



State Treasury Republic of Finland

## Finnish central government borrowing

May 2020

Valtiokonttori Statskontoret State Treasury

# AA+ AA1

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#### **Credit ratings**

The government has credit ratings from three credit rating agencies: S&P Global Ratings, Moody's Investors Service and Fitch Ratings.

For long-term debt, they are AA+, Aa1 and AA+ (stable, stable, stable)





### Finnish economy

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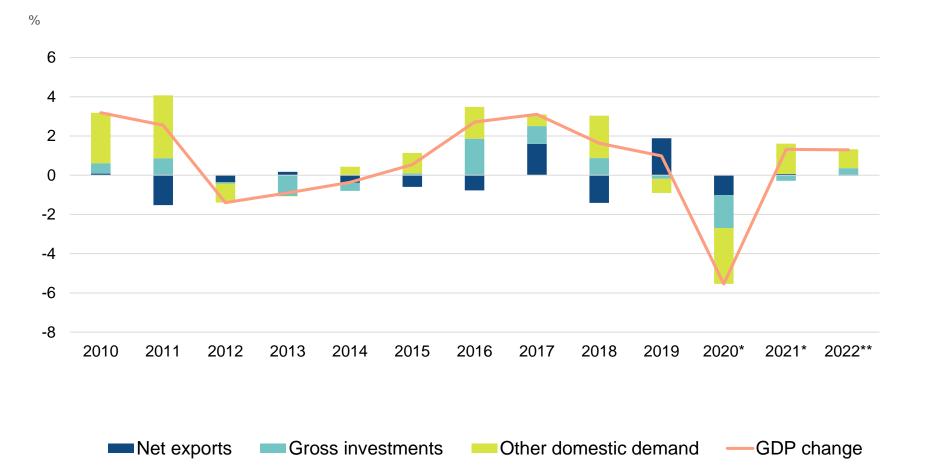
#### A global slow-down in growth hitting Finland

- The impacts of the crisis estimated to be strongest in Q2
- Public sector measures supporting companies will not be enough to prevent a fall in output, even when fiscal policy in 2020 highly accommodative
- In 2021–2022 return to pre-crisis growth path, employment rate to return to approx. 72%

	2020	2021	2022
GDP change %	-5.5	1.3	1.3
Inflation, %	0.7	1.3	1.5
Current account, %/GDP	-1.4	-1.4	-1.3
Private investment change, %	-10.0	-1.5	2.7
Exports change %	-6.2	3.2	2.1
Unemployment rate, %	8.0	8.1	7.9
Public deficit, %/GDP	-7.2	-4.0	-4.1
Public debt, %/GDP	69.1	71.5	73.8

Source: Ministry of Finance, Spring 2020

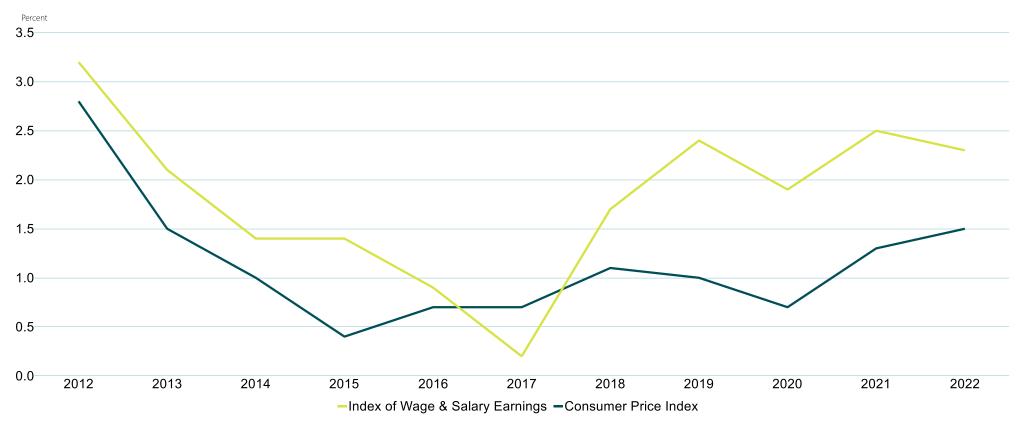
### **Emergency measures significantly reduce private consumption this year**





### Slower rise in consumer prices due to slower service inflation

change from previous year, %

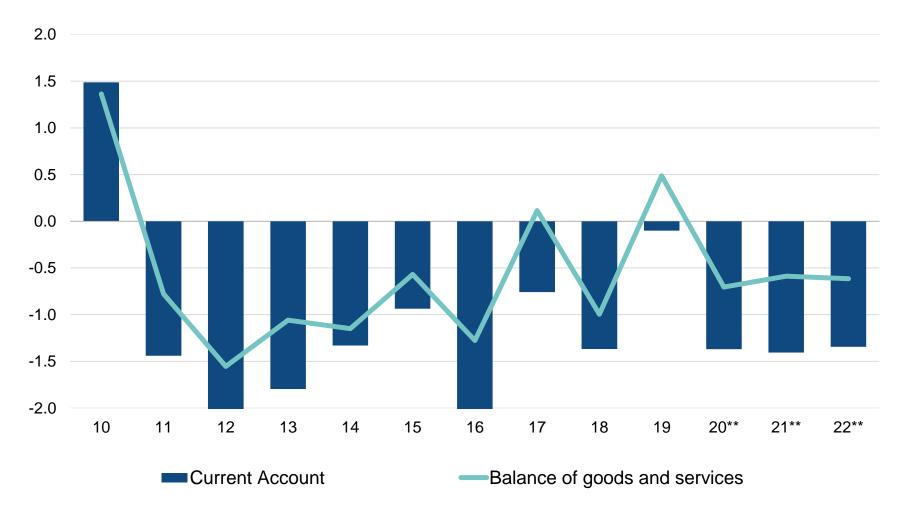


Source: Macrobond



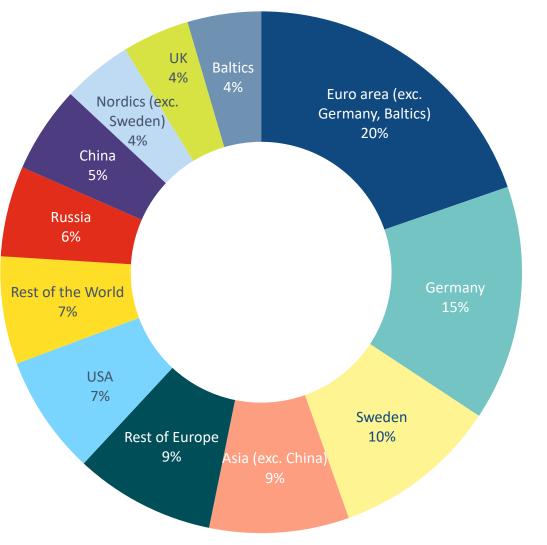
#### Pandemic to affect goods trade in particular

% of GDP

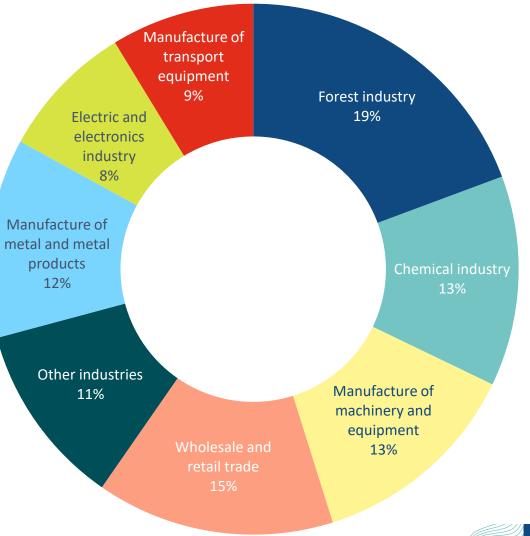


### Exports of goods well diversified

#### **Exports by countries of destination in 2019**

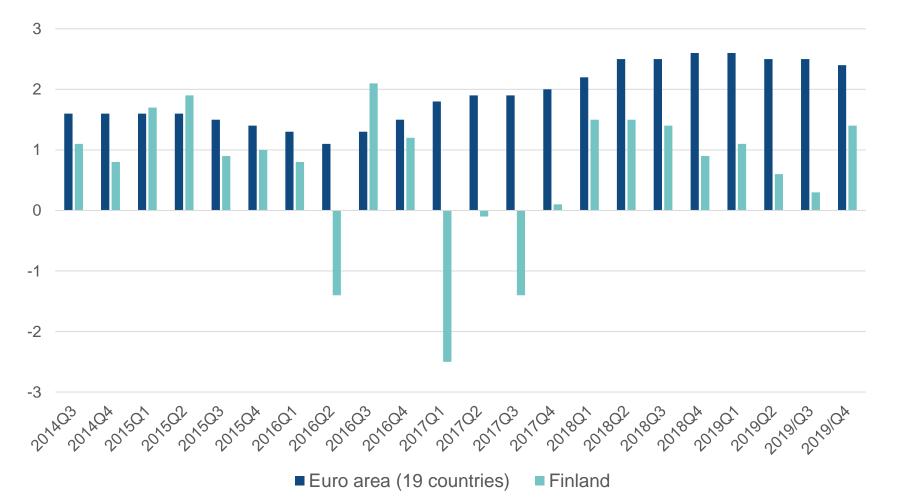


#### **Exports by industries 2019**

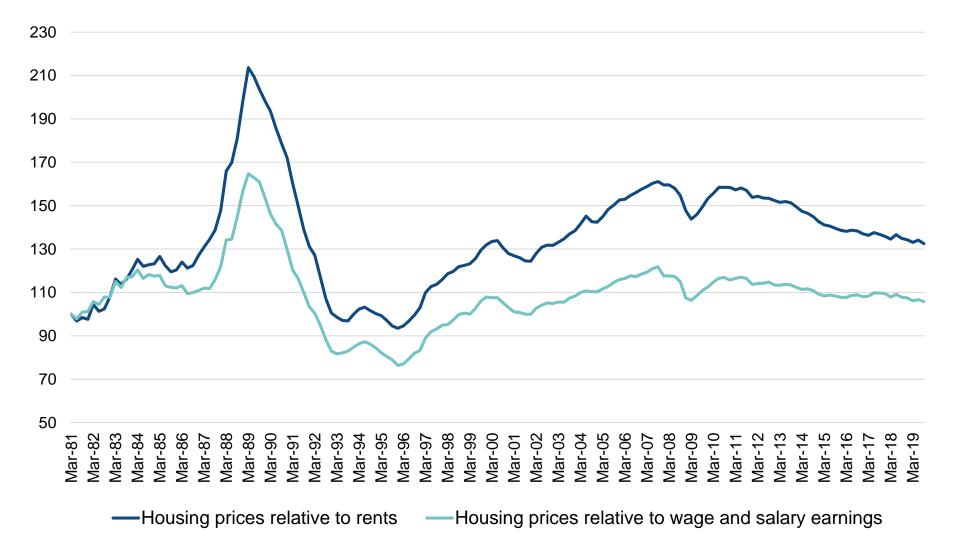


### Labour costs competitiveness improved

Hourly labour cost % change from previous year

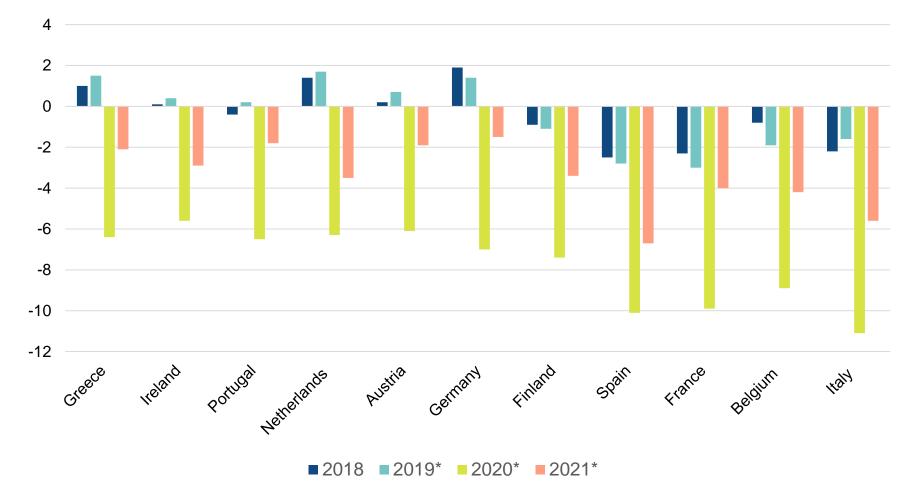


### **Relative housing prices in Finland**



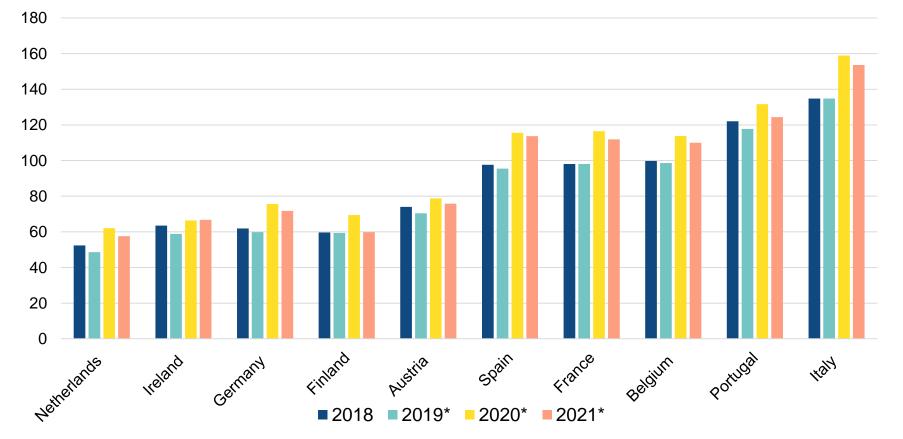


#### EMU general government financial balance in ratio to GDP, %



# The public debt-to-GDP ratio in Finland is one of the lowest in the euro area

EMU general government gross debt, % of GDP



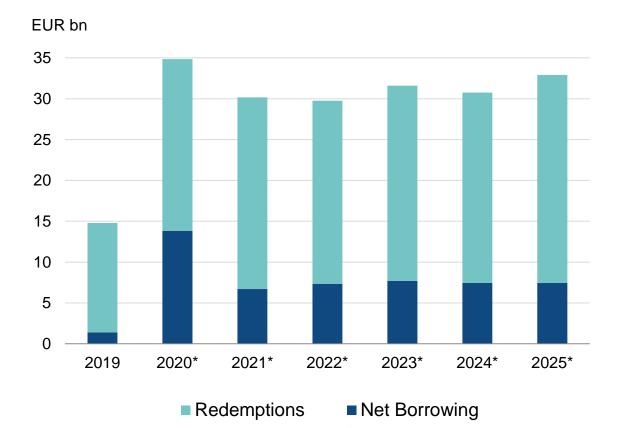
# Earnings-related pension assets including public sector pension assets

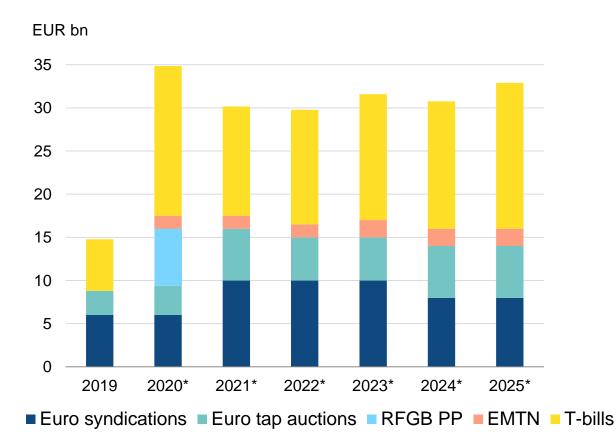
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# **2** Funding

### Central government gross borrowing estimate and projected funding instrument allocation





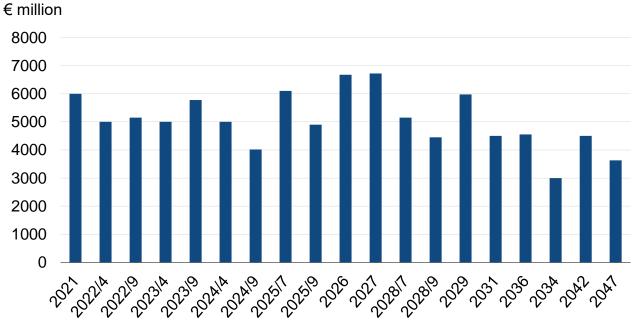


### **Funding strategy**

"Maintaining a globally diversified investor base by geography and investor type"

- Euro benchmark bond curve to 30 years
- Two syndicated bonds per year with current funding programme
- Expect approx. 4 auctions annually
- Liquidity in focus Primary Dealers and 3 inter-dealer platforms (MTS, BrokerTec, BGC E-Speed)
- EMTN issuance complements Euro benchmark bonds

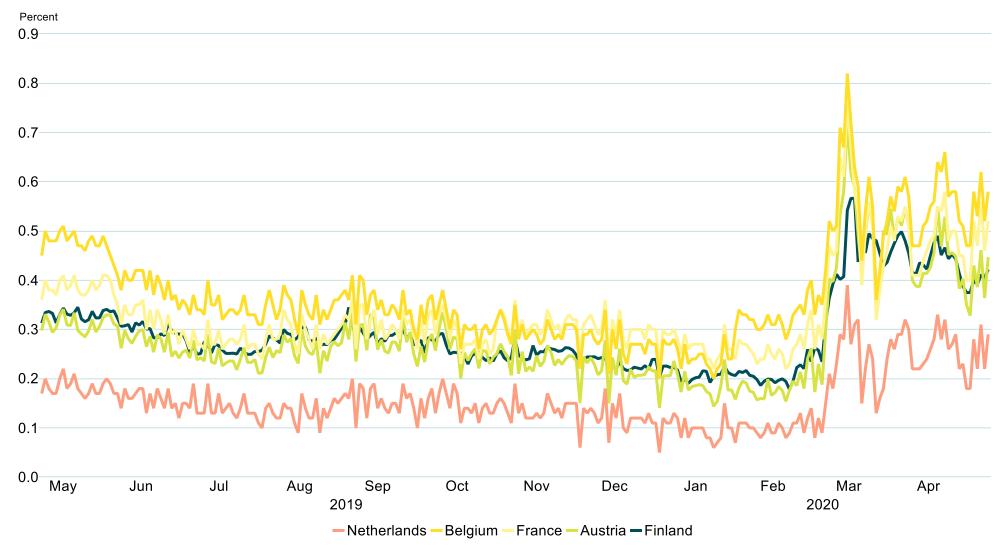
#### Benchmark bonds outstanding



By Maturing Year



#### **10-year government bond yield spreads to Germany**



Source: Macrobond

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#### **Primary Dealers 2020**

Valtiokonttori

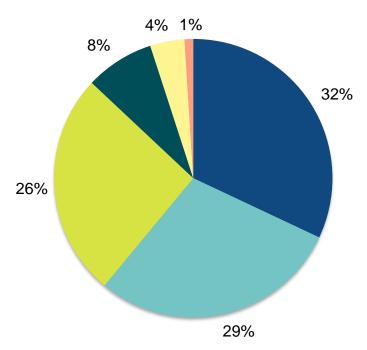
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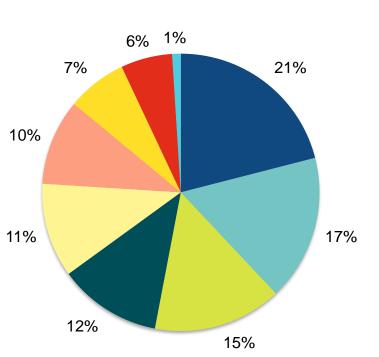
Citi

#### Investor base for RFGB 0.125% EUR 3bn due April 2036

- Launched in February 2020
- Allocated to over 150 investors



- Pension funds and insurance companies
  Fund managers
  Banks and bank treasuries
  Hedge funds
- Central banks and official institutions
- Other



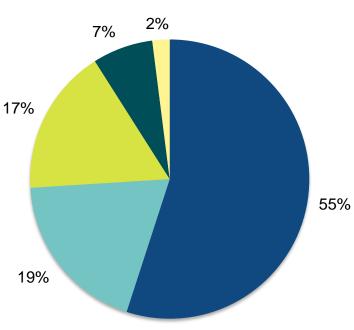


Middle East and Asia



#### Investor base for FINL 0.875% USD 1.5 bn due 2030

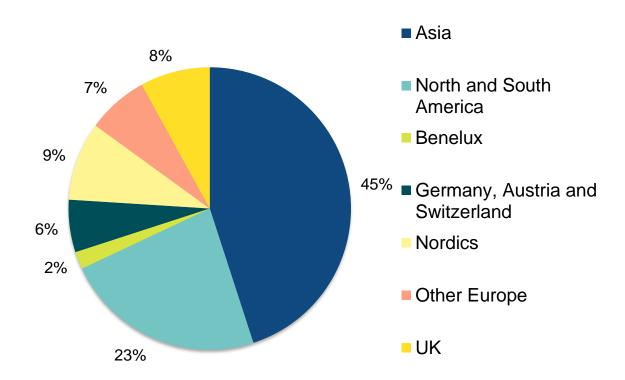
- Launched in May 2020
- Allocated to 87 investors



- Central banks and official institutions
- Banks and bank treasuries
- Pension funds and insurers

<sup>‰</sup> ■ Fund managers

Other



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