## **Government Finance Statistics Manual 2001**

This Manual represents a major step forward in the standards for compilation and presentation of fiscal statistics and thus takes its place as part of the worldwide effort to improve government accounting and transparency in operations. Government finance statistics are a key to fiscal analysis, and they play a vital role both in developing and monitoring sound financial programs and in conducting surveillance of economic policies. Of particular note is that the Manual introduces accrual accounting, balance sheets, and complete coverage of government economic and financial activities.

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