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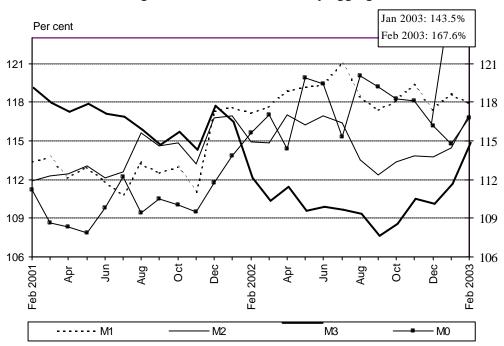


PRESS RELEASE

Monetary survey: February 2003

In February 2003, the annual rate of growth of the monetary base increased by 24.3 percentage points relative to the preceding month, the aggregate growing by 67.6% in twelve months. Its annual growth rate, calculated excluding overnight deposits, was 16.8%, 2 percentage points higher than in January.

The monetary aggregate M1 is composed of currency outside monetary financial institutions plus overnight deposits. Its growth rate fell 0.7 percentage points relative to the preceding month. Consequently, the end-of-month stock of M1 grew by 17.9% year on year. M2 is a measure of deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years, in addition to the constituents of M1. Annual growth in the aggregate picked up 2.5 percentage points relative to January, the end-of-month stock of M2 growing at a 17.0% year-on-year rate in February. The annual growth rate of broad money M3 increased by 3.2 percentage points in one month. As a result, the end-of-month stock of the aggregate grew by 14.2% in one year.





Note: For January–February 2003, the Chart plots the index of M0 excluding overnight deposits as well as its not adjusted index.

Appendix 1

Monetary survey (S.121+S.122)

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	2001	2002			20	03
	Dec	Jan	Feb	Dec	Jan	Feb
I. Domestic claims (S.1) (1++7)	7491.6	7368.7	7412.1	9113.6	9101.3	8998.5
1. Claims on non-financial corporations (S.11)	3739.7	3775.3	3781.1	3874.0	3873.8	3891.6
1.1Credits	3486.6	3511.3	3516.7	3697.9	3695.4	3711.1
1.1.1Forint	2326.9	2342.5	2326.5	2486.6	2406.4	2398.
1.1.2Foreign currency	1159.7	1168.7	1190.3	1211.3	1288.3	1313.
1.1.3Sale and repurchase agreements	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.
1.2Bonds	10.2	11.0	9.5	12.6	15.2	16.
1.3Shares and other equities	242.9	253.0	254.9	163.5	163.2	164.
2. Claims on other financial corporations (S. 123+S. 124+S. 125)	401.3	425.9	431.2	655.2	692.2	696.4
2.1Credits	357.2	381.6	386.6	602.2	636.6	640.3
2.1.1Forint	154.5	160.8	153.3	173.0	174.8	170.8
2.1.2Foreign currency	201.0	213.7	227.9	427.5	458.8	469.
2.1.3Sale and repurchase agreements	1.7	7.2	5.5	1.8	2.9	0.
2.2Bonds	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.
2.3Shares and other equities	43.8	44.1	44.4	52.9	55.5	56.
3.Net claims on consolidated central government (S.1311)	2392.0	2193.6	2209.7	2988.7	2903.8	2725.7
3.1Government bonds	1338.1	1327.8	1342.1	1429.8	1498.5	1548.
3.2Treasury bills	281.3	308.0	330.8	386.9	454.4	565.
3.3Foreign currency loans	1166.9	1164.1	1041.0	851.2	859.5	740.9
3.4Derivatives	-208.2	-227.0	-220.8	-65.3	30.4	-34.
3.50ther claims on central government, net	-186.1	-379.3	-283.3	386.2	60.9	-95.
4. Credits to social security funds (S. 1314)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5.Credits to local governments (S.1313)	72.2	73.1	76.6	116.1	118.9	125.3
5.1Forint	68.6	69.5	70.7	96.1	98.3	104.
5.2Foreign currency	3.6	3.6	5.9	19.9	20.6	20.
6.Credits to households (S.14)	871.3	885.0	902.5	1467.1	1500.7	1547.5
6.1Forint	849.7	862.9	879.8	1430.7	1461.9	1507.
6.2Foreign currency	21.6	22.1	22.8	36.4	38.8	39.
7.Non-profit institutions serving households (S.15)	15.1	15.7	11.0	12.6	11.9	12.
7.1Forint	9.5	10.2	7.9	9.4	8.7	8.
7.2Foreign currency	5.6	5.5	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3
I. Net foreign assets (S.2)	872.6	802.6	714.1	511.6	633.7	805.
1.Foreign currency holdings	58.1	33.0	32.6	30.6	28.0	27.
2.Loans and deposits	-327.4	-262.9	-397.1	-398.3	-1077.8	-894.
3.Bonds	1124.4	1014.7	1061.1	854.3	1657.8	1647.
4.Shares and other equities	17.4	17.8	17.6	25.1	25.7	25.

Appendix 1 (contd.)

Monetary survey (S.121+S.122)

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	2001		2002		20	03
	Dec	Jan	Feb	Dec	Jan	Feb
II. Broad money (M3) (1 + 2 + 3 + 4)	7172.3	7000.5	6833.0	7855.8	7774.4	7804.8
1. M2	6631.1	6503.5	6412.2	7544.2	7445.0	7502.5
1.1Currency outside monetary institutions (S.1+S.2-S.121-S.122)	1037.6	986.0	991.8	1181.8	1168.3	1180.5
1.1.1.1Households (S.14)	951.9	903.9	908.4	1087.9	1071.3	1082.0
1.1.20ther (S.1+S.2-S.121-S.122-S.14)	85.6	82.1	83.4	93.9	97.1	98.4
1.2Deposits with maturity up to 2 years	5593.5	5517.5	5420.4	6362.4	6276.7	6322.0
1.2.1Non-financial corporations (S.11)	1770.8	1707.9	1671.1	2109.7	1903.4	1880.5
1.2.2.1Forint	1412.2	1312.9	1315.2	1714.1	1534.3	1511.1
1.2.2.2Foreign currency	358.5	395.1	355.9	395.7	369.1	369.4
1.2.20ther financial corporations (S. 123+S. 124+S. 125)	109.7	121.2	75.1	175.5	259.7	356.5
1.2.2.1Forint	96.7	107.8	61.8	161.6	246.2	342.9
1.2.2.2Foreign currency	13.0	13.3	13.3	14.0	13.5	13.6
1.2.3Local governments (S.1313)	194.1	153.3	146.8	217.8	182.1	165.9
1.2.3.1Forint	178.9	139.0	132.9	180.1	148.8	132.8
1.2.3.2Foreign currency	15.2	14.2	13.9	37.8	33.3	33.1
1.2.4Households (S.14)	3418.7	3430.3	3421.4	3752.2	3813.6	3800.5
1.2.4.1Forint	2654.0	2680.4	2677.3	3125.2	3189.3	3182.3
1.2.4.2Foreign currency	764.8	749.8	744.1	627.0	624.3	618.2
1.2.5Non-profit institutions serving households (S.15)	100.2	104.9	105.9	107.1	117.9	118.6
1.2.5.1Forint	90.0	94.5	95.7	96.1	107.1	108.2
1.2.5.2Foreign currency	10.2	10.4	10.2	11.0	10.8	10.4
2.Sale and repurchase agreements	21.0	35.1	47.9	109.1	103.6	57.5
2.1Non-financial corporations (S.11)	7.3	19.6	21.5	23.9	15.3	18.3
2.20ther financial corporations (S.123+S.124+S.125)	10.3	11.2	23.7	76.9	76.4	31.1
2.3Local governments (S.1313)	2.9	3.7	2.1	7.4	10.5	6.7
2.4Households (S.14)	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3
2.5Non-profit institutions serving households (S.15)	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	1.2	1.2
3.Securities issued by monetary financial institutions (S.121+S.122) with maturity				I		
up to 2 years	400.1	330.0	234.3	19.3	13.1	9.7
3.1MNB (S.121)	368.4	300.3	205.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
3.20ther monetary financial institutions (S.122)	31.8	29.7	28.8	19.3	13.1	9.7
4. Money market funds shares/units	120.0	131.9	138.7	183.2	212.6	235.1
IV. Liabilities with maturity over 2 years (1 + 2)	378.9	386.5	404.0	668.3	733.4	757.0
1. Deposits with maturity over 2 years	296.5	296.3	299.9	286.5	293.9	296.5
1.1Non-financial corporations (S.11)	9.9	9.8	9.2	10.2	11.7	12.1
1.1.1Forint	9.7	9.5	9.0	9.9	11.5	11.4
1.1.2.Foreign currency	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.7
1.2.20ther financial corporations (S. 123+S. 124+S. 125)	1.8	1.8	7.5	17.7	6.0	7.0
1.2.2.1Forint	0.0	0.0	5.7	17.7	6.0	7.0
1.2.2.2Foreign currency	1.8	1.8	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.2.3Local governments (S.1313)	0.6	0.6	0.6	2.3	1.2	1.2
1.2.3.1Forint	0.6	0.6	0.6	2.3	1.2	1.2
1.2.3.2Foreign currency	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1.2.4Households (S.14)	284.1	284.1	282.5	256.3	274.8	276.6
1.2.4.1Forint	282.9	283.4	281.4	255.6	273.9	275.6
1.2.4.2Foreign currency	1.2	0.7	1.1	0.7	1.0	1.0
1.2.5Non-profit institutions serving households (S.15)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
1.2.5.1Forint 1.2.5.2Foreign currency	0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0	0.1 0.0	0.1 0.0	0.2	0.2 0.0
2.Securities issued by monetary financial institutions (S.121+S.122) with maturity						
over 2 years	82.4	90.2	104.1	381.7	439.5	460.5
IV. Other claims net (III.+IVIII.)	-813.0	-784.2	-889.2	-1101.2	-1227.1	-1242.6
Memorandum item:						
Domestic credit (I.1.1+I.2.1+I.3+I.4+I.5+I.6+I.7)	7194.3	7060.4	7103.1	8884.7	8867.2	8761.9

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 Foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities are converted into forint equivalent by using official midpoint exchange rates of the central bank.
 The aggregates may not sum to the totals because of rounding.
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Monetary aggregates

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	2001	2002			2003		
	31 Dec	31 Jan	28 Feb	31 Dec	31 Jan	28 Feb	
Monetary base (M0)	1608.5	1523.7	1519.8	1763.9	2050.8	2389.6	
M1	3110.2	2908.7	2895.6	3652.3	3451.8	3415.2	
M2	6631.1	6503.5	6412.2	7544.2	7445.0	7502.5	
M3	7172.3	7000.5	6833.0	7855.8	7774.4	7806.6	
M4	10058.9	10035.5	9944.2	11552.6	11590.4	11666.7	
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Notes:

Monetary base (M0) = Currency in circulation plus other monetary financial institutions' reserves and other domestic currency balances at the central bank. (M0 is calculated from the monthly average stocks derived from daily data of all three components.)

M1 = Currency outside monetary financial institutions plus overnight deposits.

M2 = M1 plus forint and foreign currency deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years.

M3 = M2 plus outstanding repurchase agreements plus resident holdings outside monetary financial institutions of securities issued by monetary financial institutions with maturity up to 2 years plus resident holdings outside monetary financial institutions of money market fund units.

*M*4 = Currency outside monetary financial institutions plus total deposits and debt securities issued by monetary financial institutions plus non-monetary government securities outstanding (according to the unchanged definition).