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Calculate!

Date (Year-Quarter)	Real GDP (Base Year 200)	Nominal GDP
1994-1	8727.9	6916.3
1994-2	8847.3	7044.3
1994-3	8904.3	7131.8
1994-4	9003.2	7248.2
1995-1	9025.3	7307.7

1a. Calculate the fractional rate of growth of real GDP from 1994-1 to 1995-1. Use this formula:

$$\text{Growth Rate} = \frac{Y_{1995-1} - Y_{1994-1}}{Y_{1994-1}}$$

1b. Convert this fractional growth rate to a percentage (Multiply by 100%)

2a. Now calculate the rate of growth using this formula:

$$\text{Growth Rate} = \ln(Y_{1995-1}) - \ln(Y_{1994-1})$$

2b. Convert this fractional growth rate to a percentage

3a. Again use the log-based formula to calculate the (quarterly) growth rate from 1994-2 to 1994-3.

$$\text{Growth Rate} = \ln(Y_{1994-3}) - \ln(Y_{1994-2})$$

3b. Convert this to an annualized rate of growth by multiplying by 4

3c. Convert to a percentage rate of growth by multiplying by 100%

4a. Calculate values for the GDP Deflator for 1994-1 and 1995-1 using this definition:

$$\text{Deflator} = \frac{\text{Nominal GDP}}{\text{Real GDP}} \times 100$$

4b. How much higher was the average level of prices in 2005 (the base year) compared to 1994, according to the GDP deflator?

4c. Calculate the rate of inflation over the 1994-1 to 1995-1 interval (use the log-based formula)

Answers

1a. 0.03407

1b. 3.40746

2a. 0.03351

2b. 3.35070

3a. 0.00642

3b. 0.02569

3c. 2.56879

4a. 79.24358
80.96905

4b. 80.10631 Mid-Year Average
24.83410 Answer

4c. 0.02166 Fraction
2.16565 Percentage