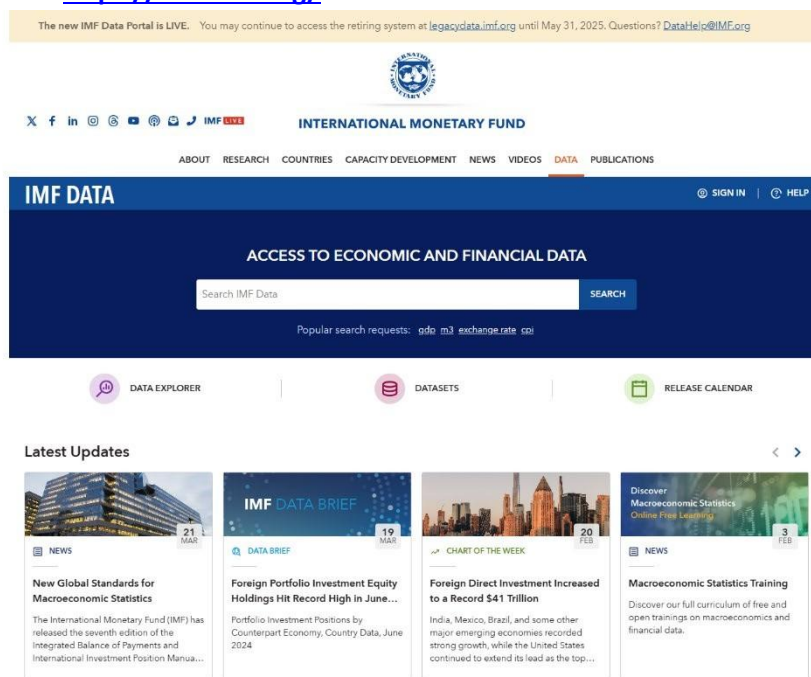


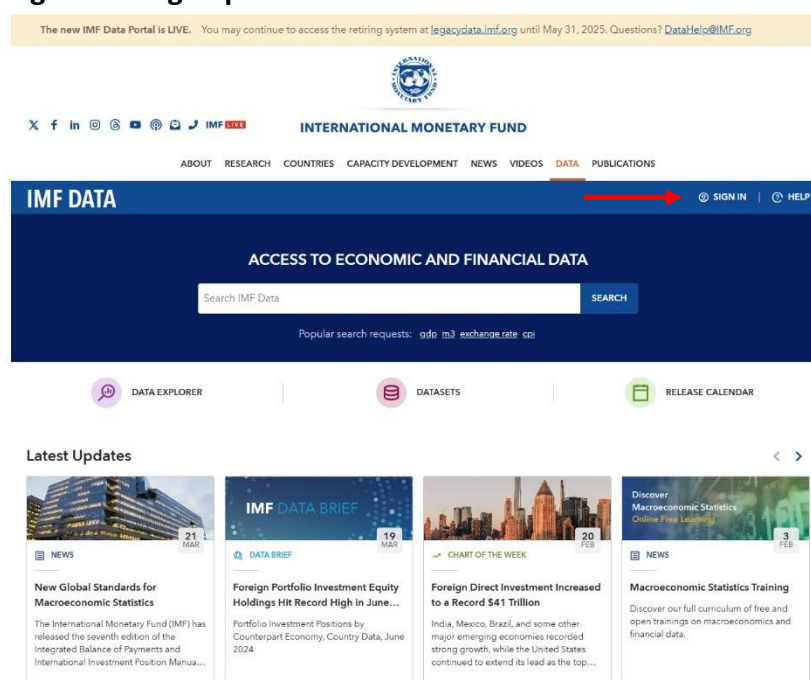
Guide for Retrieval of IMF Data

This is a quick guide to use the IMF's data sources. This guide will demonstrate how to use the website to retrieve quarterly real GDP of Germany from 2011 through 2025.

1. Go to <https://data.imf.org/>

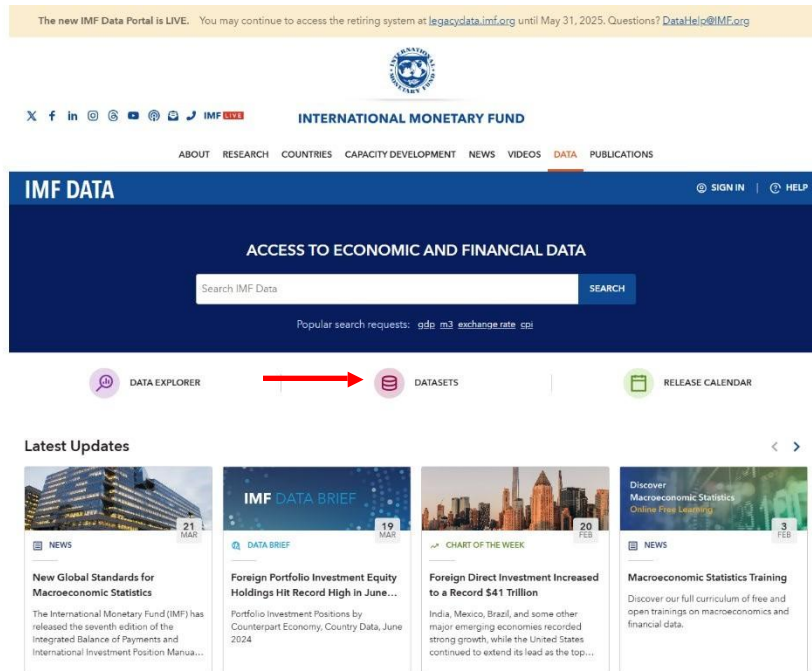


2. Register or sign up



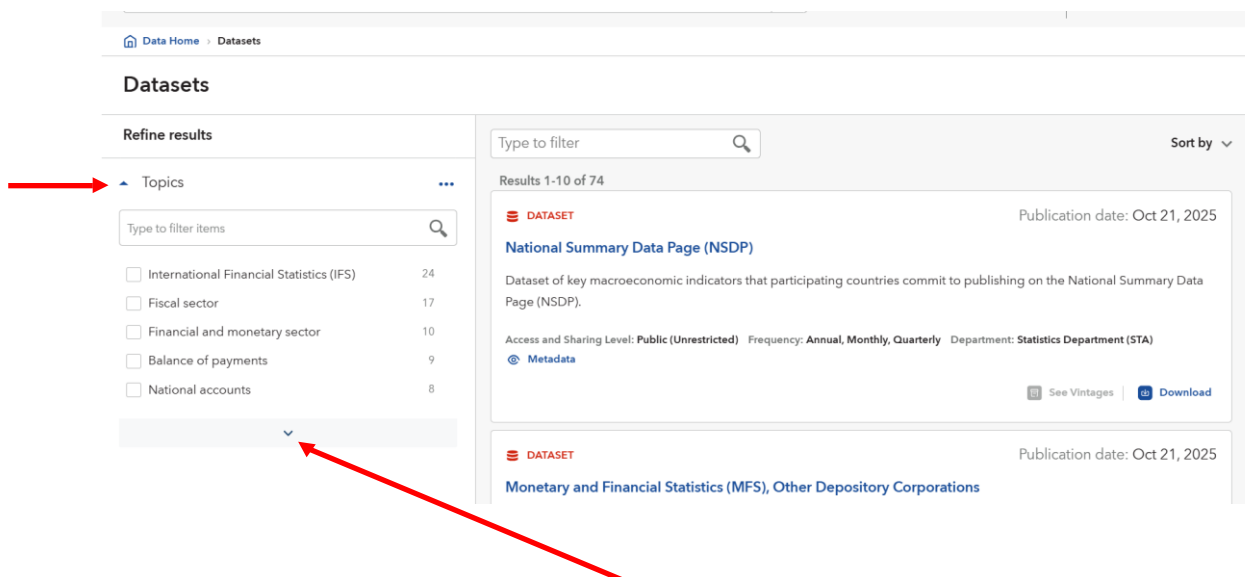
3. Enter the Data sets

Select “DATASETS” to get a clean overview of the available data sets



4. Find the right topical data set

When using a Laptop, it may be necessary to zoom out one step via “Strg –” such that the topics section on the left-hand side shows up. From here, you can directly select, for example, the IFS or the BoP.



To find real GDP for Germany click on the little arrow and select “Gross domestic product”.

Choose the data set “National Economic Accounts (NEA), Quarterly Data”.

Left sidebar (dataset list):

- ☐ National accounts +8
- ☒ Gross domestic product (GDP) 7
- ☐ International investment position (IIP) +7
- ☐ Working papers datasets +6
- ☐ Economic forecasting +5
- ☐ International trade +4
- ☐ Prices +4
- ☐ World Economic Outlook (WEO) +4
- ☐ Consumer prices +3
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- ☐ Exports +3

Right panel details for "National Economic Accounts (NEA), Quarterly Data":

Publication date: Oct 21, 2025

DATASET

National Economic Accounts (NEA), Quarterly Data

This dataset provides a snapshot of the economic activity of various countries on a quarterly basis. It offers quarterly measurements of key indicators like Gross Domestic Product (GDP), consumption, investment, government spending, a...

Frequency: **Quarterly** Department: **Statistics Department (STA)** [Metadata](#)

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Select “View Data”

Page title: **National Economic Accounts (NEA), Quarterly Data**

Buttons: [API](#) [VIEW DATA](#) [DOWNLOAD](#)

Description: This dataset provides a snapshot of the economic activity of various countries on a quarterly basis. It offers quarterly measurements of key indicators like Gross Domestic Product (GDP), consumption, investment, government spending, and foreign trade. Quarterly estimates are disseminated on non-seasonally adjusted and seasonally adjusted bases.

Metadata:

- Frequency: Quarterly
- Topic: National accounts, Gross domestic product (GDP), International Financial Statistics (IFS)
- Department: Statistics Department (STA)

[Metadata](#)

5. Select Country, Indicator, Price Type, Seasonal Adjustment, Type of Transformation, Frequency and Time Period as shown below and select “APPLY”

Page title: **Data Explorer**

Dataset: **National Economic Accounts (NEA), Quarterly Data**

Country: **Germany** (1) [x](#) [...](#)

Indicator: **Gross domestic product (GDP)** (1) [x](#) [...](#)

Price Type: **Constant prices** (1) [x](#) [...](#)

Seasonal Adjustment: **Seasonally adjusted (SA)** (1) [x](#) [...](#)

Type of Transformation: **Domestic currency** (1) [x](#) [...](#)

Frequency: **Quarterly** (1) [x](#) [...](#)

Time Period: **1.1.2011 - 31.12.2025**

Time Period options:

- ☐ Past 5 years
- ☐ Past 10 years
- ☐ Past 10 years and 5 future years
- ☒ Past 15 years
- ☐ All
- ☐ Custom

Series Count: 1

[APPLY](#)

Right panel table:

Country	Indicator
Germany	Gross domestic product (GDP)

6. Download

The screenshot shows the 'National Economic Accounts (NEA), Quarterly Data' page. A table lists data series for Germany, specifically 'Gross domestic product (GDP)' at 'Constant prices'. A red arrow points to the 'Price Type' column. To the right of the table, a 'DOWNLOAD' button is visible. A dropdown menu is open, showing two options: 'Data on this page' and 'Full dataset'.

To download the selected data, click on “Download” and then “Data on this page”.

If you want to save the query to keep track of the series over time select “ADD TO WATCHLIST” next to the “DOWNLOAD”-button and create a new Watchlist by giving it a name and click on “ADD”.

The dialog box titled 'Add Timeseries to Watchlist' has a 'Close' button in the top right. It contains two radio buttons: 'Select Existing Watchlist' and 'Create New Watchlist'. The 'Create New Watchlist' option is selected. Below this, there is a text input field labeled 'Watchlist Name' with the placeholder text 'Type Watchlist Name'. At the bottom, there are 'CANCEL' and 'ADD' buttons.

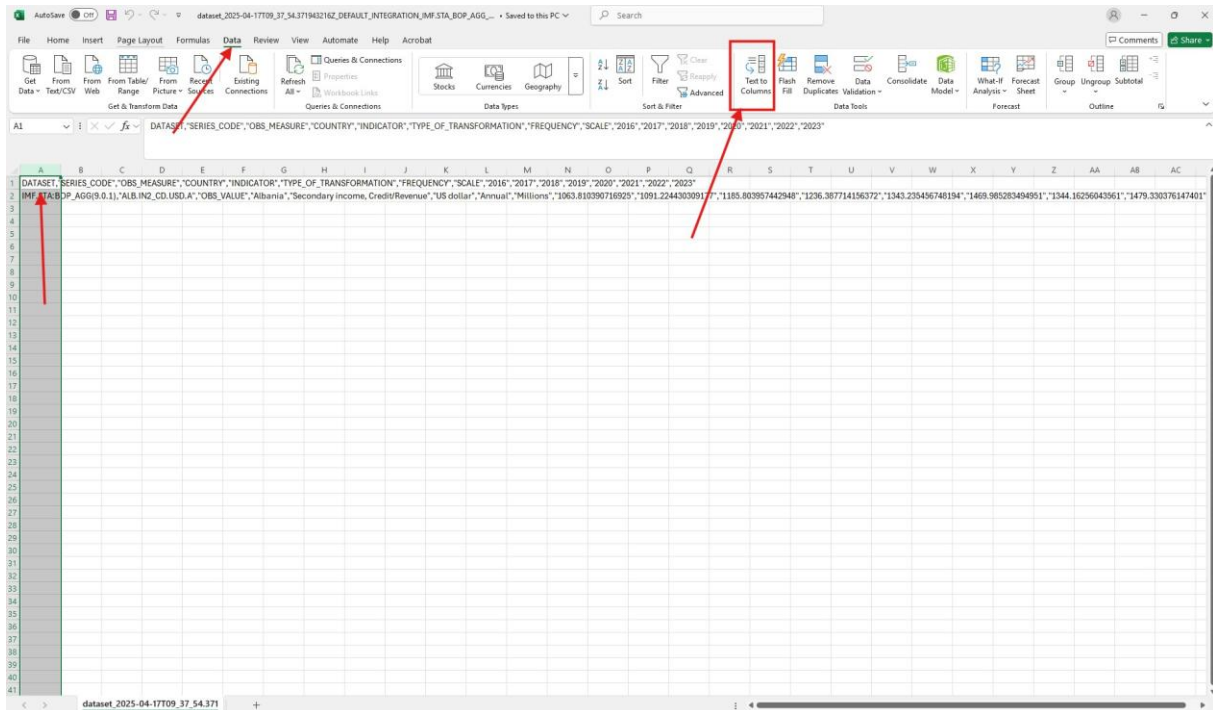
To retrieve the data in your personal watchlist go to your personal account and click on “Watchlists”

The screenshot shows the IMF Live user interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the IMF logo and the text 'IMF LIVE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND'. Below this is a menu with links: 'ABOUT', 'RESEARCH', 'COUNTRIES', 'CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT', 'NEWS', 'VIDEOS', 'DATA', and 'PUBLICATIONS'. The 'DATA' link is highlighted. In the top right corner, the user's name 'Luca Pennacchio' is displayed next to a profile icon. A dropdown menu is open, showing three options: 'Profile', 'Watchlists', and 'Sign Out'. A red arrow points to the 'Watchlists' option. Below the navigation bar, there is a large blue banner with the text 'ACCESS TO ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL DATA'. Below this banner is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Search IMF Data' and a 'SEARCH' button. At the bottom of the banner, there is a section for 'Popular search requests' with links to 'gdp', 'exchange rate', and 'cpi'.

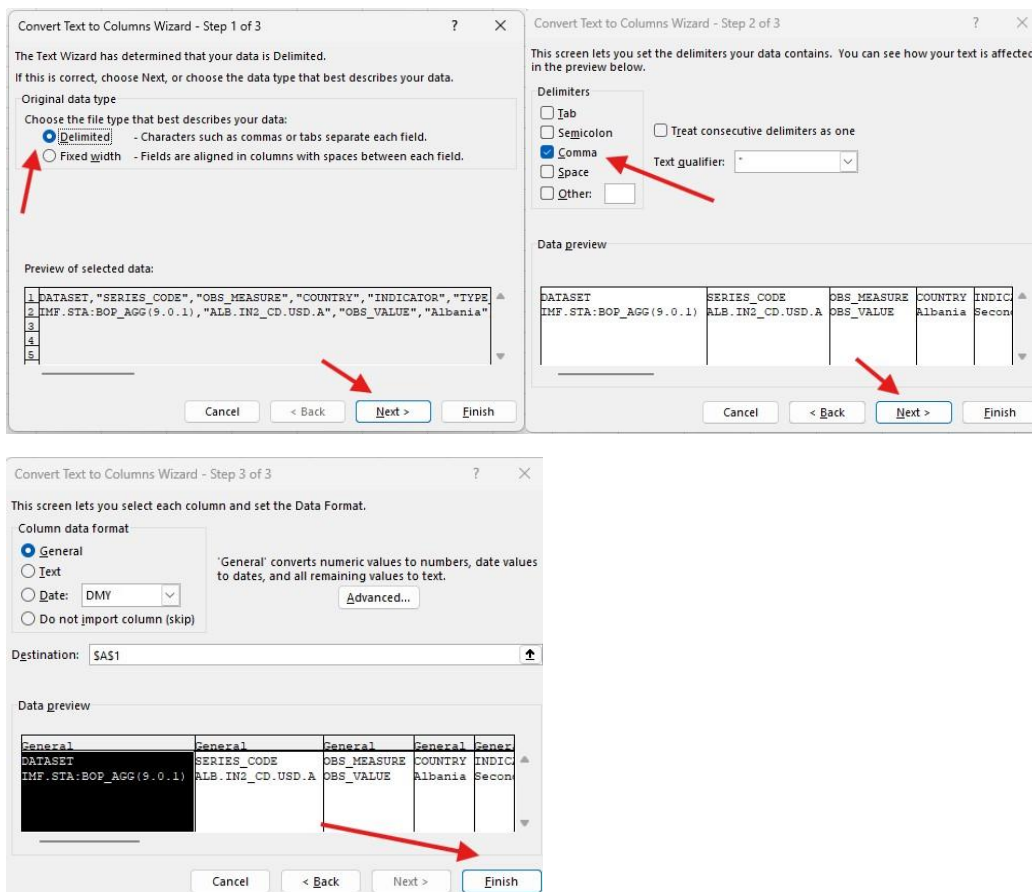
Here you find all your saved data series that you want to track over time. Once you click on your saved data, you just have to choose the desired time period and click “APPLY”.

7. Change the .csv format to .xlsx

Unfortunately, it is not possible to download the data in the convenient .xlsx format, you can only choose the .csv format. To change the .csv format to .xlsx select the whole column A, click on “Data” and then “Text to Columns”



Select “Delimited” and click “Next”, then select “Comma” and “Next”, finally click on “Finish”.



Finally, save the file as **NEW** "Excel Workbook (*.xlsx)".

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