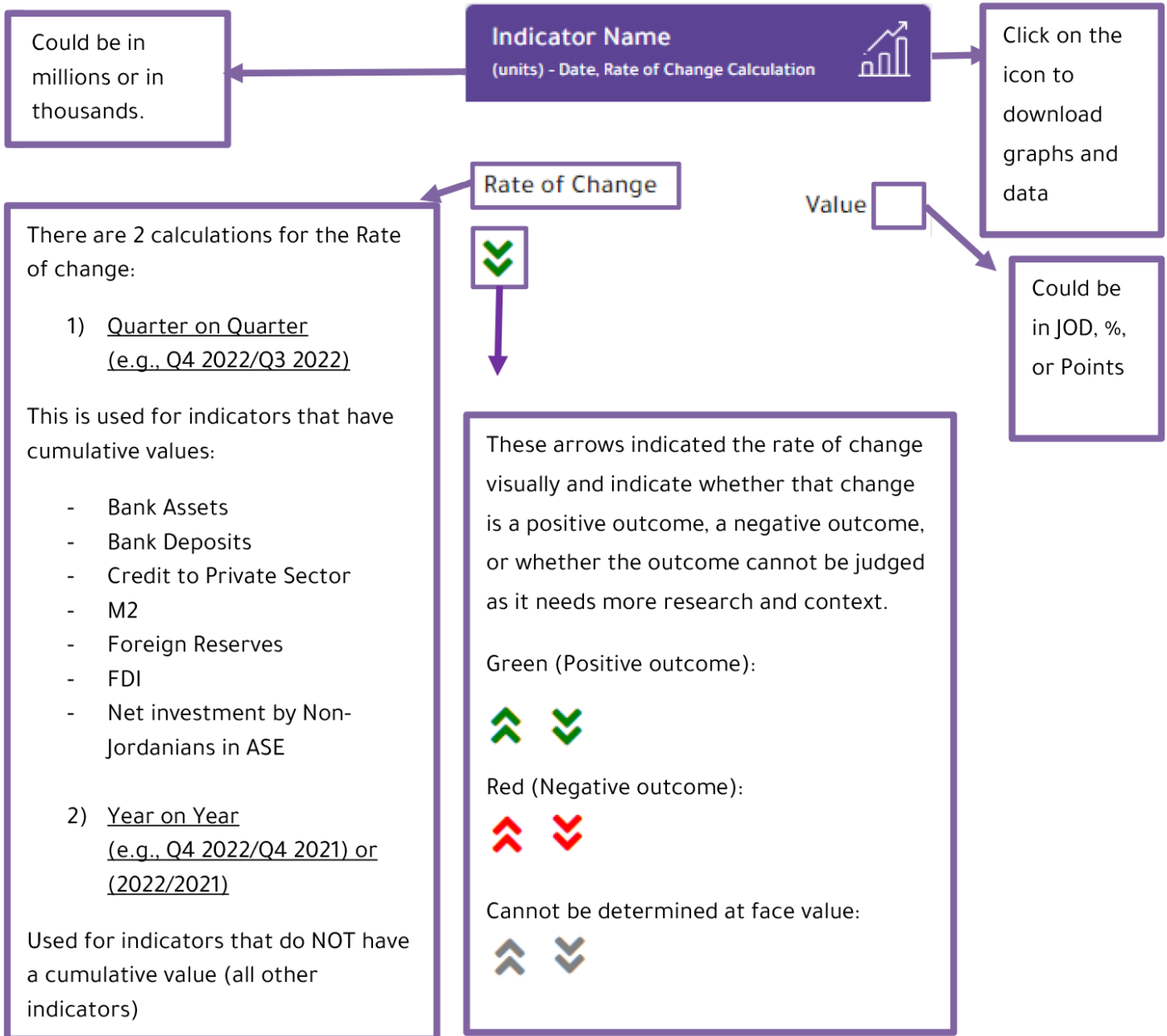




منتدى الاستراتيجيات الأردني
JORDAN STRATEGY FORUM

Economic Dashboard

Guide for Terms and Concepts



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Macroeconomic Indicators		
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	Gross domestic product is the most commonly used single measure of a country's overall economic activity. It represents the total value of final goods and services produced within a country during a specified time period, such as one year.	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
GDP Per Capita	Measures the economic output of a nation per person (GDP divided by the population).	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
Inflation Rate	Inflation means a rise in the general level of prices, and it is measured through the following two indicators: Consumer Price Index (CPI): It measures the general level of prices of a group of the most important consumer goods and services on which the consumer spends his income. It consists of 460 goods and services, whether produced locally or imported from abroad. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) deflator, which measures the general price level of all goods and services produced in the economy that make up the GDP, including consumer, intermediate and capital goods. The GDP deflator basket is more comprehensive than the consumer price index basket, but it does not reflect the prices of imported goods.	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
Unemployment Rate	It is the percentage of people who do not work (the unemployed) to the total labor force (the number of workers + the number of the unemployed).	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
Economic Participation Rate	It represents the percentage of economically active persons aged 15+ years to the number of the working-age population aged 15+ years.	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
Population	The calculation depends on counting the number of people in Jordan according to their presence, in	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo

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	addition to the Jordanians abroad whose residence outside Jordan has been less than one year.	
Public Finance		
Domestic Revenues	Includes tax and non-tax revenues.	Ministry of Finance (MoF) http://www.mof.gov.jo
Tax Revenues	Includes taxes on income, profits, property, goods and services, in addition to taxes on international trade and transactions.	Ministry of Finance (MoF) http://www.mof.gov.jo
Current Expenditure	It is the annual recurring government expenditure that aims to enable the government to perform the tasks entrusted to it. It includes expenditures for workers' compensation, the use of goods and services, transformational expenditures, and other expenditures.	Ministry of Finance (MoF) http://www.mof.gov.jo
Capital Expenditure	Government expenditures that lead to an increase in government capital formation, and include spending on infrastructure projects, operating and maintaining them.	Ministry of Finance (MoF) http://www.mof.gov.jo
Public Expenditure	Amounts allocated to government departments to finance all items of their current and capital expenditures according to the annual general budget law.	Ministry of Finance (MoF) http://www.mof.gov.jo
Total Revenues	All taxes, fees, revenues, profits, surpluses, grants and any other funds returned to the public treasury.	Ministry of Finance (MoF) http://www.mof.gov.jo
Foreign Grants	Includes the values of grants and aid that the government receives from other countries and donors.	Ministry of Finance (MoF) http://www.mof.gov.jo
Gross Public Debt	Represents the outstanding balance of internal and external central government debt.	Ministry of Finance (MoF) http://www.mof.gov.jo
Financing		
Total deposits with licensed banks	Represents the total deposits that economic sectors and institutional units deposit with financial companies that accept deposits.	Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) http://www.cbj.gov.jo

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Credit facilities to the Private Sector	Loans (facilities) are financial assets that arise when the creditor (banks, financial companies, and governments) lends money directly to the debtor (private sector), as they are proven by contracts. This category includes all loans and advances such as installment loans, installment purchase credit, and commercial credit financing loans. Except for debit and credit accounts, which are treated as a separate category.	Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) /http://www.cbj.gov.jo
Total Assets of Licensed Banks	Total assets components, including cash and balances with the Central Bank, net direct credit facilities, financial assets at fair value and others.	Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) /http://www.cbj.gov.jo
ASE100 General Index	This index measures the general level of prices for companies listed on the Amman Stock Exchange weighted by the market value of the free float shares available for trading in companies and not by the total number of shares listed for each company.	Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) /http://www.ase.com.jo
Market Capitalization	Represents the market value of listed companies' capital and is calculated by multiplying the total number of subscribed shares by the closing price of the last trading day.	Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) /http://www.ase.com.jo
Traded Value	The value of shares traded during a certain period of time.	Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) /http://www.ase.com.jo
Economic Openness		
Trade Balance	Represents the difference between exports and imports.	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
Imports	Transactions in goods and services from non-residents to residents. In theory, imports should be evaluated at the market value at the customs borders of the country from which they are exported (FOB), but in practice, imports are evaluated on	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo

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	the basis of the market value at the customs borders of the importing country (CIF).	
Total Exports	Represents the summation of national exports and re-exports.	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
National Exports	Represents the transfer of goods from residents to non-residents across the customs border. Exports are valued at market value at the customs border of the country from which they are exported (FOB).	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
Re-Exports	A form of international trade in which a country exports goods which it previously imported without altering them. The value of the re-exported goods is calculated on the basis of the price of the goods (FOB) in Jordanian dinars at the Jordanian exit centers.	Department of Statistics (DoS) /http://www.dos.gov.jo
Remittances	The receipts side represents transfers of Jordanians working abroad that are directed to the purposes of current spending in Jordan and are estimated based on the International Reporting Forms (ITRS) that the Central Bank and commercial banks fill out on a monthly basis (income data in foreign currencies of the banking system). The payments side represents transfers abroad by expatriate workers residing in Jordan. It is estimated based on the data of the Ministry of Labor on expatriate workers and the monthly conversion rate per worker.	Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) /http://www.cbj.gov.jo
Net Investment of Non-Jordanians in ASE	The value of shares purchased by non-Jordanian investors through trading on the Amman Stock Exchange minus the value of shares sold by non-Jordanian investors through trading on the Amman Stock Exchange.	Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) /http://www.ase.com.jo
Foreign Direct Investment	Non-resident investments in Jordan (10% or more of total voting power right of ownership),	Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) /http://www.cbj.gov.jo

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	reinvested earnings, and net other claims for non-resident enterprises in the Kingdom's resident institutions.	
Monetary Indicators		
عرض النقد (ع2)	It equals money supply (M1) plus quasi-money. On the asset side it equals net domestic assets plus net foreign assets of the banking system.	Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) /http://www.cbj.gov.jo
Official Reserves of Foreign Currencies	It equals cash, balances and deposits in convertible foreign currencies, plus foreign currency bills and bonds, plus balances and deposits in non-convertible foreign currencies, minus deposits of licensed banks and non-residents in foreign currencies with the CBJ.	Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) /http://www.cbj.gov.jo
Re-Discount Rate	The interest rate charged by the Central Bank of Jordan in exchange for rediscounting commercial papers and treasury bills held by commercial banks to increase their liquidity ratio.	Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) /http://www.cbj.gov.jo
General Indicators		
Jordan Investor Confidence Index (JICI)	It is a quarterly indicator issued by the Jordan Strategy Forum, which aims to measure the confidence of operating investors from three aspects, which include the monetary system, real economy, and in the financial system.	Jordan Strategy Forum http://jsf.org/en