

TAX REVENUE ANNUAL REPORT 2018

Total Tax Revenue stood at

€208,6

billion in 2018.

The figure means a 7.6% year-to-year expansion,

5.4%

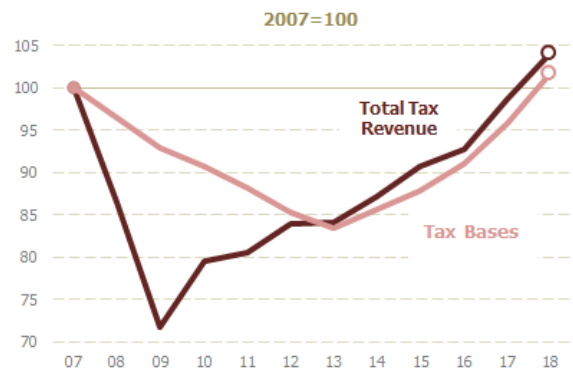
if SII effect is amended.

Tax Bases increased by

6.1%,

nearly one percentage point above 2017.

In real terms, economy has shown a lessening pace along the year. Yet, the evolution was different as far as nominal variables are concerned, particularly those more linked to tax revenue performance. As a final outcome, **both bases and tax collection were above the peaks achieved in 2017.**



Concerning **Personal Income Tax**, the main drivers for the growth were the higher payroll withholdings (salaries and pensions) and the outstanding yield from 2017 annual return. In turn, growth was pulled down by the widening of the tax relief on earned income, since July on, and refunds from maternal allowances.

Spending subject to **VAT** went up by 5.6%. The difference with the 3.7% increase scored by revenue (without SII) was due to 2017 annual refunds, Basque Country and Navarra clearings and the lower amount of receipts from closed fiscal years.

Instalments, the main constituent of **Corporation Tax**, enlarged by 11.7% (especially the consolidated groups) thanks to the enhancing performance of profit and to minimum payment rise. Overall, CT growth was not so strong because of the higher amount of refunds coming from previous years.

Regarding **Excise Taxes**, Fuel Tax (3%), Electricity Tax (3.5%) and Beer Tax (1.8%) recorded increments. About the rest of items, they all fell down, being chiefly remarkable the performances of Coal Tax (-13.1%) and Tobacco Excise Tax (-1.4%).