

Appendix 1

Baseline macroeconomic and inflation forecast 2014/3

Table 1 Macroeconomic forecast¹

| | B.kr. | Volume change on previous year (%) unless otherwise stated | | | |
|---|---------------|--|---------------|---------------|-------------|
| | | 2013 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| <i>GDP and its main components</i> | | | | | |
| Private consumption | 957.4 | 1.2 (1.2) | 4.4 (4.4) | 4.3 (4.3) | 2.9 (2.9) |
| Public consumption | 455.1 | 1.3 (1.3) | 1.1 (0.9) | 0.9 (0.8) | 0.9 (0.8) |
| Gross fixed capital formation | 243.3 | -3.4 (-3.4) | 22.2 (19.0) | 16.4 (15.6) | 19.6 (13.2) |
| Business investment | 154.0 | -10.2 (-10.2) | 23.0 (20.0) | 18.6 (17.9) | 24.6 (15.3) |
| Residential investment | 50.8 | 10.8 (10.8) | 27.9 (23.9) | 18.8 (17.7) | 18.0 (16.4) |
| Public investment | 38.5 | 11.7 (11.7) | 15.1 (9.6) | 4.2 (1.5) | -2.0 (-4.1) |
| National expenditure | 1,654.2 | 0.1 (0.1) | 5.8 (5.6) | 5.5 (5.2) | 5.5 (4.2) |
| Exports of goods and services | 1,027.6 | 5.3 (5.3) | 4.3 (2.9) | 3.0 (3.0) | 2.6 (2.2) |
| Imports of goods and services | 895.6 | -0.1 (-0.1) | 8.9 (6.4) | 5.9 (5.5) | 7.8 (5.0) |
| Contribution of net trade to growth | - | 3.2 (3.2) | -2.0 (-1.5) | -1.3 (-1.0) | -2.5 (-1.3) |
| Gross domestic product | 1,786.2 | 3.3 (3.3) | 3.4 (3.7) | 3.9 (3.9) | 2.8 (2.7) |
| <i>Other key figures</i> | | | | | |
| GDP at current prices (in b.kr.) | 1,786 (1,786) | 1,878 (1,885) | 2,025 (2,025) | 2,145 (2,140) | |
| Trade account balance (% of GDP) | 7.4 (7.4) | 5.1 (5.5) | 4.4 (4.8) | 2.4 (3.1) | |
| Current account balance (% of GDP) | 3.9 (3.9) | -0.1 (0.2) | -0.9 (-0.6) | -2.6 (-2.2) | |
| Underlying current account balance (% of GDP) ² | 6.2 (6.2) | 0.8 (0.7) | -0.9 (-0.6) | -2.6 (-2.2) | |
| Terms of trade (change in average year-on-year) | -2.4 (-2.4) | 0.3 (0.2) | 1.5 (1.1) | 1.0 (-0.5) | |
| Total gross fixed capital formation (% of GDP) | 13.6 (13.6) | 16.0 (15.2) | 17.8 (16.6) | 20.4 (18.2) | |
| Business investment (% of GDP) | 8.6 (8.6) | 10.1 (9.5) | 11.4 (10.6) | 13.6 (11.9) | |
| Output gap (% of potential output) | -1.1 (-0.5) | -0.2 (0.4) | 0.9 (1.4) | 0.7 (1.3) | |
| Unit labour costs (change in average year-on-year) ³ | 3.3 (3.2) | 4.9 (3.9) | 4.4 (3.3) | 3.0 (2.5) | |
| Real disposable income (change in average year-on-year) | 4.5 (4.3) | 4.9 (4.0) | 3.0 (2.4) | 3.0 (2.3) | |
| Unemployment (% of labour force) | 4.4 (4.4) | 3.7 (3.5) | 3.3 (3.4) | 3.4 (3.2) | |
| Average exchange rate - narrow TWI (31/12 1991 = 100) | 218.9 (218.9) | 206.6 (207.4) | 206.6 (207.5) | 206.6 (207.6) | |
| Inflation (annual average, %) | 3.9 (3.9) | 2.4 (2.5) | 2.8 (3.1) | 2.9 (3.3) | |
| Inflation excluding tax effects (annual average, %) | 3.7 (3.7) | 2.4 (2.4) | 2.8 (3.1) | 2.9 (3.3) | |

1. Figures in parentheses from forecast in *Monetary Bulletin* 2014/2. 2. Adjusted for the calculated income and expenses of banks in winding-up proceedings and the effects of the settlement of their estates. 3. Based on underlying productivity.

Table 2 Quarterly inflation forecast (%)¹

| Quarter | Inflation (change year-on-year) | Underlying inflation (excl. tax effects) (change year-on-year) | Inflation (annualised quarter-on-quarter change) | |
|---------|------------------------------------|---|---|------------------|
| | | | Measured value | Forecasted value |
| 2013:2 | 3.3 (3.3) | 3.2 (3.2) | 4.1 (4.1) | |
| 2013:3 | 4.0 (4.0) | 3.9 (3.9) | 1.7 (1.7) | |
| 2013:4 | 3.8 (3.8) | 3.7 (3.7) | 3.1 (3.1) | |
| 2014:1 | 2.5 (2.5) | 2.4 (2.4) | 1.1 (1.1) | |
| 2014:2 | 2.3 (2.4) | 2.3 (2.3) | 3.5 (3.9) | |
| | | | | |
| 2014:3 | 2.3 (2.5) | 2.3 (2.4) | 1.7 (1.9) | |
| 2014:4 | 2.6 (2.7) | 2.6 (2.6) | 4.2 (3.8) | |
| 2015:1 | 2.7 (2.9) | 2.8 (3.0) | 1.5 (2.3) | |
| 2015:2 | 2.8 (3.1) | 2.8 (3.1) | 3.9 (4.6) | |
| 2015:3 | 2.7 (3.1) | 2.7 (3.1) | 1.4 (1.9) | |
| 2015:4 | 2.8 (3.1) | 2.8 (3.1) | 4.6 (3.6) | |
| 2016:1 | 2.8 (3.2) | 2.8 (3.2) | 1.4 (2.7) | |
| 2016:2 | 3.0 (3.3) | 3.0 (3.3) | 4.8 (5.1) | |
| 2016:3 | 2.8 (3.4) | 2.8 (3.4) | 0.5 (2.2) | |
| 2016:4 | 3.0 (3.3) | 3.0 (3.3) | 5.3 (3.0) | |
| 2017:1 | 3.0 (3.1) | 3.0 (3.1) | 1.3 (2.1) | |
| 2017:2 | 3.0 (2.8) | 3.0 (2.8) | 4.9 (4.1) | |
| 2017:3 | 2.8 | 2.8 | -0.3 | |

1. Figures in parentheses are from the forecast in *Monetary Bulletin* 2014/2.