

## GERMANY



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<b>Political system:</b>	Federal republic
<b>Capital city:</b>	Berlin
<b>Total area</b>	356 854 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Population:</b>	82.5 million
<b>Currency</b>	euro
<b>Value in Euro</b>	1.00000 €
<b>Value in US \$</b>	\$1.37050
<b>Official EU language</b>	German

<b>Year of EU entry</b>	Founding member
<b>Belonging to Schengen</b>	Yes
<b>Eurozone (15)</b>	Yes

<b>GDP (2008)</b>	2 513 199.0 Mio €
<b>Household (2008)</b>	1 400 190.4 Mio €
<b>Economic Growth (2008)</b>	2.40%
<b>Budgetary deficit in % of GDP (2006)</b>	-1.70%
<b>Foreign trade – balance of payments in % of GDP (2005)</b>	4.60%
<b>Inflation rate (2008)</b>	2.90%
<b>Interest rate (2007)</b>	5.00%
<b>Unemployment (2006)</b>	8.4%