

UNIT 6 AP MACROECONOMICS

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UNIT 6: Open Economy- International Trade and Finance

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS:

The balance of payments is the **difference** between all international purchases and sales in a period of time. Balance of payments can be **classified** into the current account and the financial account:

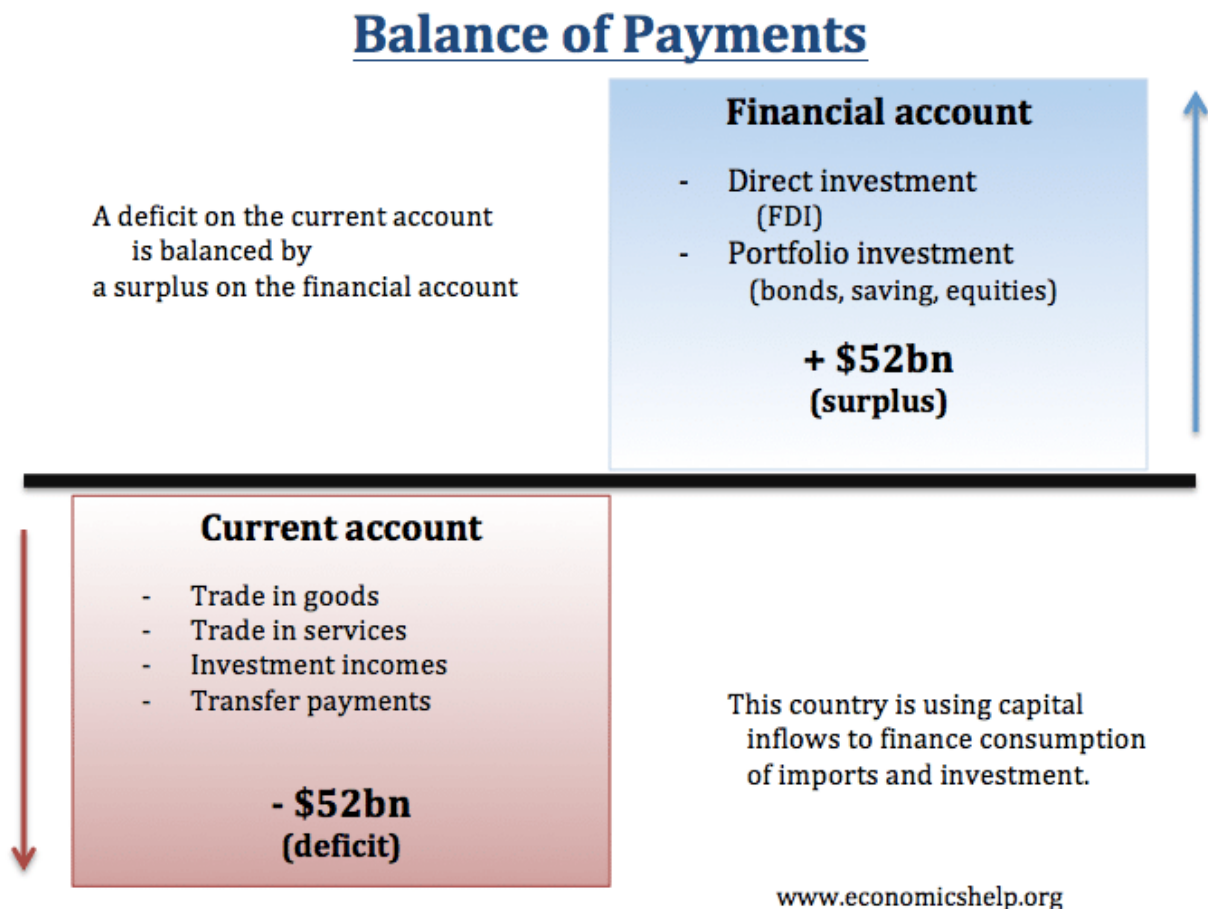


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TYPES OF ACCOUNTS:

Current Account:

- Net exports/imports of goods (**Balance of Trade**)
- Net exports/imports of services
- *Net income* (investment income plus employee compensation)
- *Net transfers*

Capital Account:

- Purchase and sale of **fixed assets** - example → real estate

Financial Account:

- *Net foreign direct investment*
- Net portfolio investment

OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

Reserves:

- Changes in the official monetary reserves

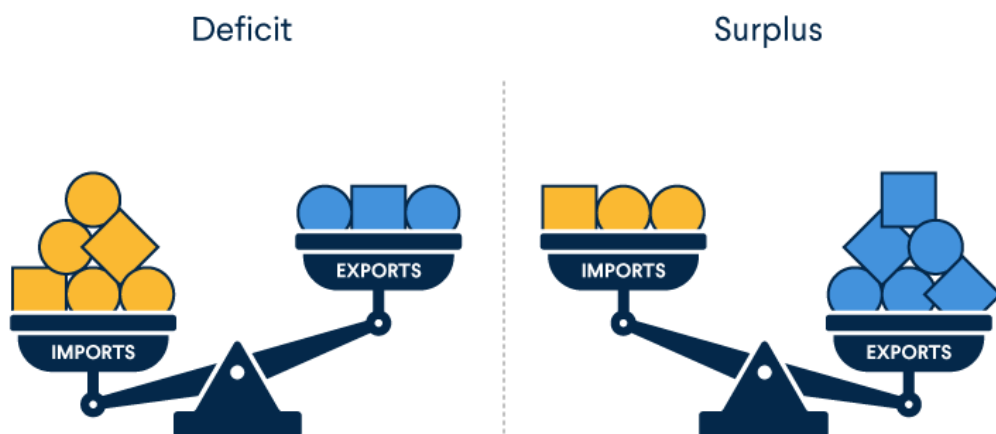
TRADE DEFICITS AND TRADE SURPLUS:

Trade Deficit:

Imports are greater than exports → BUYING more than SELLING

Trade Surplus:

Exports are greater than imports → SELLING more than BUYING



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PHOTO: <https://world101.cfr.org/global-era-issues/trade/what-trade-deficit-means>

EXCHANGE RATES

Appreciation:

- The *general increase in the price of an asset overtime*.
 - **Example:** in 2018 the price of my house was \$200k, in 2020 the price of my house rose to \$400k. This would be an appreciation in price.

Depreciation: The *general decrease in the price of an asset overtime*.

REGARDING CURRENCY:

- **Appreciation:**
 - The value of a nation's currency increases. (This means it is worth MORE compared to other nations.)
- **Depreciation:**
 - The value of a nation's currency decreases. (This means it is worth LESS compared to other nations.)

FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET: WHAT IS IT?

- Represents the currency foreign exchange rates for countries

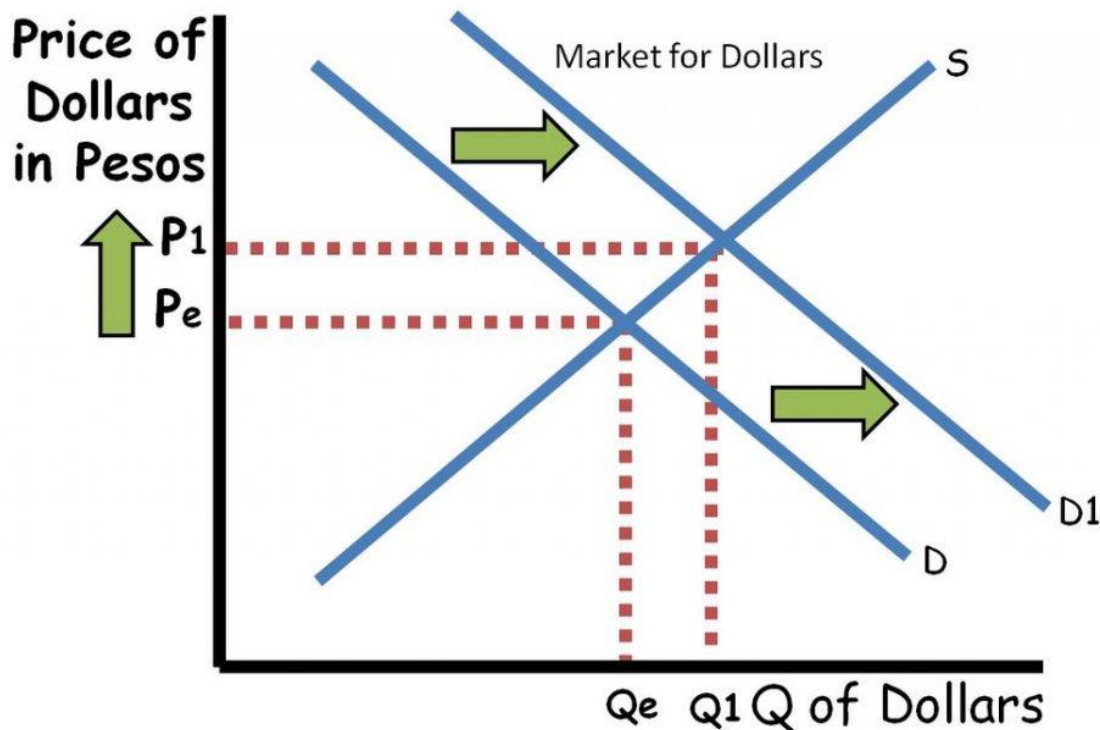


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Equilibrium Exchange Rate: When countries **trade currency**, there is an exchange rate. At the equilibrium, the quantity of **currency demanded** is equal to the quantity of **currency supplied**.

Floating exchange rate: The price of a nation's currency is determined by the foreign exchange market (relation to other currencies).

There is a SUPPLY and a DEMAND for the currency:

- In the foreign exchange market, there is a **BUYER and a SELLER of currency**.
- Countries are **trading currency** and are based on levels of appreciation or depreciation. (They have different values.)
 - For example: The U.S. dollar is worth more than the Canadian dollar. (This would be because the U.S. dollar is stronger in the rate of exchange.)

SHIFTERS OF THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET

- **Change in preference**
 - This means a nation will want less of a certain currency.
 - For example: Italy's economy goes into a depression and the currency depreciates
 - This would decrease the demand of the euro when trading currency with Italy.
- **Change in national inflation**
- **Change in real interest rates**

REAL INTEREST RATE:

The real interest rate is the interest rate that is **adjusted for inflation** by subtracting the rate of inflation.

CALCULATE:

$$\text{Real Interest Rate} = \text{Nominal Interest Rate} - \text{Rate of Inflation}$$

PHOTO: <https://www.intelligenteconomist.com/real-interest-rate/>

- Change in wages and income
- **BOTH ONLY SHIFT WHEN:**
 - *If there is a change in inflation and income*

In your graph, always label (as displayed above). It's also helpful to know currency symbols of other nations!

CURRENCY MARKET:



PHOTO: <https://www.wallstreetmojo.com/currency-market/>

Domestic Price:

- The **cost of a good**.
 - When trading, we think of the domestic price vs the price in other nations for the potential of training.

GRAPH EXAMPLE:

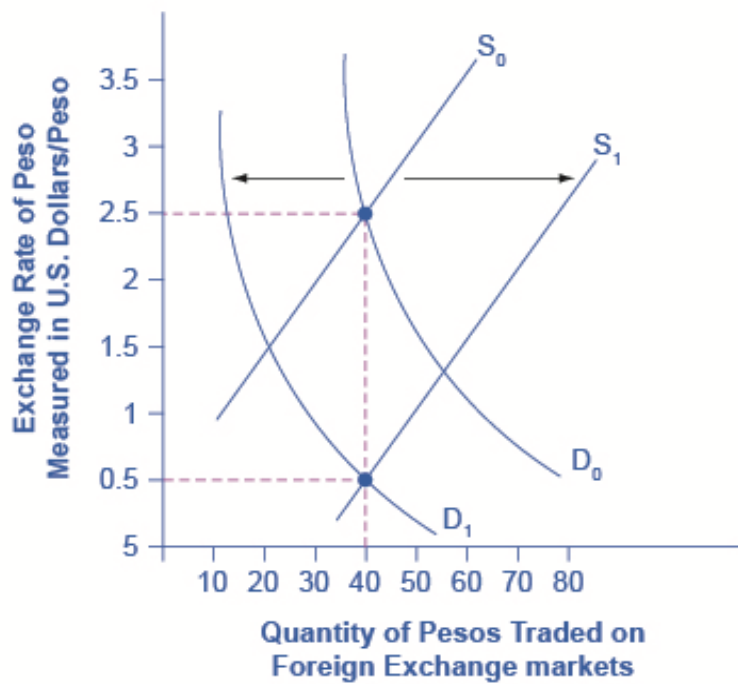


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- This example compares the quantity of pesos and the exchange rate of pesos.