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Household and non-financial corporate sector interest rates: July 2012¹

According to seasonally unadjusted data, new business of forint general purpose mortgage loans to the household sector fell slightly in July 2012. New forint and euro deposits of the non-financial corporate sector both fell in the month under review.

In July 2012, the average APRC on new forint housing loans to the household sector remained unchanged and that on general purpose mortgage loans rose slightly relative to the previous month. New business of forint housing loans increased slightly, in contrast with that of general purpose mortgage loans, which fell slightly.

Despite the tightening in regulations, foreign currency mortgage loans accounted for around 3%-4% of total new lending in June-July, reflecting the effect of early repayments of foreign currency-denominated loans made by banks earlier.²

The APRC on forint personal loans rose slightly relative to the previous month.³ New business of forint personal loans was down on June.

The monthly average interest rate on households' forint and euro deposits fell relative to the previous month. New business of forint and euro deposits increased.

Table1										
Households	Average interest rates on new business ² (percentage points)			New business volumes (HUF billions: non-seasonally adjusted data)						
	July 2012	Month-on month change	July 2011	July 2012	June 2012	July 2011				
Forint housing loans ¹	12,03	-0,06	10,49	11,76	11,17	18,06				
Forint general purpose mortgage loans ¹	15,20	0,34	12,44	2,94	3,58	6,88				
Forint personal loans ¹	28,68	0,21	31,60	6,29	6,96	7,56				
Forint deposits	6,57	-0,17	5,37	1096,66	977,99	913,54				
Euro deposits with agreed maturity up to 1 year	2,55	-0,22	2,10	197,59	141,08	208,37				

¹⁾ Loans with floating rate and up to 1 year initial rate fixation

¹ New loans to households and non-financial corporations do not include restructured loans. Similarly, the effects of government bridging loans are eliminated from the values of new housing loans and general purpose loans to households. (For more details, see the methodological notes.)

²⁾ The table contains the average APRC for loans

² Act XC of 2010, which prohibits banks from registering a mortgage under a foreign currency loan, entered into force on 14 August 2010. This has been reflected in a decline in foreign currency lending. The greater-than-zero amount of new foreign currency lending is explained by the opportunity to redenominate foreign currency loans disbursed earlier or transfer of debt. (For more details, see the methodological notes.)

³ Under Article 199 (1) of Act XCII of 1996, from 2 April 2012 the annual percentage rate of charge on loans to households may not be higher than the prevailing central bank base rate increased by 24 percentage points, with certain exceptions.

The average interest rate on forint loans to the non-financial corporate sector of up to the equivalent of EUR 1 million barely changed relative to June and that on forint loans of over the equivalent of EUR 1 million increased. The average interest rate on euro loans to the non-financial corporate sector of up to the equivalent of EUR 1 million fell slightly and that on euro loans of over the equivalent of EUR 1 million declined sharply.

New business of forint loans to the non-financial corporate sector of up to the equivalent of EUR 1 million increased, while that of euro loans fell. New business of forint loans of over the equivalent of EUR 1 million remained unchanged and that of euro loans of over the equivalent of EUR 1 million fell relative to the previous month.

Monthly average interest rates on non-financial corporations' forint and euro deposits remained broadly unchanged relative to June. New business of both forint and euro deposits declined.

Table2										
Non-financial corporations	Average interest rates on new business (percentage points)			New business volumes (HUF billions: non-seasonally adjusted data)						
	July 2012	Month-on month change	July 2011	July 2012	June 2012	July 2011				
Forint loans up to 1 million EUR ¹	9,89	0,07	8,87	61,65	58,71	62,71				
Euro loans up to 1 million EUR 1	3,47	-0,18	4,53	16,91	17,14	21,84				
Forint loans over 1 million EUR ¹	9,41	0,43	7,59	95,87	95,23	76,62				
Euro loans over 1 million EUR ¹	3,07	-0,52	3,77	61,96	67,21	49,94				
Forint deposits	6,51	-0,01	5,43	1555,82	1662,82	1503,07				
Euro deposits with agreed maturity up to 1 year	1,24	0,02	1,93	433,41	532,09	813,31				

¹⁾ Loans with floating rate and up to 1 year initial rate fixation

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The seasonally adjusted data are subject to more uncertainty than usual, due to fluctuations caused by the financial crisis.

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