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Conventions used in this publication:

1. Charts and tables contain data that were current through October 2009. Unless otherwise indicated, data are quarterly.
2. The *percent change* refers to the percent change from the same period in the previous year. For example, the percent change in x between quarter $t-4$ and the current quarter t is: $[(x_t/x_{t-4})-1] \times 100$.
3. All data with significant seasonal patterns are adjusted accordingly.

Due to a new earnings statistics law, hourly earnings data published by the German National Statistical Office now incorporate wage and salary employees. Data prior to 2007 are not strictly comparable with the new figures.

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Slovakia joined the euro area on January 1, 2009.
The Notes section details the Slovakian data.

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