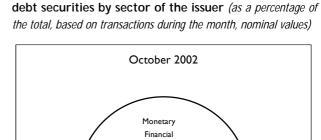
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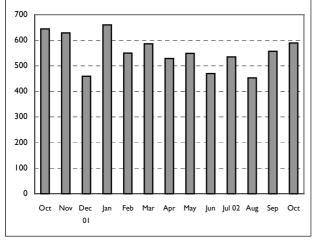
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EURO AREA SECURITIES ISSUES STATISTICS: OCTOBER 2002

In October 2002, euro area residents issued debt securities amounting to EUR 589.1 billion (see Table I and Chart I). As redemptions totalled EUR 549.8 billion, net issuance amounted to EUR 39.2 billion. Euro-denominated debt securities accounted for 93% of the total gross issuance by euro area residents. The largest proportion, accounting for 66% of the euro-denominated debt securities, was issued by Monetary Financial Institutions (see Table 2 and Chart 2). The remaining issuance activity was shared between general government, accounting for 20%, and non-monetary financial corporations and nonfinancial corporations, together accounting for 14%.1

Chart 1 - Total gross issuance of debt securities by euro area residents (EUR billions, transactions during the month, nominal values)





Source: ECB Securities Issues Statistics.

Institutions Non-monetary Other general 66% financial corporations 1% Non-financial corporations Central

Chart 2 - Total gross issuance of euro-denominated

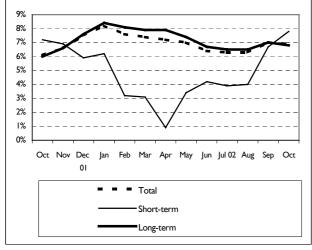
The sector classification is based on the ESA 95 (sector codes in brackets): Monetary Financial Institutions, which include central banks (S.121) and other monetary financial institutions (S.122); non-monetary financial corporations, which comprise other financial intermediaries (S.123), financial auxiliaries (S.124) and insurance corporations and pension funds (S.125); non-financial corporations (S.11); general government, which refers to the central government (S.1311) and other general government, the latter comprising state government (S.1312), local government (S.1313) and social security funds (S.1314).

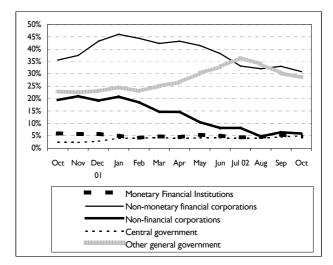
The annual growth rate of the amount outstanding of debt securities issued by euro area residents was 6.9% in October 2002, compared with 7.0% (revised upwards from 6.9%) in September (see Table I and Chart 3). The annual growth rate of the amount outstanding *of short-term* debt securities issued by euro area residents increased from 6.7% in September to 7.8% in October 2002. For *long-term* debt securities, the annual growth rate declined from 7.0% in September to 6.8% in October 2002.

As regards the issuance of euro-denominated debt securities (see Table 2 and Chart 4), the annual growth rate of the amount outstanding of debt securities issued by the *general government* continued to increase, from 5.4% in September to 5.9% in October 2002. While the annual growth rate for the *central government* increased from 4.5% in September to 5.0% in October 2002, the annual growth rate for the *other sub-sectors* of the general government declined from 30.3% in September to 28.6% in October 2002. In the *Monetary Financial Institutions (MFIs)* sector, the annual growth rate declined from 5.5% in September to 4.7% in October 2002. In the *non-MFI* corporate sector, the annual growth rate of the amount outstanding declined from 17.7% in September to 16.7% in October 2002. Within this sector, the annual growth rate of the amount outstanding of euro-denominated debt securities issued by *non-monetary financial corporations* declined from 33.1% in September to 30.9% in October 2002. For *non-financial corporations* this growth rate declined from 6.4% in September to 5.9% in October 2002.

Chart 3 – Debt securities issued by euro area residents by original maturity (annual percentage changes based on nominal end-of-period stocks)

Chart 4 – Euro-denominated debt securities issued by euro area residents by sector of the issuer (annual percentage changes based on nominal end-of-period stocks)





Source: ECB Securities Issues Statistics.

Securities issues statistics and explanations are made available on the "Euro area securities issues statistics" page in the "Statistics" section on the ECB's website (http://www.ecb.int). The data can be downloaded as charts (pdf files) and as csv files and are updated monthly.

Table 1
Securities issued by euro area residents¹⁾
(EUR billions)

	Q4-2001		I-2001 Q1-2002		Q2-2002			Q3-2002			Sep.2002			Oct.2002			end-Oct.2001	end-Oct.2002	end-Sep.2002	end-Oct.2002		
	Issues	Issues Redemp- Net		Issues	Redemp-	Net	Issues	Redemp-	Net	Issues	Redemp-	Net	Issues	Redemp-	Net	Issues	Redemp-	Net	Amounts	Amounts	Annual percentage changes in	
		tions	issues		tions	issues		tions	issues		tions	issues		tions	issues		tions	issues	outstanding	outstanding	amounts o	outstanding 4)
Total	1,732.5	1,651.2	81.3	1,795.8	1,588.2	207.6	1,547.3	1,389.7	157.6	1,544.5	1,431.9	112.6	556.9	484.9	72.0	589.1	549.8	39.2	7,682.4	8,215.1	7.0	6.9
denominated in euro ²⁾	1,601.9	1,547.5	54.4	1,681.1	1,497.5	183.6	1,435.3	1,299.6	135.7	1,433.8	1,341.1	92.7	513.6	454.5	59.1	546.8	516.1	30.7	7,005.6	7,468.9	6.8	6.6
Short-term ³⁾ - of which	1,318.2	1,363.5	-45.3	1,313.7	1,266.0	47.7	1,139.3	1,127.4	11.9	1,202.9	1,170.1	32.8	414.8	400.2	14.6	467.4	457.3	10.2	744.5	802.6	6.7	7.8
denominated in euro ²⁾	1,247.9	1,291.9	-44.0	1,251.3	1,203.9	47.4	1,069.9	1,061.7	8.1	1,139.1	1,108.9	30.2	392.1	380.9	11.2	440.9	433.5	7.3	663.0	711.8	7.6	7.4
Long-term - of which	414.3	287.8	126.5	482.1	322.3	159.9	408.0	262.4	145.7	341.5	261.8	79.7	142.1	84.7	57.3	121.6	92.6	29.1	6,937.9	7,412.5	7.0	6.8
denominated in euro ²⁾	354.0	255.6	98.5	429.8	293.5	136.3	365.4	237.8	127.6	294.6	232.2	62.5	121.5	73.6	47.9	105.9	82.6	23.4	6,342.6	6,757.2	6.7	6.5

Source: ECB securities issues statistics

¹⁾ Data coverage for euro area residents is estimated at around 95% of total issuance.

²⁾ Including items expressed in the national denominations of the euro.

^{3) &}quot;Short-term" means securities with an original maturity of one year or less (in accordance with the ESA 95, in exceptional cases two years or less). Securities with a longer original maturity, or with optional maturity dates, the latest of which is more one year away, or with indefinite maturity dates, are classified as long-term.

⁴⁾ Rates of change are calculated from amounts outstanding and are not adjusted for revaluations, reclassifications or other changes which do not arise from transactions.

Table 2
Securities issued by euro area residents¹⁾ denominated in euro²⁾ by issuing sector³⁾

		Q4-2001			Q1-2002		Q2-2002			Q3-2002			Sep.2002			Oct.2002			end-Oct.2001	end-Oct.2002	end-Sep.2002	end-Oct.2002
	Issues	Redemp-	Net	Issues	Redemp-	Net	Issues	Redemp-	Net	Amounts	Amounts	Annual percent	age changes in									
		tions	issues		tions	issues		tions	issues	outstanding	outstanding	amounts ou	tstanding ⁴⁾									
Total	1,601.9	1,547.5	54.4	1,681.1	1,497.5	183.6	1,435.3	1,299.6	135.7	1,433.8	1,341.1	92.7	513.6	454.5	59.1	546.8	516.1	30.7	7,005.6	7,468.9	6.8	6.6
MFIs (including Eurosystem)	1,072.0	1,064.2	7.8	1,042.4	978.5	64.0	850.0	814.9	35.1	913.3	884.4	28.8	330.8	304.1	26.7	357.6	355.6	2.0	2,580.4	2,700.7	5.5	4.7
Short-term	922.4	935.0	-12.6	883.4	869.0	14.4	716.6	716.0	0.6	794.8	783.3	11.5	278.4	274.2	4.2	318.6	312.3	6.3	261.2	280.3	8.4	7.3
Long-term	149.6	129.2	20.4	159.0	109.5	49.5	133.4	98.8	34.6	118.4	101.1	17.3	52.4	29.9	22.5	39.0	43.3	-4.3	2,319.2	2,420.4	5.2	4.4
Non-MFI corporations of which issued by	304.5	247.3	57.2	250.9	224.0	26.9	250.2	225.2	25.0	217.8	192.8	25.1	74.7	61.9	12.8	77.3	71.8	5.5	769.5	897.6	17.7	16.7
Non-monetary financial corporations	68.1	20.0	48.1	36.2	19.6	16.6	50.0	24.3	25.7	32.1	16.4	15.8	13.6	5.3	8.4	11.9	5.7	6.3	331.6	434.0	33.1	30.9
Short-term	5.6	6.3	-0.7	6.9	6.1	0.9	7.1	7.5	-0.4	5.5	5.3	0.2	1.9	2.3	-0.4	2.2	2.0	0.2	3.8	4.2	-1.7	12.2
Long-term	62.5	13.7	48.8	29.3	13.6	15.7	42.9	16.7	26.1	26.6	11.1	15.5	11.7	3.0	8.7	9.8	3.6	6.1	327.9	429.7	33.6	31.1
Non-financial corporations	236.4	227.3	9.1	214.7	204.3	10.3	200.2	200.9	-0.7	185.7	176.4	9.3	61.1	56.7	4.4	65.4	66.1	-0.7	437.9	463.6	6.4	5.9
Short-term	204.9	215.8	-10.9	197.1	195.8	1.3	177.2	192.5	-15.2	173.3	167.6	5.7	56.8	55.6	1.2	64.7	63.9	0.8	110.6	88.7	-17.6	-19.8
Long-term	31.5	11.5	20.0	17.6	8.6	9.0	23.0	8.5	14.5	12.4	8.8	3.7	4.3	1.1	3.2	0.7	2.2	-1.5	327.3	375.0	14.1	14.6
General government of which issued by	225.4	236.0	-10.6	387.8	295.0	92.8	335.1	259.5	75.6	302.7	263.9	38.8	108.1	88.5	19.6	111.9	88.8	23.1	3,655.7	3,870.6	5.4	5.9
Central government	210.4	229.5	-19.1	372.6	286.1	86.5	315.0	251.7	63.3	283.4	255.6	27.8	103.5	84.9	18.6	105.2	86.1	19.1	3,524.8	3,702.3	4.5	5.0
Short-term	110.7	130.9	-20.2	158.3	126.6	31.6	163.3	139.8	23.5	159.5	146.3	13.2	53.0	46.2	6.9	53.1	53.4	-0.3	284.0	335.6	16.8	18.1
Long-term	99.7	98.6	1.1	214.3	159.5	54.8	151.7	111.9	39.8	123.8	109.3	14.5	50.4	38.7	11.7	52.1	32.7	19.4	3,240.8	3,366.7	3.4	3.9
Other general government	15.0	6.5	8.5	15.2	8.9	6.3	20.0	7.8	12.3	19.3	8.3	11.1	4.6	3.5	1.0	6.7	2.7	4.0	130.9	168.3	30.3	28.6
Short-term	4.3	3.8	0.4	5.7	6.5	-0.9	5.6	5.9	-0.3	6.0	6.4	-0.4	2.0	2.7	-0.7	2.3	2.0	0.3	3.4	3.0	-29.0	-11.8
Long-term	10.7	2.6	8.1	9.6	2.4	7.1	14.4	1.9	12.5	13.3	1.9	11.5	2.6	0.9	1.7	4.4	0.7	3.7	127.5	165.4	32.1	29.7

Source: ECB securities issues statistics

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