

**Table VII. Growth of the Bahamian and US Economy 1996 - 2006**

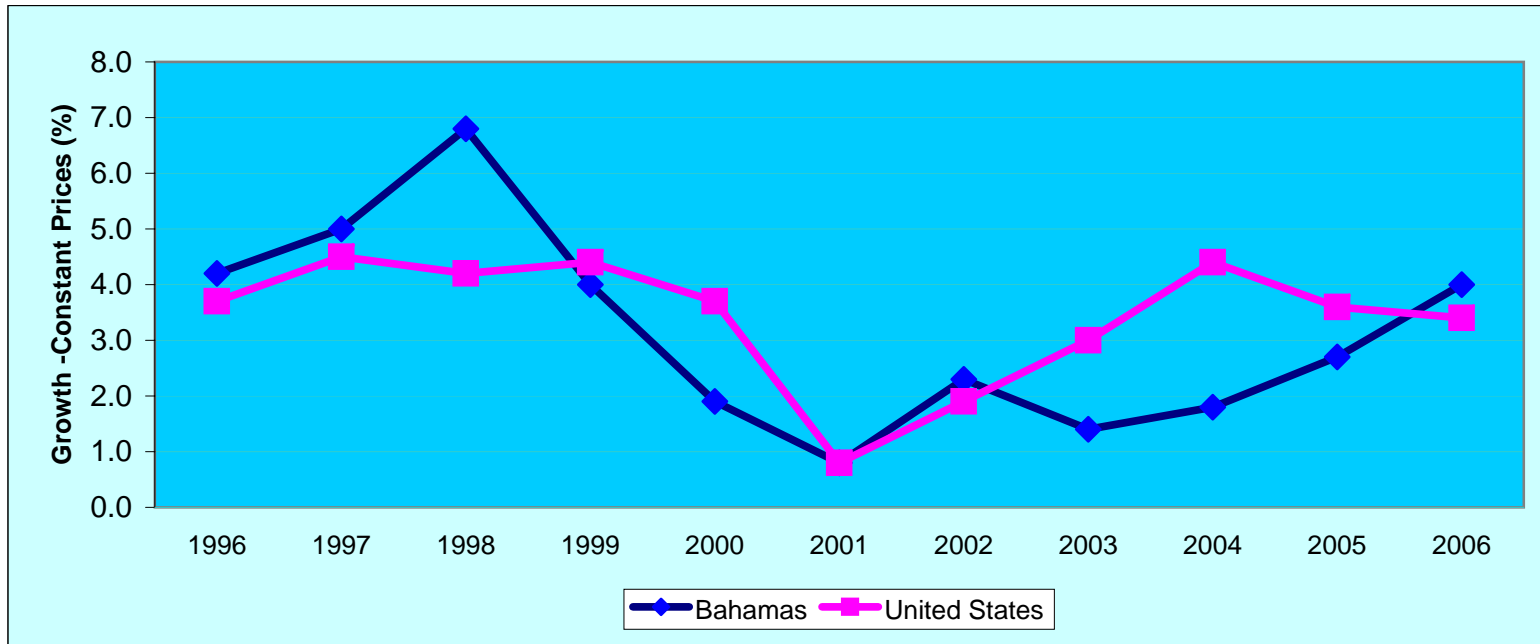
Annual percent change in real terms

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>Bahamas</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>United States</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>3.4</b>

Source: IMF World Economic Outlook

Ministry of Finance estimates and discussions with IMF

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US IMF data and projections