

**Quarterly unit labour cost**  
Percentage change over previous period

	2007		2008				2009	
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Australia	0.6	0.6	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.1	0.7	0.5
Austria	0.3	0.1	0.3	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.0	1.5
Belgium	0.6	0.6	0.9	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.0	0.7
Canada	0.9	1.2	1.1	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.9	0.6
Czech Republic	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.2
Denmark	1.2	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8
Finland	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.7	2.1	2.5	2.7	2.7
France	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7
Germany	0.0	0.1	0.4	1.0	1.6	2.0	2.1	2.0
Greece	1.4	1.9	1.5	0.9	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.2
Hungary	1.1	0.9	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9 e	0.7 e
Ireland	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.1
Italy	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.9	1.3	1.5	1.3	0.9
Japan	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.0	0.6	0.3
Korea	-0.4	-1.3	-1.6	-1.1	-0.6	-0.0	0.2	-0.2
Luxembourg	0.9	1.2	1.8	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.6	1.2
Netherlands	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.9	1.3	1.6	1.7	1.7
New Zealand	1.0	1.4	1.9	1.9	1.3	0.8	0.7	0.5
Norway	1.4	1.3	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.2	1.6	1.9
Poland	1.4	1.3	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.2	0.8	0.5
Slovak Republic	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5
Spain	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9
Sweden	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.8	1.8	2.3	1.8	1.2
Turkey	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
United Kingdom	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.0	..
United States	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6
OECD-Total	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.8

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