

Fourth quarter of 2018 – Seasonally adjusted government deficit increased to 1.0% of GDP in the euro area – Up to 0.9% of GDP in the EU28

In the fourth quarter of 2018, the seasonally adjusted general government deficit to GDP ratio stood at 1.0% in the **euro area** (EA19), an increase compared with 0.5% in the third quarter of 2018. In the **EU28**, the deficit to GDP ratio stood at 0.9%, an increase compared with 0.5% in the previous quarter.

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