Guide for Retrieval of IMF Data

This is a quick guide to use the IMF's data sources. This guide will demonstrate how to use the website to retrieve annual Balance of Payment data of Albania from 2000 through 2021.

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3. Enter the Data Explorer

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4. Build a Query

Select "Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Statistics (BOP/IIP)"



5. Amend Time and Country to preferences

Click on the triangular shape to open the drop-down menu for further options.

- For the "Frequency" option: select "Annual"
- For the "Time Period" option: select "Custom" and enter the respective start- and end-date
- For the "Country" option: select the countries of interest or country aggregates

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6. Select the correct indicator



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7. Table options

After completing your selections click on the "APPLY" button on the lower left and your query results will show up in the right part of the window. If no data is available for a given year, the IMF leaves the corresponding entry blank.

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9. Exporting the data

By clicking the "DOWNLOAD" symbol marked by the red arrow and choosing "Data on this page" you can export the data in different formats. Note: Unfortunately, it is not possible to download the data in the convenient .xlsx format, you can only choose the .csv format.

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