

Table B. Taxes on General Consumption as percentage of GDP

	1965	1975	1985	1990	1995	2000	2004	2005
Canada	4.6	4.0	4.3	5.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.0
Mexico			2.7	3.6	2.8	3.5	3.7	3.8
United States	1.2	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2
Australia	1.5	1.7	2.2	2.3	2.5	3.7	4.1	4.1
Japan				1.3	1.5	2.4	2.5	2.6
Korea		1.9	3.5	3.7	3.7	4.0	4.4	4.5
New Zealand	1.8	2.6	3.2	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.9	9.0
Austria	6.3	7.3	8.6	8.2	7.7	8.0	7.9	7.9
Belgium	6.6	6.4	7.0	6.9	6.7	7.3	7.1	7.3
Czech Republic					6.3	6.5	7.4	7.2
Denmark	3.0	6.6	9.3	9.5	9.4	9.5	9.8	10.0
Finland	5.6	5.7	7.3	8.4	7.9	8.2	8.5	8.7
France	7.9	8.3	8.5	7.9	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.6
Germany	5.2	5.0	5.7	5.8	6.5	6.8	6.2	6.3
Greece	1.6	3.1	3.8	6.0	5.8	6.5	6.1	6.0
Hungary					8.0	9.9	10.8	10.5
Iceland	4.4	8.6	9.3	10.0	9.9	11.3	10.7	11.5
Ireland	1.4	4.2	7.1	6.8	6.9	7.3	7.4	7.7
Italy	3.3	3.6	4.9	5.6	5.5	6.5	5.9	6.0
Luxembourg	3.4	4.0	5.0	4.9	5.2	5.6	6.1	6.2
Netherlands	4.1	5.9	6.9	7.1	6.5	6.9	7.3	7.6
Norway	6.4	8.0	7.8	7.7	8.7	8.4	8.1	7.9
Poland					6.2	6.9	7.2	7.7
Portugal		2.2	3.2	5.4	7.1	8.0	8.0	8.3
Slovak Republic						7.4	7.8	7.9
Spain	3.3	2.8	4.0	5.2	5.1	6.0	6.0	6.2
Sweden	3.6	5.0	6.7	7.8	9.3	8.9	9.2	9.4
Switzerland	1.9	2.1	2.8	3.0	3.3	4.0	3.9	4.0
Turkey			3.6	4.0	7.0	7.8	7.1	7.1
United Kingdom	1.8	3.1	6.0	6.1	6.6	6.7	6.9	6.8
<i>Unweighted average:</i>								
OECD Total	3.8	4.5	5.4	5.9	6.2	6.7	6.8	6.9
OECD America	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.6	3.3	3.6	3.6	3.7
OECD Pacific	1.7	2.1	3.0	3.9	4.0	4.6	5.0	5.1
OECD Europe	4.1	5.1	6.2	6.7	7.0	7.5	7.5	7.6
EU 19	4.1	4.9	6.3	6.8	6.9	7.4	7.5	7.7
EU 15	4.1	4.9	6.3	6.8	6.9	7.3	7.3	7.5

Note: EU 15 area countries are : Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal , Spain, Sweden and United Kingdom.

EU 19 area countries are: EU 15 countries plus Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovak Republic.