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FOREWORD



FOREWORD

The Statistical Bulletin – Monetary and Financial Statistics is a quarterly publication issued by the Statistics Department of Národná banka Slovenska.

The present issue is based on preliminary data as at June 2017. The publication is based on statistical data which are the main source for compilation of the European Central Bank's euro area statistics, of the International Monetary Fund's and Eurostat's statistics, and for monetary and financial stability analyses at the national level.

The Thematic chapter following the Foreword is devoted to a selected area of statistics. The theme selected for the second quarter of 2017 is interest rates on pure new loans and renegotiated loans.

The last chapter is summarising the methodological notes to the individual areas of statistics under analysis.

Main goal of the Bulletin is to improve the presentation of monthly and quarterly data published on the website of Národná banka Slovenska and to provide users with more comprehensive data

on monetary and financial statistics. The Bulletin presents the available aggregated data compiled according to the ECB's methodology and detailed national data presented in the form of tables, charts and commentaries.

The information published in the Bulletin comprises data that are processed and reported by domestic financial institutions, specifically by banks and branches of foreign banks, collective investment undertakings, securities and derivatives dealers, leasing companies, factoring companies, and consumer credit companies.

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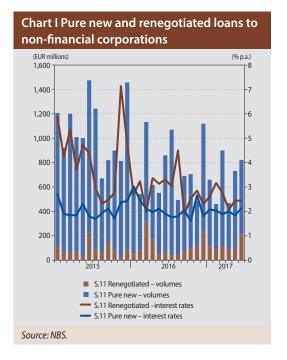


INTEREST RATES ON PURE NEW LOANS AND RENEGOTIATED LOANS

The Statistics Department of Národná banka Slovenska regularly publishes data on new euro-denominated loans provided in a given month and on the level of agreed average interest rates.1 New loans comprise all those credit agreements between customers and banks which first determine the interest rate for the agreed business and also all new renegotiations of existing agreements (hereinafter 'renegotiated loans'2). Renegotiated loans include loans taken out with the active involvement of the customer and with the terms and conditions being changed in a way that affects the interest rates. The purpose of reporting renegotiated loans (since January 2015) is to distinguish "pure new loans" in the sense of gross "fresh money" arriving on the credit market from renegotiated loans where no new money is arriving on the credit market. Both types of loan are new business, but a clear distinction needs to be drawn between the two within interest rate statistics. This distinction is also very important for the users, since the data on pure new loans - calculated as the difference between the total new business volumes and the amount of renegotiations - offer a measure of the gross flow of new credit which serves to assess the MFIs' credit market stance.3

The following four charts compare various combinations of lending volumes and rates (average agreed rates) of pure new loans and renegotiated loans in the sectors of non-financial corporations (S.11) and households (S.14+S.15)

In the NFC sector the volume of pure new loans far exceeds that of renegotiated loans, accounting for, on average, 87.1% of all new loans provided between January 2015 and June 2017. Renegotiated loans made up, on average, 12.9% of all new loans, and their share of the total volume of new loans provided per month was highest in March 2016, at 27.8%. The average per annum interest rate on pure new loans



to NFCs was 2.06%, and on renegotiated loans to NFCs it was 3.36%.

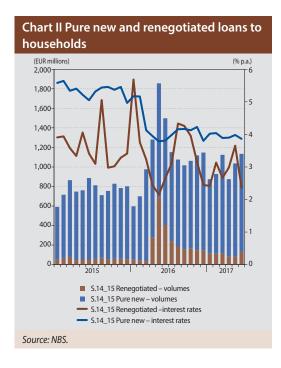
As for lending to the household sector (S.14+S.15), the average interest rate on pure new loans is higher than the average rate on renegotiated loans. Pure new household loans attracted an average interest of 4.61% p.a. over period under review, which was twice as high as the average rate on pure new loans to NFCs. The average interest rate on renegotiated household loans was only 3.38% p.a. The share of renegotiated loans in total new loans to households was similar to that in total new loans to NFCs. Over the period under review, the average share of renegotiated loans in total new loans provided per month was 11.76%, with the highest share occurring in May 2016 (37.2%). In the NFC sector, the absolute difference between the average interest rates on pure new loans and renegotiated loans was 1.3 percentage points, while in the household sector it was marginally lower, at 1.23 percentage points. The coefficient

- 1 The data are published in the section New loans provided in the current month and their average interest rates: http://www.nbs.sk/sk/statisticke-udaje/financne-institucie/banky/statisticke-udaje-penaznych-financnych-institucii/uvery
- 2 The data may be found in the European Central Bank's Statistical Data Warehouse (SDW ECB) at: https://sdw.ecb.europa.eu/browseSelection.do?df=true&ec=&dc=&oc=&pb=&rc=&DATASET=0&removeltem=&removedItemList=&activeTab=&REF_AREA=282&IR_BUS_COV=R&node=1513&legendRef=reference&legendPub=published&legendNor=
- 3 Further details may be found in section 5.5 (page 63) of the ECB's Manual on MFI interest rate statistics (https://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/manualonmfiinterestratestatistics_201701.en.pdf?3d899b3c2934dab0196e6fbc3d38f984).

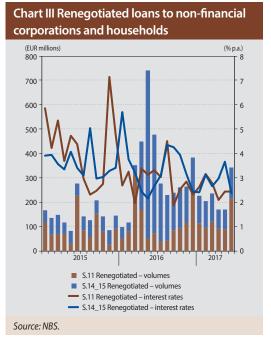




of correlation⁴, used in measuring the correlation of two variables, was 0.489 for loans to households. This value compares the correlation between two interest rates in the selected time series and is the highest of all the comparisons in this section.



Of the total volume of renegotiated loans to households and NFCs, household loans accounted for 51.2% and NFCs loans for 48.8% during the period under review. The average interest rate on NFC loans was lower than the average rate on household loan, albeit by an insignificant margin. For renegotiated NFC loans, the average interest rate was 3.36 p.a., while for household loans it was a mere 0.016 percentage point higher (3.38% p.a.). The difference between the average rates was very low and the coefficient of correlation between these rates, at 0.122, represented an almost zero correlation of the time series under review (the lowest coefficient among all the comparisons in this section).

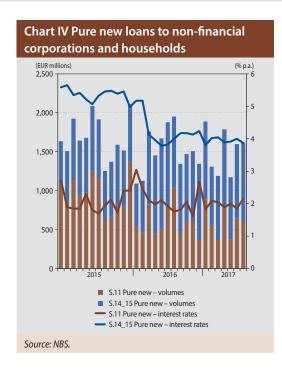


The average interest rate on pure new loans over the time series was higher for loans to households than for loans to NFCs. The average absolute difference between the interest rates was as high as 2.55 percentage points, but the time series are more consistent and do not overlap. In volume terms, too, the share of household loans in the total volume of pure new loans was greater (53.5%) than the share of NFC loans (46.5%).

⁴ Measured according to a Pearson coefficient of correlation between two variables that may take values of between -1 and +1 (-1 denotes a reverse correlation, 0 denotes zero correlation, and +1 denotes the highest correlation).



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The four comparisons show that the highest average interest rate during the period under review was the average rate on pure new loans to households (4.61% p.a.), which had an average total volume of €828 million. Pure new loans to NFCs were charged the lowest average interest rate (2.06% p.a.), and their average total volume stood at €749 million. The average interest rate on renegotiated loans to households was (3.38%), just 0.016 percentage point higher than the average rate on renegotiated loans to NFCs (3.36% p.a.). The average total volume of renegotiated loans was lower than the average total volume of pure new loans, with the average volumes of renegotiated household loans and NFCs loans standing at, respectively, €128 million and €104 million.





STRUCTURE OF THE FINANCIAL MARKET IN SLOVAKIA



1 STRUCTURE OF THE FINANCIAL MARKET IN SLOVAKIA

1.1 OVERVIEW OF PARTICIPANTS

The composition of financial market participants underwent a few minor changes in the second quarter of 2017. In subsector S.124, the number of investment funds was increased by the establishment of the KLM real estate fund, managed by Prvá penzijná správcovská spoločnosť Poštovej banky správ. spol., a.s., and by the es-

tablishment of the VÚB AM MAGNIFICA EDÍCIA III mixed fund, managed by VÚB Asset Management správ. spol., a.s. The number of banks and foreign bank branches operating in Slovakia did not change in the second quarter. The most recent change in their number occurred in the third quarter of 2016, when a new foreign bank branch, BNP Paribas Personal Finance SA, pobočka zahraničnej banky, was established.

| | VI. 2016 | IX. 2016 | XII. 2016 | III. 2017 | VI. 2017 |
|--|----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Monetary financial institutions (S.121 + S.122 + S.123) | 29 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| Central bank (S.121) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Deposit taking corporations excl. central bank (S.122) | 27 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 |
| Banks | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| Branches of foreign banks | 13 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 |
| Credit cooperatives | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Building societies | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Money Market Funds (S.123) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Investment Funds (S.124) | 88 | 88 | 86 | 85 | 87 |
| Equity funds | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| Bond funds | 22 | 22 | 22 | 21 | 21 |
| Mixed funds | 34 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 37 |
| Real estate funds | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Other funds | 16 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 12 |
| Other financial intermediaries (S.125) | 241 | 238 | 238 | 247 | 247 |
| Leasing companies (financial leasing) | 74 | <i>7</i> 3 | 73 | <i>7</i> 3 | <i>7</i> 3 |
| Consumer credit companies | 153 | 152 | 152 | 157 | 157 |
| Factoring companies | 14 | 13 | 13 | 17 | 17 |
| Financial auxiliaries (S.126) | 31 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 32 |
| Asset Managment Companies | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Pension Savings Companies | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Supplementary Pension Asset Management Companies | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Securities and derivatives dealers ¹⁾ | 15 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| Insurance corporations and pension funds (S.128 + S.129) | 53 | 53 | 52 | 52 | 52 |
| Insurance corporations | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Pension funds | 37 | 37 | 36 | 36 | 36 |

Source: NBS

¹⁾ Securities and derivatives dealers that hold a licence under Act No 566/2001 Coll., except for banks, branches of foreign banks, asset management companies, and branches of foreign asset management companies; and that according to its licence make business on their own account.

CHAPTER 1

| Table 2 Total assets of individual sectors of the financial market in Slovakia (EUR millions) | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|--|--|--|
| | VI. 2016 | IX. 2016 | XII. 2016 | III. 2017 | VI. 2017 | | | |
| Monetary financial institutions (S.121 + S.122) | 91,160 | 93,945 | 96,183 | 98,686 | 100,735, | | | |
| Central bank (S.121) | 20,436 | 21,962 | 23,076 | 24,173 | 25,323 | | | |
| Deposit taking corporations excl. the central bank (S.122) | 70,724 | 71,983 | 73,107 | 74,513 | 75,412 | | | |
| Money Market Funds (S.123) | 46 | 38 | 35 | 34 | 33 | | | |
| Investment funds (S.124) | 5,660 | 5,802 | 5,954 | 6,091 | 6,259 | | | |
| Other financial intermediaries (S.125) | 6,471 | 6,229 | 6,227 | 6,544 | 6,737 | | | |
| Leasing companies (financial leasing) | 4,248 | 4,143 | 4,209 | 4,277 | 4,410 | | | |
| Consumer credit companies | 2,128 | 2,003 | 1,929 | 2,035 | 2,068 | | | |
| Factoring companies | 95 | 83 | 89 | 232 | 259 | | | |
| Financial auxiliaries (S.126) | 257 | 268 | 270 | 281 | 275 | | | |
| Insurance corporations and pension funds (S.128 + S.129) | 15,251 | 15,209 | 15,426 | 15,725 | 15,887 | | | |
| Insurance corporations1) | 6,954 | 6,673 | 6,726 | 6,791 | 6,772 | | | |
| Pension funds | 8,297 | 8,536 | 8,700 | 8,934 | 9,115 | | | |

Source: NBS.

1.2 EMPLOYEES IN THE BANKING SECTOR

The total number of employees in the banking sector fell only slightly in the second quarter of 2017. The number of employees at 30 June 2017 was lower by 125 (0.6%) compared with the number at 31 March 2017 and totalled 20,264. In year-on-year terms the number of people employed in the banking sector decreased by 268, or 1.3%, from 20,532 at 30 June 2016.

The long-term trend in banking sector employment has been affected by several fac-

tors. The entry of a new foreign bank branch into the market from 1 July 2016 contributed to employment growth in the sector. It should also be noted that employment at the central bank, Národná banka Slovenska (NBS) has undergone an unusually prolonged increase owing mainly to recruitment at the Financial Consumer Protection Department (following the Slovak Government's approval of a Financial Consumer Protection Plan that among other things required the establishment of a single contact point for customers of all financial institutions).

| Table 3 Number of employees in the banking sector | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | 2015 2016 | | | | | 2017 | | |
| | 30.6. | 30.9. | 31.12. | 31.3. | 30.6. | 31.3. | 30.6. | | |
| Banking sector | 19,805 | 19,931 | 19,953 | 20,039 | 20,532 | 20,791 | 20,863 | 20,389 | 20,264 |
| Central bank | 1,049 | 1,056 | 1,053 | 1,055 | 1,063 | 1,072 | 1,075 | 1,094 | 1,102 |
| Banks and branches of foreign banks | 18,756 | 18,875 | 18,900 | 18,984 | 19,469 | 19,719 | 19788 | 19295 | 19,162 |
| of which: Banks | 16,894 | 16,960 | 16,973 | 17,011 | 17,470 | 17,470 | 17,538 | 17,474 | 17,359 |
| Branches of foreign banks | 1,862 | 1,915 | 1,927 | 1,973 | 1,999 | 2,249 | 2,250 | 1,821 | 1,803 |
| Source: NBS. | | | | | | | | | |

¹⁾ Slovak Insurers' bureau (SIB) has been established by virtue of the Act No. 381/2001 on Compulsory MTPL Insurance and on changes in, and amendments to, some laws.



1.3 STRUCTURE OF SHARE CAPITAL IN THE BANKING SECTOR

The ratio of domestic share capital to total subscribed share capital in the banking sector fell slightly, year on year, in the quarter under review, from 5.97% at 30 June 2016 to 5.61% at 30 June 2017.

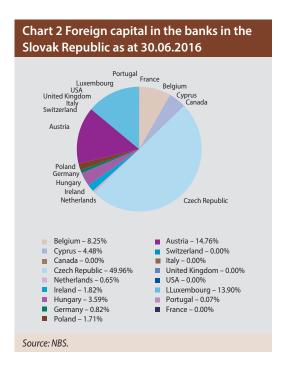
Of the 28 credit institutions operating in Slovakia, domestic share capital was part of the subscribed capital of nine domestic credit institutions, with two banks (ČSOB stavebná sporiteľňa, a.s., and Slovenská záručná a rozvojová banka, a.s.) having a 100% share of domestic capital.

The ratio of foreign share capital to total subscribed capital in domestic banks increased, year on year, from 94.03% at 30 June 2016 to 94.39% at 30 June 2017.

During the same period, the volume of foreign share capital increased in absolute terms by €284.86 million (in relative terms by 9.47%).

This growth was accounted for largely by foreign capital from the Czech Republic and Cyprus. Czech-held capital of Slovak banks increased from 49.96% of the total at 30 June 2016 to 52.56% at the end of June 2017 (or by €228 million in absolute terms), while Cypriotheld capital increased from 4.48% to 5.94% (or by €60.6 million). The growth in Czech and Cypriot holdings in domestic banks reflected capital injections into, respectively, Komerční banka, a.s., and Sberbank Slovensko, a.s.









STATISTICS OF OTHER MONETARY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS



2 STATISTICS OF OTHER MONETARY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

2.1 BALANCE SHEET STATISTICS OF CREDIT INSTITUTIONS: ASSETS

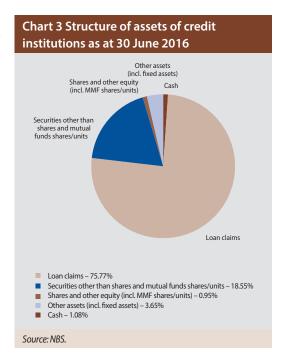
The total assets of banks and foreign bank branches operating in Slovakia, excluding NBS (hereinafter,credit institutions') amounted to €75.4 billion at 30 June 2017, which in year-on-year terms represented an increase of €4.7 billion (6.6%) that stemmed mainly from an increase in the outstanding amount of credit claims.

Credit institutions' credit claims constituted 79.6% of their total assets at 30 June 2017, which in year-on-year terms represented an increase of 3.8 percentage points and reflected an absolute increase of \in 6.4 billion (12%). The largest contribution to that rise was from credit claims with a maturity of over five years, which increased by \in 4 billion. Credit claims with a maturity of up to one year increased by almost \in 1.3 billion and credit claims with a maturity of over one year and up to five years increased by \in 0.9 billion.

Credit institutions' holdings of securities other than equity and investment fund shares/units constituted 14.9% of their total assets at 30 June 2017, which in year-on-year terms represented a decline of 3.6 percentage points and reflected an absolute decrease of €1.9 billion (14.1%), accounted for largely by a fall of €2.2 billion in the stock of securities with a maturity of over two years.

Credit institutions' holdings of shares and other equity constituted 0.9% of their total assets at 30 June 2017, which in year-on-year terms represented a slight decline and reflected an absolute decrease of €0.05 billion (7.8%).

Credit institutions' other assets (including fixed assets) constituted 3.7% of their total assets at 31 March 2017, which in year-on-year terms represented a modest increase of 0.01 percentage point and an absolute increase of €0.2 billion (7%).



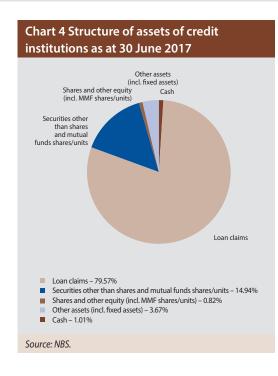
| Table 4 Structure of assets of credit institutions in the SR (EUR thousands) | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| | VI. 2016 IX. 2016 XII. 2016 III. 2017 VI. 2 | | | | | | | | |
| ASSETS | 70,724,018 | 71,983,677 | 73,109,939 | 74,512,959 | 75,411,548 | | | | |
| Cash | 762,301 | 751,241 | 856,111 | 734,365 | 764,969 | | | | |
| Loan claims | 53,590,742 | 54,724,212 | 56,429,602 | 58,570,148 | 60,002,151 | | | | |
| Securities other than shares and mutual funds shares/units | 13,118,790 | 13,192,276 | 12,611,036 | 11,838,586 | 11,263,531 | | | | |
| Shares and other equity (incl. MMF shares/units | 669,492 | 659,908 | 621,580 | 625,014 | 617,011 | | | | |
| Other assets (incl. fixed assets) | 2,582,693 | 2,656,040 | 2,591,610 | 2,744,846 | 2,763,886 | | | | |
| Source: NRS | | | | | | | | | |

Source: NBS

 $^{1) \,} Loan \, claims - including \, bank's \, deposits \, with \, other \, entities \, and \, non-tradable \, securities.$

²⁾ Assets excluding depreciation and including provisions.





on year, by 7% (or €3.9 billion) owing mainly to an increase in the stock of loans and deposits with a maturity of up to one year.

Credit institutions' capital and provisions con-

point higher, year on year, at 30 June 2017. The

stock of these loans and deposits increased, year

stituted 12.7% of their total liabilities at 30 June 2017, which was unchanged year on year and reflected a moderate absolute increase of €0.6 billion.

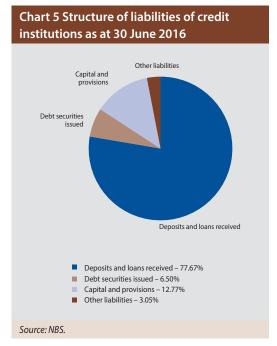
Credit institutions' debt securities constituted 6.8% of their total liabilities at 30 June 2017, which in year-on-year terms represented an increase of 0.3 percentage point. The stock of these securities amounted to €5.1 billion, representing a year-on-year increase of 11.5% (or €0.5 billion) that stemmed mainly from an in-

Credit institutions' cash holdings constituted 1% of their total assets at 31 March 2017, which in year-on-year terms represented a slight decline and reflected an absolute increase of 0.4% (€0.002 billion).

2.2 BALANCE SHEET STATISTICS OF CREDIT INSTITUTIONS: LIABILITIES

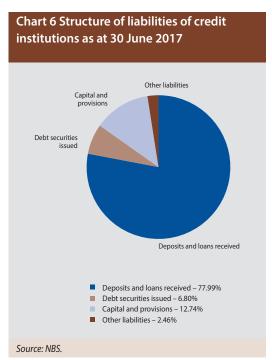
Credit institutions' total liabilities amounted to €75.4 billion at 30 June 2017, which in year-on-year terms was higher by 6.6% (or €4.7 billion) owing mainly to an increase in the stock of loans and deposits received.

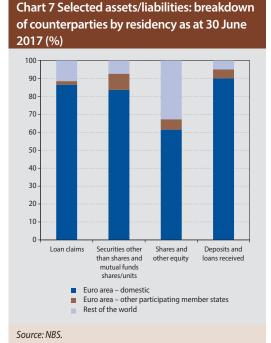
Credit institutions' largest liability item – loans and deposits received – was 0.3 percentage



| Table 5 Structure of liabilities of credit institutions in SR (EUR thousands) | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| | VI. 2016 | IX. 2016 | XII. 2016 | III. 2017 | VI. 2017 | | | | |
| LIABILITIES | 70,724,018 | 71,983,677 | 73,109,939 | 74,512,959 | 75,411,548 | | | | |
| Deposits and loans received | 54,933,896 | 56,162,680 | 57,096,555 | 57,997,978 | 58,812,730 | | | | |
| Debt securities issued | 4,599,044 | 4,515,004 | 4,606,968 | 4,851,572 | 5,129,707 | | | | |
| Capital and provisions | 9,032,034 | 9,339,650 | 9,659,582 | 9,779,325 | 9,610,782 | | | | |
| Other liabilities | 2,159,044 | 1,966,343 | 1,746,834 | 1,884,084 | 1,858,329 | | | | |
| Source: NBS. | | | | | | | | | |







crease in debt securities with a maturity of over two years.

Credit institutions' other liabilities constituted 2.5% of their total liabilities at 30 June 2017, which in year-on-year terms represented a decrease of 14% (€0.3 billion).

2.3 SELECTED ASSET AND LIABILITIES ITEMS BY RESIDENCY OF COUNTERPARTY

Credit institutions' total credit claims amounted to €60 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 86.5% (€49.9 billion) were claims on domestic entities, 2% (€1.2 billion) on entities in other euro area countries and 11.6% (€6.9 billion) on entities in the rest of the world.

Credit institutions' total holdings of securities other than equity and investment fund shares/ units amounted to €11.3 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 83.5% (€9.4 billion) were issued by domestic issuers, 9.1% (€1.3 billion) by issuers from other euro area countries, and 7.4% (€0.6 billion) by issuers from the rest of the world.

Credit institutions' total holdings of shares and other equity amounted to €0.62 billion, of which (61.4% or €0.4 billion) were domestic securities and participations, 5.8% were equity securities issued by issuers from other euro area countries and 32.8% were equity securities from the rest of the world.

Loans and deposits received by credit institutions amounted to \leq 58.8 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 90% (52.9 billion) were received from domestic entities, 5% (\leq 2.9 billion) from entities in other euro area countries, and 5% (\leq 2.9 billion) from the rest of the world.

2.4 SELECTED ASSET AND LIABILITY ITEMS BY SECTOR OF COUNTERPARTY

Credit institutions' total domestic credit claims amounted to €51.8 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 95.5% (€49.5 billion) were claims on sectors other than MFIs and general government, mainly on households, non-profit institutions serving households, and non-financial corporations.





Claims on domestic MFIs accounted for 2.9% (€1.5 billion) and claims on the general government sector for 1.6% (€0.8 billion).

Credit institutions' total holdings of domestic securities other than equity and investment fund shares/units amounted to €9.4 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 87.5% (€8.2 billion) were issued by general government, 8.9% by domestic MFIs, and 3.6% by other domestic sectors.

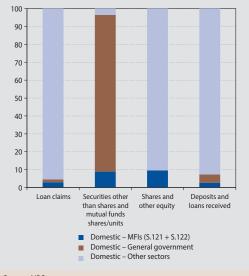
Credit institutions' total holdings of domestic shares and other equity participations (including investment fund shares/units) amounted to approximately €0.4 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 9.5% were equity securities issued by domestic MFIs and 91% were securities issued by other sectors.

The total stock of loans and deposits received by credit institutions amounted to €52.9 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 4.6% were received from domestic general government, 2.7% from domestic MFIs, and the vast majority, 92.8%, from other sectors, mostly households.

Credit institutions' total claims on residents of **other euro area countries** amounted to €1.2 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 56.7% (€0.7 billion) were claims on sectors other than the general government and MFI sectors and 43.3% were on the MFI sector.

Credit institutions' total holdings of securities issued by issuers from other euro area countries, excluding equity and investment fund shares/units, amounted to €1 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 83% (€0.85 billion) were issued by general government, 8.1% (€0.08 billion) by MFIs and 8.7% by other sectors.

Chart 8 Selected assets/liabilities: sectoral breakdown of domestic counterparty as at 30 June 2017 (%)



Source: NBS.

1) Monetary financial institutions – MFIs (S.121 + S.122). 2) Other sectors = Other financial intermediaries and Financial auxiliaries (S.123 and S.124) + Insurance corporations and Pension funds (S.125) + Non-financial corporations (S.11) + Households and Non-profit institutions serving households (S.14 and S.15).

Credit institutions' total holdings of shares and other equity issued by issuers from other euro area countries amounted to €0.04 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 92.3% were equity securities issued by sectors other than MFIs and 7.7% were equity securities issued by MFIs.

Loans and deposits received by credit institutions from residents of other euro area countries amounted to €3 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 65.4% (€1.9 billion) were loans and deposits received from MFIs and 34.6% (€1.2 billion) were deposits received from other sectors.

Credit institutions' total claims on **the rest of the world** amounted to €6.9 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 75.4% (€5.2 billion) were on MFIs and 24.6% (€1.7 billion) were on other sectors.





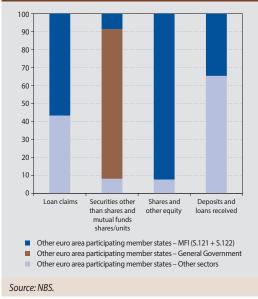
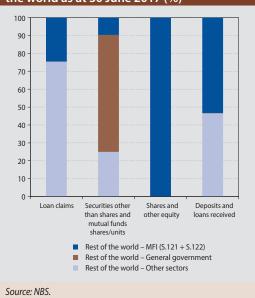


Chart 10 Selected assets/liabilities: sectoral breakdown of counterparty from the rest of the world as at 30 June 2017 (%)



Credit institutions' holdings of securities issued by the rest of the world, excluding equity and investment fund shares/units, amounted to €0.8 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 65.4% (€0.5 billion) were issued by general government, 24.9% by MFIs and 9.7% by other sectors.

Credit institutions' holdings of shares and other equity issued by the rest of the world amounted to €0.2 billion at 30 June 2017, all of which were issued by sectors other than the MFI and general government sectors.

The stock of loans and deposits received by credit institutions amounted to €2.9 billion at 30 June 2017, of which 53.4% (€1.6 billion) were received from sectors other than MFIs and 46.5% (€1.4 billion) from MFIs. The amount received from general government was negligible.

2.5 ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF CREDIT INSTITUTIONS: YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGES

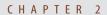
The total **assets of credit institutions** showed a year-on-year increase at the end of each quar-

ter from 30 June 2016 to 30 June 2017, the largest being an increase of 7.6% (almost €5 billion) at 30 June 2016.

Over the period under review, credit institutions' total credit claims recorded their largest year-on-year change at 30 June 2017. This was an increase of 12% or €6.4 billion, of which claims with a maturity of over five years accounted for €4 billion and claims with shorter maturities for €2.4 billion.

Credit institutions' total holdings of securities other than equity and investment fund shares/ units recorded their most pronounced year-on-year change at 30 June 2017, falling by 14.1% or €1.9 billion.

Credit institutions' total holdings of shares and other equity participations (including investment fund shares/units) were relatively low at the end of each quarter under review. Their highest level (€0.66 billion) was recorded at 30 September 2017 and their largest year-on-year change (an increase of 13.8% or €0.1 billion) at 31 March 2017.





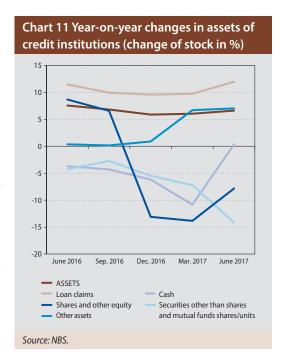
| Table 6 Year-on-year changes in | | IV 2016 | VII 2016 | III 2047 | VII 2017 |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | VI. 2016 | IX. 2016 | XII. 2016 | III. 2017 | VI. 2017 |
| ASSETS | 7.56 | 6.82 | 5.89 | 6.05 | 6.63 |
| Cash | -3.72 | -4.29 | -6.18 | -10.84 | 0.35 |
| Loan claims | 11.48 | 9.96 | 9.56 | 9.72 | 11.96 |
| Loan claims – up to 1 year | 16.10 | 3.08 | 1.48 | 1.28 | 9.70 |
| Loan claims – over 1 and up to 5 years | -1.25 | 10.93 | 16.23 | 14.77 | 18.38 |
| Loan claims – over 5 years | 12.11 | 12.60 | 11.74 | 12.52 | 11.80 |
| Securities other than shares and mutual funds shares/units | -4.26 | -2.74 | -5.48 | -7.21 | -14.14 |
| Securities other than shares and mutual funds shares/units up to 1 year | -13.85 | -9.91 | 65.50 | 110.10 | 247.08 |
| Securities other than shares and mutual funds shares/units over 1 and up to 2 years | -74.64 | -57.32 | 4.78 | -6.55 | 835.20 |
| Securities other than shares and mutual funds shares/units over 2 years | -4.01 | -2.58 | -6.05 | -9.06 | -17.01 |
| Shares and other equity | 8.67 | 6.57 | -13.11 | -13.84 | -7.84 |
| Other assets | 0.34 | 0.14 | 0.88 | 6.70 | 7.02 |
| Source: NBS. | | | | | |

Credit institutions' other assets (including fixed assets) recorded their largest year-on-year change at 30 June 2017, increasing by 7% (€0.18 billion).

Credit institutions' total cash holdings recorded their largest year-on-year change at 31 March 2017, decreasing by 10.8% (€0.09).

The total **liabilities of credit institutions** showed a year-on-year increase at the end of each quarter from 30 June 2016 to 30 June 2017, the largest being an increase of 7.6% (€5 billion) at 30 June 2016.

That increase reflected mainly an increase of 8.7% (€4.4 billion) in the stock of loans and deposits received by credit institutions, including an increase of €4 billion in loans and deposits with a maturity of up to one year and an increase of €0.4 billion in those with a maturity of over one year.



Over the period under review, credit institutions' total debt securities also recorded their largest year-on-year change at 30 June 2016. This was

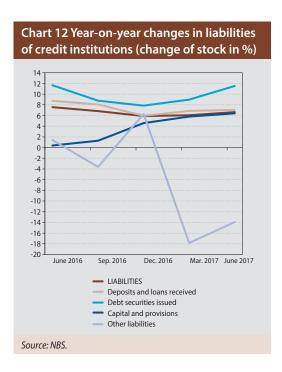


| Table 7 Year-on-year changes in liabilit | Table 7 Year-on-year changes in liabilities of credit institutions (in thousands EUR) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| | VI. 2016 | IX. 2016 | XII. 2016 | III. 2017 | VI. 2017 | | | | |
| LIABILITIES | 7.56 | 6.82 | 5.89 | 6.05 | 6.63 | | | | |
| Deposits and loans received | 8.75 | 8.06 | 5.94 | 6.87 | 7.06 | | | | |
| Deposits and loans received up to 1 year | 9.96 | 9.73 | 7.12 | 7.63 | 7.37 | | | | |
| Deposits and loans received over 1 year | 3.89 | 1.31 | 0.99 | 3.68 | 5.74 | | | | |
| Debt securities issued | 11.66 | 8.78 | 7.84 | 8.97 | 11.54 | | | | |
| Debt securities issued up to 1 year | 611.75 | 521.96 | -3.41 | -8.40 | -23.68 | | | | |
| Debt securities issued over 1 and up to 2 years | 65.18 | 53.49 | 47.29 | -14.45 | 89.32 | | | | |
| Debt securities issued over 2 years | 8.38 | 5.75 | 7.57 | 9.89 | 11.00 | | | | |
| Capital and provisions | 0.39 | 1.27 | 4.58 | 5.79 | 6.41 | | | | |
| Other liabilities | 1.41 | -3.62 | 6.28 | -17.82 | -13.93 | | | | |
| Source: NBS. | | | | | | | | | |

an increase of 11.7% (€0.5 billion) that stemmed mainly from an increase in the amount of securities with a maturity of over two years.

Credit institutions' total capital and provisions recorded its most pronounced year-on-year change at 30 June 2017, increasing by 6.41% (€0.58 billion).

Credit institution's other liabilities recorded their largest year-on-year change at 31 March 2017, decreasing by ≤ 0.4 billion.



2.6 PROFIT/LOSS ANALYSIS FOR CREDIT INSTITUTIONS

2.6.1 CURRENT PERIOD PROFIT/ LOSS IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2017

According to the currently available data, the banking sector's profit for the first two quarters of 2017 amounted to almost €350 million, representing a year-on-year decline of 17.9% and its fourth highest first-half profit since 2009.

All income items other than gains on foreign exchange transactions contributed to the year-on-year drop in the first-half profit. Net interest income had a negative impact of 4.9 percentage points, and income from other transactions made a slightly negative contribution.

The year-on-year decline in net interest income in the first half of 2017 continued a trend going back to the second quarter of 2015. That trend was caused mainly by decreases in interest income from securities and in other interest income. The continuing downward trends in interest expenses on securities and in other interest expenses were not sufficient to offset the declines in the corresponding income items.



General operating expenses increased in the first half of 2017 and had a negative impact on the banking sector's net profit growth (amounting to 2.4 percentage points). The year-on-year difference in the net creation of reserves and provisions was around 25% less negative compared with a year earlier, and its negative impact

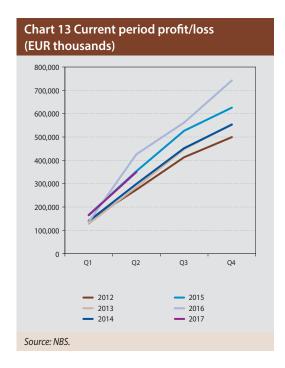
on the sector's net profit amounted to 14.8% percentage points.

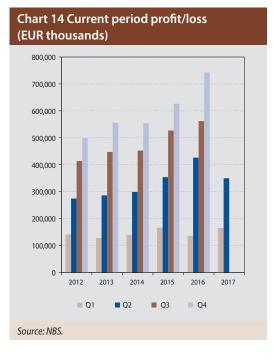
Total loan-loss provisions at 30 June 2017 were 6.1% higher, year on year, while the stock of provisioned customer loans had increased by 12.7%. Euro-denominated claims constituted more than 98% of all credit claims, and euro-denominated claims on euro area residents made up slightly less than 95%.

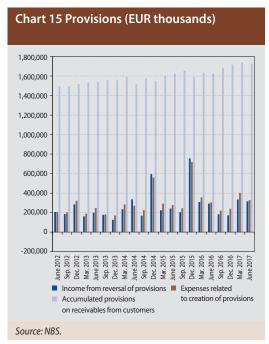
The overall loan-loss provision ratio in the banking sector was 3.3% at 30 June 2017, maintaining the moderate upward trend it had followed since its historical high in 2010.

Provisioning expenses at 30 June 2017 were higher, year on year, by almost 10%, and income from the reversal of provisions had increased by 8.5%.

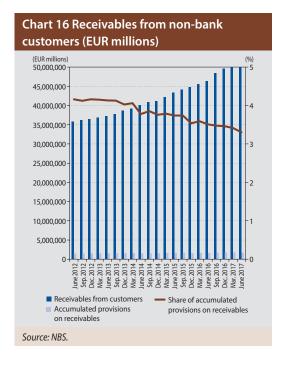
Expenses related to the assignment of claims on non-bank customers exceeded income from the same by almost €28 million in the first half of 2017, and claim write-offs produced a net loss of €13 million.

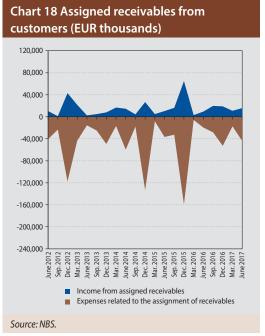


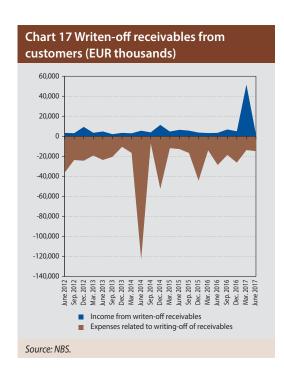












2.6.2 SELECTED INCOME/EXPENSE ITEMS AS REFLECTED IN PROFITS/LOSSES

In this section, selected income and expense items related to the main activities of credit institutions are compared with the profit or loss made.

In the second quarter of 2017, according to available data, total interest income from securities continued to fall year on year, by 20.4%. For the whole of 2016, this income fell by 10.1% year on year. Interest expenses on securities decreased, year on year, by 16.4% in the quarter under review. They had previously declined also in 2016 and 2015, by 1.2% and 21%, respectively.

Other interest income declined in the second quarter of 2017, by 2.5% year on year, thus continuing a negative trend that began in the first quarter of 2015. For comparison, other interest income showed a year-on-year increase at the end of each quarter of 2014.

One of the main contributors to the banking sector's net profit growth in the second quarter of 2017 was gains on foreign exchange transactions, which increased by 486% year on year and



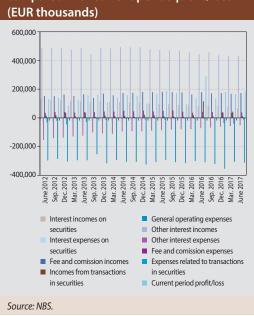
contributed 28.4 percentage points to net profit growth.

After increasing year on year in the first quarter of 2017, income from fees and commission returned to its downward trend in the second quarter.

General operating expenses rose slightly in the second quarter of 2017, by 1.23% year on year.

The banking sector's total net profit for the second quarter of 2017 was 36.2% higher than the figure for the same period of 2016, at almost €185 million.

Chart 19 Selected incomes and expenses compared with current period profit/loss (EUR thousands)



2.7 LENDING TO NON-FINANCIAL CORPORATIONS AND HOUSEHOLDS

2.7.1 Loans to non-financial corporations by MATURITY

The stock of loans to non-financial corporations (NFCs) increased in the second quarter of 2017, thus maintaining its upward trend of previous periods. The stock of short-term loans has been increasing, year on year, since the fourth quarter of 2016 and its growth rate in the period under review was 10.8%. The annual rate of change in the stock of loans with a maturity of over one year and up to five years accelerated to 16.4% in the second quarter of 2017, while the rate for long-term loans slowed to 6.5%.

Chart 20 Selected incomes and expenses compared with current period profit/loss (EUR thousands)

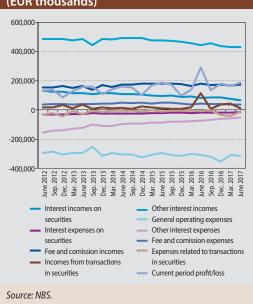
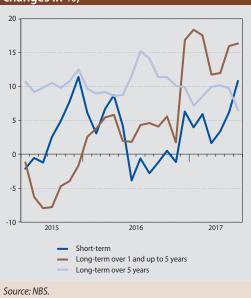
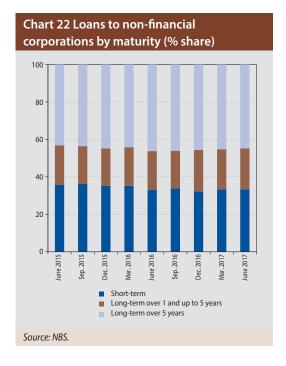
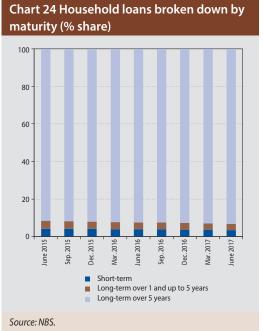


Chart 21 Loans to non-financial corporations by maturity (year-on-year changes in %)







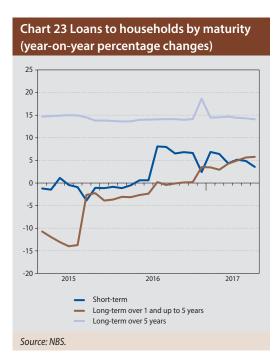


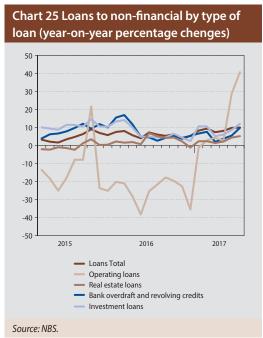
2.7.2 LOANS TO HOUSEHOLDS BY MATURITY

The stock of loans to households increased in the second quarter of 2017 by 13.4% year on year. Long-term loans with a maturity of over five years increased the most, by 14.1%, while the growth rate for loans with a maturity of over one year and up to five years remained steady at 5.8% and the rate for short-term loans slowed to 3.6% (from 4.9% in the previous quarter).

2.7.3 LOANS TO NON-FINANCIAL CORPORATIONS BY TYPE OF LOAN

The stock of NFC loans provided by banks in Slovakia has been rising continuously, year on year, since April 2015 and, as noted above, its



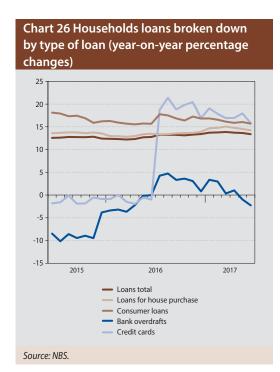




growth rate in the second quarter of 2017 was more than 10%. The annual rate of change in the stock of loans at 30 June 2017 was as follows for different types of NFC loan: 40.7% for operating loans (up from 29% at the end of the first quarter); 12.1% for investment loans (also an increase); 9.8% for overdrafts and deposits (up from 4.8% at 30 June 2016), and 5.2% for real estate loans (up from 0.7% at 30 June 2016).

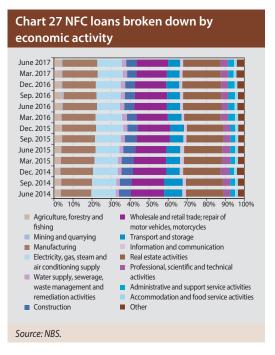
2.7.4 LOANS TO HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE OF LOAN

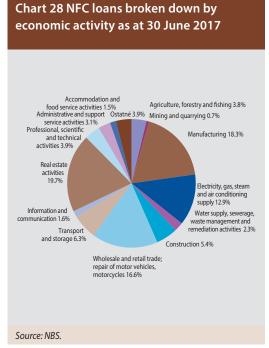
The annual rate of change in the stock of loans at 30 June 2017 was as follows for different types of household loans: 14.2% for housing loans; 15.7% for consumer loans; 15.8% for credit card loans, and -2.3% for current account overdrafts.



2.7.5 LOANS TO NON-FINANCIAL CORPORATIONS BY ECONOMIC SECTOR

Looking at loans to particular economic sectors, the annual rate of change in the stock of loans at 30 June 2017 was 19.7% for loans to



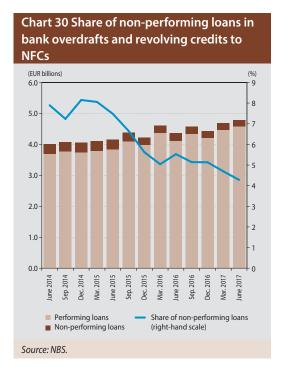


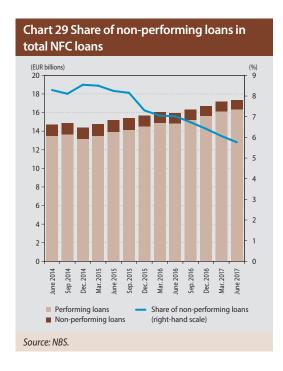


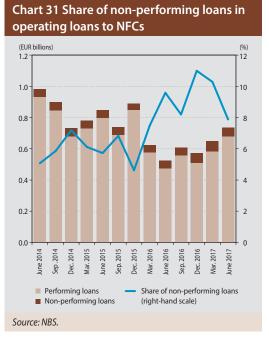
the real estate sector, 18.3% for loans to the manufacturing sector; and 16.6% for loans to the sector comprising wholesale trade, retail trade and the repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles.

2.7.6 Non-performing loans to non-financial corporations

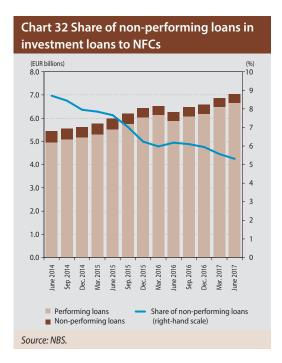
The share of non-performing loans (NPLs) in total NFC loans continued to fall, year on year, in the quarter under review, down to 5.8% at 30 June 2017. The NPL ratio for real estate loans to NFCs fell markedly, to 6.2%, which compared with the corresponding figure for the same quarter of the previous year was lower by 4.4 percentage points. The NPL ratio also fell for overdrafts and revolving loans, to 4.3% at 30 June 2017, and for operating loans, to 7.9%. For investment loans, the NPL ratio was 5.3% at 30 June 2017, and for credit cards it was 10.0%, around the same as its level at 30 June 2016.

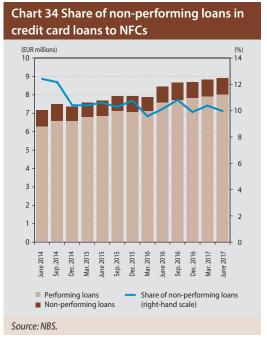


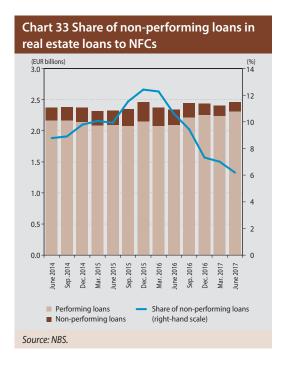










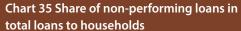


2.7.7 Non-performing loans to households

The share of NPLs in total household loans continued to fall in the second quarter of 2017 in both absolute and year-on-year terms. The NPL ratio for total household loans was 3.4% at 30 June 2017, 0.4 percentage point lower than the corresponding figure a year earlier. The NPL ratios for overdrafts and housing loans both fell year on year, to 8.1% and 2.1% respectively. The NPL ratio for credit card loans increased to 14.3%, and ratio for consumer loans rose moderately, to 8.2%







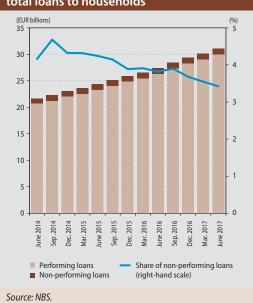


Chart 37 Share of non-performing loans in credit card loans to households

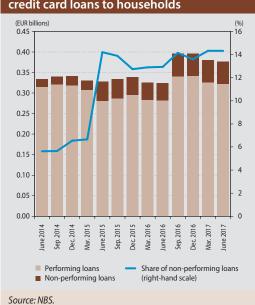


Chart 36 Share of non-performing loans in bank overdrafts to households

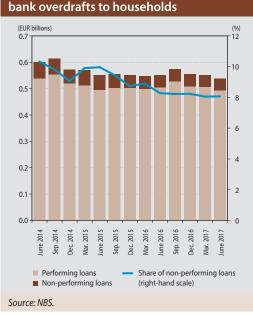
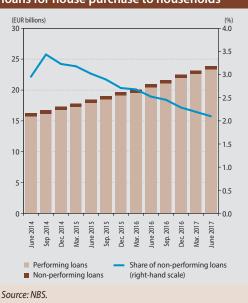
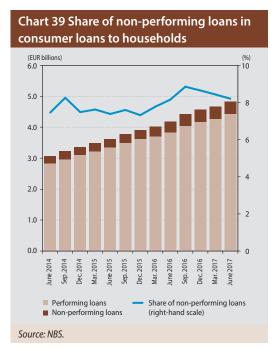
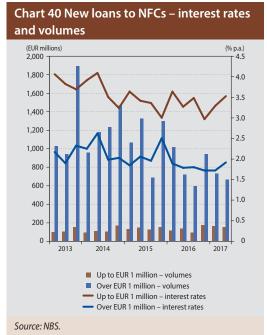


Chart 38 Share of non-performing loans in loans for house purchase to households







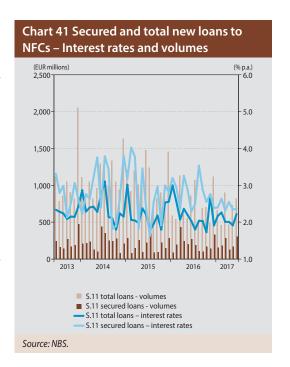


2.8 LOANS – INTEREST RATES, VOLUMES AND STOCKS

2.8.1 New loans to NFCs – Interest rates and volumes

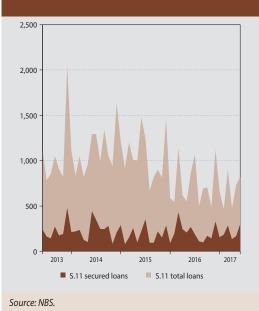
The total volume of new loans provided to non-financial corporations (NFCs) was 0.4% lower in the second quarter of 2017 than in the second quarter of 2016. In the category of loans of up to €1 million, the volume of loans fell in the quarter under review, by 5.0% year on year. Their share of the total volume of NFC loans provided during that period was 20.0%. The average interest rate on these loans in the quarter under review was 3.4% per annum, which in year-on-year terms was higher by 0.2 percentage point. In the category of loans of over €1 million, the volume of loans provided in the second quarter of 2017 increased slightly year on year, by 0.8%. Their share of the total volume of NFC loans provided during that period was 80.0%, and the average interest rate on these loans fell by 0.2 percentage point, to 1.7% p.a.

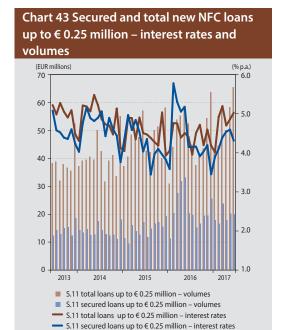
The share of secured loans in the total volume of new loans provided to NFCs in the second quarter of 2017 was 29.7%, down from 35.3% in the









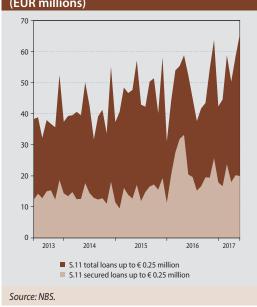


same quarter of the previous year. The average interest rate on secured loans fell from 2.8% p.a. in the second quarter of 2016 to 2.4% p.a. in the same period of 2017. Similarly, the average interest rate on new loans to NFCs declined in the quarter under review by 0.1 percentage point year on year, to 2.1% p.a.

In the category of **loans of up to €0.25 million**, the share of secured loans in the total volume of new loans provided to NFCs in the second quarter of 2017 was 33.4%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 17.9%. The average interest rate on these secured loans fell in the quarter under review by 0.4 percentage point year on year, to 4.5% p.a. In the loans of up to €0.25 million category, the average interest rate on new loans rose in that period by 0.4 percentage point, to 4.9% p.a.

Chart 44 Share of secured loans in total new loans up to € 0.25 million to NFCs (EUR millions)

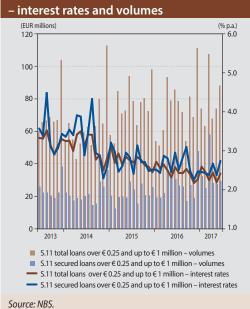
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In the category of loans of over €0.25 million and up to €1 million, the share of secured loans in the total volume of new loans provid-

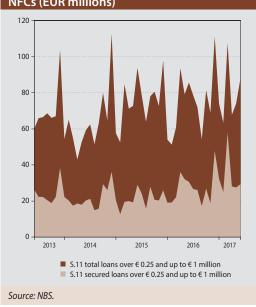
Chart 45 Secured and total new loans over € 0.25 million and up to € 1 million to NFCs interest rates and volumes (EUR millions) (% p.a.) 120 6.0

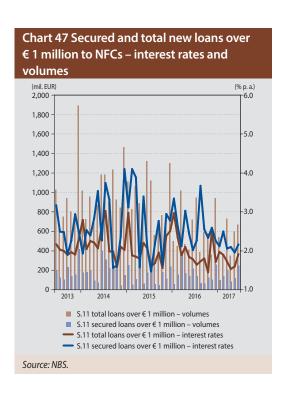


ed to NFCs in the second guarter of 2017 was 37.0%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 1.2%. The average interest rate on these secured loans fell in the quarter under review by 0.1 percentage point year on year, to 2.6% p.a. In the loans of over €0.25 million and up to €1 million category, the average interest rate on new NFC loans also fell in that period by 0.1 percentage point year on year, to 2.4% p.a.

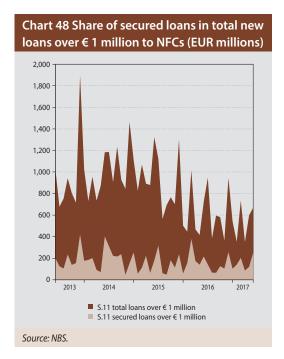
In the category of loans of over €1 million, the share of secured loans in the total volume of new loans provided to NFCs in the second quarter of 2017 was 28.3%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 4.9%. The average interest rate on these secured loans fell to 2.1% p.a. in the quarter under review, from 2.5% p.a. in the same period of 2016. In the loans of over €1 million category, the average interest rate on new NFC loans decreased in that period by 0.2 percentage point year on year, to 1.7% p.a.

Chart 46 Share of secured loans in total new loans over € 0.25 and up to € 1 million to NFCs (EUR millions)











2.8.2 New loans to households – interest rates and volumes

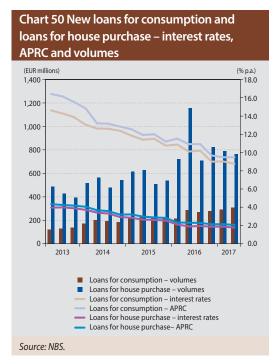
2.8.2.1 Housing loans – interest rates and volumes

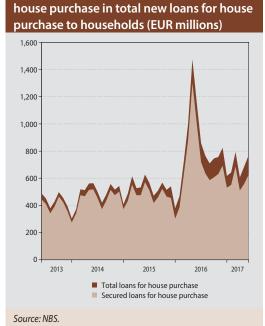
Households' demand for housing loans is stronger than their demand for any other type of loan. The average interest rate on housing loans fell in the second quarter of 2017 by 0.1 percentage point year on year, to 1.8% p.a. The annual rates of change in the average interest rate on each type of housing loan were as follows: the rate on **intermediate loans** provided by home savings banks fell by 0.3 percentage point, to 3.8% p.a.; the rate on **building loans** increased by 0.1 percentage point, to 3.5% p.a.; the rate on **mortgage loans** fell by 0.1 percentage point, to 2.0% p.a.; and the rate on **other loans for house purchase** fell by 0.1 percentage point, to 1.6% p.a.

2.8.2.2 Housing loans and consumer loans – interest rates and the APRC

The annual percentage rate of charge (APRC) on loans to households usually exceeds the rate of interest charged on these loans. Like the average interest rate on housing loans, the APRC on these loans fell year on year in second quarter of 2017, by 0.3 percentage point, to 2.1% p.a. Consumer loans showed a similar trend, with the average interest rate in the quarter under review declining by 1.5 percentage points, year on year, to 8.9% p.a. and the average APRC for consumer loans fell by 1.6 percentage points, to 9.6% p.a







82.2%, down by 5.4 percentage points from its

level in the second quarter of 2016. The aver-

age interest rate on these loans in the period

under review fell by 0.2 percentage point, to

the quarter under review fell by 2.6 percentage

Chart 52 Share of new secured loans for

2.8.2.3 Secured housing loans – interest rates and volumes

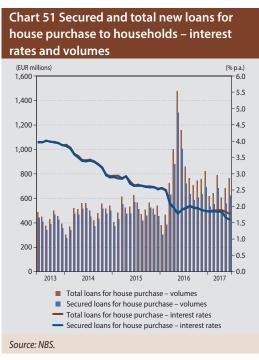
The share of **new secured housing loans** in the total volume of housing loans provided to households in the second quarter of 2017 was

2.8.2.4 Secured consumer loans – interest rates and volumes

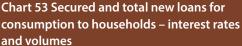
The share of secured loans in consumer loans is far lower than the share in housing loans. In year-on-year terms, it increased slightly in the second quarter of 2017, to 4.5% (from 4.0% a year earlier). The average interest rate on these loans in

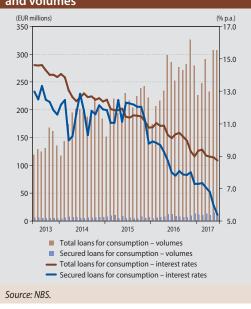
points, to 6.0% p.a.

1.7% p.a.









2.8.3 Loans to NFCs - INTEREST RATES AND STOCKS

Looking at NFC loans broken down by maturity, interest rates on loans with a maturity of over one year and up to five years have long been higher than the rates on loans with other maturities, but these loans account for the smallest share of the total stock of NFC loans. Loans with a maturity of over five years accounted for the largest share of the stock of NFC loans in the second quarter of 2017, continuing a trend going back to the second half of 2009.

For all maturities of **NFC loans**, average interest rates in the quarter under review were lower, year on year, as follows: for loans with a maturity of up to one year, by 0.3 percentage point, at 2.2% p.a.; for loans with a maturity of over five years, by 0.2 percentage point, at 2.4% p.a.; and for loans with a maturity of over one year and up to five years, by 0.5 percentage point, at 2.7% p.a.

Chart 54 Share of secured loans for consumption in total new loans for consumption to households (EUR millions)

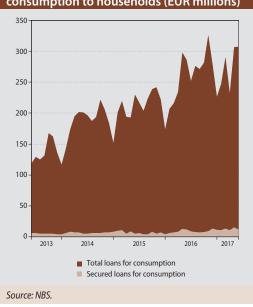
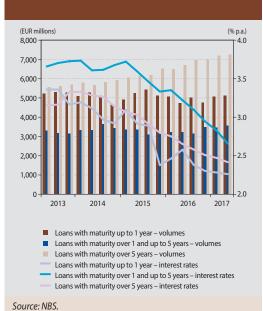


Chart 55 NFC loans by maturity – interest rates and volumes





2.8.4 Loans to households – interest rates and stocks

2.8.4.1 Housing loans – interest rates and stocks

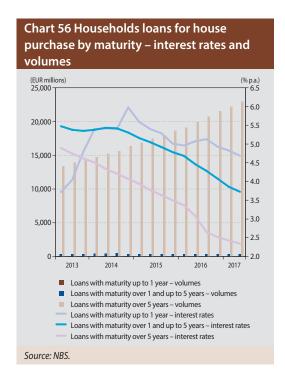
In terms of the stock of loans, a clear majority of loans to households (both housing loans and consumer loans) have a maturity of over five years.

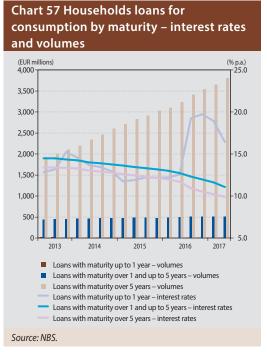
The average interest rate on **housing loans** in the second quarter of 2017 was lower, year on year, for all maturities, as follows: for loans with a maturity of up to one year, by 0.3 percentage point, at 4.7% p.a.; for loans with a maturity of over one year and up to five years, by 0.8 percentage point, at 3.8%; and for loans with a maturity of over five years, by 0.6 percentage point, at 2.4% p.a.

2.8.4.2 Consumer loans – interest rates and stocks

The stock of consumer loans with a maturity of up to one year remains negligible, resulting in marked volatility in the average interest rate on these loans. The stock of consumer loans with a maturity of over one year and up to five years had a moderately upward trend in the quarter under review. Loans with a maturity of over five years accounted for the largest share of consumer loans.

In the second quarter of 2017, the average interest rate on **consumer loans** with a maturity of over one year and up to five years fell by 1.3 percentage points year on year, to 11.3% p.a. and the rate on consumer loans with a maturity of over five years also fell by 1.3 percentage points, to 10.0% p.a.. The rate on consumer loans with a maturity of up to one year rose by a substantial 5.1 percentage points, to 17.4% p.a.







2.9 DEPOSITS RECEIVED FROM NON-FINANCIAL CORPORATIONS AND HOUSEHOLDS

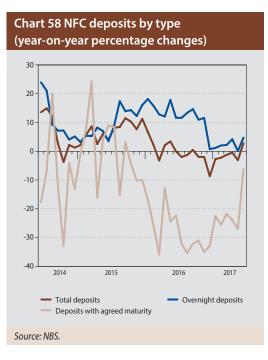
2.9.1 Deposits received from non-financial corporations

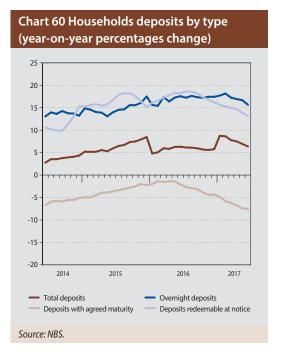
The stock of deposits from NFCs was 2.8% higher at 30 June 2017 than at 30 June 2016. Overnight deposits increased by 4.7% year on year, while

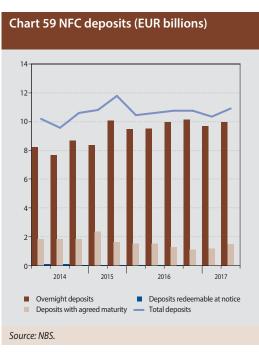
deposits with an agreed maturity fell by 6.2% and other deposits fell by 52%.

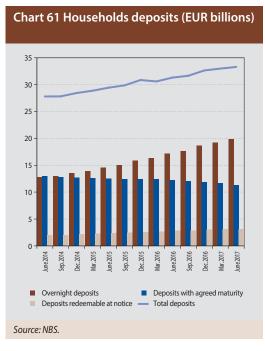
2.9.2 DEPOSITS RECEIVED FROM HOUSEHOLDS

The stock of deposits received from households was 6.4% higher at 30 June 2017 than at 30 June 2016. The growth was caused by increases in overnight deposits (15.7%) and by deposits re-











deemable at notice (by 13.1%). Deposits with an agreed maturity fell by 7.5%.

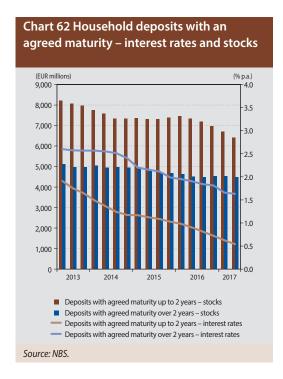
2.10 DEPOSITS RECEIVED – INTEREST RATES, VOLUMES AND STOCKS

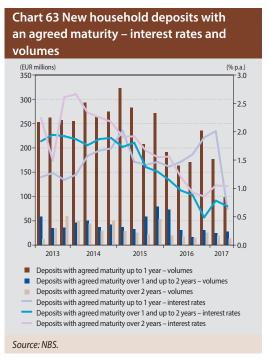
2.10.1 HOUSEHOLD DEPOSITS – INTEREST RATES AND STOCKS

At 30 June 2017, household **deposits with an agreed maturity of up to two years** accounted for 59.2% of the total stock of household deposits with an agreed maturity, which in year-on-year terms represented a drop of 2.7%. The average interest rate on household deposits with an agreed maturity of up to two years was 0.4 percentage point lower in the second quarter of 2017 than in the same period a year earlier, at 0.6% p.a. The average rate on **deposits with an agreed maturity of over two years** was also lower, year on year, in the period under review, by 0.3 percentage point, at 1.6% p.a. The total stock of household deposits with an agreed maturity was lower year on year, by 7.9%.

2.10.2 New HOUSEHOLD DEPOSITS – INTEREST RATES AND VOLUMES

The average interest rate on new household deposits with an agreed maturity of up to one year was 0.4 percentage point higher in the second quarter of 2017 than in the second quarter of 2016, at 1.7% p.a., and the share of these deposits in the total volume of deposits with an agreed maturity received during the period under review was unchanged, at 75.9%. The average interest rate on new deposits with an agreed maturity of over one year and up to two years was 0.2 percentage point lower, year on year, at 0.8% p.a., and their share of the total was down by 0.9%, at 15.3%. The average interest rate on new deposits with an agreed maturity of over two years was 0.3 percentage point lower, at 1.1% p.a., and their share of the total was down by 0.8%, at 8.8%.





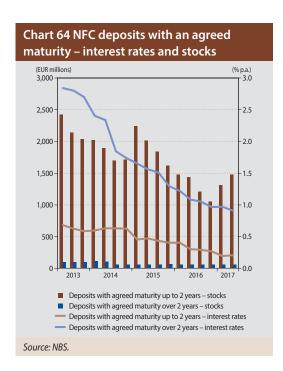


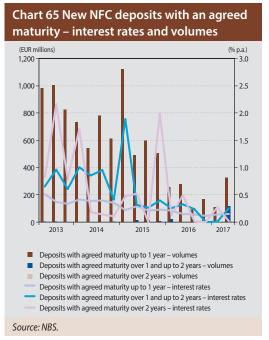
2.10.3 NFC DEPOSITS - INTEREST RATES AND STOCKS

At 30 June 2017, NFC deposits with an agreed maturity of over two years accounted for 3.9% of the total stock of NFC deposits with an agreed maturity, which in year-on-year terms represented an increase of 0.2%. The average interest rate on these deposits was 0.2 percentage point lower in the second quarter of 2017 than in the same period a year earlier, at 0.9% p.a. As for NFC deposits with an agreed maturity of up to two years, their share of the total stock of NFC deposits with an agreed maturity was 96.1%, down by 0.2%, while the average interest rate on these deposits was lower in the period under review by 0.1 percentage point, at 0.2% p.a. The total stock of NFC deposits with an agreed maturity was lower year on year, by 8.4%.

2.10.4 New NFC deposits – Interest rates and volumes

The average interest rate on new NFC deposits with an agreed maturity of over two years was 0.67 percentage point lower in the second quarter of 2017 than in the second quarter of 2016, at 0.03% p.a., while the share of these deposits in the total stock of NFC deposits with an agreed maturity was an insignificant 0.1%. The average interest rate on new NFC deposits with an agreed maturity of over one year and up to two years was 0.01 percentage point higher, year on year, at 0.25% p.a., and their share in the stock of NFC deposits with an agreed maturity increased significantly, by 10.7%, to 12.2%. The interest rate on new deposits with an agreed maturity of up to one year also increased by 0.01 percentage point, to 0.16% p.a., and their share of the total was by far the largest, at 87.7%.









INVESTMENT FUNDS AND MONEY MARKET FUNDS



3 INVESTMENT FUNDS AND MONEY MARKET FUNDS

In Slovakia's financial market, the mutual fund market comprises six domestic asset management companies and one foreign asset management company, managing a total of 88 domestic open-end funds as at 30 June 2017.

Domestic asset management companies:

- Asset Management Slovenskej sporiteľne, správ. spol., a.s.
- IAD Investments, správ. spol., a.s.
- Prvá Penzijná správcovská spoločnosť Poštovej banky, správ. spol., a.s.
- Sandberg Capital, správ. spol., a. s.
- Tatra Asset Management, správ. spol., a.s.
- VÚB Asset Management, správ. spol., a.s.

Foreign asset management company:

ČSOB Asset Management, a.s., investiční společnost

3.1 CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MARKET

For the purposes of monetary and financial statistics compiled by the European Central Bank, mutual funds are broken-down to investment funds (ESA 2010 sector S.124) and money market funds (sector S.123). The investment funds

are further more divided according to their investment strategy into the following categories: bond funds, equity funds, mixed funds, real estate funds, hedge funds and other funds.

Money market funds' share in the total assets of open-end funds continued to decrease in the period under review, to 0.52% at 30 June 2017.

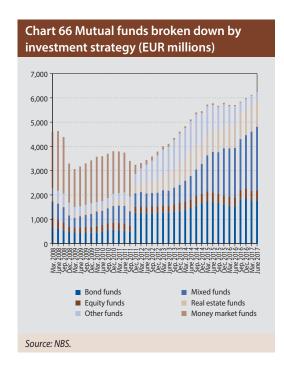
Mixed funds accounted for the largest share, 41.76%, of the total assets of open-end funds at 30 June 2017. Bond funds had a share of 28.30% (down by 0.66% quarter on quarter), real estate funds 18.05%, and equity funds 6.40%. As for other funds, including, for example, guaranteed funds, alternative investment funds and professional investor funds, their share fell to 4.96% at 30 June 2017, displacing equity funds from fifth position.

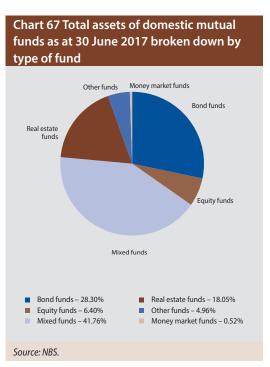
At 30 June 2016 the total asset value of mixed funds was higher both year on year, by 28.90%, and quarter on quarter, by 7.73%, as was that of bond funds, by 16.66% and 0.39%. The total asset value of real estate funds increased year on year, by 12.12%, but fell quarter on quarter, by 4.15%, while that of other funds declined both year on year, by 55.32%, and quarter on quarter, by 14.13%. Equity funds recorded a year-on-year increase of 4.81%. Investor interest in money

| Table 8 Total assets of mutual funds broken down by type of fund (year-on-year percentage changes) | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|--|
| Total assets | VI. 2015 | IX. 2015 | XII. 2015 | III. 2016 | VI. 2016 | IX. 2016 | XII. 2016 | III. 2017 | VI. 2017 | |
| Bond funds | 16.69 | 6.21 | -2.82 | -10.14 | -10.53 | 8.10 | 15.71 | 13.94 | 16.66 | |
| Equity funds | 14.12 | -3.70 | -1.23 | -10.24 | -4.94 | 8.65 | 8.51 | 3.29 | 4.81 | |
| Mixed funds | 72.78 | 57.89 | 55.89 | 34.54 | 22.01 | 21.56 | 13.07 | 22.96 | 28.90 | |
| Real estate funds | -8.72 | -12.65 | 7.17 | 6.21 | 11.20 | 15.50 | 12.31 | 16.26 | 12.12 | |
| Other funds | -19.19 | -23.67 | -28.49 | -30.76 | -31.18 | -51.75 | -50.78 | -52.83 | -55.32 | |
| Money market funds | -1.83 | -21.33 | -26.29 | -26.57 | -37.99 | -36.27 | -40.44 | -38.06 | -27.67 | |
| Source: NBS. | | | | | | | | | | |



market funds remained subdued, and so their total asset value at 30 June 2017 was lower year on year by 27.67%.





3.2 ASSET STRUCTURE OF DOMESTIC INVESTMENT FUNDS

3.2.1 BOND FUNDS

Bond funds invest primarily in government and bank debt securities and in bank time deposits.

In terms of asset type, bond funds' total assets at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 41.98% were debt securities (down from 45.50% at 31 March 2017); 27.57% were bank deposit or current account holdings; 28.81% were investment fund shares/units (up by 2.49 percentage points from the end of the previous quarter); and 1.64% were other assets (including financial derivatives).

In terms of issuer residency, bond funds' holdings of debt securities at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 41.61% were issued by non-euro area residents; 36.25% were issued by Slovak residents (down by 0.18 percentage point from the end of the previous quarter); and 22.13% were issued by other euro area residents (up by 0.20 percentage point).

In terms of issuer sector, bond funds' holdings of debt securities at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 42.34% were government bonds; 41.77% were bank bonds; and 15.90% were issued by non-financial corporations or other financial institutions.

In terms of residual maturity, bond funds' holdings of debt securities at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 28.74% had a maturity of up to one year, 11.83% a maturity of over one year and up to two years, and 59.43% a maturity of over two years.



Chart 68 Bond funds: evolution of assets (EUR millions)

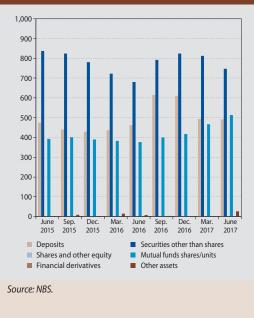
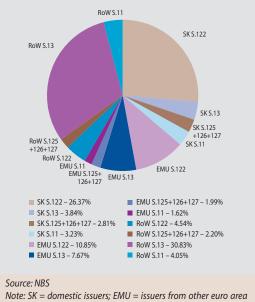


Chart 70 Geographical and sectoral breakdown of debt securities in the portfolio of bond funds as at 30 June 2017



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Note: SK = domestic issuers; EMU = issuers from other euro a member states; RoW = issuers from the rest of the world.

Chart 69 Bond funds: structure of assets as at 30 June 2017

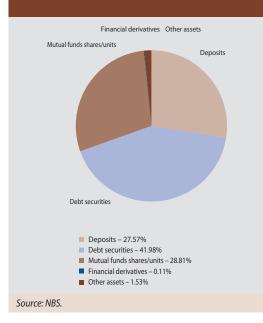
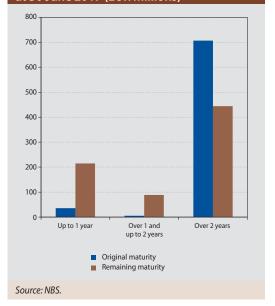


Chart 71 Maturity breakdown of debt securities in the portfolio of bond funds as at 30 June 2017 (EUR millions)





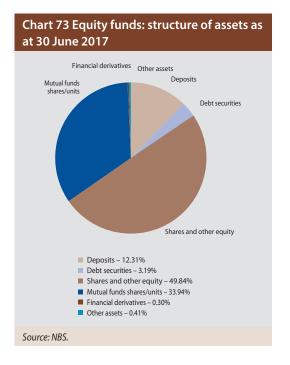
3.2.2 EQUITY FUNDS

In terms of asset type, equity funds' total assets at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 49.84% were shares and other equity (up by 25.68 percentage points from 31 March 2017); 33.94% were investment fund shares/units (down by 2.31 percentage points); 12.31% were bank deposit account holdings (down by 19.99 percentage points); 3.19% were debt securities (down); and 0.71% were other assets (including financial derivatives).

In terms of issuer residency, equity funds' holdings of investment fund shares/units at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 18.65% were issued by funds resident in Slovakia; 73.13% were issued by funds resident in other euro area countries; and 8.22% were issued by funds resident in non-euro area countries.

The share of non-MMF investment fund shares/units in equity funds' total holdings of investment fund shares/units was 97.94% at 30 June 2017, largely unchanged from its level at 31 March 2017.

In terms of issuer residency and sector, equity funds' holdings of shares at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 58.16% were issued by NFCs resident in non-euro area countries; 18.89% were issued by NFCs resident in euro area countries; and 13.10% were issued by credit institutions resident in non-euro area countries.





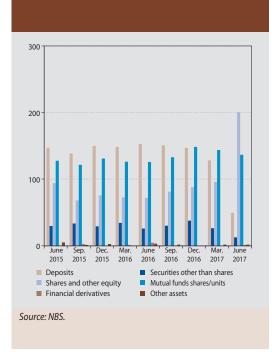
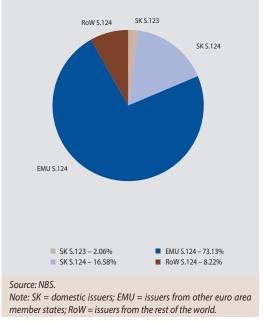
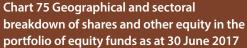
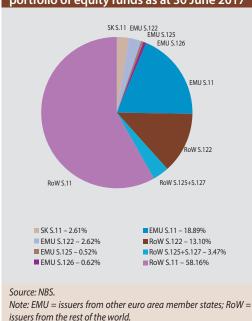


Chart 74 Geographical and sectoral breakdown of mutual funds shares/units in the portfolio of equity funds as at 30 June 2017









3.2.3 MIXED FUNDS

In terms of asset type, mixed funds' total assets at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 58.18% were investment fund shares/units (up by 0.96 percentage point from the end of the previous quarter and maintaining a long-term leading trend); 25.07% were bank deposit account holdings; 15.04% were debt securities; 1.32% were shares; and 0.40% were other assets (including financial derivatives).

In terms of issuer residency, mixed funds' holdings of investment fund shares/units at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 72.16% were issued by funds resident in other euro area countries; 18.97% were issued by funds resident in Slova-

kia; and 8.87% were issued by funds resident in non-euro area countries.

In terms of issuer residency, mixed funds' holdings of securities at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 62.04% were issued by Slovak residents, 26.21% by other euro area residents, and 11.75% by non-euro area residents.

In terms of issuer sector, the general government sector (S.13) accounted for the largest share, 25.50%, of mixed funds' holdings of securities at 30 June 2017.

In terms of residual maturity, mixed funds' holdings of securities at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 14.82% had a maturity of up to one year; 20.83% a maturity of over one year and up to two years, and 64.35% a maturity of over two years.

Chart 76 Mixed funds: evolution of assets (EUR millions)

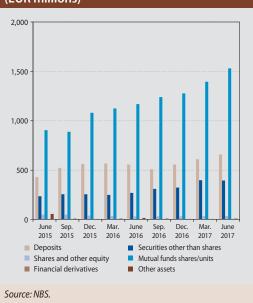




Chart 77 Mixed funds: structure of assets as at 30 June 2017

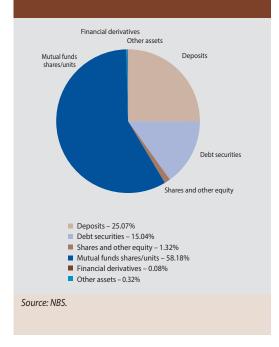
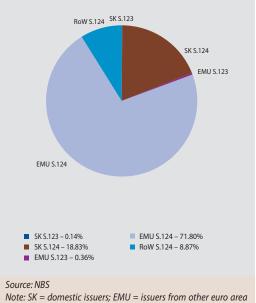


Chart 79 Geographical and sectoral breakdown of mutual funds shares/units in the portfolio of mixed funds as at 30 June 2017



member states; RoW = issuers from the rest of the world.

Chart 78 Geographical and sectoral breakdown of debt securities in the portfolio of mixed funds as at 30 June 2017

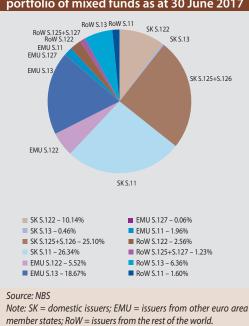
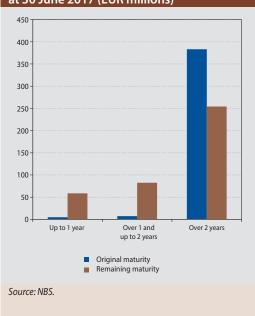


Chart 80 Maturity breakdown of debt securities in the portfolio of bond funds as at 30 June 2017 (EUR millions)





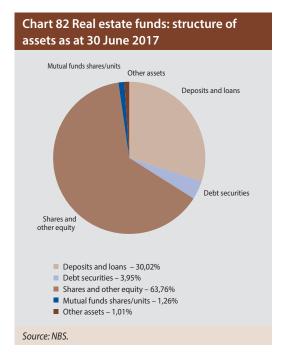
3.2.4 REAL ESTATE FUNDS

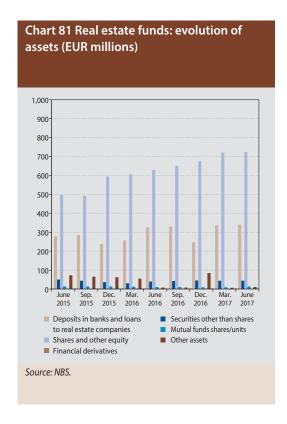
Real estate funds invest primarily in shares and equity participations in real estate companies. They may use the funds obtained to provide loans to real estate companies in accordance with the applicable law.

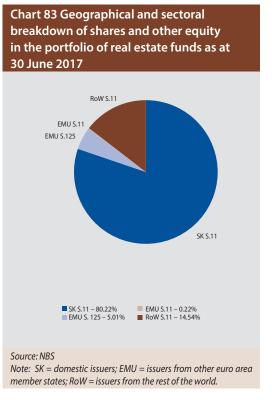
In terms of asset type, real estate funds' total assets at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 30.02% were bank deposits and loans provided to real estate companies (down from its level at 31 March 2017); 63.76% were shares and equity participations (down from 64.52% at the end of the previous quarter); 3.95% were debt securities; 1.26% were investment fund shares/units; and 1.01% were other assets.

In terms of residency and sector, the companies in which real estate funds' held shares and equity participations at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 80.22% were NFCs (sector S.11) resident in Slovakia; 14.54% were NFCs resident in non-euro area countries (down from 15.54% at

31 March 2017); and 0.22% were NFCs resident in other euro area countries (down by 4.93 percentage points).









3.2.5 OTHER FUNDS

Other investment funds comprise investment funds whose investment strategy does not allow them to be clearly placed in any of the abovementioned categories. They include guaranteed funds, alternative investment funds (e.g. commodity funds), securities funds, professional investor funds, and other specialised funds.

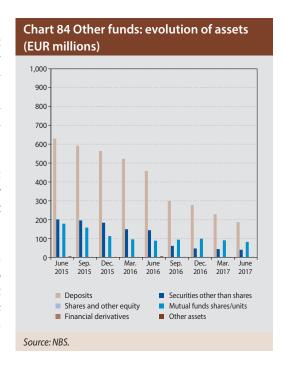
The assets of other funds managed by domestic asset management companies comprise mainly bank deposits, debt securities, and investment fund shares/units.

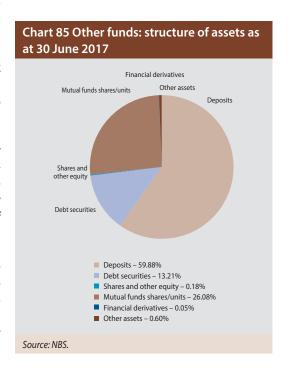
In terms of asset type, other funds' total assets at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows; 59.88% were bank deposit holdings; 13.21% were debt securities (up from 11.90% at 31 March 2017); and 26.08% were investment fund shares/units (up from 25.00%).

In terms of issuer residency, other funds' holdings of debt securities at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 44.51% were issued by non-euro area residents (up by 5.20 percentage points from 31 March 2017); 27.59% were issued by Slovak residents (down by 3.00 percentage points); and 27,90% were issued by other euro area residents (down by 2.20 percentage points).

In terms of issuer sector, bank bonds issued by institutions in subsector S.122 continued to account for the largest share of other funds' holdings of debt securities, at 33.76%, followed by government bonds (sector S.13) with a share of 25.87%.

In terms of residual maturity, other funds' holdings of debt securities at 30 June 2017 broke down as follows: 23.40% had a maturity of up to one year, 8.97% a maturity of over one year and up to two years, and 67.63% a maturity of over two years.







CHAPTER 3

Chart 86 Geographical and sectoral breakdown of debt securities in the portfolio of other funds as at 30 June 2017

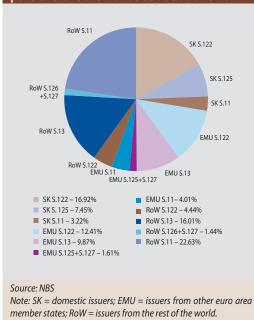
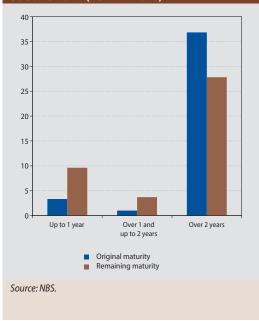


Chart 87 Maturity breakdown of debt securities in portfolio of other funds as at 30 June 2017 (EUR millions)







LEASING
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COMPANIES



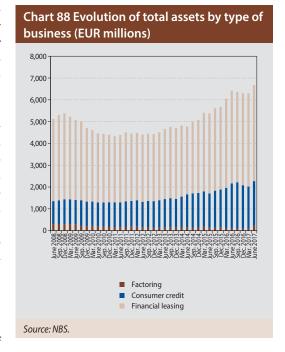
4 Leasing, factoring and consumer credit companies

According to the sectoral classification of economic entities (ESA 2010), the companies under analysis are included in the S.125 sector – other financial intermediaries⁵, as a subcategory referred to as financial corporations engaged in lending.

For the statistics on factoring, leasing and consumer credit, the sample of reporting agents to Národná banka Slovenska has been broadened in 2017. Five consumer credit companies and four factoring companies have been added to the sample. Hence, some of the figures related to it are significantly different from those for 2016. This is reflected mainly in the increased share of households in the portfolio of credits and loans provided to factoring companies to the detriment of non-financial corporations.

For factoring companies, the second quarter of 2017 was favourable in terms of asset growth, while consumer credit companies registered a slight year-on-year decline in their total assets. Leasing companies continued to report asset growth in the quarter under review.

The total assets of leasing companies as at 30 June 2017 were higher year on year, by



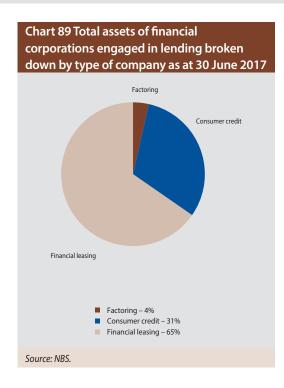
3.81%, and that increase was 3.10 percentage point higher than the corresponding figure at the end of March 2017. As for consumer credit companies, their total assets were 2.80% lower at 30 June 2017 than at the end of June 2016. The total assets of factoring companies

Table 9 Total assets of financial corporations engaged in lending (year-on-year percentage changes)

| Total assets | Year-on-year change in % | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Total assets | VI. 2015 | IX. 2015 | XII. 2015 | III. 2016 | VI. 2016 | IX. 2016 | XII. 2016 | III. 2017 | VI. 2017 |
| Financial leasing | 18.32 | 14.45 | 13.17 | 13.47 | 15.67 | 9.66 | 11.35 | 4.59 | 3.81 |
| Factoring | -3.43 | -8.11 | -33.65 | -19.09 | -32.66 | -38.65 | -25.40 | 106.58 | 172.65 |
| Consumer credit | 8.67 | 10.39 | 13.34 | 31.36 | 25.54 | 14.65 | 4.89 | -1.01 | -2.80 |
| Source: NBS. | | | | | | | | | |

5 The European System of National Accounts (ESA 2010) defines 'other financial intermediaries, except insurance corporations and pension funds' as financial corporations and quasi-corporations engaged mainly in financial intermediation through the acceptance of liabilities in forms other than cash, deposits and/or close substitutes for deposits from institutional units other than monetary financial institutions, or insurance technical reserves.





has long been an important form of household financing in Slovakia, and therefore the household sector (S.14) accounts for the largest share of domestic customers, 90.12% at 31 June 2017; the share of the non-financial corporate sector (S.11) stood at 9.88%.

Domestic customers constituted 82.72% of factoring companies' total customers at 30 June 2017, while customers from non-euro area countries made up 12.72% and customers from other euro area countries 4.56%. Given the scope of their activities, NFCs traditionally account for the largest share of factoring companies' customers, 74.58% at 30 June 2017; the share of households stood at 25.42%.

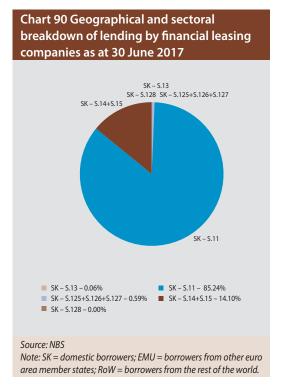
In financial leasing, the share of domestic clients is 100%, of which NFCs account for 85.24%, households 14.10%, and other sectors (0.66%).

at 30 June 2017 were 172.65% higher year on year.

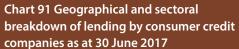
Among companies engaged in non-bank lending, leasing companies have long held the leading market position. At the end of the quarter under review, leasing companies had a market share of 65%, consumer credit companies 31% and factoring companies 4%.

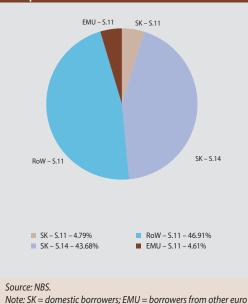
The geographical breakdown of credits and loans provided by domestic companies engaged in non-bank lending shows that such credits and loans are used predominantly by domestic customers.

Domestic customers constituted 48.47% of consumer credit companies' total customers at 30 June 2017, while customers from non-euro area countries made up 46.91% and customers from other euro area countries 4.61%. The purchase of goods through instalment credit









Regarding the flow of funds across the economic sectors, it is worth noting the allocation of financial resources for activities of the types of companies under review. These funds are subsequently used to provide credits and loans through nonbank channels.

At 30 June 2017, external financing accounted for the largest share (82.92%) of companies' total financial resources, of which bank loans accounted for 68.16%, proceeds from the issuance of debt securities for 19.22%, and credits and loans received from the company's group or customers for 12.62%.

The main components of own funds were share capital, retained earnings from previous periods, shares and other equity participations.

Chart 92 Geographical and sectoral breakdown of lending by factoring companies as at 30 June 2017

area member states

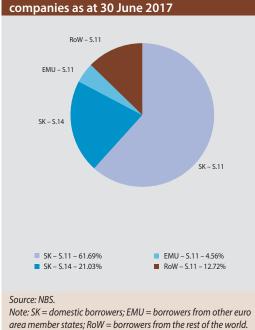
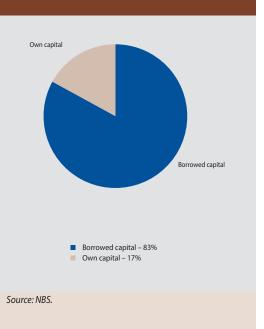


Chart 93 Breakdown of source capital as at 30 June 2017







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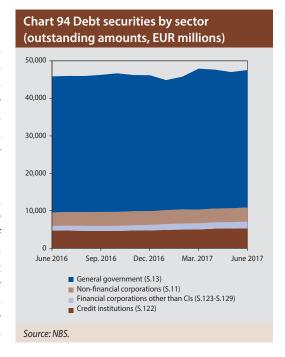
5 SECURITIES

5.1 DEBT SECURITIES

In terms of issuer sector, the stock of debt securities issued in Slovakia broke down as follows at 30 June 2017: government bonds – \in 36,642.9 million; bonds issued by monetary financial institutions – \in 5,311 million, debt securities issued by non-financial corporations – \in 3,780.5 million; and issues of non-monetary financial institutions – \in 1,819.3 million.

The net issuance of debt securities decreased, quarter on quarter, in the second quarter of 2017 by $\[\in \] 241.5$ million, i.e. the amount of newly issued securities was lower than the amount redeemed. The net issuance of debt securities in the general government sector fell sharply during the second quarter of 2017, by $\[\in \] 792.3$ million. Debt securities issued by monetary and non-monetary financial institutions increased, in net terms, by $\[\in \] 281.9$ million and $\[\in \] 179.6$ million respectively, and those issued by non-financial corporations increased by $\[\in \] 89.3$ million.

The outstanding amount of debt securities fell in the second quarter of 2017 by 0.77%, after increasing in the previous quarter by 3.81%. The decline was caused by a drop of 2.45% in the outstanding amount of securities issued by general

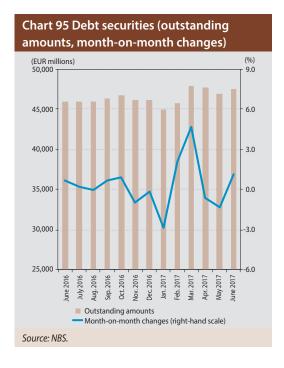


government, which was not offset by increases in the outstanding amounts of securities issued by other sectors.

In month-on-month terms, the outstanding amount of domestic debt securities fell in both April and May, by 0.56% and 1.37%, respectively, and increased in June by 1.18%.

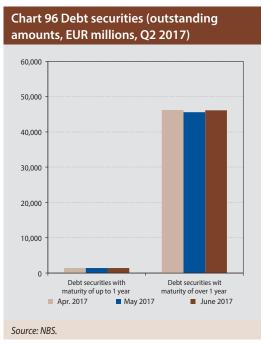
| Table 10 | Table 10 Debt securities (EUR thousand) | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|---|---|--|--|----------------------------|-----------|--|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| | | Out | standing am | anding amounts | | | Net issues | | | | | |
| Month | Total | Mon- etary financial institu- tions | Non- monetary financial institu- tions | Nonfinan- cial corpora- tions | General govern- ment | Total | Monetary financial institu- tions | Non- monetary financial institutions | Nonfinan- cial corpo- rations | General govern- ment | | |
| 2016/06 | 45,856,286 | 4,740,326 | 1,243,491 | 3,585,782 | 36,286,686 | 1,618,470 | 334,196 | 118,125 | -2,930 | 1,169,078 | | |
| 2016/09 | 46,262,661 | 4,658,014 | 1,324,133 | 3,745,103 | 36,535,411 | 397,778 | -83,160 | 80,053 | 158,069 | 242,816 | | |
| 2016/12 | 46,161,787 | 4,784,963 | 1,484,793 | 3,702,234 | 36,189,797 | -192,264 | 122,490 | 160,031 | -44,177 | -430,608 | | |
| 2017/03 | 47,920,428 | 5,031,235 | 1,638,250 | 3,688,721 | 37,562,222 | 1,774,738 | 246,768 | 152,794 | -14,867 | 1,390,043 | | |
| 2017/06 | 47,553,748 | 5,311,025 | 1,819,330 | 3,780,530 | 36,642,863 | -241,456 | 281,907 | 179,619 | 89,320 | -792,303 | | |
| Source: NBS. | | | | | | | | | | | | |

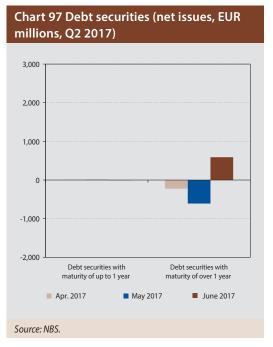




The net issuance of short-term debt securities increased by $\[\le \]$ 2.6 million in the second quarter of 2017. Those securities issued by NFCs increased by $\[\le \]$ 22.8 million while those issued by banks and issued by other financial intermediaries both fell, by $\[\le \]$ 3.2 million and $\[\le \]$ 17 million respectively.

The net issuance of long-term debt securities fell by €244.1 million in the second quarter of 2017, with those issued by the government declining by €792.3 million and those issued by other sectors increasing. Banks increased their net issuance by €285.1 million, other financial intermediaries by €178 million), NFCs by €66.5 million, and captive financial institutions by €18.7 million.





A total of 34 new issues were placed on the securities market in the second quarter of 2017, including 14 issued by NFCs, 12 issued by banks, six issued by other financial intermediaries, and two issued by captive financial institutions.

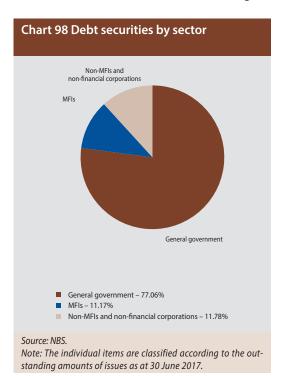
As regards the sectoral breakdown of the outstanding amount of domestic securities, general government accounted for 77.1% of the total, while MFIs and non-MFIs including NFCs had a share of around 11.5%. In terms of their coupon type, 92.21% of the securities were fixed

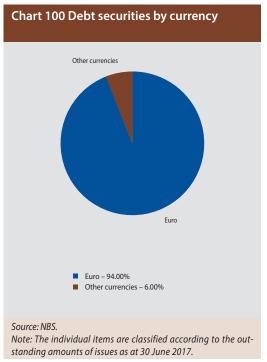


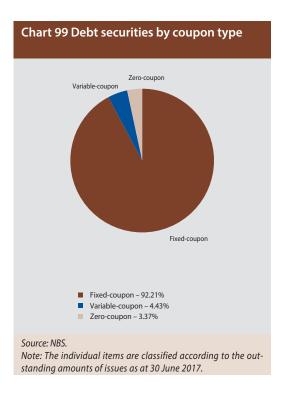
coupon, 4.43% were variable coupon, and 3.37% were zero coupon. Around 94% of the outstanding amount was denominated in euro, and 6% in foreign currencies.

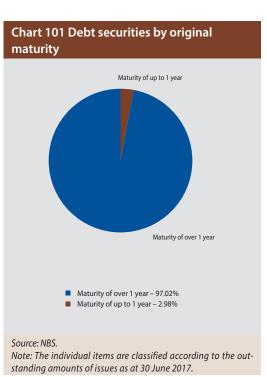
maturity of up to one year, while around nine per cent had a residual maturity of up to one year.

Only around three per cent of the outstanding amount of domestic securities had an original





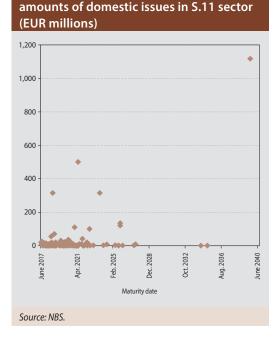






The following charts illustrate the outstanding amounts of issues in the three key sectors (the government sector, the banking sector, and the non-financial corporations sector) as a function of the issue amount and maturity.

Chart 102 Debt securities: outstanding

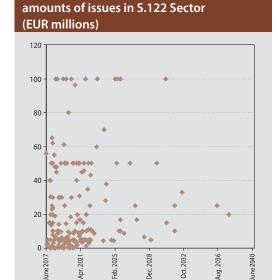


The most numerous debt securities placed on the domestic market by non-financial corporations are those with an outstanding amount of up to €10 million and maturity until 2022. The largest outstanding issue amount is more than €1.1 billion and the longest maturity period exceeds 22 years.

The largest concentration of outstanding amounts of debt securities issued by banks is up to €50 million and with maturity period until 2022. The largest outstanding amount fluctuates around €100 million and the longest maturity period is until 2037.

The number of debt securities issued in the government sector is lower than the number of securities issued in the aforementioned two sectors, but the outstanding amount is much higher in the former case. The issue with the highest outstanding amount is worth €3.0 billion. The most recent issue will mature in 2037.

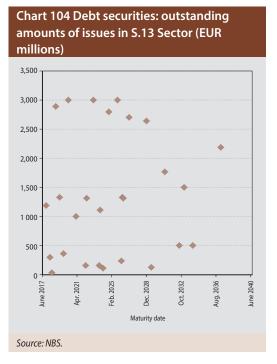
The maturity profile illustrates the course of government debt repayment based on the assumption that no new government bonds will be issued and all the existing issues will be repaid in due time.



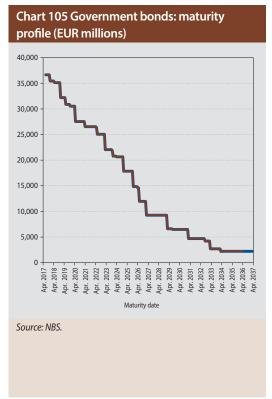
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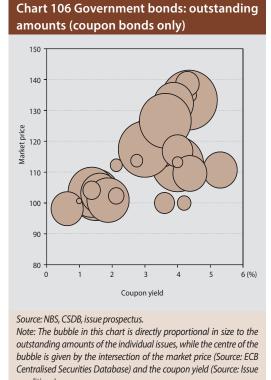
Source: NBS.

Chart 103 Debt securities: outstanding









The following chart illustrates the outstanding amounts of coupon-paying government bonds as a function of their market price and coupon yield as at the end of the second quarter of 2017. The average market price⁶ of these government bonds stood at 116.02% and the coupon yield was 3.17% at that time.

5.2 LISTED SHARES

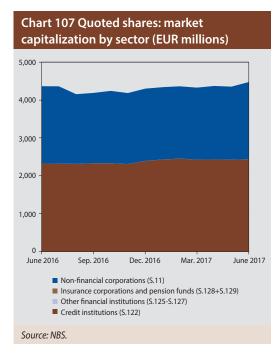
The outstanding amount of listed shares in Slovakia at 30 June 2017 was higher, quarter on quarter, by €146.6 million (3.39%) higher than at the end of the previous quarter. The amount issued by NFCs increased

| Table 11 Qu | Table 11 Quoted shares (EUR thousand) | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Outstanding amounts | | | | | | | | | | |
| Month | Total | Credit institutions (S.122) | Insurance corporations (S.128) | Non-financial corporations (S.11) | | | | | | |
| 2016 / 06 | 4,363,321 | 2,326,348 | 225 | 2,036,748 | | | | | | |
| 2016 / 09 | 4,185,824 | 2,330,650 | 225 | 1,854,948 | | | | | | |
| 2016 / 12 | 4,298,841 | 2,394,139 | 225 | 1,904,477 | | | | | | |
| 2017 / 03 | 4,325,777 | 2,427,376 | 225 | 1,898,176 | | | | | | |
| 2017 / 06 | 4,472,354 | 2,437,954 | 225 | 2,034,174 | | | | | | |
| Source: NBS. | | | | | | | | | | |

⁶ Arithmetical average weighted by the outstanding amount of issues.



by €136 million (7.16%) and the amount issued by credit institutions increased by €10.6 million (0.44%). The amount issued by insurance undertaking remained unchanged. The total market capitalisation at 30 June 2017 amounted to €4,472.4 billion.

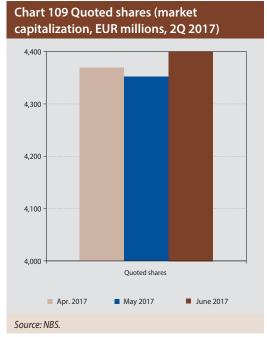


The outstanding amount of listed shares increased in the quarter under review by 3.39% quarter on quarter. The figure for credit institutions' shares was higher by 0.44%, while that for NFC shares raised by 7.16%.

In month-on-month terms, the outstanding amount of listed shares increased in both April (by 1.0%) and June (by 2.8%), and fell in May (0.4%).

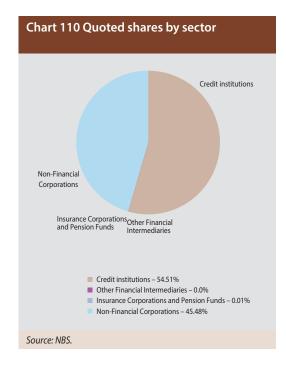
As for the sectoral breakdown of market capitalisation in Slovakia at 30 June 2017, credit institutions accounted for 54.51% of the total and NFCs for 45.48%. The shares of other sectors were negligible.







CHAPTER 5







SELECTED MACROECONOMIC INDICATORS



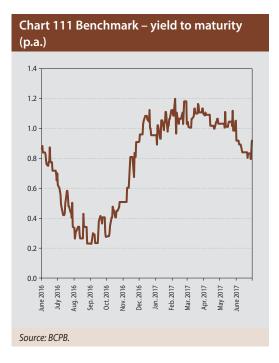
6 SELECTED MACROECONOMIC INDICATORS

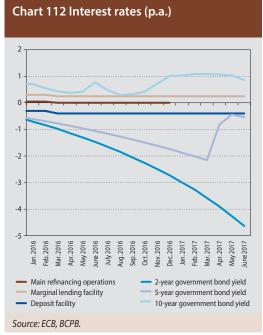
6.1 LONG-TERM INTEREST RATE

With effect from 1 July 2013, the approach based on a 'basket of bonds' has been replaced with a 'benchmark-oriented approach'⁷, using the government bond SK4120009044 as a benchmark. Since then the benchmark has been replaced by government bond SK4120008871 (with effect from 1 May 2014), by government bond SK4120007543 (with effect from 1 June 2015), and by government bond SK4120010430 (with effect from 1 June 2016). This approach was also applied during the second quarter of 2017. During that period, the interest rate fell by 0.2 percentage point, from 1.1% at 31 March 2017 to 0.9% at 30 June 2017.

6.2 KEY ECB INTEREST RATES

The European Central Bank's interest rate on main refinancing operations, and its interest rates on the marginal lending facility and the deposit facility, remained unchanged at 30 June 2017 from their levels at the end of the previous quarter, at 0.00%, 0.25% and -0.40% respectively. The two-year government bond yield decreased during the quarter under review by 1.06 percentage points, to -4.63%. The five-year government bond yield increased in that period from -2.16% to -1.62%, while the ten-year government bond yield fell from 1.1% to 0.9%.





⁷ See the Methodological Notes, section 7.6. Long-term interest rate.

⁸ The main refinancing rate has been at this level since 16 March 2016.





METHODOLOGICAL NOTES



7 Methodological notes

7.1 BALANCE-SHEET STATISTICS OF MONETARY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Credit institutions in Slovakia: banks and branches of foreign banks operating in Slovakia, (except Národná banka Slovenska).

Household sector – this sector includes:

a/ Households (5.14): a sub-sector comprising households (sole proprietors) and the population (citizens). Households (sole proprietors) are private entrepreneurs not registered in the Commercial Register, doing business under the Trade Licensing Act, and natural persons doing business under a law other than the Trade Licensing Act and not registered in the Commercial Register, and private farmers not registered in the Commercial Register. The population includes households in their capacity as final consumers (citizens' accounts).

b/ Non-profit institutions serving households (S.15): a sub-sector comprising civic interest associations (unions, societies, movements, trade unions, etc.) and their organisational units, political parties and movements, their organisational units, church and religious societies, and institutions ensuring the proper conduct of certain professions (professional organisations). This sub-sector also includes the following institutions: funds; apartment owners' associations; land, forest and pasture associations; organisations providing publicly beneficial services; humanitarian societies; social, cultural, recreational and sports associations and clubs; charities; church and private schools; private preschool facilities; non-public special-purpose funds (e.g. the anti-drug fund); interest associations of legal entities.

Monetary financial institutions (MFI): financial institutions which together form the moneyissuing/creating sector of the euro area. These include resident central banks, credit institutions and other resident financial institutions whose business is to receive deposits and/or other redeemable instruments from entities other than MFIs and, for their own account (at least in eco-

nomic terms), to grant credit and/or invest in securities. The latter group consists predominantly of money market funds, i.e. funds investing in short-term and low-risk instruments, which usually have a maturity of up to and including one year.

Non-financial corporations (5.11): business entities that are registered in the Commercial Register, i.e. domestic or foreign corporate entities, domestic natural persons registered in the Commercial Register and engaged in profit-oriented activities in any area of business, except in financial intermediation and insurance. The non-financial sector also includes subsidised organisations, public institutions and non-profit institutions whose expenses are covered with sales by 50 percent or more.

Non-performing loans: defaulted loans that are subject to the provisions of Section 73 of NBS Decree No. 4/2007 of 13 March 2007 (as amended) on banks' own funds and own funds requirements and on investment firms' own funds and own funds requirements.

A specific borrower is considered to be in default if a) the bank assesses that the borrower will probably fail to meet its commitments to the bank, its subsidiary or parent company, without the security being realised;

or

b) the borrower is more than 90 days in arrears with a significant commitment to the bank, its subsidiary or parent company.

Principle of residency: the principle that a counterparty's country of residence is the country in which the counterparty has a centre of economic interest. This means that an economic agent is considered to be resident in the country where the agent operates for one or more years, or intends to operate on a permanent basis, or where the agent has already been registered.

Remaining assets: a residual item on the asset side of the balance sheet. In addition to fixed assets and financial derivatives with a positive fair value, this item includes, for example, accrued



revenues, including accrued interest received; profit share to be received; prepaid expenses; prepaid insurance premiums; outstanding insurance claims; claims of credit institutions not related to their main business; other cash items and cash in transit, transit items, suspense items, collection claims, advance payments and other asset items not elsewhere classified.

Remaining liabilities: a residual item on the liability side of the balance sheet. This item includes, for example, financial derivatives with a negative fair value; accrued expenses, including accrued interest payable on deposits and loans received, and on securities; profit share to be paid; deferred revenues; liabilities of credit institutions not related to their main business; provisions representing liabilities towards third parties; transit items; suspense items; funds waiting for settlement; subsidies; net equity of households in pension fund reserves, liabilities arising from collection, prepayments received and other liability items not elsewhere classified.

7.2 INTEREST RATE STATISTICS OF MONETARY FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Harmonised MFI interest rate statistics are compiled from data obtained from credit institutions on deposits received from, and loans provided to, non-financial corporations and households, which are both Slovak and euro area residents. The term *households* refers to the population, including households, sole proprietors and non-profit institutions serving households. The term *new loans* or *new deposits* covers all new deposits received or loans granted during the respective reference month.

The term *outstanding amount* of loans or deposits means balances at the end of the respective reference period. Interest rates applied by credit institutions on loans or deposits are calculated as weighted arithmetic averages of the rates agreed on an annual basis.

In the case of loans provided to households for house purchase and loans for consumption, the annual percentage rate of charge is also reported to express the borrower's total credit-related costs.. The borrower's total costs comprise the element of interest rate and the element of other

credit-related costs. The collection of the annual percentage rates of charge for statistical purposes allows developments in credit-related charges to be monitored over time.

Secured loans represent a new category, which is required for the compilation of interest rate statistics as from 2010. These are the loans secured by any type of collateral or a personal guarantee, the value of which is higher than, or equal to, the new loan's total volume. A partially secured loan is to be classified as unsecured.

The category of *loans of up to* \in 1 *million* for non-financial corporations is designed specifically for small and medium-sized enterprises. The *loans of over* \in 1 *million* category is intended for large corporations. Interest rates reflect the borrower's economic power to negotiate appropriate credit terms and conditions. Interest rate developments indicate that loans of *up to* \in 1 *million* are provided at higher rates than loans of *over* \in 1 *million*.

Agreed average annual interest rate: average interest rate individually agreed between a bank and its customer for a loan, expressed in annualised terms (percentage per annum). An agreed average annual rate is to be determined on the basis of all interest rates on loans.

An agreed interest rate is converted into an average annual interest rate according to the formula:

$$x = \left(1 + \frac{r_{ag}}{n}\right)^n - 1,$$

where

- x is the agreed average annual interest rate;
- is the annual interest rate agreed between the bank and its customer (borrower). The dates of loan interest capitalisation are set for the year at regular intervals;
- n is the number of periods of loan interest capitalisation per year, i.e. 1 for annual payments; 2 for semi-annual payments, 4 for quarterly payments, and 12 for monthly payments.

Interest rate statistics (outstanding amounts):

these cover the outstanding amounts of bank loans of all types provided to customers and not yet repaid, and the outstanding amounts of all deposits received from customers and not yet redeemed, in all periods up to the date of report-



ing (reference period). The average interest rates agreed are expressed in annualised terms (p.a.). The method of calculation depends on the periodicity of capitalisation. The criterion for outstanding amount classification is the maturity of loans or the term of deposits.

Interest rate statistics (new business): these cover all the new loan and deposit agreements made between banks and their customers in the period under review (month). This applies to any agreement in which an interest rate is set for the first time, as well as to existing agreements that are renegotiated with the customers and in which the original terms and conditions are changed with an impact on interest levels (e.g. the new agreement is not prolonged automatically, variable interest rates are not changed, etc.). Interest rate statistics on new transactions cover the actual rates of interest agreed in individually negotiated agreements in the reference month. The method for calculating the average interest rates agreed, in annualised terms, depends on the periodicity of capitalisation.

Initial rate fixation: the period of time, set in advance, during which the interest rate on a loan is fixed. In interest rate statistics for new loans (new business), **only** the rate agreed for an initial fixation period prior to the loan agreement is reported. Loans **without** interest rate fixation are included in the category of 'variable rates and initial rate fixation for up to one year'.

7.3 STATISTICS OF MUTUAL FUNDS

Under the act on collective investment No. 203/2011 Coll., mutual funds are divided into open-end funds, closed-end funds, and specialised funds. Open-end mutual funds can be categorised according to the type of instrument in which they primarily invest. According to the area of investment, mutual funds are divided into money market funds, equity funds, bond funds, mixed funds, real estate funds, and other funds. The investment strategy of a fund is directly related to the expected rate of return, as well as to the risk involved. The general rule is that the higher the potential return, the higher the risk involved. Limits for investment in the individual types of instruments are defined in the Collective Investment Act.

According to the sectoral classification of economic entities, money market funds are treated as *monetary financial institutions*, ckassified in sector S.123 and other categories of mutual funds, referred to as investment funds are classified in sector S.124.

The statistics of mutual funds assets and liabilities are defined by the relevant regulations and guidelines of the European Central Bank⁹.

Money market funds (MMFs) are collective investment undertakings complying with the following criteria:

- a) they pursue the investment objective of maintaining a fund's principal and providing a return in line with the interest rates of money market instruments;
- b) they invest in money market instruments which comply with the criteria for money market instruments set out in Directive 2009/65/ EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the coordination of laws, regulations, and administrative provisions relating to undertakings for collective investment in transferable securities, or deposits with credit institutions or, alternatively, ensure that the liquidity and valuation of the portfolio in which they invest is assessed on an equivalent basis;
- c) they ensure that the money market instruments they invest in are of high quality, as determined by the management company. The quality of a money market instrument shall be considered, inter alia, on the basis of these factors:
 - the credit quality of the money market instrument;
 - the nature of the asset class represented by the money market instrument;
 - for structured financial instruments, the operational and counterparty risk inherent within the structured financial transaction;
 - the liquidity profile;
- d) they ensure that their portfolio has a weighted average maturity of no more than six months and a weighted average life of no more than twelve months;
- e) they provide daily net asset value and a price calculation of their shares/units, and daily subscription and redemption of shares/units;
- f) they limit investment in securities to those with a residual maturity until the legal re-

Regulation (EU) no 1073/2013 of the ECB of 18 October 2013 concerning statistics on the assets and liabilities of investment funds (recast) (ECB/2013/38). (http:// www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/pdf/ en_02013r1073-20131127-en.pdf) Regulation (EU) No 1071/2013 of the ECB of 24 September 2013 concerning the balance sheet of the monetary financial institutions sector (recast) (ECB/2013/33) (http:// www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/ pdf/02013r1071-20131127-en.pdf). Guideline of the ECB of 4 April 2014 on monetary and financial statistics (recast) (ECB/2014/15) (http:// www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/ pdf/oj_jol_2014_340_r_0001_ en txt.pdf), as amended by ECB/2014/43, ECB/2015/44 and ECB/2016/45 (http://www. ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/pdf/ celex_02014o0015-20170201_en_



demption date of less than or equal to two years, provided that the time remaining until the next interest rate reset date is less than or equal to 397 days, whereby floating rate securities should be reset to a money market rate or index:

- g) they limit investment in other collective investment undertakings to those complying with the definition of MMFs;
- h) they do not take direct or indirect exposure to equity or commodities, including via derivatives, and only use derivatives in line with the money market investment strategy of the fund. Derivatives which give exposure to foreign exchange may only be used for hedging purposes. Investment in non-base currency securities is allowed provided the currency exposure is fully hedged;
- i) they have either a constant or fluctuating net asset value.

The following terms are used in the definition of a money market fund:

Close substitutability for deposits in terms of liquidity: the ability of shares/units of collective investment undertakings, under normal market circumstance, to be repurchased, redeemed or transferred, at the request of the holder, where the liquidity of the shares/units is comparable to the liquidity of deposits.

Money market instruments: instruments of a high credit quality, if they have been awarded one of the two highest available short-term credit ratings by each recognised credit rating agency that has rated the instruments or, if the instruments are not rated, they are of an equivalent quality as determined by the management company's internal rating process. Where a recognised credit rating agency divides its highest short-term rating into two categories, these two ratings shall be considered as a single category and therefore the highest rating available.

When the weighted average lifetime and the weighted average maturity are calculated, the impact of financial derivative instruments, deposits and efficient portfolio management techniques are to be taken into account.

Undertakings for collective investment: undertakings the sole object of which is the collec-

tive investment in transferable securities of capital raised from the public and the shares/units of which are, at the request of holders, redeemed directly or indirectly, out of those undertakings' assets. Such undertakings may be constituted under the law of contract (as *common funds* managed by an asset management company), or under the trust law (as *unit trusts*), or under the commercial law (as *investment companies*).

Weighted average life: the weighted average of the remaining maturity of each security held in a fund, meaning the time until the principal is repaid in full, disregarding interest and not discounting. Contrary to the calculation of the weighted average maturity, the calculation of the weighted average life for floating rate securities and structured financial instruments does not permit the use of interest rate reset dates and instead only uses a security's stated final maturity. The weighted average life is used to measure the credit risk: the longer the reimbursement of principal is postponed, the higher the credit risk. The weighted average life is also used to limit the liquidity risk.

Weighted average maturity: a measure of the average length of time to maturity of all of the underlying securities in the fund weighted to reflect the relative holdings in each instrument, assuming that the maturity of a floating rate instrument is the time remaining until the next interest rate reset to a money market rate, rather than the time remaining before the principal value of the security must be repaid. In practice, weighted average maturity is used to measure the sensitivity of a MMF to changing money market interest rates.

7.4 STATISTICS OF OTHER FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

The European System of National Accounts (ESA2010) defines other financial intermediaries, except insurance corporations and pension funds – sector S.125 (hereinafter 'OFI') as financial corporations and quasi-corporations engaged mainly in financial intermediation through the acceptance of liabilities in forms other than cash, deposits, and/or close substitutes for deposits from institutional units other than monetary financial institutions, or insurance technical reserves.



The S.125 sector comprises the following types of companies:

- Financial companies engaged in lending companies granting credits and loans to nonfinancial corporations and households. They include financial leasing companies, factoring companies, and consumer credit companies.
- 2. Securities and derivatives dealers private individuals or firms specialising in securities market transactions; 1) they provide assistance to companies issuing new securities, provide guarantee for new securities and their placement on the market; 2) they trade in existing or new securities for their own account.
- 3. Financial holding companies
- 4. Special-purpose vehicles financial companies created to be holders of securitised assets or liabilities that have been removed from the balance sheets of corporations within the scope of their restructuring.

Other financial intermediaries are engaged primarily in long-term financing, which distinguishes the S.125 sector from that of S.122 and S.123 (monetary financial institutions).

Data on OFIs need to be collected for the purpose of monitoring their activities in financial intermediation outside the *monetary financial institutions* sector (MFIs – banks, branches of foreign banks, and money market funds). The activities performed by OFIs are similar to those pursued by MFIs. The two types of institutions complement each other. Since the balance sheets of MFIs reported to the European Central Bank for statistical purposes contain no data on OFIs (though OFIs are owned fully or partly by MFIs), statistical data on OFIs need to be collected for the sake of a more detailed statistical overview.

The NBS Statistics Department has been monitoring these institutions since 2007, when their obligation to report data to NBS was imposed by an NBS decree¹⁰. The range of data reported complies in full with the current requirements¹¹ of the European Central Bank regarding the statistics of other financial intermediaries.

In order to minimise the costs related to the reporting of data to NBS, the so-called stratified

cut-off tail sampling technique is applied, with data collected only from entities forming a representative sample within the given group, i.e. from entities representing at least 95% of the group's total assets. In 2012, quarterly balance-sheet data are collected from eighteen (out of ca 70) companies providing financial leasing services as the main or substantial part of their business activity, from eight (out of ca 60) consumer credit companies, and from all five factoring companies. The missing data are supplemented with estimated figures, in order that the given types of entities are covered up to 100%.

7.5 SECURITIES STATISTICS

7.5.1 SECURITIES ISSUANCE STATISTICS

The compilation of securities issues statistics is governed by the relevant guideline of the European Central Bank¹². These statistics provide information on all debt securities and quoted shares issued by domestic entities in any currency and in any country.

The individual issues are classified according to the sector of issuer. Further classification is made according to currency (issues in euro or other currency), type of security (debt or quoted securities), and according to the original maturity (short-term up to one year or long-term over one year). Debt securities are further divided according to the type of coupon yield (fixed, variable, or zero coupon).

Debt securities statistics focus on the outstanding amounts of issues (stocks) and flows, which are broken down into gross issues and redemptions. The difference between them represents issues in net terms.

a) Gross issues

Gross issues during the reporting period must include all issues of debt securities and quoted shares where the issuer sells newly created securities for cash. They concern the regular creation of new instruments. The point in time at which issues have been concluded is defined as the time at which payment is made; the recording of issues must therefore reflect as closely as possible the timing of payment of the underlying issue.

- 10 Decree of Národná banka Slovenska No. 19/2014 on reporting by factoring, leasing and consumer credit companies for statistical purposes.
- 11 Guideline of the ECB of 4 April 2014 on monetary and financial statistics (recast) (ECB/2014/15) (http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/pdf/oj_jol_2014_340_r_0001_en_txt.pdf), as amended by ECB/2014/43, ECB/2015/44 and ECB/2016/45 (http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/pdf/celex_0201400015-20170201_en_txt.pdf)
- 12 Guideline of the ECB of 4 April 2014 on monetary and financial statistics (recast) (ECB/2014/15) (http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/pdf/oj_jol_2014_340_r_0001_en_txt.pdf), as amended by ECB/2014/43, ECB/2015/44 and ECB/2016/45 (http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/pdf/celex_0201400015-20170201_en_txt.pdf).



b) Redemptions

Redemptions during the reporting period cover all repurchases of debt securities and quoted shares by the issuer, where the investor receives cash for the securities. Redemptions concern the regular deletion of instruments. They cover all debt securities reaching their maturity date, as well as early redemptions. Company share buybacks are covered, if the company repurchases all shares against cash prior to a change of its legal form, or part of its shares against cash which are cancelled, leading to a reduction in capital.

c) Net issues

Net issues represent the balance of all issues made, minus all redemptions that have occurred during the reporting period.

Outstanding amounts in the reporting period should be equal to the outstanding amounts recorded in the previous period, increased by gross issues made in the reporting period and reduced by issues redeemed in the same period. In the same way, the outstanding amounts in the reporting period can be expressed as the outstanding amounts recorded in the previous period, plus net issues in the reporting period (see the Scheme 1 below).

In fact, differences may occur as a result of price and exchange rate changes, reclassification, revision, or other adjustments.

7.5.2 DEBT SECURITIES

For debtors, debt securities represent an alternative to bank loans; for creditors, they represent a possible substitute for bank deposits and marketable instruments issued by banks.

Securities issues statistics cover the following instruments:

i) Short-term debt securities

- Treasury bills and other short-term paper issued by the general government;
- nogetiable short-term securities issued by financial and non-financial corporations; a variety of terms are used for such paper including, for example commercial papers, commercial bills, promissory notes, bills of trade, bills of exchange and certificates of deposit;
- short-term securities issued under long-term underwritten note issuance facilities;
- bankers' acceptances.

ii) Long-term debt securities

- bearer bonds;
- · subordinated bonds;
- bonds with optional maturity dates, the latest of which is more than one year away;
- · undated or perpetual bonds;
- variable rate notes;
- convertible bonds:
- covered bonds;
- index-linked securities where the value of the principal is linked to a price index, the price of a commodity or to an exchange rate index;
- deep-discounted bonds;
- · zero coupon bonds;
- euro bonds;
- global bonds;
- privately issued bonds;
- securities resulting from the conversion of loans;
- loans that have become negotiable de facto:
- special types of bonds (debentures) and borrowed securities (loan stock) convertible into shares, whether the shares of the issuing corporation or shares of another company, as long as they have not been converted. Where

| Sch | Scheme 1 | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|---|---|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| a) | outstanding issues at the end of the reporting period | * | outstanding issues at the end of the previous reporting period | + | Gross issues during the reporting period | - | Redemptions during the reporting period | | | |
| b) | outstanding issues at the end of the reporting period | * | outstanding issues at the end of the previous reporting period | + | Net issues during the reporting period | | | | | |



- separable from the underlying bond, the conversion option, considered to be a financial derivative, is excluded;
- shares or stocks that pay a fixed income but do not provide for participation in the distribution of the residual value of the corporation on dissolution, including non-participating preference shares;
- financial assets issued as part of the securitisation of loans, mortgages, credit card debt, accounts receivable, and other assets.

The following instruments are excluded:

- transactions in securities as part of repurchase agreements;
- · issues of non-negotiable securities;
- non-negotiable loans.

7.5.3 QUOTED SHARES

Quoted shares are defined in this case as shares that have been admitted to trading on a quoted market, i.e. the main or parallel market, as well as shares admitted to trading on a regulated free market, but only if they have a fair market value. Their values are reported as market capitalisation for the individual sectors.

Ouoted shares include:

- capital shares issued by limited liability companies;
- redeemed shares in limited liability companies;
- dividend shares issued by limited liability companies;
- preferred or preference stocks or shares which provide for participation in the distribution of the residual value on dissolution of a corporation; these may be quoted or unquoted on a recognised stock exchange;
- private placements where possible.

If a company is privatised and the government keeps part of the shares and the other part is quoted on a regulated market, the whole value of the company's capital is recorded within the outstanding amount of quoted shares, since all shares could potentially be traded at any time at market value. The same applies if part of the shares is sold to large investors and only the remaining part, i.e. free float, is traded on the stock exchange.

Quoted shares exclude:

- shares offered for sale but not taken up on issue:
- debentures and loan stock convertible into shares; these are included once they are converted into shares;
- the equity of partners with unlimited liability in incorporated partnerships;
- government investments in the capital of international organisations which are legally constituted as corporations with share capital;
- issues of bonus shares at the time of issue only and split share issues; bonus shares and split shares are, however, included indistinguishably in the total stock of quoted shares.

7.6 LONG-TERM INTEREST RATES

Long-term interest rate stability is one of the convergence criteria laid down in the Maastricht Treaty. This criterion expresses the requirement for sustainable convergence, which is to be achieved by each Member State. The average nominal long-term interest rate in a Member State must not exceed, by more than 2%, the average nominal long-term interest rate in the three Member States with the lowest inflation rates in the year following the last assessment. The interest rates are measured on the basis of long-term government bond rates or the rates for comparable securities.

The statistical principles of long-term interest rate reporting are defined in the following key terms

The term bond issuer refers to the central government. The maturity of government bonds is a residual maturity period of around ten years. The residual maturity period is recommended to be between 9.5 and 10.5 years. The type of bonds used should be sufficiently liquid. This requirement affects the choice between a benchmark-oriented approach and an approach based on a basket of bonds, depending on the national conditions. The benchmark-oriented approach treats bonds as a key indicator of the market conditions. The bond issue with the highest liquidity and turnover is often the most recent issue of sizeable volume. The approach based on



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a basket of bonds offers a choice of bonds from various types of bonds with various ISIN codes. The bonds available have the same weight.

In view of the situation in the local market for securities, the *benchmark-oriented approach* had been used until the end of January 2012. From the entry of Slovakia into the euro area to January 2012, daily yields to maturity were reported to the ECB for the following government bond issues:

| SK4120004318 | Benchmark | for | the | period | |
|--------------|--------------|-----|-----|--------|--|
| | 01/2009 – 06 | | S | | |
| | | | | | |

SK4120007204 Benchmark for the period 07/2010 – 01/2012

With effect from 1 February 2012, the benchmark-oriented approach has been replaced with an approach based on a basket of bonds. This

basket included two government bond issues that fully complied with the criteria:

SK4120004318 and SK4120007543 Benchmark for the period 02/2012 – 06/2013.

With effect from 1 July 2013, the approach based on a basket of bonds has been replaced with a benchmark-oriented approach.

| SK4120004318 | Benchmark for the 07/2013 – 04/2014 | period |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| SK4120008871 | Benchmark for the 05/2014 – 05/2015 | period |
| SK4120007543 | Benchmark for the 06/2015 – 05/2016 | period |
| SK4120010430 | Benchmark for the | period |

06/2016 - to date.







ABBREVIATIONS

APRC Annual percentage rate of charge

ECB European Central Bank

ESA95 European System of Accounts

MFI Monetary financial institutions (banks, branches of foreign banks, money market funds)

MMF Money market funds

NMFI Non-monetary financial institutions

p. p. Percentage point

P ProvisionsS Securities

SASS Slovak Association of Asset Management Companies

SDDS Special Data Dissemination Standard as defined by the International Monetary Fund



GLOSSARY

Aggregate balance sheet of Slovakia: a summary statistical balance sheet of all monetary and financial institutions based in Slovakia, excluding NBS.

Building loans: loans provided by home savings banks under Act No. 310/1992 Coll. on home savings as amended.

Consumer loans: defined for reporting purposes as loans provided for the purpose of personal consumption, i.e. the purchase of goods and services.

Investment loans: loans tied to the cycle of fixed assets, where the individual components of fixed assets are tied for a period longer than one year (except for loans provided for the purchase and/or technical development of land and buildings).

Intermediate loans: loans provided by home savings banks under the provisions of Act No. 310/1992 Coll. on home savings as amended.

Key ECB interest rates: the interest rates set by the Governing Council of the European Central Bank (ECB), determining the monetary policy stance of the ECB. These interest rates are the rate for the main refinancing operations, the rate for the marginal lending facility, and the rate for the deposit facility.

Monetary financial institutions (MFI): national central banks, credit institutions and other financial institutions whose business is to collect deposits and/or other redeemable instruments from entities other than MFIs, to grant credit and loans, and to make investments in securities for their own account (e.g. money market funds).

Mortgage loans: loans with a maturity of at least four years (but not more than 30 years), which are secured by a lien on domestic real estate and which satisfy the requirements laid down in Section 68 of Act No. 483/2001 Coll. on banks and on amendments to certain laws as amended.

Nominal value of loan: the outstanding amount of the loan principal, excluding accruals and other due amounts.

Non-performing loan: any loan where the bank assesses that the borrower is unlikely to meet its commitments without the security being realised, or where the borrower is more than 90 days in arrears with a significant commitment to the bank.

Operating loans: loans tied to the cycle of operating (current) assets, where the individual current asset components are usually fixed for a period of up to one year. Such loans are provided, for example, for the purchase of material supplies, raw materials, semi-finished goods, finished products, claims related to trade credits, or for the coverage of seasonal fluctuations in economic activities.

Original maturity period: the time aspect of claims and liabilities classification based on the contractual (agreed) maturity period.

Other real estate loans: real estate loans other than mortgage loans, building loans, or intermediate loans.



Pension funds: funds managed by pension fund management companies or supplementary pension asset management companies.

Real estate loans: all loans provided for the purchase and/or technical development of land and buildings, which are registered with the Land Registry under Act No. 162/1995 Coll. on land registries and registration of ownership title and other rights to real estate (the Land Registry Act) as amended.

Residual maturity period: for claims and liabilities, the residual maturity period is the difference between the agreed maturity date and the date for which the relevant report/statement is compiled, i.e. usually the end of a month, quarter, or year.

Secured loans: for the purpose of interest rate statistics, these are loans secured up to their total amount using the technique of 'funded credit protection', or secured by a guarantee using the technique of 'unfunded credit protection' so that the value of collateral or guarantee is higher or equal to the total amount of the new loan. If the requirements for credit protection are not satisfied, the new loan is considered unsecured.

Renegotiated loans are a part of new loans and are covering all changes to former contract with the active participation of the client, resulting in the change in contract conditions with efect on the interest rate. These loans do not bring new contracts to the market.

Pure new loans are loans which are a part of new loans and are calculated as the difference between the total amount of new loans and renegotiated loans, the so called new money in economy.



SECTOR CLASSIFICATION

Classification of institutional sectors and sub-sectors according to the European System of National and Regional Accounts (ESA2010):

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| | S.12 | Financial corporations | | | | |
| | S.121 | Central Bank (Národná banka Slovenska) | | | | |
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| | S.124 | Investment funds | | | | |
| | S.125 | Other financial intermediaries | | | | |
| | S.126 | Financial auxiliaries | | | | |
| | S.127 | Captive financial institutions and money lenders | | | | |
| | S.128 | Insurance corporations | | | | |
| | S.129 | Pension funds | | | | |
| | S.13 | General government | | | | |
| | S.1311 | Central government | | | | |
| | S.1312 | Regional government | | | | |
| | S.1313 | Local government | | | | |
| | S.1314 | Social security funds | | | | |
| | S.14 | Households | | | | |
| | S.141 | Employers | | | | |
| | S.142 | Own-account workers | | | | |
| | S.143 | Employees | | | | |
| | S.144 | Recipients of property incomes, pensions and other transfer incomes | | | | |
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| | S.15 | Non-profit institutions serving households | | | | |
| S.2 | Rest of the world (all countries, except Slovakia and the euro area) | | | | | |



LIST OF ADDITIONAL LINKS

Sector breakdown:

http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/en/web/products-manuals-and-guidelines/-/KS-02-13-269

Revision policy:

http://www.nbs.sk/_img/Documents/STATIST/MET/revpola.pdf

Structure of the financial market

List of monetary financial institutions:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/banks/statistical-and-analytical-overview/monetary-statistics-of-monetary-financial-institutions#ZOZPFI

List of investment funds:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/money-market-funds-and-investment-funds

List of other financial intermediaries:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/factoring-leasing-and-consumer-credit-companies/statistics-on-financial-corporations-engaged-in-lending

Overview of developments in the monetary sector:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/banks/statistical-and-analytical-overview/asurvey-of-financial-sector-development

Statistics of credit institutions and monetary statistics

Statistics of monetary financial institutions:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/banks/statistical-and-analytical-overview/monetary-statistics-of-monetary-financial-institutions

Monetary aggregates in the euro area:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/banks/statistical-and-analytical-overview/monetary-statistics-of-monetary-financial-institutions#M3-PFI

Balance sheets of monetary financial institutions based in the euro area:

http://www.ecb.int/stats/money/aggregates/bsheets/html/index.en.html

Interest rate statistics:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/banks/statistical-and-analytical-overview/interest-rate-statistics

Interest rate statistics – bank loans:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/banks/statistical-and-analytical-overview/interest-rate-statistics/banking-interest-rates-statistics-loans

Interest rate statistics – bank deposits:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/banks/statistical-and-analytical-overview/interest-rate-statistics/banking-interest-rates-statistics-deposits

Interest rates statistics for the euro area:

http://www.ecb.europa.eu/stats/money/interest/interest/html/index.en.html



Long-term interest rate statistics:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-markets/interest-rates/long-term-interest-rates-statistics

Non-performing loans:

http://www.nbs.sk/_img/Documents/STATIST/MET/Bad_Loans.pdf

Source data of monetary financial institutions:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/banks/statistical-data-of-monetary-financial-institutions

Statistics of investment funds:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/money-market-funds-and-investment-funds/investment-funds-statistics

Statistics of financial corporations engaged in lending (FCLs):

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/factoring-leasing-and-consumer-credit-companies/statistics-on-financial-corporations-engaged-in-lending

Source data of other financial intermediaries (OFIs):

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-institutions/factoring-leasing-and-consumer-credit-companies/statistical-data

Securities issues statistics:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-markets/securities-issues-statistics

Securities custody statistics:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/financial-markets/securities-custody-statistics

Data categories within SDDS standard:

http://www.nbs.sk/en/statistics/data-categories-of-sdds





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