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Preliminary statistical balance sheet of the MNB: October 2019

In October, forint liquidity of the domestic banking sector increased, which was mainly reflected in rises in the average stocks of credit institutions' overnight and other deposits. The average stock of currency in circulation continued to rise in the month. The average stock of external assets fell relative to the previous month. The overnight interbank interest rate fluctuated at the bottom of the interest rate corridor throughout the month.

1 Balance sheet of the MNB containing monthly average stocks

Assets	September	October	Monthly changes	Linkiliking	September	October	Monthly changes
	2019	2019		Liabilities	2019	2019	
External assets	10 204,7	9 957,7	-247,0	Currency in circulation	6 338,6	6 414,0	75,4
Swap claims on HUF related to forint liquidity providing EUR/HUF FX swap ^{1,2}	2 077,8	2 081,0	3,2	Current account balances of other MFIs	290,6	260,9	-29,7
Remaining assets ^{3,4,6}	1 889,2	1 899,0	9,8	Overnight deposits of other MFIs ⁵	526,2	594,8	68,6
				Other deposits of other MFIs ⁷	131,6	151,9	20,3
				Deposits of central government	1 808,5	1 514,2	-294,
				External liabilities	912,4	941,2	28,
				Swap liabilities to foreign currency related to forint liquidity providing EUR/HUF FX swap ^{1,2}	2 077,8	2 081,0	3,2
				Remaining liabilities ⁴	2 086,0	1 979,8	-106,
Total assets	14 171,7	13 937,7	-234,1	Total liabilities	14 171,7	13 937,7	-234,

Table 1 Statistical balance sheet of the MNB – monthly average stocks

¹This item includes FX-swaps with credit institutions on a gross basis. (See the Methodological notes.)

² A notice on Forint liquidity providing EUR/HUF FX swap is available on the MNB's website at <u>http://www.mnb.hu/letoltes/t-c-forint-liquidity-providing-swap-en.pdf</u> ³ Includes loans offered to credit institutions within Funding for Growth Scheme.

http://www.mnb.hu/en/monetary-policy/funding-for-growth-scheme-fgs

⁴ From March 2016, other items on both the assets and liabilities sides include swaps outstanding under Phase 3 of Pillar 2 of the Funding for Growth Scheme as well. ⁵ The stock of overnight deposits also includes the stock of preferential deposits.

⁶ Includes the stock of mortgage bonds, held by the MNB, which were issued by domestic mortgage banks.

⁷ Includes the stock of margin accounts linked to credit institutions' derivative transactions with the MNB.

In October, the average and end-of-month stocks of **external assets** both fell. The appreciation of the forint in October reduced the average and end-of-month stocks. By contrast, the rise in October in the stock of EUR/HUF swaps providing forint liquidity increased the end-of-month stock of external assets in the month.

The average stock of **EUR/HUF swaps providing forint liquidity¹** remained broadly unchanged.

The **average stock of currency in circulation** continued to rise in the month (see Table 1 and Chart 4 of the chart-pack).

The monthly average of the banking sector's **current account** balances with the MNB exceeded reserve requirements by HUF 30.5 billion, less than in the previous month. In October, reserve requirements amounted to HUF 230.4 billion (see Chart 1 of the chart-pack).

Forint liquidity of the domestic banking sector increased in the reference month: the average stocks of credit institutions' overnight and other deposits both increased.

The average stock of central government deposits fell during the month.

The average stock of **external liabilities** rose in October.

The **average interest rate on overnight interbank loans** fluctuated at the bottom of the interest rate corridor throughout the month.

II. Balance sheet of the MNB compiled from end-of-month data

Table 2 Transactions and revaluations in the balance sheet of the MNB compiled from preliminary end-of-month data – October 2019

HUF billions

Assets	Opening stocks	Revalu- ations and other changes	Trans- actions	Closing stocks	Liabilities	Opening stocks	Revalu- ations and other changes	Trans- actions	Closing stocks
External assets	10 169,8	-253,1	-31,5	9 885,2	Currency in circulation	6 354,4	0,0	90,4	6 444,8
Remaining assets	1 773,7	20,1	40,8	1 834,6	Deposits of other MFIs	999,8	-0,1	185,4	1 185,1
					Deposits of central government	1 695,3	-7,3	-241,5	1 446,5
					External liabilities	923,6	-19,7	11,2	915,1
					Remaining liabilities	1 970,3	-205,9	-36,2	1 728,3
Total assets	11 943,5	-233,0	9,2	11 719,8	Total liabilities	11 943,5	-233,0	9,2	11 719,8

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¹ More information on the statistical treatment of EUR/HUF FX swaps providing forint liquidity is available in the Methodological notes.

Detailed tables: <u>Time series</u> Notes: <u>Methodological notes</u> Charts: <u>Chart pack</u>

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