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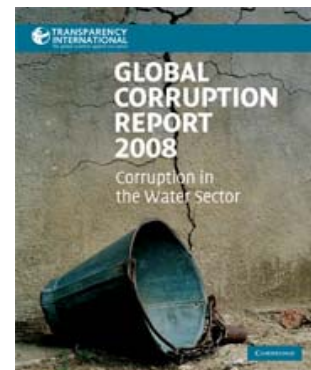
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## GLOBAL CORRUPTION REPORT 2008

Over one billion people live with inadequate access to safe drinking water with dramatic consequences for lives, livelihoods and development. Transparency International's Global Corruption Report 2008 demonstrates in its thematic section that corruption is a cause and catalyst for this water crisis which is likely to be further exacerbated by climate change. Corruption affects all aspects of the water sector from water resources management to drinking water services, irrigation and hydropower. Scholars and professionals document the impact of corruption in the sector with case studies from all around the world and offer practical suggestions for reform. The second part of the Report provides a snapshot of corruption-related developments in 35 countries from all world regions. The third part presents summaries of corruption-related research, highlighting innovative methodologies and new empirical findings that help to better understand the dynamics of corruption and devise more effective anti-corruption strategies.



- Features analysis of corruption in the water sector and its consequences, particularly on the environment and the poor
- Explores promising approaches to tackling corruption in the water sector and presents practical policy recommendations for making water governance work
- Includes 35 country reports from all world regions that provide an overview of key corruption trends around the world
- Presents 14 summaries of the latest empirical research on corruption related issues

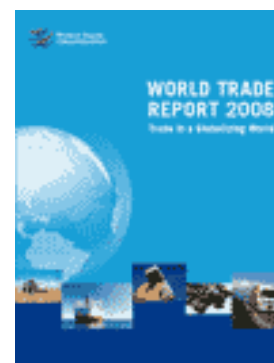
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## World Trade Report 2008

The World Trade Report is an annual publication that aims to deepen understanding about trends in trade, trade policy issues and the multilateral trading system.

The theme of this year's Report is "Trade in a Globalizing World". The Report provides a reminder of what we know about the gains from international trade and highlights the challenges arising from higher levels of integration. It addresses a range of interlinking questions, starting with a consideration of what constitutes globalization, what drives it, what benefits does it bring, what challenges does it pose and what role does trade play in this world of ever-growing inter-dependency.



The Report asks why some countries have managed to take advantage of falling trade costs and greater policy-driven trading opportunities while others have remained largely outside international commercial relations. It also considers who the winners and losers are from trade and what complementary action is needed from policy-makers to secure the benefits of trade for society at large. In examining these complex and multi-faceted questions, the Report reviews both the theoretical gains from trade and empirical evidence that can help to answer these questions.

ISBN: 9789287034540      176 pages      PRICE: **RM289.00**

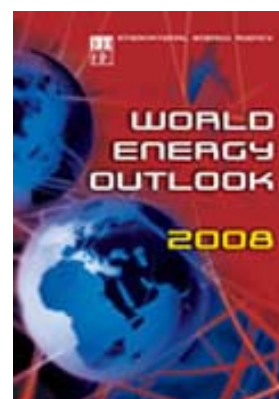
## World Energy Outlook 2008

Are world oil and gas supplies under threat? How could a new international accord on stabilising greenhouse-gas emissions affect global energy markets? World Energy Outlook 2008 answers these and other burning questions.

WEO-2008 draws on the experience of another turbulent year in energy markets to provide new energy projections to 2030, region by region and fuel by fuel. It incorporates the latest data and policies.

WEO-2008 focuses on two pressing issues facing the energy sector today:

- **Prospects for oil and gas production:** How much oil and gas exists and how much can be produced? Will investment be adequate? Through field-by-field analysis of production trends at 800 of the world's largest oilfields, an assessment of the potential for finding and developing new reserves and a bottom-up analysis of upstream costs and investment, WEO-2008 takes a hard look at future global oil and gas supply.
- **Post-2012 climate scenarios:** What emissions limits might emerge from current international negotiations on climate change? What role could cap-and-trade and sectoral approaches play in moving to a low-carbon energy future? Two different scenarios are assessed, one in which the atmospheric concentration of emissions is stabilised at 550 parts per million (ppm) in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent terms and the second at the still more ambitious level of 450ppm. The implications for energy demand, prices, investment, air pollution and energy security are fully spelt out. This ground-breaking analysis will enable policy makers to distill the key choices as they strive to agree in Copenhagen in 2009 on a post-Kyoto climate framework.



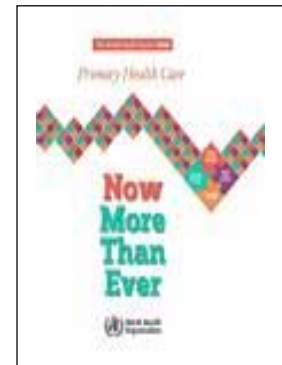
With extensive data, detailed projections and in-depth analysis, WEO-2008 provides invaluable insights into the prospects for the global energy market and what they mean for climate change.

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## The World Health Report 2008

Why a renewal of primary health care (PHC), and why now, more than ever? Globalization is putting the social cohesion of many countries under stress, and health systems are clearly not performing as well as they could and should. People are increasingly impatient with the inability of health services to deliver. Few would disagree that health systems need to respond better – and faster – to the challenges of a changing world. PHC can do that.

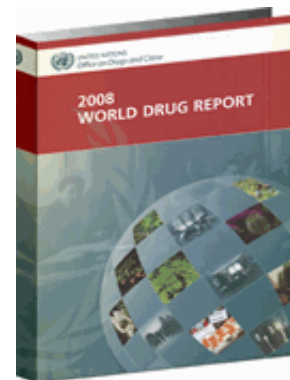
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## World Drug Report 2008

The World Drug Report presents comprehensive information on the illicit drug situation. It provides detailed estimates and trends on production, trafficking and consumption in the opium/heroin, coca/cocaine, cannabis and amphetamine-type stimulants markets. The drug problem is being contained but there are warning signs that the stabilization which has occurred over the last few years could be in danger. Notable amongst these is the increase in both opium poppy and coca cultivation in 2007, some growth in consumption in developing countries and some development of new trafficking patterns. There have also been encouraging contractions in some of the main consumer markets. This year, almost one hundred years since the Shanghai Opium Commission in 1909, the Report presents a historical review of the development of the international drug control system.

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## WTO Annual Report 2008

The 2008 Annual Report of the WTO focuses on the activities of the organization in 2007 and details its current structure, staff and budget. Includes detailed progress reports on various aspects of the Doha negotiations and an overview of some of the main developments within the WTO.

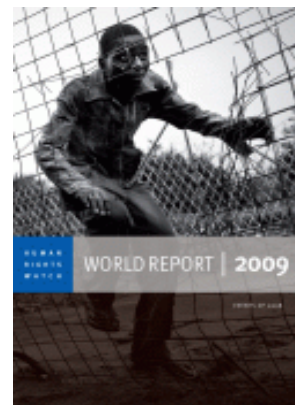
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## Human Rights Watch World Report 2008

Human Rights Watch is increasingly recognized as the world's leader in building a stronger human rights culture. Its annual World Report is the most probing review of human rights developments available anywhere. Written in straightforward, non-technical language, it describes events around the world during the past year. The backbone of the report consists of a series of concise overviews of the most pressing human rights issues in countries from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe, with particular focus on the roles—positive or negative—played in each country by key domestic and international figures. Highly anticipated and widely publicized by the US and international press every year, the World Report is an invaluable resource for journalists, diplomats, and citizens.

ISBN: 9781583228586    PRICE: **RM200.00**



## Key Economic Developments and Prospects in the Asia-Pacific Region 2008

Key Economic Developments and Prospects in the Asia-Pacific Region 2008 is the third publication in an annual series that provides an end-of-year review on the region's economic performance in a rapidly changing global and regional environment. This year's review highlights the fact that developing economies in the region are estimated to have grown over 8 percent in 2007. The economic powerhouses of China and India continue to drive regional growth, with added impetus coming from the fast-growing Russian Federation.



ISBN: 9789211205237    36 Pages    PRICE: **RM84.00**

## World Development Indicators 2009

Looking for accurate, up-to-date data on development issues? World Development Indicators is the World Bank's premier annual compilation of data about development. This indispensable statistical reference allows you to consult over 900 indicators for some 150 economies and 14 country groups in more than 80 tables. It provides a current overview of the most recent data available as well as important regional data and income group analysis in six thematic sections: World View, People, Environment, Economy, States and Markets, and Global Links.

World Development Indicators 2009 presents the most current and accurate development data on both a national level and aggregated globally. It allows you to monitor the progress made toward meeting the Millennium Development Goals endorsed by the United Nations and its member countries, the World Bank, and a host of partner organizations. These goals, which focus on development and the elimination of poverty, serve as the agenda for international development efforts.

### **New feature**

Statistics help us understand the events that trigger a crisis and measure its impact. Along with this year's 91 data tables, each section of the World Development Indicators 2009 has an introduction that shows statistics in action, describing the history of the current global crisis, its effect on developing economies, and the challenges they face.



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## **Global Development Finance 2009 (Complete Print Edition) - Coming Soon**

Global Development Finance—the World Bank’s annual report on the external financing of developing countries—provides monitoring and analysis of development finance, identifying key emerging trends and policy challenges in international financial flows that are likely to affect the growth prospects of developing countries.

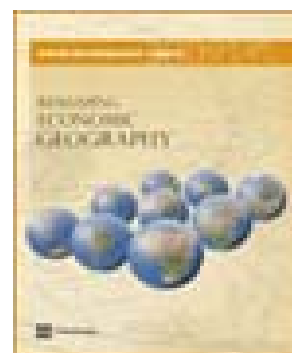
Vol I: Analysis and Outlook reviews recent trends in financial flows to developing countries.

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## **World Development Report 2009: Reshaping Economic Geography**

Rising densities of human settlements, migration and transport to reduce distances to market, and specialization and trade facilitated by fewer international divisions are central to economic development. The transformations along these three dimensions—density, distance, and division—are most noticeable in North America, Western Europe, and Japan, but countries in Asia and Eastern Europe are changing in ways similar in scope and speed. World Development Report 2009: Reshaping Economic Geography concludes that these spatial transformations are essential, and should be encouraged. The conclusion is not without controversy. Slum-dwellers now number a billion, but the rush to cities continues. Globalization is believed to benefit many, but not the billion people living in lagging areas of developing nations. High poverty and mortality persist among the world’s “bottom billion”, while others grow wealthier and live longer lives. Concern for these three billion often comes with the prescription that growth must be made spatially balanced. The WDR has a different message: economic growth is seldom balanced, and efforts to spread it out prematurely will jeopardize progress.



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## **Education for All Global Monitoring Report 2009**

### ***Overcoming Inequality: Why Governance Matters***

Education is a basic human right. Yet across the world there are vast disparities in education based on wealth, gender, location, language and other markers for disadvantage. These disparities threaten to undermine efforts to achieve the six Education for All (EFA) goals agreed by over 160 governments in 2000. Failure to place strategies for greater equity at the centre of the EFA agenda will deny millions of children, youth and adults the education and learning opportunities they need to realize their potential, escape poverty and participate fully in society.

This is the seventh edition of the EFA Global Monitoring Report. It documents progress towards the EFA goals. Focusing on those being left behind, the Report explores current approaches to education governance reform and assesses whether these are helping to improve access, quality, participation and accountability. It also examines aid governance. Rich countries have pledged that no national education strategy will be allowed to fail for want of finance. Yet this promise is not being honoured.

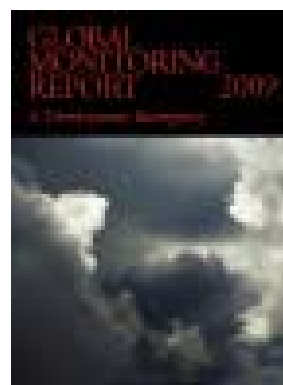
The Report includes statistical indicators on all levels of education in some 200 countries and territories, and serves as an authoritative reference guide.

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## **Global Monitoring Report 2009: Crisis, MDGs and the Private Sector**

A Development Emergency, the title of this year's Global Monitoring Report, the sixth in an annual series, could not be more apt. The global economic crisis, the most severe since the Great Depression, is rapidly turning into a human and development crisis. No region is immune. The poor countries are especially vulnerable, as they have the least cushion to withstand events. The crisis, coming on the heels of the food and fuel crises, poses serious threats to their hard-won gains in boosting economic growth and reducing poverty. It is pushing millions back into poverty and putting at risk the very survival of many. The prospect of reaching the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) by 2015, already a cause for serious concern, now looks even more distant.



A global crisis must be met with a global response. The crisis began in the financial markets of developed countries, so the first order of business must be to stabilize these markets and counter the recession that the financial turmoil has triggered. At the same time, strong and urgent actions are needed to counter the impact of the crisis on developing countries and help them restore strong growth while protecting the poor.

Global Monitoring Report 2009, prepared jointly by the staff of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, provides a development perspective on the global economic crisis. It assesses the impact on developing countries, their growth, poverty reduction, and other MDGs. And it sets out priorities for policy response, both by developing countries themselves and by the international community. This report also focuses on the ways in which the private sector can be better mobilized in support of development goals, especially in the aftermath of the crisis.

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## **Asian Development Outlook 2009**

The Annual Asian Development Outlook provides a comprehensive economic analysis of 45 economies in developing Asia and the Pacific. Based on ADB's unique knowledge of the region, this 21st edition examines trends and prospects in Central Asia, East Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia, and the Pacific in the context of global economic movements.

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## Global Economic Prospects 2009: Commodities at the Crossroads

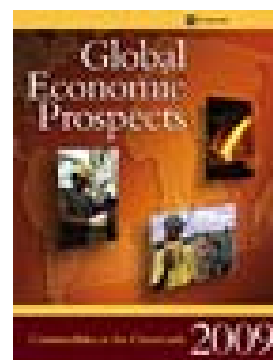
The eruption of the worldwide financial crisis has radically recast prospects for the world economy. Global Economic Prospects 2009 analyzes the implications of the crisis for low- and middle-income countries, including an in-depth look at long-term prospects for global commodity markets and the policies of both commodity producing and consuming nations.

Developing countries face sharply higher borrowing costs and reduced access to capital, cutting into their capacity to finance investment spending. The looming recession presents new risks, coming as it does on the heels of the recent food and fuel crisis.

Commodity markets, meanwhile, are at a crossroads. Following decades of low prices and weak investment in supply capacity, commodity prices first spiked and have now plummeted in response to the financial crisis.

In the longer run, commodities are not expected to be in short supply. Prices should be higher than they were in the 1990s but much lower than in the recent past. These higher prices should provide producers with sufficient incentive to discover new supplies, improve output from existing resources, and promote greater conservation and substitution with more abundant alternatives. At the same time, slower population growth will ease the pace at which commodity demand grows. Policies to limit carbon emissions and boost agricultural investment, along with the dissemination of efficient techniques, should also contribute to this long-term outcome.

This year's Global Economic Prospects also looks at government responses to the recent price boom.

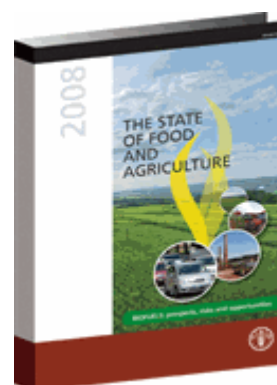


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## The State of Food and Agriculture 2008: Biofuel - Prospects, Risks and Opportunities

The publication surveys the current status of the biofuel debate, exploring implications for food security, the environment and agricultural development in developing countries. It addresses the biophysical and economic potential of 1st and 2nd generation biofuels and its implications on agricultural development, poverty and hunger. The publication also explores policy options and contains an overview of the current global agricultural situation, including data on agricultural production, food consumption and agricultural trade.

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## Information Economy Report 2007-2008: Science and Technology for Development - The New Paradigm of ICT

The world economy is increasingly driven by technological innovations. UNCTAD's Information Economy Report 2007-2008 analyses the current and potential contributions of information and communications technology (ICT) to knowledge creation and diffusion. It looks at how developing countries use technology to generate innovations that improve the livelihoods of the poor and support enterprise competitiveness. It also examines the impact of ICTs on productivity and growth, international trade and employment in developing countries.

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## **Trade and Development Report 2008: Commodity Prices, Capital Flows and the Financing of Investment**

The Trade and Development Report 2008, subtitled “Commodity Prices, Capital Flows and the Financing of Investment” highlights the paradox that the “capital poor” developing world is exporting capital to the “capital rich” developed countries. The Report suggests shifting the focus in financial policies from households “putting more money aside” and imports of “foreign savings”, to the reinvestment of profits and credit creation through the domestic banking system.

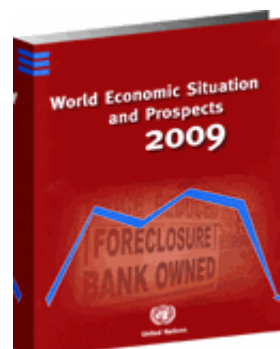
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## **World Economic Situation and Prospects 2009**

World Economic Situation and Prospects 2009 provides an overview of recent global economic performance and short-term prospects for the world economy and of some key global economic policy and development issues. One of its purposes is to serve as a point of reference for discussions on economic, social and related issues taking place in various United Nations entities in 2009. This full report includes regional overviews and detailed trends in global trade and finance.

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## **World Economic and Social Survey 2008: Overcoming Economic Insecurity**

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## Least Developed Countries Report 2008: Growth, Poverty and the Terms of Development Partnership

This report assesses recent trends in growth and poverty in the least developed countries (LDCs), as well as changes in terms of development partnership. It discusses the fact that rapid economic growth in the LDCs has been associated with a slow rate of poverty reduction and slow progress towards the Millennium Development Goals. The report also considers progress towards country-owned development strategies in LDCs and the role of recipient-led aid management policies at the country level as a practical policy mechanism to strengthen country ownership.

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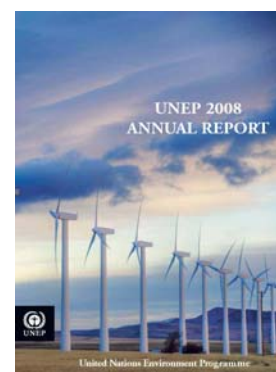
## UNEP 2008 Annual Report

This summary of UNEP's activities in 2008 provides an overview of the organization's contribution to the fight against climate change in a year in which unequivocal evidence established that global warming is the defining challenge of our era. The report also looks at the broad range of other activities carried out by UNEP as it follows its mandate to provide environmental leadership and promote sustainable development.

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## **The Commonwealth Yearbook 2008**

The Commonwealth Yearbook is the flagship annual publication of the Commonwealth Secretariat. It is the essential reference guide to the modern Commonwealth, its 2 billion citizens, 53 member countries and the many organisations that, as the Commonwealth 'family', together promote co-operation between governments, societies, professions and cultures.

The 2008 edition has been fully updated and includes:

- the evolution of the modern Commonwealth
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- comprehensive profiles of member states, including overseas territories, expanded to include business and travel information
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Climate change is the greatest challenge facing humanity at the start of the 21st Century. Failure to meet that challenge raises the spectre of unprecedented reversals in human development. This year's Human Development Report explains why we have less than a decade to change course and start living within our global carbon budget. The Report explains how climate change will create long-run low human development traps, pushing vulnerable people into a downward spiral of deprivation. Because climate change is a global problem with global causes and effects, it demands a global response with countries acting on the basis of their historic responsibility and capabilities.

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## **State of the World's Children 2009: Maternal and Newborn Health**

The State of the World's Children 2009 examines the current state of maternal and neonatal health, explores the fundamentals of a supportive environment for mothers and newborns, and outlines ways to strengthen efforts in support of primary health care.

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## International Trade Statistics 2008

International Trade Statistics 2008 offers a comprehensive overview of the latest developments in world trade, covering the details of merchandise trade by product and trade in commercial services by category. Each chapter is introduced by a highlights section that identifies the most salient trends in the data and illustrates them with numerous charts and maps. There is also a methodological chapter that explains essential concepts and definitions used in compiling the statistics, and an appendix with detailed data on trade by region through 2007.

This year's edition expands the coverage of merchandise trade, including new tables on exports and imports of food and fuels by selected economies. All data used in the publication, as well as additional charts not included in the book, can be downloaded from the WTO web site at [stat.wto.org](http://stat.wto.org). With these additions, International Trade Statistics 2008 will continue to serve as an invaluable reference for researchers, policy makers, and anyone interested in international trade.

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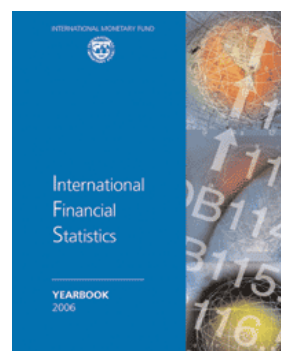


## International Financial Statistics Yearbook, 2008

The IFS Yearbook, usually published in September, contains available annual data covering 12 years for countries appearing in the monthly issues of IFS. The IFS service is the standard source of international financial statistics. Additional time series in country tables and some additional tables of area and world aggregates are included in the Yearbook.

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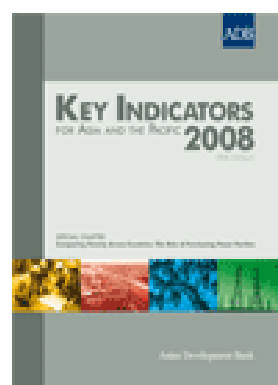


## Key Indicators for the Asia Pacific 2008: Comparing Poverty

The Key Indicators for Asia and the Pacific 2008 is the flagship annual statistical data book of the Asian Development Bank. Key Indicators 2008 features statistical data for 48 regional members of the Asian Development Bank, including Australia, Japan, and New Zealand. Purchasing power parity data are included, as are social, financial, external trade, infrastructure, governance, and environment indicators. The book carries nontechnical commentaries on the Millennium Development Goals. For ease of understanding, regional tables are grouped under seven themes (people; economy and output; money, finance, and prices; international flows; infrastructure; government and governance; and energy and environment). Each theme is introduced by a short, nontechnical writeup highlighting some key developments since the 1990s.

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## Government Finance Statistics Yearbook

The Government Finance Statistics Yearbook delivers statistical data on government financial operations for 133 IMF member countries in one definitive volume. Detailed annual data are presented on revenue, expense, net acquisition of nonfinancial assets, financing transactions, other economic flows as well as, balance sheet information; budgetary operations, extra- budgetary operations, social security, and consolidated financial operations of central governments; state governments, local governments, and the consolidated general government when available. All data conform to standards set forth in the Government Finance Statistics Manual 2001, and are comparable from country to country. Institutional tables list information on government units. A section of the Government Finance Statistics Yearbook is devoted to a cross-country comparison of data.

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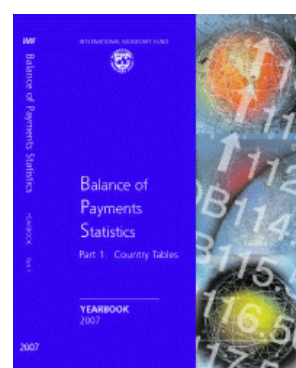


## Balance of Payments Statistics Yearbook

This publication consists of a three-part yearbook (usually published in December) containing balance of payments statistics for most of the world, compiled in accordance with the *IMF's Balance of Payments Manual*. Part 1 of the yearbook includes aggregate as well as detailed information in the form of analytical and standard component presentations for countries. Part 2 provides tables of data, featuring area and world totals of balance of payments components and aggregates. Part 3 presents descriptions of methodologies, compilation practices, and data sources used by individual member countries in compiling their balance of payments and international investment position statistics.

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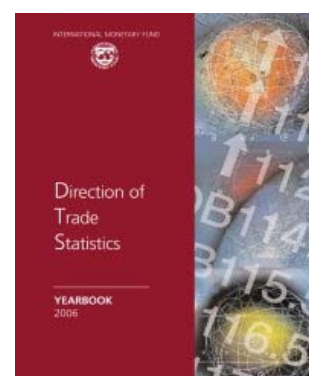


## Direction of Trade Statistics Yearbook

This publication provides data on the country and area distribution of countries' exports and imports as reported by themselves or by their partners. The quarterly issues cover data for the most recent six quarters and the latest year for about 156 countries, and ten quarters and five years for the world and area tables. The yearbook issue gives seven years of data for about 186 countries and two sets of world and area summaries: world and area trade as seen by the reporting countries and as seen by the partner countries to those transactions. The yearbook is usually published in September.

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## UNCTAD Handbook of Statistics 2008

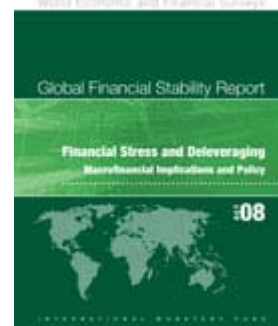
This publication provides a comprehensive collection of statistical data relevant to the analysis of international trade, investment and development, for individual countries and for economic and trade groupings. It presents consolidated reference statistics considered of particular importance for describing how developing countries have evolved in the context of globalization. Data are presented in an analytical way in order to facilitate their interpretation. This Handbook is a valuable tool for research, policy making and education, which can also be used in conjunction with the DVD - Rom, available separately or in a package, which contains the full time series of data.



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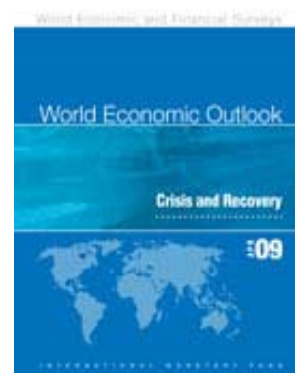
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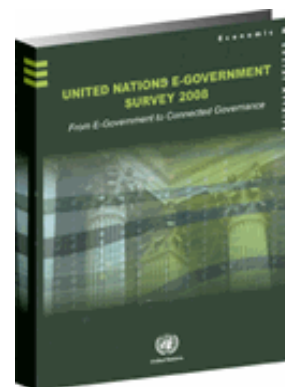
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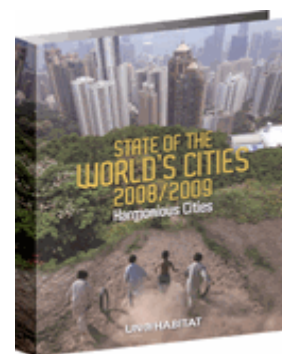
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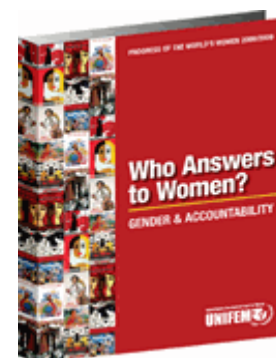
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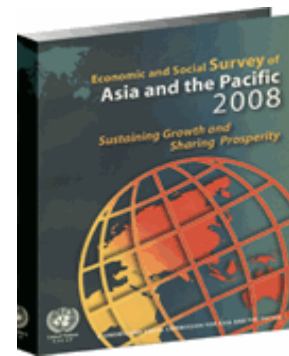
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