

Put in the right form of one of these verbs: contract, grow, fall, increase, lower, raise, reduce, rise

- 1 The men carefully _____ the heavy load onto the waiting lorry.
- 2 The government hopes to _____ unemployment by stimulating growth.
- 3 Inflation has _____ to its lowest level for six years.
- 4 Growth has _____ by 2% in the last quarter to a record height of 9%.
- 5 The government intends to _____ taxes to try to slow down demand.
- 6 Japan is the land of the _____ sun.
- 7 Expectations have _____ with the good news about the economy.
- 8 An _____ in taxation is the only remedy facing the government to reduce the debt.
- 9 To boost growth, the Bank of England has announced a _____ of 2% in the base rate.
- 10 Optimism has _____ in the light of the recent bad news.
- 11 We must be careful not to _____ expectations too highly.
- 12 The _____ of the economy is not unexpected given the poor global situation..
- 13 We must be wary of _____ expectations too high.
- 14 Given the poor news from Asia the forecasts have been _____.
- 15 The Yen is predicted to _____ against the dollar, which is very weak at present.
- 16 Spirits have been _____ by the news of a large gas find in the North Sea.
- 17 There was a sudden _____ on the stock market and many people lost money.
- 18 They hope to _____ capital through a stock market flotation.
- 19 Growth is _____ too fast; the government must try to put a brake on it.
- 20 Shareholders' dividends have been _____ due to the company's serious difficulties.
- 21 There will be no _____ in salaries this year; the money is just not there.
- 22 We cannot afford to _____ your salary at this time.
- 23 His doctor told him he had to _____ his cholesterol level.
- 24 The _____ \$ has put pressure on the Yuan as it makes Chinese imports more expensive.
- 25 _____ levels of obesity are a major problem.
- 26 There will be no _____ in our level of investment despite the _____ in profits.
- 27 The money supply is _____ too fast and must be _____ as soon as possible.
- 28 There is no way to avoid a _____ in government expenditure given the serious debt levels.