2	68.7	65.7	82.9
Memorandum item:					
Petroleum products	50.1	36.0	44.6	75.4	74.3

Sources: Mauritanian authorities (customs data); and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Includes cereals and other food aid.

Table 46. Mauritania: Foreign Trade Indices, 1997–2001

(Annual percentage changes)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Export value (SDR)	-9.4	-10.6	-8.1	10.7	3.7
Export volume	-15.5	-5.6	5.6	-0.3	-6.3
Export price (SDR)	7.3	-5.3	-13.0	11.0	7.4
Import value (SDR)	-6.9	2.1	-15.5	12.1	12.2
Import volume	-6.1	6.3	-12.6	6.7	10.7
Import price (SDR)	-0.8	-3.9	-3.3	5.1	1.3
Terms of trade (SDR)	8.2	-10.4	-10.0	5.7	5.9
Export price (UM)	12.6	16.2	-2.8	22.5	6.7
Import price (UM)	4.0	17.9	7.9	16.2	3.6

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

Table 47. Mauritania: Direction of Exports, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of SDRs)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total exports 2/	375.4	365.0	373.7	363.1	383.9
Industrial countries	322.7	301.9	300.0	278.8	275.6
Belgium-Luxembourg	28.3	26.9	25.7	32.1	29.1
France	55.7	62.8	60.4	66.4	57.8
Germany	17.0	16.1	15.6	13.8	17.0
Italy	67.1	58.5	47.0	49.5	59.2
Japan	93.6	67.3	75.3	55.3	35.5
Spain	33.4	39.2	34.3	39.8	45.1
United Kingdom	17.7	9.4	22.4	5.6	6.2
United States	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.2
Others	11.0	21.4	18.8	15.9	25.5
Developing countries	49.5	59.5	69.8	79.6	102.9
Cameroon	3.6	5.9	5.6	5.8	6.0
Congo, Rep. of	3.5	3.8	3.7	4.8	5.0
Côte d'Ivoire	9.9	8.6	9.1	14.0	15.9
Liberia	5.7	6.6	6.9	8.2	9.4
Togo	5.2	6.0	6.3	7.5	8.5
Others	21.6	28.6	38.3	39.3	58.0
Other countries	3.3	3.6	3.9	4.7	5.4

Source: IMF, *Direction of Trade Statistics*.

1/ Data (f.o.b.) based on partner country information.

2/ Includes unspecified areas.

Table 48. Mauritania: Direction of Imports, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of SDRs)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total imports 2/	437.3	449.6	437.5	481.4	525.4
Industrial countries	285.4	289.1	275.6	312.7	331.1
Belgium-Luxembourg	28.0	38.4	36.1	43.9	49.3
France	115.8	114.8	104.5	125.3	122.2
Germany	30.6	32.0	28.4	22.8	25.8
Italy	11.7	12.3	11.7	29.1	27.3
Japan	21.4	14.2	16.1	12.1	13.4
Netherlands	11.0	13.6	10.5	13.2	13.7
Spain	34.1	29.5	29.5	28.9	31.4
United Kingdom	11.3	10.3	6.4	11.3	10.2
United States	14.5	15.7	20.8	12.8	22.0
Others	7.1	8.1	11.4	13.3	15.7
Developing countries	121.9	127.4	126.3	125.5	145.0
Algeria	18.4	45.6	44.0	18.2	18.8
Brazil	2.1	5.1	5.3	2.6	3.6
China, P.R.	9.1	7.7	14.3	20.6	24.5
Côte d'Ivoire	3.9	3.5	3.6	5.3	6.1
Hong Kong	9.9	8.4	7.4	4.4	4.0
Indonesia	9.0	6.6	6.4	15.6	16.0
Korea	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.6
Senegal	11.4	16.2	16.9	12.7	14.5
Thailand	22.0	3.1	2.0	2.9	2.5
Others	36.1	30.2	25.4	41.9	53.3
Other countries	29.9	33.1	35.6	43.3	49.4

Source: IMF, *Direction of Trade Statistics*.

1/ Data (c.i.f.) based on partner country information.

2/ Includes unspecified areas.

Table 49. Mauritania: Services, 1997–2001

(In millions of SDRs)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total services (net)	-152.6	-133.1	-123.9	-116.7	-105.5
Nonfactor services (net)	-115.1	-103.8	-99.5	-95.1	-86.8
Receipts	16.1	28.8	22.0	26.0	32.0
Transport	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.2	0.0
Travel	1.4	3.0	4.2	4.5	5.0
Fishing royalties	6.8	17.6	8.9	11.1	15.7
Government	5.0	2.9	3.5	3.3	3.8
Other services	2.4	4.9	4.6	6.9	7.6
Payments	-131.2	-132.7	-121.5	-121.1	-119.0
Freight and insurance	-21.1	-21.5	-18.2	-20.5	-22.8
Travel	-14.6	-13.0	-11.4	-9.2	-7.6
Transport	-41.4	-33.7	-38.4	-40.0	-26.9
Fishing vessel leasing	-34.4	-29.4	-34.1	-36.4	-22.4
Other	-7.0	-4.3	-4.3	-3.6	-4.5
Government	-15.7	-17.8	-19.1	-13.8	-14.4
Other payments	-37.1	-45.1	-33.2	-36.2	-38.1
Related to the fishing sector	-4.7	-2.1	-3.5	-1.3	-2.3
Related to projects	-18.2	-22.4	-15.4	-18.2	-23.8
Other	-14.3	-21.9	-15.5	-18.1	-20.9
Factor services (net)	7.3	14.1	17.4	14.4	-17.9
Receipts 1/	45.6	45.2	45.7	44.8	9.2
Payments due	-38.3	-31.0	-28.2	-30.4	-27.1
<i>Of which:</i>					
Direct investment income	-1.1	-0.9	-1.4	-0.6	-0.2
Interest on medium- and long-term debt	-36.7	-30.1	-26.7	-29.0	-26.1
<i>Of which:</i>					
IMF charges and interest	-0.8	-0.7	-0.5	-0.8	-0.8

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Payment of the fishing licence fee did not arrive in 2001.

Table 50. Mauritania: Private and Public Transfers, 1997–2001

(In millions of SDRs)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total transfers (net)	81.9	80.3	90.6	74.9	70.8
Private transfers (net)	38.9	41.2	31.1	26.8	37.7
Receipts 1/	46.8	44.1	36.3	31.5	39.1
Payments	-7.9	-2.9	-5.2	-4.6	-1.5
Public transfers (net)	42.9	39.1	59.6	48.0	33.2
Receipts	44.9	39.9	60.6	49.3	35.4
Program-related	0.4	2.9	8.4	0.0	0.0
Public investment-related	7.7	16.8	23.5	20.9	23.4
Food aid, c.i.f.	23.0	16.0	8.5	5.2	3.9
Red Cross aid, c.i.f.	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other grants	11.2	4.2	20.2	23.3	8.1
Payments	-2.0	-0.8	-1.0	-1.3	-2.2

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Mostly transfers from Mauritanian workers abroad.

Table 51. Mauritania: External Debt Outstanding and Disbursed and Debt Service, 1997–2001

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
	(In millions of SDRs)				
Total debt service due (including Fund)	106.2	102.1	94.8	104.4	99.6
Principal due (excluding Fund repurchases)	64.5	66.2	63.1	63.5	58.7
Interest due (excluding Fund)	36.7	30.1	26.7	29.0	26.1
Fund repurchases/loan repayments	5.4	5.1	6.8	8.3	10.3
Fund charges and interest	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.4
Disbursements of medium- and long-term loans	77.1	31.1	41.2	63.4	67.7
Project loans	46.0	25.8	27.0	32.7	35.3
Program loans	16.8	5.3	8.1	24.6	14.2
Fund purchases/loans	14.3	0.0	6.1	6.1	18.2
Debt outstanding at end of year	1,814.9	1,626.0	1,451.9	1,506.0	1666.6
Medium- and long-term loans	1,573.1	1,439.2	1,372.6	1,429.1	1581.7
Fund credit and loans outstanding	83.4	78.4	79.3	77.1	84.9
Short-term credit 1/	158.4	108.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
	(In percent of exports of goods and services)				
Total debt service (before relief)	37.5	34.7	36.4	36.3	31.4
Interest and charges	11.8	10.2	9.1	9.8	8.6
<i>Of which:</i>					
Fund charges and interest	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.8
Principal and repurchases	25.7	24.5	27.3	26.5	22.8
<i>Of which:</i>					
Fund repurchases	1.7	1.7	1.9	2.9	3.4
Total debt service (after debt relief)	29.8	23.7	22.4	24.0	15.5

Sources: Mauritanian authorities; World Bank Debtor Reporting System; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Including overdue external liabilities of the banking system.

Table 52. Mauritania: Arrears on External Public Debt, 1998–2001

(In millions of SDRs)

	As of December 31, 1998			As of December 31, 1999			As of December 31, 2000			As of December 31, 2001		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
Paris Club creditors	4.2	1.7	5.9	13.5	7.7	21.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pre-cut off date and not previously rescheduled debt	1.4	0.3	1.7	3.2	0.7	3.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
State	1.4	0.3	1.7	3.2	0.7	3.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Public enterprises	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pre-cut off date and previously rescheduled debt	2.8	1.4	4.2	10.3	7.0	17.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
State	2.3	1.1	3.4	8.5	5.8	14.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Public enterprises	0.5	0.3	0.8	1.8	1.2	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Post-cut off date debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
State	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Public enterprises	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Non-Paris Club creditors												
Other bilateral	126.8	47.8	174.6	188.9	65.0	253.9	85.8	58.7	144.5	92.9	63.9	156.8
State	73.7	12.9	86.6	135.8	30.1	165.9	32.9	21.1	54.0	40.0	23.5	63.5
Public enterprises	53.1	35.1	88.0	53.1	34.9	88.0	52.9	37.6	90.5	52.9	40.4	93.3
Multilateral	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
State	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Public enterprises	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	131.0	49.5	180.5	202.4	72.7	275.1	85.8	58.7	144.5	92.9	63.9	156.8
State	77.4	14.3	91.7	147.5	36.6	184.1	32.9	21.1	54.0	40.0	23.5	63.5
Public enterprises	53.6	35.2	88.8	54.9	36.1	91.0	52.9	37.6	90.5	52.9	40.4	93.3

Source: Mauritanian authorities.

Table 53. Mauritania: Medium- and Long-Term Debt by Creditor, 1997–2001 1/

(In millions of SDRs; end of period)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total external debt	1,656.6	1,517.6	1,451.9	1,506.3	1,666.6
Bilateral loans 2/	877.9	738.8	707.8	703.0	657.5
Algeria	49.5	53.7	51.2	55.4	56.5
Austria	68.4	67.3	63.0	52.3	46.6
China, P.R.	61.3	56.1	56.0	60.4	38.9
France	120.6	105.3	100.3	89.4	62.4
Germany	4.1	4.2	3.7	2.8	4.0
Japan	51.6	54.3	52.9	56.4	51.4
Netherlands	25.0	25.8	25.1	49.5	15.9
Saudi Arabia	113.2	102.1	95.2	109.9	112.6
Spain	30.9	30.0	28.5	31.7	35.0
United Arab Emirates	9.0	7.7	7.7	9.3	8.7
Others	344.3	232.3	224.2	185.9	225.6
Multilateral loans	778.6	778.8	744.1	803.3	950.6
African Development Bank	44.1	41.0	36.1	32.3	148.1
African Development Fund	114.6	118.8	116.4	148.0	33.4
AFESD 3/	106.8	100.1	89.3	106.0	125.1
Arab Monetary Fund	17.8	17.2	14.8	19.6	16.0
European Investment Bank	55.5	54.7	49.4	36.9	48.6
IBRD	4.1	2.8	1.4	0.0	0.0
IDA	276.1	290.1	287.7	311.0	368.4
IMF 4/	83.4	78.4	79.3	77.1	84.9
Islamic Development Bank	29.3	31.2	28.3	30.5	30.2
OPEC Special Fund	15.5	14.5	11.7	10.5	12.7
Others	31.3	30.0	29.7	31.4	52.5

Sources: World Bank Debtor Reporting System; and Fund staff estimates.

1/ Debt outstanding and disbursed only.

2/ Includes suppliers' credits, loans from financial institutions, export credits, and bilateral loans.

3/ Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development.

4/ Includes trust fund and use of Fund resources.

Table 54. Mauritania: Average Terms of Contracted Debt, 1997–2001 1/

(In percent per annum; unless otherwise specified)

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total external debt					
Interest rate	2.2	0.5	1.4	1.6	1.3
Maturity (years)	30.6	39.6	32.1	28.8	31.8
Grace period (years)	6.6	10.1	8.4	8.1	7.8
Grant element	60.3	82.7	...	...	...
Multilateral loans					
Interest rate	1.8	0.5	1.3	1.6	1.2
Maturity (years)	33.9	39.6	32.5	28.8	34.6
Grace period (years)	7.8	10.1	8.4	8.1	8.2
Grant element	66.8	82.7	81.4	...	...
Bilateral loans 2/					
Interest rate	3.0	...	2.2	...	1.5
Maturity (years)	25.0	...	23.5	...	27.0
Grace period (years)	4.5	...	7.6	...	7.3
Grant element	49.3	...	...	...	...
Memorandum item:					
One-year U.S. dollar deposits, London interbank offered rate (LIBOR)	6.1	5.5	5.7	6.8	3.9

Sources: World Bank Debtor Reporting System; and IMF, *International Financial Statistics*.

1/ Based on new commitments.

2/ According to DRS data, all new commitments in 1998 and 2000 were from multilaterals.

Table 55. Mauritania: Regime under Ordinary Law, 2002 (General Tax Code—CGI)

(All amounts in ouguiyas)

Nature of Tax	Tax Base	Rate	Exemptions
Income Tax			
<i>Impôts sur les Bénéfices Industriels et Commerciaux (BIC)</i> [Tax on industrial and commercial profits]	Art. 2 (CGI): Profits earned by individuals or legal entities engaged in industrial and commercial activity on a regular basis, for their own account, and for profit.	25 percent (Budget Law 2002)	Art. 3: Cooperative companies and entities authorized under Law 67-171 of July 18, 1967 are exempt.
<i>Impôt sur les Bénéfices Non Commerciaux (BNC)</i> [Tax on noncommercial profits]	Art. 32: Profits derived from the practice of any noncommercial profession in Mauritania.	35 percent	None
<i>Impôt Minimum Forfaitaire (IMF)</i> [Minimum presumptive tax]	Art. 24 (CGI): Four percent of turnover.	100 percent deductible. (Budget Law 2002)	None
<i>Impôt sur les Revenus Fonciers (IRF)</i> [Tax on income from property]	Set every year on the basis of the rental income of the previous year.	Rate of 6 percent (Budget Law 2002)	Taxpayers whose annual rental income, exclusive of any other income, is UM 60,000 or less.
<i>Impôts sur les Traitements et Salaires (ITS)</i> [Tax on wages and salaries]	Art. 62: Income from wages, provided that the wage-earning activity is carried out in Mauritania, irrespective of whether the employers or employees are resident there. Art. 65—Overall compensation: includes benefits in kind assessed at their real value less mandatory	Progressive rate: Monthly payment (UM) Up to 4,000 From 4,000 to 6,000 From 6,001 to 10,000 From 10,001 to 20,000	Art. 63. The following are tax exempt: (a) Allowances for government charges; (b) Up to a cumulative UM 10,000 per month, allowances other than housing, transportation, duty and post allowances. Allowances eligible for exemption are allowances for
			Tax rate (percent) 0 6 9 16

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Nature of Tax	Tax Base	Rate	Exemptions
	withholdings for retirement pensions and social security contributions (Art. 63).	From 20,001 to 25,000 From 25,001 to 30,000 From 30,001 to 40,000 From 40,001 to 60,000 From 60,001 to 80,000 From 80,001 to 100,000 Over 100,000	21 professional fees, which are not by 23 way of being supplemental pay. 26 Therefore, the following are tax 30 exempt: 33 (c) Disability pensions for veterans ; 35 (d) Pensions for war victims and 39 their successors; (e) Annuities for victims of occupational accidents; and (f) Veterans' retirement pensions. (g) Family allowances, family assistance allowance, increments on basic compensation, indemnities or pensions granted on account of certain circumstances or family expenses, are all tax exempt. (h) In-kind benefits assessed at their real value, which do not exceed 20 percent of the compensation earned, are tax exempt. When they exceed 20 percent, 40 percent of the total amount is included in the tax base.
<i>Impôts sur les Revenus des Capitaux Mobiliers (IRCM)</i> [Tax on income from securities]	Taxable income includes: - proceeds from shares and equity interests; - advances, loans, or prepayments to shareholders; - reimbursement and amortization of	16 percent and 6 percent	None

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Nature of Tax	Tax Base	Rate	Exemptions
<i>Impôt Général sur les Revenus (IGR)</i> [General income tax]	shares, equity or partnership interests in preparation for dissolution or liquidation. Levied on the total income of individuals with habitual residence in Mauritania (Art. 84 of the CGI)	- Up to UM 180,000 UM: 0 percent; - From UM 180,001 to UM 380,000: 5 percent; - From UM 380,001 to UM 700,000: 10 percent; - From UM 700,001 to UM 1,350,000: 20 percent; - From UM 1,350,001 to UM 2,500,000: 30 percent; - Over UM 2,500,000: 40 percent	Salaries, wages, pensions, and annuities.
Miscellaneous Taxes			
<i>Taxe sur les Véhicules à Moteur (T.V.)</i> [Motor vehicle tax]	Motor vehicles registered in Mauritania (Art. 155 of the CGI)	Flat tax assessed on the basis of vehicle use and horsepower tax rating	Art. 156. Exempted from the tax are: - vehicles belonging to the government and local governments; - vehicles specially equipped for use by the disabled; - automobiles considered equipment for public works, except trucks; - new vehicles to be offered for sale, imported by licensed automobile dealers; - unusable vehicles; - vehicles whose owners are the beneficiaries of diplomatic

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Nature of Tax	Tax Base	Rate	Exemptions
			privileges.
<i>Taxe d'Apprentissage</i> [Apprenticeship tax]	Art. 169 and 170 of the CGI: Compensation paid to employees of individuals or legal entities subject to the <i>BIC</i> tax.	0.60 percent	Granted upon request, to promote technical training and apprenticeship.
Indirect Taxes			
<i>Taxe sur la Valeur Ajoutée (TVA)</i> [Value Added Tax (VAT)]	Levied on imports, delivery of goods, and provision of services.	Rates of 0 percent and 14 percent	Exemptions: (Art. 177 Quinquies of the CGI). - Establishment of a procedure for refunding VAT credits (Decree R- 979 of 12/31/2001). Extension of refunds to capital goods imports.
<i>Taxe sur le Chiffre d'Affaires</i> (TCA) [Turnover tax]	Levied on operations that are not subject to the VAT.	Flat tax	None
TPS	(Art. 2002 of the CGI) - bank transactions; - financial transactions; - credit transactions; - service provision subject to the presumptive <i>BIC</i> tax and not subject to VAT.	16 percent	Premiums on funds captured by rediscounting or repurchase of public or private securities.

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Nature of Tax	Tax Base	Rate	Exemptions
<i>Taxes de Consommation</i> [Consumption taxes]	- petroleum products; - alcoholic beverages; - tobacco products; - various goods.	Various flat taxes	None
Registration and Stamps			
<i>Droits d'Enregistrement</i> [Registration taxes]	Applied to acts involving equity transfers or shares and to acts establishing or extending companies (Art. 296 of the CGI).	Fixed rate of 0.5 percent. Budget Law 2002. - Mergers: UM 200, 5 percent, 1 percent, 0.5 percent; - Property deeds: 9.2 percent, 6 percent, 15 percent, 5 percent - Miscellaneous acts: 12 percent, 1 percent, 8 percent; - Fixed taxes: UM 200, UM 300, and UM 1,000	- Commercial paper; - Security for goodwill; - Change-of-ownership acts in relation to companies and cooperatives.
<i>Droits de Timbre</i> [Stamp taxes]	Applied to different written acts and documents subject to the stamp tax.	UM 400, UM 200, and UM 100	None
Taxes Levied on the Profits of Local governments (Communal Taxes)			
<i>Contribution Foncière sur les Propriétés Bâties</i> [Tax on improved property]	Art. 429: The tax base is the rental value at January 1 of the tax year of property subject to the tax on improved property.	3–10 percent	Art. 428: - The property, buildings, or premises belonging to the government and local governments. - The property, buildings, or

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Nature of Tax	Tax Base	Rate	Exemptions
<i>Patente</i> [Business license tax]	- Schedule based on actual turnover (Art. 449) - Simplified fixed tax	Simplified fixed tax ranging from UM 100,000 to UM 1,500,000 (Budget Law 2002)	<p>premises belonging to administrative public enterprises, when used for a public service or general utility, provided that it is nonincome generating.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The buildings used as public places of worship. - Facilities established for supplying drinking water and electrical energy. - Property used for farming or for housing animals or storing harvests. - Property belonging to foreign governments and used as the official residence of their diplomatic and consular missions accredited to the Mauritanian Government. - Property used as schools. - Property used as medical or social assistance facilities. - Straw huts. <p>Art. 447. The following are exempted from the business license tax:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individuals, except carriers, meeting the conditions set out in Articles 7 and 29, defining the scope of application of the presumptive regime, provided that they have not opted for the simplified real profits

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Nature of Tax	Tax Base	Rate	Exemptions
<i>Taxe d'Habitation</i> [Tax on housing]	Payable by wage-earners on owner-occupied housing for: - the residential space; - the space used by companies, associations, groups, and other private agencies not subject to the business license tax. (Art. 437 of the CGI).	The rate is based on the bracket. There are five brackets. Upper limit – UM 15,000 per unit (Budget Law 2001)	<p>regime of the industrial and commercial profits tax;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The government and its departments, including the food security commissioner's office; - Local governments; - Humanitarian organizations and welfare and aid organizations; - Public establishments for supplying water. <p>The following are exempt:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The government, regions, communes, and administrative public enterprises. - Ambassadors and other diplomatic staff of foreign nationality in the commune of their official residence, for that residence only, provided that the countries they represent grant the same benefits to Mauritanian ambassadors and diplomatic staff. - Humanitarian organizations and welfare and aid organizations; the personal housing of staff members of these organizations remains taxable.

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Nature of Tax	Tax Base	Rate	Exemptions
<i>Taxes Communales</i> [Communal taxes]	Profession or activity practiced (Art. 465 New Budget Law 2001)	Rates vary from UM 50 to UM 6,000 (Budget Law 2001), set by the Municipal Council after deliberation.	None