

## How governments revenue & spending influences GDP per capita?

### Conclusions

Looking at 2018 figures, only the overall government spend (0.88) and the government spending in “public order and safety” (-0.62) have a high or very high correlation with GDP per capita in countries.

Category	Variable vs. GDP / capita	Correlation	Correlation desc.
Government revenue	USD / capita	0.58	Medium
Government revenue	% of GDP	0.21	Low
<b>Government spending: categories</b>	<b>USD / capita</b>	<b>0.88</b>	<b>Very high</b>
Government spending: categories	% of GDP (and all below)	-0.06	Very low
Government spending: categories	General public services	-0.10	Very low
Government spending: categories	Defence	-0.14	Very low
<b>Government spending: categories</b>	<b>Public order and safety</b>	<b>-0.62</b>	<b>High</b>
Government spending: categories	Economic affairs	-0.25	Low
Government spending: categories	Environmental protection	-0.14	Very low
Government spending: categories	Housing and community amenities	-0.18	Very low
Government spending: categories	Health	0.23	Low
Government spending: categories	Recreation, culture and religion	-0.08	Very low
Government spending: categories	Education	0.27	Low
Government spending: categories	Social protection	-0.01	Very low
Government spending: by destination	Individual	0.40	Medium
Government spending: by destination	Society	-0.41	Medium
Government deficit	% of GDP	0.45	Medium
Government debt	% of GDP	-0.09	Very low
Government production costs	% of GDP (and all below)	0.16	Very low
Government production costs	Compensation to employees	0.14	Very low
Government production costs	Goods and services	0.15	Very low
Government production costs	Others	-0.06	Very low

Data source: OECD data  
- <https://data.oecd.org>