

Table 3–9. Total Government Expenditure as Per Cent of GDP at Current Prices, Western Europe, the United States and Japan, 1913–1999

	<b>1913</b>	<b>1938</b>	<b>1950</b>	<b>1973</b>	<b>1999</b>
France	8.9	23.2	27.6	38.8	52.4
Germany	17.7	42.4	30.4	42.0	47.6
Netherlands	8.2 <sup>a</sup>	21.7	26.8	45.5	43.8
United Kingdom	13.3	28.8	34.2	41.5	39.7
Arithmetic Average	12.0	29.0	29.8	42.0	45.9
United States	8.0	19.8	21.4	31.1	30.1
Japan	14.2	30.3	19.8	22.9	38.1

a) 1910.

Source: 1913–73 from Maddison (1995a, p. 65); 1999 from OECD, *Economic Outlook*, December 1999, Table 28.

*The World Economy: A Millennial Perspective*, Maddison (OECD, 2001), p.135.

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