

Report to the federal Parliament

Estimating tax revenue – Organisation and processes



The Court of Audit published a report to the federal Parliament regarding the estimation process of the tax revenue by the federal public service Finance. In order to draw up the revenue budget, the government must indeed be able to rely on a tax revenue estimate that is as correct as possible. In the past years, the Court of Audit review of the budget and its implementation showed that the estimated revenues sometimes differed substantially from the revenues that were actually collected.

The Court of Audit examined whether the analysis service of the the policy expertise and support unit (Federal public service Finance), entrusted with the tax revenue estimate, implements an ad hoc process making it possible to release high quality estimates of the tax revenues, whether the analysis service can rely on enough means to do so, and whether it documents, follows up and steers the underlying processes sufficiently.

The report the Court of Audit published on its website also includes a summary (in French or Dutch) of its findings.

The report *Estimating tax revenue – Organisation and processes* is now available (in either French or Dutch) on the Court's website (www.courtofaudit.be).