

**Economic Analysis Department** 

# Inflation and economic growth projection of Narodowy Bank Polski based on the NECMOD model

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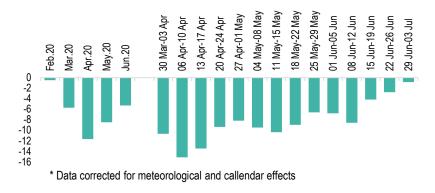
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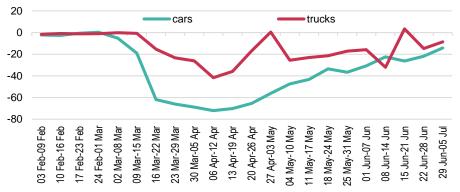
# **Epidemic vs economy**

## Epidemic results in the profound slowdown in economic activity.

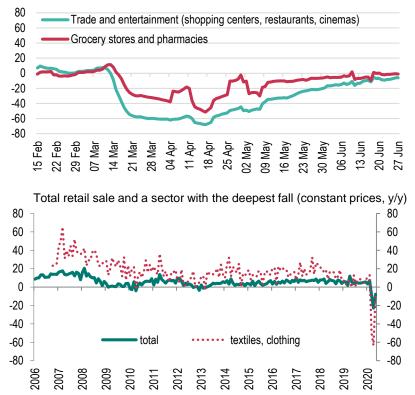
Change in annual electric energy consumption\* (Monday – Friday, 8-16 o'clock, %)



Change in vehicle traffic on A4 highway Katowice – Kraków (%, y/y)



Change in population traffic relative to typical values in selected locations (moving average)

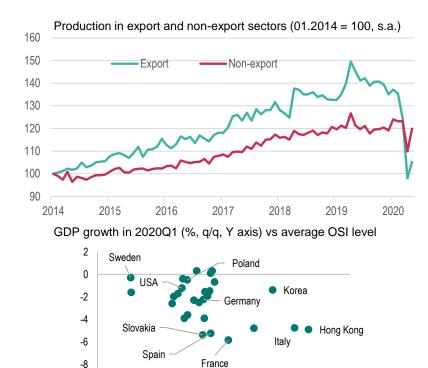


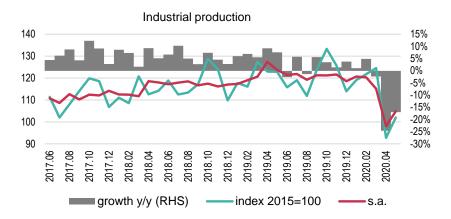
Source: GUS, Polskie Sieci Elektroenergetycze data, Instytut Meteorologii i Gospodarki Wodnej, meteomodel.pl, Google LLC, StalExport Autostrady S.A, NBP calculations.

### Substantial fall in foreign demand and supply network disruptions.

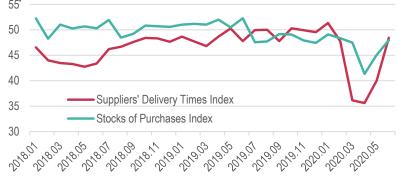
China

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PMI components for Poland – suppliers' delivery times index and stocks of purchases index 55



Source: OECD, Univercity of Oxford, GUS, IHS Markit, NBP calculations.

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### Economic growth in Poland plummeted in 2020Q2

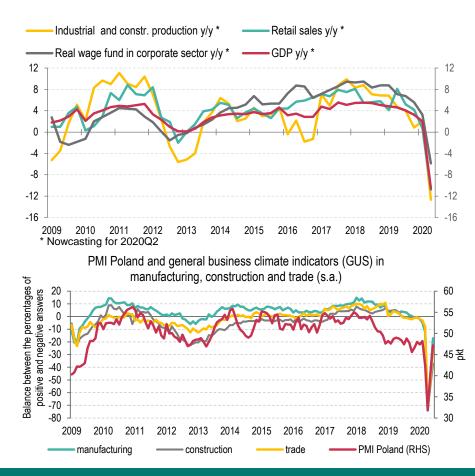
	20q1			
GDP (y/y) (%)	2.0	(2.9)	-10.6	(3.0)
Domestic demand (y/y) (%)	1.7	(2.9)	-11.1	(3.0)
Household consumption (y/y) (%)	1.2	(3.7)	-12.0	(3.8)
Public consumption (y/y) (%)	4.3	(3.5)	7.0	(5.0)
Gross fixed capital form. (y/y) (%)	0.9	(4.2)	-18.5	(4.3)
Exports (y/y) (%)	0.6	(2.9)	-22.3	(4.4)
Imports (y/y) (%)	-0.2	(2.8)	-24.5	
Net exports contribution (pp.)				(4.4)
* Former for 202000	0.4	(0.1)	0.0	(0.1)

\* Forecast for 2020Q2

Values from the March projection are given in brackets (seasonally adjusted).

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# **Projection 2020-2022**

## Assumptions

- Lack of explicit second wave of epidemic in Europe, although possible temporary increases in the numer of newly infected.
- Gradual lifting of restrictions however part of them will be maintained untill the widespread use of vaccine / effective medical treatment.
- Sustained uncertainty and an increase in marginal propensity to save due to precautionary motive.
- Gradual phasing out of fiscal programs in 2020Q3.

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Economic conditions abroad

### After marked slowdown in 1st half of 2020, slow rebound in the global economic activity.

Factors affecting the forecast:

- û Monetary and fiscal loosening worldwide.
- I High uncertainty related to the future pandemic development and economic outlook
- ♣ Weak outlook for emerging markets.

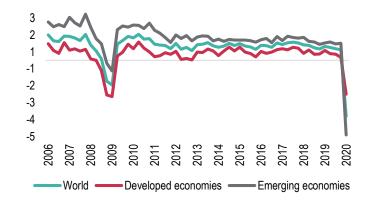
Source: Bloomberg, IHS Markit, OECD, NBP calculations.

♣ Brexit

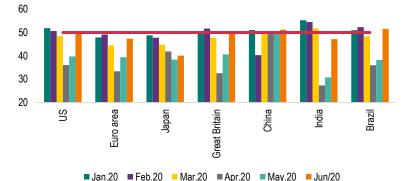
GDP forecast in selected economies

GDP y/y, %	2020	2021	2022
Euro area	-9.1	5.2	3.2
Germany	-6.7	5.4	3.0
Great Britain	-9.6	5.1	3.3
USA	-5.7	3.4	2.7
China	1.1	7.0	5.0

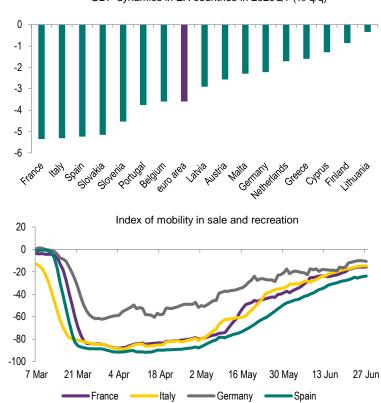
GDP in the global economy (%, q/q, sa)



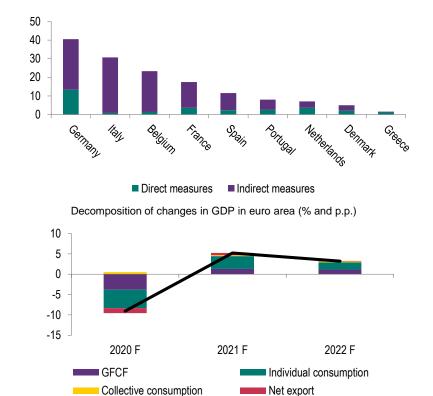
PMI Manufacturing in selected economies



### Euro area: high disparity in economic consequences of pandemic in EA countires.



GDP dynamics in EA countries in 2020Q1 (% q/q)



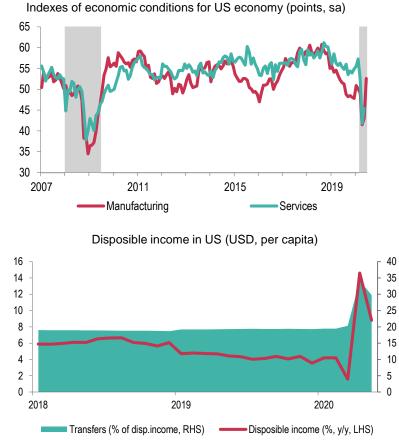
-GDP

Changes in inventories

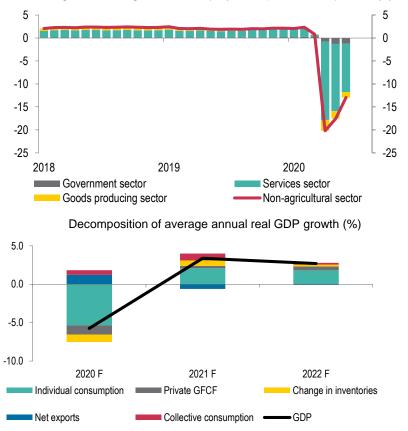
Anti-crises measures in euro area countires (% of GDP)

Source: Eurostat, Google Mobility Reports, Ministry of Labour – France and Germany, NBP calculations.

### United States: gradual rebound in economic growth and marked support from fiscal and monetary policy.



Source: BAE, BLS, Homebase, OpenTable, Transportation Security Administration, NBP calculations.



Changes in non-agricultural employment (mln of workplaces, y/y sa)

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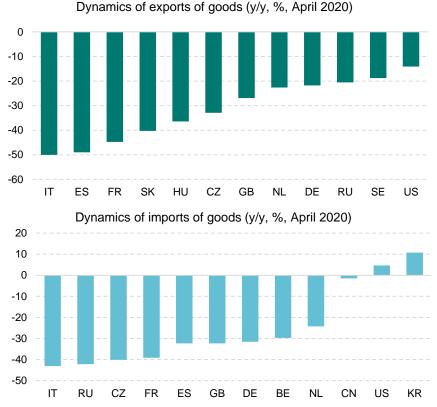
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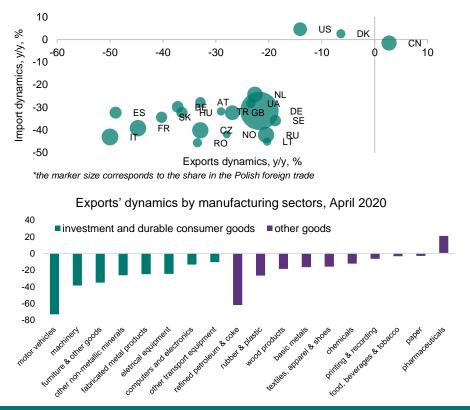
# **Polish economy**

## Foreign trade

## Slump in foreign trade turnover due to COVID-19

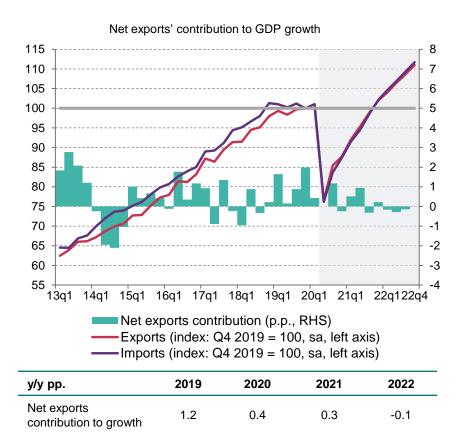


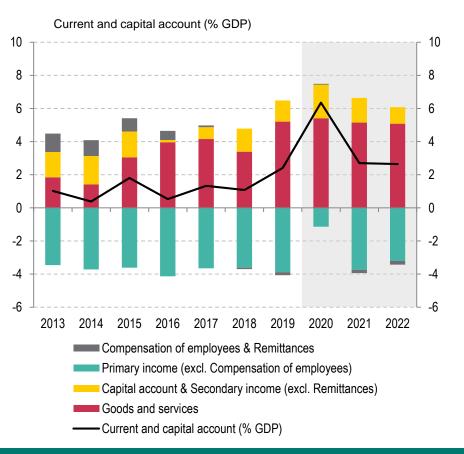
Dynamics of imports and exports to main trading partners, April 2020



Source: GUS, WIOD, NBP calculations.

### Downturn in exports and imports, sustained decrease in trade dynamics.





Source: GUS data, WIOD, NBP calculations.

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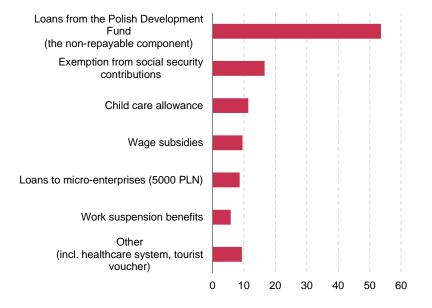
# Labour market

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# The government has undertaken extensive anti-crisis measures financed with domestic funds and EU funds

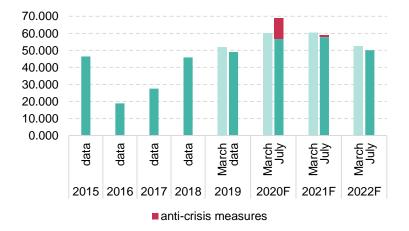
We assumed total cost of direct support which bear an impact on GG balance in 2020 to equel 115 bn PLN

Impact of anti-crises measures on the GG balance (ESA 2010) in 2020 (bn PLN)

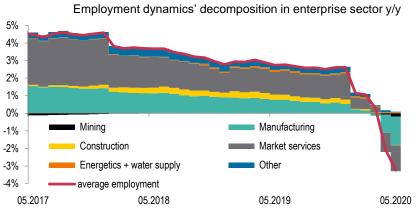


# Additional 12,1 bn zł financed with EU funds (thus not changing GG balance in ESA 2010 terms)

EU funds absorption under cohesion policy, highliting amounts allocated for anti-crisis measures (bn PLN)



## Negative impact of epidemic on the labour market, partly adjusted by reducing working time.

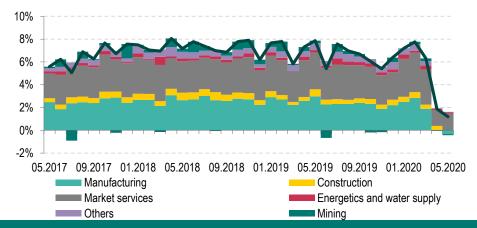


Vacancies and a share of surveyed companies reporting difficulties in finding new employees as a barrier for expansion



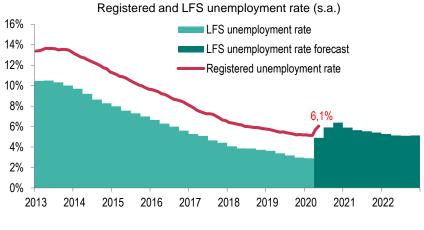
5% 4% 3% 2% 1% 0% -1% -2% -3% Number of employees Average employment -4% 05.2017 05.2018 05.2020 05.2019

Wages growth contribution by enterprise sectors (y/y, p.p.)

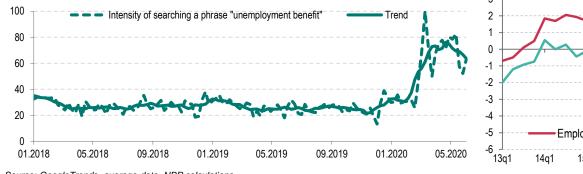


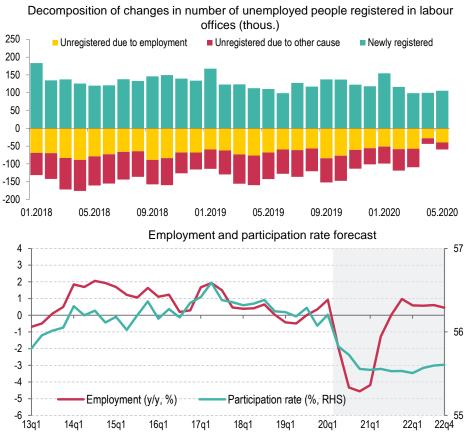
Average employment and the numer of employees in enterprise sector y/y

### Only a limited increase in unemployment rate.



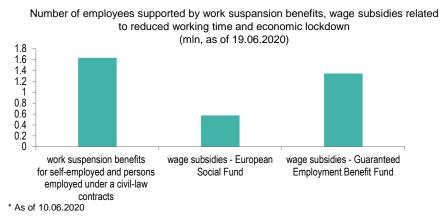
Interest in unemployment benefit based on internet data (index, max = 100)



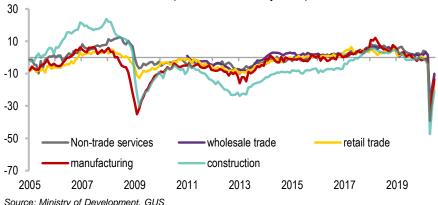


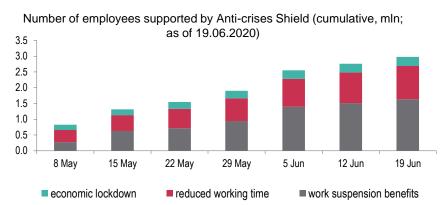
Source: GoogleTrends, average data, NBP calculations

### Labour market adjustments curbed by Anti-crises Shield.

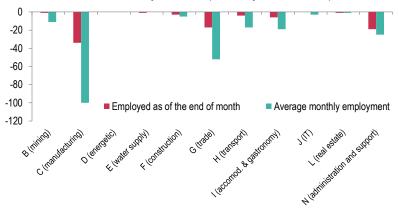


Share of enterprises anticipating employment reduction in the coming 3 months (business tendency GUS)

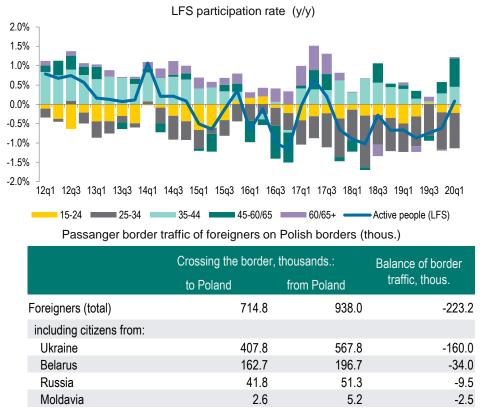




Changes in average employment and numer of employees in the enterprise sector by sections (Mar-May 2020, thous.)



# Coronavirus pandemic contributes to lower effective labour supply, including decreasing numer of imigrants.

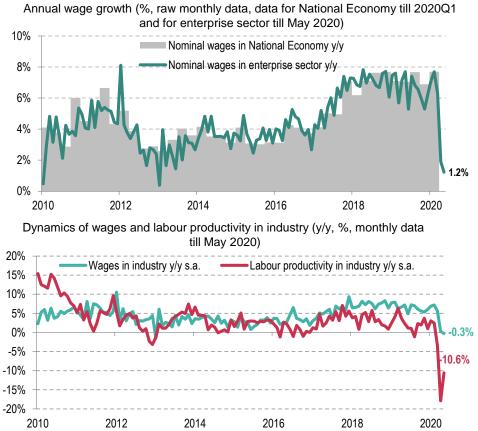


of the total numer of employed (%) 20% 19.0% Total Due to the break in company's activity 15% For "other reasons" (including childcare) 8.1% 10% 6.6% 4.6% 5% 1.3% 0.9% 0% 2020Q1 - last 2 weeks 2020Q1 - total Estimated change in the numer of foreigners working in Poland (thous.) 1500 Effective no. of foreign workers excl. UA and BY Effective no. of Balarusian workers in Poland

People employed but not working in the week in guestion as the share

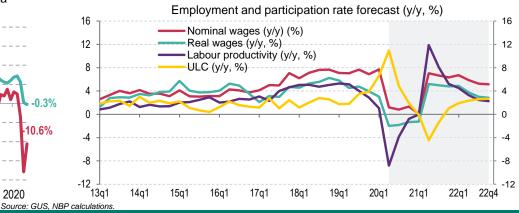


## Falling employment in the enterprise sector in April 2020 along with a slump in wages dynamics.



	<b>20q</b> 1	I	20q2*		
Gross wages (y/y, %)	7.7	(7.3)	1.2	(7.0)	
Real wages (y/y, %)	3.0	(2.8)	-2.0	(3.3)	
Employment LFS (y/y, %)	0.9	(0.1)	-1.9	(0.1)	
ULC (y/y, %)	6.6	(4.5)	10.9	(4.1)	
Labour productivity (y/y,%)	1.1	(2.8)	-8.8	(2.9)	
Unemployment rate LFS (%)	3.0	(3.0)	4.9	(3.0)	
Participation rate (%) * Forecast for 2020Q2	56.2	(56.1)	55.8	(56.1)	

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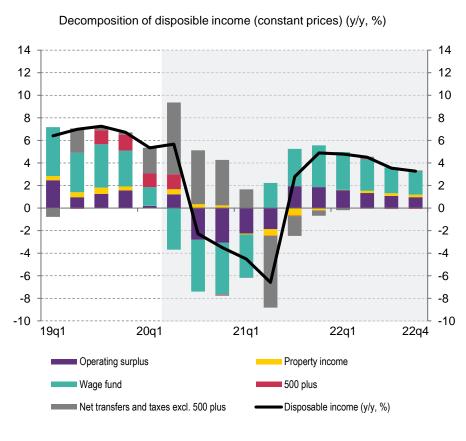
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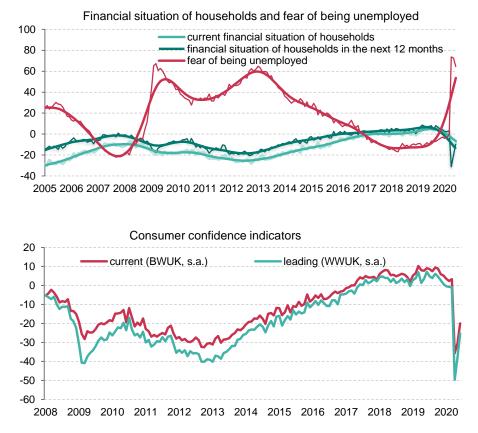
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## **Consumption demand**

## Deterioration of financial situation of households. Increased fear of being unemployed.

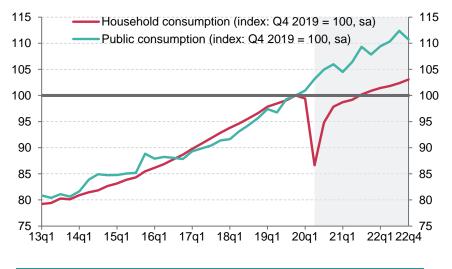




Source: GUS data, NBP calculations.

# Consumption demand will gradually increase, however it will reach the level of 2019Q4 only in the 2nd half of 2021.

#### Consumption forecast



y/y, %	2019	2020	2021	2022
Household consumption	3.9	-4.2	5.3	2.4
Public consumption	4.9	5.5	3.1	3.4

### Household consumption :

- ✤ Heightened uncertainty rising savings rate.
- If After initial slump in employment and wages, in the longer projection horizon only a limited improvement in labour market situation is foreseen.
- Change in the behaviour of the population due to fear of being infected by COVID-19.
- û Anti-crisis Shield.

### **Public consumption :**

- û In 2020 increase in expenditure for healh care.
- ♣ Neutral fiscal policy assumed in the longer projection horizon.

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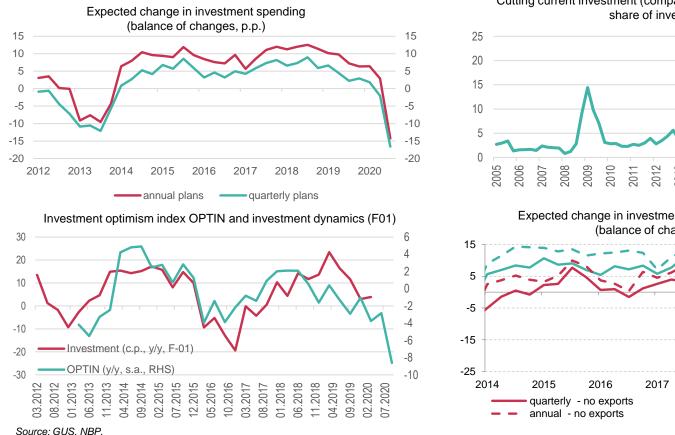
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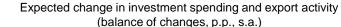
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## **Investment demand**

### The scale of cutting planned investment higher than in 2009.



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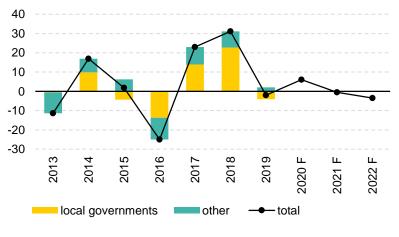


Cutting current investment (companies cutting investment as the share of investors, %)

## In 2020 expected increase in public investment dynamics after its slowdown in 2019.

Contributions to public investment growth (current prices, y/y, %)

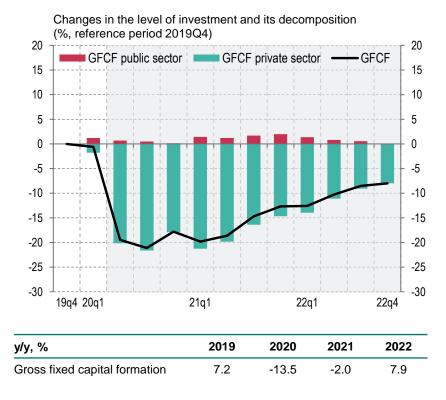
Investment spending of local government units (y/y, %)



-20 election year post-election year -40 -60 

F - NBP forecast

# Sustained drop in investment rate due to heightened uncertainty and only a slight rebound in demand.



#### Private investment :

- 4 High uncertainty lowering economic agents' propensity for long-term commitment.
- Unfavourable financial situation of large share of agents.
- $\clubsuit$  Low domestic and foreign demand.

### Public investment :

- In 2020 increase in public investment related in particular to planned construction of highways and railway, as well as government anticrisis measures.
- ♣ Marked decrease in EU funds absorption in 2022.

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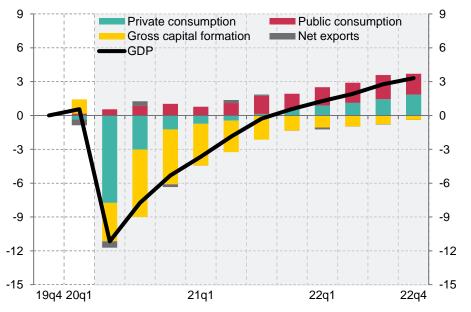
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# **Gross Domestic Product**

## Only a limited rebound in economic activity in the quarters to come.

Changes in GDP level and its decomposition (%, reference period 2019Q4)



- Private consumption will grow gradually, however due to the increase in uncertainty, worse labour market situation and changes in the consumers' preferences, the level of 2019Q4 will be reached only in the 2nd half of 2021.
- Sustained drop in **investment** rate due to highten uncertainty, unfavourable financial situation of companies and decrease in EU funds absorption in 2022 to the level close to that of 2019 (in 2020-21 increase in capital transfers).
- Sustained lowering of exports' dynamics (disruptions in global value chains, slowdown or reversal of the globalisation process).
- Anti-crisis measures run by government and Narodowy Bank Polski.

y/y, %	2019	2020	2021	2022
GDP	4.1	-5.4	4.9	3.7

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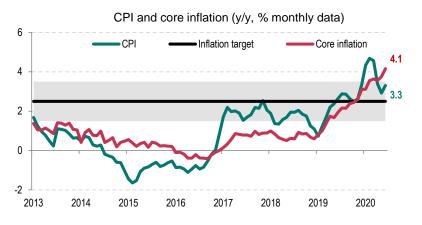
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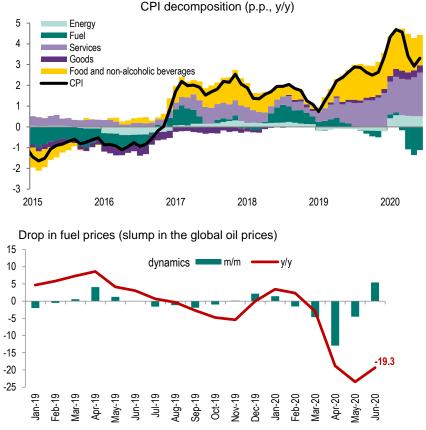
In 2020Q2 a drop in inflation due to lower food and energy prices dynamics while core inflation is rising.



y/y, %	20q1	20q2*
CPI inflation	4.5 (4.3)	<b>3.2</b> (3.6)
Core inflation	3.4 (3.3)	3.7 (3.4)
Food prices	7.7 (7.1)	<b>6.4</b> (5.2)
Energy prices	3.6 (3.6)	-4.3 (2.0)

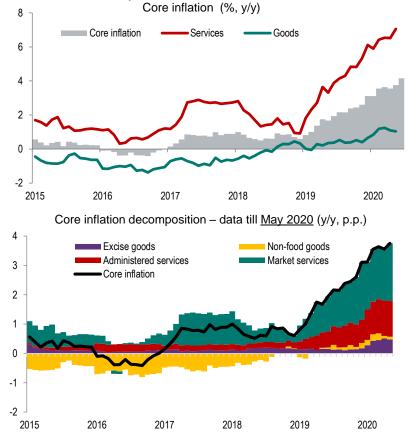
\* NBP calculations based on GUS flash estimate for June 2020.

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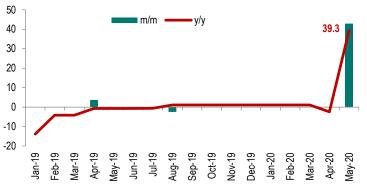


Source: GUS data, NBP.

In 2020Q2, the increase in core inflation driven by rising prices of services, mainly market services (including so-called COVID fee)



Increase in financial services prices in <u>May 2020</u> (provided by banks – higher fees for using personal account)

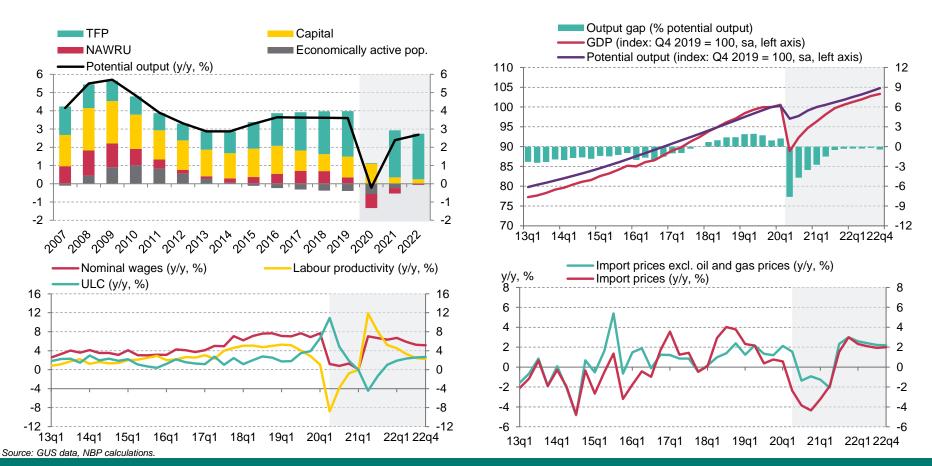


Increase in medical services prices in <u>May 2020</u> (mainly dental, hospitals and sanatoriums)

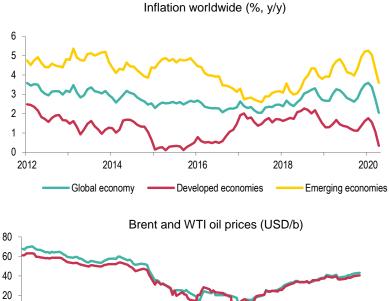


Source: NBP, GUS, NBP calculations.

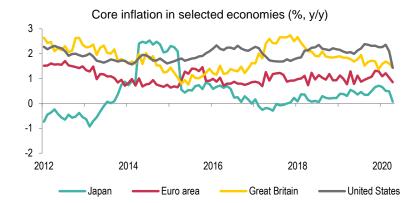
### Low demand pressure and moderate cost pressure in the projection horizon.



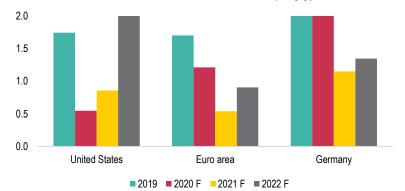
### Demand shock related to COVID-19 pandemics markedly curb global inflation







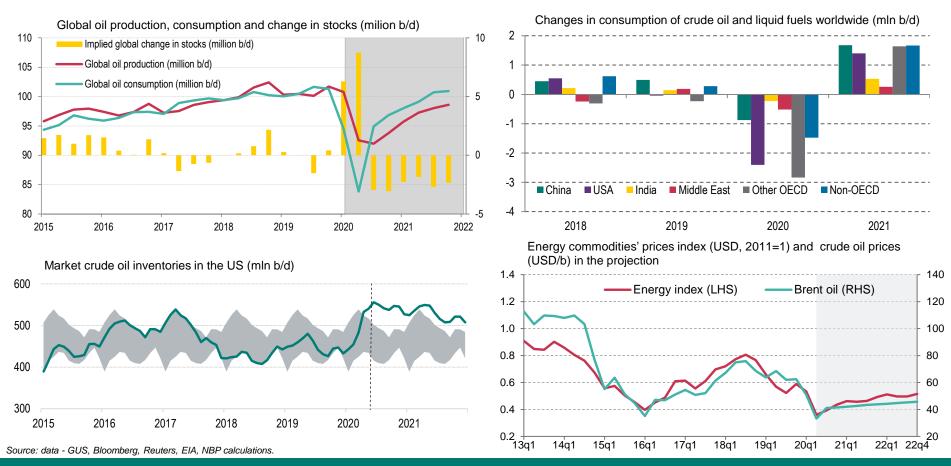
VA deflator in US and euro area (%, y/y)



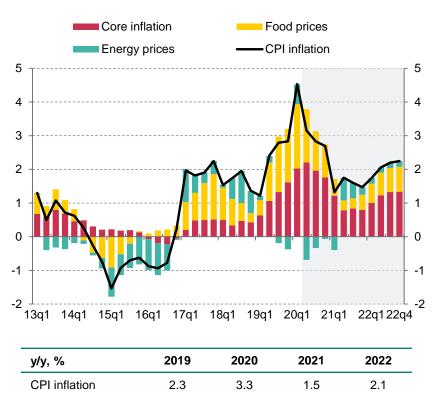
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Source: Datastream, OECD, NBP calculations.

### Low prices of energy commodities due to weak global demand.



### Lowest CPI dynamics in 2021, in 2022 gradual growth of inflation, however lower than 2.5%.



- û Increase in excise duty in January 2020.
- û↓ Temporary upturn in food prices inflation in the short projection horizon due to supply constraints.
- Low level of energy commodities' prices on the global markets.
- û Disruptions in global supply chains.
- ① Dwindling demand in the middle-term horizon and its gradual rebound in the subsequent years.
- ↓<sup>1</sup> Low inflation in our main trading partners' economies, limited increase in 2022.
- $\mathbb{Q}^{1}$  In 2021 drop in unit labour costs, moderate increase afterwards.

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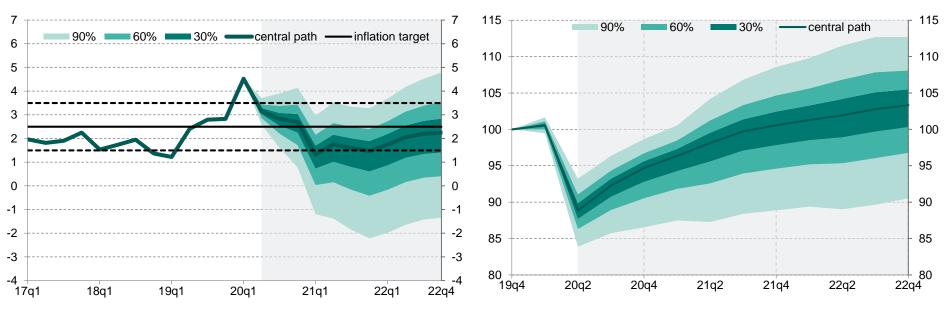
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- Risk factors
- Fan charts

Risk area	Description	Impact	Scale of impact
	<ul> <li>Poland and other countries easing restrictions run the risk of the second wave of infections and the return of some of the administrative restrictions, in other parts of the world where the numer of active cases is still increasing (e.g. India, South America) further strong growth in the numer of newly infected.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Disruptions in the global value chains.</li> </ul>		
More severe	<ul> <li>Permanent change in economic behaviour of the population (the principle of increased social distancing) – drop in demand for some services.</li> </ul>	Inflation &	
course of the pandemic	High uncertainty and pessimistic business sentiment – increased financial market tensions and investment reduction.		**
panaonno	<ul> <li>Slowdown or reversal of the globalisation process, intensification of trade disputes between the United States, the European Union and China.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Intensification of fiscal problems in the euro area countries most affected by the crisis.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>In consequence sustained loss of potential output (reduction in corporate investment, increase in equilibrium unemployment rate, lower participation rate, slower growth of total factor productivity).</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>In Poland and abroad no second wave of infections, discovery of effective medical treatment, faster lifting of restrictions.</li> </ul>		
Milder course of	<ul> <li>Increase in optimism of economic agents, the behaviour of households and enterprises would return to a state similar to that before the pandemic.</li> </ul>	Inflation 1	*
the pandemic	<ul> <li>Improvement of the global sentiment (gradual easing of tensions in world trade and an increase in international trade volume).</li> </ul>	GDP 仓	*
	<ul> <li>Possible introduction of the EU new stimulus package, the so-called Next Generation EU.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Only temporary fall of potential output.</li> </ul>		
Prices of energy	<ul> <li>Volatily of the global prices of energy commodities due to changes in demand and actions taken by the major producers.</li> </ul>	Inflation 0	*
and agricultural commodities	<ul> <li>Risk of a significant deviation of meteorological conditions compared to the long-term average in countries that are important food producers and in Poland.</li> </ul>	GDP \$	^
	Summary	Inflation $\prescript{0}$	GDP ⊕⊕

CPI inflation (y/y, %)



CPI y/y, %	below 1.5%	below 2.5%	below 3.5%	below centr.	within 1.5-3.5%	CPI y/y, %	central path		obability erval	GDP y/y, %	central path	•	obability erval
2020	0%	7%	71%	<b>path</b> 55%	range 71%	2020	3.3	2.9	3.6	2020	-5.4	-7.2	-4.2
2021	65%	90%	99%	66%	34%	2021	1.5	0.3	2.2	2021	4.9	2.1	6.6
2022	50%	73%	91%	63%	41%	2022	2.1	0.6	2.9	2022	3.7	1.9	6.0

GDP level (2019Q4 = 100)

Source: GUS data, NBP calculations.

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