

PRESS RELEASE

Consolidated balance sheet of MFIs: February 2005

In February 2005, the monetary base fell by HUF 7.1 billion to HUF 1909.2 billion. The monthly average stock of other monetary financial institutions' current account deposits rose by HUF 5.2 billion to HUF 476 billion, and that of overnight deposits fell by HUF 7.8 billion to HUF 2 billion. The monthly average stock of currency in circulation fell by HUF 4.5 billion to HUF 1431.2 billion in February. The annualised month-on-month growth index of the monetary base (M0), calculated from trend data, was 107.1% during the month under review.

The annualised month-on-month growth index of the narrow monetary aggregate M1, calculated from trend data, rose by 0.6 percentage point from 118.1% to 118.7%. The annualised month-on-month growth index of M2 edged up by 2.8 percentage points from 108.6% to 111.4%. The annualised month-on-month growth index of M3 also rose by 3.1 percentage points from 113% to 116.1%.

Chart 1 Annualised month-on-month growth indices of the monetary aggregates

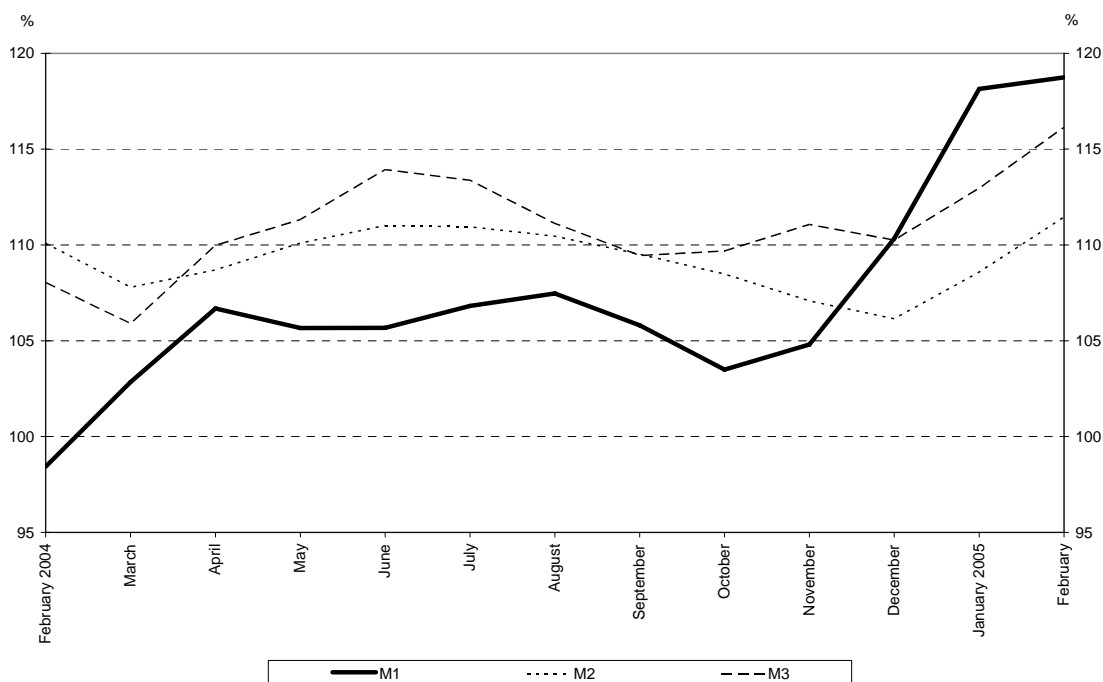


Chart 2 Developments in the monetary aggregates

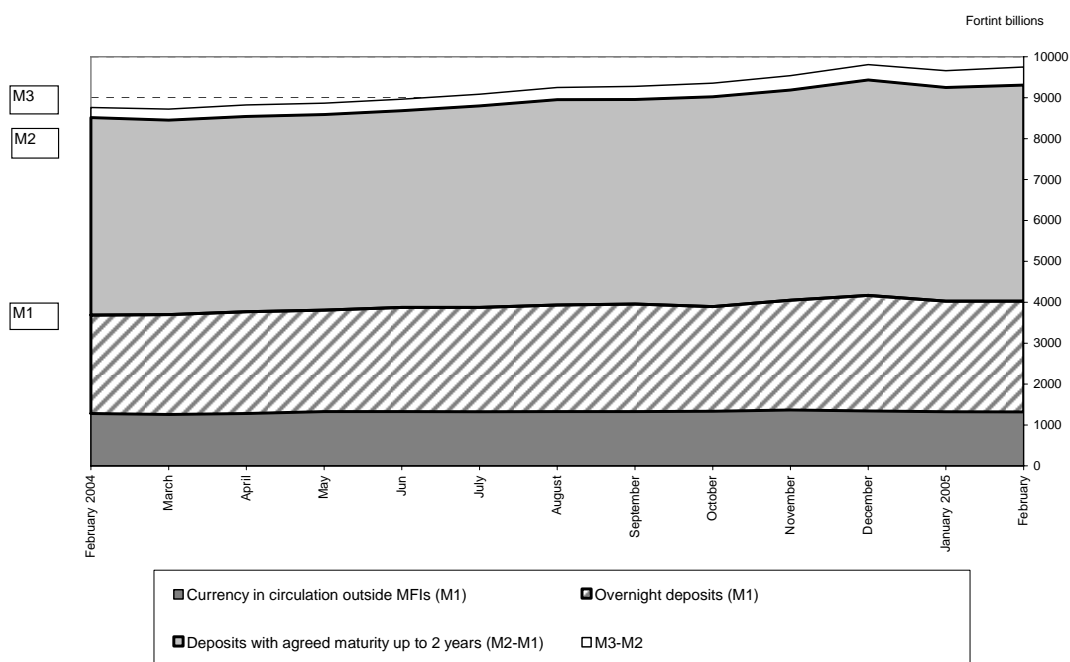
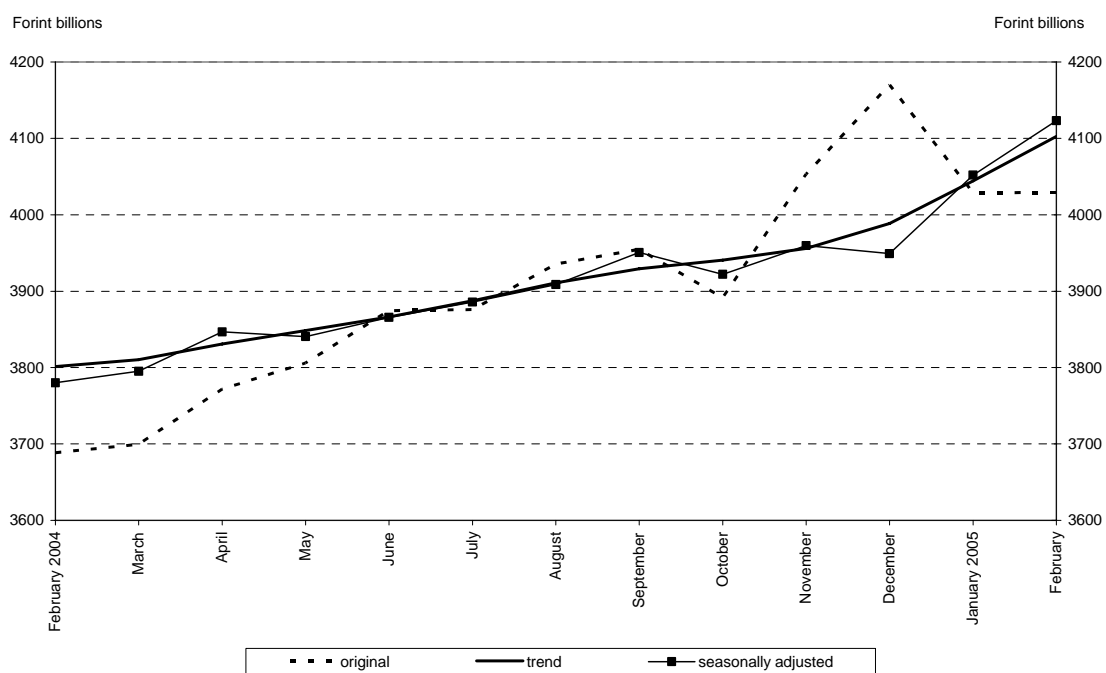
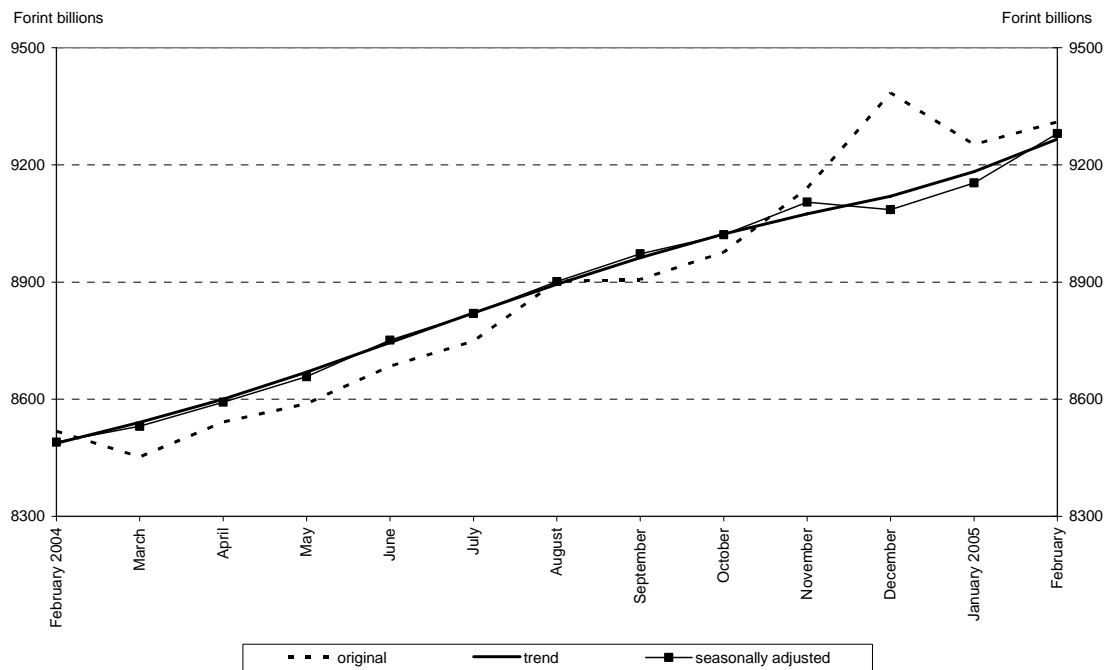


Chart 3 M1



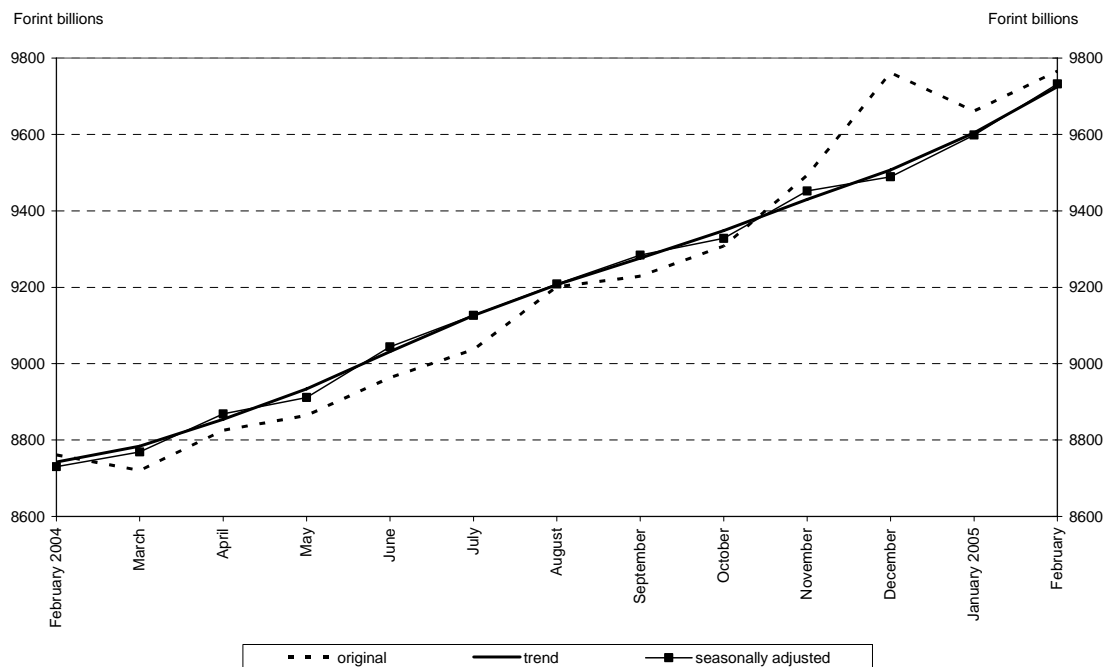
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Chart 4 M2



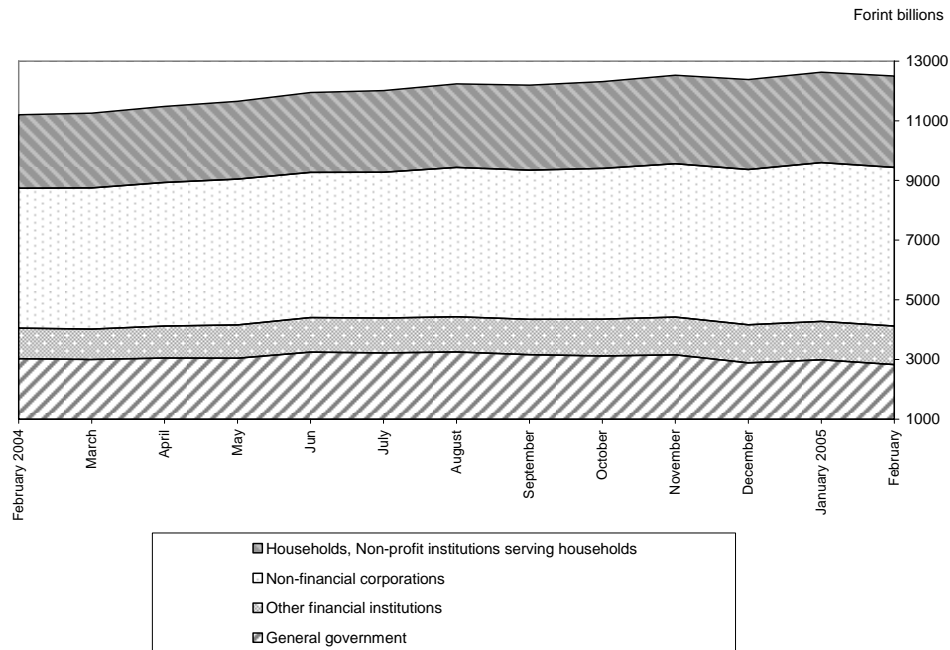
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Chart 5 M3



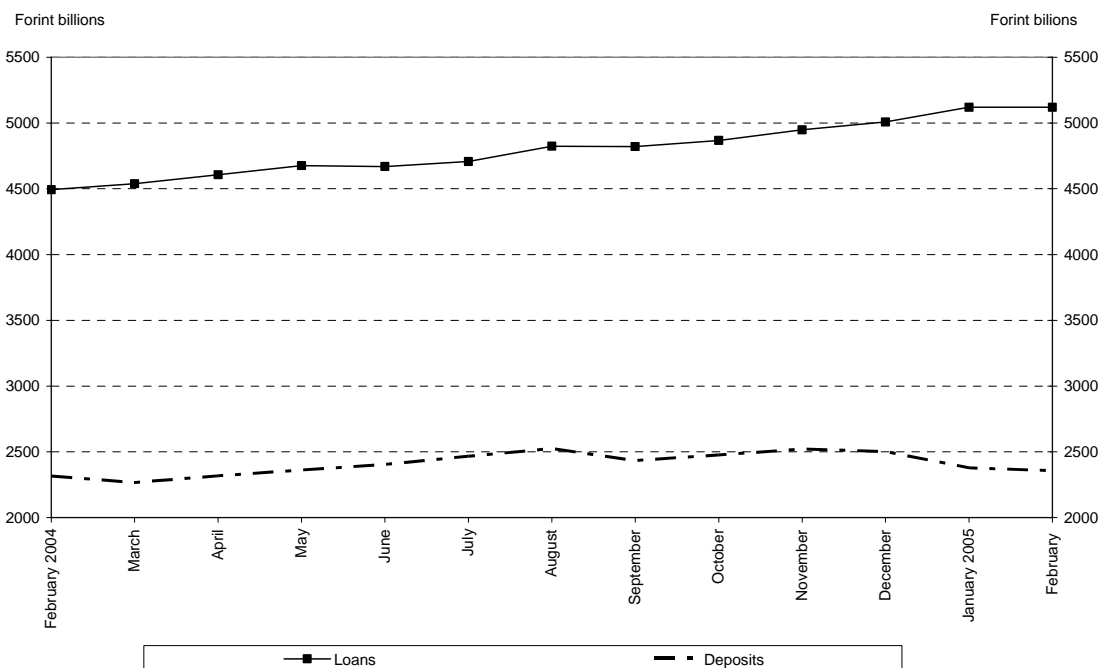
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Chart 6 Outstanding domestic loans



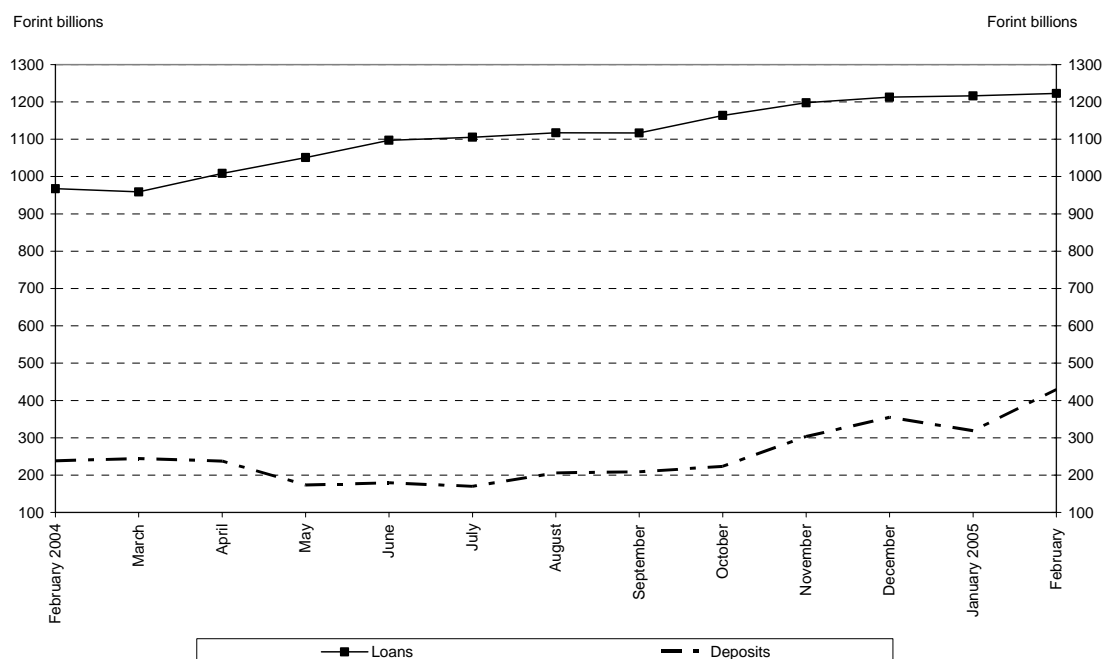
There materialised a HUF 0.4-billion change in the total stock of loans granted by monetary financial institutions to non-financial corporations in February. Outstanding short-term loans grew by HUF 9.1 billion, while long-term loans fell by HUF 8.7 billion. Loans with maturity up to 5 years fell by HUF 8 billion, and those with maturity over 5 years fell by HUF 0.7 billion. The sector's deposits with MFIs were down by a total of HUF 21.4 billion: overnight and current account deposits fell by HUF 23.9 billion and deposits with agreed maturity up to one year by HUF 1.6 billion, while deposits with agreed maturity over one year and outstanding repos edged up by HUF 0.5 billion and HUF 3.6 billion respectively.

Chart 7 Non-financial corporations' loans and deposits



In February the stock of deposits of other financial corporations with monetary financial institutions was up by HUF 110 billion. Outstanding loans to the sector rose by HUF 6.4 billion. Overnight and current account deposits were higher by HUF 21.6 billion, time deposits were up by HUF 90 billion and outstanding repos were down by HUF 1.6 billion. Loans with maturity up to one year rose by HUF 96 billion, those with maturity up to five years fell by HUF 98 billion and those with maturity over five years rose by HUF 8.4 billion.

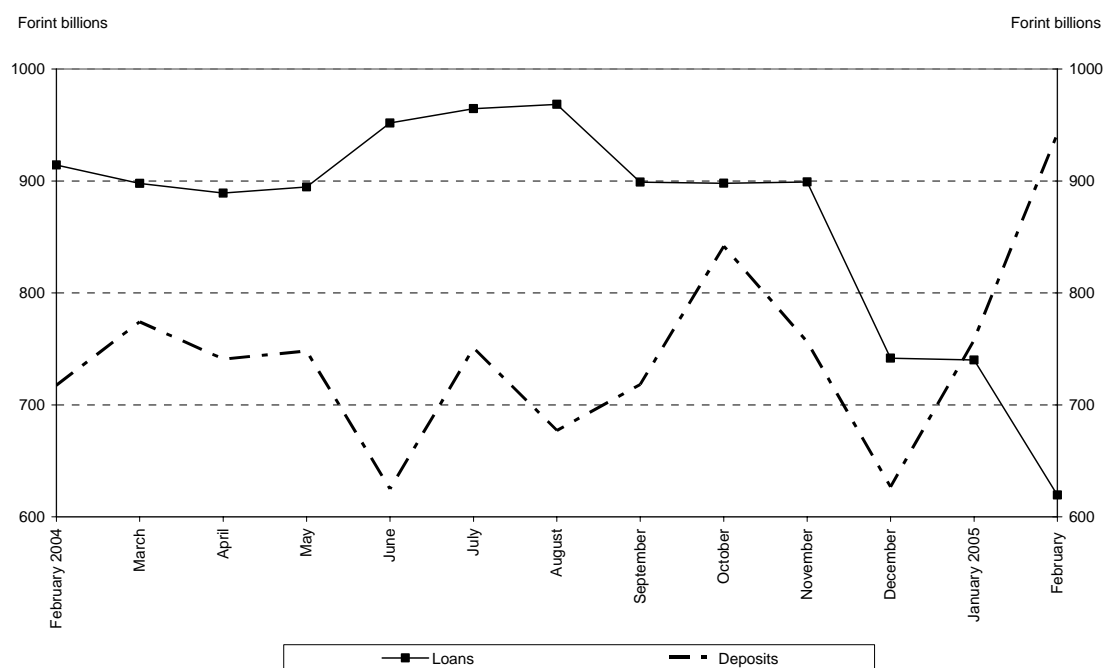
Chart 8 Loans and deposits of other financial corporations



In February 2005, deposits of the general government sector with MFIs rose by HUF 184.2 billion. That reflected an increase of HUF 196.6 billion in deposits of the central government and a decline of HUF 12.4 billion in those of the local government sub-sector.

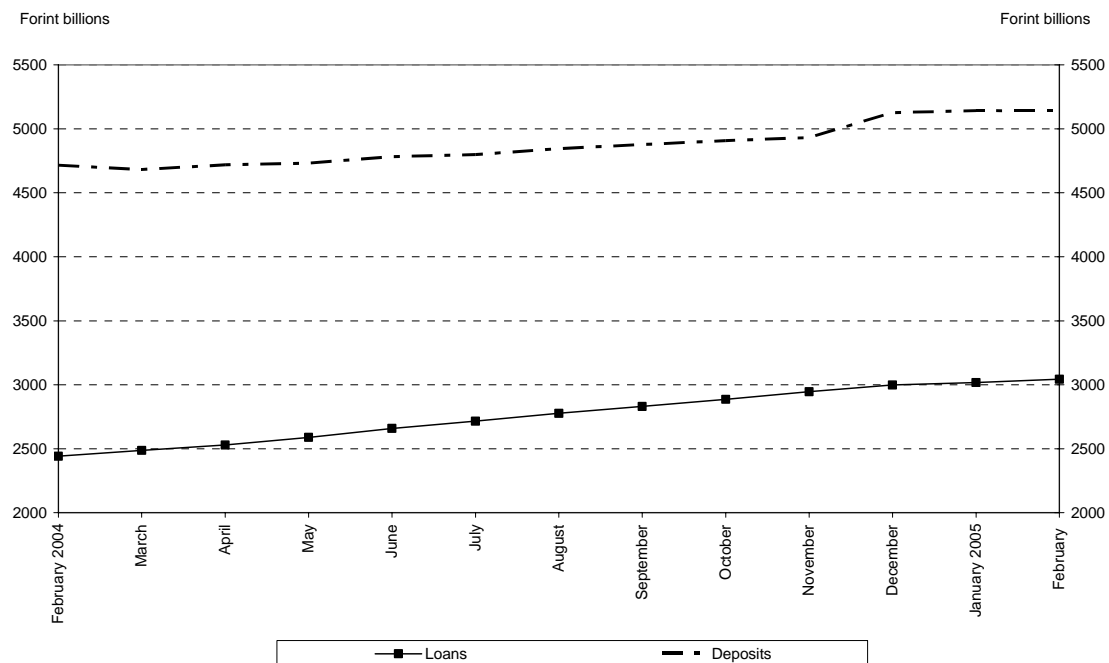
The stock of loans granted by monetary financial institutions to general government fell by HUF 120.6 billion.

Chart 9 Loans and deposits of general government



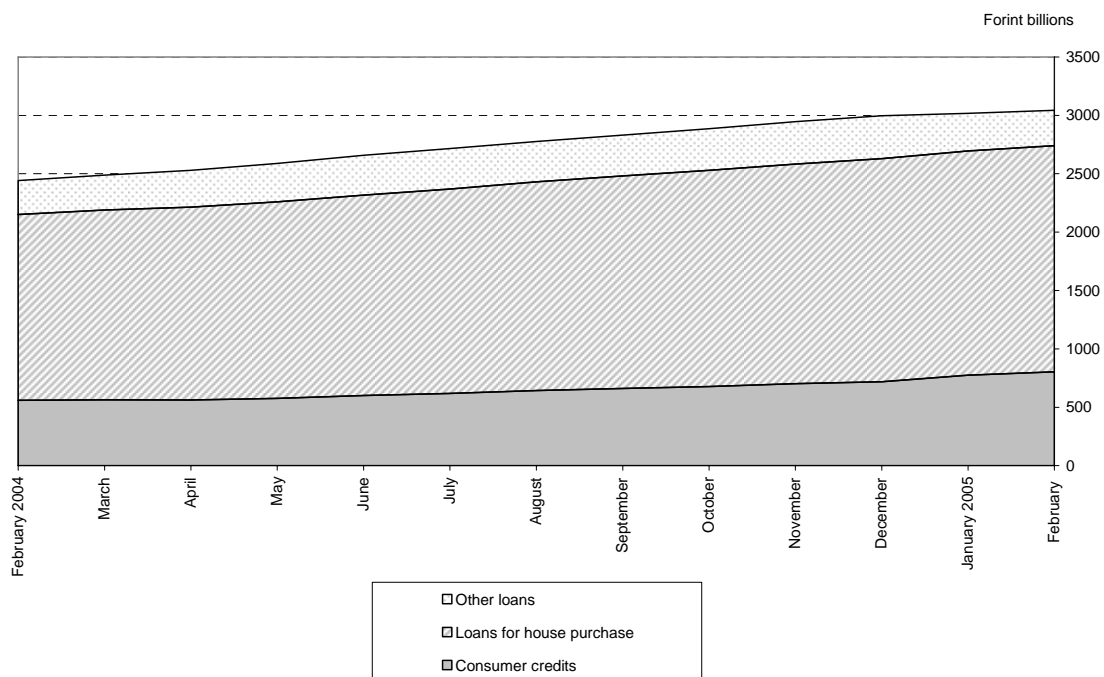
Households' deposits with MFIs fell by HUF 3.4 billion during the month under review. The outstanding total of loans granted by monetary financial institutions to the sector rose by HUF 25.7 billion.

Chart 10 Loans and deposits of households



Within loans outstanding to households, housing loans edged down from 63.7% to 63.6% as a percentage of the total, their stock rising by HUF 15.8 billion. Consumer credit rose from 25.7% to 26.4% as a proportion of the total, its amount outstanding increasing by HUF 29 billion. Other loans fell by HUF 19.1 billion.

Chart 11 Loans to households

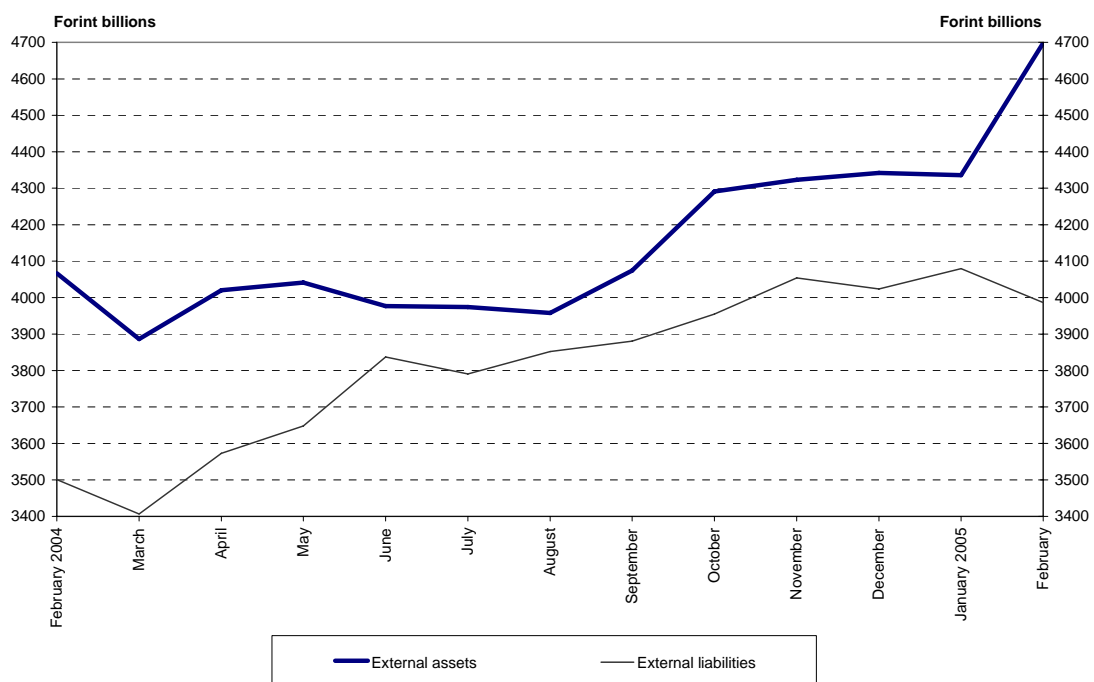


Net assets of monetary financial institutions vis-à-vis non-residents went up by HUF 455.9 billion: assets rose by HUF 362.8 billion and liabilities fell by HUF 93.1 billion.

Assets of the central bank vis-à-vis non-residents rose by HUF 386.7 billion and its liabilities to non-residents fell by HUF 86.5 billion. On balance, net foreign assets rose by HUF 473.2 billion.

Net assets of other monetary financial institutions vis-à-vis non-residents fell by HUF 17.3 billion, reflecting a fall of HUF 23.9 in assets and HUF 6.6 billion in liabilities.

Chart 12 External assets and liabilities



The data underlying this press release are available on the MNB's website at http://english.mnb.hu/Resource.aspx?ResourceID=mnbfile&resourcename=0708_monstatpubl_e_nxls.

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