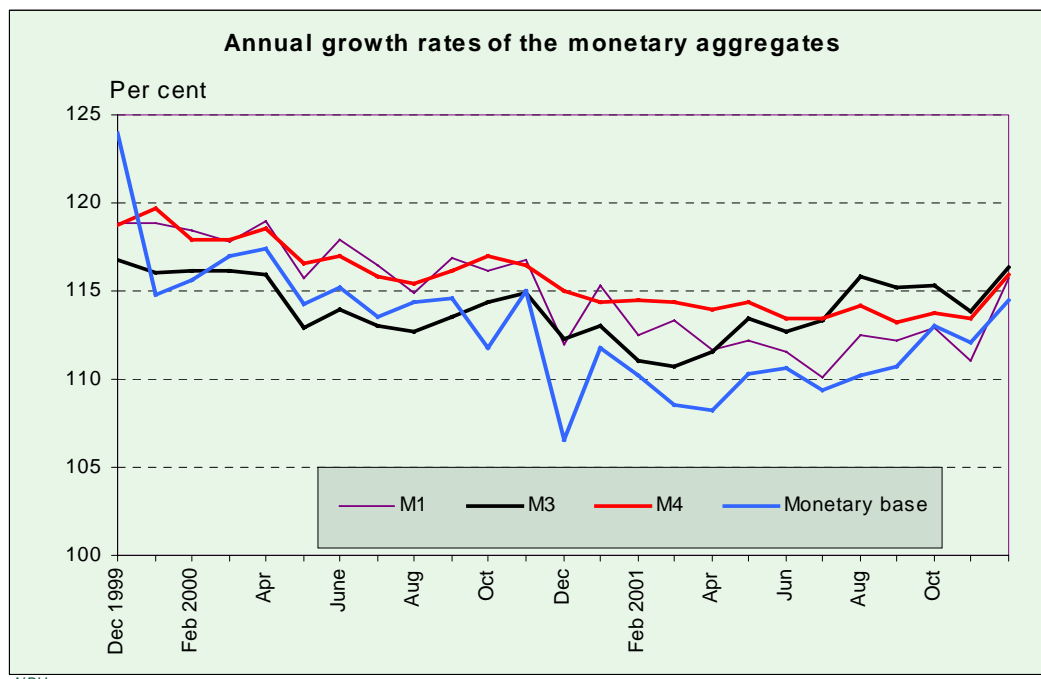


PRESS RELEASE

Monetary survey

December 2001 (preliminary)

The adjusted annual growth index of the monetary base^{a)} increased by 2.5 percentage points to 114.5% in December 2001 relative to November. According to the preliminary data, the annual growth rates of every monetary aggregate increased in comparison with the preceding month. The monetary aggregate M1 is composed of currency outside monetary institutions plus forint sight deposits. In December, it grew at a 4.7 percentage points faster rate than in November. Consequently, the end-of-month stock of M1 was 15.7% higher than a year earlier. M2 is a measure of sight foreign currency deposits plus time forint and foreign currency deposits, in addition to the constituents of M1. Annual growth in the aggregate picked up 2.4 percentage points, its end-December stock increasing by 15.8% in one year. The annual growth index of broad money M3 increased by 2.4 percentage points relative to November, the stock of the aggregate increasing by 16.3% year on year. Annual broadest money M4 growth accelerated by 2.5 percentage points in one month. As a result, the end-December stock of M4 was 15.9% higher than in December 2000.



^{a)} The adjusted annual growth index of the monetary base eliminates the effect of the change to the reserve requirement system in 2000–2001. Accordingly, the Chart plots M0 indices after eliminating the effect of the change to the reserve requirement system.

Appendix

Monetary survey (S.121+S.122)

Ft billions

	2000			2001		
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Oct	Preliminary Nov	Preliminary Dec
I. Domestic claims (S.1) (1+...+7)	6971.1	6966.2	7199.0	7307.2	7315.2	7418.1
1. <i>Claims on non-financial corporations (S.11)</i>	3324.2	3356.2	3366.7	3732.1	3769.6	3754.3
1.1 Credits	3130.7	3166.3	3182.6	3493.2	3525.3	3487.1
1.1.1 Forint	1905.3	1950.5	1950.2	2271.8	2313.0	2333.4
1.1.2 Foreign currency	1225.4	1215.7	1229.4	1213.2	1204.2	1153.7
1.1.3 Sale and repurchase agreements	0.1	0.1	3.1	8.1	8.1	0.0
1.2 Bonds	16.2	15.4	12.3	10.4	9.7	9.4
1.3 Shares and other equities	177.2	174.6	171.7	228.5	234.6	257.8
2. <i>Claims on other financial corporations (S.123+S.124+S.125)</i>	260.4	257.2	279.5	376.4	392.1	401.6
2.1 Credits	192.5	190.7	215.8	335.0	350.7	360.2
2.1.1 Forint	104.5	106.0	119.9	144.8	148.5	153.8
2.1.2 Foreign currency	73.5	77.8	83.3	184.4	192.6	204.7
2.1.3 Sale and repurchase agreements	14.5	6.9	12.5	5.7	9.6	1.7
2.2 Bonds	30.3	28.4	29.2	10.8	10.8	10.8
2.3 Shares and other equities	37.6	38.2	34.5	30.6	30.6	30.6
3. <i>Net claims on consolidated central government (S.1311)</i>	2779.1	2723.8	2894.4	2310.3	2229.4	2309.0
3.1 Government bonds	1298.1	1264.9	1301.4	1327.3	1306.3	1312.6
3.2 Treasury bills	166.1	157.2	150.8	210.0	207.3	227.9
3.3 Foreign currency loans	1700.2	1654.9	1545.4	1310.2	1297.3	1166.9
3.4 Derivatives	-376.5	-311.0	-179.5	-258.0	-263.1	-208.2
3.5 Other claims on central government, net	-8.9	-42.1	76.4	-279.2	-318.4	-190.1
4. <i>Credits to social security funds (S.1314)</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5. <i>Credits to local governments (S.1313)</i>	51.3	57.0	56.6	62.7	67.1	68.3
5.1 Forint	45.6	51.3	50.9	57.8	61.9	64.6
5.2 Foreign currency	5.7	5.7	5.7	4.9	5.1	3.6
6. <i>Credits to households (S.14)</i>	551.8	567.6	595.0	816.2	842.6	869.6
6.1 Forint	544.2	558.6	584.7	796.7	822.0	848.2
6.2 Foreign currency	7.6	9.0	10.2	19.5	20.6	21.5
7. <i>Non-profit institutions serving households (S.15)</i>	4.4	4.4	6.8	9.6	14.5	15.3
7.1 Forint	2.9	3.0	3.6	3.9	8.8	9.7
7.2 Foreign currency	1.4	1.4	3.2	5.7	5.6	5.6
II. Net foreign assets (S.2)	-316.1	-171.4	-296.6	335.2	327,5^{aj}	378,9^{aj}
1. Bonds	-184.3	5.7	139.4	697.9	678.2	..
2. Shares and other equities	489.9	508.6	492.2	-76.1	-150.5	..
2.1 Portfolio investments	821.3	841.4	827.0	282.3	216.9	..
2.2 Foreign direct investments without intercompany loans	-331.4	-332.7	-334.8	-358.4	-367.4	..
3. Intercompany loans	0.3	0.0	-86.1	-82.2	-86.5	..
4. Derivatives	379.2	315.4	183.6	239.3	244.7	..
5. Other	-914.5	-915.0	-1027.0	-443.7	-358.4	..
III. Broad money (M3) (1 + 2 + 3)	5753.8	5896.0	6052.2	6637.5	6715.3	7038.9
1. M2	5650.8	5791.7	5955.4	6497.0	6570.6	6897.5
1.1 Currency outside monetary institutions (S.1+S.2-S.121-S.122)	853.8	888.2	883.9	965.6	1006.8	1044.6
1.1.1 Households (S.14)	776.0	804.2	803.1	883.4	916.9	958.5
1.1.2 Other (S.1+S.2-S.121-S.122-S.14)	77.8	84.1	80.8	82.2	89.9	86.1
1.2 Deposits	4797.0	4903.5	5071.5	5531.4	5563.8	5852.9
1.2.1 Non-financial corporations (S.11)	1451.5	1523.2	1539.5	1677.3	1706.2	1789.8
1.2.2.1 Forint	1175.5	1217.5	1268.2	1342.3	1358.5	1417.7
1.2.2.2 Foreign currency	276.0	305.7	271.3	334.9	347.8	372.1
1.2.2 Other financial corporations (S.123+S.124+S.125)	70.0	81.1	94.6	125.9	89.9	112.7
1.2.2.1 Forint	50.1	61.3	73.9	107.4	75.5	103.1
1.2.2.2 Foreign currency	19.9	19.8	20.7	18.5	14.4	9.6
1.2.3 Local governments (S.1313)	103.4	95.3	141.4	126.6	114.8	191.1
1.2.3.1 Forint	102.8	94.6	140.9	126.2	114.4	176.0
1.2.3.2 Foreign currency	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	15.2
1.2.4 Households (S.14)	3084.0	3117.0	3210.4	3503.3	3554.2	3659.9
1.2.4.1 Forint	2330.3	2368.0	2475.0	2764.4	2809.0	2894.3
1.2.4.2 Foreign currency	753.7	749.0	735.4	738.9	745.2	765.6
1.2.5 Non-profit institutions serving households (S.15)	88.1	86.9	85.7	98.3	98.6	99.4
1.2.5.1 Forint	77.1	76.1	75.1	87.9	88.2	88.9
1.2.5.2 Foreign currency	11.0	10.8	10.6	10.4	10.4	10.5
2. Sale and repurchase agreements	39.7	39.5	26.1	40.4	36.8	28.8
2.1 Non-financial corporations (S.11)	26.9	22.7	15.8	20.8	18.6	7.4
2.2 Other financial corporations (S.123+S.124+S.125)	10.3	6.5	3.1	12.8	7.6	10.8
2.3 Local governments (S.1313)	2.5	10.3	6.8	6.5	10.3	10.3
2.4 Households (S.14)	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
3. Securities issued by other monetary financial institutions (S.122)	63.2	64.8	70.7	100.1	107.9	112.6
IV. Money market instruments	402.3	367.3	349.6	470.9	427.9	427.8
V. Other claims net (III.+IV.-I.-II.)	-498.9	-531.4	-500.6	-534.1	-499.6	-330.4
Memorandum item:						
Domestic credit (I.1.1+I.2.1+I.3+I.4+I.5+I.6+I.7)	6709.7	6709.6	6951.2	7026.9	7029.6	7109.5

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.

a) Central bank data are preliminary; those for credit institutions reflect bank estimates.

Monetary aggregates

	Ft billions					
	2000			2001		
	31 Oct	30 Nov	31 Dec	31 Oct	Preliminary 30 Nov	Preliminary 31 Dec
Monetary base (M0)	1511.1	1560.1	1568.5	1447.5	1475.9	1514.1
M1	2195.0	2285.4	2384.2	2457.9	2478.7	2532.3
M2	5650.9	5791.7	5957.1	6410.9	6497.0	6551.7
M3	5753.8	5895.1	6052.9	6545.0	6637.5	6687.0
M4	8444.1	8546.1	8691.1	9436.2	9602.5	9682.6

Notes:

Monetary base (M0) = Currency in circulation plus other monetary financial institutions' reserves and other forint accounts at the central bank. M0 is calculated from the month-end value of banknotes and coin, and the average of banks' reserve deposits and other forint balances with the central bank, taking the averages of the last two weeks up to end-August 1998 and monthly averages from September. M0 does not include the stock of central bank remunerated deposits.

M1 = Currency outside monetary institutions plus forint sight deposits.

M2 = M1 plus foreign currency sight deposits plus domestic and foreign currency time deposits.

M3 = M2 plus repurchase agreements plus securities issued by other monetary financial institutions.

M4 = M3 plus government securities held outside monetary institutions plus NBH domestic bills held outside monetary institutions.