

What is GDP Calculation?

Worksheet

$GDP = C + I + G + (X - M)$, where C is consumer spending, I is investment, G is government spending, X is exports, and M is imports. Three methods calculate it: expenditure, income, and production.

$$GDP = C + I + G + (X - M)$$

C = Consumer spending (consumption) (currency)

I = Business investment (currency)

G = Government spending (currency)

X = Exports (currency)

M = Imports (currency)

Questions

1. If $C = 1500$, $I = 500$, $G = 700$, $X = 300$, $M = 200$, what is GDP?

- A) 2200
- B) 2300
- C) 3200
- D) 2700

2. What does $X - M$ represent in GDP?

- A) Total trade
- B) Net exports (exports minus imports)
- C) Domestic demand
- D) Investment

3. If imports rise and nothing else changes, GDP...

- A) rises
- B) falls
- C) stays the same
- D) doubles

4. Which is NOT a component of GDP?

- A) Consumer spending
- B) Profit earned
- C) Government spending
- D) Net exports

5. A country has: consumer spending 1,500B, investment 600B, government spending 800B, exports 400B, imports 350B. Calculate GDP.

6. If exports rise from 400B to 500B while imports fall to 300B, how much does GDP change?

7. In a recession, government increases spending from 800B to 1,000B. If C, I, X, M stay constant, new GDP?

8. Define: What is GDP?

9. Define: What is the GDP expenditure formula?

10. Define: What does C mean in the GDP formula?

Answer Key

1. D) $2700 - \text{GDP} = 1500 + 500 + 700 + (300 - 200) = 2700$.
2. B) Net exports (exports minus imports) — $X - M$ is net exports — the net contribution of international trade to GDP.
3. B) falls — Higher $M \rightarrow$ larger subtraction in $\text{GDP} = \text{lower GDP}$.
4. B) Profit earned — Profit is already counted in investment and business activity, not separately in GDP.
5. $\text{GDP} = C + I + G + (X - M)$ $\text{GDP} = 1500 + 600 + 800 + (400 - 350)$ $\text{GDP} = 1500 + 600 + 800 + 50 = \$2,950$ billion
6. Old $(X - M) = 400 - 350 = 50$ New $(X - M) = 500 - 300 = 200$ Change = $200 - 50 = +150$ GDP increases by \$150 billion
7. G change = $1000 - 800 = 200$ Old GDP = 2,950 New GDP = $2,950 + 200 = \$3,150$ billion
8. The total market value of all final goods and services produced in a country in a period.
9. $\text{GDP} = C + I + G + (X - M)$.
10. Consumer spending — households buying goods and services.

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